



CLUBS ARE ANALYZED Briden Chosen Asst. Editor New Curriculums Planned; Secondary and Liberal Arts

by Pat Ross

Students are not supporting the clubs and organizations of which they call themselves members; then why do clubs and organizations exist on this campus? Dean Dorothy Mierzwa, at the Leadership Workshop held on Sunday, March 19, expressed a need for the development of a philosophy to know exactly why we do have clubs and organizations.

The problems of attendance and participation are increasing. These problems, it was stated at the Workshop, may stem from a mass approach to too many activities. Donald Doyle, '61, stated that some students are doing things half-heartedly because they have too many "irons in the fire."

That R.I.C.E. is a commuter's college is one source of the problem. Another is the difficulty in finding transportation, and a third may be due to the number of students who work part time.

At the conference, it was felt that lack of attendance at meetings and participation are not entirely the fault of the students. The clubs and organizations themselves are also at fault. Evidently their programs do not provide the interest that encourages students to attend their meetings. And occasionally, when the programs are interesting, the students are not aware of them until the day following the meeting.

One of the solutions offered to these problems which seems to be working out well in many organizations which have adopted it was the possibility of a strict attendance check.

Business meetings, it was suggested at the Workshop, should be conducted according to Parliamentary Procedure and not haphazardly, since business is an important part of the meeting. There is

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Class of '63 Discusses Problems of Students

On March 14, the Freshman class held its first seminar of the semester, Bernard Singleton, who arranged the two previous seminars, was again General Chairman.

Dean Dorothy Mierzwa served as moderator. Members of the panel were Mr. C. James Herrick, Mr. John Whiting, and the Dean, who spoke on fraternities and sororities; Miss Wright who discussed commuter colleges vs. residential colleges; and Mrs. Miriam Malloy '60 and Mrs. Joan Lyons '62, who discussed the problems of the married student.

Mr. Herrick, in speaking on frats, felt that their main purposes are to house male students with common interests. He said that since the frat on this campus does neither, it is of little importance.

Mr. Whiting opposed frats of any kind, saying that members of fraternities are expected to con-

Earl Briden, '63, has been chosen by the *Helicon* staff to serve as the assistant editor of the publication. This is Earl's first experience as a member of a literary staff, but he has read widely, and done considerable writing of his own.

The editorial board of the *Helicon* has now been completed, with the addition of Linda Murray, '61, and Millie Mae Wicklund, '62.

This year, in a departure from its usual practice, the book will include art sketches submitted by members of the student body as well as the usual literary work.

The sketches to be submitted to the *Helicon* may be drawn on any subject. They may be produced in any size but must be drawn with black ink on white construction paper. All art pieces will be judged by the *Helicon* art staff.

All materials, literary and art, must be submitted to the *Helicon* by April 15.

ADDITION OF LAND PLANNED BY STATE

President William C. Gaige has announced the acquisition by the state of two and a quarter acres of land, located behind the Barnard building, near Triggs Golf Course, on which the new women's dormitories will be built.

Bids for construction of the dorm will be accepted in the spring, and the building should be completed by September, 1961.

The state condemned the property rather than going through the lengthy process of negotiating with the owners for purchase, since it

was necessary to take possession of the land immediately to qualify for the \$625 needed from the federal government. Discussions are now being held with the former owners to decide on a fair price for the property.

In addition to the dormitory construction, Blair Associates, the planning consultants for the College, have set up a 10-to-20-year expansion program.

A bill concerning this program is now before the state legislature, and a bond issue asking for \$300,000 will be decided at the next election. The money will be used for the purchase and development of more land.

Eventually, President Gaige stated, the campus may include all the property up to, but not including, the houses on Fruit Hill Avenue.

Form to sameness of ideas and that individualism is not encouraged.

Dean Mierzwa pointed out that since sororities have almost the same purpose as fraternities such an organization would have no value on this campus. She further stated that she would like to see more small clubs organized in place of a sorority.

In discussing commuter and residential colleges, Miss Wright stated that the freedom, especially of time, enjoyed in commuters college surpasses any assets offered by a residential college.

Mrs. Malloy and Mrs. Lyons, who discussed the problems of married students, agreed that any problem of conflict between school and home can be met if the mate is considerate and understanding.

The topics were then discussed by the students and panelists and a short coffee hour followed.

by Carol Loughery

The curriculum committee, composed of all division chairmen and interested faculty members, is studying and proposing means of initiating two new programs to be introduced in September, 1962. According to Dr. Charles Willard,

FACULTY OPENINGS SEEN IN '60-'61 STAFF

with the duties of a Scheduling Officer.

A new Assistant Principal at Henry Barnard School will also hold a dual role. Half the time will be spent as a math teacher and the other half as a principal.

A special education teacher is being sought for the Barnard School. There is already one special education room and a new one is now ready for mentally retarded children. A boys' physical education teacher is also needed at Barnard.

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FRESHMEN IN "PARIS"

Venez-vous a la dance fraishommes? Certainment! Ce sera grande, n'est-ce pas? Naturellement!

On April 2 from 8:30 to 12 P.M. a semi-formal dance will be sponsored by the freshman class. The dance will be in the Student Center with music provided by Tony Abbott.

The setting, following the theme of "April in Paris," is a French night club, *Maxims*. Dancers will find refreshments next door at the Cafe Paris.

The committee chairmen include: Charles Moffitt and Ginny Mahoney, social committee co-chairmen; Ronald Gaudreau, tickets; Diana DiMuccio, refreshments; Roz Galluccio, decorations.

Dean of Professional Studies, plans for the new liberal arts and senior high school teaching programs are being organized by this committee.

"The liberal arts program will offer neither educational courses nor responsible teaching; rather

there will be a greater concentration in a major field," said Dr. Willard. At the beginning not all fields will be available, only those with the greatest demand.

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Coming . . .

On March 31, Swami Akhilanda will address the student body at Chapel. His topic will be the Hindu Religion.

Kappa Delta Phi will sponsor Dr. John Hope Franklin to speak on Wednesday, April 6. Dr. Franklin, chairman of the Department of History at Brooklyn College, is a well known lecturer and has written many books including *Free Negro in North Carolina*, *Militant South*, and *Civil War Diary of J. T. Ayers*. His topic, "Reconstruction and Race Relations" will concern some aspect of problems of the American Negro.

On the Chapel program for April 7, Rabbi Abraham Chill of the Congregation of the Sons of Abraham in Providence, will speak on "Traditional Judaism."

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Delegate To Conference

Professor Grace D. Healey will attend the Speech Association of the Eastern States Conference in New York on April 8 and 9.

Assigned to the Committee on Speech Problems in the Elementary School, Professor Healey will be working with representative speech teachers from all the Eastern States to develop a speech program for all of the children in elementary schools.

Since 90% of communication is oral, the ability to express ideas and emotions is a basic skill necessary to successful living. Children must be taught various speech skills in a systematic program of instruction which parallels the instruction in reading and writing.

The members of the Committee on Speech Problems in the Elementary School will investigate the types of speech activities and the sequence of instruction for the kindergarten through the sixth grade.

Raymond Carlson, specialist in recreation at Indiana University, will conduct an all-day workshop in a continuation of the current Graduate Lecture Series.

Miss Grace D. Healey, Associate Professor of Speech here at the college, is preparing a program of Readings for Holy Week to be presented at the Chapel exercise on April 14.

Coming in the Next 2 Weeks

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| March 30, Wednesday | — "Stalag 17" |
| April 1, Friday | — End of Third Quarter |
| April 2, Saturday | — Freshman Prom |
| April 3, Sunday | — S.N.E.A. Tea |
| April 13, Wednesday | — Kappa Delta Pi Sophomore Reception |

In the Mail

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March 12, 1960

Dear Editor:

It seems to me that Winter Weekend is the most important social event on campus each year. Needless to say, much preparation is put into the program and most of the students participate in one way or another. If the above is correct, why not devote more of the *Anchor* to it—at least in the issue immediately following the weekend. Shouldn't some mention of it be put on the front page? And how about a little more recognition for the winning stunt night class?

Barbara Chaika
President,
Junior Class

Take Action!

Dear Editor:

On behalf of a conscientious faction of an otherwise indifferent student body, I wish to write this letter primarily to criticize the administration for not taking any active measures to alleviate the

problem of thievery. Plainly speaking, there seems to be a serious lack of basic honesty among the student body.

I realize that a solution to a problem as significant as this will not be easily reached; however, it has become almost impossible for an honest person to afford the added expense which he finds imposed upon him by such morally deficient individuals here at Rhode Island College of *Education*.

The time has come for positive action, rather than negative talk.
Mary Grady, '62

Correction

Dear Editor:

I would like to make a correction concerning the article "The Girls' Playday at U.R.I." The volleyball team did beat Pembroke College in a match which consists of winning two out of three games, however, we were defeated by U.R.I. and Barrington Bible College.

I am glad to see that more emphasis is being placed on girls' sports on our campus. After all, there are more girls!
Dorothy Polofsky, '63

Bunny Replacing Christ On Easter Morning?

by Carl Smith

Most Christians would agree that Easter Sunday is the most important day in the Christian year. It is the day set aside in remembrance of Christ's triumph over the grave and His symbolic ascension into heaven. This is a day of humility, a day of faith, and a day of worship.

Significantly then, this is not a day to be taken lightly. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." Herein all that He had taught and commanded was made manifest. To a tired sinful world, the proof of God's love and concern was set down for all to take hope and faith from. And on the rock of that hope and

faith, the Christian Church was established and, through the faith of its preceptors, promulgated to a needy world. Down through two thousand years, this faith in God and love of Christ has perpetuated the Christian Church and delivered it up to our own generation.

Why then, have we, the heirs and benefactors of the Christian faith, allowed the observance of Easter to be corrupted and commercialized in the personage of the proverbial Easter bunny? Why have we let the shadow of a fictitious rabbit even partially shroud the beauty and meaning of Easter?

How came such a bunny to be? The Easter bunny has his origin as the symbol of the never-ending, self-perpetuating force of life renewed in the spring of each year. Who can remember a spring when he did not see a rabbit dodge across the road or scurry through his back yard? In this he is a perfectly legitimate and meaningful figure. What better symbol of the arrival of spring?

What has he become? He has become not just the symbol of spring but of Easter. There are those who argue that he serves to remind us of Christ's new life or resurrection. Certainly then, the argument concludes, the Easter bunny is an important part of Easter Sunday.

There are, however, certain questions to be raised concerning this argument. First, has the resurrection of Christ been relegated to a somewhat dubious connection with spring? Are these good Christians inferring that the resurrection can be explained by the phenomena of a seasonal cycle; that is, Christ arose like the flowers because it was spring?

Second, what possible connection can be logically made between a rabbit and the personage of Christ? Perhaps to some there is something spiritually uplifting

From Where I Sit . . .

by Pat Pending

I received a letter last week from my cousin Lorna who is a junior in the elementary curriculum at Knitting Teachers College. She had quite a yarn to tell me. It seems that the students are having a battle with the Knitting Council over the pattern of the new school sweater they are knitting.

Lorna wrote that the Knitting Council passed a rule that the school sweater should be a boat neck slipover. You'd never imagine the trouble this decision caused. You see almost all the students at K.T.C. have long skinny necks and you know that a long-skinny-necked person simply would die rather than wear a boat neck sweater.

So at the General Assembly meeting someone moved that the rule about the neck style be repealed and the new pattern be a bulky turtle neck. The motion was passed by a wide majority and the skinny-necked assembly happily resumed its knitting, confident

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EDITORIAL — Council Proposes Revisions

Student Council has voted to recommend revisions in the body of the constitution which must be accepted or rejected by the student body. We therefore are presenting a few of these revisions in order that their pros and cons may be discussed by an informed public before votes are cast. These Constitutional revisions will be presented at the next meeting of the General Assembly.

PROPOSED THAT OFFICERS OF STUDENT COUNCIL SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR.

That is, the officers: president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, shall hold office for two consecutive semesters. The present system allows that officers are elected for each semester.

The major argument in favor of such a revision is that projects begun in the first semester could be completed by the same officers in the second semester. Efficiency would not be stifled by mid-term interruptions. Furthermore, it could be expected that the experience gained in office during the first semester would be a benefit during the second semester.

The most obvious argument against such a revision is that a year term would seriously limit the candidacy to those who practice teach in their junior year. Many well-qualified students, through no fault of their own, would be automatically eliminated from Council nominations.

A more efficient system of electing Council officers would be one of self-nomination. A student who feels himself qualified for any of the Council offices, with the necessary stipulations set up by Council, might declare his intention as a candidate. This system would offer the most interested and, more than likely, the best qualified candidates. Such a student, with the aid of the administration, might arrange his schedule so that he could practice teach in his junior year and thereby be eligible for candidacy for his senior year.

PROPOSED THAT INTER-CLUB COUNCIL BE GRANTED AN INCREASE OF POWER.

It has been proposed that the final approval of the social calendar of each academic year as well as any revisions in this calendar be ceded to I.C.C.; these decisions subject only to the approval of the Dean of Students instead of Student Council. It has further been proposed that I.C.C. be given power to arrange, approve, or reject any proposed deviation from the official meeting schedule of clubs and classes. Also, it is suggested that this body be empowered to elect a treasurer as well as secretary from its membership. Lastly, I.C.C. will, according to the proposed constitutional revisions, act as a committee to review new and revised constitutions of clubs and classes, and to submit their decisions for approval to Student Council.

The delegation of these powers to I.C.C. would relieve Student Council of the excessive amount of business which it is now forced to handle in its limited meeting times. Also, since the membership of I.C.C. is composed of direct representatives of the clubs and classes whose constitutions and schedules will be discussed, they will have a closer and perhaps better knowledge of the problems involved than the members of Student Council.

It is time that I.C.C. should either come into its own and serve a useful purpose in campus life or be disbanded.

PROPOSED THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY QUORUM SHALL CONSIST OF ONE-FOURTH OF THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP.

By definition, a quorum is the "number of members of any society or assembly that must be present if the business done is to be legal or binding." Calling for a quorum is a democratic privilege. It should be used by an individual when he feels that if a quorum were present the majority of votes would change the decision. The constitution now reads that a quorum shall be a simple majority of the student body; at the present, this would be approximately 400 out of 800 students. The suggested quorum would be approximately 200 out of the same 800.

The arguments in favor of this revision include that the attendance of 400 students at Forum is improbable; therefore, the accomplishment of important business is always in danger of being halted by the calling of a quorum. Supporters of this revision might also question whether a quorum need consist of a large group of "apathetic" students or whether it should consist of the "interested" voters that usually do attend Forum.

Arguments against such a revision include the point that the democratic principle of Forum intimates that such a minority as one-fourth of the student body should not be vested with the powers to execute legislation for the entire body; i.e., 200 should not govern 800. That a majority of students are seldom seen at Forum is a true statement, but would it not be more beneficial if Student Council showed that Forum can be an interesting and necessary meeting? We believe that if a proposed agenda were issued to the student body in advance of Forum, a majority of students would become more interested in campus politics and would see the necessity of attending General Assembly. Would it not be a wiser choice to attempt to establish a majority attendance through an informed public before limiting the numerical qualifications for a General Assembly quorum?

EDITORIAL — Ask For Longer Hours

Two weeks ago, the ANCHOR, conducted a poll to discover the student opinions on questions concerning an extension of the library and cafeteria hours. Approximately 325 students participated. The following are the results that indicated trends of opinion.

Asked if they wanted the library open later than 10 P.M. Monday through Thursday, 194 answered yes; 118 answered no. The suggested closing times from those who said YES, included 125 for 11:00, 23 for 11:30 and 31 for 12:30.

255 would like to see the library open Friday evenings after 5 P.M.; 94 would not. The suggested closing times included 41 for 8:00, 58 for 9:00, 77 for 10:00 and 27 for 11:00.

On Saturdays, 38 did not want to have the library open after 1 P.M. Of the 267 who would like it open later, 110 suggested it remain open until 5:00; 83 suggested until 6:00.

240 students would like to see the library open on Sundays while 68 would not. Suggested opening hours ranged from late morning to early afternoon. Closing hours suggested included 61 for 5:00, 62 for 6:00, 16 for 8:00, 19 for 9:00, and 39 for 10:00.

Many students indicated a desire to have the library hours extended during exams (141), holidays (96) and vacations (127).

Asked if they would like to have the cafeteria open to serve the evening meal, 196 answered yes; 73 answered no. In indicating a preference of evenings the results were close: Monday 109, Tuesday 112, Wednesday 120, Thursday 103, Friday 71. A goodly number of people wrote comments of having the hours of the snack bar lengthened in some accordance with the hours of the library.

The response to this poll seems to indicate clearly that the students want the facilities for study and eating expanded so that they can spend more time on campus. We sincerely hope that the administration acts favorably upon these issues.

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Nazarian Is Recipient Of Science Fellowship

Mr. John Nazarian, an assistant professor of mathematics here at the college, has been awarded a \$5,000 National Science Foundation Fellowship for study at the University of Illinois. The study is for an academic year plus a related summer program.

Mr. Nazarian will be on leave from the college next year in order to pursue his studies in mathematics from September of 1960 to August of 1961.

Mr. Nazarian, who is very modest in acknowledging his award, is one of 12 college instructors to receive this award. The fellowship, sponsored by the Academic Year Institute, is open to all high school and college teachers who meet the requirements. According to Mr.

Nazarian, this institute is comparable to those sponsored by the government in modern mathematics at such universities as Yale. This fellowship will not permit him to do any teaching. He will devote all his time to courses in his chosen field.

When asked about his plans for the future, Mr. Nazarian said that he plans to return to R.I.C.E. upon the completion of his studies. He will be able to apply for a Master of Science degree in mathematics when he finishes his studies, but in this he is as yet undecided.



John Nazarian

Frosh Plays Saxophone With Ed Drew's Band

by Judy Moran

Those who attended the recent All-College Ball will recall a certain musician, Joseph Reis, who entertained us with his saxophone solo, "Harlem Nocturne." Joe, '63, who is in the Industrial Arts curriculum at R.I.C.E., has been a member of the Ed Drew band since his days at Central Falls High School, from which he graduated in 1946.

Joe has served two years in the Navy and has attended Brown University and the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. He is married and the father of three children, eight, five, and three years old.

Besides his studies, Joe manages to maintain three jobs: working part-time in a machinery business, part-time in an orchestra evenings, and teaching saxophone and clarinet on Saturday afternoons.

Joe's interest in music seems to stem from the influence of his musical family, particularly that of his father who had organized his own orchestra. Musical versatility is displayed by Joe in his ability to play clarinet, flute,

saxophone and his knowledge of some other instruments.

Playing with the band for such events as the Ice Capades, Warwick Musical Theater, and at Rhodes has given him an opportunity to come in contact with such celebrities as Anna M. Alberghetti, Howard Keel, Jerry Vale, and the Maguire Sisters.

Expanding Enrollment On a Shrinking Campus

by Marjorie Medhurst

Many people here at R.I.C.E. are growing concerned over the mounting lack of facilities. They wonder what will happen within the next two years when the total population will exceed capacity. In the fall of this year the campus will be housing its capacity of 1,000 students. The Public Relations Director, Miss Davey, says however, that the College should be able to handle the load, since approximately only 850 students will be on campus at one time due to those who are doing their practice teaching.

The labs, already overcrowded, will again mean late (5 or 6 o'clock) classes. Adequate classroom space will still be available next semester. The Student Council room, B-16, in Craig Lee, will be used as an audio-visual aids classroom, creating a problem of meeting place for Student Council.

The lounges will be overcrowded, as will be the library. The plan for a new library may not go into effect until the fall of '61. At that time it is hoped that the Main Lounge would be used as an extension of the cafeteria, and the library as the Main Lounge. The new library would be housed separately.

The inadequate gym facilities for the expanded population will present another problem. Extra

sorted candies from chocolate eggs to jelly beans and all, we are told, in celebration of Easter. To quote Mr. Scrooge, "Bah, humbug!"

I say, let's abolish the Easter bunny. Let's laugh him out of existence. Let's put Christ back into Easter. Let's have either "Bunny Sunday" or "Easter Sunday," but not both.

This Easter when you peel a purple hard-boiled egg or look longingly at a pound of oval-shaped chocolate, remember that day long ago when the Son of God triumphed over the grave so that we "might have life and have it more abundantly."

KLUB KORNER

S.N.E.A.

The Student National Educational Association will hold a reception for the Future Teachers' Association of Rhode Island on Sunday, April 3, from 2:30 to 4 o'clock.

Eleanor LaNinfa, as chairman, has planned the program which will include some entertainment, followed by a tour of the campus. The purpose of the reception, according to Eleanor, is "to have the members of the F.T.A. become acquainted with and become aware of the facilities offered to them at R.I.C.E."

I.R.C.

On Monday, April 4, the International Relations Club will open its meeting to the student body and faculty in order that they may view the film, "The Face of Red China." Marie Mainelli, program chairman, states that the film has been long and eagerly awaited by the members of I.R.C.

Also the club is sending Mary Jane Gilmartin and Marie Mainelli to the I.R.C. Convention to be held at Harvard University. The theme of the Convention will be U.S. Foreign Policy in Africa.

Kappa Delta Pi

On Wednesday afternoon, April 13, Kappa Delta Pi will hold a reception for those sophomores whose index as of now makes them eligible to belong to Kappa Delta Pi. The reception will be held to honor the sophomores and at the same time to give the present members a chance to meet them. There will be a guest speaker and refreshments will be served.

Pat Coughlin, president of Kappa Delta Pi, is the general chairman of the reception. Lynda Spagagna is chairman of refreshments.

Kappa Delta Phi

The Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity is presently engaged in plans for much spring activity. Representatives of Epsilon Chapter will attend the National Convention to be held on April 23rd in Bangor, Maine.

The second event on the frat's spring schedule is the annual Jazz Concert which will be held on May 8. No program has yet been released.

JAZZ FESTIVAL

The world-famous Newport Jazz Festival will be extended from four to five days this year. Louis L. Lorillard, president of the Festival, has announced that the Seventh Annual Newport Jazz Festival will take place this year from Thursday evening, June 30, through Monday evening, July 4, at Freebody Park, Newport, R.I.

A budget of \$110,000 for talent and facilities has been allotted by the Newport Board of Directors for the Jazz Festival. It is expected that the first announcements regarding talent appearing at the Festival will be made shortly.

The Second Annual Newport Folk Festival will be extended from two to three days this year. Dates of the folk music event are Friday, Saturday, Sunday, June 24, 25, and 26. A budget of \$50,000 has been approved by the Newport Jazz Festival Board, sponsors of the event, for this project.

LIBRARIAN HIRED TO NEW STAFF

Three weeks ago, a new librarian was added to the staff of the library in the curriculum center of R.I.C.E. She is Miss Mary McGuire.

Miss McGuire was graduated from Trinity College of Washington, D.C., in 1940. She spent her junior year at the Sorbonne in Paris. For her Master's Degree, she went to Simmons College, School of Library Science.

During World War II, Miss McGuire was a communications officer in the Waves. She has worked for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. as a supervisor of records draftsman.

Last year, she worked for the Providence Public Library in the children's section. Her activities included school visits, story telling, book reviewing, and conducting advanced reading classes for children.

Her duties as librarian of the Curriculum Center at R.I.C.E. include the assembling of curriculum guides from all over the United States and the classifying and cataloguing of material from sample text books.

"So far," Miss McGuire says, "I am enjoying it very much. Everyone is very cooperative and helpful."

Easter (Continued)

about a rabbit, but so far, I have not seen the light.

Then there are those who support the theory that the Easter bunny is somehow good for the kiddies; that this is something tangible for them to hold onto. Here again, there are several questions that can be raised concerning the validity of such an argument.

For instance, what thoughts of Christ enter into a child's mind as he bites into his two-pound chocolate egg, now in a glorious assortment of coffee, chocolate, coconut, or cream filled. Does he envision the bitter salt in the wounds of Christ as the odor of chocolate tantalizes his senses? What hope can we have that these, the heirs of the future, will approach the Christian faith seriously and purposefully when in memory of the triumph of our Lord, we turn the solemn joy of the Easter pageant into a procession of bunnies and brightly colored eggs?

It appears doubtful that the Easter bunny can be even remotely considered a meaningful

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that its necks would be hidden in a turtle neck school sweater.

The president of the Knitting Council, who was conducting the General Assembly meeting, spoke. "Of course," he explained, "this motion you passed is merely to have Council look into the matter. Council has the final vote."

Well, Lorna wrote, you could have heard a knitting needle fall. "Do you mean," she asked, "that all we did just now was to suggest that Council repeal the rule?" As the president nodded in assent, she dropped a stitch. "What is the use of holding a General Assembly meeting when all we students can do is to make suggestions! We can make the same suggestions to our Council representatives and not waste this time in a meeting!"

The next day Council held a meeting. The members duly discussed the matter of the sweater pattern; acted; and voted that the rule would stand as before; the school sweater would have a boat neck.

A group of distressed knitters gathered together to dismiss the

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part of Easter. But if he is not meaningful as a symbol of Easter, he certainly is as a symbol of commercialism. He appears to be Santa, Claus reincarnated. Every year he accounts for the sale of thousands of dollars worth of as-



by Gale Rowles

If an award were given to the person who could fit the most extra-curricular activities into four years, Natalie Alviti, '60, would walk away with the prize.

Nat has been on practically every committee that has been formed here at R.I.C.E. She has been a member of the Anchor staff for four years. In her freshman year she was a reporter. As a sophomore she spent one semester as typing manager and the other semester as feature editor. In the first semesters of her junior and senior years, Nat was again feature editor. Last semester she also worked on the editorial board of the paper.

This semester she is serving as the Anchor Inter-Club Council Representative. Nat was general chairman of the fashion show contest for the "Best Dressed Girl on Campus," that was held this February.

For all her work in relation to the school paper she has been awarded a gold Anchor key.



Natalie Alviti

Keep Focused on WRA

W.R.A. Organizes New Stunts Club

The main task of W.R.A. in the weeks to come will be to elect a slate of officers consisting of: (1) president; (2) vice president; (3) secretary-treasurer; (4) social chairman, and (5) publicity chairman. Since each club of W.R.A. functions more or less independently an inter-club council has been set up with two representatives from each club. It is, therefore, the duty of the five officers to be elected, to act as the coordinating element of W.R.A. through the inter-club council.

The first officer to be elected will be the president. The candidates are: Kathi Wheeler, junior; Maureen Baldwin, sophomore, and Pat Piver, sophomore. The newly-elected president and the inter-club council will draw up a list of candidates for the other offices by the first of April.

Every woman on campus is automatically a member of W.R.A. since each is required to pay a W.R.A. fee as part of her year's tuition. Thus the elections are open to all members, active or inactive. For the freshmen and sophomore girls, voting will take place during their physical education classes. For the junior and senior girls, voting facilities will be set up outside the main student lounge.

On Tuesday, March 22, the W.R.A. Volleyball Club invited U.R.I. to compete in an informal volleyball session. All members of the club participated and were divided according to their skill in volleyball into the honor team, the honor reserve team, and the freshman team. This classification, as distinguished from the varsity and junior varsity of men's athletics, where the qualification is on the basis of one's class, is based entirely on the participation and skill of the individual girl. Also, in W.R.A. sports are played rather for the furthering of individual and team skill than for competition with other schools.

Those named to the honor team were: Gail Davis, '60; Kaaren Harrington, '60; Dot McCarthy, '62; Irma Polofsky, '61; Natalie Rogers, '60; Kathi Wheeler, '61; Milly Wichlund, '62, and Ann Venagro, '60.

Workshop (Continued)

also a need for more executive officer meetings to plan for future meetings.

Continuity in leadership was also discussed at the Workshop. If officers' terms were for a full year, then long term projects could be completed and leaders would have to gear their interests to a specific club or organization. On the other hand, the continuity of officers presents a problem with students going into teacher training.

The present system of elections was another topic for discussion. Many felt that the election system as it stands now should be revised. It was felt that the present elections are entirely too brief. Perhaps the present election system should be changed to include primaries and campaigning.

New Stunts Club

The newest addition to the ever-increasing number of clubs being organized on campus is the Stunts Club. The idea for the club was formulated by Miss Gentile, women's physical education instructor, who started the club with interested members from the regularly scheduled women's physical education classes.

Enthusiasm is high among the club's members and a larger number of interested girls attended than was expected at the first meeting which was held Friday, March 18, at 4 p.m. Future meetings will be held every Friday at this hour.

All female students are invited to attend. The girls will use their energies on such activities as performing on the mats, the parallel bars, the horses, the travelling rings and the trampoline.

In the words of one of its active members, the Stunts Club "promises to be fun, different and probably exhausting!"

Here 'n' There

Ed. Note: The Anchor Exchange Department has increased its scope to include papers from such various colleges as the University of Alaska and the University of Hawaii. Comments of interest from these and other colleges across the United States are included in the column "Here 'n' There."

Indiana State Teachers

The Indiana State Teachers College of Pennsylvania has been chosen from more than 100 colleges who submitted plays to present their musical comedy, "The Boy Friend," for servicemen at northern Air Force bases. This will be the first time that a Pennsylvania college has performed for servicemen under U.S.O. sponsorship.

University of New Hampshire

The University of New Hampshire was the site of a wild political circus-day before the usually mild state primary. Senator John Kennedy and Paul Fisher were both invited to speak at a convocation at the University. However, Mr. Fisher insisted on being on stage at the same time as Senator Kennedy and jumped on the stage in an undignified manner.

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Let's Look at Sports

Freshmen Lead

As the Class Intramural Basketball Tournament enters the final week of play, a formidable freshmen team currently leads the other classes with a four wins, one loss record. They have defeated the seniors (37-33); the juniors (51-35) and (46-33); the sophomores (26-24). In a second game, the senior team led by Joe Menard (24 points) and Tom Sweeney (12 points) was responsible for the only freshmen loss (48-38).

With three games left on the schedule, any of the top three teams is in a position to either win or tie for the title. In case of a tie, playoff games will be held to determine the champion.

The winning class of this competition is awarded 15 Anchor Points and since the current class anchor standings are so close, the competitive spirit has been strong.

The high scorer in the tournament thus far has been Bob Leach, '63. He has played in four games and scored 61 points for an average of 15.2 points per game.

The class standings as of March 23, 1960, are:

Team	Won	Lost
Freshmen	4	1
Seniors	3	1
Sophomores	2	2
Juniors	0	5

Tennis, Anyone?

Intercollegiate tennis will make its debut this spring as part of the athletic program. Mr. Robert Brown, Athletic Director, will issue a call for candidates during the week of March 25.

A strong nucleus of 9 or 10 is desired, with a few good men in reserve. Initial practice will be held indoors until the courts are cleared. Practice will then begin in earnest outdoors. At the present time, George Fleming, '62, appears to be the leading candidate. His previous experience will prove invaluable during this first season of competition.

A schedule of the forthcoming tennis matches is as follows:

April 29	Gorham	Home
May 4	Bridgewater	Home
May 7	Westfield	Home
May 11	Plymouth	Away
May 16	Keene	Home
May 19	Gorham	Away
May 21	Bridgewater	Away
May 21	Plymouth	Home

Letters Awarded

The awarding of a varsity letter, either for interscholastic or intercollegiate competition, is an honor bestowed upon those men, who, through hard work and diligence, have been deemed by their coach as deserving of award.

The following men, having participated in at least one-half of the basketball competition and having practiced so as to improve themselves and their team, will be awarded varsity letters on Awards' Day:

Mark Fullam, Tom Eastham, Ronald Felber, Don Hickey, Claude Gladu, R. Sheldon, Neil Gallagher, and George Fleming, team manager.

In addition, those men having earned three letters will be awarded school sweaters. They are: T. Eastham, R. Felber, G. Fleming, and D. Hickey.

Anchor Salutes (Cont.)

Crucible." She will also appear in a Musical Workshop soon to be presented.

Nat was publicity co-chairman for the Senior Spectacular and a member of the script committee for the show. She also appeared in the cast as the little girl, Pamela.

You may be interested to know that Nat is the brain behind the leg. That is, she thought up the idea of the "Leg Contest," a publicity for the Senior Spectacular.

In her junior and senior years, Nat was on the script committee for Stunt Night and co-chairman of the scenery committee.

At present she is on the Senior Gift Committee and the Commencement Ball Committee.

Natalie graduated from Cranston High School in 1956. An Elementary-English major, Nat did her student teaching at the Broad Street School in Providence. In her senior year she was elected to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

What this campus is going to do when Natalie Alvti graduates remains to be seen. There needs to be a mighty ambitious and dedicated person to take her place.

From Where I Sit (Cont.)

problem. They decided that the General Assembly should have more voting power and at times be able even to override Council decisions. This revision, which would necessitate a change in the constitution, presented another problem since constitutional revisions must come from the Council.

Well, Lorna wrote, she and some other knitters are not giving up. They are starting a campaign that Council revise the constitution giving the General Assembly more power. They are even planning a knitting strike to stop the knitting of boat neck sweaters.

In closing her letter, cousin Lorna asked me to send her the set of gold and white needles she keeps at home. It seems someone "borrowed" the old set which she left during lunchtime on the shelf outside the cafeteria.

CAMPUS NOTICES

At the Student Council meeting of March 14, a motion was passed that a recommendation be sent to the administrative council requesting their permission for card playing in the men's and women's lounges after 4:30 p.m.

Student Council defeated the motion passed at Forum which would revoke the law prohibiting students taking books and coats into the cafeteria between 11:00-1:00. This law still stands.

Student Council has purchased a duplicating machine. A committee has been set up to establish rules for the use of this machine by clubs and organizations on campus.

Student Council is looking into the purchasing of a typewriter for the typing room.

The facilities of the Publications Room, the college publica-

tions have recently announced, are for the use of staff members of the *Anchor*, *Helicon* and *Ricoled* only. This statement stems from the misconception on the part of many students that the "Pub" is the typing room. There is a typing room in the basement of Craig-Lee but at the present time it has not been fitted with typewriters.

I.C.C. and Student Council have approved the Constitution of the newly-formed Industrial Arts Club. The club is open to all male college members.

The work of the committee preparing a new college ring is nearing completion. The new ring, modern in style, will be put up to bids from ring companies in the near future.

Work on the new college seal is in its final stages. The seal will be contemporary in style and will include the flames found in the Hollbrook murals in Roberts' Hall.

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