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Merger Plans Moving Ahead

Committees Begin Work

by Gordon Matheson

The newly formed Coordinating Committee for Federation held its first meeting on May 12th. The joint committee of faculty, administrators and students from Richmond and S.I.C.C. will serve as the president's temporary cabinet in the federating process. Richmond members of the committee include Michael Shugrue, dean of the college, Dorothy McCormack, dean of students, Paul Schmidt, executive director of administrative services, faculty representatives Barry Bressler, Mirrella Affron, and Alfred M. Levine, student representative, Mary DeRosa, and Neil Kleinman, executive assistant to the president.

Other committees are in the process of being formed and are expected to begin meeting this week.

In addition to the Coordinating Committee, which determines the make-up and duties of all other committees, the committees are:

The Budget Committee which will advise the president on matters concerning budget.

The Task Force on Instructional Support Services which will develop guidelines for the consolidation of library and educational media services.

The Task Force on Physical Facilities will develop guidelines for the consolidation and utilization of space and equipment, prepare an inventory of available space and equipment, and develop an approach to the problem of transportation between the two campuses.

The Task Force on Program Articulation will develop guidelines for coordinating academic programs, including the academic functions of the ASK center, College Discovery and SEEK. This task force will have two subcommittees, one on Outreach and Community Programs, and another on Remedial Programs.

The Task Force on Student Affairs will develop guidelines for student activities, student governments, student space needs, auxiliary enterprises and the S.I.C.C. and Richmond College Associations.

The Task Force on Student Services will develop guidelines for coordinating and consolidating student services, health services and other student support services.

The Task Force on Administrative Services will develop guidelines for coordinating and consolidating such service areas as the Registrar's Office, the Business Office, Security, Buildings and Grounds, Campus Planning, Graphic Arts, Data Processing, and Personnel.

There will be student representation on each of the task forces and committees. The Student Council is electing the student members. There are still openings for students who are prepared to meet through the summer. If you are interested inquire in the Student Government Office, Room 424.

In other federation developments, President Volpe, in a fence mending effort, has visited the S.I.C.C. campus several times. There had been

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Vets Lobby In D.C. For Benefits

by Jack Thompson

On May 11th the Veterans of Richmond College joined veterans, CUNY-wide in a trip to Washington to lobby for Veterans Legislation. The vets were lobbying for the extension of the delimiting date, a 9 month extension to be allowed for Graduate Study (from 36 to 45 months), a cost of living increment, increased VOIP funding (to keep local vets offices intact) and expanded health care as well as improved discharge upgrading procedures.

The Richmond College contingent ran into many closed doors and empty offices in their attempts to talk to members of the Veterans' Affairs as well as the Appropriations Committees and got their first hopeful note when talking to an aide of a legislative assistant in the office of Senator Mathias (R-Md.)

Though they did not talk to the senator, the aide assured them he was in favor of the legislation in question.

In the office of Tyler Craig, the Minority Council of the Veterans Affairs Office, the Vets were again assured that "everybody here is in favor of the Veterans" and laid more of the blame on the Veterans organizations that do the most lobbying and are insensitive to the needs of Vietnam Era Veterans.

In a meeting later with the N.Y. Delegates to the House of Representatives, all of the N.Y. Vets heard the delegates talk on their efforts to pass legislation for Vets and the opposition they received. Rep. Lester Wolfe served as spokesman and announced the delegates as they entered the meeting; Rep. Bella Abzug drew a loud round of applause that was

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Bella poses with some of Richmond contingent

Dirty Tricks Charged In Anti-ERA Campaign

by Amina Ali Munoz

Various right wing organizations, the Conservative Party, and the Knights of Columbus have been charged with publishing misleading literature, violating the election laws of New York state, and engaging in questionable financial transactions in their attempts to defeat the Equal Rights Amendment in this state.

The New York Public Interest Research Group, Inc. (NYPIRG), has recently published a report entitled, "Who Sank the ERA?", in which the consumer advocate and political action group charges that Operation Wakeup, an anti-ERA group, has connections with the John Birch Society, an ultra-right, racist organization. Though the JBS was not listed as a member of Operation Wakeup, the organization provided funds and staff for the same. According to a statement made by Wakeup Vice President Virginia Lavan to NYPIRG, "Some of our hardest workers were Birchers". Although the

Birchers have not filed financial statements with the Board of Elections, they have supplied money and literature to the campaign.

Also cited are the Young Americans for Freedom, and the Conservative Party of New York State, on similar charges. Wilson Price, chairman of the Westchester County Conservative Party, admitted that he spent between \$600 to \$1,000 on the campaign.

The Knights of Columbus, according to the NYPIRG, has spent over a thousand dollars on the anti-ERA campaign, yet has not complied with the State Election Law that requires any group that spends more than \$1,000 on a political campaign to file a list of expenditures with the Board of Elections.

As of March 1, 1976, the Board of Elections has not begun to investigate any of the groups.

Another charge made was that of the use of false information and scare

tactics by anti-ERA forces. According to the report, "The mere use of misleading advertising alone... may have been enough to instill fear and doubt in many responsible people who might otherwise have supported the ERA." Some of the arguments used against the ERA were: that it would make separate restrooms illegal, that it would make homosexual marriages legal, that men would not be obligated to support their families, that rape would go unpunished, etc. All of those arguments have been refuted by the majority report of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee before it approved the Federal Equal Rights Amendment, yet this misinformation was the basis of the anti-ERA campaign. The report informs that the President of the West Side Conservative Club in New York City, Fred Christopher, passed out leaflets depicting a homosexual wedding to pedestrians; and Mary Ann Sanscrainte of Buffalo Wakeup dressed as an outhouse bearing a sign that said

"Theirs" to protest what she called the "Common Toilet Law".

According to the Senate Judiciary Committee, the constitutional right to privacy would be in effect if the ERA was passed, which decrees separate toilet facilities for men and women, as well as separate sleeping quarters in public places. Also, the NYPIRG informs that the ERA would not legalize homosexual marriage; but would make it illegal for women as well as for men; or legal for both sexes in the event that it become legalized.)

The activities of these organizations, as well as those of the Capital District Movement to Restore Decency (MOTOREDE), which NYPIRG charges is a John Birch Society "front organization", and Women for Honest Equality in our Nation (WHEN), which is charged with being funded by the JBS, "raise (s) serious ethical questions, at the least, and points to possible criminal and/or civil violations."

Throw-away Bottles: There Oughta Be A Law

by Anne McMillen

The New York Public Interest Research Group, NYPIRG, here on campus has been working with other state chapters, consumer and environmental groups and state agencies for passage of legislation that would ban the "no deposit/no return" beverage container in N.Y.S. a phone survey conducted of a bill would reduce roadside litter by 1/2 to 2/3 and save New Yorkers the cost of cleaning up our highways and parks.

In terms of solid waste management consumers as taxpayers pay the hidden costs of disposal. The cities mounting garbage has become a major concern to sanitation officials and the specially designed Solid Waste Task Force. Citing Staten Island's Arthur Kill area a spokesman for the Task Force noted it was N.Y.'s largest and last landfill site and discussed the proposed plans for fuel derivation from solid waste material. Metal and glass are unusable in this process requiring extraction through the energy intensive process of resource recovery.

As the largest single user of this form of packaging, bottle bill proponents feel the industry, not the taxpayer, should be held responsible for the entire costs of production. The one-way container allows centralization and has contributed to the expansion of national brands. As a result of the growth of nationals N.Y.S. suffered a 70% loss of industry and 20,000 jobs. Industry claims that enactment of a bottle bill would cause of a loss of jobs has been disputed by every subsequent study conducted. The N.Y.S. Senate Task Force on Critical Problems concluded that although 1,200 positions would be dislocated 4,700 would be required to administer a returnable system.

Lobbyists for the industry have very successfully blocked two strong bills from ever getting out of committee but legislators feel that if consumers were more aware of the issue their support would undoubtedly influence passage of a bottle bill. The NYPIRG urge support of this crucial battle between industry and the taxpayer.

Goldin Calls BHE Pollyanna-like

by Jack Thompson

On April 29, Comptroller Harrison J. Goldin called a press conference with representatives of college newspapers to discuss the budget cuts imposed on the City University and other City agencies. The Comptroller attacked the University System for their "Pollyanna-like" attitude in refusing to effect a practical restructuring of the system and deplored their rush to the issues of cancelling free tuition and open admissions. He didn't try to justify the cuts to the University system on anything other than the City's budget crisis.

He gave as some of the reasons for the present crisis:

-The City was misled by the Federal Government concerning funding of various programs.

-The City's economy turned sour. and added,

"The City's program in increasing taxes constantly, ironically, drove the most mobile elements of the population out, leaving fewer and fewer people who could afford it less and less, to be taxed more and more, to serve the needs of those who required greater and greater help, with fewer and fewer jobs available." He said that these problems drove the City to borrow huge amounts of money and then began to borrow from Peter to pay Paul.

When asked about the City's plans to drop the funding of senior colleges, Mr. Goldin replied that he hoped this was only a move to dramatize the situation and would not happen. He blamed the Federal Government for much of the problem and said,

"I am deeply disturbed that in its bicentenary the country still hasn't come face to face with the compulsion it ought to feel to do

more for its cities. The future of this society is in the cities but Washington doesn't seem willing to acknowledge it or understand it."

When asked about Governor Carey's plan to fund \$45 million in aid to CUNY in exchange for the implementation of tuition he replied, "I don't think it's the kind of help we're looking for." He proposed that CUNY should be accountable to the elected public officials in the City "so that citizens can exercise their right to influence the way that policy is developed and implemented."

He blasted the University for not sharing campus facilities and City resources such as the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the New York Historical Society.

When asked what political power he had to implement change he replied that he shared the frustration but pointed out that he was the Comptroller, and pointed out that the priorities were set by the Mayor and limited to the budget. When one student asked if he planned to run for Mayor himself, Mr. Goldin replied that he did not.

Mr. Goldin called the imposition of tuition "unacceptable", but said that cuts were "inevitable". As measures that he felt were practical he pointed to the consolidation of computer powers, (comparing the universities' computer power to the Pentagon's), integration of administrations and elimination of exotic offerings such as "Sanskrit 402 or Advanced Meteorology on Mars 512" to enable more quality for more essential courses, and sharing of campus facilities such as labs.

His overall solution to the problem would be to "analyze what we do and try to do it better."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

This reader refuses to believe that the Clifford R. Johnson (Reader Services Librarian), whose letter was published in the April 28th issue, was deliberately trying to slander him for his religious views as expressed in his plan, Moral Motivation Reminders For All (M.M.R.), published in the previous edition. Actually, he performed a disservice to the views of that great Christian, St. Francis of Assisi, by his very brief introductory remarks ruthlessly condemning his writer.

There can be no doubt at all that we are two different Christians with the same name, Clifford R. Johnson. I am both an active Christian Church member and a Land Surveyor. And as a good American, I do not propose to start a religious debate over our differences of opinion. The purpose of my plan is to draw all Americans closer together in our love for each other, especially after Vietnam and Watergate.

It may be of interest to the readers that during the last year or so, my plan (M.M.R.) has not only been printed in the Staten Island Advance, but quite a few college newspapers as well. And I estimate that at least 200,000 may have read it. And as far as I know, this "Reader Services Librarian" is the only person who has ever written a letter against it. I find it hard to believe that he is opposed to the Golden Rule wrapped up in this plan (M.M.R. #2 of the ten listed). And so, one out of 200,000 readers in opposition to M.M.R. does not at all discourage or disturb this writer. Did not Jesus Christ say, "He that is not with me is against me." —(Mat. 12:30) and "And a man's foes shall be they of his own household." —(Mat. 10:36). Even Jesus had his critics.

And to all sincere students of Christ Jesus, it should be crystal clear that our brother (C.R.J.—Reader Services Librarian) did not pray for divine guidance in framing his letter, nor did he even mention the need for prayer.

And in offering my forgiveness, may he never again make the same mistake in dealing with his fellow Christians, nor forget Jesus new commandment to his followers to especially "Love One

Another" (see John 13:34).

Prayerfully prepared and submitted,
Clifford R. Johnson
Christian Church Member
Land Surveyor
May 10, 1976

Editors Note: I was under no obligation to print the Moral Motivation Reminders that Mr. Clifford R. Johnson first brought to me, nor to print the above letter, but have done so in a belief in everyone's right to Free Speech. I would not have done so if I knew it would result in this problem. Mr. Clifford R. Johnson, Reader Services Librarian has agreed to let the issue end here and for that I thank him.

Dear Editor:

The members of the Anthropology Club would like to protest a recent ICAC action on April 2nd at which there were eleven proposals for additional funding and only \$1050 left with which to meet these proposals. At this April 2nd meeting, the minutes read "Budget Allocations: . . . Since both the Anthropology Club and Les Montage were allocated money at the last meeting, their requests were excluded making the total number of proposals 9."

To backtrack a moment: At the "last meeting" referred to above, on March 19th, the Anthropology Club was chartered and funded with \$280. Out of this sum \$230 was used towards an Anthropology Convention at Wesleyan University. At the same time other clubs were given funds up to the amount of \$575.

As the Anthropology Club is an active club (i.e., Anthropology Convention, rotating Anthropology Club News Bulletin display, etc.), we want to voice our protest against ICAC's unjustified action of ostracizing the Anthropology Club, against ICAC's refusal to further fund the Anthropology Club, and against ICAC's stifling of our attempts to supplement our education in Anthropology.

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Protesters Need Support

Students and faculty at Lehman College, a four-year unit of the City University system in the Bronx, are now facing trials, on campus in addition to charges in civil and criminal courts.

The charges are a result of the group's takeover of Carman Hall, a classroom building at Lehman, from March 31 to April 12 in protest of budget cuts which have ended CUNY's Open Admissions policy and may force students to pay tuition. There has already been a 72% drop in the freshman class entering Lehman next fall.

The building occupation ended when President Leonard Lief ordered New York City police to break their way into Carman Hall. Eighteen students and one faculty member were arrested while seated in a classroom, and were handcuffed and booked on criminal trespass charges. They are also facing contempt charges in civil court for

allegedly disobeying a temporary injunction to leave the building.

In addition to the other charges, Lehman instructor George W. Rose is being tried on campus by a committee of department chairpersons for alleged violations of the Board on Higher Education's rules for the Maintenance of Public Order. He is also being accused of "conduct unbecoming a member of the instructional staff." Rose's trial began April 30 and is widely regarded as a test of the BHE's rules for suppressing campus protest in a period likely to produce many such protests as the effects of the budget cuts on the City University become more apparent.

Supporters of the protesters are asking for telegrams to be sent to

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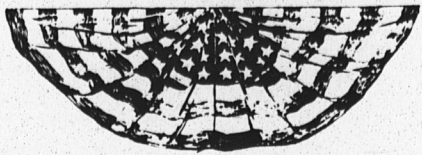
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July 4th Demonstration In Philadelphia To Protest Bicentennial



by Amina Ali Munoz

"A Bicentennial Without Colonies" will be the chief demand in a demonstration planned for Philadelphia for the July 4th Coalition, a broad-based group of political, community and religious organizations.

According to a call issued by the group, "We will take this historic opportunity to demand independence for Puerto Rico, the principal colony of the United States." The official "commonwealth" status of the Island is considered a "farce" by the group, which informs that the U.S. Congress has legal jurisdiction over the Island; that 85% of the industry is owned by U.S. corporations; that it is occupied by U.S. military; and that the U.S. directly controls "76 other vital areas of Puerto Rican life", including citizenship, immigration and emigration, selective service, trade, and wage requirements.

Other demands of the march—which between 25 and 70,000 are expected to participate—is that U.S. government cease its attacks on Native

American organizations, such as the American Indian Movement, as well as using the poor and minority groups as "scapegoats" for the current economic crisis. Also cited is "the current foreign policy of the U.S. government... its overthrowing of governments like that of Chile, its interventions in countries like Angola, its subversive "intelligence" activities in virtually every country in the world...", including its support of the racist regimes of Rhodesia and South Africa.

The march is being endorsed by the National Lawyers Guild, the Southern Christian Leadership Convention, the Puerto Rican Solidarity Committee, the Puerto Rican Socialist Party, El Comite, Third World Women's Alliance, the American Indian Movement, the National Coordinating Center in Solidarity with Chile, Fightback, People Against Racism in Education, and many other groups. The July 4th Coalition can be reached at P.O. Box 205, Cooper Station New York, N.Y. 10003, for those desiring more information.

Andrea Jay Is New S.G. Secretary



Andrea Jay

Andrea Jay became the Secretary to Student Government at the end of April. Formerly secretary, demon cartoonist and film critic for the Richmond Times, Ms. Jay is not new to the position. A 1970 graduate of Richmond, she held the Student Government job from 1971 to 1974.

"Lotan" Jay is noted for her puckish sense of humor and her outrageous puns which she sprinkled liberally in her film reviews.

Donna Brogna, the former secretary, left suddenly to live in St. Thomas, the Virgin Islands.

Watch out or Lotan will get you!

Tuition: How Close?

by Gordon Matheson

The prospect of tuition at the City University edged closer as Governor Carey publicly added his voice to the chorus of those calling for tuition. The Governor, the Emergency Financial Control Board, and legislative leaders are strongly pressuring the Board of Higher Education to impose tuition as a precondition to granting additional state aid to the University. In effect, the word to the board is: no tuition, no budget.

BHE Chairman Alfred Giardino and most board members have so far resisted the pressure, stating that if tuition is imposed it should be done by elected officials who are accountable to the people. One board member, Armand D'Angelo, has already broken ranks and come out for tuition. Giardino's latest statement, while adamant on free tuition, calls for an increase in student fees from 12½ percent of the budget to 15 percent, with the money to go directly to the City University instead of into the city's General Fund as it now does.

The BHE's dilemma in considering the abandonment of a 130 year old tradition, is that without tuition, if the state stands firm, the University would be severely crippled.

Tuition would hit middle-class students living at home the hardest. The amount discussed is the same charged at the State University—\$950 a year for juniors and seniors. Students with a family income below \$10,000 would be eligible for tuition assistance. However, only those students considered full time—those carrying 12 credits or more—would be in line for aid. 54 percent of the present student body at Richmond, and 60 percent of those attending Staten Island Community College are part time students.

President Volpe estimates that total enrollment in the City University, already down 10 percent for the fall, would shrink at least another 10 percent if tuition is instituted.

According to most press reports, the bad news will come in the next few weeks as the legislative session in Albany comes to a close.

Marijuana Reform Needs Your Help Now

The Richmond College chapter of NYPIRG has been actively involved in the effort to decriminalize use of marijuana in New York State. Four hundred Richmond students signed petitions favoring decriminalization. These have been sent to local legislators asking for their active support of legislation to decriminalize marijuana.

Marijuana reform is running into serious trouble in the State Legislature. An all-out effort must be made now by concerned individuals or New York State will continue to have the harshest marijuana law in the nation.

Governor Carey and the Democratic majority in the State Assembly are backing reform of the present law. This momentum toward reform is now being thwarted in the State Senate, in particular by Senator Warren Anderson, leader of the Senate and Senator Douglas Barclay, Chairman of the Codes Committee.

The facts are clear. Punishment under this law clearly does not fit the crime. In 1973, the last year for which figures are available, there were 23,603 marijuana arrests in New York State out of a total narcotics arrest figure of 38,073. These figures show that marijuana arrests represent approximately 62 percent of the total number of narcotics arrests for that year. Five major studies conclude that marijuana use poses no threat to public health or safety.

The Richmond College chapter of NYPIRG would like to enlist your help in one more small way. We are trying to mount a massive letter-writing campaign to convince Senators Anderson and Barclay that New Yorkers wish to see this harsh law changed. Citizen input in the form of letters can and does make a difference. The time is now to make your voice heard on this issue. Can we count on your help. Will you write a letter today, now to make your voice heard on this issue. Can we count on your help? Will you write a letter today? Write to Senator Warren Anderson and Senator Douglas Barclay at the Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12207. We urgently need your help. Only if we join forces can we get marijuana decriminalized in New York.

L.S.A.T. Dates Announced

The Law School Admission Test, required of candidates for admission to most American law schools, will be given at centers in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, and the Canal Zone on October 9, 1976, December 4, 1976, February 5, 1977, April 16, 1977 and July 23, 1977.

Candidates are advised to make separate application to each law school of their choice and to ascertain from each whether it requires the Law School Admission Test. Since many law schools select their freshman classes in the Spring preceding entrance, candidates for admission to next year's classes are advised to take either the October 9 or the December 4 test. Candidates for admission to law school in 1978 may wish to take the April or July 1977 test.

The half-day objective test is given in the morning. It is designed to measure certain mental abilities deemed important in the study of law, and thus to aid law schools in assessing the academic promise of their applicants. The *Law School Admission Bulletin*, which includes sample questions, registration information, a list of test centers, and a Registration (application) Form should be obtained by candidates in the United States at least six weeks in advance of the desired testing date. The Registration Form and fees must be postmarked thirty days before the test date to avoid an additional late registration fee and to guarantee being tested. Late registration closes on the postmark date 23 days before the desired testing date. Registration materials may be obtained after August 1, 1976, from most colleges, universities or law schools or after July 1, 1976 by writing directly to Law School Admissions Services, Box 944, Princeton, N.Y. 08540. The deadline for registration for the October 9 test is September 9. Accordingly, students who wish to take the October exam would be well advised to obtain their application form (i.e., the *Law School Admissions Bulletin*) from Princeton rather than from Professor Kramer at Richmond College.

New York Law School is starting a new part-time day program beginning September, 1976. Many students, particularly women, have long sought such a program. The School is still accepting applications for September admission.

M.A.S.H.

Mobilization for Adolescent Student Health (M.A.S.H.), a University Year for ACTION (UYA) project, is now recruiting students to begin working this fall as adolescent health advocates in various public and private institutions throughout the communities of New York City.

In order to provide health counseling for adolescents, M.A.S.H. interns receive training in a variety of health topics including: venereal disease, drug and alcohol abuse, rape counseling, nutrition, personal relations, family planning, and health careers.

M.A.S.H. interns receive \$2,000 for use as a cost of living stipend and arrange for academic credit through their schools. Two semesters are suggested for service in the program though exceptions are made.

If you are interested in becoming a M.A.S.H. intern contact Alan Singer at 566-0315 or write to University Year for ACTION, M.A.S.H. project, 51 Chambers Street, Room 801, New York, New York 10007.

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considerable opposition to his appointment as president of the new institution. Volpe described the reception accorded him at a meeting of the S.I.C.C. community as cordial. "The intense opposition has died down", he said.

Questioned about the future, Volpe assured his audience that he came without preconceived plans. He reported that he is continuing to meet with S.I.C.C. department heads and other personnel to gain first hand knowledge of people and problems at the Sunnyside campus.

All the graduate programs now in existence at Richmond will be offered by the federated college, according to Volpe.

Planning for the new college is being hampered by the lack of a budget. Ongoing negotiations involving the probable imposition of tuition at CUNY should be completed in a few weeks with the end of the legislative session in Albany.



The winner of the Name Your College Contest is the anonymous person that submitted the name Federated University of New York F.U.N.Y. and that's not funny.

UFW Looks To Voters

LNS—In an effort to revive union representation elections for farm workers in California, the United Farm Workers Union (UFW) is attempting to place on November's ballot a voter initiative which will enact into the state's constitution a law guaranteeing fair elections for the state's farm workers.

In the month of April, farm workers and union organizers across the state collected 719,000 signatures—over twice the required number—petitioning the state election board to put the initiative on the ballot. In the coming weeks, the state election board will determine the validity of the signatures.

California passed the Agricultural Labor Relations Act in August, 1975, which gave the state's farm workers the right to union elections for the first time in history (California becoming the second state after Hawaii to do so). However, after the UFW, in elections held between September and January, won representation for 30,000 farmworkers compared to only 9,000 for the Teamsters union, the state's corporate growers and Teamsters successfully lobbied the State Assembly to cease funding the Agricultural Labor Relations Board (ALRB) which had been administering the elections.

Both growers and Teamsters insisted on key changes in the law which would have restricted union organizers' access to the fields and delayed elections until three weeks after the worker's first petitioned for them, thus excluding most migrant workers from the process.

The UFW refused to give in to these demands, and instead of waiting for two-thirds of the State Assembly to vote for the ALRB appropriations under possibly adverse circumstances, decided to take the issue to the voters. If passed, the initiative will give farm workers even more rights than the law originally passed by the Assembly in August, 1975.

Once enacted, a voter initiative can only be overturned by the voters themselves in another initiative, or if the courts rule the initiative unconstitutional.

Economic Pawns

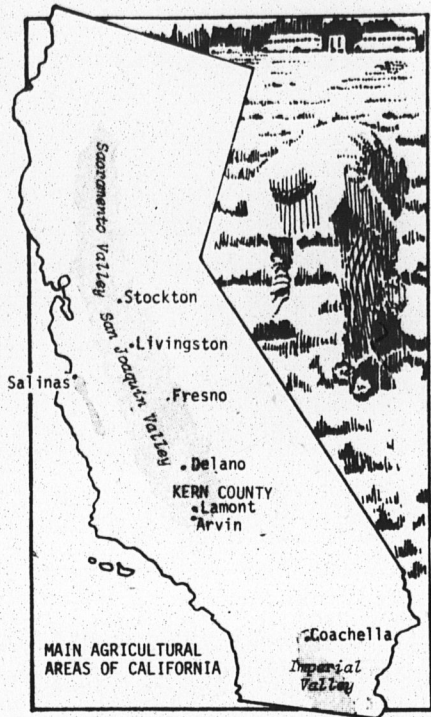
"Farmworkers have been economic pawns of the growers for 100 years in California, and we don't want to be political pawns of the state legislature," a spokesperson from the union's New York Boycott Office told LNS. "We can't afford to depend on the whim of each legislator, so we're going directly to the people by asking them to pass this law."

Besides strengthening the fair election process, the farmworker initiative will contain several other improvements over the law passed by the Assembly last August. These include: a guarantee that the ALRB has funds necessary to administer elections; the right of the union organizers to go into the fields; a swift procedure permitting workers to collect triple damages for work lost due to unfair labor practices (particularly punitive firing); a requirement forcing employers to turn over to unions a list of all workers (to make sure everybody gets the chance to vote); and a requirement that only 50% of the farmworkers on a ranch can decertify a previous union contract (the current law requires two-thirds of the workers to petition for decertification).

Growers-Teamsters Force Election Halt After UFW Sweep

At the time of the ALRB funding halt in early February, the UFW had been gaining momentum in the state administered elections and had been threatening to win nearly every election scheduled for 1976.

In the initial two month period during September and October in which elections were held in Teamster "strongholds" in the Salinas lettuce fields, the UFW had been doing slightly better than the Teamsters. They gained representation on many ranches where



Teamsters had held contracts as a result of 1971 sweetheart deals with the growers.

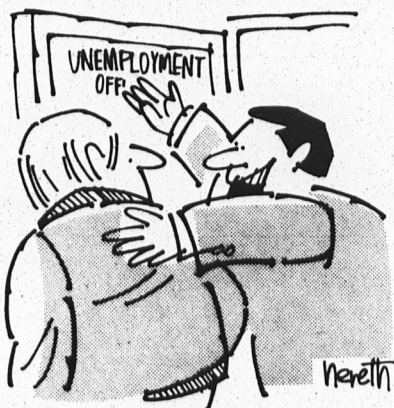
In November, however, the UFW began to increase their lead, chalking up 3 to 1 margins during November and December. In January they polled 5000 out of 5480 votes in the previously Teamster "controlled" Imperial Valley vegetable and lettuce fields.

The last straw for the Teamsters and growers was the UFW's surprising win on January 30 at a large ranch owned by Bruce Church, the nation's third largest lettuce grower. The overwhelming UFW victory at Bruce Church made the Teamsters realize that not even "safe" ranches were any longer safe, and they joined the growers in insisting on the ALRB's funding cut.

The Board's funding ran out in time to prevent other elections in the Imperial Valley (in the southernmost California) and came a month before the Coachella Valley grape harvest was due to begin. The Teamsters have held contracts in Coachella since 1973 when they made a deal with the growers cancelling previous UFW contracts. As a result, thousands of Coachella farmworkers went on strike that year prompting the Teamsters to hire 200 goons to terrorize UFW pickets.

Later this spring, the California harvest will head north, where it will reach the famous UFW stronghold of Delano, winding up in the summer in the Fresno-Stockton region where over a hundred thousand farm workers, almost all sympathetic to the UFW, engage in grape, tomato, melon and tree fruit harvesting.

"Imperial Valley set in motion a bandwagon process, when it became clear that workers on Teamster ranches were not going to be intimidated," the UFW's New York Boycott Office explained. "The Teamsters have almost given up trying to organize new territories, and are now concerned about holding on to what they have. That's why they wanted to stop the elections."



"I'm sorry sir, but you'll have to leave our office - unemployment rate just dropped by another 0.1%."

"1974"

Mankind:

The sower in their generation:
Children, are to become the parents
Of the human race.
Their question will be,
"Can man learn before birth?"
"What will be his power of control?"

The dark and secret world
Where spaceships will never go;
The place, the mind, where thoughts are born,
And the body most surely nature itself.
A child will soon see
There's all but one animal which man cannot train,
and that would be his down fall; his tongue.

The future will look back -
As present looks back at past!
Now this is the time of "era"
We see man's creation of pollution;
A foggy mind bringing about mighty storms
With rain, but the earth won't drink,
In spite of it's thirst, and the seeds will die.
The "hope" the thought of those roots; the "love" forgotten.
What can "faith" do in place of "seeds", your belief?

There was a bad tree,
And, there was a good tree;
Many roots are beneath a tree,
And all those roots of love,
They came out of the belly of earth.
Where their life begun.
Reaching for the sky, not just above,
but below, your reasoning might tell you,
That logic is false.
The sky is only above!
Why waste the time to seek below.
As you will soon see life can be found mostly, anywhere.
For this planet like all other planets
Is out in space.

Man must learn, Man must know
That the four seasons of things;
That love is a creation of good growth!
Man, and his new experience, Moon-trying
Find his way.
Yet man found rocks, and soil.
He found this true, on the darkside too!
But he could not find air enough to breath;
Back to nature; the body itself,
This world man knows very little about!
Especially, his head; a spaceship can't reach this part.
The soil of life is where those wisdom trees
Are seeking their place of birth,
And where, they are supposed to grow!
Knowledge lives on,
And you don't need a spacesuit either.

Plants don't grow everywhere,
But, this I do know,
They will, for the time being
Grow here on earth.
The mind is the same way.

Faith!!!
Faith!!!

By Milton Evans

Assassins Avenge Che

(LNS)—General Joaquim Zenteno Anaya, Bolivian Ambassador in Paris, was assassinated on May 11. An organization called the Che Guevara Brigade claimed responsibility for the action in a telephone communique to *Liberation*, a Parisian leftist daily. The Brigade characterized the ambassador as "the man who was behind the murder of Ernesto 'Che' Guevara."

The communique stated that the assassination was also intended to mark the surrender of the Nazis in May, 1945. General Zenteno had once defended the Bolivian government's decision not to extradite Klaus Barbie (alis Altmann) to France, thus saving him from undergoing trial as a Nazi war criminal.

Zenteno's role in the murder of Guevara, the Argentina-born revolutionary, was exposed when a former commander of the Bolivian armed forces published secret documents on the military operations against Guevara's guerilla forces in Bolivia.

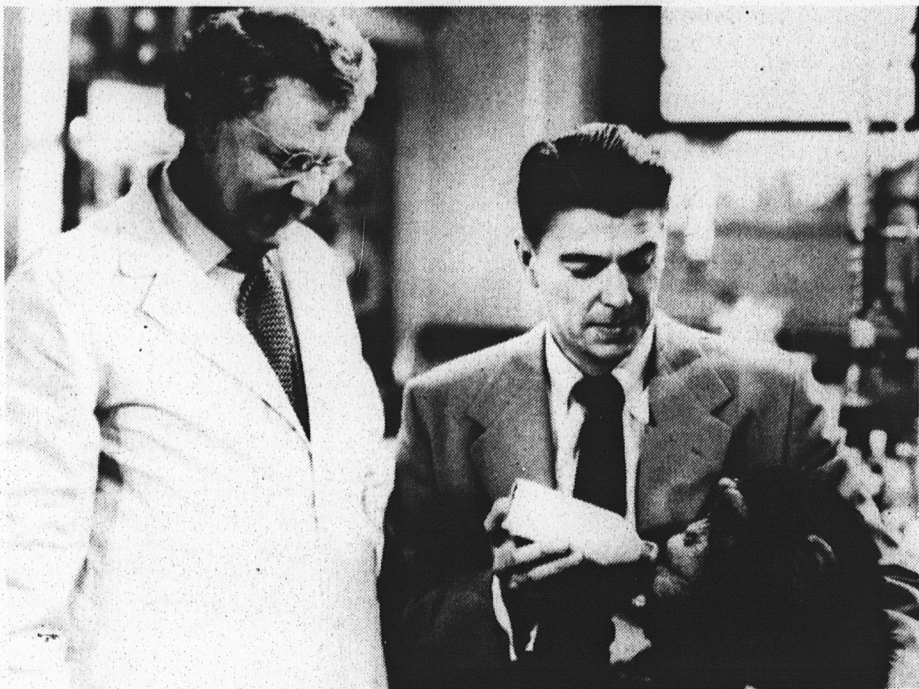
Zenteno had been commander of the 8th military region in Bolivia in 1967. It was under his supervision that an elite troop of 600 "rangers"—trained at Santa Cruz at a U.S.-run training camp—finally surrounded and captured Guevara along with what remained of his troops.

The wounded Che Guevara was later beaten and executed under a joint decision made by the President of the Republic, the commander in chief, and about six other generals including Zenteno. It is said that since that time, General Zenteno has worn the watch of the slain guerilla leader.

The Che Guevara Brigade stated that the weapon they used to assassinate Zenteno was the same one used in the near-fatal shooting of Captain Bartoleme Garcia Plata-Valle in October, 1975. Plata-Valle, a military attache to the Spanish embassy, was also shot in Paris. A group called the International Juan Parades-Manot Brigade had claimed responsibility for that attempt, in the name of a Basque militant who had been executed in Spain the preceding month.

FILMS

Two New Ones



Can you pick out Ronald Reagan?

by Andrea Jay

United Artists recently released two new compendium movies—"It's Showtime" and "That's Entertainment, Part 2."

"It's Showtime" features clips from animal films, old and new. Among the stars are Flipper, Asta, Lassie, Rin Tin Tin, Francis the Talking Mule, Daisy (from the old Blondie movies), and countless others, including humans. Ronald Reagan, for example, makes a complete ass out of himself.

The movie, while geared to about a 10 year old level, is probably more relevant to adults who are familiar with these old stars. Almost all the famous cowboy horses are shown, and while it is very repetitious, the audience didn't mind a bit (get it? a bit!).

The best animal actors were the chimpanzees and Daisy, the Dog, while the Flipper clips ran on and on and had no porpoise at all. The animal clips made in the '50s and '60s were no where near as imaginative and well done as those done before then. While this might be because of the more harsh Humane Society Standards imposed in the 50s, you can tell that animals are strictly used for children's films from the 50s on (Disney and his ilk).

The narrator was a blithering idiot, and the editing choppy, but this movie

is worth every penny—possibly the funniest you've seen in years.

Unfortunately, not as much can be said for "That's Entertainment, Part 2." As in "That's Entertainment, Part 1," the audience is subjected to seeing a geriatric Fred Astaire and past-his-prime Gene Kelly dancing around carefully on the brink of apoplexy or worse. Songs written especially for this turkey should better have been left unsung. The sets were the pinnacle of bad taste, and the dialogue . . .

The film clips themselves were fairly entertaining, especially if you like Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly, who you'll see a lot of.

MGM once again found expensive and expansive moments from their gala musicals and used the second-best ones (their first choices being used in "That's Entertainment Part 1). Standing out like shining stars are excerpts from "Tales From The Vienna Woods" from THE GREAT WALTZ (this is worth the price of admission, alone) "Wedding of the Painted Doll" and "Lover Come Back to Me" with Jeanette MacDonald & Nelson Eddy. As in "It's Showtime", the good clips in "That's Entertainment, Part 2" are the ones from the 30s.

This movie is quite long and drags in the narration. The film clips themselves, however, will entertain you.

CIA REPORTS INCREASED CAMPUS RECRUITMENT SUCCESSES

(LNS)—The number of college students seeking jobs with the CIA has increased 30 per cent over the past year, according to agency officials.

Director of personnel for the CIA, F.W.M. Janney, said he attributes the 30 per cent increase to "the advertising that's taken place in terms of the

coverage we've received."

And Victor Lindquist, director of placement at Northwestern University, said he thought that recent disclosures about the CIA had sparked a "heightened interest" in intelligence work.



Sex Is A Two-Way Street

By CAROL GREITZER

TWO WEEKS AGO, I.D. Robbins asked in this section whether a liberal community like Greenwich Village might tolerate a red light district, saying that the councilwoman for the area—namely I—was "sympathetic toward prostitutes."

As the representative, also, for midtown and Times Square, I have introduced anti-prostitution legislation regulating hotels and parking lots. Not only am I not for red light districts, I am decidedly against them. Apart from the virtual impossibility of finding communities that would welcome such districts, I cannot sanction government involvement in licensing prostitution. Outright legalization, going beyond decriminalization for prostitutes, would legitimize trafficking in bodies by pimps and other unsavory types.

One can "sympathize" with the fact that prostitutes get the major blame for the current scene, when there are actually two men participating in each act—the pimp and the "John." Per diem, the figure is more like ten men. Even allowing for repeaters, one can project a figure of 2,000 men per year per prostitute. That's two million men for every 1,000 women.

Yet society's approach has always been sexist, viewing the prostitute as temptress. Jail sentences may be just annoying inconveniences—the high cost of doing business. So long as customers are lined up ten deep, the roster of prostitutes will stay high. And new ones will be imported to replace those doing time because most young girls (other than those "addicted" to these activities) are lured by money and a chance to break out of what they perceive to be a dreary dead-end

existence.

But what of their clients? With all the free sex available in this permissive age, why are millions of men finding it necessary to pay for sex? We have had sociological studies galore on prostitutes: where are the profiles of typical Johns and their motivation? Granted there will always be men who can perform only with prostitutes, but most Johns are not in this category. Activity around bridges and tunnels show that the quickie on the way home may be replacing the quickie in the neighborhood bar.

If our male-constituted criminal justice establishment (police, DAs, judges) could bring its collective self to think about cracking down on pimps and Johns, we would see noticeable improvements. While prostitutes may accept arrest for the sake of their flourishing livelihoods, customers surely would not want to risk jail.

No Deterrent for Men

Right now men are not threatened, even by "Operation John." The most they get is a small fine. There is no deterrent factor because newspapers which have no qualms about alleged prostitutes' privacy, rarely print the names of arrested men.

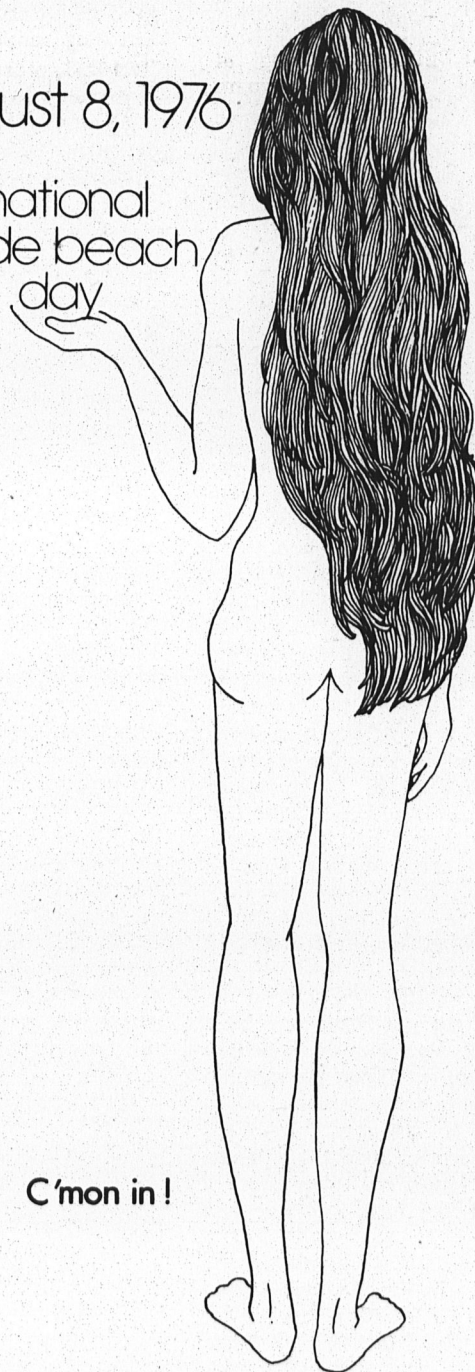
Male police officers actually sympathize with Johns. In a recent parking lot case (the couple was caught "in the act"), the officer released the man but gave the woman a summons for obstructing traffic! Contrast this with the cities where police arrest Johns and newspapers print their names. This approach has made a big difference in Miami. Why can't it happen here?

Carol Greitzer is a Manhattan councilwoman.

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Comment

by Lee Covino

In keeping with the current V.A. policy of too little too late, the V.A. recently began a PR campaign to let veterans know when their benes are up. As a result of this late change of heart, 3.5 million vets will lose their eligibility this June. A large percentage of them have not completed their 36 months training because they found out too late. Nice going V.A.!!

Reservists—Please Note

If you were mobilized during the postal strike in 1970, your G.I. Education Benefits cut-off date has been extended to ten years after the mobilization. Those whose benefits would end on May 31, 1976 will be given a DD214 for the mail call up. Take advantage of your G.I. rights before it is too late. Enroll now at S.I.C.C. or Richmond College.

Confidential

by P. H. Conley

It has finally been disclosed through UPI Reuters that the Maharishi Mahunga Wabash has been spiritually guiding and hypnotically programming the CUNY system through the vulnerable karmatic personality of Edmund Volpe. Known to have CIA relations, Maharishi Mahunga Wabash, Reverend One Young Moon, and Bill Buckley have totally dominated all aspects of power in the CUNY system through their "familiar," Richmond College President Edmund Volpe. It seems that the Maharishi distorted Volpe's staunch radical political stance of fighting cuts and tuition imposition while he was having his daily three hour liquid lunch at the Paramount Bar and Grill in Stapleton on Staten Island.

Action has already been taken to de-program the misfit, brainwashed Volpe at Daytop Village (rehabilitation center in West Brighton). Mr. Gregor, member of the Student Council at Richmond College, has led the vanguard against this conspiracy by exposing Volpe in a classical confrontation where he demonstrated by use of the personality stress evaluation that Volpe was really not Edmund Volpe at all but was an android created by Werner Von Braun during the last days of WW II. The probable outcome of this uncanny exposure may result in a Watergate II chain reaction throughout the citywide system. Future related events shall be faithfully shared with you by this reporter in hopes that we can survive this eccentric, neo-fascist crisis.

ROLLS ROYCE

ROLLS EM OUT IN '75

(D&S/LNS)—Rolls Royce Motors Limited had a good year in 1975—its U.S. sales were up 25%.

"I think you're making . . . millionaires in the United States faster than we can make cars," a company officer said. U.S. buyers paid an average of \$40,000 apiece for the cars. In April, Rolls will offer a new handcrafted model that sells for \$90,000.

KENTUCKY PONDERS ABOLISHING SLAVERY

(Militant/LNS)—The Kentucky State Legislature, which is currently considering a number of anti-busing bills, has still not ratified the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the U.S. Constitution. The 13th Amendment, adopted in 1865, abolished slavery. The 14th, approved three years later, guarantees due process and equal protection under the law to all citizens. And the 15th, ratified in 1870, said no person could be denied the right to vote because of race.

Although a Kentucky House committee has now recommended ratification of the three amendments, there is some opposition. Said Rep. G.W. Vincent of the legislature that originally rejected ratification, "I still have a little respect and honor for the legislature of that day."

Vets To D.C.

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repeated when she burst out with comments about other legislators and in response to a question about the State's Senators yelled, "We'll take care of one of them." (Rep. Abzug has since announced her intention to seek the Democratic nomination and oppose Senator Buckley for his Senate seat in the upcoming election).

The reaction to other representatives was comparatively cool, but when Rep. John Murphy was announced, he was booed by a large part of the crowd and later was challenged on his stand concerning the delimiting factor.

The delegates made the points that money spent on education comes back in the form of increased taxes later in salaries and urged the Vets to work through their established Veterans organizations. Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman urged the Vets to push the members of the Budget Committee for more funds. When questioned about the delimiting factor the delegates pointed out that, "Cities need leaders and leaders need education." Another Veteran complained about the interruptions in his education saying, "Everytime the Democrats come in I work and everytime the Republicans come in I get laid off." One Vet deploring the conditions in New York told the delegates to warn the other legislators that, "If New York City goes under, we're gonna move into their neighborhoods."

The meeting was over-crowded and became more disorderly before Veterans started to leave for the long bus-ride back to New York.

MPLA Comic Book

(LNS)—"A foreign army is occupying your country, Public meetings are banned. The radio and newspapers are censored . . . Secret police are everywhere—overhearing conversations, arresting anyone they suspect as a 'terrorist,' torturing political prisoners. How can you communicate under these conditions? How can you teach and organize and inspire people to revolt—to fight for their independence?"

This quote comes from the introduction to "From Slavery to Freedom," a comic book produced and distributed by the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) and now available from Peoples Press in San Francisco. It is one of many MPLA books, pamphlets and leaflets written during the past 14 years of armed struggle in Angola to help gain mass support by explaining the goals and tactics of MPLA to the Angolan people.

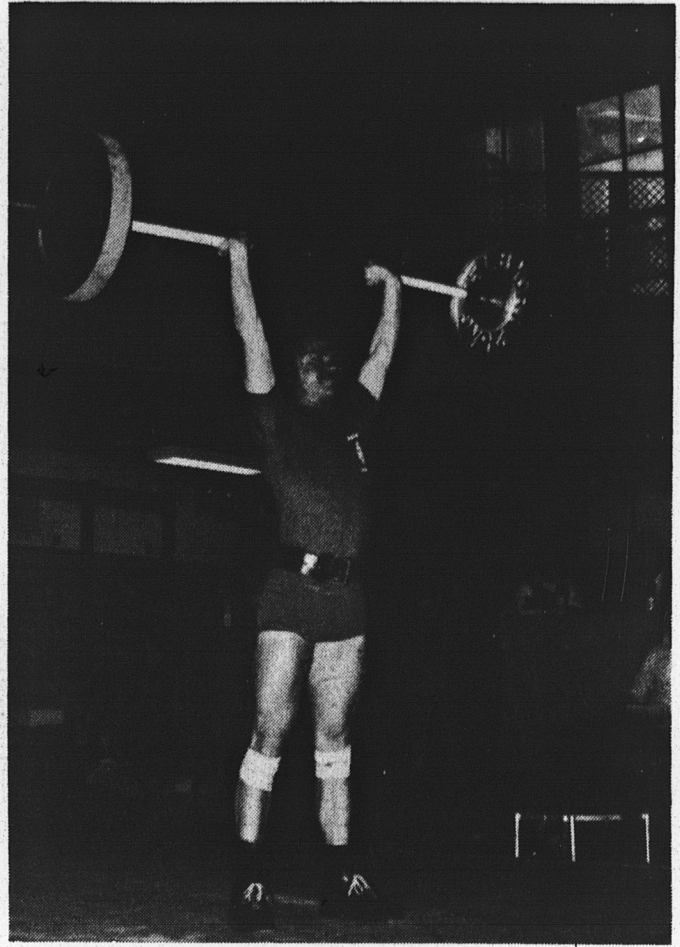
"From Slavery to Freedom" tells the story of a 17-year-old Angolan in the early days of MPLA's fight against Portuguese colonialism. Paulo is driven to rebel against the daily humiliations he suffers as a servant of a wealthy white family. Harassed by soldiers and beaten by white vigilantes, he fights back and is aided in his escape by a person who turns out to be a MPLA militant.

Paulo is then introduced to other MPLA members, who offer explanations of Portuguese colonialism and imperialism. They show him that individual acts of rebellion lead nowhere, that the only way to resist is through a revolutionary organization. With his comrades, Paulo begins to learn the tactics of guerrilla warfare.

Translated by Allen Francovich, "From Slavery to Freedom" also features an introduction and epilogue by Steve Talbot of Internews. Talbot gives background on Angola and the MPLA and also talks about events that have occurred since MPLA proclaimed the People's Republic of Angola on November 11, 1975.

Single copies of the comic book are available for 60¢ plus 25¢ postage. There is a 20% discount for ten or more copies, and a 40% discount for bookstores. Send orders to Peoples Press, 2680 21 St., San Francisco, CA. 94110.

Richmond Third In Weightlifting Contest



Fred Masten

by Fred Masten

After sleeping on a bus, the last thing I wanted to do was to lift anything heavier than my knapsack. But, there I was after twenty three (23) hours on a Greyhound, at the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, site of the 1976 National Collegiate Weightlifting Championships.

Listed to compete in a featherweight class (132¼ lbs.) I stepped on the scale and it registered 129¾ lbs., no trouble making weight.

As I start to do various stretching movements before lifting anything, I felt quite weary. I chose to take a relatively light weight for my first attempt in the competition.

Starting to pull the 155 lbs. off the floor, my body told me it needed a good sleep, but I was determined to get my first attempt. One strong pull, an upward thrust of my hips, and a deliberate shrug of the shoulders to gain maximum height of the bar, and "Zap," it was secure at arms length over my head for a three white light success (three judges approve or disapprove all lifts).

In order to win 2nd place I needed to

successfully lift 209 lbs. in the last phase of the competition. I pulled this weight with all my heart, it slammed on my shoulders, I held it and fought with every little muscle to rise out of the squat position. Successfully out of the squat, I braced myself, felt a slight vertigo, and thrust the weight to arms length, but it crashed to the platform. Guess the Greyhound ride was not that comfortable.

However, the Richmond College Weightlifting Team (me) won third place in this prestigious event and I'm glad I went; because if you don't go, you don't know how you'll perform. I told my friends in the Richmond College Community I'd place in the top three, and I did.

I'm very grateful to my very hard working, considerate mother, and my two friends Bill Valentine (the photographer) and Josephine Marchi who made the trip possible for me.

On June 5th, I'll lift in Maine. Success there means the Senior Nationals and the Olympic tryouts on June 18th in Phila. Pa. It will require tremendous effort of mind, body and spirit for me to do this.

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Don't hesitate because your friend may have been drinking only beer. Beer and wine can be just as intoxicating as mixed drinks.

And don't think that black coffee will make him sober. Black

coffee never made anyone sober. Maybe it would keep him awake long enough to have an accident. But that's about all.

The best way to prevent a drunk from becoming a dead drunk is to stop him from driving.

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SICC's Own Version of S-1?

by Dennis Nelms,
Student Senator SICC

On April 9th, the Student Graphics Center of Staten Island Community College was closed down and padlocked. The reasons that I was given for these irresponsible decisions include a lack of funding by the Association and total disorganization of the Student Government.

Whether this act is a childish deception by a few people, or an over-exaggeration of the facts in order to block our voice on this campus, has yet to be seen. I now call upon all parties concerned, especially Student Government to get this matter resolved in time for all students, particularly veterans, to take care of the real crises now facing us.

We cannot reproduce flyers or signs concerning veteran issues without the graphics center. The student press has been a shambles since Student Government intervention began last semester. We all pay student fees for the use of this reproduction service and it *better* become more accessible to all students, clubs and organizations. I suggest that all veterans and non-vets visit our illustrious Student Government and DEMAND that this room be made easily accessible to all, *or else!!*

Vets Clean Up Historical Site

Ichabod Crane is resting much easier today, after Saturday, May 1, 1976, when members of the staff of the Veterans Advisement Center of SICC conducted "Operation Clean-Up" at his resting place in Asbury Church of the Nazarene Cemetery in Bulls Head. Professor John M. Peters, Director of the VAC, in announcing the plans stated that, "this historical cemetery has been the site of disturbing vandalism."

Few Islanders seem to be aware of the fact that Colonel Ichabod Crane, veteran of the War of 1812 and the Mexican War, was a resident of Staten Island. Author Washington Irving, who had served during the War of 1812, decided to use one of the strangest names he had ever heard as the main character in the *Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. Irving had met then Captain Ichabod Crane at Sackett's Harbor during 1814.

Alumni Picnic

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Takes what others call waste
And uses it to grow tall and beautiful
That it may bring others gladness
In its beauty
The flower knows what love is



Jack Thompson

A Teacher

Hello my friend
I've come to wrestle with you again
And if I win
Will you help me to see
All that you can see
Teach me
To be strong against the wind
And hold steady the earth
Beneath my feet
Show me the wisdom
That men too quickly pass by
But you have used for ages
Yes ages my friend
And perhaps many times
The span of my entire life.
Yes my friend
For a tree lives a long time

Jack Thompson

Look ma.

