

Sanford Riley Commons Gets New Furniture

Colorful Coverings Come to Commons From Mrs. Kaven Fund

The much-worn and often-used, leather-covered furniture in the Commons of Sanford Riley Hall has finally succumbed to the fate of all inanimate objects which stand in the onrushing path of the surging hordes of freshmen. The Commons' furnishings, after twenty-two years of service, have been relegated to an inglorious end as give-away gifts. The battered sofas and arm-chairs may yet come into their own when a complete set of tattered and torn lounge furnishings are presented to the lucky individual who can hear the complete lyrics to the W.P.I. Alma Mater song at any athletic function.

Purchased Through Kaven Fund

The new furnishings, consisting of eight sofas and twelve chairs, have been procured through the Mrs. Kaven Fund. This fund was set up a number of years ago by the wife of Dr. Moses B. Kaven, class of '85, a great benefactor of the school. This fund was established for the express purpose of providing furnishings and equipment to the dormitory with specific emphasis on items that might not otherwise come to the dorm. The Mrs. Kaven Fund was set up with a \$10,000 principal, the interest of which would be utilized each year as just outlined. For several years this interest has been allowed to accumulate so that the combined interest was applied to the purchasing of the new furniture. The sofas and chairs have splashed the Commons with a riotous accumulation of flame red, pepper green, and turf tan. For the color-blind this would mean nothing, but to those who can distinguish between varying shades of red, green, and brown, the newly-attired Commons will afford not just relaxation, but colorful relaxation.

NOTICE!

Thursday afternoon, Jan. 26, at 4:00 P.M. there will be a meeting of all members of the TECH NEWS Association for the purpose of electing officers for the year. This meeting will take place in Room 19 of Boynton Hall. Any students interested in becoming competitors are also invited to this meeting.

PEDDLER Bares New Clue in Boston Holdup

Simon McSnide Fails To Donate Pictures to Peddler, Shot in Boston

Joe Boynton, the average Tech student, was a very likeable and cooperative young fellow. When asked to hand in snapshots to the *Peddler* he complied with the request most cheerfully. He took extra pictures about the campus and even made a survey of all snapshots previously taken. Surprisingly enough he even found some under a dusty old stack of Physics notes. Yes, here was a man who really cooperated with the *Peddler* Staff. This made everyone happy and his enthusiasm contributed appreciably to the success of a new, bigger, and better *Peddler*. Bliss was predominant.

However, on the campus was another student by the name of Simon McSnide. He wasn't the least bit interested in helping out the *Peddler* Staff and made no bones about it. When asked to hand in snapshots for the yearbook he scoffed, "Why should I help? The *Peddler* Staff has a soft job anyway, and who cares if the book is a success." Somehow or other when the Admiral wasn't looking this character was graduated. As may be expected of such a contemptuous personality, he received no job and was shunned by society everywhere. One day while in Boston and in desperate need of money, he planned a \$1,500,000.00 robbery. In this attempt he was met with a blazing volley of bullets from the blazing pistols of a blazing constabulary. It was a gruesome but fitting end.

Moral: He who thinks illustrating the *Peddler* is a snap may be shot.

CIVILS SELECT OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

On Tuesday, January 17, within the hallowed walls of Boynton 19, the local chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers held elections at their regular business meeting. The slate of officers chosen by the Civils to lead them during the coming year are as follows: President, Donald Kolodne; Vice president, Paul Radasch; Secretary, Richard Boutiette; and Treasurer, Raymond Fenno.

In addition to these officers, other elections, to choose delegates to the annual meeting of the New England Confederation of Student Chapters of the A.S.C.E., saw the election of Lester Slocum as first choice, with John Tracy as alternate.

Faculty advisor for the local chapter is Professor Frederick J. Sanger.

W.P.I. Concert Band Plays At Assembly

THE SAGA OF TECH'S MAN IN BLUE—BENNY HINES

By MAX BRAUN

"Tonight", mused Benny, "Reminds me of a night long ago, when my father took me down to the river . . . in a burlap bag. So you want my life story, son? Wal, si' down on the grass here and we'll start in."

"I was born . . . in Worcester." But the year remains a mystery. However, since he doesn't recall Indians, or even when the Admiral was an Ensign, it was some time ago.

"They didn't know what to name me," said Benny, "So they drew ideas out of a hat; for seven years, I was called Sweatband." By that time, he was able to do elementary reading, such as the Saturday Evening Post, and was forthwith decreed to be Benjamin Franklin Hines. As for his childhood, "I was," remembers Benny, "The kind of kid my mother wouldn't let me associate with."

Dogmatic, Benny early in life began to prepare himself for a career in Law; this was soon after he acquired flat feet. He took courses in Billy-Twirling, Snake Dance Line-Busting, and Street Light Replacement. But it wasn't until he'd done his brilliant outside work in the case of the Backhouse Murders that he was taken in by the boys in blue.

His first assignment was to track down the owner of an abandoned car with a case of scotch in the trunk; Benny did diligent work on that case. He was detailed to trace a man lost for fifteen years. Benny tracked him all over the continent, and finally knew he was somewhere in Brooklyn; there he got lost.

After an amazing career of Sam Spade-like experiences, Benny finally met his match, and decided to retire from the Force. A chorus girl had killed her boy-friend, shooting him half-way between her dressing-room and the back stairs, a most fatal spot. When Benny cornered her, she pulled a gun out of nowhere, and aimed it at his head; Benny moved, and she blew his brains out. "But it doesn't show with m'hat on," grins Benny.

It was in 1944 that he was sworn into the Worcester Tech Police Force, and he's been swearing ever since. (He loves his job, Admiral, but how do you make a gag out of that?) Thereby he became Landscape Architect, Parking Lot Superintendent and Assembly Attender. He was also

commissioned House Detective of the Alden Apartments, those rooms upstairs that are considered undesirable, but preferable to marriage.

His first week here, he recalls, almost drove him nuts. Men swarmed all over the grass of the East Campus, carrying small range finders and zeroing in on Becker Dames. He stopped manufacturing grey hairs when he found out that they were only leveling, but a few of the fair Dames are quite sure that Tech men have never levelled with them. "But winter," sentimentalizes Benny, "Brings me closer to the boys. It's the only season I'm as snowed as they are."

How many of you men know that Benny has been called in on the Brink case? Figuring that Worcester would be the last place anyone would come to, the FBI sent Benny circulars on the wanted men. "They're even looking for Brink himself," says Benny. "If you see him, tell me. He's about five and a half feet tall, and a million and a half short." A false lead was turned up the other day when someone found an old sock containing a fortune in small bills; but it turned out that some professor had dropped his month's pay. When the hullabaloo of notoriety dies down, Benny will give his full vigor to us again, and then. . . .

Woe be unto he who murders one little blade of grass, for each is under Benny's tender care and eagle-eye. "The grass is always greener on the other side of the street," he philosophizes, "But don't walk on that either." The Tau Bete boys always have quite a job once a year convincing Benny that they staked out their totem from a hovering helicopter.

"A place for every car, and every car in its place is my motto," he says. "But if Mr. Rochette persists in parking his car on the fourth floor of the Freshman barracks. . . ." However, Benny isn't that strict about parking. He allows all Tech wives plus or minus two-wrinkled-fender-widths.

Why don't you introduce your Alden dance dates to Benny? They'll be glad to know that the strong right arm of the Law is ever present, and you might as well know it, too; that'll stop the car from stalling in the Gym parking lot just as long as she does.

*Snappy Marches and Novelty Tunes to Entertain Students

Jones and Bartlett Duo On Xylophone Among Feature Presentations

That a school of such limited enrollment as Worcester Tech can present and support two bands, the marching band and the concert band, is in itself a remarkable feat. But to maintain such a high degree of quality in the presentations of the bands, and to do this consistently, makes the bands definitely outstanding. Not merely satisfied with the bands as they are and have been, Bill Lynch, Tech's music director, and Fred Levitsky, faculty advisor, have expanded the W.P.I. Concert Band to include forty-three pieces. At today's assembly the Concert Band will make its first appearance in its enlarged capacity. This will mark the second appearance during this school year of the school bands at assemblies.

Specialties To Be Featured

The program has been arranged to cater to the likes and dislikes of all, as has been the practice in the past. One of the featured numbers planned for the hour's entertainment is the presentation of *Kilties*, a Scottish march. Bill Lynch has written a unique introduction to the march, a band imitation of the scurling of bagpipes utilizing the majority of the band instruments. In addition to the *Kilties* march, two other marches will be played. One, *March Trombonium*, will present the trombone section in a specialty with the band ensemble as accompaniment. The other march will be a rendition of the *Cavalry Charge*, a descriptive medley. The title of the piece fully explains the contents of the composition which will feature appropriate sound effects by the percussion instruments and the other segments of the band.

Several Cole Porter selections have been selected for the edification of the student body and faculty. In what is fast becoming a permanent addition to the Concert Band, Dick Jones and Dick Bartlett will harmonize in a xylophone duet. Besides all this, for those who depend upon the unusual for satisfaction, Bill and his boys will present a mystery number which can best be understood only when it has been heard.

The Concert Band is looking ahead to the near-future, when, on March 3, they will present a concert in Alden Auditorium in conjunction with the Holy Cross College band.

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Editorial

Since this is the senior staff's last opportunity to say anything that will be printed in the columns of the **TECH NEWS**, the staff would like to wish all the success in the world to the succeeding staff.

To the present staff, I would like to express my deep felt appreciation for the time and effort that they have expended for the **NEWS**. It has been a pleasant experience to work with as competent a staff as has been the case this year.

Finally we would like to ask, once again, the indulgence of the student body for the editorial boners that we have pulled this year. We tried our best to do right, but we're only human.

As our last bit of crusading, we'd like to advocate just once more the raising of the activities tax. Twenty-five dollars is not too much to ask, when consideration is taken of the return for your money. We all like to get in on a sure thing. Then why not get on the bandwagon for the increased tax? Remember what you'll get for your money: an issue of the *Peddler*, probably one of the finest yearbooks put out in college circles, plus improved issues of the **NEWS**, and in addition, more money for activities which are deserving, such as lacrosse.

Before I forget, one more word to the student body in general, with regard to the spirit shown at the basketball games. Spirit is a fine thing, but when it detracts from sportsmanship, something has to be done. It has been too evident in the past few games that the students of Worcester Tech are pretty poor losers. Would you want your basketball team accorded the same hooting and yelling on foreign courts that has been given to the teams that have played our quintet on the Alumni Gym hardwood? Let's try to keep our spirit on a sportsmanlike basis. We don't need all the hooting that has been going on. Our club is good enough to take on any team that it faces on equal terms. Let's keep cheering for our boys, but let's lay off the opposition. We have a tradition of good sportsmanship, that has been maintained for years, to keep up! So let's get on the ball—to quote from the sayings of a well known sage, "If you can't play a sport, be one!"

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AROUND THE GREEK CIRCUIT

By **NORM BROWN**

Greetings, people; looks as though the old familiar home stretch is upon us again, with nought but the pleasant memories of the A.I.C. game to offset the prospect of finals.

Theta Chi is still showering sparks of life, however, with some early spring cleaning under Hank Taylor's whip. Even the moths in the old moose head were evicted. Manny Pappas has been driving everybody nuts with his midnight dribbling practice, but anyone who has seen Manny in action knows that he will be a genuine asset in the rapidly approaching I.F. competition. Rumor has it that Jim Moran will stay in town next weekend for the first time since

he entered the Institute twelve years ago. Elaborate plans are underway for a post-final party which, it is expected, will not only wash away the scars from finals, but also soften the shock of the coming term. That's a big order, but the order for refreshments will be even bigger, and that looks like a forecast of a really bang-up affair.

Scabbing at Sig Ep will be accomplished through a fog of cigar fumes as a result of several transfers of fraternity jewelry. Ralph Auerbach hung his pin on Margie Calkins, Betty Newcombe has Al Hansen's jewelry, and Barbara Martel is keeping the gold shiny for Ken Cross. Preparations for the coming I.F. basket-

ball competition include a game with the Ionic Boys Club on Tuesday.

Theta Kap popped the cork last week in a little party at which the boys wished John Gagliardo and Carol Bridgham the best of happiness and success in their coming marriage. Similar sentiments come from all parts of the campus as the big day, January 27, draws near. A very successful house party capped our near victory over Arnold.

After an extremely well-attended open house following the defeat of A.I.C. all seems quiet on the Lambda Chi front. The social committee is far from asleep, however, and plenty of activity is in store for next term.

"So You Want to Be An Engineer"

Does your brother want "to study to be an engineer", or do you know some high-school boy who seeks your advice? If so, you will be interested in this letter from a practising engineer to his nephew. Case and letter are real, so names are withheld.

DEAR BILL:

"You will be graduated from high school next June. Your father tells me you want to be an engineer (not just sure what kind), and asks me to advise you regarding your education and summer jobs. I am mighty glad to do this, because I think you have the ability to go places in engineering if you get the right start. For many years I have been thinking about this matter of job preparation and noticing which men got ahead and which didn't and why. I have

discussed job training with many college professors and with successful engineers and business men in many industries.

"To get right down to brass tacks, I have laid out the attached job preparation chart, which sums up my own observations and convictions.

"No two men ever see things exactly alike, yet I feel, Bill, that the average engineer of long experience will admit that this chart is at least eighty percent correct. Certainly all successful businessmen and engineers agree about the importance of getting along with people and of being able to express yourself successfully in writing and in speech.

"A few engineers, and many of the professors, might claim that I have

overstressed the importance of picking up a lot of practical skills before graduating from an engineering school. Yet the longer I live the more certain I become that certain elementary skills are as fundamentally useful as Ohm's Law and the multiplication tables, because they enter into every move the engineer makes in actual life.


"Don't get the idea that you can safely postpone some of these things until after you get your diploma. Did you ever hear of a great musician who confined himself to the theory of music in his early years and didn't start thumping the piano until he was twenty-five? No, youth is the time to learn to play an instrument.

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TECH NEWS SPORTS

Arnold's Late Drive Downs Tech 66-62

Engineers Lose at Foul Line Brown Top Man With Twenty

By BILL CIMONETTI

Little Worcester Poly, rated as the distant 496th team in the nation in last season's Dunkel ratings, almost pulled the small-college upset of the season Saturday night when they outplayed by outfighting a powerful Arnold quintet, but wearied and finally succumbed to the Phys. Ed. hoopsters, 66-62. The Techmen were out for an upset, and would have secured it had they been able to find the hoop from the charity stripe. The strong and fast visitors failed to score as often from the floor, but they tossed in eighteen points on free throws while the Boynton Bombers connected only ten times on the same shots.

The ambitious Worcesterites, despite their shortcomings on the foul line, led all the way until the closing five minutes when they tired and in desperation fouled their way out of the lead and ultimately the game. The Arnold offense, despite the furious pace of the fray, seemed to be as fresh at the finale as at the outset.

This Arnold club, who rolled up their seventh win in twelve starts, and have been beaten only by such quintets as St. Johns and the like, did not seem to have the better team on the Tech hardwood. They used an ineffective double-bucket offense while Tech was working smoothly in their weave and pivot system.

Harry Brown broke the cover for the first bucket of the game with a smooth hook shot and from that point, the Worcester men were never headed until the disastrous ending. The Crimson Arnold club matched hoops with the locals through the first five minutes, and when Tech called time at that point, the score was 11-9. The West Street A.C. maintained the fast pace, though, and at half time they led by one hoop, 31-29.

In the opening period, Harry Brown was instrumental in the Tech scoring and was also the big man on defense. He picked up four personals early, however, and was forced to sit out most of the second half. Andy Freeland, too, was hooping well but having defensive trouble and he had three personals at half time. Kolodne and Collings were alternating with these men.

Tech returned to the fray and proceeded to open up the greatest lead of the game in the opening minutes of this second canto. With less than one minute gone in this period, Bill Mehalick pulled off the "Shot of the Game". He nonchalantly laid one up from the back side of the basket, watching the ball swish in by looking through the dressy glass boards.

Arnold, trailing 29-38 midway through the second half, finally began to pick up steam as their extra pep allowed them to drive around the tiring Engineers. And they rapidly closed the gap in the scores.

They had pulled to within one basket, 49-51, when Brown replaced Kolodne and proceeded to momentarily halt the visitors' march. The Engineers were fouling freely now, though, and Arnold capitalized on

this to tie the score at fifty-four all with five minutes showing on the clock. The tired Tech team nearly fell apart at this point as they could not stop fouling and Arnold ran the lead out to 58-54. Brown and Captain Richie Howard teamed to come back to within one basket with one minute left, but several shots and the subsequent tap-ins were missed and the Red took possession of the ball. The visitors were really skillful in holding it and the time ran out on the luckless Techmen.

Arnold was one of the best teams to play on the Tech court this season, and on another night they might have run away with the game. The hometowners were determined, however, and their fight must have surprised the victors. Tech was a ten point underdog going into the game, and yet they very nearly knocked off the favorites.

In the preliminary game the red hot Tech Junior Varsity rolled to an easy victory over Classical High School. This tall and fast J.V. is playing a fine brand of ball this season and is showing a host of talent at every outing. Dick Hall, who was deadly all night with his one hand set shots, was high man for the winners with eighteen points. Georgie Joest aided the cause with ten more of his dandies, and Long John Leach hooped seven.

The totals:

TOUGH TO LOSE			
ARNOLD-66		62-TECH	
fg	fp	tp	fg
Piasick f	4	0	8
Carruth	1	0	2
Verderame f	2	3	7
Amato	4	2	10
McDermott c	2	2	6
Riera g	4	9	17
Savard g	4	0	8
Griffin	3	2	8
Totals	24	18	66

TECH J. V.—45			
84—CLASSICAL			
fg	fp	tp	fg
Joest f	4	2	10
St. Louis	1	0	2
Hall f	8	2	18
Willard	0	0	0
Leach c	3	1	7
Horn	1	1	3
Kasper g	1	0	2
Junis	0	0	0
Coupe	0	0	0
Shebek g	1	1	3
Forsberg	0	0	0
Totals	19	7	45

Referrees: Frigard and Bodzyna.

Tech Defeated by M.I.T. Cagers 59-51 At Cambridge

Brown Tallies 18 Points In Final Period, As Tech Rally Falls Short

Despite a brilliant 23 point contribution by Harry Brown, Tech lost a 59 to 51 decision to M. I. T. at Cambridge this past week. Whatever else our Engineers may be, they are definitely not a good road club. Of the eleven defeats suffered last year, 8 of the set backs occurred away from home, while two of the four losses on the slate this year, have also been on foreign courts. The minute our basket-poppers vacate the confines of friendly Alumni Gymnasium, Lady Luck, and their scoring eyes seem to desert them. Such was the case again last Wednesday.

The first half of the game was a see-saw affair which found the lead changing hands continuously. Oddly enough, it was not until three minutes had gone by in the proceedings before Rorschach of M. I. T. broke a scoreless deadlock with a free try. Thereafter the tempo of the game increased. Bill Mehalick paced our side with some timely shooting, and the half ended with the home team out in front by a 21 to 18 margin.

At the beginning of the second half, Leon Hong, M. I. T.'s starring pint-sized performer, swished in two sets, and increased their lead to 7 points. Play remained static until the 10 minute mark of the last half. At this juncture Harry started his scoring spree. From here in the flashy pivotman displayed some gee-whiz scoring power, burning up the nets for an unbelievable 18 points. He clearly was the outstanding player on the floor. However, his mates were experiencing atrocious luck in their shooting, and were unable to contribute very much to this gallant one-man surge. Hong was joined by Herb Glatz in preserving the victory and the latter finished the evening with 10 points, while the scrappy Chinese playmaker chipped in with 8. Steady Bill Mehalick who tallied 14 markers was the only other Techman to hit double figures.

In the preliminary game, the W.P.I. J.V. squad continued to impress with a 53 to 52 thriller over the M. I. T. seconds.

M. I. T.—59			51—W. P. I.			
fg	fp	tp	fg	fp	tp	
Nacey f	2	1	5	Mehalick g	6	2
Honkalehto	3	0	6	Hoch g	1	0
Gartle f	0	3	3	Chapman	0	2
Corrie	2	2	6	Brown c	9	5
Hohorst c	3	0	6	Freeland	1	0
Morton	3	0	6	Althen	0	0
Hong g	4	0	8	Howard f	1	2
Rorschach	2	3	7	Collings	2	0
Glatz g	5	0	10			
McMillan	1	0	2			
Totals	25	9	59	Totals	20	11

Referrees: Gentile and Croke.

ATO, Phi Gam, and Phi Sig All Tied Up For Lead in Interfraternity Bowling Tourney

No One Team Allowed to Assume Command Due to Upsets, Close Matches

With the second week of IF bowling matches rolled off the alleys, everyone may settle back to watch what appears to be a very close and interesting tournament. Anyone can see that any prediction of the outcome would be mere speculation. Computing team standings on a percentage basis, three teams, ATO (10-6), PGD (5-3), and PSK (5-3) are tied for the top spot. Following the leaders are, SAE (7-5), LCA (2-2), TKP (8-8), SPE (7-9), TX (3-5), and AEP (1-7).

In a run-down of the week's matches, Sig Ep led off with a victory over PGD, winning 3-1. TKP took all four points from AEP on Tuesday, and on Wednesday TX downed SPE, 3-1. Thursday afternoon saw the SAE keglers bowl over ATO, 4-0, and in the final match of the week, LCA and PSK rolled to a tie, 2-2.

As for statistics, Hugh Lovell of PGD still had the high individual average with 97.5 pins per string. Murdock (94.6), Richard (94.3), Harding (94.0), and Don Kolodne (93.5) rounded out the big five in this column.

Murdock of SPE knocked down 124 pins to move into first place in the high string singles, and SPE posted the season's high team single string and high team total with scores of 395 and 1115 pins respectively. Erickson, ATO, stayed in first place in the high three string total with the 304 pins he posted last week.

With the way that some of the lower teams have been chalking up victories over the present leaders, it looks as if every match will be close and unpredictable. No one house seems to have a team that stands out in the race. This should give good reason for all of the fraternity men to check the bowling schedule and find out the dates of their team's matches. With good backing for every team, an even greater degree of spirit will be created in this fine IF tournament.

Stevenson of Amherst Sets New Record At Local Pool As Tech Is Sunk 44-29

Swims the 440 in 4:56.4; Tech's Johnson and Baker Spurt to Win Relay

The Lord Jeffs of Amherst paid the Tech pool a visit Saturday and they took back with them a decisive victory. In outscoring the Engineer mermen, 44 to 29, they took firsts in every event except the 400-yard relay. All those who saw the meet could see why Amherst is high among the favorites to take the New England small school championships won by Williams College last year.

The highlight of the afternoon, however, was the 440 free style won by Stevenson of Amherst. As he sped his way through the water with seemingly effortless, yet powerful strokes, one could feel that this was not a race as is witnessed everyday. When with much deliberation the times were checked, it was announced that Stevenson had just broken the pool and Intercollegiate records with a time of 4:56.4.

300-yard medley relay—Won by Amherst (Waise, Hiller, Kydel). Time: 3:11.2.

220-yard Free Style—Won by Geithner (A); 2d Bowen (W); 3d Farraher (W). Time: 2:28.2.

60-yard Free Style—Won by Tate (A); 2d Johnson (W); 3d Adams (W). Time: 31.8.

Diving—Won by Ashe (A); 2d Conent (A); 3d Howell (W).

100-yard Free Style—Won by Schlanger (A); 2d Johnson (W); 3d Keeney (A). Time: 58.2.

150-yard Back Stroke—Won by Stamford (A); 2d Lancey (W); 3d Quamo (W). Time: 1:46.6.

200-yard Breast Stroke—Won by Baum (A); 2d Hodgett (W). Time: 2:51.8.

440-yard Free Style—Won by Stevenson (A); Brown (W). Time: 4:56.4.

400-yard Relay—Won by Worcester (Johnson, Baker, Bowen, Farraher). Time: 4:07.4.

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to skate, swim, ride a horse, sail a boat, dance, get along with people, or run a typewriter. I can't see any good reason why you should wait until after graduation before learning to write a business letter, swing a hammer, push a file, sell a bill of goods, or get along with a bunch of workmen.

"Before I explain how to use the job chart I must deliver one more piece of advice, based on long experience and observation. You've probably read inspiring stories about men who start young preparing for one specific job. In general, I don't think it's a good plan, although there have been spectacular exceptions. I'm not underestimating the importance of having a definite purpose in life, but I feel that too-early specialization is very dangerous. Observe the ways of the cat, Bill. She knows more than one way to jump. Her outstanding talent is the ability to land on four feet under any and all circumstances.

"To be safe you've got to be versatile. How many men today are actually in the jobs they picked for themselves twenty or thirty years ago? How can you be sure about what you will be doing in 1970? When that day arrives, the job you planned may not even exist, or the rapidly changing world may have created a new, and much better, op-

portunity for you somewhere else. There is always a lot of chance and uncertainty in human affairs. Above all things, prepare yourself to land on your feet no matter where you are tossed. That means being able to do those simple every-day things that enter into all jobs everywhere.

"I hope you get this point, because it is important. Don't decide right now that you are going to be an air-conditioning engineer or a diesel engineer. Train yourself in the general fundamentals of mechanical and electrical engineering. At the same time, acquire some skill in the simple every-day operations of all engineering and business occupations. I repeat, start right now learning how to talk and write English, work with people, sell, handle tools and machines, write business letters, and keep simple accounts. Then you will be equipped to make a living with your hands and end as far up the line as your head, your adaptability, your energy, and your good luck can carry you."



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