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# ANCHOR

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RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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## R. I. C. E. SUSPENDS CLASSES

### LECTURES TO COVER KIDS, BOOTS, COATS

Along with our new curriculum program many new professors are being added to the program at R. I. C. E.

Many of these people are not fully certified teachers, but have superior knowledge of their specific field and thereby are qualified to teach.

Among the additions to the staff here at R.I.C.E. will be Mr. Martin Meanwell, general manager of the New England goat farm. Mr. Meanwell will offer an

elective dealing with the professional subject of the similarities and differences between children and kids.

Mr. Melvin Swishtenship is going to spend one semester on the correct method of removing coats and overshoes. The course is designed to show the shortest and best time saving procedures in performing this task with children of the primary grades.

Mr. Copesetic, top bill acrobat  
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### Activity Week Planned For April

Plans for the activity week were recently completed here at R.I.C.E. The scheduled date is April 2-6 at which time regular classes will be suspended. A substitute calendar has been listed for that week.

On Monday, juniors and seniors will report to Room 102 where they will be divided into groups and taken on a tour through the new college by students at Henry Barnard. That afternoon the freshmen and sophomore girls will pit their energies against the varsity basketball team in a fight to the finish. This game will consist of not only the regular four periods but also two additional periods, so that the varsity men may attempt to even the score.

Tuesday has been given over to socializing. Men from C.P., I.R.U., and D.S.I.R. will set up a blind date bureau outside of the auditorium. Before the end of the day, girls will have a personal "king for a week" who will be with them for the remainder of the week's activities. If you're not satisfied with your date, well—you'll just have to suffer, that's your hard luck.

During this day, men from R.I.C.E. will visit these other colleges and pick their dates for the week.

On Wednesday, the schedule calls for a "free choice" day. Each student may do anything he pleases, within reason of course. However, a list of "musts" includes a lecture on "Spring Flowers" by Mr. Cherryblossom, history professor at 9:33½ A.M. Where? Well, that's up to you to find. After all, we can't do all the work for you! (Just follow your nose.) Also listed is a 66 minute talk on the "Value of Multiplying in the Scale of Six" by Prof. Crichell of the advanced physics, chemistry,

and arithmetic department. One final "must" to attend is the dramatization of "Walking the Soccer Field Gracefully." This performance will be given by the Modern Ballet Class, composed of junior and senior men attired in the latest costumes of shorts and sweat-shirts.

Talent day will take place on Thursday. If you can't do anything you're just the person we want. Practice will be held in the morning and the show will be presented in the afternoon beginning at 1:59 P.M. After the talent show, refreshments consisting of beer, pretzels, orange juice (bring your own mixture) and pizza will be served in the library. (This is in accordance with a certain person's wish for "a Cocktail bar in the reading corner of the library." See February issue — *Anchor*.)

Friday will close this gala activity week. From 9:29-9:37, closing remarks will be given by the chairman, after which the entire student body will travel to Lincoln Woods for an all day outing — everything free — bring your own orange juice!

### B.G. Plays at Prom

This year the Juniors have gone all out. For their junior prom which is to be a dinner-dance, held on April 20 at the Sheraton Biltmore, they have engaged Benny Goodman's Orchestra. Mr. Goodman who is appearing in Boston, Sat. night the 21, will stop over in Providence Friday and the alert Juniors were able to "sign" him.

Another "first" for this year's J.P. will be the elections of a Queen who will preside at a week of festivities including parties, a jam session, hot dog roast, cocktails and others, culminating on Friday.

This space is reserved to wish you a "Happy Easter"!

### May Day Plans Will Feature Water Ballet "Spectacular"

This year, for our May Day presentation, R.I.C.E. is planning a "spectacular". The committee is preparing to present a water ballet.

The city of Providence is cooperating by cleaning up the site of the ballet — the Providence River. Traffic will be cut off all along the river on May Day and grandstands will be lined up in the streets.

Members of the art department are constructing diving boards in the form of palm trees. These diving boards will be built into the banks of the river. The electric light company is going to furnish the electricity for the gigantic spot lights to be used at our evening performances.

The choir will sing selections

from the ballet while floating down the river on a raft which will look like a huge lily pad. The raft is being constructed by the industrial arts department of Henry Barnard School.

Try-outs for the cast of the ballet will be held on the fifth Tuesday of April in the school gym. The committee is looking for people who can do the 1½ double flip, the twist-around and 1/8 turn, the flying eagle 2 1/6, and the ¾ head stand and jump.

The committee is also looking for someone who can hold their breath for at least 10 minutes. This person must swim underwater and pull the raft of choir members downstream. Note — (the current will be with you all of the way!)

### ANCHOR MOVES TO SIGMA RHO

Due to the overabundance of space, the *Anchor* office will be changed to Sigma Rho, alias "the ping pong room". This change will go into effect at 12:01 A.M., April 1, 1956.

Equipment from the present site of the *Anchor* room will begin being moved at 11:56 P.M. March 29. Since the utmost speed is necessary in transporting desks, typewriters, swivel chairs, cameras, cartoons, bookcases, and our symbol, the *Anchor*, students are urged to contact members of the editorial staff in order to volunteer their services. Any elevator, escalator, wagon, leg, arm, or flying saucer (providing it is wide enough) will be a great help. If it is known where these implements can be found, contact the custodians in the boiler room.

Perhaps now the question may arise. "What's to become of the ping pong table?" A solution has

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What the well-dressed mermaid will wear



### GOV. DYER TO PRESIDE AT GROUND BREAKING

In a special bulletin, yesterday, it was disclosed that the ground for the new R.I.C.E. will be broken next week, Sunday, April 4. In preparation for the event a B-101 from Butts Air Force Base will drop the first torpedo in order to prepare the ground for laying the stone in the corner. Governor Dyer will preside over the ceremonies ably assisted by Timmy Tomato, music instructor here. Liquid refreshments will be on the roof. A new punch called reeb will be served. There will be a slight charge for all edibles because the cafeteria is operating at a loss.

The first building to be erected is an underground air raid shelter

made of iron. All buildings to be constructed will be entirely of iron because, it is rumored, the North Magnetic Pole is located on the site of the new college. Since magnets attract iron, we can be reasonably sure our new building will not fall down.

When the shelter is completed in 1963 it will be used as an additional classroom. The subject to be held in this edifice is a course which has been added to the curriculum recently. "Underground Antics During World War II" is the course and will probably be limited to seniors since many Riceans will want the course because of the atmosphere afforded.

# R. I. C. E. FORMS FOOTBALL TEAM

Here is some news! R.I.C.E. is going to have a football team!!! The college has been trying for years to form a football team and has finally succeeded in doing so. A bill was passed which appropriated an indefinite sum of money to R.I.C.E. for the new team. The team will be equipped with uniforms, blankets, footballs, goalposts, and water buckets. Scholarships will be offered to high school seniors with hope of enlarging the team.

## Student Pines Over Prof!!

Dear Editor:

I am going with a marvelous guy and like him quite a bit. My family gets along with him. He wants to give me his ring so we can go steady. My only problem is that he's a faculty member. What should I do?

*Nebulous*

Answer — Bribe him for test answers.

Dear Editor:

I've been married for seven years to my husband. You may think this strange and you're right. I'm twenty and he is eighteen. We have no lovely children and this makes it difficult because our home is in the style of a nursery-in-the-round. My real problem though is my husband. He slid on the jello mold and slipped a disc in his zorch. What shall I do to insure the continuation of our happy home?

*Mrs. Junket*

Answer — Try making jello whip.

## BOOK

# MURDER IS A GAME

by Alery King

In a spirit of jollity and fun, Alery King has written his annual mystery story. Gaily, he describes the game of murder. Unlike his former triumphs, *Murder is a Game* has a cheerful and pleasing array of description.

The book explores the story of Gaysy Potter, a young attractive woman, who finds complete fulfillment in the joy of killing her ten husbands. Irregardless of laws, Gaysy wilfully and blissfully uses an axe, arsenic, fire, and a rather sharp knife to dispose of four of her husbands. The last six thoughtfully hung themselves. Of course, Gaysy was the one to kick the chair out from under them.

Before Gaysy is apprehended, she successfully collects insurance from seven of her husbands. When she is arrested, she readily admits her part in the murders. Happily, the heroine is not removed entirely. She gets off with six months doing fairly easy labor. Her adventures upon her release make fascinating an exciting reading.

Alery King is well known for his exciting stories. In 1931 he received an award from Murder Inc., the highest merit ever given. His first novel, "John George, Boy Arsonist," has received world-wide acclaim and is presently available in 3,000 languages including Eastern Chilean and West lower Brooklynesse. As usual, his writing lives up to his excellent reputation.

There will be tryouts for those who think they are capable of playing, on Friday, April 6th at 4:00 P.M. We are sorry to announce that these tryouts will be opened to upperclassmen only. But wait, there will be tryouts on Friday night at 9:00 P.M. for the Freshmen and Sophomores only. (That is if it is not past their bedtime.) Of course their job will be the most important: the winning of the game depends on this job so only the best will be picked. What is this job? *Bench Warmer.*

Tryouts will be held for cheerleaders on Saturday morning at 6:00 A.M. (Remember "the early bird catches the worm".) Cheerleaders will be picked according to the time that they show up for tryouts. Regular cheerleaders are asked not to participate. We want new faces and shapes. Tryouts are for *men only*. See you soon.

## Club News

The Choir is planning a second joint concert to be held April 31, in the demonstration room at Henry Barnard School. It will be held with the Rocky Mountain Teachers' College of Iowa who will be in Rhode Island attending a 4-H Convention.

In the process of formation is the Camera Club. The faculty has announced a special advisor for this club. She is the renowned Miss Aremac who was a professional model for W.O.W. Camera Company.

PUNCHLINE



by Van

## "BERMUDAS" NEW ATTIRE

The co-eds at New Haven State Teachers College have been wearing bermuda shorts to classes for some time now. At long last, Riceans (male and female) will be allowed to wear such attire. There will, however, be a few restrictions and requirements.

### Female Regulations

1. All shorts must be at least knee length.
2. All bermuda shorts worn on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday must be navy blue.
3. All shorts worn on Tuesday and Thursday must be yellow. This will give a professional and uniform appearance.
4. Knee socks or ankle socks can be worn, however, they must be worn with baby doll shoes.
5. Any type of blouse or sweater can be purchased in the book store to complete the uniform.

### Male Regulations

1. Length — one inch above the knees.
2. Color — Plaid
3. Knee socks and dress shoes.
4. White starched shirts and bow tie.
5. Caps of the latest style. (Can be purchased in room 316.)

## Council Comments

At a recent meeting of council, it was announced that Student Council meetings will be held in the boiler room during the month of April while room B-10 is being redecorated. Plans for the new council room are elaborate. The wall will receive a fresh coat of paint (nile green). The college purchased framed mottos to hang on the walls (one of which is "The eyes and ears have walls"). The old wooden table will be replaced by a new round modern table with built in ash trays for the knights. Sir Heslin will be honored by being the first leader to have a velvet gavel. At present, there is not enough money for the purchase of chairs, but I'm sure the representatives will find the plush rugs comfortable.

At the April 6th meeting of Council, there will be a guest speaker, Mr. Zeke Zurkunoff, who will lecture on "Scitcats Naissur". (Translation necessary?)

A motion was made to raise the student activity fee to \$30 per year. Because it is an amendment to the Constitution, Forum must vote on the motion.

Student Council by common consent agreed to a selective service examination for attendance checkers at Chapel, Forum, and Assembly. The question that had Council and the Administration puzzled and prompted this action was "How could a person apply for a medical excuse for being absent and yet be present that same day at Chapel, Forum, or Assembly?"

## Inquiring Reporter

Conditions in our cafeteria are growing steadily worse day by day. Students are getting caught between chairs and tables when trying to leave their lunch tables. Last week two juniors were late for classes and gave that as an excuse. What can we do about this trying situation? Suppose you were appointed on a committee to clear up the difficulties, what would be your first step?

Hector Rubidoo: To alleviate the crowded conditions I would put everyone on a diet, especially R. Denough!

Tom Ato: I'd install a balcony for the sophomores.

J. Fergerson Piedmont, Jr.: To clean up the rubbish, I'd put a wastepaper basket under each lunch table.

Harry Havasank: I'd start lunch periods at ten o'clock and end them at two in the afternoon.

Roland Rover: Why ask me! I'm only a visitor from P. C.

Lydia Lydall: I'd move out all of the chairs and tables and eat Chinese style, sitting on mats!

A Needy Junior: To take care of the long waiting line, I'd hire waitresses at \$2.00 an hour. This job would be open to juniors only!

Hilda Hoodwink: I'd make the atmosphere in the caf more informal by transforming it into a cocktail lounge, with sofas!

Doug Slouch: Put in a terrace for warm Spring days. This would clear up some of the smoke.

Chris Ko: Put in a conveyor belt to carry the rubbish up to the rubbish barrels.

## LOOMIS AND CRISCIONE CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN AMATEUR SKI MEET

On the weekend of March 3, a group of Riceans who belong to the Ski Club went to New Hampshire. Within this group were Maureen Loomis and Elena Criscione. This past week, Elena received a call from a Mr. Kurt Roeler, ski instructor at Thorn Mt. Ski School. The reason for the call was to inform the two girls that they had been chosen after some debate to represent the East-

ern Association of Amateur Skiers in the coming races which are to be held during the Easter vacation in Germany.

Misses Maureen Loomis and Elena Criscione are English-Social majors and are Juniors. This is their second year at skiing and are slowly approaching the Intermediate Class. Both are members of the Ski Club in which Maureen, better known as 'Mo' is Vice-Pres. and Elena is Secretary.

Both girls are intrigued and excited about their good fortune. We of the *Anchor* staff, wish them the best of luck in the coming race and hope that they will return to us with honors. Good luck and good skiing!!!

## More About . . . The New Faculty

of the Tingley Brothers Circus, will offer an elective to show stunts to aid the teacher in holding the child's interest in the classroom.

Mrs. Floline Palmer is going to give two semesters of classes on the correct flow of lines to use on green blackboards.

## More About . . . Anchor Office

also been found for this problem. At precisely 12:07 A.M. April 1, ping pong shall commence to be played in the corridor outside of the girls' shower room. This space was chosen since it is not traveled often and, therefore, will not be in anyone's way.

With the moving of the *Anchor* office to Sigma Rho, new features will be installed. The paper shall henceforth have its own postoffice telephone — extension 4156. If any student wishes to contribute to the *Anchor*, he should send his contributions to: *Anchor* c/o E.M.X., P.O. Box 12.