



"It's here because it's true, not true because it's here."

Congress requests clarification

By Jane E. Hickey

A resolution was passed at the April 16 meeting of Student Congress that will send a letter to the bill of rights committee asking for a review of the section of the Bill of Rights governing controversial speakers.

In light of last week's incident concerning pro-abortionist Bill Baird, the Congress letter merely requests a clarification of the interpretation of this paragraph. Once the interpretation of this section has been made clear, Congress will decide whether or not action should be taken to change the paragraph.

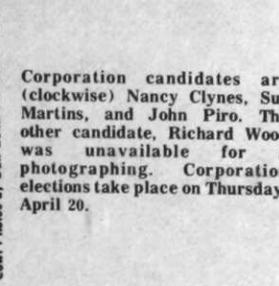
Congress president Ellen Barnes announced that in compliance with Rhode Island fire code regulations, a letter has been issued to all resident students banning the posting of signs or posters in any lobby or corridor of any campus building. Posters will be allowed only in the glass cases available in some dorm buildings.

of Rights section governing controversial speakers is needed, especially in light of possible restrictions on the academic freedom of faculty members who want to bring speakers into their classrooms.

Concerning Dwight Williams, Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., president of the College, stated only that normal disciplinary procedure would be followed but that no Disciplinary Board action that would put Williams' civil case in jeopardy would be taken.

The academic research committee is investigating the possibility of having a formal MCAT preparation program with Dr. Carol Crafts, chairperson of the biology department. It has also submitted its suggestions for recreation courses to the administration for review.

The Resident Board asked Congress for suggestions on how to reduce the problem of students yelling from the windows of Ray-



Corporation candidates are (clockwise) Nancy Clynes, Sue Martins, and John Piro. The other candidate, Richard Wood was unavailable for a photographing. Corporation elections take place on Thursday, April 20.

Four vie for Corp. Two spots open

By Diane Ruane

Four students are vying for two positions on the College Corporation. Juniors Susan Martins, the present student member of the Corporation, a political science major from East Providence, R.I., and Richard Wood, a chemistry major and native of Fall River, Mass., are candidates for the senior position.

Sophomores Nancy Clynes from Southington, Conn., a political science major, and John Piro, a business management major from East Norwalk, Conn., are in contention for the junior position.

Elections, which take place on Thursday, April 20, will be regarded only as a recommendation of the student body. The Corporation itself will name the student to its board with the recommendation of a special reviewing committee headed by Rev. James M. Murphy, O.P.

The election determines the student who will serve for one year. Both students, one junior and one senior, have voting rights. As an entire body the Corporation meets twice each year; however, there are smaller committees which yet have no student members.

Especially stressed were the irreparability of the damage done to these children and the importance of the sex industry in ruining their lives. In the 10-block area called Times Square, there is a \$1.5 billion organization. It is controlled by organized crime, it is very lucrative, and it preys upon young people as commodities. Greed, lust, and apathy allow this to happen. The children are literally bought and sold, and the industry has become an insane form of child abuse.

During the first year of the center's existence, 5000 children came, 3000 of whom were involved with drugs and prostitution. Fifty-five per cent were from New York City, 25 per cent from the Midwest, 10 per cent from New York and 10 per cent from the East Coast.

At PC the response from the audience was good. Father Ritter was asked, "Have you talked to Mayor Koch?"

He answered, "Yes. I think the city council should live in the zone and see what it's like. Can the sex industry realistically be curbed? Yes, but pressure must be put on elected officials. Poli-

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Father Ritter at symposium: 'Truth is my defense'

By Carol Persi

The keynote address of the Symposium on Violence, "Abuse and Exploitation of the Young," was given by Rev. Bruce Ritter, O.F.M. The symposium was held in '64 Hall on Wednesday, April 12.

Father Ritter, executive director of the Covenant House and Under 21 child centers, is a 50-year-old Franciscan priest who was first exposed to the problems of abused homeless children more than 10 years ago.

The center's background started at New York City in Father Ritter's apartment. One night while it was snowing, four boys and two girls asked if they could sleep on the floor, and later brought back four more friends. The children, all under 16, admitted to living in an abandoned building. More and more came, and soon, bunk beds were set up.

Father Ritter, who had felt that the situation was temporary, soon realized that it was not. Students at Manhattan College helped to refurbish more apartments to take care of the growing number of kids. Soon, over six apartments were taken over.

The child center received many hassles from the police, the FBI,

and the parents of the children. It was then that the operation became legal. It was proposed to the church that a 24-hour crisis center for homeless children - no questions asked - should be located in the Times Square area. Money was necessary for the site chosen, and in two weeks the funds were raised.

The center opened on April 1, 1977, but one month later it was bankrupt and needed \$50,000. Bill Reil, a writer for a New York newspaper, wrote an article about Under 21 and asked for help for the center. The response was overwhelming: \$25,000 was raised.

There are three categories for homeless children. The first is a "runaway," who is 15 or younger and can't be forced back. A runaway can get no lease, medical help, welfare, or job. He can only turn to street crime, prostitution, or both. In New York alone there are about 20,000 runaways.

Next is the "urban nomad," who is a self-emancipated 16-year-old. The third category consists of the "midnight cowboy," a person between 18 and 20 years old who can't get a job. They number around 10,000 in New York.

"exercise my contract with Dave Governo inviting me to speak." (Governo, the president of the Alternatives Forum, had invited Baird to lecture and then rescinded the invite when Father Peterson informed Governo that such a lecture would not be proper. The "contract" was

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Members of Student Congress listened to discussions about the proposed Bill of Rights review and sign posting.

Barnes also displayed a certificate presented to the College from the Veterans Administration Hospital in appreciation for the work done by student volunteers during the February blizzard.

A resolution was passed in support of the faculty survey, which is scheduled to be distributed during the week of April 24.

At its meeting on April 12, the Committee on Administration discussed two issues: the Bill of Rights and Dwight Williams' case. The committee felt that a clearer understanding of the Bill

mond Hall, which has grown to inordinate proportions and has caused alarm in several of the women's dorms. Since the yelling has become harmful and obscene, Congress members suggested that individual students in each of the offending dorms take it upon themselves to alert other members of their dorms to the effects of this behavior.

It was also announced that beginning next semester, several courses will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays for one and one-half hours instead of three times weekly for 50 minutes.

College offers symposium Group must invite Baird by Monday

Providence College has announced that pro-abortionist Bill Baird has until Monday, April 23, to respond to the College's request for a symposium on April 25 at 8 p.m. Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., president of the College, has agreed to moderate the symposium and Dr. Mildred Jefferson will represent the anti-abortion argument.

However, if Baird wishes to attend the symposium, he must be invited by a student organization. If Baird isn't invited by a student group or refuses to respond, the symposium will be cancelled, College officials announced yesterday. Baird has indicated previously that he has no intention to take part in any kind of symposium. As of yesterday he was travelling in New York and was unavailable for comment.

Baird first appeared at PC last

Tuesday night. He was met at the main entrance to the College at the corner of River Avenue and Eaton Street by a crowd of about

50 people, half of which were local newsmen.

The reason for the visit, according to Baird, was to



Pro abortionist Bill Baird discusses his views at PC recently.

Cowl photo by Dan Lund

News

Campion wins BOG seat

Vinnie Campion will succeed Bob Gorman to the position of Board of Governors president for the 1978-79 academic year. Campion, a junior marketing major from New Haven, Conn., received 734 votes. Twenty-eight per cent of the student community cast votes.

In regard to plans for the BOG's upcoming year, Campion indicated that the future of the Wooden Naval will be one of his major projects. "Whether or not we keep the Naval in its present place in Raymond or look for another location, changes will be made. If it stays in Raymond, remodeling will be done. I'm also meeting with the space committee to look into the possibility of using the Service Building for our new location."

Campion also intends to investigate the concert situation, particularly "in regard to the BOG's right to promote its own concerts." He views upgrading the fine arts program to be of importance. "I plan to work closer with Father Duffy and our own resources to improve our program and make it more effective," explained Campion.

Bob Goudie, Vinnie Campion's opponent, states, "I wish Campion and the whole BOG the best of luck. If I can help them in any way next year, I'd be glad to."



Vinnie Campion, new BOG president

Smith cited

Matthew J. Smith, College archivist and special lecturer in history, is one of seven contenders for the presidency of Rhode Island Junior College.

The position became open last August when current president Dr. William F. Flanagan announced he would retire. "People urged me to put my name in," said Smith. He submitted his name after "a lot of thought" to become one of 236 applicants.

Smith stated, "I am happy at PC. But the position of president is probably the most creative and challenging in public higher education in the state." The junior college has two campuses, one in Warwick and one in Lincoln, and an enrollment of about 11,000.

The search committee at RIJC will choose four candidates from the seven semi-finalists, and the Rhode Island Board of Regents will vote in May from among the four finalists.

Lighting improvements have also been suggested to bolster security. "Exterior lighting is good on three sides of the building, but it is inadequate on the north side. An improvement in lighting is needed along Huxley Avenue leading to Dore, too," Donna McCaffrey explained.

Renovations in the bathrooms have been suggested, in the form of adding another shower and toilet facility per bathroom on the second and third floors. The problem of limited study space in the basement is being investigated, and a stove, sink and refrigerator will be added to one of the basement rooms.

"The rooms themselves are in good condition, but the windows are old-fashioned, with no screens. I have requested that screens be installed in the windows," McCaffrey said. Each room will have one metal locker per girl, and unlike the present situation for the males, each female will have a bureau.

Dore Hall is scheduled to be painted during the summer, and at this time the other changes will be implemented. "The dorm has strong negative and positive points. It will provide a healthy academic and social environment for the girls. If my recommendations are approved, Dore Hall should prove to work out well," commented McCaffrey.

Despite security problems Dore Hall is okayed by McCaffrey

By Maureen O'Hare

Dore Hall, soon to become a female dorm, has undergone inspection by Donna McCaffrey, assistant director of residence, and other members of the Residence Office. McCaffrey concluded that the building is in good condition in terms of construction, and she does not foresee any "major or insurmountable physical problems in the reconversion."

According to McCaffrey, "The building has many positive aspects and will be a welcome addition on campus." This innova-

tion marks the first time in four years that women will have the chance to opt for a single-occupancy room.

"The first floor of the building poses a grave security problem," stated McCaffrey. "It is possible for a person to climb in any first floor window. This is a definite risk to the safety of the women."

A recommendation has been made to somehow make the windows inaccessible to those trying to enter them. The maintenance department is presently checking into the problem to discover the effective way to both secure good ventilation and maximize secur-



Dore Hall: soon to be women's dorm

Around the Campus

Voter Registration

Students at PC who are not registered to vote in R.I. will have the chance to register on Monday, April 24, when a voter registration drive will be conducted by the Providence College Republicans in conjunction with other drives being initiated by the Rhode Island Young Republicans.

The registration will be on a non-partisan basis and will be strictly confidential. The drive will be conducted between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in Slavin Center.

Interview Techniques

Representatives of Laventhol & Horwath accounting firm will present a workshop on "Techniques of the Job Interview" on Thursday, April 20, at 7 p.m. in Room 203 Slavin. This workshop is open to all students regardless of their major.

Attorney General

The Saint Thomas More Law Club has scheduled Rhode Island Attorney General Julius Michaelson to speak on Thursday, April 20, at 3 p.m. in Room 217 Slavin. Topics to be covered include labor law and the Attorney General's Office. All students are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Scientific Research

Six students from PC recently presented their undergraduate research at the 32nd Eastern Colleges Sciences Conference in Schenectady, N.Y. Students who presented papers are biology majors Russell Corcoran '78, Vincent DiColo '78, Patricia Mathinos '78 and George Matook '79 and chemistry majors Judith Medeiros '78 and Joanne Recchia '78.

O'Leary's arthritis research is buzzing

By Peggy Brodeur

Dr. Gerard P. O'Leary of PC's biology department has received a grant from the Arthritis Foundation to study the biochemistry of bee venom as a treatment for arthritis.

The idea to undertake the investigation came from junior biology major Erica Greene, who has arthritis. O'Leary and Greene researched what was being done to arrest arthritis and came across an article describing the success of non-physicians in treating arthritis with bee venom.

"Venom is wicked stuff," enthused O'Leary, mentioning that venoms, including cobra venom, are also being studied in relation to diseases other than arthritis, like arteriosclerosis.

O'Leary came up with an operational theory and presented it to the Rhode Island Arthritis Foundation. He considers it an accomplishment to have been awarded the grant, because the National Arthritis Association has labeled bee venom a "quack cure."

"I don't claim it is curative," stated O'Leary, who is examining the effects of the venom on the blood serum of arthritic rats.

Williams arraigned

Friar basketball star Dwight Williams has been suspended by the College pending an investigation of charges that he stabbed senior Ray Romagnolo. The incident allegedly occurred on April 17 after an argument over a pool game. Romagnolo has charged that shortly afterward Williams stabbed him in Alumni Cafeteria. Romagnolo received a stab wound below the left shoulder blade.

Rev. Thomas R. Peterson, O.P., has announced that Williams' suspension "in no way reflects the determination on the merits of the case."

This past Thursday Williams was arraigned in District Court where he entered no plea on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon. Judge Victor J. Beretta has allowed Williams to remain free on \$3000 personal recognizance and ordered the case turned over to Superior Court. No date has been set for the Superior Court hearing.



Cow photo by Steve Lichenfels

The source of venom is a hive atop Hickey Hall, the home of 40,000 bees. Injecting the rats with venom is a delicate operation: a bee, held with forceps, stings a rat on the footpads. Of course, this experiment is not without its occupational hazards; O'Leary related that he was stung in the seat of the pants last week by a particularly obstreperous insect.

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-Apartment survey proves beneficial

Off-campus help

By Maureen O'Hare

The Off-Campus Organization is a young club on campus, but it has already proven itself to be beneficial to a number of students. The organization, founded and chaired by junior Tim Callahan, is affiliated with the Student Congress lifestyles committee. Callahan has thus far conducted a survey and has held two meetings in which he received "favorable responses."

The survey dealt with the tenants' general feelings on the condition of their present apartment, rent prices, location, and the availability of the apartment for the 1978-79 year. From the survey results, a list of available apartments was formulated, along with a listing of average rent prices. As of this date, however, these apartments have all been spoken for.

Average rent prices for a six-room apartment without utilities ranged from \$178 to \$125 per month for the 20 apartments reviewed. It was found that a five-room apartment is rented for about \$158 per month in the Providence College area.

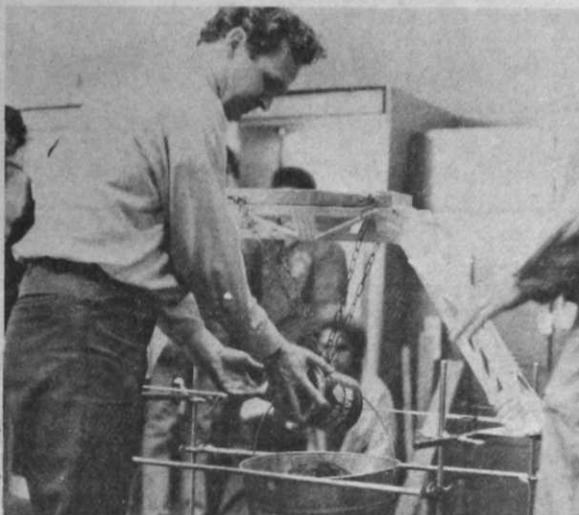
"It's good to have some basic knowledge like this when shopping for an apartment," explained Callahan. "Most landlords sky-jack rent prices and a lot of kids really get ripped off. It's important to know just where you stand in regard to rent prices."

Objectives of the organization were stated during the first organizational meeting on March

16. Callahan hopes to establish an off-campus student directory complete with a description of the apartment. The club is presently working on formulating a "blacklist" of landlords and is exploring the possibility of offering a lunch program with meal tickets in Alumni Cafeteria. "These are all long term proposals," explained Callahan.

Lawyer Paul Pisano spoke at the club's second meeting on April 6. Pisano explained the various points of a lease and the importance of composing a fair agreement since a lease is a binding contract.

Callahan plans on "starting off strong" in his work in aiding students to secure off-campus housing next year and hopes to appoint a board of officers.



Cover photo by Bob Parson

Engineering professor Dr. Robertshaw tests out the strength of a bridge. Story at right.

Bridge builders

This year's bridge building contest, which was sponsored by the engineering department, was won by juniors Steve Basson and Dave Agresti. Basson is a math major and Agresti is a chemistry major. The combination of math and science produced a bridge capable of supporting thirty-eight pounds. All bridges in the contest were made from fifty two I.B.M. cards, four pencils and two hundred yards of thread. An enthralled crowd of twenty five watched as the bridges were tested for strength. Interestingly, last year's winner held forty seven pounds which goes to show you that they just don't make them like they used to. The winners received a thirty five mm. Minolta camera for their efforts.

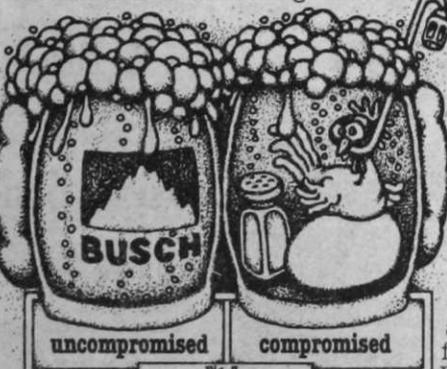
Mountaineering #3.

METHODOLOGY



Mountaineering, as all but the chronically misinformed know, is the skill, the science and the art of drinking Busch Beer. It begins by heading for the mountains (i.e., a quick jaunt to your favorite package emporium or wateringhole) and ends by downing the mountains (i.e., slow slaking swallows of the brew that is Busch).

¶ However, between those two points lies a vast area of personal peccadilloes sometimes called technique and sometimes called methodology (depending on your major). Hence, this ad ¶ Sipping vs. chugging. Both have their merits, of course. But generally speaking, except for cases of extreme thirst or a leaking glass, sipping is the more prudent practice for serious, sustained mountaineering. ¶ Next,



the proper position. Some swear by sitting; others by standing. Suffice it to say that the most successful mountaineers are flexible, so you'll find both sitters and standers. (Except on New Year's Eve, when it's almost impossible to find a sitter.) ¶ Which brings us to additives. Occasionally a neophyte will sprinkle salt in his Busch; others mix in tomato juice; and a few on the radical fringe will even add egg. While these manipulations



can't be prohibited (this is, after all, a free country), they are frowned upon. Please be advised that purity is a virtue, and the natural refreshment of Busch is best uncompromised.

¶ Finally, there's the issue of containers. Good taste dictates a glass be used. But bad planning sometimes prevents that. If you find yourself forced to drink from the can, you should minimize this breach of etiquette. Be formal. Simply let your little finger stick out stiffly (see Fig. 4). Happy Mountaineering!

Proulx memorial game

The first annual Stephen Proulx Memorial Game will be held on Thursday, April 27, in Alumni Hall Gym, beginning at 7:30 PM. The basketball game, sponsored by the Class of 1978, will feature various New England all-stars against the Quincy Chiefs of the E.B.A. The money raised from this game will be used to establish a perpetuating scholarship fund in memory of the late Providence College student Stephen Proulx, who died in 1976 after a two-year battle with cancer.

Response to this scholarship game has been very favorable, according to Class of 1978 president Bill Cupelo. "All of the senior stars that I invited have agreed to come," said Cupelo. Among the senior players scheduled to play are Bruce Campbell, Bill Eason, and Bob Misevicus, along with Holy Cross hoop stars Mike Vicens and Chris Potter. Joe Welton from the University of Conn. and U.R.I. forward Stan Wright have also agreed to play.

These and other top players will face the semi-pro players, the Quincy Chiefs of the E.B.A. The Chiefs, coached by Leo M. Papile, were "extremely cooperative," commented Cupelo. "We offered to pay them \$600, but Papile wouldn't accept our money since the game is a benefit. Coach Dave Gavitt has agreed to coach the all-stars, and the entire athletic department has been very helpful in assisting me in this venture."

A pre-game dinner for the ball-players and the Proulx family will be sponsored by Father Peterson. A most valuable player trophy will also be presented at the close of the game. Many donations have been received from various campus organizations, in addition to \$450 worth of advance ticket sales.

Stephen Proulx served the college community by holding many important positions within his class and the administration. In addition to acting as 1976 class president, he was the student representative to the Committee



Don't just reach for a beer. **BUSCH** Head for the mountains.

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Resident Board vital to College

With the election of the new Resident Board, it is proper that we now make comment on the performance of the outgoing Board. Last year's Resident Board was headed by Tom Sheehan and included members Laurie Stafford, Ken Wilczewski and Nancy Pope.

As the medium of opinion and demand, the Resident Board plays a vital role in presenting the student cause to the Residence Office. In order to retain credibility with the Residence Office, it is necessary for the members of the Resident Board to use good judgment and act responsibly in deciding which

of guy who needs things to be aired out."

Obviously, Tom Sheehan was able to "air out" the student position on at least three important points. The policy of requiring IDs to be left at the desk, which Father Heath thought was "marvelous," was rescinded mainly because of Sheehan's work. Also, 23 fines which were incurred because male visitors forgot to pick up their IDs at the desk when leaving, were cancelled after the board appealed to Father Heath.

The ID problem is part of a larger issue; that is, the dormitory policy concerning

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issues are of great enough import to demand its attention and that of the Residence Office.

It has been said that if you want to find out the true value of a man you do not ask his friends. To find out what kind of job Tom Sheehan did, we spoke with Rev. Walter J. Heath, O.P., director of residence, a man with whom Sheehan has had some disagreements.

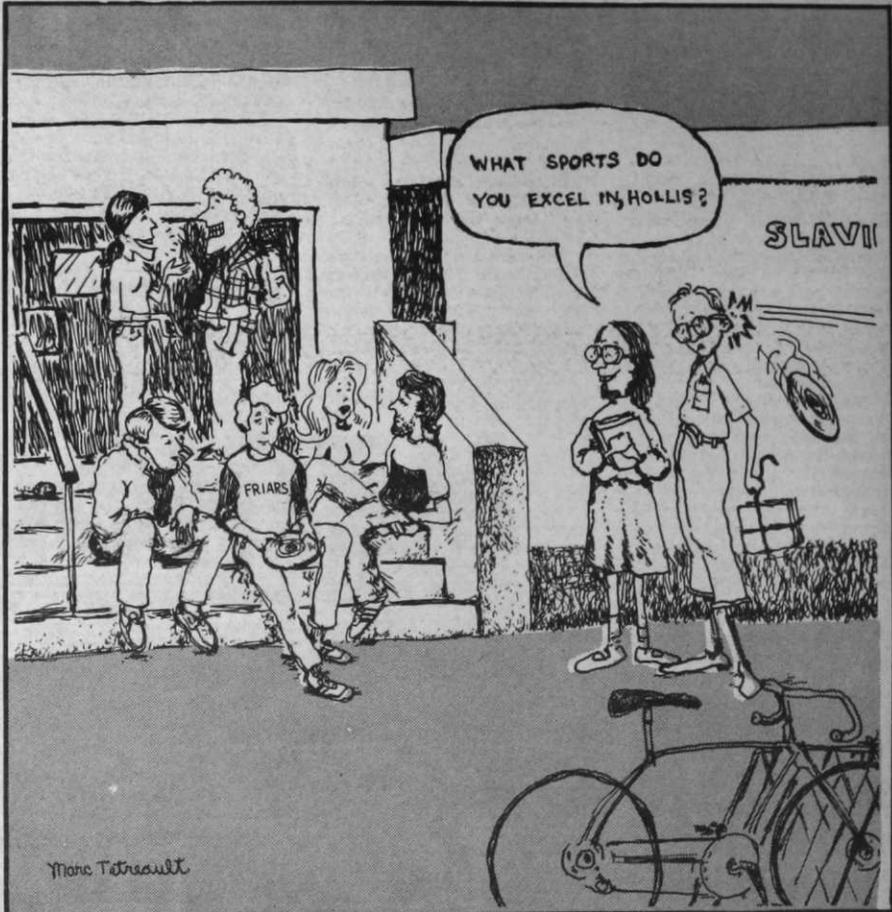
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In discussing the difficulties the Resident Office has had with the Resident Board, Father

Heath said, "We've had differences of opinion. I'm the kind of parietals in general. As this is a sensitive subject, gaining any concessions at all can be difficult, but we believe that thanks to Tom Sheehan's group, the situation was resolved equitably."

The other major problem faced by the Resident Board was the Dore Hall issue. Donna McCaffrey, assistant director of residence, has called Dore Hall a "security nightmare," and Father Heath agreed. Obviously, it was not easy to persuade the Residence Office into accepting Dore Hall for women's residence.

However, and again because of the Resident Board's work, the effective segregation which



would have resulted if McDermott Hall had become the new women's dorm, was avoided. Instead, women will now be integrated into the Lower Campus, which we believe is eminently more desirable.

In conclusion, it is our hope that Eileen Connor, the new chairman, will be able to do as fine a job as Tom Sheehan in furthering the cause of the students. It is a great responsibility. We commend Tom Sheehan and the entire Resident Board.

Baird's visit an anti-climax

Despite all the turmoil and publicity surrounding it, Bill Baird's visit to PC was anti-climatic. Perhaps it was because of the administration's plan to basically ignore his presence on campus that the confrontation that Baird invited and eagerly awaited never arose. Most of the small group which surrounded him were curiosity seekers who wanted nothing more than to get on News Cam 10.

Bill Baird definitely felt that he had a lot to gain by coming to Providence. All the free publicity in the local media is proof of that. He would have liked nothing better than for Father Peterson to come down and argue with him, or to be escorted off the campus by the police. If the administration had chosen to take affirmative action against Baird, it would have furthered his image as the lone prophet of liberal thought being bullied by the Pharisees of Providence College.

Still, the question is a complicated one. Part of the problem is that although the Alternatives Forum illegally received money (\$200) from Student Congress, the Forum has never been recognized officially as a campus organization. The Student Handbook states (section 4, part A, rule 6) that before being eligible

for the use of College facilities, all groups must be approved by the College. Because Dave Governio, the head of the Forum, made the reservation in the name of an invalid organization, it (the reservation) was also invalid.

While we feel that Bill Baird has little to offer the College intellectually, we do support his right to speak. We feel that on this matter the student Bill of Rights is quite clear. To quote (Section 4, part B, rule 6) "administrative control of campus facilities shall not be used as a device to censor or to prohibit the appearance of controversial speakers."

The administration responds to this by saying:

A) That because the handbook is prefaced with a statement of obligation to the Judeo-Christian ethic, everything that follows it must be understood in that context; and

B) They maintain that they are not violating Baird's First Amendment rights by demanding that he only appear in a symposium. They believe they are only dictating the terms under which Baird can purport his abusive views.

In response to the first argument, we answer that the preface states the primary goal of the College is intellectual develop-

ment through the liberal arts. It further states that the goal of such a liberal education is "the freeing of the mind from the restraints of ignorance." It is hard to see how censoring a speaker will free us from such restraint.

The College's demand that Baird appear in a symposium may not violate Baird's First Amendment rights, but it has effectively prevented him from delivering a formal address. The fact that Baird is the anathema of the administration and a large part of the student body should not cause the students' rights to be denied. If the administration has not broken the rules, surely they have bent them into an unrecognizable form.

Bill Baird's unofficial visits to campus have, we feel, shown that PC is capable of standing up to a Bill Baird on the basis of our convictions. Whether we agree with it or not, abortion is a reality in our world, and proponents of abortion will be encountered. It is up to us, as morally conscious individuals, to stand up for what we believe in the face of the Bill Bairds of this world. In this respect, we believe that we are capable of doing this without College interference.

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Forum for Ideas

The Alternatives Forum Story

By David Governo '78

The Forum for Ideas invites commentary from the entire College community on pertinent subjects. Manuscripts should be sent to the Editorial editor in care of THE COWL. They should not exceed 1,000 words.

Governo was requested by THE COWL to clarify his position on the Baird case.

As president of the Alternatives Forum Club, I was asked by the editor of The Cowl to clarify the club's behavior and attitude concerning its attempt to sponsor a lecture by Mr. Bill Baird. This clarification might best be accomplished by a short description of the sequence of events, followed by an evaluation of the club's position.

The Alternatives Forum was recognized by the Student Congress on May 4, 1977. The club's purpose is to provide an opportunity for the presentation of viewpoints on controversial, contemporary social problems and events. Two hundred dollars, its appropriation from Congress, was found to be a limitation on the club's selection of speakers; for example, a lecture by Michael Harrington would cost \$1500. This restriction did not, however, stop its members from contributing to the social and political awareness of the PC community.

Alternatives Forum, along with the Latin American Studies Program, sponsored the Panama Canal Treaties Symposium at

which Senator Chafee, Dr. James Carlson and Bill Pennoyer of the R.I. Conservative Union spoke. A memo describing this event concluded: "...it is important, in a college orientated towards liberal education, to provide students with opposing viewpoints on major issues; we accomplished that."

The club also sponsored a film and lecture by an organizer of the boycott against the J.P. Stevens textile company. A group of PC students have subsequently established a boycott support group on campus.

Our notoriety, however, is the result of the third program, a lecture by Bill Baird. The controversial issues of legalized abortion is certainly one which the Alternatives Forum Club believed should be examined, because the anti-legalized abortion position is permanently represented on campus by the Pro Vita Club. Therefore, in the fall of 1977 I asked Bob Remy, a member of Pro Vita, to express the Alternatives Forum's interest in co-sponsoring a debate on the subject. He raised the possibility of such an interchange at a meeting, but it received little support.

In a memo dated February 25, 1978, I approached Pro Vita again about the possibility of organizing a debate but received no reply. Consequently, the club arranged to sponsor a lecture on the issue of legalized abortion.

The members of Alternatives Forum, when hearing Mr. Baird on radio talk shows, were impressed with his expertise on the issue

and decided to invite him to lecture. The club followed the necessary procedures for reserving College facilities but was not granted approval by Father McMahon "because of the speaker and the subject matter."

Father McMahon also questioned the technical existence of the club, because it apparently had not been approved "by an appropriate vice-president of the administration" when it was founded. This technicality had not hindered the club's sponsorship of other speakers; it has since been discovered that no new clubs have received such approval. Father McMahon then forwarded the request for facilities to Father Duffy, who in turn referred it directly to Father Peterson.

Father Peterson's decision was, and has been, that Mr. Baird could not lecture at Providence College. Mr. Baird would instead be allowed to appear and speak only in the format of a debate or forum, or, in Father Peterson's words, a "symposium" addressing the issue of legalized abortion. This administrative decision is based on Father Peterson's view that certain "parameters" must be imposed upon the expression of ideas. The imposition of "necessary" constraints upon speech, he contends, is not inconsistent with statements in the Student Handbook.

Because the club believes that determination of such a format by the administration on an ad hoc basis is a form of censorship, it appealed to Father Peterson to

reconsider his denial of facilities for a lecture by Mr. Baird. Such appeal was ineffectual; the club subsequently did not sponsor the appearances of Mr. Baird on campus on April 11 and 12.

The primary issue—to the members of the Alternatives Forum club—is not one of legalized abortion but one of students' rights and education. That certain issues can only be considered in a public debate insults students' abilities to know and learn the complexities of moral issues, especially moral issues that have extensive social and political implications.

To hinder the education of students and citizens by restricting in advance the presence of a speaker and his message—cen-

sorship by virtue of his person and his topic—is intellectually reprehensible. The club is also concerned that such imposition of format would become a means of restricting speakers in the future.

The Student Bill of Rights in the Student Handbook is clear, and, the club members think, appropriate in its statement of freedom of expression and inquiry (page 12 and pages 17-18). The Preamble challenges "all members of the academic community to share in this responsibility" "to exercise and to cherish the discipline of learning and the freedom to learn." The Alternatives Forum Club takes this injunction seriously and challenges the rest of the Providence College community to do so.

O'Hare names board

Cowl editor-in-chief John O'Hare has announced the Editorial Board for the coming year. Peggy Brodeur, a junior humanities major from Warwick, R.I., was named to the board as managing editor. Brodeur was formerly the staff librarian and has worked for The Cowl for three years.

The news and features editors will be Maureen O'Hare and Dave Amaral, respectively. O'Hare is a sophomore psychology major from Danvers, Mass. She has worked on the news staff since her freshman year. Amaral is an English major from Riverside, R.I. This is his second year on the Editorial Board and his third season as a features writer.

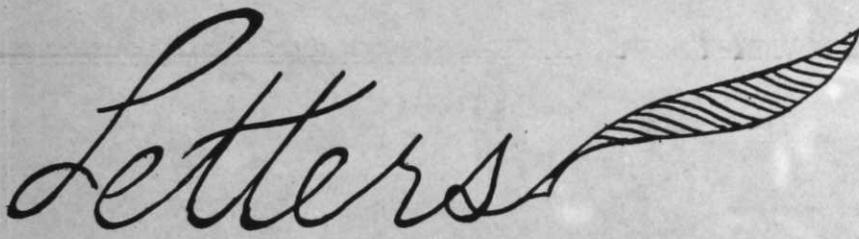
Dan Lund, a sophomore business management major from Pawtucket, R.I., was named photo editor. Lund has worked on both the photo and advertising staffs. This is his second year on the Editorial Board.

The Cowl's artist-in-resident, Marc Tetreault, will continue as art editor. Tetreault, a studio art major from West Hartford, Conn., is beginning his second year on the Editorial Board.

Bob Christie, a freshman history major, will assume the duties as editorial editor. Christie is from Brightwater, N.Y. This is his first year on the board.

Teresa Cabral from Cumberland, R.I., will be the new advertising manager. Cabral, a freshman accounting major, joined The Cowl early this year. John Kennally, a sophomore from Harrington, R.I., joins The Cowl as circulation manager. This is Kennally's first year on the board.

This is also Steve Latimer's first time as an Editorial Board member. Latimer, a junior accounting major from Cranston, R.I., inherits the sports department.



A note of thanks

Dear Editor,

I want to thank the students at Providence College for the donation they made to the Catholic Migrant Ministry Project in South Carolina. This is the third year you have contributed to work with poor Hispanics. It is appreciated and most helpful.

Providence College means a lot to me for many reasons. The most important, though, was and is the sincere goodness of students, faculty, Dominicans, administration and staff. That goodness makes PC to be much more than an institution.

I'll pray for you and your families and ask yours.

Sincerely,
J.F. Quigley, O.P.
Springbank
Kingstree, S.C.

Treacy deserves coverage

Dear Editor,

In reading over that latest issue of The Cowl (April 12), we found it very hard to believe that the astounding achievements of a world class runner from Providence College deserved only the bottom of the back cover for his tremendous performance in win-

ning the cross-country world championships in Glasgow.

In a year when the College has received much adverse publicity, we feel that an accomplishment of the magnitude of John Treacy's should at least have made the front page. It is unfortunate that sensationalism seems to be highlighted and the success of the deserving few are overshadowed by it.

Sincerely,
Claire Sullivan '79
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Keith White '78
Tom Ladd '79

Fr. Morris suggests revision

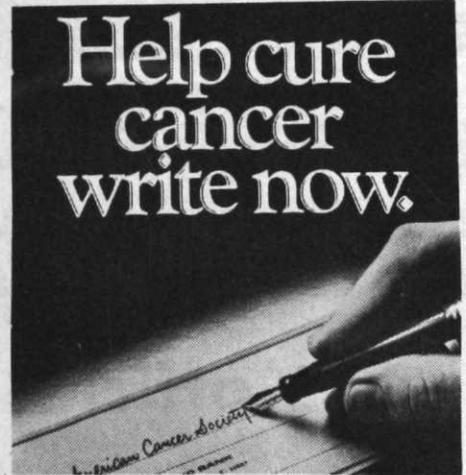
Dear Editor,

The Cowl expressed the opinion that the Student Bill of Rights, even in the light of the events of last week, needs no reworking. I would suggest that it needs some amendment to protect Providence College from being used and abused by entrepreneurs who thrive on controversy. Some ground rules are necessary, not to suppress freedom of speech, but to control sensationalism and provocation.

If everything remains as is, I can devise a very successful year for Alternatives Forum of their ilk. Schedule the head of the American Nazi Party to present the other side of the Holocaust, a Ku Klux Klan member to present the positive side of racism, one convicted child pornographer to discuss child labor laws, and finally,

for political science majors, Idi Amin to defend his regime. It should be a grand success, it would test the administration, embarrass the College, outrage the community, get great media coverage, and overwork the ACLU.

Sincerely,
Robert A. Morris, O.P.
Executive Vice President



The Quad by night

Features

Final stretch is around the corner

By David Amaral

Now the school year is entering down the final stretch; the dark horse is edging into the lead and we prepare to lose our bets.

Nonetheless, there is a great flurry of activity going on in these final weeks, some fun and some controversial, which has caused everyone to stand and take notice, even The Cowl staff.

One of these events is Spring Week, whose Battle of the Dorms is always an exciting contest. Last year, the competition got so rough that the battling dorms brought out the heavy artillery from the ROTC offices.

This year, a group of women students, using an assortment of hand grenades and nuclear warhead missiles, plan to attack and take over Dore hall. The reason for this, they said, was to "get the men out early so we will have time to remodel and set up our wardrobes."

In other dormitory news, the lotteries were drawn recently to determine who will get the top choices in picking a dorm.

The Residence Office is using a new and improved system this year for the drawing of names. In the center of the office is a giant top hat filled with the names of all the resident students. A 6-9 work-study student was hired to make the drawings.

"This is a most effective and fair system," he said, "That is, if you want a number over 100."

"How do you get a lottery number below 100?" I asked. He simply pointed to his pockets which were bulging with cash and checks.

"That's what I like about work-study jobs," he said, "They really prepare you for a profession. This job is perfect for me because I want to be a judge someday."

By far, one of the most controversial subjects to hit the campus in recent weeks was the Bill Baird issue on abortion. This arguing over free speech seems needless to me because in section

III of the Student Handbook it states clearly in plain English:

"While observance of orderly scheduling proceedings of all unrestricted Mennonites in College facilities and Homo sapien administrative control shall prohibit the appearance of 'twas brillig and the G.E. stove..."

With that factual evidence taken into consideration, the answer is crystal clear. Unfortunately, a further complication arose when the College recently decided to change that clause; and the new handbook is not back yet from the Norm Crosby School of English Printers.

What is most interesting is the response from students over this issue. One group is strongly against the abortion issue being discussed here. This group, the Pro-Euthanasia and Death Penalty Club, plans to demonstrate should Mr. Baird appear here again.

Despite the negative reactions of some on the campus, there are still those who feel Mr. Baird should have the right to speak.

"Sure I want him to speak; I'm all for death," said one student in the cafeteria picking his teeth with a knife.

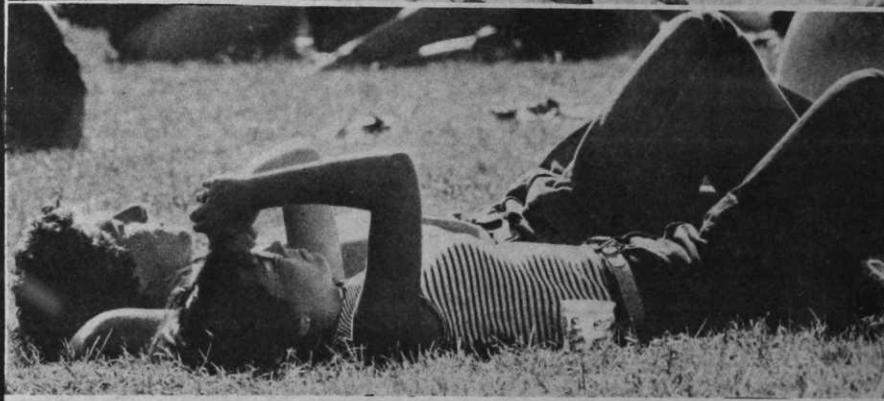
It is issues like these that make the final stretch rough running, but there is one event which brings festivity to the close of the year: the banquets. Just about every student organization has this final get together banquet, even such organizations as The Cowl.

The major banquet of the year is going to take place next Wednesday, sponsored by the Student organization which sits on the stairs of Slavin in warm weather.

At this banquet, they all will don formal attire and sit on the stairs, which will be carpeted with red shag rug. Catering will be done by the Boozee Liquor Catering Service. All are invited.

THE Week is here

These are some of the happenings at last year's Spring Week. This year's promises to be bigger and badder.



The official Spring Week calendar

By Kathy O'Neill
Kathy Hansen
and
David Amaral

We are almost into that week, THE week, the last one in April: the one when Spring Week rears its big head.

Spring Week is nine full days of planned activities, from the Battle of the Dorms on April 22 to the Spring Concert on April 30. These events are sponsored by several organizations such as the Board of Governors, the Student Congress, the Dillon Club, and Student Affairs.

Here is a capsulized list of the Spring Week events from day to day:

SATURDAY the Battle of the Dorms launches Spring Week into its whirl of activities, concerts, cookouts, and just plain fun. The battling will begin at 11 a.m. in Raymond Field and will continue until 6 p.m. Every dorm on campus from Meagher to Fennell has entered, along with off-campus and Dillon Club groups.

The format is similar to last year's Battle of the Dorms, with a pie-eating contest, water brigade, egg toss, pyramid-building contest, sack race, shopping-cart race, scavenger hunt, and tug-of-war; and a new event -- bump buns -- has been added.

This game is played by three people holding a ball together

with their butts, rears, derrieres, bums, buns, or whatever you wish to call the gludious maximus; they carry the ball a certain distance before setting it on top of a cone. No hands allowed.

To the dorm or group winning the most points during the day, a trophy will be presented at the Battle of the Dorms Party, an almost-entire-Student Union event. The party, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., will feature Masada in '64 Hall and a mellow music guitarist in the Rathskellar.

SUNDAY will bring the sounds of spring to Providence College with the appearance of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra. Francis Madeira will conduct this symphonic send-off to the week-long celebration. He and his ensemble of musical artists will perform in Alumni Hall at 8:00 p.m. providing a treasury of popular tunes. Admission for students is \$1.00; for adults, \$3.50.

MONDAY Rex Fowler and Neal Shulman, better known as Aztec Two-Step, will be performing in Alumni Hall. Admission for PC students is \$2.00. The group has always been a popular one at the College, and will be playing cuts from their albums "Aztec Two-Step,"

"Second Step," and the recent "Two's Company."

TUESDAY brings the International Beerfest II to the upper level of Slavin Center. This event is similar to last year's Beerfest. PC's many beer connoisseurs are invited to guzzle and pass judgment on 12 kinds of international beer. Roundhouse will provide the music. There is a \$1.00 admission for this event, which will run from 8:00 until midnight.

WEDNESDAY will bring us two events. In the afternoon the White Mountain Boys will be playing outside Slavin Center. They are considered to be one of the best bluegrass bands in the New England area. Beer and hotdogs will be sold for this outside event.

Wednesday night, Livingston Taylor will be giving performances at 7:30 and 10:00. Admission is \$1.00 for PC students. Taylor's music is a folk jazz style with a pinch of R & B and country.

THURSDAY is a day for some sports action. The Superstars begins it all with some heavy competition. Superstars competition is a team-oriented effort with a designated amount of players on each team. The teams

are made up of athletes from several varsity teams and teams of variously assembled students. The competition is similar to television's Superstars, with such events as the 100-yard dash, the basketball free throw, the bicycle race, and the softball throw.

Also on Thursday will be the Stephen Proulx memorial basketball game. Seniors from Providence College, URI, Fairfield and Holy Cross will meet a team of players from the Quincy Chiefs of the Eastern Basketball Association. The benefits of this game, which will be held in Alumni Hall, will be used to set up the Stephen Proulx Scholarship Fund. Proulx was president of the senior class when he died of cancer in 1976.

FRIDAY is Mardi Gras day in the upper level of Slavin. The different rooms there will be set up New Orleans style, with different kinds of food and drink. The Pit will be decorated like the New Orleans square, with a jazz band playing. Admission for this will be free or very minimal.

SATURDAY is the big day: Carnival Day. From 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., funsters will find the front lawn of Slavin Center a pleasure paradise. Diets be darned for the day, for the bill of fare offers a

smorgasbord of food and drink.

Music will be a foremost feature of Carnival Day's festivities. A medley of musicians will perform their springtime magic on the steps of Slavin as the carnival-goers give the carnival a go.

The two bands playing will be Wackoo and Peirce Arrow. Sandwiched in between them is the Loco-Motion Circus of the Gong Show fame. These kinetic clowns will amaze all with their antics and acrobatic skills.

Later on Saturday night will be the big concert of the week. At 8:00 p.m., Alumni Hall will resound with the melodies of springs gone by as the BOG concert committee brings us Oldies Night.

The three big "oldies" bands will be The Drifters ("On the Boardwalk"), The Coasters ("Yackety-Yack" and "Charley Brown"), and Gary Lewis and the Playboys ("This Diamond Ring" and "Sealed With a Kiss").

SUNDAY the big week wraps up with a spring concert by the Providence College Band. Those of you who enjoyed clapping along with them at the basketball games can see them do their stuff for a last fling before the finals.

Spring Week Concert Preview

With the arrival of Spring Week comes an array of concerts that will keep us entertained through the final weeks of school.

The Board of Governors concert committee has come up with an assortment of groups for the big weeks, although co-chairman of the committee Patrick Shea explained that this is a hard time of the year for colleges to contract groups.

Most of the "name" groups are out for the big money by playing the tent circuit or the large stadium or auditorium and are not apt to come to the small college.

Instead of dishing out one large sum for a big name, the BOG spread out its money to get an assortment of groups. As a result, we will be hearing oldies, folk, bluegrass and pop over Spring Week.

Aztec Two-Step will be appearing first on Monday, April 24. This band, consisting of Rex Fowler and Neal Shulman, has appeared at PC several times and has always received a favorable reaction. The duo now has begun a tour after cutting a new album, "Two's Company."

This album, with 10 of the 11 songs written or co-written by Fowler, is full of depth and lyricism, strong melodies and subtle harmonies that have endeared them to their fans.

On Thursday there will be a day of bluegrass music with the White Mountain Boys, one of the best bluegrass bands in New England.

That same evening, Livingston Taylor will be giving two per-



Aztec Two-Step



Livingston Taylor

formances here. Livingston, brother of James, will be showing off his share of the talent in the Taylor family. He is his own man in music, though, and plays a folk jazz style with a touch of rhythm & blues and some country sound.

The biggest day for concerts, however, will be on Saturday. Starting us off in the afternoon on the steps of Slavin will be Whakoo and Pierce Arrow.

The BOG first saw Whakoo in New Orleans on their venture to the college convention. Whakoo is from the Rocky Mountain region and were playing before the Ozark Mountain Daredevils when the BOG spotted them. They liked what they heard and signed them up.

Pierce Arrow will complete this afternoon doubleheader. They are now Columbia recording artists on the rise with a single expected on the charts soon.

That evening, three oldies bands will bring back old memories in Alumni Hall. They will be so old that we probably don't even remember them, seeing their hits were being played about the time we were being born.

Due to flurry of '50s nostalgia, however, many of their singles are familiar. A good turnout is expected, judging by the success of the Great Pretenders concert several weeks ago.

Jewel Akens joined the Coasters in the 1960s, and has now taken over the band with some new players, who play the old Coaster hits such as "Youngblood" and "Yackety-Yack."

The Drifters are second group in this oldies medley whose big hit was "On the Boardwalk."

The main feature of the evening will be Gary Lewis and the Playboys, a few of whose hits were "This Diamond Ring," "Sealed with a Kiss," and "Everybody Loves a Clown." They have appeared on such TV shows as Ed Sullivan, Merv Griffin, and The Tonight Show, and also in several Jerry Lewis movies.

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"Barnyard billiards" in season

By Brad Brown

It is that time of year again. The sun is shining, the flowers are blooming, but best of all, the turf is flying. For with the coming of spring, we self-aggravationalists, known to the laymen as the amateur golfers (Weekendus hackerous), take to the links to play a little "barnyard billiards."

It was at the home of the game, in St. Andrews, Scotland, that Jules Bernard Orsini took his wooden niblicks and mashies and

white sphere off an even smaller piece of wood with the target being a hole in the ground four and one-half inches in diameter that is at times some 550 yards away. The winner of this game of skill is the one who can accomplish this feat in the least amount of strokes while at the same time consuming the least amount of Roloids.

As an amateur golfer, this author has often asked himself the question "Why continue to play this game?" It is most likely

then must trudge through all kinds of obstacles in order to find the drive, assuming it doesn't find the fairway. Upon discovery of the ball, you then follow the rules and...hit it again.

Golf in the spring often tends to be a medical learning experience. The weekender is often forced into taking a crash course in calamine lotion application. This liquid is usually placed on the spots that were missed with the Off earlier in the afternoon. For mosquitos, like golfers, love a challenge; they always seem to find the repellent-less skin.

Part of the American golf obsession is that we all love the great outdoors. Thus, for the weekend golfer, it never rains on the golf course. For after paying today's ridiculous prices for holiday and weekend golf, who can afford to quit after four holes just because of a little thundershower? After all, the trees make excellent lightning rods, don't they?

Even the most terrorizing natural element known to all hackers doesn't deter the desire to finish 18 holes. It is known as the infamous prevailing wind. Its gusting can turn hooks into slices and can force the perfect drive to somehow find the woods.

With all this aggravation to face, one might ask why the weekender comes back to tee one up each Sunday morning. Well, aside from being out in the fresh air, "one with nature," the reason is usually what is deemed the "miracle shot."

This usually occurs right when you're about to quit for good - when it all doesn't seem to be worthwhile. Then it happens. You execute a shot (via some miracle) that you saw Jack Nicklaus make on TV last week, and all of a sudden your whole

attitude changes. It's amazing that a psychological difference one shot can make. Thus, by the end of 18 holes, you manage to convince yourself that if you only had a few more holes, you could consistently make that "miracle shot." So next Sunday you're back out on the tee at your 7:10 starting time trying it again.

Golf is essentially a battle of

man vs. man, at times man vs. the elements, but, most of all, man vs. his temper. If you can control it, you will most likely play well; if you can't, they you have no one but yourself to blame for the results. Thus, as we all take the dusty clubs out of the attic in anticipation of a new golf season, there seems to be little else to say other than...fore!

Costumes missing

When one sits down and reads the "trade papers", scanning the reviews for the plays that have successfully made their debuts, one cliché usually is outstanding: the critic's analysis of the actor or actress who "stole the show."

Well, here at PC, Wednesday was to be the night of scrutiny for the theater arts production of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*. However, even before the critics were able to pass judgment, someone literally "stole the show." The question now becomes, who?

It has been discovered that three entire costumes and five or six accessories have been taken off a wardrobe rack which was resting in Harkins Hall auditorium, the site of the play.

According to costuming director Susan Fuller, the articles were discovered missing when at a photo call for the *Providence Journal*, actors began approaching her asking the whereabouts of their "thought-to-be-misplaced" costumes. Her reply was, "They are where you last placed them." This turned out not to be the case.

Missing are three suits which display a turn-of-the-century flair, a black cape which was borrowed from Brown University, shoes and shirts of fine quality, and a valuable 14 karat gold necklace and locket which belonged to a member of the cast.

How the poachers were able to get into the auditorium remains a mystery. The Harkins Hall

switchboard operator has been given a key with a list of names for the express purpose of keeping out intruders; however, it seems that the key has been tossed about pretty loosely.

There is also the possibility of entrance through the window of a conference room which overlooks the auditorium. Finally, there is an entrance in the back of the stage leading to the bookstore; this seems an unlikely means of entrance as the door is usually secure.

Stage manager Linda Staley, along with Susan Fuller, was quite adamant in stating that the main doors to the auditorium were locked at 5 a.m. by the stage crew, who had worked all night preparing the production. Both seemed sure that the missing articles had to have been taken between 5 a.m. and 11 a.m. prior to the photo session by the *Journal* that same evening.

One thing must be said for the cast and crew of the *Our Town* production. That is, in the true tradition of the stage, they are trouperous. All of the people involved are working around the clock to come up with new costumes for tonight's opening. Costuming director Fuller, and her assistant Patty White did seem sure of one thing: No matter what had happened, the show was to go on, and so it will tonight in Harkins Hall auditorium at 8 p.m.



It's the proverbial billiard sticks.

blazed his way into golf history as only a Knight of St. Raymond could.

Over the years, the tools of the game have changed. No longer do we have the hand-carved wooden clubs that the golfers who cradled the game at the Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St. Andrews employed. Rather, we use instruments made of everything from aluminum to graphite. As for the ball, well, it isn't feather-filled anymore. It can have a nylon wrapping, a solid filling, or even a surlin covering; just name your price.

However, one thing has remained the same over the years: the objective of the game. One must still try to hit a small

that the 10 million other American enthusiasts have also pondered this bone of contention. Personally, for the golfer, the reason for continuing is that he has been able to master some aspects of the game.

For instance, for the good weekend golfer, hitting the ball isn't the essence of the game; rather, it is finding it that becomes fundamental. Thus, all weekenders not only have to be fair golfers but also adequate rock climbers, lumberjacks, and evergladesmen.

For after one literally hammers the tee into the cement-like ground of the teeing area (most municipal courses are in poor condition due to overplay), he

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Proulx

Baird visits PC

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on Administration and an active member of the Budget Committee and Student Congress. During his junior and senior years, Proulx acted as resident assistant. Proulx was obviously an active and dedicated member of Providence College. All profits obtained from this event will be used to establish the annual fund. The manner in which the scholarship will be awarded is being decided by the Proulx family.

Student tickets for this game are \$2.00, and they are presently on sale at the Athletic Office and the Slavin Center information desk.

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actually a letter from the group inviting Baird to speak.)

Baird continued, "The question is, can we have freedom of speech? Can we exercise the freedoms of speech and assembly? What is the College so afraid of? ... I want to debate your Father Peterson. Students have the right to whatever speakers they want."

Then, illuminated by TV lights, Baird strode up the campus before deciding to make his oration on the steps of Aquinas Hall. By that time the crowd had swelled to about 150 students.

At Aquinas, Baird spoke for about 30 minutes while music blared and an occasional heckler spoke up. He later produced a black board, filled with various homespun abortion instruments on one side and birth control devices on the other side, that "earned me three months in prison."

Baird then proceeded to give some gruesome examples of self-inflicted abortions and talked about the ignorance that many have about birth control techniques. Occasionally the talk was interrupted by applause, and Baird vowed to return to the campus the next day at 12 p.m. "At high noon I will return to debate your dean, Mr. Peterson," Baird declared.

The next day Baird returned saying, "I will attempt to meet Father Peterson or his staff. This situation has been literally blown out of proportion. He's made a mockery out of freedom of speech. I challenge Father Peterson to a debate. I want to talk to these students for 45 minutes; he's had them for 20 years."

The crowd was considerably smaller this time, and the only person Baird met was Joseph McAleer, who was stationed in front of the executive offices in

Harkins. After a few wrong turns, Baird confronted the chief of public information who read the gathering the following statement from Father Peterson:

"As I have indicated previously, a proper forum in which to discuss the question of abortion will be arranged at which Mr. Baird would be permitted to speak should some student group wish to invite him. I have agreed to moderate this symposium myself. Dr. Mildred Jefferson has also agreed to participate. The symposium would be scheduled for 8 p.m. on the evening of April 25, 1978.

Baird commented, "I charge Father Peterson with withholding the freedom of speech. He is living in an ivory tower, trying to control the lives of these young people. I personally challenge him to debate anytime, anywhere. He set the date for the symposium, not the students. He created this media event. He doesn't have moral courage. We'll be back."

Baird and followers then headed for Harkins Circle in front of the building. He was escorted by about 20 students, some cheering, others voicing their disapproval of his policies. Outside Baird told students, "Debating Mildred Jefferson is easy. It's like falling off a log. I don't know about a debate. I'll have to check my schedule, but I'm going to fight back. This won't be easy. There are a lot of people who'd like to see me in jail, some who'd even like to see me dead."

Violence symposium

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ticians respond only to pressure."

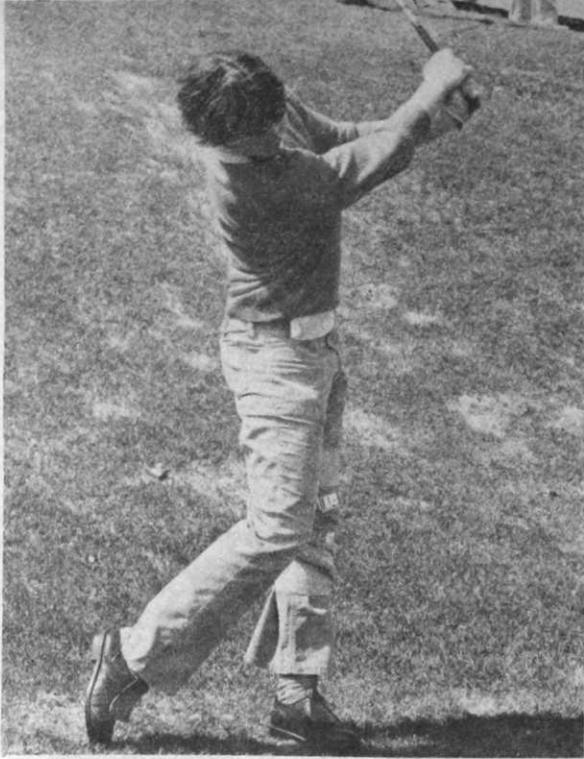
Father Ritter further elucidated, "Truth is my defense; I'll name names because the city papers are afraid. The mayor, the DA and the police commissioner are my worst enemies."



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Colin Ahern exhibits his fine form.

Deegan victorious in UMass track meet

By Dave Ball

While John Treacy wisely decided to bypass the opening track meet of the season, at UMass, Gerry Deegan led the PC team in taking three of the top middle-distance events at the UMass relays last Saturday.

Deegan rested after the International Cross-Country Championships, but was not in 100 percent shape. However, he was fit enough to run the last quarter mile in 57 seconds and win the invitational mile in 4:11. Mick Byrne was third in 4:14, with Larry Reed fourth in 4:15. It was a wild and windy day, and the climatic conditions were not suited for fast times. However, Deegan's time is very respectable for this time of the season.

Men's tennis

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doubles play, but it was too late for the Black and White.

"I am very impressed by what I have seen to this point," reflected Coach Faulise. "This squad has to be the strongest ever fielded at PC. From our number one player, Pete Lyons, on down the ladder, we present an extremely strong lineup with depth at every slot."

With the influx of talent, the Friars have adjusted their schedule accordingly. In addition to Boston College, a squad ranked in the top 10 of the region, upcoming opponents include Brown, URI, Connecticut College, UConn and Iona.

"Our program has gained respectably with each coming year," remarked Faulise. "The majority of the stronger squads on our schedule issue tennis scholarships, while we do not. The players are coming here based on our program, with no financial assistance in the way of a scholarship."

Home matches next week include Assumption, on Thursday, and Rhody, a squad PC has never beaten, on Saturday.

Ed Hartnett won the 5,000 meters in fine style. He was in total control of that race and was never troubled. Hartnett sped away from his rivals with two laps to go and won in a fine time of 14:14.0. Again, very respectable for this time of the year and the conditions he raced in.

Hartnett is expected to have a good track season this year. He will compete in a series of dual meets -- as a guest -- in Newport over the next few weeks, and it is expected by the remainder of the team that he will be very sharp for the championship races next month.

The open mile was won by freshman Dave Ball, who recorded a fine time of 4:13:5. Moe Rafferty took fourth place with a time of 4:15. Pete Croke, who had such a fine indoor season, is unfortunately sick and will not compete again this season.

The PC track team will return to UMass next month for the New England, and the two extreme foreigners on the team -- Gerry Deegan and Mick Byrne (who set a fine example as captain over the weekend) -- are waiting anxiously for this meet.

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Golfers get a good start

Sweep Bentley and Worcester Polytech

Fore! Although much has been gained and lost in vaunted meadow pool at Augusta, here at PC, the college game rules.

The Friars got off to a flying start last week by sweeping Bentley, 5-2, and Worcester Polytech, 6½-½, in a tri-match under match play conditions at Stowe Acres Country Club.

Colin Ahern had an outstanding round, carding a 3-under par 69 in defeating both his opponents by identical 7 and 6 counts. Matt Zito aided the cause with a 75, also swamping his adversaries by 7 and 6 scores. Under the simultaneous match play conditions, opposing squads each shoot one round of golf with players matched against each other according to position on their squads.

The Black and White then ventured to the Pawtucket Country Club, coming up on the short end of a 389-383 score at the hands of Central Connecticut, a perennial Division II power. Under the total score format, the combined strokes of the best five of our seven players are totaled to determine the team score. Ahern led the Friars with a 4-over-par 75. Bob Milich contributed a 78 and Zito and Bill Reardon also added 78's in the losing effort.

Providence concluded its week of action by splitting a pair of matches in a triangular meet against UConn and Amherst, at the Willimantic Country Club. PC defeated UConn, 498-507, but came up on the short end to Amherst, 493-498. Under this setup, the squads each play 18 holes of golf with the total strokes of the best six out of seven players summed up to arrive at a team total.

The match was played under adverse windy conditions, and the scores tended to soar into the mid-80's. Ahern and Milich paced PC with 10-over-par 82's. Zito registered an 83 and Reardon carded an 85.

"Under normal weather conditions I believe that our squad would have prevailed over

both opponents," remarked Coach Joe Prisco. "Actually, the loss can be attributed to one of our players' scoring an incredible 12 on a par-5 hole. That possible seven-stroke difference could

have been the difference against Amherst."

Upcoming matches for the defending New England champs include Cornell on Thursday and Holy Cross next Monday.

PC lacrosse squad: Their first victory

It took two years to accomplish, but in the end, it was worth the wait. After suffering a victory-less first season and two losses this year -- at the hands of Boston University, 9-2, and the University of Hartford, 8-2 -- the Providence College club lacrosse squad has finally entered the victory circle.

Led by the play of Gregg Higgins and Bill Smith, who each netted two goals, the Black and White defeated Assumption College, 8-3, for their first victory ever.

Approximately 200 fans battled the inclement weather to witness the Friars as they dominated play from beginning to end. The Friars pummelled Assumption goalie Larry Murphy with 44 shots while limiting the Greyhounds to just 25 shots on goalie Jim Porell.

Lacrosse, for those who have never seen the game, is a fast contact sport, and players wear padding and helmets with face guards to protect themselves from the rough stuff.

Teams on the attack really zing the ball around, trying to set a man up for a shot as close to the goal as possible. He may shoot overhand, sidearm, or underhand, and he may try to bounce the ball into the net.

Teams on defense may set up a variety of zones and man-to-man defenses, basketball style, and teams on offense may use basketball tactics in attacking them. They cut through, they set picks; they do a lot of things.

The only people who may range from one end of the field to the

other (and have to do so) are the three mid-fielders. They dig up the ground balls, bring the ball up, play defense, and fast-break, running at top speed almost all the time.

"This was a really good win for us," stated tri-captain Jim (Digger) O'Donnell. "It really felt good to be on the winning side for once."

This year's squad is being coached by O'Donnell, Dan Callenda and John McCarthy. Along with first-year coach Dr. George Raymond of the psychology department, they have been striving to produce a more competitive team this season.

"Without a doubt, we've improved 100 per cent over last year," enthused O'Donnell. "This year we are competitive with almost every team we play. We look forward to winning some more games this year."

"The fan support for this game was fantastic. Guzman Hall had a trumpet player and a group of fans who really inspired our play with their support. I sure hope they'll be supporting our games for the rest of the year."

Providence looks to extend its winning streak this Saturday in a rematch with the University of Hartford. Hartford is coached by Tom Spignesi, who last year was coaching from the Providence side of the field.

According to O'Donnell, "This is the game we've been looking forward to all year. We really want to beat our old coach and show him that we've really come along."

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Hungo's Boy win "A" League hoop intramurals

By Phil Rapuano

The long basketball season came to an end on Wednesday night when the final games of the A and B League championships took place. The first game of the A League finals had been played the previous week, and the Guzzlers had been unable to slow down the run-and-gun Hungo's Boys. The Boys, led by Scott Virgulak's 26 points, prevailed, 102-75.

In the second game, the Guzzlers slowed Hungo's down to a pace for which they were unsuited. The Guzzlers pulled within four points behind the hot outside shooting of Robert Zoller and the tough inside play of Mike Cavallaro. Yet it wasn't enough as Terry Mullaney hit a clutch free throw to finish off an excellent performance that included 15 points, 12 rebounds, and five intimidating blocked shots, icing a 75-70 victory.

This, though, was only the start, as the B League game between Prime Time Players and Chairborne Cretins went down to the wire in one of the best-played games of the year. The final pitted the balance and experience of the Cretins against the individual stars of Prime Time, Dan Brereton and Kevin O'Connor.

O'Connor led the attack in the first half for Prime Time, bombing from outside and pulling down a number of rebounds to turn them into layups against the bigger Cretins. The Cretins staged a mild comeback, taking the lead for a short time in the second half. Then Brereton took control, hitting from inside and out to lead Prime Time in a 49-47 win.

Volleyball also closed out its season with the favored Yeh Yehs taking the crown after an uphill battle. They had been handed their only loss of the season in the first round by a fired-up A.I.D. Squad led by Peter Coluccio.

Then, led by seniors Fred Mason, Tom Sheehan, and Bob (Yeh Yeh) Sheridan, the Yeh Yehs fought their way up through the losers' bracket, beating A.I.D.

in their rematch in three hard-fought sets. They took the Zapatos, and then, in the championship, they defeated the

Spiders from Mars and Louis Sulkies, along with Zerno's Boys and the Guzzlers, are early favorites, and their divisional clashes should be the best-played games of the year. Other teams to look for include Spanish Flies, led by Rudy Williams; Dooger's, Yahoos, Goodies, Ex-B League champs Spiked Shoe Club, and the Flying Libido Brothers.

In B League, the Scotters and Hitmen should battle with

division rivals Harry's Fat Bears and the Brewers for the title, the Fat Bears being that hungry senior team.

The women's division looks like a rematch of last year with Richard's Pub and the Bad News Bears battling with the women's hockey team, renamed the Rink Rats, and the upstart Lumpie's Ladies.



Cowl Photo by Dan Lund

Keep your eye on the ball? Celeste Giovanni doesn't think so.

previously unbeaten Spiked Shoe Club in straight games.

With winter sports finally finishing up, the spring season

year than before, but the senior teams always seem to have an advantage in wanting to win that last time out.

Women's roundup: Tennis and track teams score

TENNIS

The Lady Friars evened up their record at 1-1 as they scored a convincing 8-0 win over Bentley College. Coach Lisa Gilbride praised all her players, saying that there were no standouts because everyone played well. Monique Drolet and Joan Finneran, the first doubles combo, took their set with little effort. The top three singles players, Sue Hubbs, Mary Ann McCoy, and Sue Hawkes, also defeated their opponents, leading the way to PC's easy victory over Bentley. The Black and White's next

match is today against a tough UConn squad. The Huskies were ranked number three in New England last year, and have never been defeated by PC - a situation that will hopefully change this year. Gordon College, on Friday, should present a challenge, but one which Gilbride is confident her team can meet.

TRACK

The women's track team competed in a triangular meet last week against Brown and Wesleyan. Providence put forth a fine performance, taking two

individual titles and second place overall.

Janice Cataldo outclassed the field in winning the 880 meters while Denise Boucher soared to a first-place finish in the high jump. Kathy Dion finished second in the 440 meters, and Sharon Clegg rallied to take second place in the hurdles.

"This was a good showing for us," stated assistant coach Steve Nappa. "Both Brown and Wesleyan are established teams and to finish second is a fine accomplishment."

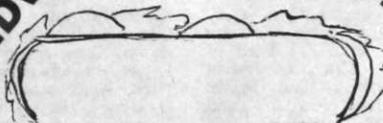
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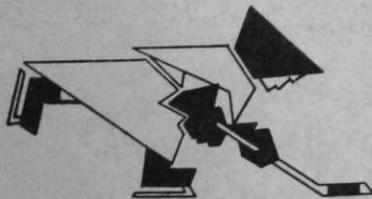
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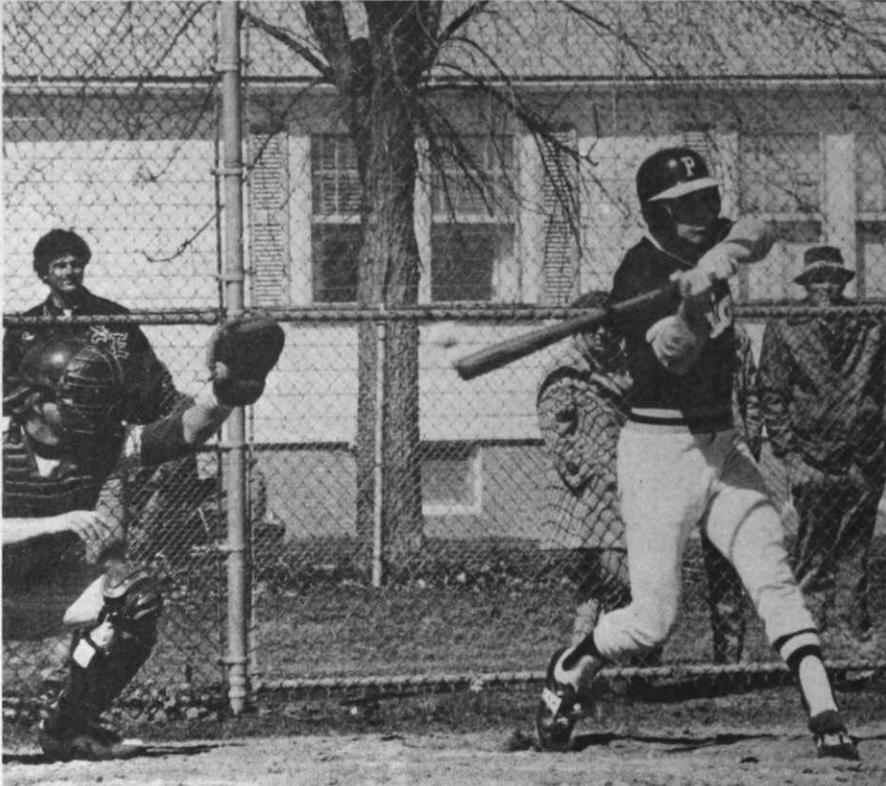
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Lady Friars show speed, power, pitching

By Mike David

Power, speed and good pitching. With that kind of combination, a team should not lose too many games. The Lady Friars' softball team has been exhibiting just that kind of combination. With three wins in the past week, the Lady Friars have upped their record to 6-2 and have vastly improved their chances for a bid to the regional tournament.

Power. Over the first eight games, Providence has amassed 95 runs. That's over 11 runs per game. The latest victim of the Providence onslaught was Bryant College.

Travelling to Bryant, the Lady Friars produced over 20 runs for the second consecutive game, bombarding the Indians, 21-5. The Black and White scored in every inning but one in giving Debbie Beaulieu her first victory of the year. Kim Milum led the offensive charge, going 4-4 and scoring three runs. Kathy Lenahan drove in five runs, blasting out three hits including her third home run of the year.

Speed. When the hitting fails, good pitching and team speed can win ball games. Just ask AIC. Last Saturday Providence and AIC battled the wind and each other for 6½ innings. Then, with the score tied 4-4, Linda Wage led

off the Providence half of the seventh inning with a base hit. One pitch later, Wage was standing on second base after registering her ninth stolen base of the campaign.

With two outs, Wage was on third base by way of a fielder's choice. Then, when AIC pitcher Lynne Jennings uncorked a wild pitch, Wage scampered home, stealing the victory for Providence, 5-4. Cindy Flood, who pitched a fine game, giving up just five hits, was the benefactor in picking up her first career victory.

Good pitching. In 32-plus innings, Mary Shonty has given up just six earned runs. A 1.30 earned run average. All that equals a 4-1 record. Shonty garnered win number four in the second game of the doubleheader last Saturday, defeating SMU, 11-3.

Providence tallied three runs in the first inning and five in the third inning in putting the game out of reach. Once again, the hitting attack was led by the hot bats of Wage and Lenahan, who each collected three hits. Shonty's shutout bid was ruined in the seventh inning when SMU collected all three of their runs.

"The AIC game was by far the best we have played this year," commented assistant coach Al Palladino. "It's probably the first real quality win the program has

Men's tennis in full swing; team boasts a 4-1 record

By Steve Latimer

Taking up right where they left off in the fall, the spring edition of the Providence College men's tennis squad boasts a 4-1 record early in the campaign.

The Friars, exhibiting strong and consistent play, opened their season last week with an expected 9-0 whitewashing of Rhode Island Junior College. The netmen then proceeded to blank Roger Williams College, 8-0, before thumping Rhode Island College and Bryant by identical 8-1 counts. Boston College stands as the lone blemish on the Friars' slate, defeating PC by a deceiving 6-3 score.

As the scores indicate, the performances, from a Providence standpoint, were outstanding. From top-seed Peter Lyons all the way down the ladder, the play was excellent.

"Peter and Dave Gieski have played some great tennis thus far," enthused Coach Jacques Faulise. "Also, the performances from the number three seed Neal O'Hurley, a player who has steadily improved since his arrival at PC, have been exceptional, as well as the play of Chris McNeill, captain Terry Meyer, David Apter and John Griffin."

The Boston College match was a different story, however.



Carmen Ross gets set for action.

ever had. With these two victories, we have to be considered for the regionals."

Softball Shots: Linda Wage now leads the team in six offensive categories, including a .606 batting average...In the

Friars choke, 4-3, in BC contest

By Al Palladino

Two outs! Bottom of the seventh. Runners on second and third. Providence College leads Boston College by a score of 3-2. Friar hurler Bob Sheridan only needs to have Eagle batter Greg Stewart hit the ball at someone to end the game. Stewart hits a ground ball directly at shortstop Steve O'Neill. The ball caroms off a rut in the infield and bounces off the PC shortstop's chest.

O'Neill reacts quickly and fires a throw towards first sacker Don Rahl. The throw is in the dirt, but Rahl appears to have a bead on it. However, as Rahl gets ready to scoop up the errant toss, the ball takes an unexpected bounce and skips over Rahl's head. The outcome is that the Friars have had defeat snatched from the jaws of victory and end up on the short side of a 4-3 score.

Providence never trailed throughout the contest as they jumped on BC starter and eventual winner George Rabanis for a run in the opening inning. With two gone, Ed Bessinger and Ray Fontaine hit back-to-back doubles to give the Black and

White a 1-0 advantage. The Eagles tied matters in their half of the inning as they loaded the bases on two walks and a single. After a forceout scored one run, Friar starter Chuck Kwolek induced Tim Bachos to hit into an inning ending double play.

Both clubs exchanged runs in the fourth before PC went back out in front in the sixth, again while two were out. With a runner on second, Rabanis chose to intentionally walk John Broadhurst in order to face catcher Ray Romagnolo. The strategy backfired as Romagnolo lined a basehit and Providence led, 3-2. That advantage held until the last inning when the Eagles "erupted" for the winning runs.

The nightcap of the doubleheader was not any better as the Friars again wasted a fine pitching performance, this one by senior Dick Ryan, and lost by a count of 2-1. Ryan allowed only three hits but received no real support from his Providence teammates. PC managed only two basehits while they committed a game high four errors.

In an extremely well-played game last Friday at Hendricken Field, the Friars upset top ranked University of Connecticut by a final count of 5-4. Junior Ed McDonald picked up the win with last inning relief help from Chris Supra.

Going into the bottom of the sixth, the score was even at 1-all. With two outs, Bessinger, a New England Division One All-Star last season, smacked a RBI single to give the Black and White a one-run advantage. Fontaine's solo home run in the seventh and a two run blast by Broadhurst in the eighth upped the score to 5-1.

UConn rallied in the ninth. Supra came in to relieve McDonald and the Huskies found Supra's pitches to their liking. They scored three quick runs and had runners on second and third with only one out. After Bill Sharton grounded out, runners holding, Supra snuck a called third strike past Steve Bilto to preserve the PC victory.

"Our record (6-4) could be better but I still think we have a good shot at the regionals," later commented captain Sheridan. "My arm feels really good and was happy with the way I threw against BC. We will be tough the rest of the year."

Friar Dust: In college ball, seven innings are played for doubleheaders and nine innings for single affairs... Next home game is tomorrow at 1 p.m. versus URI... PC still has six twin bills left this season... Coach Alex Nahigian's record for the last six plus years is 107-71... Squad has seven seniors this campaign.



Junior netman Dave Gieski.

Although PC bowed by a seemingly convincing score of 6-3, the overall match was much tighter than indicated. The affair was actually decided in the singles play. Three of the six matches came down to decisive third sets with the Eagles winning on all counts.

Gieski, McNeill, and Apter all played brilliant matches before eventually bowing in the deciding frame. Lyons, the top seed, riding a strong serve and sharp new play, earned the Friars' long point in singles play, defeating his opponent, 6-4, 6-2. The combinations of O'Hurley-McNeill and Lyons-Gieski gained wins

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