

Pritchard and Bridgman honored

Keil named Outstanding Teacher for 1978

by WPI News Bureau

Dr. Thomas H. Keil of 9 Roseland Road, professor of physics at WPI, received the WPI Outstanding Teacher Award for 1978 last Monday at the annual Faculty dinner in Alden Auditorium.

He was given a plaque and the Board of Trustees honorarium of \$500.

Honored last week also were Professor Robert W. Pritchard, athletic director and head of the department of physical education and Dr. Wilbur B. Bridgman, professor of chemistry, who are retiring at the end of the college year.

Professor Keil joined the WPI faculty in 1967 and has served for five years as head of that department. He is a graduate of California Institute of Technology and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Optics from University of Rochester. He came to WPI from Princeton University where he had been a Sloan Postdoctoral Fellow and lecturer.



Prof. Pritchard came to WPI as an instructor in physical education and an assistant football coach in 1942 and became head of that department in 1952.

Prof. Bridgman has been associated with the WPI chemistry department since 1943.

Presentations were by Acting President Ray E. Bolz, in the absence of Dr. George W. Hazzard, who is ill in Memorial Hospital. Profs. Pritchard and Bridgman received WPI chairs.

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Hazzard's final letter to trustees

Dear Members:

This 27th and final letter to you as President of WPI is a strong reminder of the many years of hard work and pleasant success we have shared together. It has been a most rewarding time in my life, one of complete absorption in the affairs of WPI and of reflected glory from the activities of my colleagues. I see an opportunity to continue at a more measured pace in other activities related to education and gladly turn the presidential responsibilities over to Ed Cranch. I'm sure you will support him as well as you have me.

It has been interesting this year to be a lame duck. Such is the nature of the academic scene that one cannot avoid the problem. But I have found that challenges continue if you are willing to tackle them. Academically it has been a time of gathering ourselves for the next great leap forward. In fact we already would have taken some big leaps if only some of our proposals to outside agencies had been funded. At least we are developing some pretty clear ideas about what we want to do.

We are playing another game of facilities musical chairs to respond to the growing needs of computer science, management, and social science. Modest modifications in Stratton, Washburn, and Salisbury make these responses possible. Coupling these with a major grant for equipment from the Alden Trust helps us to continue and strengthen our academic quality.

And, of course, Boynton Hall nears completion. By mid-June we should begin the process of return by the administrative groups scattered around the campus. Best of all will be our sense of security as we walk on floors that should hold the heaviest concentration of administrative heavy weights. All these moves remind me once again of the important role played by the many friends of WPI whose gifts help make these activities possible.

But rather than talking about bricks and mortar it seems more appropriate to focus on campus people and their activities as we approach the end of the academic year. Their activities and accomplishments are numerous indeed.

Faculty and Staff Activities

Dean William R. Grogan presented a seminar to the science and mathematics faculty and graduate students at the University of California at Berkeley on "Implementation of Educational Change: The WPI Experience."

Prof. Paul Davis has been appointed head of the mathematics department, succeeding Prof. J. J. Malone, effective July 1. Dr. Malone who has given strong

leadership to the department since 1971, will continue at WPI with teaching and research.

Prof. Richard Sisson, mechanical engineering, has recently returned from a Rotary Club group study exchange program - visiting industries and universities in Australia for several weeks this spring.

Prof. Donald Zwiep as chairman of the Board of Trustees of the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation directed the Foundation's Jury of Awards for their Professional Division award program.

Prof. Norman Sondak, computer science, was elected national president of Upsilon Pi Epsilon, national computer science honor society, for a two-year term. This honor society has over 4000 members with chapters in 25 major colleges and universities.

Kay Wear Draper, lecturer in English, was selected Massachusetts Mother of the Year for 1978 by the American Mothers Committee.

Dean Edward Clarke was host to the New England Congressional Caucus Energy Congress Working Committee in April. Committee members from all over New England have the job of identifying and selecting those New England persons who can provide the best input to members of Congress on environmental/energy matters.

Prof. John Mayer, mechanical engineering, was appointed to the Town of Holden Municipal Electric Board for the remainder of 1978. He also gave the William Reid lecture at the University of Kentucky's College of Engineering in April.

Prof. Kenneth Scott, mechanical engineering, served on a case study evaluation team on behalf of the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

Prof. Albert Sacco, chemical engineering, was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the New England Catalysis Society. He was elected a member of the Organizing Committee of the Seventh National Catalysis Society meeting to be held in Boston October 1981. He recently received an NSF research grant for "An Investigation of Filamentous Growth on Transition Metals During Carbon Deposition."

WPI authors have been busy this spring. Prof. Malcolm Fitzpatrick presents a new theory and its application in urban planning in his book "Environmental Health Planning" published by Ballinger Press. Prof. Leonard Sand is author of "Natural Zeolites" published by Pergamon Press. Dr. James F. Danielli has written "International

Review of Cytology" just brought out by Academic Press. Prentice-Hall is the publisher of Prof. Joseph Mancuso's sixth book, "How to Start, Finance and Manage Your Own Business."

Prof. Robert Peura contributed two chapters, one on "Basic Transducers and Principles" and the other on "Blood Pressure and Sound" for a new book "Medical Instrumentation."

Since February, WPI faculty have been responsible for 18 journal publications and 27 technical publications. This is a commendable effort.

Prof. Louis Curran (HU) and three students were delegates at the 25th Annual Intercollegiate Musical Council Convention in Athens, Georgia.

Roy Astley, coordinator of counseling services, received his Doctor of Education in Counseling Psychology at Harvard.

Felix Tozeski and John Grzyb, instructional associates and technical designers in mechanical engineering were honored recently in surprise "on-the-job" ceremonies in recognition of 25 years of service to WPI.

Prof. Roy Widdus, life science and Alden Research Laboratory electronics technician Ed Morley were contenders in the Patriot's Day Boston Marathon. Both finished the grueling 26 mile course in good time.

Wayne Chepren, teaching assistant in the ME department, won first place in the Massachusetts AAU State Power lifting meet with a record lift of 505 lbs.

Dean of Graduate Studies Wilmer L. Kranich, on behalf of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, recently arranged a One-Day School for Chemical

Engineering Educators at the American Cyanamid Company Laboratories. Profs. Sacco, Wagner, Weiss and Zwiebel were also among the 25 teachers from ten New England colleges at the meeting in Stamford, Connecticut on April 7. The last such school in New England was also arranged by Dean Kranich on May 12, 1952. Enthusiasm at the Stamford meeting indicated that there will not be another quarter century interval before the next school

Michael Kyritis, manager of Mailing and Duplicating, was honored at a testimonial dinner in April for his work during the past year as District Governor of the Order of American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association. Vice President David Lloyd was the principal speaker.

Among the Students

Seniors Patricia Tracy and William Walton spoke at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Student Engineers in Quebec, describing the WPI Plan to representatives of virtually every engineering college in Canada.

City Manager Francis McGrath held a coffee hour in his office to recognize work performed by four WPI seniors and a recent graduate. Bruce Smith, '77, and seniors Paul Angelico, Jeffrey Blanton, Jonathan Brucks, and Peter Hayden each received a letter of commendation from Mr. McGrath who paid tribute to the college and its people, and extended the City's appreciation for the students' study on safety conditions with the Worcester Department of Public Works and City Hospital. Blanton, Hayden, and Smith collaborated on a year-

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Glee Club going to Iberia

by William Guillole

The WPI Men's Glee Club has proposed plans for a two week concert tour of Iberia in the spring of 1979 between terms C and D.

The WPI brass players have been invited to join the club on tour.

This will be the club's fourth trip to Europe since Professor Curran became director in 1966. They have been to England on two occasions and went to Germany and Austria between B and C terms of last year. The men have also traveled to Canada, California and Washington, D.C. for singing engagements.

The glee club sings with a number of women's colleges throughout the school

year. During this past spring and fall they had performances with Simmons, Regis and New Rochelle Women's Glee Clubs. The men's glee club has already received numerous invitations from women's clubs to sing next year.

A Worcester Consortium Concert is planned for the fall at the end of A term. The work which will be performed is Arthur Honneggar's King David. This is part of the continuing effort between the consortium colleges to create a consortium music department.

Anyone interested in the planned concert tour or next year's activities should contact Dave Oliver: WPI Box 2394, WPI Phone 753-8676, Home Address: 1421 Dean St., Schenectady, NY 12309.

Editorials

We're still not happy

What happened to the proposed rewrite of the WPI Student Body Constitution?

As you will recall, our 1977-1978 Student Government was in office after their terms had expired. This newspaper then reported that the Constitution contained many internal contradictions that precluded it from being effective. At the time, Student Government members seemed to be in agreement: The Constitution should be rewritten, incorporating such changes as uniform election times and bylaws.

To date, we have not heard of any committees being formed, either by the Executive Council, or the newly-rejuvenated Committee of Concerned Students for the purpose of reviewing or rewriting the Constitution. As one of the former members of student government who called for such a committee to be formed, I find this extremely disturbing.

We were extremely happy to see such a large turnout in the Student Government Election, and in the subsequent referendum. We thought that, just maybe, students at WPI had finally got the message that we had been trying to grind into them: The Plan means getting involved in more than just studying engineering.

Other things, though, have left us less than happy. In every election held on this campus, some type of procedural question seems to arise that there isn't a clear answer to. The President of the Student Body usually makes a decision on his own, as is his duty. In the last referendum, for example, Seniors were allowed to vote. A second election for Campus Hearing Board had to be held because some of the original ballots had illegible names on them.

I, personally, look forward to the first Student Government meeting next year. This meeting should give us some indication if we've turned the corner or if we're in for another year of do-nothingness.

Tom Daniels
KJM

Newspeak loses two

As another publishing year draws to a close, WPI Newspeak will lose two invaluable, dedicated staff members.

Craig Vickery, one of our Associate Editors, is a person who, although he generally keeps a low profile, has worked for the paper many a week when he's had more than his share of class work to do. He has provided me, and the paper, with insight into tricky editorial questions. Of course, Craig was also known, on occasion, to come into the office wearing a traffic cone on his head, and provided us with a bit of comic relief.

For the past two and one half years, to mention the name of Rory O'Connor was the same thing as saying Newspeak. Rory single-handedly saved this newspaper from oblivion when he became editor, and he hasn't stopped since. He has put more hours in behind the editor's desk than anyone I know of. It's a damn shame that someone hasn't thanked Rory for this dedication before this. He certainly deserves better.

To Rory and Craig, then, from the entire staff: Thanks, and good luck.

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SAB minutes: May 2 and May 9

The meeting was opened at 7:08 p.m. by Taylor Gibson. Attendance was taken. 25 clubs and two probationary clubs were represented.

Dean B. Brown responded to the editorial that appeared in the April 25 issue of Newspeak. He pointed out that SAB funds are allocated in the same manner as funds for departments and therefore, in his opinion, should be subjected to the same type of controls. Concerning outside accounts, he noted that there was a problem with the accountability of club budgets. Another problem concerns club income which is put into outside accounts. Dean Brown also pointed out that the SAB should be aware of its fiscal responsibility to the Reserve Fund which is replenished by unused funds from club accounts. A response to Dean Brown's remarks took the stand that the unused funds was an uncertain source of income for the Reserve and as such should not be counted on.

Mike Davenport wished to see representatives from Newspeak, Crew, Sailing, Hillel, Volleyball, Frisbee, Social Committee, and Chess about an accident in the van. All accidents should be reported whether or not it is the van driver's fault. Mike asked the clubs to repair flat tires and replace the spare when the tire is fixed. The green van now has a spare tire; it does not have a jack but one will be bought soon along with a gas cap. The vans will have a checklist in them so that drivers can check to see if all equipment is present. Please do not remove armrests in the red van.

A meeting with clubs who hold outside accounts was tentatively planned. The effect of outside accounts on our tax free status will be looked into.

The minutes of the Student Gov't meeting which appeared in Newspeak were in error. They are discrepancies between the Student Body Constitution and the SAB By-Laws.

The subject of van use over the summer was brought up. It was decided to rent the green van at 25 cents per mile plus gas with the stipulations that the gas tank must be left full and the driver sign a liability form accepting all responsibilities for the van. The red van will also be rented at the rate of 30 cents per mile plus gas with the same stipulations.

Discussion on the proposed budgets followed. The following budgets were approved with a minimum of 23 votes.

The following budgets were tabled: Black Student Union, Hockey, Newspeak, Peddler, Sailing, Ski, Wireless. It was decided to postpone discussion on these budgets until the next meeting. The number of members present had dropped to 23, meaning that a unanimous vote was required to pass each budget.

The meeting was adjourned around 10:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Taylor Gibson. Attendance was taken. 28 voting members were present. As a result of the new amendment to the By-Laws, both Cheerleading and Literary Society lost their voting privileges by not being represented at two consecutive meetings. Crew had also lost its voting privileges until a representative arrived late. It was decided that lateness did not constitute missing a meeting (23Y, 1N, 2A), and their voting privileges restored. The minutes were read and accepted.

Mike Davenport reported that a jack and gas cap had now been placed in the green van. The meeting about outside clubs is still pending.

It was noted that the SAB Reserve was low. There may be around \$2500 left in the reserve at the end of this year, plus any money from club accounts. This may come to approximately \$5000, however, this is not guaranteed and with the leased van most of it will go towards the van. Thus, the Reserve needs more money.

It was pointed out that the green van is on its last legs; the possibility of leasing another van should be kept in mind. As of now, the Social Committee pays half the maintenance costs for the green van. The question was raised, why does the Social Committee use the red van if they are not paying for it? It was answered that the green van is not always available.

Discussion on the budgets which were tabled at the last meeting followed. The Black Student Union representative argued that the proposed \$200 was not enough to cover even two of the events they had scheduled for the coming year. An increase of \$150 was settled on, giving the BSU a total of \$350 (23Y, 2N). The proposed \$5,000 for the Hockey Club was voted on twice, passing the second time (23Y, 1A, 1N). As concerns Newspeak, it was argued that no club should receive less money than they had gotten last year unless they requested it. Newspeak's budget was raised \$400 for a total of \$13,400 (22Y, 2N, 2A). Peddler's proposed \$5600 was voted upon and passed (23Y, 0N, 3A). Two votes were taken on the Sailing Club's budget, one for \$1500 and the other for \$1300. The \$1300 passed (23Y, 0N, 3A). The Ski Team was awarded \$3200 (22Y, 0N, 4A); Wireless \$450 (25Y, 0N, 1A). The amount of \$1663 was left in the Reserve and was accepted. (24Y, 1N, 0A). A complete breakdown of the budget follows.

A motion was passed to form an ad hoc committee to look into the cost of running the vans and checking to see if present mileage rates cover operating costs. (24Y, 1N, 0A). Another motion was passed that the committee be formed at the first meeting of the year. (24Y, 1A, 0N).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eugenia Fernandez
Secretary

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long study of back injuries in the Department of Public Works, and Angelico and Brucks studied the problem of injuries received by City Hospital personnel from used hypodermic needles. Prof. Thom Hammond was the project advisor.

Junior Andrew Faiss received the Howe-Walker Student Award for his contributions to the success of the ASCE Student Chapter at WPI.

John Caola, '79, is one of two students selected in a nationwide competition to serve as Government Interns in Washington this summer under the sponsorship of ASME. John, a six year Navy veteran aboard nuclear submarines, is an NRC licensed senior operator in the WPI Nuclear Reactor Facility. He is also the winner of the Two Towers prize.

Kenneth Bradford, chemistry, won first place in the chemistry category at Eastern Colleges Science Conference held at Union College. Michael Caputo finished second and Thomas Kent took a third place. With 70 colleges participating, WPI tied with the U. S. Military Academy for the highest number of prizes.

Winners of Salisbury Prizes are Gerald Baird, Jr., Steven Diaz, Kevin Ingle, Margaret Mandrus, Wayne Noss, Brian Timura, William Walton, Steven Wolfe and

Gregory Yeo.

We also have published student authors. Mike Stone, '80, wrote "Mopedaler's Handy Manual" published by Tab Books for all those who wish to become expert moped riders and fixers. Classmate Kenneth Kimball prepared a text for Introduction to Thermodynamics in an effort to provide easier to understand material.

WPI's senior honor society, The Skull, has elected fifteen people to membership this year for their "contributions to the advancement and betterment of the College." The students, all members of the junior class, are Philip Cameron, Karen Chesney, Charles Cox, Michael De La Cruz, Daniel Kennefick, Peter Labelle, Larry Marino, Diane McConnell, Daniel Pouliot, Thomas Rockwood, and David Szkutak. Also tapped were Professors Frank DeFalco and Thomas Keil; Director of Admissions John Brandon; and Henry Wagner, manager of Grounds and Plant Services.

Three student solar energy projects were displayed on the grounds of the Massachusetts Electric Company on April 29 in observance of Sun Day. Over 13,000 visitors attended the display of dozens of solar devices. Gerard Del Priore, '78,

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exhibited a Concentrating Solar Steam Generator in which water was turned to steam in eight minutes in the bright sun which blessed the event. A Concentrating Solar Water Heater was the project of Ian Cannon, William Evans, and Chris James. Another solar steam generator in which a silvered parabolic reflector boils water in a sphere at the focal point was shown by Curtis Wolfson, Kenneth Rass, and Stephen Dudzik. Professors John Wild and Thom Hammond, faculty advisors on the projects, were both on hand at the exhibit to help answer the many questions from the visitors.

Interactions

A tempest in print. The U. S. House Government Operations Committee's recently released report on nuclear power has come in for some strong criticism by Prof. John F. Mayer of mechanical engineering. Mayer's objections were outlined in a Worcester Telegram article on May 3. He stated that the report was strongly biased in favor of those who oppose nuclear power, that the report failed to include testimony taken in hearings while at the same time included other information not introduced during the hearings.

Mayer should be on firm ground because he served with one of the committees participating in the hearings to develop the testimony on which the report is supposed to have been based. Throughout 1977, he was an ASME Congressional Fellow working in the Capitol.

I mention this incident because I feel it suggests several very healthy changes in attitude among technical people. It represents what we are trying to foster in the WPI Plan. First, engineers have begun to play a more active role in the functioning of government as a technological society requires their active involvement. More importantly, engineers are beginning to speak out on matters of public concern in which they have professional experience. This was almost never done by engineers but a few years ago.

Professor Mayer has provided an example to our WPI students by taking a public stand in a controversy in which he held professional knowledge and personal experience. His public stand is not "pro-nuclear" or "anti-nuclear." Rather, he speaks out for accurate and responsible handling of the nation's public business in the halls of Congress. Are any of us willing to settle for less?

Miscellaneous

WPI has received a \$161,000 contract from the U. S. Army Natick Research and Development Command for "Computer Aided Design and Manufacture of Forging Dies for Parachute Hardware." Prof. Stephen Alpert will direct the computer science efforts and Profs. Charles Reynolds and Bennett Gordon will be responsible for the materials engineering research.

\$22,357 from NSF's Division of Social Sciences will permit continuation of a study of the letters and writings of an American student in Europe from 1880 to 1888 by principal investigator Prof. Michael Sokal, humanities.

The 23rd Annual Worcester Regional

Science and Engineering Fair held on campus - nearly 70 exhibitors from area high schools competed.

New Kodak Scholars program will support two undergraduates to be selected next month, according to Financial Aid Director Edgar Heselbarth. Kodak's plan will provide three-fourths of the tuition for each student selected for the balance of his or her undergraduate years. Selection will be made from the present sophomore class. Each student's academic department will receive an additional unrestricted grant of \$1,000. Kodak has been a leader in corporate support programs for higher education and has contributed more than \$61 million in grants to institutions through its Educational Aid Program in the past 25 years.

We also seem to be the target or subject of interest of many different people. During the past few months we have been visited by a delegation from the Chinese Electronics Society, two deans from the University of Iraq, the rector of the Technische Fachhochschule of Aachen, and the dean of Trent Polytechnic in England. Other interviews of faculty and students by CBS Radio, and *Change* magazine we hope will lead to more interesting articles of WPI. Earlier interviews led to a recent article in *Amerika Illustrated* on the WPI Plan through profiles of 1977 graduates Dan Funk and Chris Thomas. The magazine is published by the U. S. Information Agency for circulation in Russia. Don't ask for reprints unless you read Russian!

Of even greater interest in the long run was the final visit of the first and second NSF Visiting Committees. For three years each, the two committees have been on campus once or twice during the academic year to review in detail our progress in implementing the WPI Plan. We expect to

The Majors



have a report for you at the Board meeting.

Athletics

One of the facts of academic life which every college president recognizes early in his tenure is that the amount of press coverage accorded the college's athletic teams and their coaches exceeds by far the ink devoted on newspaper pages to the rest of the institution's programs. Certainly the sports writers have been busy this year, first reporting Bob Pritchard's planned retirement as Athletic Director and then speculating on his successor. Then they featured Coach Mel Massucco's resignation as football coach and speculated on his successor.

All speculation is over with the announcement that George Flood will head the department of physical education and athletics and Bob Weiss will be the new

football coach. George comes from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and Bob from Dartmouth. I wish them both great success.

In spite of the impending changes in the athletic program leadership, WPI athletes continued with many sparkling individual performances. Suzanne Call and Anne Marie Kruglewicz became WPI's first women All-American Athletes by virtue of their outstanding performances in the National Women's Small Colleges Swimming and Diving Championships. Susan is a freshman and Anne Marie a sophomore.

Mark Nestor, '80, achieved the second highest basketball shooting average in WPI history, (.663) and Co-Captain Kevin Doherty set new WPI records for assists (187) for the season and assists per game

Baseball season wrap-up

by Gary Sowyrda
Newspeak Sports Staff

WPI Baseball 1978 has come to another disappointing close. The 4-14 record leaves much to be desired. As always, the team looks very promising for next year with its young players, but something always keeps the team from winning.

On a serious note, here is what was accomplished on the bright side. A Dave Busch shutout of Clark, a 3-2 triumph over Suffolk pitched by Don Maki, and drudgings over Bates and Trinity provided the four wins. Individually, Gary Sowyrda led the team in hitting at .356 as well as RBI's and runs. Dan Durbak led the team in homeruns (4) and slugging percentage. Dan batted .321. Tim Shea batted .290 and had a good year.

As for the others, they had their good days. Scott Farrel went 4-4 against the tough Brandeis team. Bob Warbarton went 2-3 against Suffolk with a game winning homerun. Steve Moriarty went four for five against Trinity with three doubles.

Don Maki pitched consistently well all year. Dave Busch looked unbeatable at times as did Peter Rowden. Rookie Webb Grouten shows promise for the next three years. Also watch out for shortstop Ed Kurzeil and outfielders Wysocky, Ecksberg, Hoercher, and Halleck. Too bad Paul Barret never got a chance to show what he could really do, both in the field and at the plate.

Later WPI baseball. I have many memories, but I just wish we could have had one really good year. I'll miss it, win or lose.

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YAK BREATH: It will be a long hot summer without you. I am thinking of looking up a sheep to keep me company or maybe I'll borrow Vic's dog. I long for the fall when once again we will spontaneously combust. Yours until the end of eternity. Moose Mouth.

TO UNCLE DON CALAWA — Congratulations.

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David Wilson, '80, made it to the finals in the 118 pound division of the NCAA Division III national Wrestling Championship matches. Teammate Tony Masullo, '80, was the second WPI wrestler to compete in the nationals.

In spite of losing two boats when the February blizzard collapsed a boathouse roof, the WPI crew took five of eight races to win the City Championship for the fourth straight year. They also swept the field against the University of New Hampshire the week before.

The LaCrosse Club team has enjoyed an excellent year with a 8-2 record as I write this letter. We probably have more intramural softball games per acre per day than any one else around.

WPI Loses a Great Friend

With the death of M. Lawrence "Cookie" Price, WPI lost one of its greatest statesmen of modern times. During his more than fifty years on this campus as

student, faculty member, dean and vice president, he labored long and lovingly for the welfare of his Alma Mater. He was a tower of strength while at the same time a humble man, aware of his strength and power yet rarely feeling the need to make it evident. He led by persuasion, convincing by logic, sometimes mixed with his own brand of dry humor. The outpouring of people of all ages, of every status in life at his memorial service was truly an expression of love and respect. He will be long remembered on Boynton Hill.

And Some of Us Retire

Two long time faculty will retire this June. Prof. Robert Pritchard, head of the department of Physical Education and Athletics began his WPI career in 1941.

Prof. Wilbur Bridgman of Chemistry joined the faculty in 1943. Both men will be honored at the annual faculty dinner on May 15 and at separate testimonials by their colleagues.

As for me, I find the time propitious to join Bob and Wilbur. A contribution has been made. I can leave with the certainty that WPI received full value in time, commitment, and ideas. My best wishes to all of you for continued success in leading WPI on to even greater accomplishments. Thanks for an exciting and rewarding nine years.

Sincerely,
George W. Hazzard
President

Athlete of the week

This week, the athletes of the week are the members of the KAP softball team. The team went all the way through the playoffs, ending with an exciting 10-8 victory over FIJI. They also defeated LCA, OTHG, and IYF along the way to the championship. The members of the team are: Homerun

Mabey, Ray "Kunkle" Cronin, Dirtball Griffin, Boom Auger, Spongy, Jarhead Rosen, the Stoneman, Fagoo, Poster boy Getches, Coach Slattery, Arty Youze, Jerry Guarsi, Guy O'Halleron, Baby Face Billy, and of course, the dullest coach in softball, Young Busch.

Mountaineering #6.

LORE & LEGEND

Mountaineering is an oral tradition. Over the years, it has been passed down from teacher to pupil, father to son, package store owner to customer. As a result, a folklore — a mythology, if you will — has formed around the mountains of Busch. You, being a student of mountaineering, no doubt wish to acquaint yourself with these truths and half-truths, these stories both accurate and apocryphal. A wise decision. And, as luck would have it, this ad is just the ticket.

One of mountaineering's earliest legends is Bennington Baxter-Bennington. Adventurer, international bon vivant and inventor of the phrase "your check is in the mail," it was he who perfected the finer points of expedition financing. While other mountaineers resorted to such bizarre extremes as gainful employment, Bennington subsidized assaults on the Busch mountaintop with creative economics. An amalgam of paper schemes, franchised dreams, dummy corporations and corporate dummies kept him in clover for nigh on 20 fiscal years. Asked at the culmination of his



career to reflect upon the secret of success, Bennington revealed his first rule: "Keep all your assets liquid"

Another frequent subject of mountaineering lore is the wildlife. Numerous tales abound, but perhaps the most famous story is that of the 1973 Muncie Mathematics Convention. All 75 prodigies, whiz kids and befuddled geniuses initiated an after hours expedition. It began harmlessly enough. But soon, the Busch mountaineers reached the Mobius Strip, a racy nightspot catering to highbrow hijinks. Before the evening was over, several of them were bending the slide rules. Others were smoking big cigars and telling every woman in sight they were agents with an eye for figures, claiming,

"I can make you a mathematical model, baby! Talk about your wildlife!"

But when looking for sheer courage, W. Dexter Poole must rank in lore among the top mountaineers. Fond of saying "The road to truth goes through bad neighborhoods," Poole enjoyed skirting with danger and approached mountaineering as a test of survival skills. In his most famous challenge, Poole, equipped only with 30 waterproof matches and a major credit card, parachuted into a remote area known as Cleveland. He was up to the task. Within 24 hours, Poole was basking under the hot sun of Antibes, downing the smooth, cold, refreshing mountains of Busch Beer.

A credit to his colleagues and a colleague on credit. What becomes a legend most? That



is (one) a matter of subjective judgment and (two) in a constant state of flux. Keep in mind legends are created every day. So when you flex your mountaineering muscles, be true to the tradition. At best, you'll be part of history. At least, you'll be a near-myth.



Mountaineering is the science and art of drinking Busch. The term originates due to the snowy, icy peaks sported by the label outside and perpetuates due to the cold, naturally refreshing taste inside. The above mountaineers and these scenes of their exploits are legendary, any similarity to actual people, living or dead is purely coincidental.



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