

PRESSING TIMES

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A lot of earth has been moved since RLC construction began. Above, the RLC Community Concert Band plays, under the direction of Bill Hazelbauer, with bulldozers working in the background.



Ina has changed a lot too since 1919 when this picture was taken at the Ina Grade School.

FOR FURTHER BICENTENNIAL STORIES,
TURN TO INSIDE PAGES.

the GRAPEVINE REPORT

By Rocket Jack

*Last issue there was a story on the new parking lots at RLC. It was stated that if we had put in a 5-inch crown of asphalt instead of the 1½-inch crown we now have, the storm-sewer system would not have been able to handle all the extra water flow.

However, the storm-sewer system is equipped to handle 30,000 gallons of water, and it's now only handling about 3,000.

RLC Business Manager Skip Witunski said that the main reason for repairing the parking lots is just to save them for right now so they wouldn't be completely ruined. Major and other minor repairs will be made later.

*Interest keeps growing and growing in the John F. Kennedy murder mystery. When Cambridge Survey Research put the question, "Who Killed JFK?", to the American public, here are the results they got:

18% agreed with the Warren Commission's lone, deranged assassin theory;

13% said they didn't know;

18% said they wanted a new investigation;

51% believed the assassination was a conspiracy;

13% believed the CIA was somehow involved;

5% thought a foreign plot was responsible.

Participants in this poll gave their own answers, (none was provided on the questionnaire) so this is the reason that the percentages don't add up to 100%. But regardless of how the statistics add up,

this poll shows that the American people just do not buy the Warren Report's findings. With the reopening of the Robert Kennedy murder case, it is time to dig into JFK's case too. (See PT's issue of May 13, 1975; "The John F. Kennedy Murder Mystery".)

*Although it's been reported before, the clocks at RLC are still incorrect. They are completely undependable.

Each clock here on campus shows a different, and wrong time. Many new students, unaccustomed to such inaccuracies, have been late to class this semester as a result.

According to Skip Witunski, and Maintenance Director Bob Webb, the Administration and Maintenance departments are making every effort to get the clocks repaired.

The clocks are run by a master control which is located in the Administration Building. When the clocks are set by the master, all the clocks on campus are then supposed to be set and running on the same time.

However, ever since the master control was moved from the Academic Building to the Administration Building during Phase II of construction here, the clocks have malfunctioned.

The firm which provided RLC with the clocks has went bankrupt. This, and other complications, according to Witunski, have caused the delay in fixing the clocks.

Webb says that the clocks are wired into the fire alarm and lighting systems. Anytime work is done on the clocks, care and caution are necessary.

"We are doing everything we can to get the clocks repaired," said Webb.

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APATHY CLUB

The Oct. 1 meeting of the RLC Apathy Club has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

VARIETY SHOW

On Sat., Oct. 11 at 8:15 pm the RLC Drama Dept. will again present the first 1st. Annual Variety Show in the Little Theater.

Admission is \$1 for adults and 50¢ for students.

The money will be used for two scholarships which will be made available during the spring semester.

PROCRASTINATOR CLUB

The first meeting of the newly formed Procrastinator Club will take place whenever the members get around to holding one.

*Betty Ford's recent comments on her daughter Susan and other casual affairs has prompted Rev. Jack Hudson of the Charlotte, N.C. Northside Baptist Church, to work up a sermon about it.

It's entitled "Betty Ford vs. the Bible". He decided that "Mrs. Ford doesn't believe in the Bible, she approves of premarital sex, abortion, and marijuana," and finally that "she is trying to influence her husband about the ERA."

Well, it seems that Hudson is just as good a hustler as he is a preacher, because he's selling tapes of his sermon at \$3 each or two for \$5. Transcripts go for 50 cents each. Self-righteousness for sale?

*Ed Davis, L.A. chief of police, has the last illustrious words: "More white people were shot fatally by police officers last year than black people (in Los Angeles). So we don't discriminate."

The Pressing Times welcomes letters to the editor from students and other readers. The editors retain the right to edit for length, libel and taste. Letters must be signed when delivered to the newspaper office, but the letter will be printed without the name if the writer desires.

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EDITORIAL

By Dimple Williams

We're all familiar with the old cliché, "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing." This is as true today as it was a century ago. College enrolment is at an all time high. In recent years it seems that many people are in college because parents desire it, because there aren't any jobs available, or just because it's the thing to do.

Some are satisfied to just "get by." This is not only an injustice to the faculty; but more importantly to you the student. While we're here let's put forth that little extra effort to be as knowledgeable as possible. This would be especially rewarding to you, also to your teachers. I feel the instructors are a dedicated group attempting to give more than just a "bit of knowledge."

Time is a precious commodity, so let's "get with it," and not waste it.

STUDENT SENATE ELECTED

Results of the Senate elections on Thursday, Sept. 11, are as follows: Freshman Representatives--Mary Halstead, Mitch Fulford, Laura Stewart, Terry Winters; Representatives-at-large--Larry Lewis, Lesa Rhodes, and Steve Williams.

Additional officers who were elected at the September 17 meeting are: Vice-President, Mary Halstead; Treasurer, Lesa Rhodes; Convo chairman, Larry Lewis; Publicity chairman, Laura Mick; Social chairman, Tom Mick.

SEA and the Ag Club had representatives at the Sept. 17 meeting, and the rest of the clubs should choose a representative also.

The next meeting will be Sept. 24 at noon in the Student Senate room of the South Oasis.

Everyone is invited to a dance sponsored by the Senate. Slink Rand is playing for the Oct. 4 dance beginning at 9:30 p. m. in front of the Student Center.

Where's Mary Ward?

by Carol Wilkerson

"I am not Mary Ward," explained Fred Eaton, city editor, Mt. Vernon Register News, as he hurried into Dr. Evelyn Claxton's journalism class, Monday, Sept. 8.

Eaton, filling in for Ward, the reporter who was scheduled to speak, described a newspaper office and the duties of staff members. He answered questions from students about newspaper writing and reporting.

He explained that clarity, brevity, simplicity and details were important factors in writing a story.

VA Loans Available to GI Bill Students By The Phantom

Veterans planning to enter school in August, &/or September may get loans of up to \$600 in one academic year from the Veterans Administration.

Those granted the loans will have to sign promissory notes for the loans at 8% interest, but repayment will be delayed while the student is attending classes at least on a half-time basis, the VA says.

Installment payment must begin nine months after the student ceases at least half-time enrollment and interest will not begin accruing until the beginning date of repayment, according to the VA. Check with your VA Representative in the North Oasis.

Nursing Class Elects Officers

Students of the Practical Nursing class of RLC elected officers, Monday, Sept. 8. Those elected were:

President- Elaine Albers

Vice-president- Rose Stig

Secretary- Helen Abernathy

Treasurer- Judy Lippert

Social committee:

Rose Mary Rainey

Jennifer Sloan

Judi Englehart

Judy Lippert

It was voted and approved to have a fund raising project.

We will have a class meeting the last Friday of each month.

Secretary,
Helen Abernathy

BOARD REPORT

By Laura Mick

The Sept. 16 Rend Lake Board of Trustees meeting directed its attention to various topics.

B. J. "Skip" Witunski told Board members that he is unsure of how much revenue the college will have this year, since state aid to the school could be cut from \$18 expected to a possible low of \$14.

Brad Evilsizer, coordinator of the RLC mining program told the Board that it is getting more and more miners enrolled. A new "Parallel Program" is being offered for coal miners. Evilsizer also hopes the college will consider building a "mock mine" for the mining students.

James F. Yates reported that fall semester enrollment is up this year with the complete tenth day enrollment data up to 1555 from 1317 last year at the same time. Total full time equivalent enrollment had increased by 186 students.

Steve Korris was hired as public information officer for the college.

President Martin was authorized to approve adult education courses for submission to the Illinois Community College Board without going to the Board for approval.

Plans were authorized to install identifying signs on campus buildings. Also the Board approved plans to begin landscaping on campus.

The Board also authorized the administration to prepare bid sheets to go out to various suppliers of capital equipment items.

Yearbook Staff Chosen

Tentative staff positions for the Tarn were chosen at a recent meeting. The staff lineup is as follows:

Editor-in-chief--Jill Jones

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Peter Harris
Concert Review
Head East

Wading through mud, cars, and people seemed to be the only problem that was to be encountered at the Shawnee Salt Petre Cave between Carbondale and Murphysboro on Sept. 20.

Bill Quateman opened the night with a basic blues repertoire. The audience seemed to enjoy the group enough to want an encore.

Then, "Head...East," said the MC.

The group seemed to be very tight and were much more organized than expected. John Schlitt, lead vocalist, did the majority of conversing with the audience which left you the impression that you were still in high school. This violated one of the major public speaking rules, "never speak down to your listener," and was very important because the crowd was mostly college age.

They played a number of songs off a second album which hasn't been released yet. But the crowd did not come alive till they played "Never Been Any Reason", a more familiar song in this area which was also their closing song.

Four more encores and we waded home through mud, cars, and people.

Dr. Estes Is

Honored

By Cindy Estes and Robin Stover

During the third week of August, Dr. Eugene Estes, a science professor here at RLC, received a letter from McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. asking him to preview one of their general zoology books, Elements of Zoology, that they are revising. His report, due at the end of September, will include whether or not he thinks the book has been brought up to date and if he feels it is suitable for college freshmen.

Even though Dr. Estes mainly teaches Biology and Botany, he has had experience in the field of zoology. After teaching high school biology for several years, he came to RLC in 1960. Until 1965, he taught Zoology, Botany, and Health. Dr. Estes thinks reviewing the book will be something of interest to him.

Besides the honor of being chosen to preview the zoology text, he has been selected to be an associate examiner for North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The NCA serves colleges in 19 states.

When a college is to be re-evaluated, a team of 4 or 5 members spend three days observing the campus. Dr. Estes, who will be working on one of these teams, will visit three colleges in the North Central area this year.

The first school he will visit is a two campus junior college in Esterville, Iowa. The visit will be somewhere between Oct. 1 and Jan. 15. Not only will he evaluate the college, he will in turn be evaluated by the other members of the team. After a year of being an associate examiner and after passing an evaluation test, he will become a consultant examiner.

Reception For Martin

On Thursday, Sept. 4, an informal reception was held in the Student Center to welcome Dr. W. Travis Martin, the new president of RLC, to the campus.

The festivities began at 2 p.m. with a concert of Bicentennial music by Collegiate Choir. Afterwards, the teachers and students enjoyed refreshments, cake and punch. Everyone relaxed with their refreshments and used the remainder of the time to become better acquainted with Dr. Martin.

A Message From Martin

Rend Lake College is a winner! This is the thought that came to me the first time I heard the name Rend Lake College. Now that I have had time to get acquainted with some of the faculty, staff, and students, I am certain that my first impression was the right one. It is the people that make any institution great—people with their own interests, abilities and enthusiasms. In fact, enthusiasm may be the key to the success of RLC. I have come to know some outstanding faculty members whose enthusiasm for their program is attested to by the corresponding enthusiasm for their students. I have learned of graduates who have achieved success not only in their chosen fields, but also in their personal lives.

This is the goal of an educational institution—to provide not only the best education and training, but also personal guidance and attention to the individual needs of the student. RLC graduates must not be just good academicians or technicians, but well rounded people, ready to meet the challenges that they will inevitably face.

If there is anything we can do to assist a student—at whatever age or capability—to achieve success both professionally and personally, to live a more fulfilling life, this is what we seek to do.

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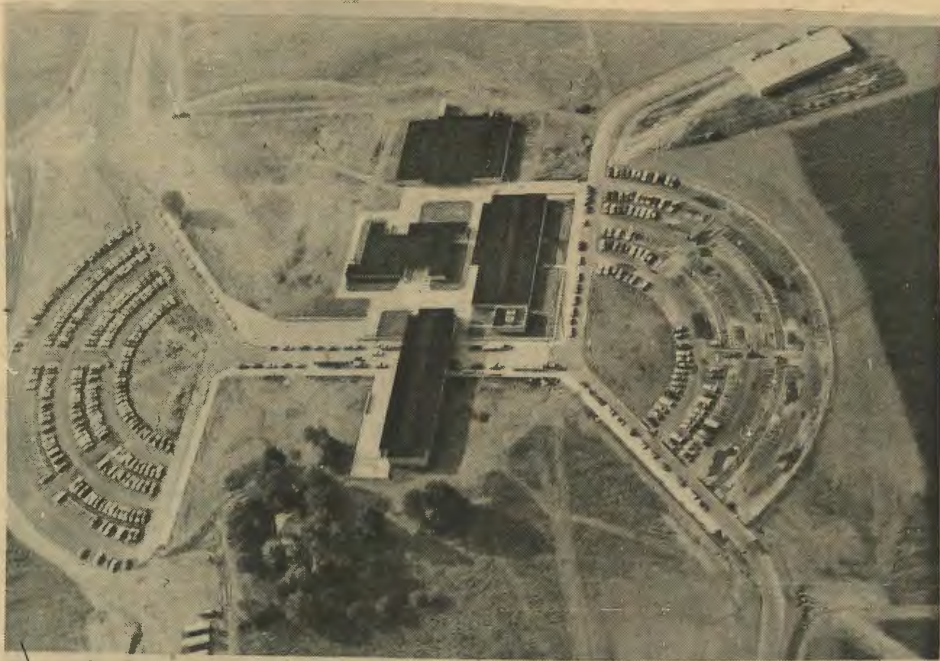
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Saturday

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This coming weekend many free activities are planned as part of the Ina-Rend Lake College Bicentennial Program. Events begin at 8 p.m. in Ina on Friday, Sept. 26, with a square dance. The dance will be held next to the Ina State Bank. Refreshments will be available.

Activities will go on from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Ina on Saturday. They include a flea market, an antique car display, soap-making, horse-shoeing, quilting, weaving, and displays of old photos and antiques. Games will be played and refreshments served. At 4 a pageant, "I Love America", will take place in the Ina Freewill Baptist Church. It will be put on by the New Hope Freewill Baptist and Ina Freewill Baptist Youth Groups.

Saturday is also signated as home-coming for former students of RLC and Mt. Vernon Community College. A baseball game is scheduled for noon against Southeastern. At 1 there will be a black powder demonstration by the Sons of Liberty of Harrisburg as well as tomahawk throwing, a demonstration by a professional archer, a knife exhibit and a interpretive wagon. The events at 1 are to be held with the cooperation of the Rend Lake Duck Hunters' Club, the corps of Engineers, and the state of Illinois Department of Conservation as part of National Hunting and Fishing Day.

There also will be a "crazy quilt" dis-tions, plus movies and slides on the American Revolution. At 7 an hour long concert in the new theater at Rend Lake College will conclude the bicentennial program.

All events except the duck hunters' clinic in the theater during the afternoon are free. The public is welcome, and it is hoped that persons who attend activities at Rend Lake College will also visit Ina and vice versa.

ALL INFORMATION FOR THIS SPECIAL BICENTENNIAL EDITION OF THE PRESSING TIMES WAS COMPILED BY DR. RICHARD DOHERTY, BICENTENNIAL CHAIRMAN FOR RLC.



INA History Spans Century

In 1894 brothers by the name of Johnson and a Mr. Faught of St. Elmo, Illinois, decided to build the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad through Southern Illinois. They ran their survey through land owned by C. M. "Uncle Cal" Brown and his son S. E. "Jerry" Brown. "Uncle Cal" was a veteran of the Mexican War of the 1840s and had received an 80 acre federal grant of land because of this. From that beginning, he purchased more land in the area of Ina.

The land the railroad chose for the depot belonged to Jerry Brown. He donated one-and-a-half acres for the depot plus 11 acres of land for a switch. To get the town started, his father donated land for streets, alleys and a main public road. This was in the late 1890s and amounted to ten acres. The railroad especially attracted people from Spring Garden five miles to the east. (Some of the lots sold for as little as \$3-\$5. The choicest lots went for \$25-\$30.)

Johnson, of the railroad was staying at the home of S. E. "Jerry" Brown and asked Brown to name the town. Brown had two daughters, Anna and Ina. Because there already was an Anna, Illinois, he decided to name it in honor of his oldest daughter Ina. "Uncle Cal" would have named the town "Melissa", but "Ina" became the name. Anna is still alive in Denver, Colo. She is in her mid 80s. The Town of "Bonnie" was named for the railroad officials (Johnson) daughter. Ina Brown married Ralph Wyatt, and moved to Denver, Colo. Ina died after a long life, but her younger brother Frank owns Brown's Lumber in Ina today. "Uncle Cal" Brown died at the age of 95 when smallpox broke out in the village. His home still stands.

George Pace became the first resident to move into the new town. He lived in a square four room house. Tom Fry was the first person born in Ina. About five years after the town of Ina began to build, a fire destroyed much of it. People worked very hard through pie suppers and so on to raise money to help rebuild the town.

Ina was rebuilt and became more prosperous than before. The population reached about 500 persons. There were three general merchandise stores owned by John T. Fry, William R. Roth and Elihn Kirk.

George C. Snider was the local undertaker. Neighbor ladies would bathe and dress the body before placing it in the home. That night the family would have a wake and the next day the body would be taken to the Kirk Cemetery by horse drawn hearse.

There were two blacksmiths and seven

churches. The Baptist Church is the oldest in Ina. Ministering was done by traveling preachers, so church was usually held only once a month. There were five physicians, Dr. Hugh Peavler, Samuel A. Thompson, Dr. Harper, Dr. Culi and Dr. Hamilton.



At first the grade school, White School, was located where Buel Williams now lives. In 1900 a different school was built, but it burned down and was replaced in 1921 by a combination grade and high school. The high school operated until 1947, and the grade school is still in use.

There once was a hotel and livery stable. The livery stable was owned by Sam Mooreland. Most of his business came from traveling men who stayed at the hotel. They often would rent a horse and rig to visit the surrounding area. Six passenger trains and two local freight trains used Ina. It cost two cents a mile to ride the train.

J. C. "Cob" Dunbar owned a restaurant near the location of the present restaurant. One could buy an ice cream soda for a nickel at Harmon Brothers grocery and confectionary. Luther Fitzgell was the sheriff, and the jail was located northwest of the highway.

Many people worked all week on their farms. On Saturday they would come in to Ina to trade eggs and butter for things they could not make themselves. The storekeepers would hire extra help for the weekends and to construct egg crates. Often farmers would leave with more money than when they came. Early in the century also, there were cattle, hog and geese drives to take the animals from Ina to St. Louis.

As Mt. Vernon and Benton grew, many people moved from Ina. Now Ina is small, but it still prospers. There is a general merchandise store, two service stations, a hardware store, a restaurant, a furniture store, two beauty shops, an elevator, a funeral home, two insurance agencies, three garages, a grade school, and a volunteer fire department. And in 1970 Ina became the "Home of Rend Lake College."



Growth Marks RLC History

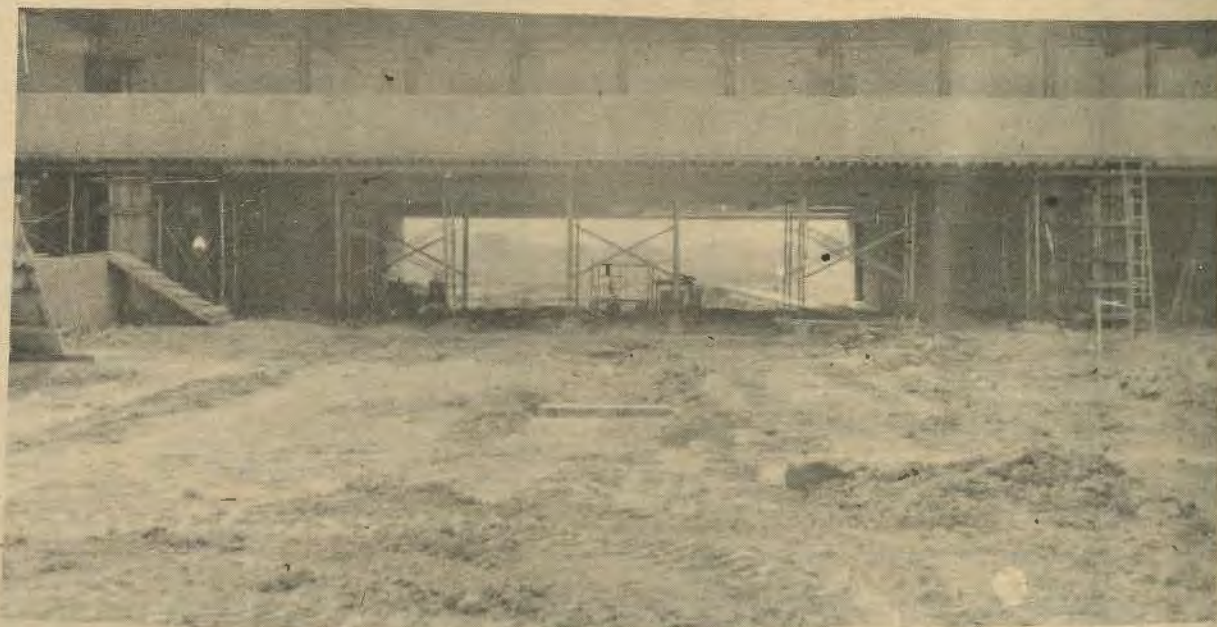
In 1955 the State General Assembly passed a law which would allocate \$100 per full-time student at a junior college. The superintendent of Mt. Vernon Township High School, Arthur Milward, pursued the idea of forming a junior college. A referendum for forming a college district was passed on Oct. 29, 1955, with more than 96% of the vote.

Howard Rawlinson was named dean and made responsible for beginning the classes of Mt. Vernon Community College for the fall of 1956. Less than 200 students, over one-half of them part-time students, began classes on Sept. 5, of that year. The new college had 16 part-time and four full-time faculty and two part-time administrators.

In December of 1964 a North Central Committee on Accreditation visited Mt. Vernon Community College. Accreditation was denied among other things because of identification with the high school, lack of provisions for adequate financial support, the smallness of the college library, and an inadequate number of offerings in the vocational area. The need for a separate autonomous school was evident.

In 1959 there had been discussion of the merging of the Mt. Vernon and Centralia colleges into one district with the area of Salem High School to be added to it. Supporters from Salem and Mt. Vernon were agreeable if a site could be selected before the new college was established. Persons from Centralia felt that selection of a site should be postponed until after the election of a Board of Trustees. The movement died because of this impasse.

The Board of Higher Education of the State of Illinois made Master Plan reformed to join a district for which it had not planned unless steps were taken. Soon a Steering committee, with recommendations for a system of junior college districts. In the spring of 1964 Dean Rawlinson pointed out to the local Board of Education that Mt. Vernon might be sentatives from Waltonville, Sesser, Woodlawn, Bluford, Wayne City, McLeansboro, Dahlgren, and Mt. Vernon was formed. In July of 1965 the group decided to attempt to establish a junior college district consisting of all of part of six or more counties. A new steering committee was formed to undertake this task.



The Steering Committee did its work well, and a referendum for the college was approved on Oct. 22, 1966, by an eight-to-one margin. In December of 1966 the Steering Committee chose a slate of candidates for the Board of Trustees with one representative each from White, Wayne, Perry, Hamilton, and Franklin counties, and two from Jefferson County. There was no opposition to these candidates. Curtis Parker was chosen as president of the first Board. (Dr. Allen Baker replaced Melvin Farlow as president in 1971. Mr. Carleton Apple became president in 1975. Both Baker and Apple were members of the original Steering Committee and are current members of the Board.)

Mt. Vernon Community College was requested to discontinue operation as of June 30, 1967. In May, 1967, Dr. James Snyder was hired as president of the new college and Dr. Howard Rawlinson as dean. In November of 1967 a bond issue for \$3,100,000 was approved as well as a master plan for the new campus.

The name Rend Lake College was officially adopted by the Board on July 18, 1967. The College would remain in Mt. Vernon only a short while longer. On March 27, 1969, the ground was broken for construction at the Ina site which had been purchased in November, 1968. The fall term for the 1970-1971 school year began in the new facilities southwest of Ina. Plans had developed sufficiently that the North Central Association awarded accreditation in January of 1969.

Phase II of the Master Plan for construction began in May, 1972. The completion of Phase II in 1974 enabled programs such as agriculture and nursing to

be housed on the Ina campus. New faces have come to the Ina campus also. In 1972 Dr. Philip Ward Succeeded Howard Rawlinson as dean of the college. In 1975, James Snyder retired as president and was replaced by Dr. W. Travis Martin, on Sept. 1. President Martin was chosen after an extensive search for an educational leader. James Yates, the Redistrar who began in 1956, is the only remaining administrator from the inception of the college.

In recent years emphasis has been placed on adding programs to the curriculum while trying to hold down expenses. For example, the Social Science Department has begun ten new courses. In many departments instructors have greatly increased their enrollment and size of classes by having more preparations each semester and teaching at night. This is typical of the co-operative efforts and sacrifices the faculty to maximize student opportunities and hold down costs for the taxpayer.

Expansion in vocational and adult education programs in particular have taken place. A mining program inaugurated in 1974 has great potential. 1975 has been a record year for enrollment and meeting the needs of the college district. Because there is a cooperative community, a responsible Board of Trustees and a dedicated, hard-working faculty and administration, the full potential for service by Rend Lake College to the local area still has not been realized. The College will continue to grow and develop through serving the needs of its citizens.

What's A Spring Garden?

Spring Garden, the predecessor of Ina, may be the second oldest English speaking community in Illinois. It is thought that the Smith and Hopper families came to the Spring Garden area from Tennessee as early as 1816. Illinois became a state in 1818, and Jefferson County was organized in 1819.

Other pioneer families included the Kirks, Atchisons, Pritchetts, Paretts and Sweetins. Most were members of the Baptist Church. Uriah Compton improved the spring from which the village took its name. His resort was called Compton Springs, and the waters were supposed to be healthful.

The village of Spring Garden was laid out on Oct. 24, 1848 when Lewis F. Duncan and John S. Lucas. The original survey had only ten lots and two streets, Main and Jefferson. Later additions were laid out by Thomas Softly, Samuel Hawkins and Gabriel Peavler. The town was important as it was located between Mt. Vernon and the college town of Ewing, and was a regular stop for the stagecoach.

The first business in Spring Garden was established by W. W. Breek in the spring of 1847. In 1850-1851 James E. Cox built a house and sold groceries from it. John H. Wyatt and Mr. Lucas had a store located across the street from the tavern. The first hotel was built in 1859-1860. It was made of brick and owned by James M. Williams who came to the area from Tennessee.

James R. Combs arrived in Spring Garden around 1854. He had been a carpenter, but went into merchandising. In June, 1854 Thomas Softly had W. B. Anderson lay out an addition which extended the town southward. Sycamore and Thomas Streets running east and west were added as were Laird and Wells Streets which ran north and south.

Another early resident was Wiley Prigmore who arrived in 1856. Joshua Kilabrew had a store which was taken over by Tom Williams who sold it to John Clinton. Mr. Williams left town but returned after a year to purchase a store from Dr. Reed (the father of famous conqueror of yellow fever, Dr. Walter Reed). Tom Williams sold goods in Spring Garden for many years.

The first mill in the area was built by Driver and Pollock. Persons came from miles to see the mill in operation but were dissatisfied when the millstones burst into a thousand pieces. After some time, Driver and Pollock went out of business, and Harvey Williams built a mill about a mile out



Willard Hall
Ewing College-
1902 to 1904

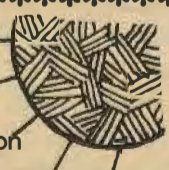
of town. David Louck later ran this mill.

In 1857 a school was constructed. At that time Drs. Reed, Bernard, Cox, and Hughey were in Spring Garden. Drs. Cox and Hughey left and Dr. Frost came in from Irvington in 1862. Joe Carroll and John Scott smithed in the village for many years. Mr. Carroll built a brick shop in 1866-1867.

At one time the population was approximately 300, and it was the most populous township in the county after Mt. Vernon. Construction of the St. Louis and Southeastern Railroad after the Civil War caused movement from Spring Garden to Opdyke and Belle Rive.

The first Bonnie Camp Meeting occurred in 1891 in Spring Garden and had a very large attendance. In the 1890s, however, saw construction of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad. Because of the railroad, many of the remaining Spring Garden residents moved to Ina, five miles to the west. Some even moved their homes to Ina on large rollers. Ina is truly a descendant of Spring Garden.

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FFA REPORTERS' WORKSHOP

On Wed. Sept. 10 the University of Illinois College of Agriculture sponsored a reporters' workshop in the Student Center for members of the Future Farmers of America from all over Southern Illinois.

Approximately 50 reporters and advisers took part in this workshop which included instruction in newspaper reporting, radio and tv coverage, and photography.

The welcoming address was given by State FFA Reporter John Ireland who then introduced Dr. W. Travis Martin, RLC's new president.

Dr. Martin made a brief talk to the group before turning the meeting back over to Ireland who, along with Pam Naylor, FFA public information specialist, conducted the rest of the workshop.

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1. Before you buy an album, lay it on a flat surface. If it is not flat, the record inside is probably warped.
 2. When buying a record, make sure you can return it if it is defective in any way. If they will not, report them to the Better Business Bureau.
 3. After taking the record home, take the plastic off the cover and discard. In warm conditions it could contract and warp the record inside.
 4. Make sure record is not warped and use a treatment of whatever you have found will clean and maintain your records. Discwasher, a special formulated record cleaner is the best cleaner on the market, I think. Make sure the cleaner will clean the groove so the needle will not grind the dirt in. Don't ever fingerprint the record. The acid will eat at the spot of the print. If any of your records are really dirty, it's possible to use soap and cool water. Follow instructions pertaining to maintenance of needle and cartridge, it could be grinding the record, no matter how you clean it. Replace it if necessary.
 5. Last, regularly maintain your records by keeping dust off and not storing flat. Always store upright; otherwise they will warp and you will have wasted your time in the other steps.
- I hope this makes your listening more pleasurable without the same old static and skips.

AND....

- Doobie Brothers touring 52 cities through Nov. including a stop in Keil Auditorium on Sept. 28.
- Gene Kelly's Salute To Broadway, a musical comedy will be performed at the SIU Skyrock Auditorium on Oct. 1.
- The Edgar Winter Group with Rick Derringer plus Johnny Winter have embarked on a large 60-city tour of North America.
- Tour of UK by Queen starting Nov. with the group's next album almost completed.
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- Joe Walsh and Peter Frampton have live LP's coming out.

New LP's

1. Kiss- Live (2 albums)
2. Ted Nugent-Ted Nugent
3. Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow

4. Jethro Tull-Minstrel In The Gallery
5. Allman Brothers- Win, Lose, or Draw
6. Bruce Springsteen- Born To Run
7. Rod Stewart-Atlantic Crossing
8. Eric Clapton-E.C. was Here
9. Steppenwolf- Hour of The Wolf
10. Pink Floyd-Wish You Were Here
11. Dan Fogelburg-Captured Angel
12. J. Geils Band-Hot Line
13. Ken Hensley (of Uriah Heep) Eager To Please
14. Grand Funk-Caught in the Act
15. Charlie Daniels-Night Rider
16. Elvin Bishop- Best of Elvin Bishop
17. Grateful Dead-Blues For Allah
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18. Marshall Tucker Band-Searchin' For A Rainbow
19. Outlaws
20. Loggins and Messina- So Fine

Peter Harris
Record Review

Grand Funk- Caught in the Act

I think "Caught in the Act" is a bad name for this album. It should be called, "Second Chance", in relation to the effort and probable idea behind this package of greatest hits.

Grand Funk has always been knocked by critics. But kids (us at the time) kept buying their records and flocking to their concerts. Why? Because Grand Funk was the first of the "Midwest Boogie Bands". Who came first, ZZ Top, REO, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Head East, The Doobie Brothers, Kiss, or....Grand Funk?

This album merely shows their conformity to the standards of any other rock band of today. In simpler terms, Grand Funk sounds like ZZ Top, REO, Lynyrd Skynyrd, etc.

By Lesa Rhodes

A lot of things are happening right now around RLC and in the music department there is no exception. After five weeks of hard work, some good laughs and serious (?) concentration, the collegiate choir is about to begin the first of many performances of the year.

In addition to the Bicentennial Concert Sept. 27, the collegiate choir is doing a combined concert with the community chorus Monday, Oct. 13, at 8:15 p.m.

Bicentennial music and other selections by American composers will be performed. Other future performances of the choir may include singing at the DuQuoin Folk Festival Oct. 2-4.

Enrollment in choir is 31, while attendance in community chorus has been running around 60. Even though choir members have already been selected, Community Chorus is still open for anyone interested in singing.

Accompanist for community chorus is Gary Arnold, Mt. Vernon; the accompanist for collegiate choir is Lesa Rhodes, Zeigler.

The concert band will also be performing at the Bicentennial concert. Under the direction of Keith Drayton, the band will play selections by American composers.

Enrollment in concert band has been running around 25-30 members.

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Diary Of A DJ

by Brent Hamilton

Night-time rock disc jockey! WQRX Music Director! Both those titles sound great. You're probably saying that's the easiest work in the world. All you do is sit back in an E-Z chair, eat pizza, drink 7-UP, and answer the phone. To those of you who think that, I say you're absolutely right. At least, I think it's easy. The first thing to conquer is "mike-fright."

Every night I go on the air, I don't give a care what anybody thinks of what I do. If I tell a dumb joke (which I often do), it doesn't bother me. I might also add that I'm very cockey when I'm in the control studio. It's my room and nobody elses.

I'm writing this in the studio. When I walk out of that studio at night, it's like a complete personality change. I really love it when people come up to me and say "You're Brent Hamilton, aren't you?" When I say yes, they look at me a second time and say, "You don't look like you sound." That doesn't bother me because they don't either.

Usually there are three things that determine how long you stay employed at a radio station: 1) Are you related to the boss? 2) Do you work cheap? 3) Are you popular with the listening audience?

That third question is the biggie. What I mean by that is do people write letters commenting on your show, or sexy girls call and compliment you. Well after answering all the questions, I can't figure out what I'm doing at QRX.

One of my favorite radio whackies is to talk to people on the air. I get drunks from parties, hard-up guys, and 8-year-old kids who got the wrong number calling WMIX. We average about 50 calls a night; broken down that's 25 requests for Stairway to Heaven, 10 who were trying to reach Dial-A-Prayer, and 15 applying for my job.

The drive home is one of the things that doesn't exactly make me jump for joy. I live in Mt. Vernon and it takes 30 minutes to get to Benton (15 of those 30 are getting from one end of Mt. Vernon to the other).

One night after working 6 p.m.-1a.m. I headed for home. I was really tired; my eyelids held up by toothpicks. As I came into Mt. Vernon those toothpicks snapped and I was out for the night. The next thing I knew my car was on the sidewalk next to Opal's Smorg. The Mt. Vernon police pulled me over for drunk driving. They also had me walk the yellow line on the road. After 15 minutes of apologies I dismissed them for the night and told'em to go home and shine their star. Hey I gotta get goin' my records almost over and there's some girl pressing her nose against the studio window.



SLINK RAND

The SLINK RAND GROUP will be performing for a dance in front of the RLC Student Center on Sat., Oct. 4 at 8:30 - 11:30 p.m.

This dance is sponsored by the Student Senate.

Guided by the guitar pyrotechnics of Slink Rand, this rip-roaring powerhouse explodes with energy that never stops--from the gut-level impact of lightning-

fast leads to the sinuous rhythm of the blues.

Having played with the James Gang, B.B. King, Ted Nugent, Lighthouse, Detroit, Larry Coryell, Styx, REO Speedwagon and Blue Oyster Cult, the Slink Rand Group has always brought the audience to its feet, screaming for encore after encore.

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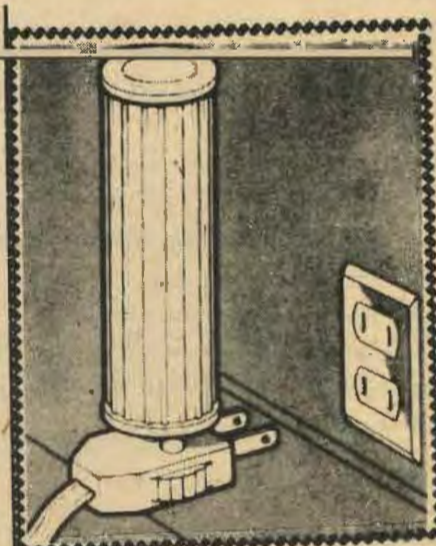
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RECORD REVIEW

By Lynne Mabry

Blood, Sweat, and Tears "New City"

Unfortunately I can't claim a long term membership to the Blood, Sweat, and Tears fan club. Prior to the "New City" album, my entire exposure consisted of "Spinning Wheel", and "When I Die". Both provide a clearly defined style and channel of music that I had fixed through the ages as the Blood, Sweat, and Tears.

The same basic BS&T form still exists in their '75 release "New City", but much, much more polished—giving off a clearer variety of reflections. Variety is the key word for this effort. Although only three of the cuts come originally from the BS&T personnel, the "oldies but goodies", "Ride Captain Ride" and "Got to Get You into My Life", show a different slant from the usual.

76ers VS SPIRITS AT SIU

The Spirit of St. Louis and the Philadelphia 76ers will clash inside the S.I.U. Arena at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 18.

The Spirits boast of players such as: Marvin Barnes, Freddie Lewis, and Don Chaney. Bill Cunningham and Benton's Doug Collins can be associated with the 76ers.

Tickets for the Spirits/76ers game are priced at \$3.50, \$4.50, and \$5.00 and went on sale Sept. 16 at the S.I.U. ticket office, Penney's in Carbondale, and at Montgomery Ward's in Mt. Vernon.

CORPS OF ENGINEER'S OUTDOOR PROGRAM

An informative program will be sponsored by the Corps of Engineers at 1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 27.

Don Taylor, professional archer, will give a shooting demonstration and then the public will be allowed to test their abilities.

The Sons of Liberty, muzzle loaders will give shooting, knife, and tomahawk demonstrations. The public is asked to compete in the fire building with steel and flint contest.

The Mt. Vernon Gun Club will give instructions and demonstrations of skeet shooting and gun safety. Guns and clay will be furnished. The public is asked not to bring guns.

Jerry Lane, professional knife maker, will display his hunting, fishing and knife throwing.

A demonstration of methods used to prepare nature foods will also be presented by Gene Morgan. This entire program is free to the public.

Some things never change, such as David Clayton-Thomas' outstanding vocals. All the selections seemingly become his own. My favorite, "One Room Country Shack", is a traditional blues. It is written by John Hooker, but arranged and adapted by Clayton-Thomas to bring out its best affect. Lovely, lovely blues.

For those of you who never cared for the Blood, Sweat, and Tears, you now have an opportunity to show your "liberal objectivity" and try this recent effort. On the other hand, if you've always spent your dimes playing "Spinning Wheel" on the jukebox, you can relax and sigh knowing refinement has come at last.

Golf Heads IM Lineup

By Mark Dyel

A golf tournament at Homestead in Mt. Vernon on Sept. 30 kicks off RLC's intra-mural athletic program.

The tournament has six divisions, a men's and women's class divided into faculty, staff, and students. Awards will be given for longest drive on the sixth hole, closest to the pin on the ninth and low score.

Coach Jim Waugh said he expects between 40-50 entries. There is a \$1.50 entry fee and no pre-registration necessary.

The tennis tournament is also underway with 10 entries in the singles competition and four in the doubles, according to Coach Wayne Arnold.

Other first semester activities are basketball (one on one) and table tennis (singles and doubles). Registration dates will be posted.

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Fall Golf Underway

The RLC linksmen will compete in the Lincoln Trail Invitationals Monday, Sept. 29.

The golfers were on the road Sept. 18 to Wabash Valley and earned a 259-287 win.

Connaway was low scorer for the Warriors carding an 83, with Ellis not far behind shooting an 85.

John Ellis's 65 wasn't enough to trample host Kaskaskia in the Warriors' first meet of the season. Kaskaskia edged the Warriors with a three stroke difference 328-315.

Hunting Clinic

By John Fleri

Hunters, plan to attend the Duck and Goose Hunting Clinic from 8:00 a.m. till 2:15 p.m., Sept. 27, in the Little Theater.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m., followed by an introduction session. Some of the topics to be discussed are as follows: laws of duck hunting (state and local), gunning water fowl on Rend Lake, duck identification, gun safety, a film: Honkers in Illinois, proper survival and first aid equipment and supplies for the duck hunter. Five dollars will cover the registration fee.

SIDELINE VIEWS



by John Fleri

This weeks Sideline Views takes us away from the gym and onto a sport that doesn't require balls, bats or rackets, that is hiking.

Hiking can be done anywhere, for any amount of time, but bare in mind the quickest route out of town is the best path to follow. Dress according to prevailing weather conditions.

A hike through the woods offers fascinating experiences and unlimited knowledge through careful observation. A multitude of various birds, reptiles, small plants, trees and fur-bearing animals are observable in any wooded area.

Tree climbing is often a strenuous exercise, especially if you get too high in the tree, then it's hard to get back down.

It would be nice to bring a few sandwiches and drinks along, depending on how far you plan to hike.

If you plan on spending the night you need: one box of Blue Dot Matches, spirits, marshmallows and one sleeping bag for you and your opposite.

Remember, solitude is a key factor in deciding upon a campsite and the success of your camping depends on it.

Diamondmen Take To The Field

By John Fleri

Come view the RLC diamondmen in action against Southeastern at noon, Sept. 27, at the RLC ball diamond.

In a double header played last Sunday the Warriors shut out visiting Kaskaskia 3-0 in the first game and were tied four all in the eleventh of the second game when the game was called because of darkness.

Mark Hefner was two for four in the hitting department for the Warriors. Doug Murphy, Scott Griffin and Steve Crane were responsible for the three Warrior runs. Jack Smith earned the mound win by allowing four hits, ten strikeouts and three walks. Kreke was the losing hurler.

Hefner and Chris Valentine cracked four and three hits respectively in the second game Sunday. Jody Gaunt, Doug Hardacre, Buck Rainey and Smith rounded out the RLC scoring with one run apiece.

Rommelmann led the scoring for Kaskaskia with two runs followed by Roetemeyer and Hannenberger with one apiece. Jim Hammers was the RLC hurler when the game was called. The game was to have been played Sept. 24.

On Sept. 15 the Warriors split wins with John A. Logan in the season opener. The Warriors edged JAL 6-5 in the first game with two runs scored by Mark Hefner (3B) and by Doug Hardacre (S). Jody Gaunt (LF) and Chris Valentine (IB) scored one

run apiece. Licata, Fisher, Pauls, Knewitz and Samples each scored a run for JAL.

Jack Smith took the mound win by allowing 5 runs on 6 hits and 6 walks. Pauls was the losing pitcher for Logan.

In the second game JAL downed the Warriors 4-3. Gaunt, Hefner, and Hardacre each crossed the plate once to round out the scoring for RLC. Scoring for JAL was Samples with 2 runs, Knewitz and Descocher with one apiece.

Jim Hammers was the losing pitcher by allowing 4 runs on 4 hits and 8 walks. JAL's Chiavendone earned the mound win.

CHEERLEADERS CHOSEN

by Laura Mick

What goes along with basketball tryouts? Cheerleading tryouts, of course!

This year Coach Waugh, sponsor, conducted the Sept. 17 tryouts with a total of 10 girls working to gain the 6 positions.

Students and faculty members judged and chose Lisa Van Horn, Cindy Hill, Lesa Flanagan, Ann Wooley, Jennifer Hoffman, and Jill Brower for their excellent group and individual cheering quality as well as their gymnastic ability.

A busy basketball season will keep the girls very active by creating excitement and new cheers for the games. In addition to that, they will be helping out in the Oct. 25 cheerleading clinic held for area junior high schools, act as hostesses for the Junior High and High School Basketball Coaches Clinic on Nov. 1, and will assist Coach Waugh in the Physical Ed. Workshop and Basketball Banquet to be held next semester.

Hopefully these girls can help the increase in attendance to all Warrior basketball games. Our players need the support!

Letters of Opinion

Dear Sportswriter,

When I was in sixth grade, we had cheerleaders to help lead our team on to victory. But ya know, no matter how much them cheerleaders cried, raved, and screamed, till they couldn't talk, we still got wumped, but them cheerleaders sure look foxy ana shakin' around in them skimpy dresses.

Name Withheld

Dear Sportspage,

I think we ought to trade the pinball machine, on the east end, in for a foosball table. I think if some of the guys in the coaches' lounge were on our side we could get action, because they're into sports, too!

Signed,
Concerned Student

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