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The CALIFORNIA Tech
And Eat It, Too!

Get Your Red-Hot Money March 6
by Dick O'Malley
In a completely unofficial act at last Wednesday's BOD meeting, the BOD voted to clear up the status of students who are on a leave of absence. In addition, they scheduled the budget meeting for March 6, closed nominations for Social Chairman as of 8:00 a.m. on March 4, and closed the application periods for Totem Editor and Game Room Chairman as of March 8.

The meeting began in Winnett Lounge at 4:22 on a typical note of difficulty: ten minutes of discussion of who should act as a figurehead (with the approval of last week's elections) while Chan Price does the job. A discussion of who should continue as acting Business Manager for the Tech until a likely sucker could be found. A discussion of who should close with her nearest contender Elizabeth McLeod following her receiving less than half her votes. A discussion of who should be to listen to ideas from the students. We've been getting elected, but I'm glad so many support me," So said Elizabeth McLeod following her election last Monday to ASCIT President. The vote was not even close with her nearest contender receiving less than half her votes. What is the outlook for action from ASCIT this year? "My main concern will be getting the news out to the students. We've been getting tipped too much around here," said McLeod. What are the most important items coming up this year, she believes, will be Academic Policies Committee decisions on F grades for Institute requirements. McLeod is strongly opposed to students being pressured in required courses like physics and math with the threat of an F grade which could ruin their chances later on. She would like to see a policy established where students would get a "no credit" instead of a GPA-lowering F for Institute requirements they fail. "It's hard on people going to grad school to flunk courses they didn't care about," she said.

The gym requirement vote at the EPC meeting is another subject McLeod hopes students will pay some attention to. "Personally I like gym, but I don't think anyone should have to take it if they don't want to." As for the Excom she says, "Our biggest responsibility will be to listen to ideas from the students. We may have a bus going to Occidental this spring...but we'll need a full bus to make it work."

EXHAUSTED DOUGHNUT LADY sits wearily by as office is mobbed again in weekly free feed. Photo by Ray Foney.

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We urge a YES on Proposition 7 in today’s election. Proposition 7 has been designed to correct a deficiency in the authority and responsibilities of two ASCIT offices (the Director of Student Life and the Social Chairman) by combining them into a single office (the Director for Social Activities). The Social Chairman (if and when one is ever elected—there are still no candidates) is the secretary of the ASCIT Social Committee. He has been given control over the social budget, and the responsibility of organizing social activities. Unfortunately, the Social Committee (and hence, its chairman) has the only authority to see that the activities are carried out. The Social Chairman is an officer with great potential.

An Opening Shot

With this issue, a new trio of names appears atop the Tech staff box. Recognizing the importance of The California Tech’s role, as the only administration-independent source of news and analysis regarding many facets of Caltech life, the new editors-in-chief of the Tech will attempt to provide within this newspaper the most comprehensive reporting possible during the coming year.

At this time, two major obstacles prevent the easy completion of this task. First, the limited size of the Tech staff, and the high academic time demands placed upon staff members often make complete reporting of campus news extremely difficult. Thus, in order to assist us in this area, we encourage students not now associated with the Tech to write articles for publication either as regular staff members or as interested parties related to some particular news event.

The second obstacle which confronts us is the apparent insensitivity of administration news sources to the students right to know of new policy at the developmental stage. Administrative decisions which affect students but are arrived at without possibility for student input will seldom be well received in a community such as Tech where trust (as protected by the Honor System) is the basis for all personal interaction. Incidents such as the belated announcement of possible alterations in Health Center services for the coming year indicate to what degree the

THE CALIFORNIA TECH
Alumni Squared

Memories Mellow

by Etainn Schroeddf

A few weeks ago, The Califoni­
Tech ran an article contain­
ing some of the results of last year’s Caltech Alumni Associa­
tion questionnaire sent to Cal­
tech Alumni to be completed and an article printed in Caltech News, the Caltech Alumni paper. Fur­
ther information derived from the questionnaire was recently printed in the same place, and the Tech uses these data to present a digest of those results which it feels are of some interest to current Techers.

One question asked respond­
ents to locate Caltech among American educational institu­
tions. Tech was rated in the top three by 36.3% of all respond­
ents, fourth and fifth by 46.9%, and was placed below twentieth by only 11%, with 2.9% of no opinion. Fur­
thermore, perhaps to the surprise of many present Techers, no less than 85.7% thought that attending Caltech had been an advantage, and that they were pleased that they had attended it. Only 1.1% thought that Caltech had not been advanta­
geous, and were sorry they had come. Some 7.4% thought that Caltech had been an advantage, but were sorry they had come, and about 3% had no opinion.

Another question sought in­
formation on the overall reputa­
tion of Caltech’s financial situa­
tion. Only 4.8% thought Cal­
tech had no financial problems, while two-thirds of the respond­
ts thought Tech was suffering increasing problems. (It is not known how many of those have recently tried to obtain medical care after hours at the Health Center.)

Inverse Square Rule?

A third of the respondents had been back to Caltech within a year prior to the time of response, and over two-thirds had been to Caltech within five years, indicating statistical support for the well-known umbilical cord theory of association with Cal­
tech. Of course, over half of Tech alumni live within 500 miles of campus, the survey reports, and a fifth within 25 miles (Pasadena houses more Tech alumni than anywhere on earth), but on the other hand, 41.9% of the responding alumni live more than 1,000 miles from Millikan Library, which is a nontrivial journey.

Slightly over three-fourths of the respondents approved of the division at Caltech in which they worked, and felt that it had given them an advantage. Eight percent noted an advantage, but were not pleased with the division, while 5.8% felt that the division had not given them an advantage, but liked it anyway. Only 2.4% turned complete thumbs down, and the rest—you guessed it—had no opinion.

It turns out, unsurprisingly, that most ex-Techers do not go far afield for a vocation. Just 6.9% reported a vocation unrelated to their major at Tech, while 64.7% reported a relation and the rest “somewhat” of a relation.

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SF Week at Tech. One of the Night” at Beckman (not Ramo) Auditorium on March 5. All though we can’t divulge the name of the film (inside threat if being tossed out the airlock without a spacesuit), it is the policy—indeed, the duty—of this column to report the latest rumors. The ad on this page does a great deal of them, so you really have enough clues to psyche it out for yourself.

In addition, Flora Constanten has managed to wheedle the following clues out of the Beckman Ticket Office: 1) A negative contraction (4 letters) 2) Reverse of plural rodents (4 letters) 3) A synonym for stare (4 letters) 4) Opposite of off (2 letters) 5) A definite article (1 letter) 6) — of the Iguana (5 letters) 7) — The Eight (2 letters) 8) You do this to Sousa music (5 letters) 9) Wine comes in — bottles (3 letters) 10) A journey by ox wagon (4 letters) 11) Richard Chace —imm (2 letters) 12) Manufacturer of scientific instruments (7 letters) 13) A — less bat (2 letters) 14) Square root of 64 (5 letters) Long Hot Summer

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Each summer a student serves in the House during midterms, so none can be accepted late. If you want to be a part of the action, come to the houses during midterms and sign up.

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The deadline for the third term R&R board contract is next Friday, March 8. Thus far four students have signed up, with 225 the minimum number needed.

Contrary to this year’s catalog, the 1974-75 academic year will begin with registration on September 30, instead of a week earlier. Midterm week will show up on the sixth week both first and second terms, and the fifth week third term. Commencement for the Class of 1975 will fall on Friday, June 13.

...but a low turnout is expected. As of four weeks ago (statistics by Hamartiometrician O’Meara) 13 of the original 218 members of the Class of ’75, juniors, have signed up. None are at the Institute as sophs, and two are here as freshmen. Sixty-four (29.3%) of the class are no longer here. Of course there’s no such thing as superstition .

Top of the Week

Peter Miller, our good friend and former Director of Admis sions here at Tech, is now recruiting students for Rice.

The Safety Office says they won’t schedule fire alarms testing in the houses during midterms again . . . The Freshman Admissions committee won’t be inter vening in applicants for the class of ’78, due to the gasoline crunch (more on this next week). Here is a recommended reading list for next week’s science fiction festival:

Poul Anderson
No Truce for Kings
Tao Zero
Three Hearts and Three Lions

Harry Harrison
The Delta Effect
Deathworld

Ms-Quotes

Having Fun or Babies?
by Mary Beth Ogievich

One of the most often heard arguments against homosexuality is that it is not “natural.” Presumably this argument is based in part on the misconception that homosexuality is un inique to humans. Zoologists are discovering that bisexuality is very common indeed among the lower animals, and exclusive heterosexuality a rarity. Homosexual behavior occurs in all animals that have been carefully observed, including fish, reptiles, and birds, as well as mammals. It has been observed in situations in which the animals have been segregated by sex, or when normal heterosexual activity does not result in orgasm, or when overcrowded conditions make reproduction undesirable. It also occurs spontaneously in some healthy, uncrowded adult populations, with no apparent reason other than pleasure.

Homosexuality can also be considered unnatural because technically the purpose of sex is to make babies, and homosex uality probably wasn’t what Nature had in mind when she made sex fun. If one accepts the medieval but still present idea that all sex is bad except genital sex between a man and a woman for the purpose of conception, then all other forms of sex (masturbation, homosexuality, oral sex, etc.) are immediately outlawed. If one accepts the idea that sex should be experienced for pleasure, then homosexuality is important only if one considers intercourse to be the most pleasurable form. (And many do, which is fine.) If feeling good is natural, then how one goes about feeling good is immaterial, as long as it hurts no one.

The real threat of homosexuality is not physical (two people hurting themselves or corrupting others by performing “unnatural” acts) but social: it is an attack on the whole structure of patriarchy. For the essence of patriarchy lies in a system of rigidly enforced sexual roles and attitudes designed to develop two sets of mutually exclusive characteristics: “masculine” qualities required of men, and the latter by women. It requires that the former qualities produce individuals who do not fit either stereotype, who have crossed the masculine-feminine boundary, not necessarily to take on the opposite stereotype, but rather to become a little of each. In doing this, they go from being psychologically “half-persons” to being whole persons. Patriarchy could not survive in a society of whole persons.

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by george harf

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Five Tickets to Win

by Alan Silverstein

Campus Security Manager Lee Chapman has announced that the new parking rules for the campus (see the February 28/74) will be going into effect the week of March 4. Below is the condensed version of these rules, as they will appear on the back of the new citations (which have just been printed).

Chapman said that every available parking space on campus will be lined or painted green (as appropriate) and that the towaway rule (see no. 18) will apply everywhere on campus. Moral: If it’s not a designated parking area, avoid it.

1. Parking of motor vehicles on campus is restricted to Institute personnel, students, their guests, and those having business with the Institute.

2. Assigned parking spaces are reserved for named individuals.

3. An assigned space is reserved from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

4. Lot west side of Hollywood Ave. reserved for graduates and undergraduate students, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

5. Overnight parking is permitted only for assigned spaces, or by special permit from the Security Office.

6. Green zones are one hour parking for Institute members and employees.

7. Yellow loading zones are 30 minutes parking between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

8. Red zones - NO PARKING AT ANY TIME (emergency access). See no. 18.

9. Motor vehicles may be parked only in spaces designated for their respective visits, or by special permission from the Security Office.

10. Green zones are one hour parking for Institute members and employees.

11. Parking in the Athenaeum Lot is restricted at all times to Athenaeum members and their guests. See no. 18.

12. On Monday through Friday, parking in the Athenaeum Lot is limited to three hours duration beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 8:00 p.m., except for overnight Athenaeum guests.

13. No vehicle parked in one position for more than seven days may be presumed to have been abandoned by the owner and may be impounded at the Institute’s request.

14. Parking on cars is permitted only at the south end of the athletic field.

15. Repair work on cars is permitted only at or near the student garage.

16. Posts and chains placed on the campus must be registered and have a decal.

17. One vehicle to occupy one parking stall only.

18. If the first violation of regulations 8, 9, 10, or 11 will result in the issuance of a warning notice.

19. Any citation may be appealed if filed at the Office of the Director of Business Services five working days.

More News Briefs

This Saturday, Cinematch will focus on two Japanese films: Mizoguchi’s samurai film The Taihō Clan Saga (1954, in color) and Teshigahara’s mythic Taira Clan Saga (1964). Both will have Japanese dialogue with English subtitling, 8:00 p.m. in Baxter Lecture Hall; admission $1.

PME Goes Non-Military

by Marc Donovan

The recently revived PME has been renamed the “World Games” at the request of the Caltech Control Board, one of the sponsors. One of the purposes of this move is to try to avoid the controversy with purely military activity which characterized the last PME. The old ASCC B.O.D. in one of its last official acts, gave the games $200.

The Control Board has been investigating and there seems to be no obstacles between the World Games and the use of Keith Spaulding. The scheduled date of the games is the second weekend of third term, April 12 and 13. This week and next a survey is going out to hunt out interest in the games.

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Alumni

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somewhat important, to them. (It was not stated whether the importance was positive or negative.) The strength of tie with Caltech was rated strongly by 27.7% and moderate by 56.4%, while being rated nonexistent, it said, by exactly 0.01%.

Stick to Writing Track

Several questions were asked about the alumni publications, with results probably not interesting to Techers, except perhaps that Engineering and Science, the magazine, was generally rated with more approval than Caltech News, the alumni newspaper. Concerning alumni affairs direct, a plurality considered the Alumni Association to be “someWHAT effective” in doing its thing; followed by 33.2% having no opinion. Only 12.1% felt the association was effective, and a mere 3.2% cast a vote for ineffective.

A question concerning the respondents’ perception of the main purpose of the Alumni Association elicited some strange results. Only 20.7% felt that the main purpose was raising money, and 18.8% voted for providing information about Caltech, while scattered votes went for social functions between alumni, and between alumni and Caltech, for shaping Institute policy, assisting undergraduate admissions (5), and preserving Caltech traditions (1). It would appear that most alumni don’t know very much about the Association, and perhaps don’t care very much, but the same could be said about Tech as a whole.

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We Buried This Story

North Campus Plug Pulled

by Alan Silverstein

Yesterday afternoon at about noon, the entire north half of the campus lost its electrical power for one and a half hours in what was “the greatest magnitude outage that Caltech has suffered for 24 years,” according to Mr. W. D. Jordan of Physical Plant’s Electrical Shop. The cause was water seepage from the light rain that was falling at the time.

City power comes on campus through two sub-stations; the water shorted at least one of three 17,000-volt cables somewhere between Booth and the north sub-station. Several hours later, Steele, Booth, and Jorgensen were the only buildings still without the 2300-volt power normally received.

It is not certain yet, but there may be difficulties encountered when power is restored and an attempt is made to bring the IBM 370/155 back up. The PDP 10 is probably still in good shape.

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Where Trolls Clown Around
Sports

**Wrestling Ended**

by George

It was hard to imagine a wrestling trip without Baker's peevish insults, Michelle's hospital stories, Lovejoy's bad jokes, or O'Keefe's doughnuts. But the district tournament was just that, blissfully quiet. "Big Mac," Walker and "The Wolf" Fratello slept most of the way down to UCSD.

The next day they woke up enough to take a third and a second respectively. The tournament was relatively small this year but all the best wrestlers were there, and so was Fratello. Teammate the Techers salvaged a ninth.

Walker will leave next weekend for the National tournament. Meanwhile, Vidi Vincen has been indicating he may have resources unsuspected by the world at large: another season of eligibility. And this is the season's last wrestling article, by George.

**Track Trio Tramples**

by Tom Creswell

With double wins from Haywood Robinson, Al Kleinsasser and Greg Hoti and twelve first places out of a total of 17, the Caltech track team romped to an 87-56 victory over Claremont last Saturday.

Griffin (three mile), and Herbert (mile). The meet will be 1:30 p.m. Track

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Consequently, we would like to encourage administration sources to assist us in keeping the readers of the Tech informed of potential policy changes not merely by cooperating when contacted but rather by taking the initiative to alert our staff in advance of major policy-making sessions.

—Richard S. Grover

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**TERADYNE**

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Interview of the Decade

OCRC Proclamns ‘People’s Wall’

This week the Tech has been fortunate to arrange an interview with Mr. M. W. the president of the newly-formed Official Campus Riot Committee. Last Monday afternoon Tech reporter Rob Olshan met Mr. W. in an unused office on the second floor of Kellogg. Their conversation follows: Tech: Lately we’ve been reading a lot about the OCRC in the pages of the Tech. I’m sure many of our readers have been wondering just what the OCRC is. W: We’re a group of concerned students and faculty who are not satisfied merely sitting back and letting things happen.

T: What sort of things?
W: For instance, the demolition of Culbertson Hall. We see this as another step by the administration clearly demonstrating an attitude inconsistent with nonviolence.

T: We’ve heard all these great words about the deletion of the word “Racist” from the name of our organization?
W: First, it’s not an “organization.” We’re a People’s Committee.

T: I stand corrected. W: We feel that our goals are inconsistent with nonviolence. We may on occasion have peaceful sit-ins, but if the National Guard shows up, we’ll be ready for them.

T: Is it true that your Committee was involved in the recent ASCC election?
W: We had a candidate for president, but he lost to that dumb, oversized broad. But that doesn’t really alter our plans.

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