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Showing dazzling speed and a definite desire to get to the other end of the track, Martin "Tame," running for the SGA in the race, won his 75th competition to win the title of the "World's Fastest Mule" at the Great First Annual NRUU Missouri Race at St. Patrick's Day in front of the University Center.

The event, looking like a sure winner when, after a long inch away, he crossed the finish line, he stopped dead in his tracks, allowing "Moosie" to head behind and snare first place.

Controversy also found its way into the festivities. During the series "A" heats, it was discovered to the embarrassment of race officials that an inmate was in the "Hog Runners," representative of John Wayne and Dave Winiak.

A heated argument ensued with frequent exclamations of "One more time!" to little avail. Finally, however, the error was rectified and the REAL "River Runner" was allowed to run: it the next heat.

In hand, hordes of fans and WESU should have kept quiet. The Depository finished second in the heat. The real contest never got off the starting line, literally.

Other notable contestants included "Pollack," for the Shortstop Club, "Big Boop" from Daytona Tours, a horse called "Ivar Monsenihini" running for the Vats Club.

Race officials were generally pleased with the running of the races. News Director Ritch Mathus, who provided the call of the races, summed it up this way: "We were very satisfied at bow the races turned out. If there were one or two mix-ups, we feel we did a very professional job of creating, running, and especially promoting the races.

Next year, however, they are going to be even better."

Sam Stack is now with the University Staff as Director of Student Activities. He replaces Benjamin Stack, who resigned to move to Massachusetts.

Stack, 27, holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications and a Masters Degree in Student Personnel from Stetson University.

Additionally, the Indianapolis native has maintained his close association with clubs and organizations through past work with the Bejoy Bookin Agency. The agency specializes in providing entertainment for college groups.

Continued expansion of campus programs and more broad-based student programs is his goal, Stack said.
Letters to the Editor

QUESTION: What are the school's plans for the twin week that runs off front of maintenance bright?

RESPONSE: The Beechcraft B-114 outside the Maintenance Tech is to serve two functions. 1) As a working model for students to practice on, and 2) as a monument to a fine aircraft. Bob O'Neal from Maintenance Tech said he is attempting to get funding from the Beechcraft Company to have the plane permanently mounted. The problem so far has been mounting the ship in an esthetically pleasing manner and getting it functional.

Editorial

Some things are occurring across the airport that will have a direct impact on your wallet, come this fall. No, tuition is not going down. Nice try!

The budget committee is in the process of coming up with a new figure for our so-called student body. It is considerably larger than the present $25. It has long been a mystery as to why it is so large. It may be an even greater mystery as to why it is proposed to be increased. It appears that an attempt is being made to itemize certain fees to be charged to the student, i.e. add-on charges, health service, placement, and other student services. Why itemization? We come to the point when we pay separately for the CHW Complex, "A" building, "B" building, "C" building, the University Center, parking lots, AMT Complex, Health service, until we have a 10-page bill for tuition and fees! Does our tuition now pay only for the professor's and administrators' salaries, and the debts we sit in? If we itemize, which particular services and buildings now, be reduced?

To make matters worse, the budget committee chairman did not communicate meeting times and cancellations to our representative, Jim Burroughs, which resulted in Spears, another member of the committee with no knowledge of the meeting. It was cancelled, sans notification! Whatever happened to student participation? Maybe we can all get together and really talk about traffic and security functions. Who knows? We may get a real traffic committee and a security committee.

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Responses:

ED John

RESPONSE: ED Johnson, Director of the Computer Center, reported that it is a strict shortage of money that keeps the Center closed on weekends. He also said that if a student tutor could be hired, then it would be open.

QUESTION: Why is the used book store not open when stated? Is the Vet's Club going down the drain? I have books for sale but no one can see them because the Vet's Book Store is closed?

RESPONSE: Vet spoke with Steve Sabree of the Vet's Bookstore. He said that the Vet's Bookstore will be open regular hours for about two weeks before the trimester begins and two weeks after. It is not feasible to keep it open as there is no business. The Vet's Club is not going down the drain. In fact, it is one of the more active student organizations on campus. They meet every two weeks, generally in the Commons Purpose Room. Recent activities include a skating party and a wine tasting and gourmet dinner get together. I suggest you contact Bob Allen, President of the Vet's Club for further information.

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The use of pocket calculators is ruining student's abilities in basic math, says Dr. William Fiske, Assistant Professor at Kansas State University. Fiske says that the use of calculators must not be encouraged at the lower levels of our schools, otherwise we are going to create a large mass of mathematical illiterates. One of the problems is that the user loses his ability to evaluate. "One of the ways we used to teach math was to teach students to estimate," he said. "They could give them a problem and ask for an estimated answer. By estimating, students developed an approach to problem solving without going through the mundane number crunch."

However, with a calculator, they just punch it out and if they get a ridiculous answer, it stands. In other words, doctor -- if the calculator is bad, we are lost!

According to the National Transportation Safety Board, 1976 was the best year in U.S. commercial flying history. The board reported 45 fatalities in four accidents. This is a small figure if we compare it against the annual average for the preceding five years which was 246. The year with the worst safety record was 1974 with 463 fatalities.

The reasons for this becoming less attractive everyday because engagement is like a book where you read the last chapter first."

One of the world's most crowded rail systems is the Japanese National Railway. It averages over 50 million passengers daily. In the Tokyo subway professional punched tickets are enforced to squeeze in people before the doors are closed. Due to the crowd and the atmosphere of confusion there is a great number of lost articles. Among those reported lost in the crush in 1970 were 419,129 umbrellas, 290,275 handbags, 245,759 watches, 24,116 suitcases, 50,041 bread loaves, 14,762 cameras, 3,082 television sets, 2,645 TVs, 1,254 pianos, and 545 cars.

Lejmaril, a commuter airline, faces one of the most hazardous flights. It flies between the Orkney Islands (Scotland) of Weymouth and Pape Westray. The trip is two minutes long. The service was inaugurated in September, 1967. Though the flight is scheduled for two minutes, in average 45 per cent of it is accomplished in seventy seconds.

Random Show "Marriage is popular because it combines the maximum of excitement with the minimum of opportunity.

L. B."
The AHP Spring '77 Pledge Class raffle is going strong and tickets are available daily at the AHP bar in the cafeteria. First prize is a 3 hour checkout in an Arconza Champ, with 3 and 4 hour flights offered for 2nd and 3rd places respectively. A donation of $50 is requested. A project AHP has been working on for some time was finally completed this past weekend. AHPers turned out on Manson Saturday and painted the memorial circle and windsock at the Odum Beach support. The effort resulted in an aesthetically pleasing improvement to the landing aid and a lot of sunburned AHPers.

**SIGMA CHI NEWS**

by Juan Gonzales

Well brothers, another rest and relaxing weekend. This pool was crowded Saturday after many who enjoyed the sun and girls, which is plenty of. But some Saturday night we had to say goodbye to many of our lovely visitors. We all hope to see you stay longer, come more often others, but with school Monday, they had to leave.

In the line of events, our softball team won over Arnold Air due to a forfeit, and this week our pledges' car went up in flames on the beach, want to buy a bicycle Bob! Well, we're getting down to the wire now gurus, so we better get working on:

**APG**

by Fork (crash) Chop

Let me begin this weeks column with some real good news. Joe Giliinski, our treasurer, has been appointed the head A.F.R.P. instructor. Joe, who is one of the few S.P.D. pilots in the U.S. will assume his position immediately. Congratulations, Joe.

We had another business meeting this past Friday where nothing happened. Actually a couple things happened but too late at night. I'm just too goddamn tired to remember them.

Once again the Vets demolished their opponents in softball. This weaks unfortunate victim was Sigma Chi, and the weight of victory will remain with the Wrecking Crew. The Quads finally chased off their opponents they joined us at Ponit Inlet for a cook out. It was probably the best event of the tri so far. There was plenty of food and drink. Everyone, from the kids on up had a great time.

If anyone was trying to find Ken Nosier's beach party last Thursday and couldn't, it was because it didn't exist. It is for this reason Ken now talks two octaves higher than he used to.

While we're on personal news, John Staub says, "The next guy who makes fun of my masculinity will be sorry." Watch out guys, John swings a mean parse. And there is no truth to the rumor that Mark Hansen performs unnatural sex acts with sheep. I believe Mark prefers mountain goats.

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The Games On April 2nd
During Greek Week

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The Greek Sing
March 29 At 11:15
Strand-Balm-Shalom
April 1 At 11:15
Display Or Charrots And Drivers

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The Packers began their week by looking forward to a survival weekend in the wilderness North of Holland, but at the last minute the trip was called off because of a lack of participation from fellow packers. Four Packers were not going to give up that trip. Mike, Mitch, Dave, and myself decided that we were in a survival situation. We were all tired and without water. We all came to the conclusion that the green and yellow swamp water with those funny things growing and swimming around in it was worth drinking. So we filled our canteens, dropped a couple of water purification tablets in them and tasted it. It tasted just as bad as it looked and smelled. But once we were prepared, with the help of some Kool-Aid powder, the water tasted fantastic. With the new surge of energy, we pressed on.

In the case we got lost, Mike made sure to leave white markers along the trail. After using two rolls of bun-wax to wipe his nose, he began to get worried. I had a more important place to wipe, and I was not going to use it a second time around.

Late in the afternoon, our rest periods were getting shorter. Around sundown we arrived at our campsite. A total of 12.7 miles from the start. Before camp was set we all took an evening dip in the lake. Soon we were all sharing a dinner of chili, rice, and spaghetti. We also became good at preparing water to drink. We then sat back and enjoyed a short evening under the stars.

Sunday morning we woke up at 6 a.m. and snuck upstairs for a morning dip in the lake. Soon we were all sharing a good cheap and cheerful breakfast. We then sat back and enjoyed a long day under the stars.

For six weeks we should be unstoppable in our quest to defend the title we won last year.

Last week a substantial portion of this column was not printed because it was considered to be editorial in nature. It appears in this issue on the editorial page. If you are a member of a fraternity, I urge you to read it and see if you agree with it. If so, maybe something can be done about this situation.

Well, that's about it for this week. So take it easy and good luck with trying to keep your mind on the books.

**RIDDLE PACKERS**

_by P.R._

**Can you be good at something you don't believe in?**

Yes

You can be good at passing tests that are meaningless to you.

Similarly, you can be good at selling encyclopedias that you know are inferior.

Ultimately, you can be good at a profession that you don't truly believe in.

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We believe you'll agree.

By Nick Larsen

The Sigma Phi Delta Holiday Hotel is in its second week of operation. The room service is not too good but there have been no complaints. With the departure of the Marquette and University of Illinois boys, the arrival of eight brothers from Bradley, its getting harder to study everyday with all these tourists around the house, but so far everybody seems to like it. I think.

Greek Week has been postponed for a couple of weeks. This delay gives the brothers here at S.P. more time to fine tune our act. In two weeks we should be unstoppable in our quest to defend the title we won last year.

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More students are studying now and paying never

By Campus Diger News Service

The jump in college enrollment has unfortunately not been matched by a jump in business education. In fact, the situation is so bad that some students are actually paying more now than ever before.

Specifically, the most recent figures from the National Center for Education Statistics show that college enrollments have increased by 10.5% over the past year. However, this increase has not been matched by an increase in business education. In fact, the situation is so bad that some students are actually paying more now than ever before.

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Eagles Soar on Friday

By Rich Mathas

Propelled by six runs in their last three at bats and guided by outstanding Nelson Solaris pitching, the Eagles were able to experience the "joy of victory" for the first time in many moons Friday as they crushed the Wentworth Scots (Ohio), 7-2, handing Riddle its first defeat in the "gory" for the first time in many moons.

The Eagles went ahead with single runs in the fourth and sixth, the previously dormant middle bat took over at that point. Riddle tied the score in the sixth when R. B. Hogan scored, went to the plate with five at bats and the seventh, prompting a change in pitching for the Scot coach. The decision was made when he called in Solaris.

"The best player we have seen this year," said Coach Bob Morgan, when he called in Solaris. "The only man we have ever seen this year," said Coach Bob Morgan, when he called in Solaris. "The only man we have ever seen this year, so far." Also missing an honorable mention was first baseman Joe Golinski. Unable to get on track for the year, due partly to an early season case of the flu, he was able to break out a hit today with a well-hit double to left center in the big Eagle eighth.

EAGLE NOTES:

Today's game produced one of the largest crowds to see an Eagle game this year; however, the stands were empty as the people were Woodstock rooting for the Scots, not the Eagles, who won the home team.

Stall on Saturday

While the Eagles had the "joy of victory" on Friday, it was strictly the "agony of defeat" Saturday as the Wentworth Scots bounced back to take both games of a double header, 17-9 and 6-5, at comb.

Pitching was the story as Scott hurlers R. B. Hogan and Mike Girirondi held the Eagles to exactly three hits for the two games.

Crawford also pulled a "Solaris" in the first game by catching out four hits to lead his team's fifteen hit attack.

It was a different story in game two. Mark Caprone's four to third base throw in the sixth, but he was erased at the plate when a double fist was fielded.

Injuries played a major role in the afternoon's activity. For the Eagles, Ken Houder and Nelson Solaris were both laid in the first game. Solaris suffered an ankle sprain and a bruised forehead which brought him to Halifax Hospital. Houder was also ailing, his neck suffered in a play at second base. He was taken to hospital for stitches in his left ankle.

EAGLE NOTES: There were 886 on hand and his only offspring in game two. Mike Colvin, who hit the back-breaking home run, played third base for Voorhees while his nephew, John, was stationed in rightfield. Combined, they gathered three hits and scored two runs for the Scots cause. Time was rapidly running out for fans to catch a glimpse of the 1977 Eagles. There are only two more games remaining: March 22 against Williams of Massachusetts, and March 23 vs. Wayne State University. There is also, in the big rematch at City Island Park against Beaches-Cookman on the 24th.

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