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Rugaber Assumes Post With Two-Party Support

"I have led myself into lots of work because I have many things to learn." This remark was made recently by Ralph Rugaber, Wellsville High School's vice-principal, concerning his election to one of two Village Trustee posts March 21.

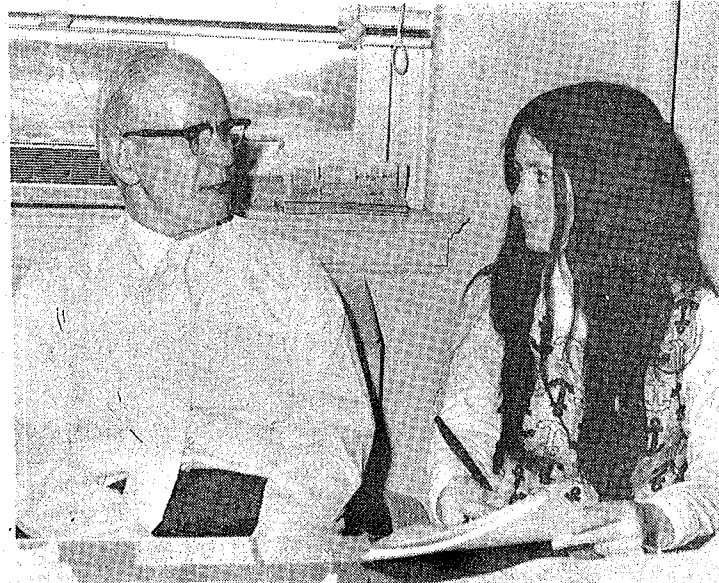
Mr. Rugaber noted, "I had great interest as to the votes of the two parties, since both political groups honored me with nominations. Because a difference of only 22 votes resulted between the two organizations, I feel that I'll have the support of both the Republicans and Democrats."

Born in Galetton, Pa., Mr. Rugaber completed his undergraduate study at Mansfield State College. He continued his schooling and earned a Master's Degree from Alfred University.

Teaching science was Mr. Rugaber's first assignment at Wellsville in 1943. He was appointed head of the Science Department in 1945, and became vice-principal in 1950.

Active participation in many community activities can be attributed to the vice-principal. He has coached football, basketball and baseball, and has acted as Faculty Manager of Athletics for the school. He has also played a part in the organization of Small Court Basketball and Midget League Football, and has officiated in both sports for many years. A recent achievement is his appointment to the Wellsville Narcotic Committee, by Mayor Robert Gardner in 1969.

In reference to his choice of office, the vice-principal



DISCUSSING HIS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES with reporter Mary Ryan is vice-principal Ralph Rugaber. Mr. Rugaber was one of the new Village Trustees elected March 21. (CURTIS)

Science Fair Promotes Individual Experimentation

Although WHS's recently held Science Fair may not have produced any Einsteins, it certainly provided a wealth of facts and original hypotheses concerning various scientific phenomena. Among the many entrants, some were recognized for their distinct efforts, while others received the satisfaction of a job well done.

Copping the overall senior high prizes were Sue Heywood for "Animal Intelligence" and Brenda Keller for "Nerve Centers." Junior high titles

Perhaps almost as interesting as the projects that won were those that didn't quite make it. Although eventually Cheryl Jensen's project won her an ecology award, her first try wasn't as successful.

While Cheryl was working on a project of "Love and Hate in Plants," in which she was nice to some plants and mean to others to see how this affected their growth, Cheryl had quite a shock on day. She walked in on her plants to see her young niece eating them.

Calendar of Events

APRIL

21-9th Grade Class Party
22-Youth Council Dance
24-School Closes-
Spring Vacation
29-Drum and Bugle
Corps Concert

MAY

1-School Reopens
5-8th Grade Class Party
5-Jacob Brothers Concert
6-CEEB Testing
6-Freeborn Performance
9-Career Night Program
13-Spring Day
13-Youth Council Dance
16-Maryvale Choir
Assembly
19-7th Grade Class Party
20-Student Council Dance

'Vision' Exhibits At Park Gallery

"It is better to see the world through 100 eyes than just two." This statement expresses the philosophy of a new photography club in Wellsville, known as Vision.

Formed three months ago, Vision includes avid photographers from the Wellsville area who get together to express themselves through pictures. These shutter-bugs hold regular meetings on every other Friday at the Christian Temple.

One week a business meeting is held and a criticism of each other's work takes place the next. Each month a theme is presented for the photographers to direct their lenses at and club members are then asked to bring these pictures to the meetings. The theme for pictures this month is "Spring." President of Vision is Gary

Tomasulo Aims For Smiles, Laughing Faces Next Year



PROVIDING CONTRASTING VIEWS of A. Thomas O'Grady are a self-portrait and a photograph of the local artist. Also an art teacher, Mr. O'Grady stresses the importance of drawing as a basis for good compositions in all facets of art.

O'Grady Expresses Moods Through Art

Wellsville area has seen many examples of talent in art in the past, including some in our own school, but one can certainly not omit from the list artist and Scio art teacher A. Thomas O'Grady.

As a private instructor and school teacher, Mr. O'Grady has seldom been incapable of



style, O'Grady puts a little bit of himself into everything he does. At times Mr. O'Grady puts so much of himself into a painting that he cannot bear to sell it. Thus, he has accumulated a large collection of his own works.

"One should overlook the bad, make the most of the good

Pertinent issues in WHS, vandalism, teacher-student relationships, student involvement, "Camelot" and the proposed Student Council Constitution were the topics for discussion in a recent interview with Principal Joseph Tomasulo.

A major gripe heard among students recently has been the closing down of boys' and girls' rooms. Most don't realize that this was not a disciplinary action, but simply was to clean-up and repaint the lavatories. The major issue seems to be, not the closing, but the vandalism that made it necessary. As Mr. Tomasulo stated, "More and more students feel that vandalism such as writing on walls isn't wrong."

In a recent announcement given to the student body, Mr. Tomasulo stressed that the students should not protect the guilty parties. "Tolerate this type of person now, and you'll have headaches the rest of your life. Student Council and other individual students can do a great deal of good by exerting pressure on the guilty, much more than an administrator can," he continued. There is no definite rise in vandalism, according to the principal, but it's a problem that has always been here and is just building up.

Dale Smith and Michael Silverio have been accepted at Alfred University and Alfred Agricultural and Technical Vocational School, respectively. Thomas Moogan has been chosen by Dickinson College.

Accepted at the Meyer Memorial Hospital School of Nursing is Carole Curtis, while Donald Dillie has chosen Canton Agricultural and Technical College. SUNY at Geneseo has admitted Marie Perkins. Elizabeth Walchli plans to attend Institute Montesano in Switzerland for a post-graduate year and then continue her studies at Wells College although she was also accepted

"Student involvement in the operation of the school is growing each year," Mr. Tomasulo observed, "I hope there continues to be improvement." Student-faculty relationships are also continuing to improve, he contends, although there still is a tendency for students to side with

Frick Releases College Notices

Guidance Director Ralph Frick recently announced college acceptances and scholarships for 1972-1973.

Accepted at Alfred Agricultural and Technical College are Luanne Ross, Janet Schettine, Philip Wright, Michael Tronetti and Michael Edwards. The State University of New York at Albany as well as the University of Rochester has selected Stephen Sweet, while Pennsylvania State University has notified Hans Arnold of his acceptance.

Therefore, I didn't qualify for either position."

Asked his aims, Mr. Rugaber quickly retorted, "I have no specific goals." But after a moment of silence, he said, "Although I stated in my political advertisements that I have no commitments and no axe to grind, one target in my agenda is to have the arterial completed as soon as possible. When the highway is done, the Village won't be burdened with such a costly street repair bill, since most traffic will use the state road. Many in the Dyke Street area, including myself, have suffered during the construction of Phase One. It's just ridiculous not to complete it."

Laughter filled the vice-principal's office, when he was queried about his opinion of the others elected. He jokingly replied, "It's like asking if you beat your wife." "But seriously," he asserted, "I'm really satisfied."

Mr. Rugaber summed up his future political plans by stating, "Return in four years and I will tell you."

Two Teachers Join Wellsville's Faculty

Two new teachers have been added to the WHS faculty and a student psychologist is completing his graduate work in Wellsville.

Mrs. Fuller, who taught here last year and substituted during the beginning of this year, now teaches science to the seventh grade and has one tenth grade class. Having grown up in Scio, Mrs. Fuller graduated from Cortland State College in 1970 earning a B.S. in Earth Science Education.

Miss La Bella, taking the place of Jessie Ehrenzeller who retired in February, is teaching English in the eighth grade. Originally from Eldred, Pa., she attended St. Bonaventure, majoring in English and graduated in January, 1972.

Kevin Mitchell, a graduate student at Alfred University, is serving as a student school psychologist in Wellsville during the last months of school. Originally from Patchogue, Long Island, he and his wife are now residing in Alfred.

Mr. Mitchell graduated from Adelphi University and plans to receive his Master's Degree in psychology and his state certification this June from Alfred University.

The Science Department sent the 12 grade winners to represent WHS at the Fifteenth Annual Allegany Mountain Science Fair at Olean High School where four of the entrants, Denise Hauselt, David Vaklyes, Brenda Keller and Patty Mueller emerged victorious.

Modern Noah Christens Ark, Satisfies Childhood Desires

by SHIRLEY KING
and
MARY ANN BUCKWALTER

A Wellsville man is bringing to life the dream of every arm-chair traveler in his own backyard. John O. Burtchell, publisher of the "Pennysaver," is building a 45 foot auxiliary cruising sailboat which, upon its completion will serve as a home for the Burtchell family as they travel around the world.

Mr. Burtchell was inspired by an article in "Life" magazine about a man in Massachusetts who had built a similar boat. Mr. Burtchell stated that it will have all the comforts of home when completed. It will bunk seven people and carry enough diesel fuel to last 600 miles, enough water to last one month.

Plans for the boat, purchased from Samson Marine Design, Ltd., Vancouver, cost from \$300 to \$400. Mr. Burtchell penciled in his own changes to the plans. He estimates that the sailboat will cost anywhere from \$18,000 to \$25,000 to complete.

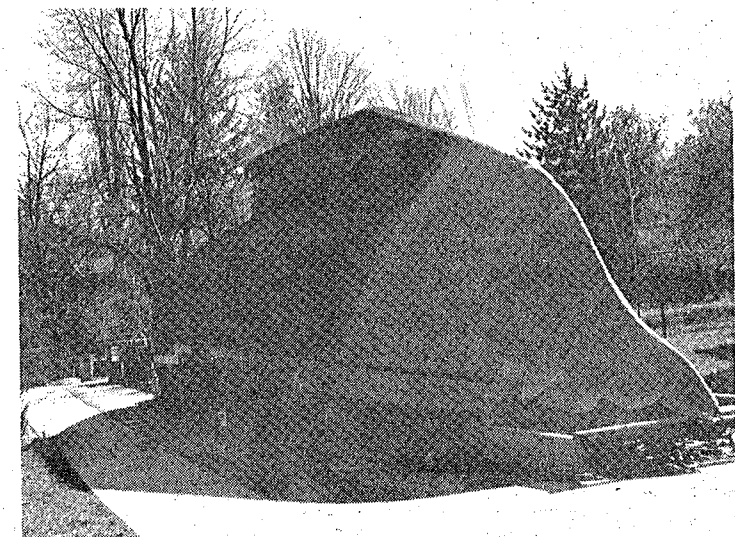
Needs Little Upkeep

Perhaps the main peculiarity about Mr. Burtchell's type of boat is that it is made of cement. "I thought cement sinks like a stone," many curious neighbors worry. On the contrary, Mr. Burtchell returns, "Cement boats are about the safest and most practical kind. They need very little maintenance, are fireproof, and are extremely hard to puncture. If a boat like this is built right, it is tremendous; it'll last forever. If not, you might as well throw it away because once punctured, it's done for." He added that individuals as well as commercial companies all around the world are building these boats.

To build the "Genesee," a wooden frame was built. This frame will be covered with 12 layers of chicken wire and two of iron rods. Cement will then be rubbed in through this layer with work gloves, then

pluse." His first project idea was to have a tropical rain forest, but Mrs. Turek wouldn't let him pipe to her room the enormous amounts of water necessary for it. Trying again, he wanted to put an electrode in a chicken's brain, but no local doctors would perform the surgery.

at the Park Gallery. Pictures taken by the club members, Kirby Jensen, Richard E. Neal, James Delap, David Helmer, Mary Bohne, Neil Depew, Thomas Allen, Richard G. Fitch, Douglas Maskell, Gary Hicks and James Bouchard are being presented.



AWAITING HER MAIDEN VOYAGE is the "Genesee," John O. Burtchell's self-constructed boat. The Burtchell family plans to cruise around the world when the boat is completed in several years. (JEN)

trowelled over by professionals to smooth it. Altogether, the sides of the boat will be one inch thick. Then a crane will turn the boat rightside up and the cabins and deck will be worked on. All of this will take place in the Burtchell driveway. A truck will convey the boat to Rochester on Lake Ontario for stepping the masts, rigging, and final fitting out.

"We're planning to buy dacron sails made in England," Mr. Burtchell stated. "In England they dye the sails blue, rust, or brown because white sails blind you in the sun. Ten thousand sixty square feet of sails are needed to sail the boat."

Rigging for the ship will be three eighths inch galvanized or stainless steel. "Stainless steel," Mr. Burtchell points out, "is more expensive but it lasts longer and requires less care. Galvanized steel has to be painted or replaced often."

Displaces 22 Tons

"Genesee," with power supplied by an 85 horsepower diesel engine, can sail in a minimum of six feet of water. The highest point of the 58 foot

mast will be 65 feet above water while the sailboat will displace 22 tons of water and draw five feet, ten inches of salt water.

"I chose the name 'Genesee'," Mr. Burtchell commented, "because I have been working on it here by the Genesee River." Also, he started work on it in Genesee, Pa., with the help of Fred Chapman. "Genesee" means "beautiful valley."

When asked how his family and neighbors are reacting, Mr. Burtchell remarked, "My family is as anxious as I am to get going. My neighbors . . . well, they commented all right, except for one who hasn't spoken to me since!"

Mr. Burtchell has been receiving help from many people. Two or three friends help him regularly with the chicken wire, but it will take 30 or 40 people to cement the boat. Now that the snow is gone, he will be able to work on it more, but the "Pennysaver" takes much of his time.

At the helm of "Genesee" he wants to go "all over." He added, "We want to stay at sea as long as we can stand it."

everyone should be able to participate in it.

O'Grady emphasizes the importance of drawing because it is the basis of creating good compositions in everything from painting to weaving. He also stresses that art is a great medium for self-expression and releasing inner emotions.

Predominantly a realist, Tom O'Grady admires the work of Andrew Wyeth and Winslow Homer. He likes to do rural landscapes in water color and in most compositions he tries to create or capture a specific mood.

The freedom of the gulls and the majesty of the waves seem to be the main themes in O'Grady's popular charcoal drawing "Cape Girl" as he depicts a young girl who is held spellbound by the ocean, seagulls and creatures of the sand.

By rearrangement of natural objects, expression of moods and by his delicate, realistic

David Lang Attends Ecological Seminar

David Lang, senior at WHS, has been selected by the Social Studies Department to go to Albany April 21 to attend an environmental teach-in. One of the 251 high school students chosen from throughout the state, he will be accompanied to the seminar by social studies teacher Raymond Allen.

Aims of the program are to discuss with students the problems of environmental degradation, and to bring up ways of improving the quality of our environment. Speaking to the teenagers and their advisors will be experts in the field of ecology, as well as legislators and executive officials who are responsible for policy decisions in this area.

New York State Senate has made available Seminar facilities for the third consecutive year, because of the constructive student activism in the battle to save the environment. Senate majority leader Carl Brydges has supported past seminars, which have been very successful.

David has been active in environmental problems and solutions as a member of the Alfred Ecology Group. He's mostly interested in "pollution and the ignorance of many students about it."

look back at my life and be able to think that I accomplished something," he commented.

As he drew the caricature of himself, O'Grady explained how he exaggerated certain features. First, he sketched the outline of a boyish haircut. Then, he added quick, sharp lines to produce the shape of his face and neck. After drawing his ear, Mr. O'Grady connected it and the chin with a very sharp jawbone. Next, he added his facial features and dark, oversized glasses. Finishing by adding a few details, he laughed, "It's been a long time since I've done anything like that!"

Pupils Leave Classrooms For Curriculum Freedom

Independent and individualized study has been introduced in Wellsville High School, presenting a new concept in teaching and learning.

Individualized study is a program in which the student takes on the responsibility of learning for himself under a teacher's indirect supervision. Class participation is not essential in this type of study, although the student usually attends his class.

The student receives mandatory assignments from his teacher and proceeds to research the topic in more depth, referring to the teacher when necessary. Idealistically, the instructor molds the curriculum to fit the abilities and interests of the students.

Distinguished from individualized study, independent study is a more free program in which the student works at his own speed, usually assigning himself homework. He teaches himself, but is still under teacher supervision. Attendance is not mandatory in this type of teaching process; however students are asked to attend class on special occasions when the teacher feels they will benefit from the class discussion.

Although these are the basic outlines of the programs, individual teachers have interpreted the outline to fit their particular class. Richard Scutt, director of the Social Studies Department, stated, "I considered only mature, responsible students with a high enough average to undertake this type of learning method." Mr. Scutt feels that because of

College. Among those receiving scholarships from individual colleges is Mary Teresa Babcock, who was granted one from D'Youville College. Stephen Harder was awarded a scholarship by the University of Delaware, while James Hennessey received the Presidential Scholarship to Sienna College. A full scholarship to Ithaca College was awarded to George Buchholz based on football and National Merit tests. Nursing scholarships were received by Carole Curtis and Lucinda Reisman, and Stephen Potter has been notified of his four year Army ROTC scholarship.

this he can spend more time with students who need the extra attention. Another advantage, according to Mr. Scutt, is keeping students from becoming bored.

Classes presently participating in the independent study and individual study programs are: Geometry, Spanish II, Social Studies 8, Sociology, Ecology and English 9. Geometry and Social Studies 8 students are required to attend regular sessions, but work separately from the rest of the class.

This trial of independent and individualized study programs has resulted in varied feelings about the success of it. Susan Purga's eighth grade social studies class felt that it helped them to get work done better and faster. Nora Zinner's class, though, remarked that the incentive to work was lost. Also, the loss of speaking German hindered their progress greatly.

Future plans for these programs depend on how the students can adjust to this type of learning. Once a student acquires the skills in researching and being independent in learning, he will be ready to learn better and achieve a deeper understanding of his work.

Next year 60 seventh graders from Brooklyn School will carry on at WHS their Team Approach method of learning that they began this year. Although plans at this time are tentative, five teachers, including Neil Haskins, Alice Filkins, Andrea Stilson, Clara Mathern and Elizabeth Heywood will be involved.

member, no matter who is right.

Presentation of the musical "Camelot" will have three basic effects that Mr. Tomasulo can foresee. The first will be a unifying effect within the student body and between students and teachers. Secondly, "local talent will be developed," which Mr. Tomasulo feels is important to the school. Also from a financial viewpoint it should be a success, although, as he stressed, "this is not a primary goal."

Also discussed was the proposed Student Council Constitution, which was presented to the students March 10. Although it was defeated, he felt it had at least one good result. "Now there is a great concern in developing the best document possible." Instead of working out the proposed Constitution, Mr. Tomasulo is in favor of amending the old one which he termed, "a fine document, even if it's old."

A final discussion topic involved the now well-known "Thoughts for the Day." Mr. Tomasulo explained that he has thousands of these which contain "a great deal of wisdom in a simple statement." For next year, though, he is going to try to change these thoughts to a "Smile for the Day." "Not enough laughter is one of the greatest problems today. Everybody is too serious," the principal related. "In this way, I hope to see more smiling faces."

French Group Adds New Honor Students

Four students have been selected this year for membership in the Societe Honoraire de Francais. They are Diane Braunschweiger, Shirley King, Debra Widman and Daniel Higgins.

These students are all in second year French classes and have a semester average in French of at least 92 percent. No single semester average may be less than 87 percent, not later than two semesters ago. Other requirements include an average of 80 percent or higher in other subjects. Only one semester's average can be less than 80 percent and this must not be less than 70 percent.

Membership in this society is restricted to 10 percent of the enrollment in second year French and a student will be dropped if he does not maintain the above standards.

Spring Exposes Souvenirs

As winter's protective blanket of snow melts away one can not help but notice the garbage that is left behind. It appears that while Wellsville's youth is busy patting itself on its back for being so ecology minded, its other hand is busy making a mess of some previously unblemished areas.

The major factor to be dealt with in this problem is the traditional weekend party held outside when the weather permits. The resulting devastation moves like a plague from place to place, as the locations of the parties themselves move.

First the David A. Howe Library was struck, followed immediately by a retaliatory attack on student behavior made by the library officials. But even this has had no effect; the area is still strewn with cigarette butts, paper and empty beer bottles.

Tear Down The Wall

Cooperation seems to be an essential ingredient in successful human relationships. It suggests an endeavor by the parties concerned to understand and communicate with one another.

In WHS there have been some advances in this area. Students and teachers are increasingly aware of each other's ideas and values, not regarding each other as natural enemies. Possibly explaining this is the presence of a more democratic classroom arrangement which gives the teacher less of a despotic aura and the students more chance to express his views. More cooperation has also been extended between the student body and the administration.

We're Responsible

Bud Hill is a site along the North Hill road which has long been infamous for its parties, since it lies outside of the jurisdiction of the local police. It's also doubtful that the Village would ever want it either, because the once scenic area is now a dump.

Recently a cache of smashed bottles was discovered in the vicinity of the tennis court. Although this area was never particularly noted for being a garden spot, it is now not only an eyesore, but a dangerous area of broken glass.

This is one problem that can not be pinned on someone else; it belongs to us. The answer does not lie in an occasional ecology clean-up by a few concerned students. It lies instead in the responsibility of those involved to clean up once the fun is over.

However, there still is an apparent deficiency of this vital quality. Relationships between the members of the "school community" (students, faculty, administration, custodians) need to be reevaluated. Perhaps what is necessary is the formation of mutual respect. Attaining this would also instill a willingness to listen to conflicting opinions, and less eagerness to criticize these ideas.

"Cooperation" is a perfect word in an imperfect world; no matter how high you reach for the goal, it is always beyond your grasp. But, that's not an excuse for not trying; rather, it's a reason to attempt it.

Editors Attain Medalist, Survive N. Y. C. Journey

BY C. J. CARPENTER

The time-7:55 Wednesday morning, March 8. We were standing around in a tense little group with our gear and dressed in full uniform, waiting anxiously for the eighth hour. This was to be the biggest mission of the year. We were part of the crack (or cracked, if you prefer) outfit known as the "Owl" staff.

Our objective was to storm New York City, survive there for four days, and bring back that revered honor of honors, the Medalist rating of Columbia University given only to the top high school newspapers in the land.

Finally, the time came. We said good-bye to our friends, secretly wondering if we would ever see them again, and loaded our gear into the waiting bus for the two hour ride to the airport in Bradford, Pennsylvania.

We were a motley looking crew, made up of a few veterans with limited experience and a number of green recruits, like myself, who had visited "the big city" only once before. Only our leader, spoken of in hushed tones as "The Advisor," was a seasoned veteran.

Spirits Rise

For the duration of the long bus ride, we carried on light banter that provided a futile attempt to cover up the undercurrent of anticipation and doubts. What was it really like? As the bus pulled up to the air terminal, spirits were running at an all time high.

Since we had over four hours to kill in the elegant Bradford Airport, Kirby kept us entertained by shocking the rest of the passengers with his fake telephone. Whenever the business phone would ring, Kirby opened his briefcase and answered his authentic looking receiver.

The high morale sank a bit, though, after Josephine and Steve Sweet bought flight insurance at the insistence of Kirby, who had to fill us all in on the reasons why Allegheny Airlines is known in the trade as



FEELING SECURE DURING his four days of freedom, C.J. Carpenter confidently puffs away in his quarters at the Waldorf-Astoria. Exposing C.J.'s secret habit was "Flash" Jensen's hidden camera.

we split up to go our separate ways. Polly, Josephine and Karen went shopping while Kirby and I walked up and down 42nd Street trying to sneak a glance into the "adult shows."

Betsy, Debbie, Teresa, George and the two Steves went to sabotage the U.N. building and the N.Y. Stock Exchange. After riding the subway all over N.Y. searching for their destination, they finally got off only to find themselves right down the street from the Waldorf.

That evening Karen, Kirby and I decided to go to the Village and see the sights. But, thanks to Kirby's excellent mapwork, we managed to just miss the Village.

While we were walking around, Karen had the talent to ask a Puerto Rican if he was an Indian. Needless to say, Kirby and I were in quite a hurry to get her home before she started a race riot.

speeding away with much squealing of tires. Karen observed that it was probably the getaway car for a robbery. It was. We left. Fast.

Our last night on the town was one of our most memorable. The two Steves, Betsy, Teresa, George and Debbie went to see the Broadway musical "Fiddler On The Roof." Afterwards they went to Times Square to watch the ladies of the evening do their stuff.

Steve Potter noticed that one young lady kept motioning to him with her head and waving. Of course Steve did what he was expected to do under the circumstances; he waved back.

Polly went to Radio City Music Hall, while the rest of us met a group from Falmouth, Massachusetts, attending the same convention.

Apparently either nothing exciting happened or else everyone had their loved ones back home in mind, for when I



The Owl Blinks Twice

C.J. Carpenter's

Well, it's that time again. What time? Time to hack out another useless article to fill the hole on this side of the page. However, I think that I've hit on a really core subject for this issue.

That's as sneaky a way as any to introduce a subject without being downright blunt. You should be asking yourself what the word "core" is doing out of context. Well, the fact of the matter is, "core" has just been promoted to that esteemed position that all words aspire to - slang.

Some of the other slang expressions such as groovy, out of sight and peace, man have become trite and ought to be replaced. When you see your favorite catch-all phrase printed and copyrighted on some nine year old's lunchbox, you know it's over the hill.

Core is worthy of promotion on the basis of its meaning alone; that is, "a basic or enduring part, or the essential meaning." However, it also has other advantages.

For instance, it can be used as almost any part of speech. The definition given refers to it as a

noun and I used it as an adjective in the first paragraph. As a verb it rhymes with pore and bore, which can both be associated with "getting into" something, such as a book on Eastern philosophy.

Just saying the word a few times and varying the emphasis can give one a certain satisfaction. That hard "c" at the beginning suggests a very physical action, like kicking. Thus core provides a new, safe, four letter word to be used in the place of one of those less socially redeeming words used in time of anger.

The long "o" present in the middle of the word suggests the wonder present in "o-o-h-h-h." Finally, the "r" on the end, when stretched out and really enjoyed to the fullest, is reminiscent of the restrained aggressiveness of a majestic lion as it flexes its powerful muscles.

Thus, for all this time when you've been using some overworked, hackneyed phrase to express anger, wonder or contentment, you've been missing out on something. Next time, try the real satisfaction of ck-o-o-o-r-r-r-e. (An "Owl" trademark, copyright-1972.)

Earth Writes Letter Of Complaint To Owl

Once or maybe twice, for that matter it could very well have been thrice, the wheel has turned. Who could know, with things such as this. After all it's been happening for eons; life into death, death into life, change after change, all being interpreted as time. However, with time one grows old; I am neither old nor young and yet both.

All of my former unique existences now lie buried beneath the organic expressions of my conscious mind, already placed in the epic of life. But as with most good epics, there is a tragedy. I have justified my presence to provide and understand all that I give birth to.



By KATHY ROGERS

So you think Wellsville High stinks? You can't wait until you graduate and get out of this place? You feel you're being dominated and dictated over, huh? Well, you don't know how good you have it!

I was visiting here over Easter vacation from Cleveland, Ohio. I went to school for a few days and I

...the date. If he squeals on a classmate who commits any kind of crime he is likely to receive a more severe punishment than the criminal - even if not he'll still be taunted by his peers for being a tattler.

It is no wonder that teenagers still value the principle of keeping one's mouth shut whenever he sees an act of vandalism being committed. Since many years of upbringing proved that tattling was not a very nice thing to be accused of, it's a hang up that can be hard to shake.

However, the students of WHS are

Back To Normalcy

It's over. Rehearsals are finished, posters are down, and strains of "The Lusty Month of May" are a thing of the past. The entire school can breathe a gigantic sigh of relief and settle down to the daily routine of academic life.

Was it worth it? It might be impossible for the cynics to admit, but most of the active participants can honestly say that "Camelot" wasn't such a bad idea, after all. Although the many hours of rehearsals were exhausting and at

...we still cling to the childish values which are now meaningless? It's not as if we have nothing to lose by keeping quiet while our school slowly crumbles to the ground - our privileges could easily be removed for good, and this is not an idle threat.

So don't say it's the minority's fault if you have ever had the chance to report an act of vandalism and have remained silent. You can't place the blame on anyone but yourself if you have done nothing to help solve the problem except complain.

times the amount of work involved seemed to serve no useful purpose, the result of our efforts was a production successful enough to bring satisfaction to all.

Obtaining the full support of townspeople was a tremendous accomplishment and further proof of their approval were the packed auditoriums Friday and Saturday nights. "Camelot" did come to life, and those involved deserve praise and thanks for presenting WHS with a performance which helped most of us unite for a common purpose.

Inquiring Reporter Asks

What's This Generation Coming To?

"It's not what we're coming to, it's how we get there that counts," was the answer of notorious junior Bill Sweet.



International Club officer Barb Tomasulo asked, "The question is, 'Where did it come from?'"



Senior Fayne Cochran replied, "To the end of its rope."



"It is coming to a state wherein the identity of the individual will successfully overcome archaic social cohesion, thus offsetting the balance of the bathroom scales," blurted orchestra member Elaine Toporas.

"The younger generation is headed for a rude awakening. Zzzzzzz," mumbled J.V. basketball player Tim Colligan.



Shortstop Phil Masin replied optimistically, "War, famine, disease. . ."



"The younger generation is going to pot," answered band member Jim Black.



Council member Cynthia Cretekos said, "The younger generation is coming to total apathy but, then again, who really cares?"

...because of weather conditions. Suddenly someone shouted and pointed into the sky and I looked up to see a great silver bird floating earthward. Later, when they found me and dragged me out of my hiding place, I was informed that it was only our plane, a mere two hours late.

On the flight itself, we learned how our host airline had earned its nickname. While Kirby kept up a steady barrage of information concerning our flight speed, altitude, etc., the rest of us busily made sure that our little white bags with the tie tops were handy.

Destination Approaches

It was of little reassurance to learn that a priest was on the flight with us, for as somebody observed, he probably already had his wings and wouldn't need a parachute.

At last, New York City, home of Broadway and the bright lights! But as we bid adieu to our lovely stewardess and stepped off the plane, we were suddenly afflicted with a strange hacking cough accompanied by smarting in the eyes. Real smog! Oh boy!

In a short time we were snugly packed away in cabs in groups of three and on our way to the glamorous Waldorf-Astoria. Steve Potter, George and Kirby were lucky enough to get a real pro cabbie.

"Hey, did that guy just scrape me?"

"Yeah!" Censored (real cabbie language!).

Unfortunately, Josephine, Karen and I got stuck with a guy who had only gotten his license two weeks before and didn't know where the Waldorf was. He wasn't so dumb, though; it took us \$.50 longer to get there.

Once we were all situated in our rooms, which were located in a maze, we set out for the ABC studio and the Dick Cavett Show. On the way to the studio, we arranged ourselves in single file behind Mrs. Decker, who was the only one who knew the way.

Among the guests were Roger Moore, of "The Saint" television fame and Roberta Flak, a well known blues singer. That night we waited up to see ourselves on television, only to catch a passing shot of George, Debbie, Teresa and Mrs. Decker's glasses.

Thursday morning we arose early to go out to Columbia to attend some of the scheduled programs, and in the afternoon,

Henry's! The service there was noticeably better than what we received at most of the restaurants we patronized. Usually the staff took one look at the number of people walking in together and did everything but encourage us to remain on the premises.

Later on in the evening, three of the group who thought that they "really knew the city" decided to tour N.Y. by bus. The sophisticated threesome got off at the wrong bus stop to find themselves in the middle of Spanish Harlem, better known as "Hell's Kitchen." Thanks to an understanding taxi driver, they lived to tell the tale to others.

Subways Attract Interest

Whenever it was required to travel long distances on the island, we usually descended into the depths, those underground places where night is eternal-the subways. These rapid transit systems provided a most interesting cross-section of life found in one of the world's largest cities.

During the day there are the commuters, shoppers and students. During the rush hour they are so crowded that there is hardly any standing room.

Once night falls, however, the whole character of the subway changes from harmless to sinister. This is the time when the "unusual" men of the city come out (usually known by another, unprintable name, of course).

Once we got back to our rooms, Kirby, Steve Sweet and I found that we were lucky enough to have a number of young stewardesses in the adjoining room.

We exchanged notes underneath the door until we began to wonder about their motives; so, we hid our money and locked the doors. Later someone commented, "Too bad you couldn't fly United."

Highlight of our trip came Friday morning when we learned about our Medalist rating. We pitied poor Polly, who had a hard time faking the cinder in her eye.

However, unassuming souls not connected with the "Owl" rarely get as excited as we over the joyous news, since no one really believes that editors have to do anything besides sit around and have fun in the "Owl" room.

That afternoon we all walked around and did a bit of shopping. As we passed an insurance office, a car was spotted

...that harms me shall soon harm my sons and daughters. It becomes so very frustrating speaking in so many tongues and being heard by so few.

The telephone was an important instrument throughout the trip, from the time of Kirby's pranks in Bradford on. One morning Mrs. Decker called the girls' room to be greeted with an innocent voice announcing "House of the Good Shepherd, Sister Josephine speaking."

And later on, Karen received a number of phone calls from men who claimed to want to interview her for the Johnny Carson Show because of her Indian heritage. Since Polly was alone when the calls were made, she began to get a little frightened after the third such call, especially when they planned to send the camera crew to her room early the next morning.

Sweet Purchases

Saturday morning was a kind of cooling off period for us, since we were leaving early in the afternoon. Steve Sweet decided that he wanted to take something home with him, so he bought over \$40 worth of advanced mathematics texts and science fiction novels.

Kirby, Jo and I decided to use our tickets (supposedly worth \$7) and attend the convention dinner at the Commodore Hotel.

The staff at the Commodore is not quite as gracious as that of the Waldorf; we spent an hour and a half ducking broccoli, ice cream and insults thrown at us by the pugnacious waiters.

We checked out of the fabulous Waldorf with great reluctance but not without undue speed; we were afraid that someone might have mentioned the paper airplanes floating past their windows at 2 a.m.

The trip back didn't seem to take as long as the one up. We sat quietly, probably because no one had enough strength or willpower left to speak, and reflected on our plans for the evening at home.

Some of us were more eager than others to return to Wellsville; then there were those who could hardly tear themselves away from the city. But we all had one thing in common, which was the knowledge that very few people in N.Y. are as "cold" as their image proclaims, city blocks are longer than those of Wellsville (especially when you're walking halfway across Manhattan) and we weren't quite as sophisticated as we thought we were.

...that harms me shall soon harm my sons and daughters. It becomes so very frustrating speaking in so many tongues and being heard by so few.

Supposedly time heals all wounds. So it may be my flesh growing fertile and giving birth building from and upon the old. My blood may wash the wounds and scars so that few will know, and I shall always survive, letting change take its course while the violent and ignorant of men will perish, except to the archives of my body.

Signed,
The Earth

Another Smile...

On a cold winter's day

I looked outside at the bare trees

And the frozen earth
And the grey sky

And realized that I looked the same.

Then I turned and you were there.

Unsure of what to do I waited

And then you smiled

Running through the deep green grass

I collapsed beneath a warm and shining sun

Oh, how I love the summer!

By JOSEPHINE LYNCH

...like I'm in a prison. We've been trying for years to get an open lunch period, but I'm afraid they'll still be trying 10 years from now. We were one of the last schools to change our dress code, and that was only this year!

An open study hall is a never-heard of thing to me. We even have teachers watching over us in the lunch rooms! The only "special" privilege I have is permission to go to the Senior Lounge during my study halls; but to get into the Lounge you have to sign about four passes and have the monitors take them to your teachers every day.

This is the first year we've gotten a chance to leave school last period. It only applies to seniors and they can only leave if they have a study hall last period. You have it so easy that anyone can take off as soon as your classes are over, and you can even come in late in the morning if you don't have a class. I can't believe how great you have it here!

We also have student I.D. cards which is really ridiculous! We have to show them to get into any kind of a dance, or special function, and if your date doesn't go to our school, you have to get special permission from the principal himself to let him go to a dance with you.

I could go on forever about all of our stupid restrictions, but I think you get the message. The next time you want to complain about your school, just think a minute about what rights you already have. I don't think you realize how good you have it.

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Flight Expert Discovers Art of Paper Airplanes

by AMY WATERMAN

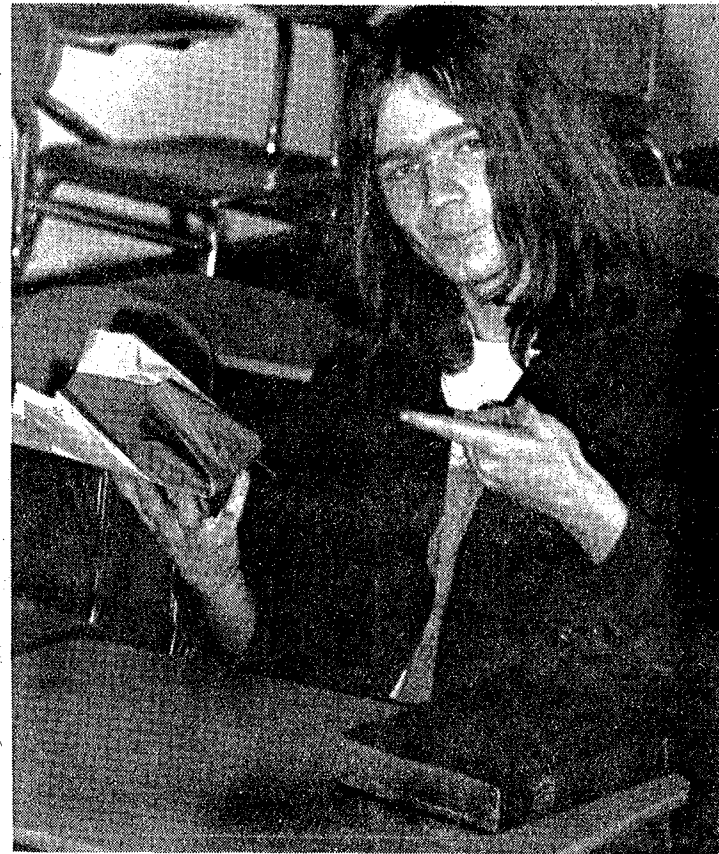
"We are delving in a misunderstood art. People think we're crackpots, but we have achieved state-of-the-art technology in aircraft of a paper nature," divulged Kirby Jensen, one of the WHS specialists in the science of paper airplanes.

Together with co-designers and pilots, Steve Sweet and Bob Waterbury, Kirby has been "forging ahead new frontiers" in aircraft design. "We have a lot of experience and we've put in a lot of flight hours." The greatest part of this flight training has taken place in the general vicinity of Jensen's back porch. These paper technologists have made thousands of test flights and have modified and perfected the various models in "The Great International Paper Airplane Book" compiled by Mander, Dippel and Gossage, and have created several other aircraft of their own design.

The art of paper airplane making dates back as far as 800 A.D. In this era of history, the craft was more than a hobby; the planes were used throughout Asia as a means of warfare. Usually constructed of wood and thin pieces of paper, they were equipped with a poisoned tip to be thrown at enemies.

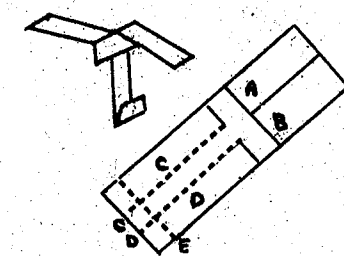
Long intrigued by paper airplanes because, "I like things that fly; they make me smile," Kirby interjected a warning that a lot of cutting and pasting breeds boredom. Summing up the most challenging aspect of paper airplane making, Kirby commented that, "It is hard to construct one that will fly outdoors." He also expressed an interest in starting a contest in which students could compete against each other with aircraft of their own creation.

Following are some examples of the various types of paper airplanes that anyone can construct:



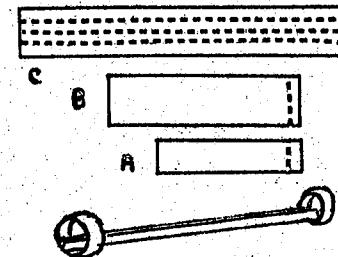
PRESENTING HIS NEW CREATION is Bob Waterbury, one of WHS's paper airplane craftsmen. Recently these aircraft have experienced renewed interest among students here. (JENSEN)

Fold C in and overlap by folding D
After folding C and D up at E
Launch by dropping from high position



Directions
Flatten out gum wrapper and fold on dotted lines A-F in succession

Curve sides on lengthwise dotted lines G and H



Directions
Fold in half and open again.
Fold one side in half.
Fold the same side in half again.
Fold over again; tape.

But You Didn't

by Lean Ozeri

Remember the time when we went
to Central Park and you
told me not to climb the
tree 'cause the branches
were brittle and weak?
I didn't listen to you
and I climbed and climbed.
I remember the hurt look on your face
when I fell.
I thought you would walk away
and leave me.
But you didn't.

And who can forget the time you told me
not to bring the hot coffee
into the car during
the Drive-in.

Oh why, why did it have to spill on you
and not me?
I thought you would drive away
and leave me.
But you didn't.

Remember when we went bicycle riding
and you told me not to show-off
and I should ride with two hands.
I remember how you looked at me
when I fell and cut my knees.
I thought you would just ride away and
leave me.
But you didn't.

"She fell in love with a frog-prince"



G. Newland Creates Tale Of Interchangeable Parts

We are a deprived generation. With the emphasis on reason and logic we have been unable to fulfill ourselves in one area of mental endeavor-fantasy. As children we fantasized with beauty, wisdom and faith. As we grew older, we were told to "quit daydreaming" and to "get rid of those comics and read a good book"

Some psychiatrists (who asked that their names be withheld) say this is the basis for our inability to face our problems. How can we cope with reality if we are unable to cope with unreality?

But, do not fret. All hope is not lost. For those of you in distress over your inadequate capacity, the following may be your knight in shining armor. It is an outline from which many fairy tales may be derived. The terms entered are only suggested so you'll get the hang of it.

Once upon a time (in a far-off land, in a suburb of Chicago) there lived a (n) (princess) who was very (happy, sad) because she (could, couldn't) (sing, dance)

apple, put a spell on her). To her rescue came a (handsome prince, a not-so-handsome prince, an ugly frog-prince) who kissed her (or vice-versa) and (awoke her, gave her warts) and they (lived happily ever after, encountered other problems which they miraculously overcame). THE END.

Now it's your turn. It is easy to see that if you changed the princess to an anemic fruit fly, the whole meaning would be changed.

To get the best possible results, you should go through this exercise at least once a day. You will soon realize its practical applications. If you insert such candidates as Humphrey, Wallace, or Nixon, you'll get stories that are unbelievable. If you add Lieutenant Calley, you'll get a tragedy. Don't enter Francis Gary Powers, however. It would be a regrettable mistake.

After all, life is just a real fantasy. Even Grimm could not imagine the magnitude of



By JOSEPHINE LYNCH
and
KIRBY JENSEN

Alicia Bay Laurel sounds like something you might find out in the middle of a forest, and it's very likely that you would. No, it's not a kind of ground cover! Alicia Bay Laurel is the talented author of "Living On the Earth."

Designed with those people who want to celebrate life to its fullest in mind, this book contains enough information to allow someone to be completely self-sufficient. Not only does it give instructions on how to grow a garden or build a house and furniture, but it also includes recipes, clothing patterns and explains how to make your own musical instruments.

An interesting and practical section of the book deals with simple cures to various illnesses. For instance, a headache remedy is to inhale fumes of boiling vinegar.

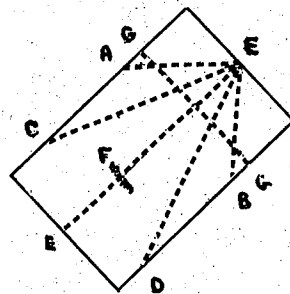
Hatha yoga is discussed, along with brief segments from the philosophies of Lao-Tzu and Tao. A unique Tibetan eye exercise is one of many of the exercises found in this book.

Ending the book is a section entitled "To Die in the Forest." This explains how to cremate a body and delves a little into a philosophy on death.

Alicia Bay Laurel not only wrote "Living On the Earth", but also filled it with her simple, but meaningful illustrations. As she said in her introduction, "When we depend less on industrially produced consumer goods, we can live in quiet places. Our bodies become vigorous; we discover the serenity of living with the rhythms of the earth. We cease oppressing one another."

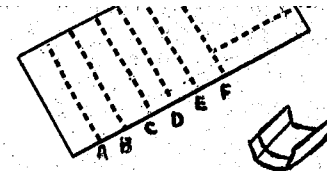
Another book for the self-sufficient is "The Anarchist Cookbook" by William Powell. This is another of those radical do-it-yourself manuals.

Fold up nose and fasten at F
Fold fin on both sides.



Directions

Cut along all solid lines.
Fold A forward, Fold B back-
ward



Directions

Cut out A. Bring two ends
together to form a ring. Overlap
to dotted line and glue together.
Repeat with B.
Cut out C. Score along dotted
lines. Overlap two sides and
glue to form a triangular rod.
Place each ring on ends of rod
so that a flat side of the rod is
glued to the inside of the ring.

Camber edges by moving wing
back and forth with short stroke
over the table edge.
Crease folded section at center
point. Hold between thumb and
forefinger and launch with
gentle horizontal motion.

how much I loved you,
how much I wanted you to hold
me when you came home
from Viet Nam.

But you didn't.

(They, he, she) gave her (free
room and board, three wishes).
But the wicked (queen, step-
mother) (gave her a poison

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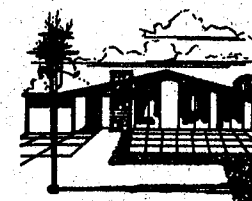


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Students Favor Trial Curriculum

Until two years ago, not even the most prodigious freshmen could be found in a sophomore Earth Science or Biology class. With the initiation of an advanced science course, those students reflecting a sincere interest through their marks were selected for involvement in an experimental science program. Although the advantage of a three year science major obtained a year earlier is present, some students expressed negative attitudes toward this program.

Accepting the program was 72 per cent. In spite of this favoring group, some of the students do not feel all students selected are mature enough to endure the course.

As most interpreted it, the pressure of the course is placed more on the student, rather than the teacher. However, others thought the opposite by explaining the teacher's burden as "having to tolerate the immature students in class." One student stated, "Some kids definitely are not cut out for this course, but they do have the capability of getting good marks in the regular class."

The time element involved also presented some complication for the participants. Although the majority agreed that concepts could be understood in spite of the lack of time, they admitted that more time could be spent on some of the more difficult areas. As one student commented, "Because of the teacher's patience, it is easier to settle down and concentrate on the work."

Despite some negative feelings, many supported the program enthusiastically. The additional year of science meant to some a better preparation for college. Several students also enjoy the atmosphere created. A freshman currently taking Biology admired, "the presence of older kids."

Fifty-one per cent of the students felt they had obtained status through this course. Sensing that she had obtained

change in the knowledge attained, while 40 percent noted a distinct boost in their marks. Several attributed their success to studying harder to meet the demands of the course.

Because of the improvement of grades, many wanted to remain in the group. However, the small percentage that experienced drop in their marks expressed no desire to continue in the program, nor to see the overall process continued.

The overwhelming 90 percent wanted not only to continue the program, but to expand it into math, since English and Social Studies have already obtained an elective system. Still others disapproved of this idea because, "one advanced course is enough to handle."

Elaine Turek, instructing an accelerated Biology class noted, "I think this course is a great idea, but the maturity level of the student is greatly involved. The girls participating seem to have a more mature attitude than the boys have displayed."

Life

Life never has a pattern

It never has a reason

Life takes turn after turn

But it's here with us, every day, month and season

Life is experiencing, suffering, loving

It's satisfaction, it's discontent

It's worth a million, it's worth a cent

Life is too much, it's not enough

Life is easy, life is rough

Life is silent, life can sing



EXHIBITING THE TRICKS OF HIS TRADE is George O'Donnell as Patty Mueller looks on. Mr. O'Donnell's firm represents 25 years of independent small business in Wellsville. (CURTIS)

Local Stores Recall Prosperous Decades

By PATTY MUELLER

"All small stores are on their way out. You just have to be big to succeed anymore." According to Joe Serio, the days of prosperity of his firm as well as others have long been at an end. Mr. Serio and three other merchants revealed the proud histories of their firms which represent some of the oldest independent businesses in Wellsville.

Pearl Street is the site of Serio's Grocery Store which houses a 47 year service to that vicinity. This firm, which has been under the ownership of Joe Serio since its origin, bore the trademark of the "sweet tooth's haven" to any youngster who had taken advantage of Joe's stock.

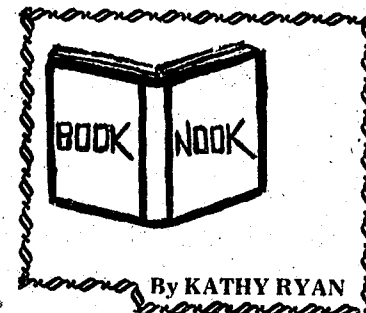
Not only had the younger generation benefitted from Serio's merchandise, but also those searching for a variety in

In spite of prosperity in the past, Mr. Serio notes a distinct lull in business with youngsters and adults alike.

On the opposite side of town, nestled in the heart of West State Street, is J.R. Owens. The miniature market, specializing mainly in various freshly cut meats, has been managed by George O'Donnell and William Bannister since 1947. Quite unlike the history of the Serio franchise, Owens' was once a door-to-door traveling store that transported its goods to several steady customers of the area.

However, at present the firm is no longer identified as wheel bound, but is now designated by a familiar "Mail Pouch Tobacco" thermometer and "Sunbeam Bread" banner strewn across the entrance.

Harboring another proud history is the candy shop of candy shops — "Boots" Cicirello. Under Boots' roof is



"Wellsville had a population of 6,000, but I bet most of them were cows, because only 25 to 50 people would show up at our games."

This is just one of the comments which made Wellsville citizens boil with anger while reading Tony Conigliaro's autobiography, "Seeing It Through."

The cocky Italian ballplayer, who thought he was too great a power hitter for a hick town like Wellsville, went 0-for-16 in the minor league before connecting for a hit. According to Tony C., Wellsville possessed a lone hotel, a broken television cable and a movie house that showed one Elvis Presley picture all week.

His family came to visit him once. Conigliaro's father terminated the visit after two days by saying, "Look, Choo, we love you very much. You know that. But we can't stand another minute of this." Having said that, his father drove ten hours non-stop to their home in Swampscott, Massachusetts.

Discovering what "the minors" meant didn't take Tony C. long. What could be lower? Big leaguers travel everywhere by jet, everything's air-conditioned and first class. Whenever the Wellsville Red Sox had to make a road trip, they used an old school bus. There were no springs in it, just solid rubber tires and lawn mower engines. Sleeping on the bus was impossible for most players as exemplified in their anecdotes. Conditions were so skimpy that the managers used to drive the bus.

"When I got to Wellsville, said Tony, I realized what I'd left behind. Civilization, for one thing. It was a far throw from anything I'd ever seen before, and it was enough to convince me to work much harder so I

Little League Pleads For Town's Support

"Play ball" may be the call for Wellsville's Little League Baseball this year. What's the "maybe?" There is the possibility of no Little League this year in Wellsville because of lack of money and interest.

When asked the dilemmas of the program, President James Spellicy said, "Lack of parental participation and attendance at games by parents are the major problems. Since the publication of a feature in the 'Wellsville Daily Reporter,' public action and response has been fairly good." Spellicy continued, "It's pretty early. I expect more cooperation and financial help in the immediate future."

Not only can adults help with financial aid but the high school students can also add their support. High school boys can help by keeping score and occasionally umpiring.

Before the youths can use the Little League park the playing area must be renovated. Benches are weather beaten

and dugouts are in need of repair. Mr. Spellicy feels that with a little work, Wellsville could have one of the best ball fields in the country.

"This activity is one of the most rewarding athletic events for kids. Little League instills a spirit of competition, pride and team spirit that will help them in later life. Besides the athletic prowess it develops, Little League affords the parent and the boy a chance to create a strong relationship outside the home."

Respect for authority and the maturity to accept the umpire's decision without a hassle are important principles stressed in the ball program," stated Mr. Spellicy, who has dedicated four of eight years' involvement in Little League as its president. In a final response concerning the plea for assistance, Mr. Spellicy simply stated, "Support your kid now and he'll support you later."

"We Choose To Honor" Installs Mary Wyrrough, Cynthia Cretekos



M. WYROUGH

"We Choose To Honor" has admitted Mary Wyrrough and Cynthia Cretekos as its newest



C. CRETEKOS

Also occupying a portion of Cynthia's time was Junior Owl in seventh and eighth grade.

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Youths Misuse Novel Privilege

BY PAULA TOMASULO

"We never have anything to do on weekends."

This complaint has always been prevalent among junior high students as to the scarcity of dances. Since most dances admit only persons in grades 9-12, an antidote for boredom has been sought.

Coming to the assistance of the youths is the local YMCA, which provides dances for 50 cents every other Friday night. Although the tunes are just on records, officials have expressed satisfaction in the overwhelming student participation.

One requirement for attending students is the observance of the rules set up by the Y administration and chaperones. Since the majority of youths have obeyed the code, parents don't have to worry about their child's well being. But there are always a few who attempt to spoil the activity for others. These irresponsible people occasionally start small disturbances, but so far the chaperones have been able to cope with them.

Chaperones' complaints range from the presence of inebrious youths, to the increased display of affection between junior high students.

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some commented, "Status is not
the object of the course."
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a success much to the disap-
pointment of many Wellsville
fans. Getting smashed in the
eye with a fastball took him out
of the game for two years, but
did not affect his fame. After
that accident he made a great
comeback, but then he quit
baseball for good in the 1971
season.

positions on the cheerleading
squad, class teams and in-
tramurals. However, Cynthia
maintains a greater interest in
school politics as she has been a
member of Student Council
since seventh grade.
Excelling in scholarship, both
Cynthia and Mary were in-
ducted into Junior National
Honor Society in eighth grade.

extracurricular activities, Mary
finds time to continue a five
year commitment to the piano.
Neither appeared at the
moment to have any comment
pertaining to their academic
experiences in high school.
However, Cynthia credits her
success by commenting, "It's
all in the wrist."

extreme because a number of
chaperones, including myself,
preside over the dances."

YMCA dances may appear
trivial to some, but they are a
necessity to provide someplace

"If the problem becomes
worse, drastic action can be
taken," he asserted. "We can
and will call their parents."

for the younger students to go.
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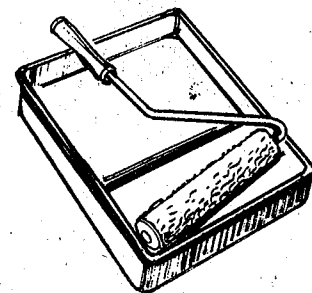
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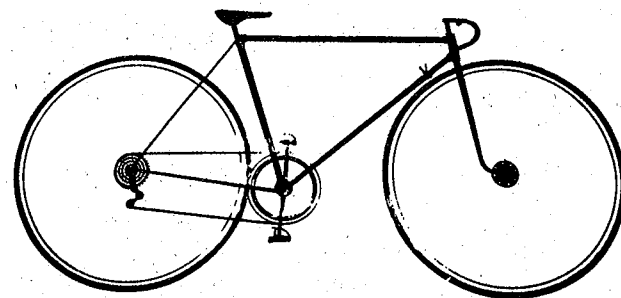
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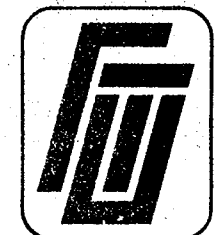
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Girls Seek Changes In Class Activities

By POLLY FORD

So much has been said about the good and bad points of boys' sports that the topic is somewhat overworked. But one aspect of physical education that has been ignored is the activity, or lack of it, in girls' gym classes.

Few girls would call their physical education classes challenging; to most they are no more than a 40 minute duty. This attitude is especially prevalent among junior and senior girls. Everyone complains, yet none of the girls really speak out.

Students can do little about the elimination of gym, nor can it be made an optional course, since New York State law requires that all high school students take a minimum of 90 minutes of gym per week. A lobby group in Albany or thousands of letters to our senators might change that, but as for the present we're stuck with it.

One of the reasons why gym is important for all girls is that it gives them some physical activity in case they never exercise in other ways. Usually, however, the girls who need it most exert themselves the least; often the active participants are the ones who don't really need two days of gym a week to keep in shape.

The moment of truth for the girls comes twice a year with the appearance of dreaded physical fitness tests. After two weeks of little activity, students must go through strenuous exercise (at the height of their ability) and in return receive a number according to how well she did.

This fitness rating does nothing other than bring embarrassment or else pride to the minorities at the extreme ends of the number scale. Value of such a procedure is questionable indeed, but why has it not been challenged before?

Tight budget means little money for equipment which could be helpful in improving the morale of girls' gym classes. But even without the necessary funds, the situation could be better than it now is. Since little equipment has been purchased in recent years, now would be a good time to add new activities. Deletion of unpopular sports like crab soccer should be contemplated and perhaps tumbling, self defense or modern dance could be added.

Girls' opinions on class activities could be asked for and, if desired, a special committee could be formed to help change the curriculum. A complete renovation is improbable because of the overcrowded classes, but some of the staleness of gym period could be removed with little effort.

Summer Sports Camps Provide



PREPARING THEMSELVES for a hard run to the Dairy are Chad Goetschius and Tim Forhan. Tim, a returning letterman, promises to be a consistent point maker for the track team. (JENSEN)

Thinclads Drop 1st In Four-Way Meet

Competing against three powerhouses last Wednesday at Portville, Wellsville's undermanned track team displayed unexpected power in the field events, while coming in fourth with 59 points behind Portville (89 pts.), Franklinville (63 pts.) and Randolph (60 pts.). In previous years the team took as many as 50 members to a meet; Wednesday only 25 determined athletes showed up.

Over half of those placed with several garnering two placements. Bob McNulty and George Buchholz were the big point-getters for Wellsville. Bob showed that he was in excellent physical condition as he ran the 880 in 2:14.9, while turning in an outstanding time for the mile at 4:50.

Buchholz, in capturing a first and a second, lead in the field events. His 39'8" in the shot was good for first, while a distance of 114'9" secured for him second place in the discus.

Although hampered by a knee injury, another big man on the team, Terry Norris, rose to the occasion and took a first in the high jump at 6'0". Terry's victory is surprising in the fact that he has not jumped in

team's performance as a whole. With no track to practice actual 440's and 880's on, we did extremely well. With only 25 boys, we came within five points of second place. It just shows how much talent we have." The next meet will be today with Cuba and Alfred-Almond at Alfred-Almond.

Calendar of Events

TRACK

April 21 (A)	A-A, Cuba
April 25 (H)	Dansville (at Bolivar)
April 27 (H)	Portville (at Bolivar)
May 3 (A)	Allegany
May 6 (A)	Hornell Inv.
May 10 (H)	Olean (at Bolivar)
May 13 (H)	Spring Day (at Ag-Tech)
May 16 (A)	Bath
May 17 (H)	Randolph (at Ag-Tech)

BASEBALL

April 21 (A)	A-A
April 25 (H)	Olean
April 28 (A)	Addison
May 3 (A)	Hornell
May 5 (A)	Dansville
May 8 (H)	Addison
May 10 (A)	Bath

Sid Miles Recounts Days Of Coaching in Wellsville

By RICK DELVECCHIO

For nearly half a century, Sid Miles has taught and been taught many things about the multifarious world of physical education and athletics. Over the years he has encouraged thousands of young people to acquire a more meaningful perspective of not only interscholastic competition but intramural sports as well.

Now, after 47 years, Sid is retiring from active teaching. But he found time in the remaining weeks of his schedule to reflect upon his career as the original physical education instructor in the Wellsville system.

Sid received his primary and secondary schooling in the New England area and later attended Ithaca College to study physical education. Upon graduation in 1925, he emerged as Wellsville's only physical education instructor. Since that time, Sid has never left the Wellsville area to teach elsewhere.

"I had opportunities to leave Wellsville many times, but I have always had good luck here and never really wanted to go anywhere else."

Football is Favorite

Sid's favorite sport is football, although he has coached in, addition, basketball, baseball, soccer, wrestling and track.

"I had three undefeated football teams and I believe the kids back then really wanted to play. The situation is different today; the kids have more to do. Years ago, the individuals had to purchase their own helmets and shoes. What's more, the Board didn't subsidize us so we had to depend on gate receipts for support. If we didn't make it at the gates, we didn't have the sport."

It should also be noted that Sid-coached football teams defeated Hornell the majority of times the two archrivals met, a feat unrivaled by few if any other Wellsville football coaches.



SID MILES

education is to get everybody involved. A good intramural program takes up the slack for those who can't make it interscholastically. I think Wellsville runs this system pretty well."

Likes Younger Kids

When the High School staff began to increase, Sid transferred to the elementary schools. "I found more enjoyment there. The kids are full of pep and more game. I could also watch them progress along in life."

Sid has been actively involved in the Red Cross swimming program for 18 years and has taught over 14,000 young people to swim. He has also worked with a Boy Scout Camp and has directed a boys' camp of his own where Brentwood is now located. Presently, Sid is involved in the Y.M.C.A. program.

He revealed just how gratifying working with younger kids has been in his tenure here when a group of his gradeschoolers passed nearby gleefully shouting, "Hi, Mr. Miles," and bringing forth this reply: "That's what I like best around here. Wellsville's been good to me. I've gotten good response from the townspeople and I've really been very happy here."

Rugaber Remembers

One of the many faculty and

Mr. Rugaber went on to describe Sid's influences on not only student athletes, but adults as well. "Sid in many respects is a master of psychology. He is always looking for a device which will give both individuals and athletic squads the confidence that breeds victory. I think many adults and students are better off because of their contact with Sid."

In closing, Mr. Rugaber commented: "The ability of this individual to instill that confidence in people, not only in athletics, but in all walks of life, is something that all of us should be grateful for."

Warriors Whip Lion Vets 3-0

After a bad case of the "first game jitters," the WHS baseball team played the Salamanca Warriors on relatively even terms. However, Tom Kumar's Kadets found themselves on the short end of a 3-0 score when the dust cleared Wednesday at Tullar Field.

The Warriors were on the scoreboard early in the first inning as they collected two runs on a single and a three bagger. After that opening surge by the Sallies, both teams were able to collect only one hit apiece for the remainder of the game. The visitors grabbed their only other run of the game on a passed ball that went through a hole in the fence.

Coach Tom Kumar, a newcomer to the Wellsville baseball scene, was pleased with his team's overall performance. "I think the fact that this was our first game and that Salamanca had such a good start was the reason for our demise."

When asked to single out exceptional individual efforts, Kumar commented: "Steve Matting played a good game."

Steve Potter's SHOWER ROOM SECRETS



Those of you who like to amble down behind the High School for a track meet or tennis match on a balmy afternoon are in for a disappointment. This year tennis coach Frank Cady is taking the team to Andover for his home games while the track team is taking coach Jerry DeGraff to Bolivar and Ag-Tech for their home encounters. However, we are pleased to report that attendance by spectators is not expected to lessen; how can you get fewer than zero people there?

NOTICE — there is absolutely no truth to the rumor that Tullar Field has been sold to the Marine Corps for use as an obstacle course. This fallacy was dreamed up by some optimist who obviously doesn't realize that there isn't a Marine base anywhere around here, so don't get your hopes up, sports fans.

With the onset of track season, one business in Wellsville has experienced an increase in business. The Elmhurst Dairy is usually the scene for much if not most of the thinclad squad during practice sessions.

A recent poll of the cindermen revealed that the average amount of money spent per day using the 1970 census as a standard for per capita gain and improvement losses was approximately 48.3274355 cents. When multiplied by Planck's Constant (where "X", a probability factor, is less than or equal to one) the result is a sizeable increase in revenue for the Dairy and bellies for the team.

However, one must not be convinced of the idea that the runners are not practicing properly. Speaking as one with experience (I do have connections), all is not lost. They do run up to the Dairy.

Work on the Brooklyn School addition is progressing nicely. We were fortunate enough to be sitting around...I mean running,

BY PHIL MASIN

Numerous types of summer sport camps have sprung up across the United States during the last few years. From golf to baseball, these camps have helped many prospective athletes including some present day professionals.

Baseball camps still rank as the most successful of all sport camps because of baseball's great popularity and prestige. Included at baseball camps are modern day apparatus which enormously aid the pupils. One facility used by many camps is "Iron Mike" or the automatic pitching machine, which can be adjusted the appropriate speed of the batter's swing.

Various camps provide baseball fields on their grounds while others schedule contests in a town or city ballpark. Excellent camps are the Ted Williams' Baseball Camp, Hall of Fame Baseball Camp and the Fort Lauderdale Baseball School-Camp.

Basketball camps have increased rapidly since the late 1960's when the sport became widely publicized. Instruction at these camps revolves around basics and actual intra and inter-camp scrimmages. Basketball games among surrounding camps lead to more camp spirit and pride. Also, many pro basketball

players visit camps and provide some insight into the pro game. Examples of well known basketball camps are Pocono Mountains Camp, Willis Reed All-Star Camp and Oscar Robertson's Basketball Camp.

Many high school football players refrain from attending summer football camps because of the hard work which must be given by the athlete. True, most football camps make their players train strenuously, but their objective is to improve the athlete's game for the coming season. Since football camp sessions ordinarily last one or two weeks, time for contact is limited. Thus, practice sessions become that more important.

Although few in number, hockey camps are prospering in urban centers because the sport is becoming exceedingly familiar in America. Unfortunately, unlike other sport camps, hockey programs need a facility with ice to function. The Haliburton Hockey Haven Boys' Camp, and camps run by hockey stars Bobby Orr and Brad Park, are all fine camps.

No matter what type of camp one attends, the theme is the same, to understand the knowledge received and to apply it to the right situations. But most of all, one has to enjoy a camp to get anything out of it.

that Terry can easily smash his own school record of 6'1" he set last year as a sophomore.

Three members of a surprisingly fleet 880 relay team also placed in other events. Mike Condon finished third in the pole vault, while his brother Tom came up also with a third in the 180 low hurdles. Mike DeBarbieri, also a part of the quartet, showed his diverse talents by gaining a fourth in the discus.

Co-captain Neil Goetschius, missing first place in the 130 high hurdles by only one second, captured second in the event. Tim Forhan ran a fine 440 for a second, despite being ill.

Others placing for Wellsville were Crittenden in the 220, Harriger in the 100, House in the high jump, Aiken in the long jump and Johnson in the mile. "Crittenden, Johnson, Harriger, House and Aiken all did exceptionally well, considering they are freshmen and sophomores competing at a high level," praised track coach Jerry DeGraff.

"I'm very pleased with the

May 18 (A)	Olean
May 24 (H)	Hornell
TENNIS	
May 1 (A)	Addison
May 3 (H)	A-A
May 4 (A)	East
May 8 (H)	Hornell
May 9 (A)	Cowanesque
May 11 (H)	Bath
May 15 (A)	Bath
May 16 (H)	Elkland
May 18 (H)	West
May 22 (H)	East
May 23 (A)	Elkland
May 24 (A)	A-A
May 25 (H)	Addison
May 27 (A)	Addison County
Tour.	

GOLF	
April 27 (H)	Olean
May 4 (H)	Coudersport &
Hornell	
May 8 (A)	Canistota
May 11 (A)	Bath
May 15 (A)	Hornell
May 17 (A)	Olean
May 18 (H)	Bolivar & Canistota
May 22 (H)	Bath
May 24 (A)	Coudersport
May 25 County	Tournament
May 30 (H)	Bolivar
June 5	Sectionals

of the student. Addition of the boys' and girls' gyms, staff augmentation and an increase in the number of sports are a few of the more notable changes.

Concerning the lack of facilities in the early days of the system, Sid commented, "We used to have to play our basketball games in the 3rd floor of the old City Hall building until they built the present girls' gym in 1927."

Besides an increase in the number of sports, Sid has also noticed changes in the sports themselves. "Football is basically a block and tackle game with many different offenses and defenses. At times it's hard to keep up with. Today, track has more events but baseball and basketball have stayed pretty much the same."

"The theory of physical

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"One of the greatest things I remember about Sid is his ability to get the most and the best out of boys who are competing on athletic squads."

Continuing, Mr. Rugaber recalled, "There is a story about Sid that sticks out in my mind because it illustrates the ability that man had to instill confidence in his athletes."

"During 1943, Sid, who had not been doing any coaching at the time, filled a resignation and became football coach for the remainder of the year. When the final game came up against Hornell, Sid's team was going for an undefeated season. At the start of the game, Sid called all his players together and merely said: 'Boys, don't win this game for me, win it for your mothers.' They ended up winning the game and completed an undefeated season."

"Naturally, we didn't expect to hit the ball out of the park, but the hitting was a little disappointing. We'll be working on that over the next few days and hopefully we'll be able to knock the ball around at Alfred-Almond Friday."

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varsity ball. Lion pitching ace Rick Main went the distance on the mound. Concerning Rick's performance, Kumar noted, "He really proved himself out there and should do some fine pitching this year along with Bob Ross."

With such familiar names as Hamacher, Sanfillipo and the notorious Jay Jewell in the lineup, Salamanca was a tough team to start the season with. However, Coach Kumar believes there is no reason why his team should not win its share of games this season.

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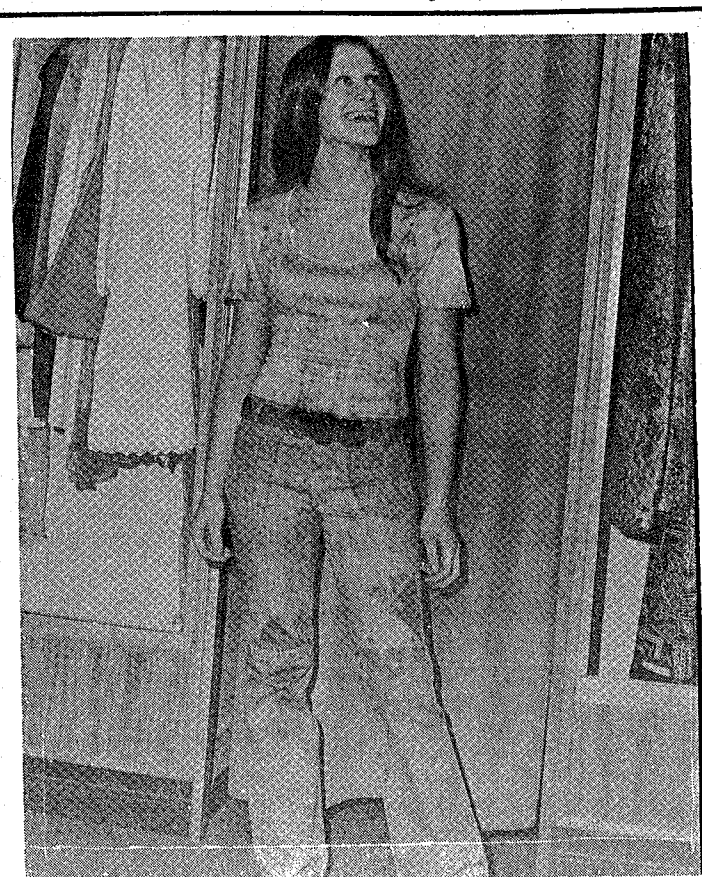
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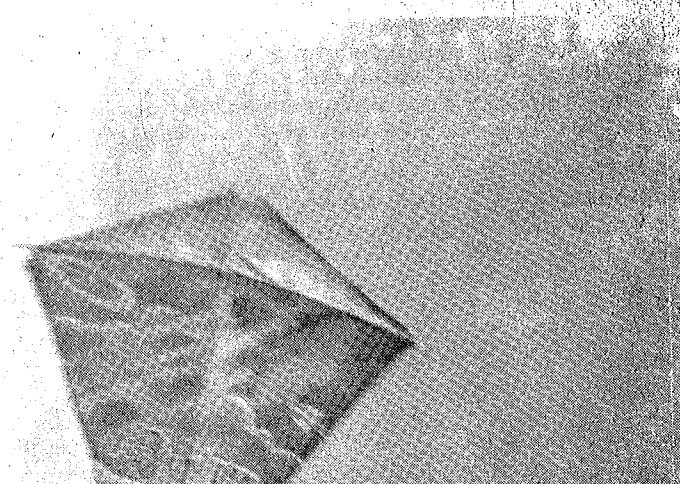
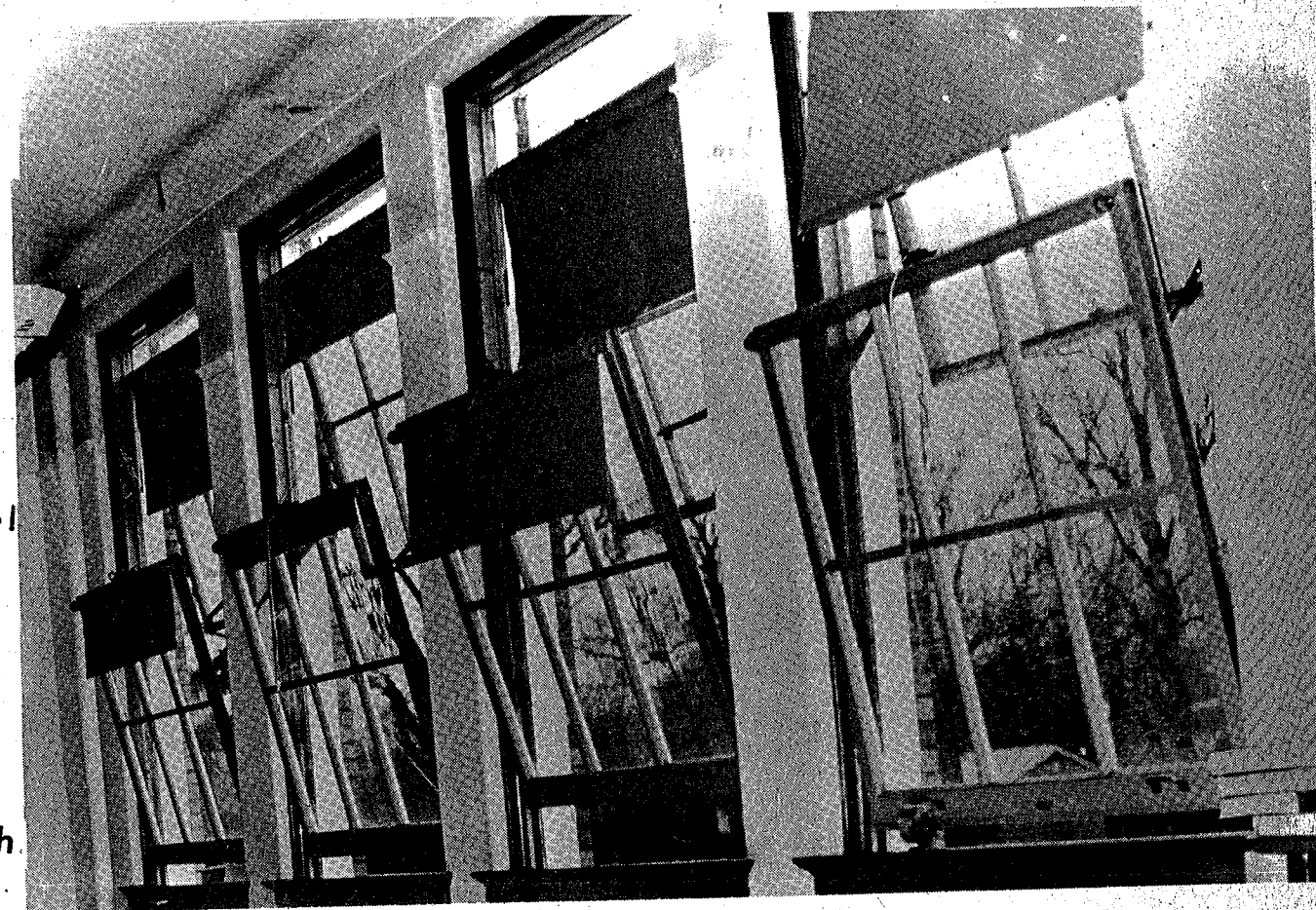
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