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## PSC's Lakson, Carson To Sweden, Argentina

Leonard Lakson and Pat Carson are the two Paterson State students selected to join the Experiment in International Living journeying abroad this summer. Len, S.G.A. president, has been selected to join the group going to Sweden and Pat, evening series co-chairman, has been chosen to go to Argentina.

The experiences that Len and Pat will share while on their trip will be shared by the entire student body in an assembly on October 29, 1963 when they return. A folder explaining the opportunities available for the 1963-64 semester through the Student Government Association will be presented at this assembly so that those interested students may make early application.

Because of the interest shown by the students at Paterson State and the fine cooperation of the committee at Putney, Vermont, the present program may be expanded to include more than two students.

Enthusiastic over the possibilities of traveling to foreign countries, two other applicants have recently completed plans to "travel far and wide" this summer. Two language students have plans in the offing to attend college in Canada and Mexico this summer and share the family life within their respective countries.



INTERNATIONAL LIVING RECIPIENTS Pat Carson and Len Lakson review program for their up-coming trips this summer. Mr. Lakson will be going to Sweden and Miss Carson will be sent to Argentina.

## Dr. Arno Jewett English Conference Guest Speaker

Chief speaker at last Saturday's English conference was Dr. Arno Jewett, specialist for Secondary School Language Arts on leave from the U. S. Office of Education to direct a special project on English composition. The conference, held on the Paterson State College campus, was attended by high school English teachers and potential English teachers who met to discuss the problems of the teaching of English in modern high schools.

In defense of the English teacher today, Dr. Jewett stated that, "Too many of our condescending critics today refuse to enter the doors of an overcrowded, bustling, heterogeneous, comprehensive, urban high school, where there are no towers or even dungeons in which to escape from ringing bells and milling adolescents. Would-be critics should take a look at the high school English teacher's working conditions and remember that he is expected to know about literature, from Aristotle's Poetics to J. D. Salinger, Franny and Zooey; all about language from historical linguistics to structural grammar; all about the new literary criticism, the process of learning, team teaching, and other developments too numerous to mention. All this during a fifty to sixty hour work

week, not to mention the special, extra assignments. If we are to improve English teaching," Dr. Jewett pointed out, "we must first give the teacher time to learn as well as teach."

The admitted need to develop sequentially organized English programs: articulation of the entire program from elementary school to high school to college is of special concern. The need to economize on time in the English program, to individualize instruction, to make students independent, self-reliant writers, to introduce linguistic and literary content into the composition sequence and to introduce new approaches and research findings into the English classroom are the rationale for a project now being worked out

## Paterson Reps. Attend Confab

Attending the Eastern States Conference March 21, 22, 23 are eight Paterson State students. Representing Paterson State College are: seniors, John Cortese and Kate Moran; juniors, Bill Hughes, Margie Smith, Len Lakson and Suzanne Weill; sophomores, John Arendas and Mary Henkelman.

Miss Anita Este, assistant director of student personnel, will accompany the group.

## An Invitation...

All students and faculty of the college are invited to view a display of prints from the personal collection of Miss Alpha B. Caliandro, asst. professor of music, centered around the theme: Musical Instruments in Painting. The prints are on exhibition in Hunziker, room 110.

## Women Fencers

### Reduce Magic Number

by Judy Martin

The Women's Varsity Fencing team reduced its "magic number" to two as they defeated Newark Rutgers (10-6) and Brooklyn College (13-3) last Saturday. This leaves only Fairleigh Dickinson, Teaneck — March 26th (H) and Montclair State — April 9th (H) on the Paterson State schedule. If Paterson is victorious, it will mark the team's first undefeated season in dual competition.

Leading the Paterson squad is their captain, Jane Tainow, with a record of 20-0. Eight of these victories were acquired in the last meet against Newark Rutgers and Brooklyn. Arleen Melnick lost her first two bouts of the IWFA season but still holds an impressive 22-2 record. Cindy Jones posted a 5-3 record for the day and Joyce Dunn had a 4-4 mark for season records of 17-10 and 18-6 respectively.

The Paterson State's Junior Varsity team had two close calls against St. John's and Brooklyn but had little trouble with Rutgers Newark. This last win brought their season record to 5-0. In the meet involving St. John's and Brooklyn, the fencers had 8-8 bout scores but picked up the win because of fewer touches being made against them. This is the deciding factor when two teams are tied. The Junior Varsity club beat the St. John's club on touches 38-48 and Brooklyn College 40-48. Pacing the team was Diane Rombey with a 9-3 record and Judy Martin with 9-3. The other PSC victories came from Andy Jacukiewicz, the Junior Varsity Captain with a 6-4 and Gail Kostelansky with a 2-7. Barbara Wennersten substituted in two bouts but dropped them with a close 4-2 and 4-1 score.

## Miss Meeker's Book Published

Miss Alice Meeker, special consultant in elementary and childhood education at Paterson State College, has just announced the publication of her book, *Teachers At Work*, by Bobbs Merrill Co. Inc. The book is a mixture of ideas and ideals. According to Miss Meeker "the book is filled with help for those overworked moments, along with inspiring philosophical thoughts for those utterly gloomy days and some refreshing approaches to that necessary but tedious work."

The chapter entitled "Children who Surprise Us" presents a new approach in the presentation of American heroes to children. Miss Meeker's outline enables these heroes to emerge as real people who have some direct connection to those youngsters living and learning today.

Information for the book was obtained from a poll taken of teachers in their first year of teaching. Problems such as: how to arrange seating and remember children's first names; how to build a vocabular and teach children to spell; how to administer discipline; what to do about homework; are all of urgent concern to future teachers. A work of this scope should rate high on a prospective teacher's reading list.

Miss Meeker has held the position of special consultant since September 1962 when it was first inaugurated. The purpose of the post is to have a liaison between the college and the rapidly-growing, surrounding school community.



PARTICIPANTS AT LAST SATURDAY'S English Conference pictured above are (l. to r.) Dr. John Mc Rae, chairman of the English department, Dr. Marion Shea, president of PSC and Dr. Arno Jewett. Dr. Jewett, on leave from the U.S. Office of Education was guest speaker at the conference.

through the English Composition Project.

The tremendous amount of unnecessary repetition in the language program is now being eliminated in the experimental project by the use of expert theme readers to conserve teacher time, individual conferences and folders of student work which are passed along from one teacher to the next.

Better use of instructional time is being achieved by introducing writing assignments which deal with significant ideas in language and literature. Instead of annual student autobiographies or an endless number of themes on "My Most Embarrassing Moment," students write about ideas or characters found in important pieces of literature studied in class.

In the field of literature, Dr. Jewett pointed out that, contrary to general opinion, educated Americans do a lot of reading. Magazine circulation is increasing and a million paperbacks are being sold

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## AAUP Meeting Slated For Mar. 23

"Faculty Participation in College Government" will be the topic of the N. J. Conference of American Association of University Professors Chapters meeting tomorrow, March 23, in the faculty dining room of the Food Service Building.

National AAUP Secretary Louis Joughlin will keynote the conference at 10 a.m. A panel of faculty from Rutgers, Drew and Fairleigh Dickinson Universities and Montmouth, Newark State, and Paterson State Colleges will then discuss the speech. The PSC member will be Dr. Alfred Young, history department.

Dean Carl Fjellman of Upsala College will present administration reaction to the ideas of the main speaker and panelists. Following luncheon, the conference will hold a working session and a business meeting.

"Survival of the Free Mind," the main theme of the convention, will be divided into eight topics. Participating in these topics are Bill Hughes, Free Mind-Working or stagnant; Kate Moran and Len Lakson, Teacher Preparation Influence on a Free Mind; Mary Henkelman, Free Mind in a Conforming Society; Margie Smith and John Cortese, Student's Government's Role in Developing a Free Mind; John Arendas, Controversial Issues; and Suzanne Weill, One World and the Free Mind.

The purpose of the conference is to get a cross-section of student opinions on controversial issues. Five hundred students representing seventy colleges are attending the Eastern States Conference.

Yesterday the delegates from Paterson State attended Hunter College to observe gifted high school students. The delegates were divided into their major fields for observing.

Last night the group attended a performance of the Broadway play, *Tchin-Tchin*. Scheduled for today are various discussion groups in which the students will participate. Tomorrow the final meeting will present a taped summary of each group discussion.

The delegates are staying at the Hotel New Yorker.

## Photographer Wanted

The BEACON has an opening in the newspaper's photography department. Interested Paterson State freshmen and sophomores should contact the BEACON office.

# Attics, Yards, Cellars

become the subjects of extensive "cleaning" each year when Spring makes its entrance. In musing on this note, perhaps it would be wise for Paterson State College to give some thought to a long overdue "cleaning." If the notable progress made this year, especially in SGA, is to be continued in future years then it's high time that we do something about ridding ourselves—and our budget—of some of the "dead-wood" organizations and phony committees which now exist. If a college is to become vibrant, its organizations need to be vibrant. All too often, the remnants of once-useful organizations jump on the "bandwagon" for some "rah-rah recognition" only to become bogged-down in the mire of their own uselessness. Isn't it about time that these functionless organizations were cut from the coattails of SGA and permitted to die the death they so deserve—or must we maintain them for the sake of maintaining them?

Let's quite bickering and bantering and begin to take the necessary steps toward stronger and more functional organizations.

## There Are

approximately thirty organizations on this campus. Unfortunately, of this number, there are none that have off-campus functions. By this we mean there are no recognized organizations that have interests or activities removed from the campus of Paterson State College. There are the exceptions, such as the English Club, that attend plays and movies in New York, however, their experiences are limited and are not shared by the rest of the student body. By off-campus functions we mean those activities in which students from this college participate and share their experiences with others. Organizations like the Citizenship Club and the Philosophy Club which could perform myriad activities on a relatively small budget could sponsor speakers and lecturers of a more sophisticated nature than they now have. We do not mean to single out one or two particular organization for example but we feel that they are representative of the general trend.

On the other hand, the clubs and organizations which do try to sponsor activities of a greater general interest are stymied by the ennui shown by the administration. The attitude of the administration seems to squash any effort of a spectacular nature. By not recognizing certain factions on this campus, which have already proven their existence and student popularity with their carnival exhibitions, the administration has relegated student interest to the bottom of the scholastic pile, seemingly never to be resurrected. If a college has no student participation in any of the functions of a more worldly nature then that college will continue to grind out graduates every year who will drift off, caring nothing for the four years spent in their education. The lack of recognition to an already existing situation seems reminiscent of the proverbial ostrich.

## Help Ricky Hummel!

Hemophilia is a hereditary constitutional blood disease characterized by delaying clotting of the blood and consequent difficulty in checking hemorrhage. Ricky Hummel has hemophilia. Ricky Hummel is ten. Ricky Hummel needs help. The donor list to pledge blood for Ricky is located inside the inner door of the Snack Bar. Is your name there?



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## Luncheon Menu

Monday, March 25

- Chicken Noodle Soup
- 1. Baked Canadian Bacon — Apple Wedge
- 2. Chopped Beef Steak with Onion Gravy
- French Fried Potatoes
- Creamed Corn

Tuesday, March 26

- Beef Broth & Barley
- 1. Choice Top Round of Beef
- 2. Chili Con Corne with Saltines
- Whipped Potatoes
- Spinach
- Steamed Red Cabbage

Wednesday, March 27

- Vegetable Soup
- 1. Roast Leg of Lamb — Mint jelly
- 2. Baked Macaroni, tomatoes & cheese
- Mashed Potatoes
- Peas
- Whole Carrots

Thursday, March 28

- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1. Fried Chicken—Cole Slaw
- 2. Pork Chow Mein—Crisp Noodles
- Parsley Potatoes
- Broccoli
- Cream Cauliflower

Friday, March 29

- Manhattan Clam Chowder
- 1. Deep Sea Scallops—Tartar Sauce
- 2. Codfish Cakes
- French Fried Potatoes
- Wax Beans
- Harvard Beets

# The World Spectrum

by James Edward Miller

Before torturing the reader with another week's edition of the WORLD SPECTRUM, the author has been requested by Robert Wagner, mayor of the City of New York, to make the following vital announcement to all students at Paterson State: "In the event of a nuclear attack upon the City of New York, all alternate side of the street parking regulations will be temporarily suspended."

Now that the writer has discharged his civic responsibility, he is ready to commence burdening the reader's mind with the weighty subject of this week's column—Civil Defense: Reality or Illusion?

Quite frequently, advocates of a strong civil defense program support such a program in the belief that fallout remains the major hazard to the civilian population in the case of a nuclear attack. However, such a proposition is open to much criticism. Recent studies have indicated that the real unpreventable threat of nuclear war might well rest in the horrible prospects of wild and untamed firestorms generated by nuclear explosions. Indeed, a new concept entitled "The perimeter to Area Ratio Theory" has been developed by scientists to predict the probable consequences of such a phenomenon.

According to the new conception, "The circle of total blast destruction grows at a slow rate: its radius increases as the cube root of the increase in TNT equivalent tonnage. The circular area showered with thermal radiation grows much faster: its radius increases as the square root of the increase in power. Thus the area engulfed in the incendiary effects of the bigger weapons reaches outward far beyond the perimeter of the blast circle." (Piel)

To put this scientific jargon in the layman's terms, "The bigger the hydrogen weapon is, the more it becomes an incendiary weapon." (Piel) To bring this concept down to the level of those noble defenders of shelters, the bigger the hydrogen device is the more one's blast-proof and fallout-proof shelter is likely to become a crematorium.

If one doubts any of the above conclusions, one might do well to note that the ordinary incendiary bombs of W.W. II wreaked havoc upon civilian populations—e.g., Dresden is believed to have suffered 300,000 deaths in one night due to the raging of uncontrollable firestorms. Occupants of the city's bomb shelters were found suffocated and grotesquely burnt when the shelters were opened.

In the light of modern day warfare, the position of the civil de-

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## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

In response to the World Spectrum article by James Edward Miller of March 15, this reader has read the explanations, weighed the evidence and is now ready to pass judgment. What mortal law or higher law forbids self-preservation? Self-preservation is a natural law. Civil Defense is a precaution adopted to help preserve life. Is not orderly procedure not superior to panic? Are all the corridors of this million dollar establishment "tiny cubicles"?

After W.W.I., the U.S. agreed to limited armaments which eventually resulted in our unpreparedness at the beginning of W.W.II. Unless these disarmament agreements are fulfilled by all participants, we invite nuclear disaster. The C.D. program was conceived because the possibility of nuclear war exists, not because it is reasonable or thinkable. Since the nuclear weapons exist, we cannot ignore them.

Mr. Strassberg assumes that nuclear war means total annihilation. Reliable government sources and top scientists have reported that with proper precautions many lives could be spared in the event of nuclear war.

Miss Kerr does not wish to be an ostrich in the face of nuclear war. Seeking the protection of bomb shelters will not prevent war, it is the means of survival in the face of the reality of that war's existence.

Mr. Stannard suggests that there is a middle ground of compromise between freedom and communism when he advocated spending C.D. money to overcome the sociological, psychological and ideological barriers. There can be no compromise on the freedom of peoples. Communism is known to destroy freedom and life itself; therefore, there is no common meeting ground between the two philosophies which would not entail the loss of either life or liberty of someone.

It seems that those who have rejected C.D. in their eagerness for peace have totally ignored the realities that exist, and the possibility of nuclear war, not as a solution but as a possible event.

Respectfully submitted, MILDRED GIORDANO

## To The Students

When there are emergencies of any kind, people from the outside call the Department of Student Personnel for help. We have found that many of the program cards are in error due to program changes. Still others do not mention the location of the students and, therefore, the students cannot be located. Students should in every case see that the program cards in the office of the Dean of Students are correct.

DEAN M. HOLMAN

## Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, March 25

- G.E. Senior Teaching
- Sophomore Group I — Stokes
- Finance Committee—S.G.A.—4:30—C.C. Conf. Room
- Glass Menagerie Practice—7:00—Little Theater

Tuesday, March 26

- Romance Languages—1:30—W-130
- W.R.A. Exec. Committee—1:30—C.C. Conference Room
- Sophomore Class Meeting—1:30—W-101
- Senior class meeting—1:30—Little Theater
- Choir—1:30—H-101 & 104
- Chansonettes—1:30—H-110
- W.R.A. Activities—4:30—Gym A&B
- Kappa Delta Pi—7:30—W-101
- Glass Menagerie Practice—7:00—Little Theater
- Fencing (Women)—F.D.U. Teaneck—7:30—Gym

Wednesday, March 27

- Senior K.P. Piano Test—9:30—Little Theater
- Parsippany H.S.—F.T.A. visitors—10:30-2:00—Cafe Conf.
- Finance Committee—S.G.A.—4:30—C.C. Conference Room
- Modern Dance—4:30-6:00—Gym A
- Glass Menagerie Practice—7:00—Little Theater

Thursday, March 28

- Modern Dance Club—1:30—Gym Stage
- Romance Languages—1:30—W-130
- S.G.A. Exec. Committee—1:30—C.C. Conference Room
- W.R.A. Activities—1:30—Gym A
- Choir—1:30—H-101 & 104
- Chansonettes—H-110
- Women's Choral Ensemble—1:30—H-109
- Mathematics Club—1:30—W-10
- Finance Committee S.G.A.—4:30—C.C. Conference Room
- Glass Menagerie Practice—7:00—Little Theater

Friday, March 29

- S.G.A. Finance Committee—4:30—C.C. Conference Room
- Glass Menagerie Practice—7:00—Little Theater

Saturday, March 30

- Spring Recess begins

Monday, April 1

- Baseball—Rutgers Newark—3:00—Home

Saturday, April 6

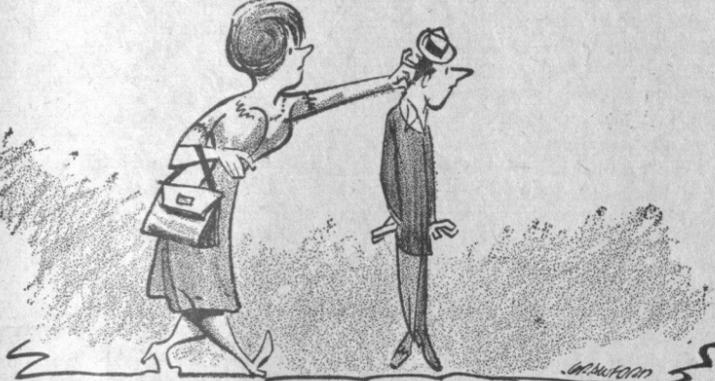
- Baseball—NCE—11:00—Home
- Women's Fencing—10:00—FDU Teaneck

**On Campus** with **Max Shulman**  
 (Author of "I Was a Teen-age Dwarf", "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis", etc.)

**AMONG MY KINFOLK**

My favorite cousin, Mandolin Glebe, a sweet, unspoiled country boy, has just started college. Today I got a letter from him which I will reprint here because I know Mandolin's problems are so much like your own. Mandolin writes:

Dear Mandolin (he thinks my name is Mandolin too),  
 I see by the college paper that you are writing a column for Marlboro Cigarettes. I think Marlboros are jim-dandy cigarettes with real nice tobacco and a ginger-peachy filter, and I want to tell you why I don't smoke them.  
 It all started the very first day I arrived at college. I was walking across the campus, swinging my paper valise and singing traditional airs like *Blue Tail Fly* and *Death and Transfiguration*, when all of a sudden I ran into this here collegiate-looking fellow with a monogram on his breast pocket. He asked me was I a freshman. I said yes. He asked me did I want to be a BMOG and the envy of all the in crowd. I said yes. He said the only way to make these keen things happen was to join a fraternity. Fortunately he happened to have a pledge card with him, so he pricked my thumb and I signed. He didn't tell me the name of the fraternity or where it is located, but I suppose I'll find out when I go active.



*She carried me to a chic French restaurant*

Meanwhile this fellow comes around every week to collect the dues, which are \$100, plus a \$10 fine for missing the weekly meeting, plus a \$5 assessment to buy a headstone for Spot, the late, beloved beagle who was the fraternity mascot.

I have never regretted joining the fraternity, because it is my dearest wish to be a BMOG and the envy of all the in crowd, but you can see that it is not cheap. It wouldn't be so bad if I slept at the frat house, but you must agree that I can't sleep at the house if I don't know where the house is.

I have rented a room which is not only grotesquely expensive, but it is not at all the kind of room I was looking for. I wanted someplace reasonably priced, clean, comfortable, and within easy walking distance of classes, the shopping district, and San Francisco and New York. What I found was a bedroom in the home of a local costermonger which is dingy, expensive, and uncomfortable—and I don't even get to use the bed till 7 a.m. when my landlord goes out to mong his costers.

Well anyhow, I got settled and the next thing I did, naturally, was to look for a girl. And I found her. Harriet, her name is, a beautiful creature standing just under seven feet high and weighing 385 pounds. I first spied her leaning against the statue of the Founder, dozing lightly. I talked to her for several hours without effect. Only when I mentioned dinner did she stir. Her milky little eyes opened, she raised a brawny arm, *seized my nape, and carried me to a chic French restaurant* called *Le Chippoint* where she consumed, according to my calculations, her own weight in chateaubriand.

After dinner she lapsed into a torpor from which I could not rouse her, no matter how I tried. I banged my glass with a fork, I pinched her great pendulous jowls, I rubbed the legs of my corduroy pants together. But nothing worked, and finally I slang her over my shoulder and carried her to the girls dorm, slipping several discs in the process.

Fortunately, medical care for students is provided free at the college infirmary. All I had to pay for were a few extras, like X-rays, anaesthesia, forceps, hemostats, scalpels, catgut, linen, towels, amortization, and nurses. They would not, however, let me keep the nurses.

So, dear cousin, it is lack of funds, not lack of enthusiasm, that is keeping me from Marlboro Cigarettes—dear, good Marlboros with their fine blend of choice tobaccos and their pure white Selectrate filter and their soft pack and their flip top box.

Well, I must close now. My pencil is wore out and I can't afford another. Keep 'em flying.  
 Yr. cousin Mandolin Glebe

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*The hearts of the makers of Marlboro go out to poor Mandolin—and to poor anyone else who is missing out on our fine cigarettes—available in all 50 of these United States.*

**WRA Change...**  
 A change of the Thursday afternoon activity of the Women's Recreation Association from badminton to golf has been announced by Miss Louise Fonken, ment. The weekly activities are of the physical education department conducted at 1:30 p.m. in the Memorial Gymnasium.

**DON'T MISS**  
**WOMEN'S FENCING**  
**PSC vs. FDU**  
**TUESDAY — 7:00 P.M.**

**Jewett . . .**

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every day (tens of thousands of which are of good literary quality). While noting the success of advanced placement classes, Dr. Jewett said, "In fact, I wonder whether the literature (taught in these classes), which includes Greek tragedy, Dialogues of Plato, novels by Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Flaubert, Mann, Conrad and Galsworthy, isn't more advanced and often better taught in high school than the selections the student is assigned in college freshman and sophomore English courses."

Dr. Jewett expressed his conviction that English is being taught better than ever before, today, though not as well as it can be taught. The job of the English teacher is one of the most important in our nation today. "In the long continuum of history which has stretched from the dark past for millions of years," he concluded, "it is language and literature which have lighted the cavern of ignorance, illuminated our way and flashed beacons of hope for the future."

**World Spectrum . . .**

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fense apologists appears even more untenable. Scientists have estimated that a 20 megaton explosion would incinerate an area of over 300 square miles. Indeed, it has been further assumed that a "1,000 megaton bomb detonated at satellite altitude would set six of America's western states afire." (Piel)

However, many of the desperate defenders of civil defense consider such calculations to be mere nonsense, because they are convinced that the first attack by the enemy would be a counterforce strike—i.e. the attack would be directed at the destruction of the United States' capacity to retaliate. Thus, they note with hope, such an attack would be primarily designed to liquidate missile installations and not civilian populations per se.

It would, indeed, be more comforting and the shelter program more rational if such a dream were true. However, for a counterforce to be effective, a study conducted at the University of Arizona has clearly demonstrated that it would require 300 megatons alone to vaporize only 18 hardened Titan missile sites surrounding city of Tucson. If one takes the trouble to contemplate the total number of megatons that would be required to "knock-out" all of the missile sites in the U.S. one is quite likely to come to the realization that it has become virtually impossible to destroy any nation's missile potential without destroying the corporate body of the nation-state itself!

Such a consideration tends to tear apart the flimsy structure of the defensibility of civil defense. But to this consideration must be added a last one; namely, will the enemy fight a nuclear war by rational methods? It is by no means certain that a shelter program can be constructed upon the notion that a nuclear war will be conducted in accordance with all the strict rules of the game. In fact, the history of past wars suggests otherwise.

But what of all this? Essentially, the dictums of nuclear science can lead the reader to but one conclusion — Civil Defense is at best an uncertain reality in the atomic age; at worst it is a wasteful and hopeless farce.

**Jazz And Poetry Are Combined In Program At River Dell High**

By MARTIN B. STILES

(This article is reprinted through the courtesy of the Bergen Evening Record and appeared originally in its March 19 edition.)

"This is a real swinging school," said jazz pianist Vinson Hill as the halls of River Dell Senior High School began to swell with students.

The bell had just rung ending the school day and a program during which Hill and clarinetist Martin Krivin improvised jazz accompaniment and poet Richard Nickson, both

of Paterson State College, read it." said Hill. He is now appearing at the Motel on the Mountain in Suffern, N. Y. More than 100 11th-grade English students attended the program.

The hall, now filled the cacophonies of teen-agers, had minutes before carried the muffled rhythms of jazz and words as Nickson recite:

"For I could tell you a story which is true;/ I know a lady with a terrible tongue,/ Blear eyes fallen from blue/ All her perfections tarnished — yet it is not long/Since she was lovelier than any of you."

Krivin, an associate professor of music at Paterson State College lingered in his clarinet accompaniment on Nickson's final phrase and then took off on a series of variations as Hill followed on the piano.

"We weren't reading music; we were improvising as we read the poems." Krivin told the students later.

"Poetry atrophies when it gets too far from music," said Nickson, an assistant professor of literature at Paterson State College, as he quoted poet Ezra Pound.

It was the first time the three had worked together, Nickson explained, adding that the idea to combine the jazz and poetry had occurred to him when Mrs. Adele Stern, chairman of the English Department, asked him to give a reading of American poetry.

As musical chords and rhythms flowed one into the other, Nickson walked to the lectern in the dimly lighted Little Theater of the school and recited one of his own works:

" . . . Flick out the lights, don't wind the clock,/ And if the doorbell rings,/ Turn the key quickly, and do not/ Creep to the window, peek or peer;/ Love shall not enter, not this year."

After the program there was a discussion that ran its course when the students had but one more question:

"Will you do some more poems?" Krivin lifted his clarinet, Hill's hands moved towards the piano keys, and Nickson looked down at "Tragic Detail" by William Carlos Williams who died this month, and read:

"They day before I died/ I noticed the maple tree/ how its bark curled against the November blaze/ . . ."

**Letters To The Editors...**

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resort to name calling as a weapon of retaliation. You employ no sensible argument in your reply to our article; instead, you simply grab degrading phrases and throw them at us attempting to ridicule us. Well your attempt has failed; we feel neither shame nor fear in contesting your articles, no matter what your reply to us may be now or in the future.

In your insulting response (insulting to yourself that is) you contradict everything that you so strongly advocate in your articles concerning individuality. You want the individual in society, the self-reliant person—and yet you advise us to stop writing letters to the Editor (only one was written previously) thus attempting to suppress any response which does not please you. It seems to us that this is an unwarranted attempt at smothering individuality.

In your reply to us, you ask us if people are truly self-reliant and is our society truly healthy. Our society is not completely healthy; the majority of people are not self-reliant, but even they must think at some time or another in order to survive. You drastically distorted our statement about contemplation to suit your dissertation though there is a vast degeneracy of mockery. People do think even in society. Their thoughts may not always be wise and prudent but some kind of a thought process does take place. You asked us how we could explain the rising crime rate and the general demoralization of our society. We feel that you are more capable of elaborating upon this subject than we are because of your extensive experiences within the past ten years

and because of the vast quantity of pertinent books you have read. If you would look back upon your accomplishments, rather than gloating at society from your self-built cage of superiority, you will realize that no one is completely self-reliant, but still the individual is capable of raising himself above the level of his environment.

Rather than writing nebulous essays in which you assert your pseudo intellectualism in an emphatically pessimistic manner, why not display some of your innate ability and boundless knowledge to society which you seem incapable of doing in your column *The World Spectrum*. Tell us about the increase in population, the recent census reports. Tell us about the instability in our culture and the social and psychological consequences of urbanization and industrialization; discuss the punitive measures of punishment against juvenile offenders in the past.

Somewhere along the line you woke up and found out that human nature in general is never truly good nor truly bad but is capable of deteriorating. Look at yourself and how far you have come; stop scrutinizing society to the point of damning those things which in themselves are not bad; such as fraternities, twist parties, wonderful weekends, etc. HOW TRITE!

In conclusion Mr. Cronk, we will take your advice for the present; it would be boring and in poor taste to continue this debate for fear that it may result in a mere verbal lashing against each other as you have already begun to do.

Respectfully,  
 Gloria De Blasio and  
 Mae Batsch

# Swordsmen Scoops

by Anthony De Pauw

The last dual meet of the Men's Fencing Team's intercollegiate season was lost to Yeshiva University, March 13. Whereas Yeshiva is undoubtedly the second best team Paterson has fenced this year, the team was suffering from the loss of top epeeman Jack Albanese and strong team spirit. It was the poorest PSC has fenced all year.

Yeshiva began with an early 2-7 lead with only one victory each by Dennis Delhaie (sabre) and Bob Titus (foil).

Continuing their early lead they took all but three bouts in the second round losing to Delhaie and John Cilio (sabre) and Anthony De Pauw (epee). Paterson made its finest showing against Yeshiva's substitutes in the final round. Putting up the valiant fight for good old PSC were Cilio and Lon Lawson (sabre), and Ron Gutkin, Bob Titus and John Thomas (foil). The final score was 10-17.

Last Saturday Paterson attended the first tournament of the season: the North Atlantic Intercollegiate Fencing Championships held at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Competing this year were PSC, University of Buffalo, Rochester Institute of Technology, Drew University, Pace College, Syracuse University, Hobart College, St. Peter's College, and Jersey City State College. Case and Gannon dropped out as well as Fairleigh Dickinson and Newark Rutgers. Johns Hopkins University, winners of this year's Middle Atlantic competition, also failed to attend because of the flu.

At last year's competition, held at Buffalo, Paterson was eighth of eleven and Drew University placed

second. This year PSC placed fifth of nine and Bob Titus placed third in foil. Drew took first place, team epee, team sabre, sixth place in the foil individuals, third and fourth in the epee individuals and sixth in the sabre individuals.

Fencing for Paterson were: foil: Dennis Delhaie (2-6) and Bob Titus (7-1), epee: Anthony De Pauw (5-3) and Art Rittenhouse (2-6) and sabre: Lon Lawson (4-4) and John Cilio (4-4).

The problem now facing Paterson is: can the team repeat last year's performance at the NCE tournament tomorrow and beat the odds in favor of Drew to take first place and a few individual awards. It is an absolute certainty that if PSC's Men's Fencing Team is going to meet any kind of opposition there it has to come from Drew who placed second last year and tied for first place with Paterson and Newark Rutgers the year before.

# Rumblings from a Rambler

by Ron Verdicchio

Beware gents. The last remnant of the masculine escape from reality is coming to a screeching halt. A pool parlor has just been opened in Charlotte, North Carolina where the weaker sex enjoys the pasttime of pool. The ancient concept of the dimly-lighted pool hall where undesirables lumber around expectorating and shouting obscenities has been replaced by the modern room where the floor is lined with carpet and the tables are covered with pink felt.

## Coach Lepanto Has High Hopes

by Ron Verdicchio

When the white snows of winter begin to fade, a young man's fancy turns to baseball. Last Monday, this reporter visited an early practice session to observe the Pioneer Baseball Team prepare for the forthcoming season.

The Patersonians, who maintained a dismal 5-9 record last year, are looking forward to a better season this year. Five veterans returning from last year's club include Mark Evangelista, Ross Alfieri, Tony Coletta, Bill Born and club captain, Mike George.

Coach Jim Lepanto said the pitching staff will be almost completely revamped. From last year Ross Alfieri and Bill Born will once again take upon pitching chores, as will newcomers to the squad Vin Lupinacci and Chuck Martin. Mike George will shift his fielding efforts from second base to third. The rest of the infield remains a toss-up between Dave Alexander, Bill Joosten, Bill Spagnoli and Rich Witte. The full lineup is still undetermined.

When asked about the prospects for the coming season, Coach Lepanto commented, "We hope to improve on last year's record, but the club lacks experience. Future prospects still look good because there is only one senior on the team."

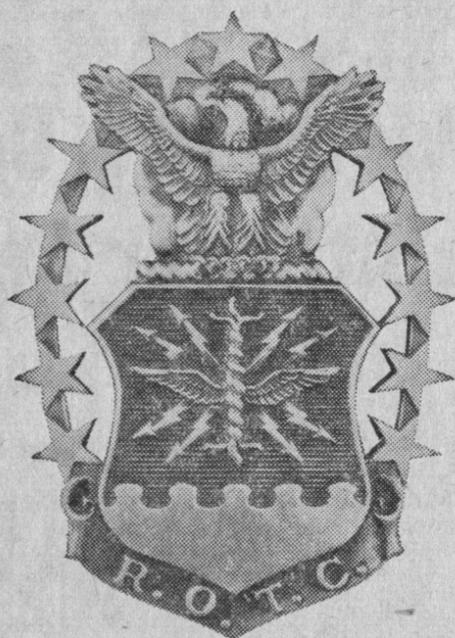
Imagine the robust male cue shark who meanders into a parlor seeking some wagering form of game and is apprehended by a five foot one inch beauty who proceeds to hustle the gent with four bank shots and every trick in the book! This is bad for the male ego when the lady chants, "Oh gee . . . Did I really win . . .?"

Since Bowling Alleys have been replaced by plushy bowling lanes, and now pool halls have been replaced by pool parlors why not, since we have a bowling team, introduce the sport of pool at Paterson State?

In about two more months, the students from PSC will scrap their books for "soda bottles" in preparation for Shaffer play-day. However, beside having a merry time, the famous day is the scene of a traditional soft-ball game between two interested campus groups. Last year the boys in gray better known as the DOE's were clobbered by the men in green and gold. Since the boys in gray have been scarce lately, who will be S and P's opponent?

The Memorial Gymnasium is very definitely lacking in certain areas. For instance, the showers constantly pour a stream of uneven water temperature on the backs of shower-takers, resulting in a very uncomfortable experience.

The mats used for wrestling are a sketch. After a two hour gym class, the tell-tale effects of the participants are bruised knees and aching backs. Possibly next year, a little consideration could be given to the aforementioned areas to make the meager athletic program at Paterson a little more realistic.



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## the Sportlight

by GARY WITTE  
WRESTLING — Part I

As a college grows, so does its sports program. The last varsity sport to be added to the P.S.C. College sports program was soccer. Because of the popularity and color of this sport we have seen an interested student body participate in and support their game wholeheartedly. Any sport that is as exciting as soccer, that will attract as large and interested audiences, and has relatively inexpensive upkeep, deserves, or rather demands a place in the small college's sports program.

At a recent meeting of the Bergen County Coaches Association, it was the general consensus of all who were present, that the fastest growing and most exciting sport in this Bergen-Passaic area is wrestling. It was pointed out that in many school systems wrestling matches have been consistently outdrawing the traditional king of indoor sports, basketball. In one town alone, Teaneck, wrestling has been outdrawing basketball by large ratios for years. It is also known by the people in the sports field that wrestling is a sport that is especially suited for the small school and college. It is one of the very few sports that truly offers equal opportunity for all students to participate. The boy or young man who weighs 105 lbs. and is 5 ft. 4 in. tall is just as proficient and staunch an equal as the tall heavyweight. Using this as basis, wrestling is a more deserving sport than basketball, a sport that caters to a select few.

In this college, there are more than twice as many men who have participated in high school varsity wrestling than have participated in basketball on the same level. The same men are more than just "interested" in starting a wrestling team at Paterson State College.

(To be continued . . .)