

# MARK JOHNSON ELECTED!

by Gavin Claypool

Mark Johnson gained 48% of the vote—plus a giant headache called ASCIT—in winning the ASCIT presidential election held Monday. Johnson defeated Dave Drake by a vote of 178–109, while Andy Dowsett finished third.

In the hotly-contested race for treasurer, Dave Peisner racked up an overwhelming 69% to defeat Mark Boals. The winning margin of 193 votes was the largest for any contested office.

**Mariani Bought Out**

Mike Mariani edged out Jim Price for the right to reign over the Interhouse Committee by a mere eighteen votes. Bryan Jack, current BOC secretary, breezed into the office of vice president without opposition.

Phil Massey withstood a write-in campaign by Joe Carlson to win the office of secretary 172–108. The drive to get academic credit for musical

activities received a boost with the election of Bob Coleman as Director of Academic Affairs. Richard Gruner and Albert Ng were Coleman's opponents.

**Four and Five**

Two freshmen, Paul Manis and Gary Wakai, captured the coveted positions of Directors-at-Large, defeating fellow froshlings Richard Atwater and Karl Kuhlmann. Howie Dickerman was elected Director of Student Life, but plans to leave these hallowed grounds. Fran Wetter received 22 write-in votes.

Running unopposed, Alan Shiller and Ed "the Okie" O'Rourke were elected BOC secretary and Activities Chairman, respectively. Failing to break the magic "80 percent" mark, the *Tech* editor team of Gavin Claypool, Eric Eichorn, and Dennis Mallonee rolled up an impressive 78.3% of the vote, the best showing by an unopposed (so to speak) *Tech* team in many

years.

**Two for Three Ain't Bad**

Three proposed bylaws changes were voted on again, their initial balloting having been voided by the disappearance of the Dabney ballot box. The first, making the Director of Student Life chairman of the Executive Social Committee, thereby replacing the Social Chairman in that capacity, and making the latter secretary of the ESC, passed 288–61. The third proposal eliminated the bylaws section that defined the Social Committee, in order to allow the BOD to pass a resolution outlining the ESC, and it also passed, 269–78.

The second proposal, which would have made Social Chairman and Activities Chairman appointive rather than elective offices, failed to receive the necessary two-thirds votes by eighteen votes. It was defeated, 226–122.



Our new ASCIT President being sworn in.

Photo by Peisner.

## Feb. Fools Take Over

by Philip Massey

The picowats of power changed hands yesterday in the basement of the Athenaeum, as the old BOD approved the election results (ignoring a request by Kondor to be commended for his job as elections chairman) and decided to swear in the new president. Jack: "Doesn't it work by induction?"

Johnson wasted only a little time. "Sit down and take notes," he directed the new secretary, making him secretary *pro tem* for five minutes. One by one he swore in the new members ("Uh, would you repeat that?" "You forgot 'Incorporated'!" "Uh, that's Robert, not Richard.") only to be informed by Peter Beckman at the end of the presidings that he could have sworn them all in at once.

**"So What?"**

It was unanimously approved to loan the Caltech Christian Fellowship \$35 for a square dance. Johnson appointed Jim Hugg special assistant to the president ("The Henry Kissinger of ASCIT?" asked Major Bezok.), and put off the appointment of the 1972–73 *Big T* board of editors, as well as the openings of nominations for

appointive offices. ("Are you getting all this, secretary?" "Getting what? Oh, sure thing, Fred... er, Mark.")

**Spivak Returns**

At this point in the proceedings, former Director of Academic Affairs Sharon Spivak returned from making party plans to suggest appointing student observers to the Faculty Board. After a few scant seconds of consideration, the Board approved the appointment of Johnson and Coleman. (Observers are traditionally the president and director of academic affairs.)

**Simay Speaks**

Greg Simay, outgone director-at-large, then wandered over and requested moral support of ASCIT for the ASCITless musical, *Pirates of Penzance*. A long but uninteresting discussion followed during which it was revealed that yes, there had been a musical last year, and yes, the new one wasn't asking for money, only support, but that it wasn't anything personal. The board then gave official recognition to the production and hence made its third unanimous decision of the day.

The board then made its

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## The Russians Are Coming, Русские Люди Прийдут

by Marc Donner

The Russians are coming! Yup, yesterday night Spectrum production 3 previewed and tonight it officially opens. Go see. It will be here until Saturday, with a pair of performances on Saturday (a matinee at 2:00 and a regular performance at 8:00). All this happens in Ramo.

**Vienna Boys' Choir**

The fabulous Vienna Choir Boys will be singing in Beckman Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 10. The Choir Boys, organized in 1498 at the behest of Emperor Maximilian I, number among their alumni Haydn and Schubert. The group has sung in the United States regularly (with the exception of the war years) since 1932 and is one of the most popular choral groups. They bring with them a program of songs by Mozart, Schubert and Strauss

plus a wide selection of folk songs, sacred songs, and "costumed operetta". Tickets run \$6.75–5.75–4.50–3.50.

On Sunday, February 11 France's best chamber orchestra will perform in Beckman Auditorium as the fourth of the Coleman Chamber Music Concerts. The ensemble of fifteen talented French musicians was organized in 1950 by Paul Kuentz and is called the Paul Kuentz Chamber Orchestra. This will be its eleventh tour of the United States and from all available information we are in for a treat. The ensemble has twice won the highest recording award in France, the Grand Prix du Disque, and maintains a versatility that permits it to perform works of many periods and styles. They will perform Sunday a program of Vivaldi, Marcello, Bach, Barber and Bartok.

## AHCUP Meets Tomorrow

The first open meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Undergraduate Program will be held at 3 p.m. tomorrow in the Millikan Board Room. The meeting will consist of position statements and discussion of these views. Students interested in airing their views at later meetings should contact Dr. J. K. Knowles (x1135, 309 Thomas) so that time may be set aside for them.

The Committee is considering what aspects of undergrad life it should explore and make recommendations upon.

## News Briefs

# A Winter's Totem Too

Complete with a hopefully upside-right cover, *A Winter's Totem* should be manifesting itself on the unsuspecting Caltech community late tomorrow or Monday. Copies for those who signed up to receive them will be distributed to the student houses; ASCIT members who wish to receive copies can sign up and get them in Louise Hood's office in Winnett.

**Uncooping the Coop**

If you would like to live in the Co-op during the summer, next school year, or both, now is the time to wander over and leave your name (and where you can be reached) with us. Each of the units — 297, 310, and 290 S. Holliston — will handle their openings separately, so sign up with any or all that interest you. Rent & utilities usually comes to \$50/month for a single or half of

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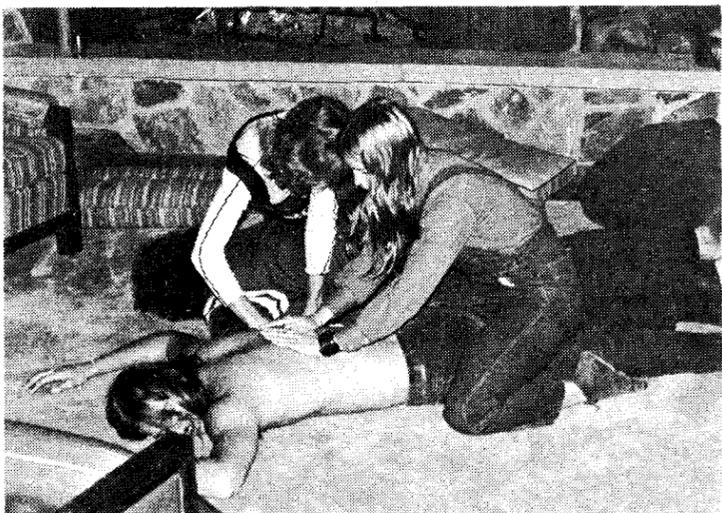
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**Dr. Tom Sanders To Speak on Campus**

Dr. Tom Sanders, American Universities Field Staff area expert on Latin America, will be here at Tech the week of February 12-16 (next week).

He will give a seminar on Monday, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Africana Library, Baxter Hall, on "Recent Political and Economic Development in Brazil." He will also speak on "Population Growth, Movement, and Policy in Brazil" on Tuesday at 4 p.m. in 318 Baxter.



Interested in intimate encounters? Read our interview with a Personal Exploration Group in next week's *California Tech*.

Thoughts

On Humanities

by Phil Neches

In the year or so since the Faculty approved the new Humanities requirement, more heat than light has resulted. The essence of the present requirement seems to be to insure that one's 108 units of humanities and social sciences will be well-balanced: that half will be in topics deemed "humanistic," and that English will be included somewhere in the life (or at least in the education) of every Techer.

While the idea seems laudible, the implementation has become a bureaucratic nightmare. Reading the catalog has become as arduous as reading the City Charter, and requires knowledge of numerous decisions of the faculty board and various committees. Worse, the present version of the humanities requirement includes a number of absurdities and outright injustices.

Several features of the humanities requirement have proved to be sore points. First, a large number of courses may be found under English, Economics, History, Language, and Psychology which carry the notation, "Not available for Humanities-Social Science credit." Why the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences offers so many courses that it will not allow credit for defies understanding. But to compound the injustice, while a science or engineering major cannot get credit for, say, Econ 150, an Economics major can.

The "double indemnity" clause which applies to languages deserves closer examination in light of announced plans to drastically curtail language offerings (see "Letters" in this issue). Currently, first year languages give no credit, either H or HSS, unless and until one completes the second year of language. This requirement has been controversial since its inception, but becomes ridiculous when second year languages may not even be offered.

Finally, one comes to the rather rigid limitations placed on freshmen. While hypothetically, a freshman can place out of freshman humanities, very few

know enough to do so when they arrive here (and it is hard to blame them for being preoccupied). Many freshmen have had excellent backgrounds in the humanities in high school, and are more than prepared to take some of the more challenging humanities courses now reserved for upperclassmen. I see no reason why such students should be prevented or even discouraged from taking higher numbered courses.

These and other needless complications in the requirement have engendered a good deal of resentment. Students whose programs are laden with demanding technical courses usually cannot afford to take more than the required number of humanities courses, even when they want to do so. Excluding courses from HSS credit under such circumstances becomes tantamount to not offering the course at all. But many of the excluded courses are every bit as good as (in some cases, better than) courses which give credit.

As an alternative to the present mess, I would propose to replace the HSS's, H's, FH's, et. al. with a statement like this: "The Institute Humanities-Social Sciences requirement will be satisfied by (a) 27 units of courses in English, (b) 27 additional units chosen from course titles under Art, English, History, Languages, Music, and Philosophy, and (c) 54 additional units chosen from any of the offerings of the Division. In fulfilling the requirement, courses repeated for credit will not be counted towards the above."

And leave it at that.

A Massey ASCIT

Continued from Page One fourth unanimous decision of the day (and possibly the final one this year [except for adjournments-Ed.]), and adjourned, mainly to the Men's Room ("I just wanted to see what the Athenaeum's heads were like."). The next awe-inspiring meeting is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m. in Winnett Lounge. It may well be worth the price of admission.

THE CALTECH FORUM

Language Pogrom

An Open Letter Addressed to:

- The President
The Provost
The Dean
The Academic Committees
The California Tech

We have heard a disturbing rumor that the language program at Caltech will be cut in half next year and quite possibly phased out over a few years. Apparently three of the six present language instructors will not be reappointed for 1973-74, and only "basic" courses in French, German, and Russian will be taught. The idea apparently would be for any interested students to take languages at PCC or other convenient schools.

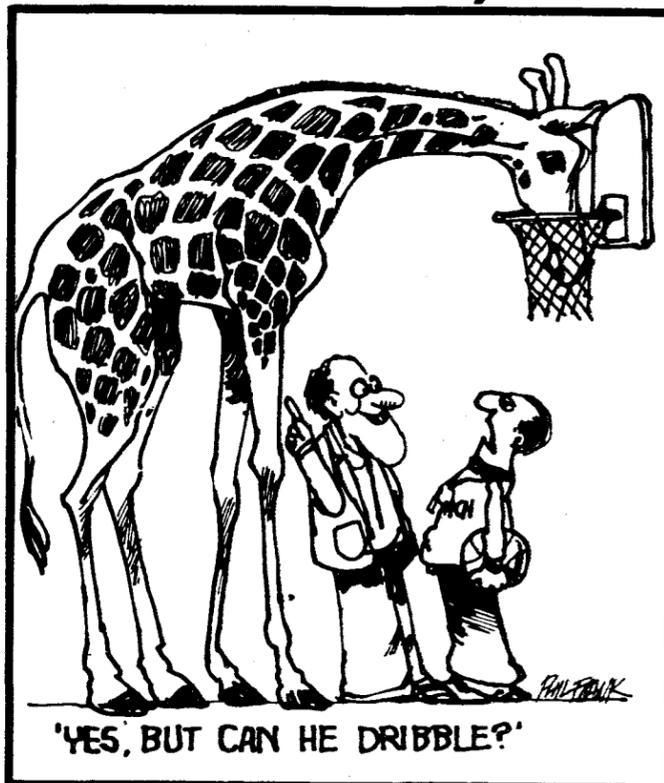
This is a very interesting concept. Along the same lines, why don't we fulfil our 27-unit English requirement at these other "convenient" schools? Shall we take all our humanities at other schools? What the hell, why not take all our courses at the many (other) fine schools in the Los Angeles area? (We just need a few buses, the cost of which our tuition could easily cover.)

It seems to us that Caltech students are entitled to a reasonably broad education. Languages are definitely a part of this, and we should not be obliged to go elsewhere to study them. Furthermore, most scientific PhD programs require at least one foreign language. If languages are not available on campus, the vast majority of students will not go through the hassle of trying to fit an off-campus course into their schedules. Does Caltech intend to hinder the student in his search for a broad education?

"I want to see institutions like Throop turn out perhaps ninety-nine of every hundred students as men who are to do given pieces of industrial work better than anyone else can do them ... and the one-hundredth man I want to see

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Cement Is Ugly

The Institute has shown itself dismayingly deaf to the desires of students on almost every current issue, not the least of which is the bleak future of the former site of Throop. If they will not listen to the preferences of the students, perhaps we can appeal to their (institutional) pride.

It is sad but undeniable that most "modern" architecture erected since the turn of the century looks dated, drab, and dreary twenty years after its construction. A close look at the sites which have maintained or improved their appearance with age reveals certain shared characteristics: they avoid excesses and fads in the design of the structures themselves, they are designed not only to fit in with surrounding sites but to beautify them as well by hiding poor spots and pointing up potential beauty, and they utilize grass, trees, and flowers as much as possible.

Take a close look at Baxter, if you disagree, as an example of a potentially beautiful building unfortunately degraded by an architect with an obsession for concrete. Why, WHY is the building totally surrounded by a sea of cement? Why are there only token patches of grass and shrubbery engulfed in that huge, airport-like cement apron on the San Pasqual-side of the building, when there could just as easily have been a lawn or plantings around the pond, with a few small, curved walks leading from the sidewalk to the various doors. And considering how seldom a huge flock of people uses any one walk at a time, WHY were huge cement blocks allowed to rape over the grass plaza in front of Beckman (the walk between Baxter and the forthcoming Behavioral Biology building) when there is little need for any walk, and if absolutely necessary, a less obtru-

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by Phil Frank

Tree Chopping

It is ironic that here at Tech, with such a plentitude of knowledge and intelligence, we are assaulted with mediocrity and stupidity. We are so blinded by the amazing achievements and advances that Tech has been part of, that most of us fail to see the wastefulness of some of the Administration's decisions. It has reached the point that I am now seriously questioning exactly how decisions around here are really made.

With the demolition of Throop came plans to beautify and landscape the mall between Guggenheim and Thomas, leading to a set of steps to bring the walk up to the level of the west part of campus. As I understood it, student representatives were consulted when the campus architect submitted his first plan. The students were all for more trees and lawn, but felt that more concrete was not necessary. The plans still call for a set of steps. So much for student voice. To our misfortune, the responsible administrators support the campus architect's plans and all those trees by the west face of Throop are no longer.

If the mall is to be beautified and landscaped, why cut down some of the prettiest and oldest trees on campus just to plant new ones? It seems like a lavish

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# UNIVERSITY STEREO

## Language

Continued from Page Two with cultural scientific training." — Theodore Roosevelt, on the steps of Throop Hall, March 21, 1911.

But then, Throop Hall has been phased out.

"It would have surprised Roosevelt to know that within a decade the little Institute ... would have again raised its sights, leaving to others the training of mere efficient technicians and concentrating its own efforts on Roosevelt's 'hundredth man.'" — Bulletin of the California Institute of Technology, September, 1971, p. 123.

Whatever happened to the one-hundredth man?

But this is only a rumor, right?

— Cheryl L. Laffer  
Carol A. Mattax  
Sheila M. Young  
Ricketts House

## Trees

Continued from Page Two and wasteful way to get rid of precious capital. I've got news for the people responsible for the new steps plan — Caltech has plenty of concrete, and one property of that substance is, no matter how much you water it, it won't grow!

Tied in with the question of decision policy is the current plan to rape the language department. Due to insufficient funds, the Administration has arbitrarily decided to get rid of most of the language professors, saving only those already tenured (very few) and only hire lecturers from now on, giving the new people coming into the department no real future here at Tech. Instead of trying to create an atmosphere of liberal, broad education with strong emphasis on research science, Tech is trying to divorce itself from the real world, and migrate into the clouds where the Olympian gods can work miracles.

If Tech goes through with this decision to chop up the language department, the quality of education offered here will decrease, and if the current decision-making procedures continue to act without concern for the desires and needs of the institute and the students attending it, none but the sacred cow departments will survive.

— Rene Gandolfi  
Dabney House

## Cement

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I remember reading in an Institute publication sometime this past term that the proposed removal of San Pasqual and the creation of park-like areas on campus was partially in response to Henry Dreyfus' insistence that people need trees and restful surroundings in their work/school environment in order to function properly. Open cement plazas and duplicate sets of stairways are not very restful — we'd do better to convert the space to a much-needed parking area! If you take a good look at the "artist's conception" published some time ago in I believe E&S, it appears as a spacious parklike area in spite of the large stairway in the middle. However, this parklike illusion was created by drawing trees in the volume already irrevocably occupied by Guggenheim and Thomas! The actual space we have to work with is not large at all, and putting more than a small stairway in the middle of the hill will destroy any utility it might have had as a park area as well as its beauty (why a stairway down the middle is needed at all when there are stairs at the side is

beyond me anyway).

So now the Institute has a decision to make on the improvement of the Throop site. They could waste their money on a useless, barren, and uninspiring cement slope, or they could plant the much-touted "park-like area" they have promised. If you won't think of the students' mere preferences for the present environment, dear administrators, think then of yourself or of other administrators showing off the campus to bigwigs, potential contributors, and so forth twenty years from now. Will you be proud of a dingy, stained cement plaza ringed by naked, unimproved cement buildings?

— Anarea Karen Goldfarb  
Dabney House OC

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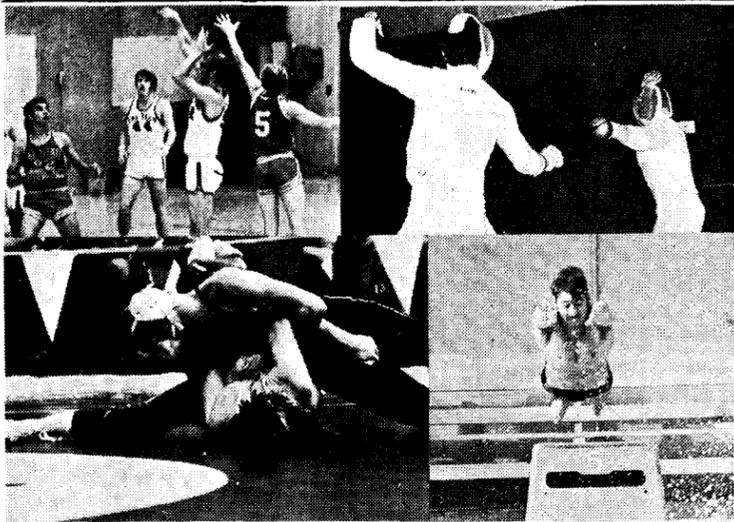


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**Sports**

**Dabney House Finishes Fourth**

by Bob Kieckhefer  
Page House squeaked past Fleming to win the 1973 Interhouse Track competition. (Sounds sort of like 1972 tennis or 1972 track, doesn't it?) After a one-day rain delay (no, not Monday's rain, not Sunday's rain, not Saturday's rain, but *last Tuesday's* rain) the Page Dudes outscored the Flems, 75-74, and thus took a 1½-point lead in the interhouse trophy standings.

Brent Sweitzer led Page with victories in the shot put and discus and a third place in the long jump. Sweitzer's heave of 44'5½" broke the old shot put record by more than 17 inches.

Page Dudes won four other events. Bob Miller won the javelin for the *n*th year in a row, Mark Hueschen won the 70-yard high hurdles, Don Keenan took the 100-yard dash, and John Stemple won the 220-yard intermediate hurdles.

**Flems Also Win Six**

Page won the high jump (that's Randy Page of Fleming) for the Flems' first win of the meet. Other Flems who won events were Bob Brewington in the pole vault, Tom Howell in the long jump and the 660-yard run, John Steubs in the 330-yard dash, and the 880-yard relay team of Steubs, Jim Battey, Elijah Pugh, and John Land.

Ricketts finished a strong third, with Scurves winning the other two events. Antonio Durazo won the 1320-yard run, John Rogers took the 220-yard dash, and the Ricketts relay team of

**Swimmers Lose Close Meet To UCR**

by Bob Kieckhefer

Tech swimmers held their first close meet of the season last Wednesday, but UC Riverside went home with a 60-52 victory. UCR's dominance in the distance events was a major factor in the meet score, as Techers finished at least second in every other event.

Jim Rowson led the Techers in scoring, with victories in both 1- and 3-meter diving. Tom Stoughton also had a successful night, with a win in the 200-yard breaststroke, a second in the 200-yard individual medley, and a third in the 200-yard butterfly.

**Whisper Encouragement?**

Howard Bubb was the only other Techer to win an individual race with a victory in the 200-yard freestyle. Steve Bitondo's second place gave Tech a sweep in the event, after a UCR swimmer learned the hard way that shouting encouragement to a teammate is a no-no.

Tech's entry in the 400-yard freestyle relay was victorious

when Bubb, Bitondo, Bob Miller, and Dave Clark beat the Riverside team by 12 seconds. Miller also received two second places in the freestyle sprints and Clark was second in the 200-yard butterfly. Clyde Scandrett was the only other Techer to receive a second, in the 200-yard backstroke.

Tomorrow the swimming team will take on Chapman College in a home meet starting at 4:00. Coach Reck believes Tech has a good chance of getting its second meet victory of the season — be a witness!

**Discobolus**

God	5
Dabney	0
Page	0

**Interhouse Trophy**

Page	154.5
Fleming	153.0
Ruddock	90.5
Dabney	88.5
Ricketts	77.0
Lloyd	55.0
Blacker	53.5

**The Chandler Incident**

**More Sugar, Dick?**

by Sugar Ray

Important new opinions were added Sunday night to the continuing controversy over the "unlimited seconds" clause in the Room and Board contract at an impromptu Dabney House meeting in Chandler Dining Hall. The meeting was a culmination of a series of disagreements between certain undergraduates and representatives of Canteen Food Service over the applied definition of "Dining Area," which has been the focus of several incidents in the past weeks. At issue was a complaint by Canteen employee Dick Freilander alleging that Ray Spears and others had unlawfully conspired to remove from the cafeteria property belonging to Canteen Corporation which they were not authorized to possess, to wit, one packet of sugar.

**"Is this your bag of sugar?"**

The incident occurred when Freilander saw Spears leaving the dining hall with a contraband chocolate sundae and a spoon, and sought to apprehend Spears and the property outside the building. Upon his arrival at the scene, the sundae had disappeared, so Freilander demanded that the spoon be forthwith "put back inside." Spears offered to put the spoon back inside Dick's mouth, whereupon Dick replied, "Just touch me with that spoon and I'll lay you out." The legal points were thus summarily dispensed with.

Freilander found himself,

however, in the middle of an unruly crowd of uncontrollable people of varying descriptions and interests, and further found that many of the people present were in fact not taking him seriously, and that he was being made, by selectively induced exposition of his own personality, to look ridiculous.

The conspirators took the ultimately provocative step, argumentatively emptying the packet of sugar on the ground before the discernably turgid Dick. At this point, Freilander wrote out a complaint demanding the arrest of Spears for theft, and the suspect was removed for interrogation.

**"Let me hear it for me"**

A spontaneous testimonial dinner, Andrew Dowsett presiding, erupted inside. Guest speakers included Dean Ballard, who spoke upon the interrelationship between sugar, food, time, money, the sun, and the Broader Issues Involved. He also pleaded the need for direct action. Haywood Robinson led the gathering in a rendition of *We Shall Overcome* and the sympathy meeting ended with a march around the dining hall, sugar bags held symbolically aloft. No further violence ensued, and no arrests were made.

The sundae is still at large.

**Golf In The Rain?**

4:30 p.m.	Golf	Thursday, February 8	Team Meet	Home
4:00 p.m.	Swimming	Friday, February 9	Chapman	Home
All Day	Wrestling	Saturday, February 10	Invitational Tournament	at Biola
12:00 noon	Fencing		UC San Diego	Away
1:30 p.m.	Varsity Tennis		Cal State Dominguez Hills	Away
6:30 p.m.	JV Basketball		Pomona-Pitzer	Home
8:15 p.m.	Varsity Basketball		Pomona-Pitzer	Home
12:30 p.m.	Golf	Monday, February 12	Qualifying Round	at Annandale
3:00 p.m.	Varsity Tennis	Tuesday, February 13	Occidental	Home
3:00 p.m.	JV Tennis		Occidental	Away
7:30 p.m.	Wrestling	Thursday, February 15	Claremont-Mudd	Away
12:30 p.m.	Golf	Friday, February 16	Qualifying Round	at Brookside
4:00 p.m.	Swimming		Redlands	Away
All Day	Wrestling	Saturday, February 17	SCIAC Tournament	at Claremont-Mudd
1:00 p.m.	Fencing		UC Irvine & CSF	at Cal State Fullerton
1:30 p.m.	Track		Occidental	Away
1:30 p.m.	Varsity Tennis		Redlands	Away
1:30 p.m.	JV Tennis		Redlands	Home
6:30 p.m.	JV Basketball		Whittier	Home
8:15 p.m.	Varsity Basketball		Whittier	Home

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