Scurves Pull Same Trick
by Alan Silverstein

Dateline: May, 1972. Tech ere and Everett Lew Proudfoot streak 2 1/2 miles in the dawn's early (and cold) light, and an old collegiate tradition is reborn.

Dateline: March 8, 1974 (4a.m.) Leave it to Techers in general and Scurves in particular to do it first, once again. Back naked, about fifteen Scurves flash into the Lounge by one at 6:30 a.m. and remain there reading and playing bridge for over an hour. The world has just witnessed its first Stationary Scurves in as-yet-unspecified times. Evenings of April 1 and 2 at member of the current Excom.

Interviews will take place on April 1. Sign up on Flora's door application in before 8:00 a.m. No one who applies will have to get an interview for next year's positions. Enoug to conduct full scale order to give the old Excom time enough for full-scale interviews.

News Briefs

Excom Nominations Reopened Until April 1

The BOD reopened nominations for the Excom today in order to give the old Excom time enough to conduct full scale interviews for next year's positions.

Anyone else who wants to apply must have to get his application in before 8:00 a.m. April 1. Sign up on Flora's door or get a written application to a member of the current Excom. Inter view will take place the evenings of April 1 and 2 at yet-unspecified times.

Missing Your Keys?
A set of keys was found in 114 Bax sometime this last February. Contact Rene Gandolfi in 60 Church (x2407) or 11 Danby if you're missing yours.

Don't Go To Blacker House

This Saturday (3/16) the Caltech Gaming Chapter will hold an Alien Space game in Page House dining room. The game will be at 7:30 p.m. and will be free. Come on out and blow your GPA.

See Yourself Decompress

Are finals getting you down? Are you starved after days of continuous trolling? Do you yearn for a change of pace? Then come to the Decompression Chamber in Winnett Lounge tonight, Saturday, or Sunday, from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Relax with faculty members, play games, and enjoy food and refreshments, courtesy of the Service League.

As in previous years, the event is sponsored by the Caltech Y and the Young Health Center.

Religious Hypotheses

Tuesday, April 2, the Caltech Y and the Student Center present Professor John King-Farlow of the University of Alberta, speaking on "The

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I'm Supposed to Love It

Amazing Tristano wats his way to glory, and makes John a household word.

Photo by Rich Feldman

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Life in the SF Ghetto Described by Authors

by SMC Sweeney and Peter W. Beckman

Techers who eat, breathe, and sleep science fiction had a small version of Utopia here last Saturday at the Science Fiction Writers' Symposium held forth in Rumi Auditorium. Participants included Robert Heinlein, Poul Anderson, Robert Silverberg, Larry Niven, Harry Harrison, Randall Garrett, and Jerry Pournelle with Dr. John Pierce from EE reviewing the proceedings.

A twenty-student welcoming committee met the authors and their wives at noon in Blacker Lounge for lunch. The group traded anecdotes, brickbats, and writings over Stottlemeyer’s sandwiches and beer (or milk). As word of the writers’ presence trickled through the still-sleeping Tech community, numerous people came seeking autographs and more autographs (I... would you please come up to the library for a second?)

The lucky authors were treated to a short campus tour shortly before the first session of the symposium. Such notable campus landmarks as the Filo's cannon, the (former) sync lab, and the roof of Millikan were shown to the group. The authors retired to the Athenæum after the tour to prepare for the first session of the symposium at 4 p.m.

The afternoon session got off to a late start, but the time was filled humorously by Harry Harrison with some assistance by Randall Garrett. All the authors finally did arrive by 4:30 p.m.

Discussion centered vaguely on the nominal topic for the afternoon—"The relationship between Science Fiction and Science" or something like that. Most of the authors agreed science fiction does not teach science, but Poul Anderson put it best when he said, "Science fiction is the tribal bard of science."

A question and answer (?) period followed the discussion, highlighted by pointed questions on the portrayal of women in SF, Dr. R. Feynman, a little-known particle physicist drew the greatest applause of the
**Forum**

When Carlos Montoya plays the guitar, the music weaves a powerful spell, enhanced by the fact that he seldom speaks, never breaks the mood created by the magic of flamenco. During his performance at Beckman Auditorium, he spoke not a word during the three sets of music. It was not until he returned for an encore that he spoke the words, "Thank you." It was strange to hear such an absolute master of a type of music thanking his audience for being caught up by an irresistible magic and enjoying it.

Montoya was the first flamenco guitarist of note to really set down and arrange the folk tunes of Spain and retain their flavor and fire. The music of gypsies and other peoples who made up the Spanish world all had their musics, and Montoya more than reproduces them, he enhances the powerful tunes with his own force and energy. There is much more to flamenco than what one sees in cheap B movies, with a girl all rose-toothed and scrawny dancer with pants much too tight. Flamenco is a life force, the life force of thousands of peoples whose the songs and stories portray. The song that once filled and the one that the majority of the audience talked about after they left, was entailed something like "Sinta." This song, done as an encore, is based upon a number of popular tunes in a part of Spain. During the procession, its cornets and drums sound, all done by the guitar. When Montoya plays, you hear his instruments approach, play, and recede into the distance. The effect is magnificent. I call all the pieces he plays songs, although the only voice is that of the guitar, because that is all that is needed. So many, that all is that is needed. Senor Montoya confirmed that: "My English, is a not so good. My Spanish, that's very good." Both dwindle in the presence of his music and guitar, for these he speaks his true language.

—Nick Smith

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**Editorial**

The Ides of March

Beware the Ides of March, for evil times are upon us. The food is terrible. The Middle East seems on the verge of open war. The war in Vietnam continues without end or hope. Millions of people all over the world live on the verge of starvation. And, most terrible of all, finals are coming.

O, war, ill bejowtell earth, for dark days are upon us.

Vitamin C, Anyone?

by Greg Simay

Nobel Laureate Dr. Linus Pauling will return to Caltech April 3 and 4 for several presentations, sponsored by the Caltech Y. Dr. Pauling's program begins Wednesday noon with a luncheon-discussion on "Science and the People's Republic of China," in the Athenaeum's Hall of Associates. Lunch costs $2.50 for non-Athenaeum members, so those who wish to hear only Dr. Pauling's talk should come at 12:30 p.m.

That evening, at 7:30 p.m., Dr. Pauling will address a Winnett Lounge audience on "Vitamin C and the Common Cold."

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**A Rare Photo**

THE ORC O takes for a rare photograph-taking session. Can you guess which member is Madam R? Photo by Dave Peisner.
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by Greg Simay

Karen Maples is the first woman president of the Caltech Y. Karen will lead the Y Student Executive Committee of 1974-75 and will have final responsibility for the Y's student programming. Graduate representation has increased on the new Excomm and undergraduate representation continues to be broad (no pun intended).

Life at Tech in Review

Bonner's Office to be Inspected

by E. McLeod

A committee has been formed to review (on a one-time basis) the function and structure of the Office of Student Relations, currently headed by Lynn Bonner. The committee will concern itself with all areas of student life which fall under the Student Relations office, including student health and welfare, student housing, admissions and record-keeping process, athletics and physical education, the offices of the Dean of Students and the Master of Student Houses, and relations with the GSC, ASCIT, and the Caltech Y. The committee is composed of the following administrative, faculty, and student representatives: F. C. Anson (ch), J. S. Best (sg), R. A. Dean, D. L. Goodstein, R. A. Huttonback, E. Y. Loh (grad), D. W. Morrurice, E. C. McLeod (sg), R. D. Owen, R. P. Sharf, T. Veitland.

The committee is seeking relevant input from students regarding any of the above-mentioned concerns. Please direct information or complaints or questions to any of the committee members.

OCRC Censored by Winnett Fuehrer

by O’Crick

Last Monday night, the Official Campus Riot Committee held a meeting in the Trustee’s Room of Milikan Library. The chief item of discussion was the now infamous incident of last Friday in which the OCRC was denied its right to free speech and expression of ideas as guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution. Several OCRC members were apprehended while putting up posters in Winnett Student Lounge, a gathering place symbolic of the free flow of students’ ideas.

We asked OCRC President, Madam R, to describe the ensuing events for the Tech: “We had just finished putting up the posters when suddenly we were surrounded by a self-appointed group of Gestapo agents, led by Winnett Secretary Flora (Fuehrer) Constanten, who immediately tore all of our posters down. Supposedly this act of fascist oppression was done in order to prevent the posters from being seen by the TV cameras which happened to be in the lounge at the time. It is not clear what Flora was afraid of. Certainly a few ‘Violence Is Gold’ posters seen on TV would not precipitate a national revolution. Why censor these harmless pieces of paper? Better you censor the greasy lounge at the time.


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succeeding vote) that the fact that Massey was on his own nominating committee did not materially change the result, since he was clearly the best qualified of the candidates. (The question of propriety still remains, however. One suggestion that was brought up, and which Mallonee agreed to in his own case of being on the interviewing committee for the Excom, to which he has applied for a second term, was that the members of the nominating committee might submit separate recommendations, abstaining from this when a conflict of interest exists.)

Hopefully, the fact that the conflict came to a head this early in the year will give both Mallonee and Shiller a chance to work it out some way or another. “Oh, no!”

These are rumors going around that a computer program is being devised that will spit out the names of students who do not fulfill the various Institute requirements at the proper time (like the fifteen units of lab required in the frosh year). Any student spit out would presumably not be allowed to register for the next term. The Tech promised to look into the matter.

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SPORTS

Blacker Wrenches Monkey Throw

by Bob Kieckhefer

Discobolus competition was proceeding nicely toward its annual Fleming-Page showdown when Blacker threw a monkey wrench into the works by defeating the Flems by 299 pins in bowling (not wrestling) last weekend. Fleming still holds a 20-19 lead over the Dudes as second term draws to its inevitable conclusion.

This term's Discobolus results:

Page defeated Blacker in softball, 8-7.
Page defeated Ruddock in volleyball, 15-4, 15-11.
Page defeated Lloyd in tennis, 3-2.
Page defeated Ricketts in track and field, 45-5.
Fleming defeated Page in wrestling, 22-20.
Fleming defeated Dubney in basketball, 45-35.
Blacker defeated Fleming in bowling, 2-0.

The current challenge order and point standings: Blacker (5), Ruddock (2), Lloyd (2), Ricketts (2), Page (19), Dubney (2), Fleming (20).

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"To this act of repressive fascist censorship, the OCRC can only respond by quoting one of its prophetic posters: ‘Why? ’ The Committee is truly dismayed to see such strong opposition from people who know that they were parked in a yellow loading zone behind Baxter Hall. If Dr. Smith is caught violating campus parking rules, his parking privileges should be revoked and handed over to The People. In the case of Dr. Smith, we might point out that he hardly needs a space since he only lives half a block from the campus. If Dr. Smith is caught parking illegally again, the OCRC will demand the miffication of all parking warnings sent out of his office. If these warnings persist, Dr. Smith’s car might suddenly find itself the victim of a People’s Kidnaping."

In other action at the meeting, the OCRC invited people to express their opinions on the People’s Wall. They explained that it is the only way that they can get any feedback from the people, considering that their meetings are secret.

Mdam R was asked what she thought of “streaking,” the new campus pastime. She replied, “The OCRC firmly disapproves of this childish sport. The OCRC prefers to engage in more constructive forms of activity. Striking can in no way benefit our cause, unless of course the strikers have ‘OCRC’ tattooed across their butts.”

Next weekend the OCRC will have a poster party. There will also be a discussion about possible retaliatory action against Flems. Bring your own lunch.

Page Beats

Page House moved out to an eight and one-half point lead in Intramural competition this week by defeating the Big Red Machine two games to one in volleyball.

The next day, Big Red got a scare when it lost the second game of the three-game set to Blacker 16-14. The first team came back for the third and final game (to the resounding boom of the second team and the Page Dudes who were watching) and stomped 15-0.

SF Authors

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afternoon just by saying, “How do I know?”

The session broke up before 6:30 in a flurry of autographs, as all participants went off to feed their faces in one manner or another.

The Evening Opens

The evening session opened with the screening of a short documentary entitled “Lunch with John W. Campbell.” The film covered the development of story line between writers Harry Harrison and Gordon R. Dickson and Analog editor John Campbell. It explored the influence an editor’s criticisms and suggestions can have on the creation of a viable plot, and afforded a number of insights into the character of the man who was one of the most important influences in the development of modern sci-fi.

Following the film the writers on the panel offered their evaluation of Campbell and discussed those present editors likely to have a large impact on the genre. Robert Silverberg stated that in his opinion the two biggest current influences were Harlan Ellison and Ben Dova, but other members of the panel expressed a disclaimer to include Ellison in anything.

In response to a question from the audience, the writers discussed their working habits and the worlds that they create. Heinlein researches until he feels ready, then writes straight—14 hours a day, seven days a week—until he finishes, Silverberg is content to write a little, every day.

All the authors expressed their ability to live mentally in the worlds they create, but most of them are relatively content to live for real in the here and now.

One exception was Larry Niven who said that he wouldn’t mind living in any of the worlds of his “known space” series after the 24th century.

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