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COMMON CAUSE — "CITIZENS CAN WIN!"

by: DEBORAH BARNETT

Tuesday, October 22 marked an important affair which many people neglected to attend. The Central Florida Chapter of Common Cause, a national, non-partisan citizen's lobby, sponsored a guest speaker - Tom Mader. Mr. Mader, who is currently a leading lobbyist for CC, has in the past worked with VISTA and was staff assistant to Melvin Laird.

Tom, as he likes to be called, being the personable and direct man that he is at 30, struck a guilty nerve when addressing the crowd of 150 on citizen action to make government accountable. As he declared, "Citizens can win!"

He is fed up with apathetic or complaining individuals and this growth of CC membership, about 600 per day, is enough to "blow the cynics out of the bathtub." CC has a national membership of over 350,000 now.

The political group, of only 4 years, does not endorse candidates-only issues. This is the distinction between CC and, for example, Ralph Nader's group. Nader is more involved with substantive not procedural issues. CC adheres to remedying the political process rather than tackling specific issues, such as clean air in Los Angeles. "We (CC) are organized around basic issues that we think are important to the political and governmental process to make things run more efficiently-to make things run in such a way so we can finally get to some substantive issues in this country."

John Gardner, chairman of Common Cause, stated when he founded the lobby that "everyone's organized but the people." That's what it's all about, Mr. Mader continued, "Citizens have given up basic rights." It is a legitimate right to organize and lobby, and CC is only "as effective as a citizens lobby as our membership is."

It is evident that to tackle the 'system' "takes a lot of people and a lot of effort." And this investment of resources has resulted in many accomplishments for Common Cause. For example, accountability in the seniority system has been based on age and length of service as a legislator. However, you couldn't get away with a system like this in a corporation, which is usually built on a merit system and profitably so. "No one has really focused on committee meetings and opened them up."

The committee chairman has tremendous power. He can decide what goes into, or stays out of, a bill. CC has tackled the seniority system, "so that in 1973 when the Congress came in there is now an automatic election for committee chairman."

Florida has led the way for government accountability by removing this bug-a-boo called 'secrecy' in establishing the 'Sunshine law.' Now CC is making progress. "In 1972 almost 50% of all House committee meetings were closed to the public. From Jan. until May of this year 88% were open." But now we must make sure they stay open. Monitoring is what CC spends a great deal of time doing. The Senate, however, has not begun to remedy the seniority system. But there is some evidence that CC is affecting even this prestigious and, supposedly, liberal body, since Lawton Chiles voted this past year to guarantee that the Senate Budget Committee meetings be kept open.

Common Cause works on many other issues and is very particular as to what it endorses. Many times CC works in coalition with other groups, like the environmentalists, on some project giving the issue greater support. But whatever CC goes after it's a 100% effort. Consistency and perseverance are sacred words to any political group.

CC has begun to gain credibility because of its successes, and people, especially legislators, are "beginning to listen." Senator

Mondale exemplified this when he said "all of us who have worked on public financing owe a great debt of gratitude to Common Cause, its members and staff. It's trite to say we couldn't have done it without you, but this time it's really true."

CC members have not become disillusioned with politics, or the political system, "it is still an honorable profession," Mader said. "It's just been that for too long, too many people have done a disservice to it and WE'VE let them go UNCHECKED." So "if we're going to sit back and do nothing about getting good candidates in the public light - WE GET WHAT WE DESERVE!" However, we as citizens and/or CC members are not just adversaries either. It is also important to compliment and encourage a good legislator and good legislation. There isn't anyone in public office who will be voting exactly as CC or the constituents desire. It's a middle of the road process which tends to disqualify the classification that politicians are either Conservative or Liberal. All people make some decisions which are a little more, or less, conservative, and vice versa. We should drop

all the stereotyping and begin to communicate a little better BETWEEN MEN-ABOUT ISSUES.

"Political parties are important. Very important, CC in no way wants to be a third party. Political parties are necessary because they are another mechanism whereby people in the grass roots can be involved. CC is an umbrella for differences of opinion and differences of background. We are for government for the people. We are not an organization which anyone can label. We are citizens-it's as basic as that."

Tom concluded with a quote from John Gardner. "Our nation is less than two years away from its two hundredth anniversary. CC believes the best way to celebrate the bicentennial is by working to create, in the words of the Declaration of Independence, a government deriving its just powers from the consent of the governed. The founding fathers would not be at all surprised to find us, 200 years later, still working on that. They knew that the battle for representative government never ends. They knew that nothing could ever finally save it. And CC is committed to making this battle."

This quote epitomizes the message and meaning of Common Cause. It's not just another group out to save the consumer or eradicate this or that injustice, there's more to it than that. What makes the lobby continue to function and gain recognition, has a great deal to do with ideology. The members are somewhat inspired and awed by the democratic process, in theory, and now want to activate this most promising of governmental forms.

Mr. Mader brought the Orlando area an important message last week to only those few who probably don't need the motivation most of us do to participate. So I am bringing a small sample of Tom Mader and Common Cause to you-Hoping that many students will support and help organize a chapter of CC on campus.

I was floored when I found out that Rollins has no major political groups on campus. I know there is some interest out there somewhere, or is it true that the typical student is living in his own self-made utopia. To answer this challenge and increase your involvement, notify Deborah Barnett, at 647-4142. I'll be glad to get together with you--All of you!

NEW PUB GRAND OPENING

by: LISA STEPHENS

Where were you on Friday, the twenty-fifth of October between the hours of 4 p.m. and 12 a.m.? Well, if you are a member of the "Jolly Rolly" gang, you have a credible alibi immediately at hand. Rumors have implied and witnesses will testify that on this date the gang went underground in search of a new hang-out which happens to be the new pub on the Rollins College campus.

Yes, Friday, October 25th brought not only another welcomed weekend but the long awaited opening of the campus pub which was surely successful by any standard. On that day the pub swung wide its doors at four in the afternoon and locked them tight at twelve that night (as it will do every day Monday through Saturday). However, on the first eventful day of operation a line of anxious, thirsty patrons took shape outside the pub doors at three-thirty. At four o'clock a beer was quickly and easily purchased but at four-thirty a waiting line had to be patiently endured. The capacity of the pub is 106 people, which at first was promptly exceeded as numerous people were asked to drink their beers upstairs temporarily. The pub filled up fast and by the early hour of four-thirty the room was jammed, the tables were full and many were found with a mug or a pitcher on the floor. Amazingly enough the situation remained much like this until closing time with a crowd averaging from eighty to one hundred throughout the night. At eight o'clock the live entertainment was provided by guitar-strumming singers. This served to add that extra touch of class which is currently favored at the popular Harper's Tavern. The pub's casual table-hopping atmosphere is reminiscent of last year's number one spot, The Pitcher House. Thus, the new pub offers the best of both worlds. During this time the beer was ceaselessly flowing fast and free and approximately ten kegs were tapped and drained by midnight. As a matter of fact, the well ran dry at one point and more kegs had to be hauled in to rescue the situation. Meanwhile, a scout was out in the Orlando territory smelling out additional beer holes.

So the pub was certainly a hit on its first day of business. Yet, this should come as no surprise since the pub's advantages are

place even with a happy hour can surpass the pub's mind-staggering price of 25 cents for a 12 oz. mug and \$1.75 for a standard sized pitcher since many bars and lounges have a higher charge of 45 cents to 55 cents for a 6 oz. glass and \$2.25 for the usual pitcher of a lesser quality beer. Besides the beer there is a variety of fresh sandwiches like ham, hoagies, corn beef and roast beef ranging from 80 cents to \$1.25 as well as a good selection of the usual munchies. Meanwhile, the pub management is entertaining high hopes of selling wine at an inexpensive price in the near future. Furthermore, along with the attractive idea of beer purchasable at less-than-Happy-Hour prices, is the guaranteed assurance of live entertainment every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night. In connection with this there will be a student talent night every other Tuesday. The pub is also equipped with a T.V. and this combined with the

cheaply priced beer makes the pub an excellent place for watching Monday night football. There is too the undeniable aspect of convenience since it only takes a pair of feet and a few minutes of time to reach the pub.

Everyone enjoyed themselves on Friday night and thought the pub to be a great idea or at least much better than they expected. Certainly, it is gratifying to see Rollins doing something for its own, especially in a time of general dissatisfaction ranging from parking to mail boxes. Hence, the pub exists for benefit of the students with no rip-offs intended and this is surely obvious in the amazing low price of 35 cents a mug. But the pub is here only through the cooperation of the students themselves since any brawling or under-age drinking will cause an immediate close-up. So come to the new campus pub for "a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry."



INSTITUTIONAL ANNUAL REPORT, 1973-74

"It highlights the important events and activities of a significant year in the history of our institution. Foremost among these accomplishments are:

- continued academic advancement, realized as a result of new programs and the adoption of important curriculum changes;
- another uniquely outstanding year in our student admissions effort;
- a very active and progressive year in our expanding student affairs program;
- the completion of the Frederick A. Hauck Hall, construction of the R. D. Keene Hall Music Center, a new physical plant building, a new college post office and the improvement and landscaping of parking areas;
- the most outstanding year of philanthropic support ever experienced by our college, both in terms of unrestricted and special purpose gifts; and
- a very active year of faculty and student achievement."

Jack B. Critchfield
President

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEAR EDITOR

Just a note to all interested, after telephoning various banks around Winter Park, I found out that the best place to have a checking account is at the:

WINTER PARK NATIONAL BANK

It is located on Canton Avenue (West), which is not far from Park Avenue.

- 1) There is NO minimum balance required
- 2) There is no surcharge
- 3) There is no charge for checks except for the initial cost

The only requirement is that one has to open a checking account with at least fifty dollars, but one is not required to keep that \$50.00 as a minimum.

To Katie C. "Editor" - Sandspur.

I put editor in quotes, as I could hardly call the Sandspur a paper, or you an editor. For all the paper that goes into the publishing of this paper, it is surely a waste. I should report it to the ecological society. Why is "The Sandspur Staff" part always the largest in your paper? You are so self-righteous, why don't you get down? This is not a joke, I seriously came to speak to you constructively about this paper. I am concerned about Rollins and this Sandspur is not enhancing its overview. Your paper is not worth the postage you need to send it.

A Concerned Student

because I know I can't please all the people all of the time, but when people like you have the nerve to write a letter like that without saying what you would like to see instead, I am a little surprized and taken back. Constructive criticism would have been healthier.

The trend at this college has gone farther and farther in one direction - apathy, boredom and perhaps, discontent. I question that. I question why I am the editor - I have no journalistic experience and I am not pretending to have any. I don't know why I am role-playing editor when there are a hell of a lot of people on this campus more qualified than I am! I question you Concerned - why didn't you come to ME and say four or five weeks ago that you were unhappy? Why didn't you ask to join the staff. Everyone on this campus knows I am open to suggestions - but who on this campus is willing to sit down with me, give me constructive ideas, and help me in making the paper what they want to read. I'll tell you CONCERNED in plain and simple English-not one. Not one student they are too busy - but unlike you they do not write critical notes and don't sign them - they just don't do anything.

The Editor
KDC

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I need something to do at this campus. I think I'll write a weekly column for the Sandspur. No harm in that? Or is it published every two weeks? If you let have a column, I'd like it to be named "Spray Can". I hope my submission is not offensive. What am I saying, of course it is! I just hope that you're open minded and won't take it personally. It's supposed to be funny. I hope it's funny, but I've written some stuff that I thought was a scream that was actually very bad.

The article is called "An Interview with Dean Carswell, Dean of Student Recreation". No such character exists.

There is no reason not to publish this. Of course, it's all falsehood, and anyone can see it. Rollins can be paradise for those who know and use its resources. My unsubstantiated mudslinging just shows my own immaturity and non-social character. If I'm not happy, it's my own fault. But I'm shaping up. I joined the choir, I'm trying out to play in the pub, I worked on the set of "View from the Bridge." I feel better every day. The crowning touch would be joining the distinguished ranks of the writers of Sandspur. How happy I'd be! My work would grow steadily more sure of itself, less paranoid. Your heart(s) would grow with pride as I grew into a true knowledge of the truth.

Besides, your paper needs more filler.

Stephen Howe

P.S. A much better thing I wrote last week is also included. Hope you like and accept it.

FALL TERM 1974 - EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

Examination Time	Hour Class Held
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m. M W

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

Examination Time	Hour Class Held
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m. T Th
	2:00 - 4:00 p.m. M W

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Examination Time	Hour Class Held
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
	2:00 - 4:00 p.m. T Th

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Examination Time	Hour Class Held
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	12:00 Noon

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 7 & 9 p.m.	NOVEMBER 1 Student Center Film, "Fritz the Cat" Bush Aud.
SATURDAY 2 p.m.	NOVEMBER 2 Fall Film Festival, "Trails to the Great Smokies," LeRoy Crooks narrating. Bush Aud. - Admission
8:30 p.m.	ASolo Theater will present "The Mistress of the Inn" Student Rate Available
SUNDAY 9:45 a.m.	NOVEMBER 3 Chapel Service, Dr. Wettstein officiating. Election Sunday, Topic: ZP Priests and Politicians." Chapel Choir will sing.
WEDNESDAY 10:00 a.m.	NOVEMBER 6 RWA Meeting, Dr. Wettstein speaking on "Whatever Became of Sin." Casa Iberia.
THURSDAY 9:00 a.m.	NOVEMBER 7 Florida Council of Deans and Directors of Teacher Education. Crummer 213.
4:00 p.m.	Alliance Francaise. French House
7:30 p.m.	Sir Harold Mitchell speaking on "Alberta In the Context of the World Energy Crisis."
FRIDAY 9:00 a.m.	NOVEMBER 8 Florida Council of Deans and Directors of Teacher Education. Crummer 213
3:30 p.m.	Soccer vs. University of Miami
SATURDAY 9:00 a.m.	NOVEMBER 9 Tennis Tournament, Faculty/Staff and spouses. Fee \$3.00 per person, proceeds to go to Chapel Fund. Contact Dr. Levis.
10:00 a.m.	Cafezinho Book Review. Sir Harold Mitchell to review "The Spice of Life."
8:30 p.m.	Hauck Aud. Student Center Concert, "The Raspberries." Field House.

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CAMPUS NOTES

"Art Musto, the ventriloquist who was scheduled to appear on campus October 12th, did in fact come and perform. Unfortunately, a last-minute change of location for the event was not publicized. Sincere apologies to those who came to the Union that night but were not made aware of the change."

A HARD DAY

Dr. Dan DeNicola opened his Early Western Philosophy class with the statement that over three-fourths of Aristotle's works had been lost to mankind. "Luckily" muttered an overworked student in the front. Dr. DeNicola repeated the comment for the benefit of the back and the class dissolved in cathartic laughter.

UP FROM THE BASEMENT

Tonight the Rollins College Student Center is presenting the full-length cartoon, *Fritz the Cat*. Is there a need for any further explanation? The movie will be in Bush Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Don't forget to sign up for the student performances in the Pub. . . either contact Mark Maier or sign up at Down Under. And, make sure you keep Saturday November 9 free. . . the NEW Raspberries will be here-in concert, along with Judd, a group which has toured with James Gang, John Denver, Yes, and Todd Rundgren.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP,
KMC, 9:45 A.M.
SUNDAY, NOV. 3, 1974

"Election Sunday" will be observed by the restoration of a tradition from pre-Revolutionary times in New England, the "Election Sermon." Early and contemporary American

religious music and readings will center on religious and moral concerns in political decisions. The Chapel Choir will be singing William Billings' "Creation", and Randall Thompson's "The Last Words of David."

Dean Wettstein will speak on "Priests and Politicians", dealing with the relation of politics and religion in America.

MEAL PLAN

Boarding students who wish to make a change in the meal plan for the spring semester must so advise the Cashier's Office by January 31, 1975. No changes will be made after that date.

Day students who wish to purchase meal tickets for the spring semester should make arrangements with the Cashier's Office at the beginning of the spring term or before. Day students who are presently using the College meal plan and wish to continue must come to the Cashier's Office to make the necessary arrangements.

Meal plans for day students for the spring term are priced as follows:

19 meal plan. . . \$216.00
12 meal plan. . . \$190.00

All freshmen women and upperclass independent women are invited to a China Survey, sponsored by a leading China company, to be held in the lobby of McKean on Monday, November 11th from noon to 6 p.m. This is a fund-raising event for the Panhellenic Council, as the china company will pay Panhel \$1.00 for each survey form correctly completed. Panhellenic representatives will be scheduling girls who wish to attend. Only fifteen minutes of your time will

be required to view the china displays and complete the form.

1974-75 ROLLINS CONCERT SERIES SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Dr. Ward Woodbury, Professor of Music at Rollins College, announced recently that eight programs are scheduled for the upcoming 1974-75 Rollins Concert Series. The world famous Julliard String Quartet and Metropolitan Opera singer John Reardon will appear in two performances with additional programs will also feature artistically members of the Music Department and the Florida Symphony-Rollins Chamber Orchestra.

The new season is scheduled to open on November 10 with Alphonse and Katherine Carlo performing sonatas for piano and violin. The Julliard Quartet is scheduled for a December 15 performance.

The Florida Symphony-Rollins Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Ward Woodbury, will perform on January 5 with the Rollins Brass Ensemble, conducted by William Gallo, with Alexander Anderson at the organ, set for a February 9 performance.

John Reardon, a 1952 graduate of Rollins, will appear on March 2 with the Florida Symphony-Rollins Chamber Orchestra concluding the regular series on April 13. The final concert will also feature Mr. Thomas Brockman as piano soloist.

On May 14 a special bonus concert will be presented with Messrs. Brockman, Carlo and Anderson as soloists with members of the Florida Symphony Orchestra in a concerto program.

A limited number of season tickets is available. For information please call 646-2233 or write to the Rollins Concert Series, Box 160, Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida 32789.

Registration for Spring term will be a modified version of the procedure followed last fall, "except we're omitting the riot," said Mr. Nick Backsheider, Assistant to the Registrar.

The schedule is as follows:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 28:

Schedule booklet, registration forms and registration instructions will be distributed. All students will meet with their advisors during the week of October 28 - November 1. NO forms will be taken until Nov. 4 and 5.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4 and
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5:

Both these days will be reserved for registration of seniors ONLY. Registration will be held at the registrar's office beginning at 7:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER 6-13:

Underclassmen register. Registration will be held in the Field House on November 6, and at the registrar's office November 7-13.

A special priority check system is being instituted this year. The form will provide a space for the student to indicate that a specific course is essential for his major and graduation.

Mr. Backsheider will assist students who encounter severe scheduling difficulties. He is available in the middle of the day in his office (room 104, Administration Building).

**CHEATERS NEVER PROSPER
SENIORS ONLY will
register on November 4
and 5. Any non-senior
who attempts to register
before November 6 will
have his form processed
after all underclassmen
have registered.**

THURBER

Selected and played by

William Windom

Best known for his Emmy Award-winning lead role in TV's *My World and Welcome To It*, based on the writings of James Thurber, Mr. Windom now brings those and other stories and fables before live audiences in a delightful look into Thurber's enchanted world.

Now nostalgic, now whimsical, Mr. Windom's performance reveals what he likes to call "the light and dark sides of the American Coin that is James Thurber." He uses material in which Mr. Thurber included himself; then turns storyteller, holding audiences as only this veteran of numerous motion pictures and Broadway plays can.

"Thurber" is a rare and memorable evening which reintroduces the work of the Quiet Colossus of American Letters as seen by William Windom, American Actor.



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ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS GROUP

**Meeting: Tuesday November 5
7:00 Bush 222 All are invited.**



In spite of severe economic challenges, the academic year 1973-74 was one of continued accomplishment and progress for Rollins College. This past year was an important one from many standpoints and I am certain all who have a vested interest in quality higher education and support Rollins College will be pleased to reflect upon it. Therefore, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Rollins College, I am pleased to present to you the Annual Report for the 1973-74 academic year.

This report, in the form of a year-end review, is presented by the chief administrative officers of our primary organizational areas. It highlights the important events and activities of a significant year in the history of our institution. Foremost among these accomplishments are:

- continued academic advancement, realized as a result of new programs and the adoption of important curriculum changes,
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- a very active year of faculty and student achievement.

It is important for us to reflect upon these achievements with pride, however it is more important for us to examine these achievements as milestones of progress in a journey which is not yet complete. We have successfully met the challenges of the last five years by distinguishing ourselves as an institution of quality and excellence, but we must not forget that the next few years promise to be even more demanding than those that we have just successfully encountered. Our measure of distinction as a viable institution in the years ahead will be equal only to the extent that Rollins College as a total community can remain responsive to the needs of the students and many publics it is obliged to serve.

I continue to believe that our progressive development as an institution depends, in nearly equal portions, upon a responsible student body; upon an industrious faculty and staff; and upon loyal alumni, parents and other friends who maintain an active participation in the affairs of Rollins College.

It is my hope that you will take the time to examine this report in depth, and consider the accomplishments of this past year for what they truly represent—milestones of progress toward reaching a level of true distinction among the nation's finest independent liberal arts colleges.

Jack B. Critchfield
Jack B. Critchfield
President

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Regardless of the many problems that beset higher education we live in an exciting time for the College with enough courage and dedication to face these issues. Rollins College has benefited from the hard work and cooperation of the faculty and administration which is necessary to remain a growing and progressive institution. We are grateful for this positive attitude on campus.

During the last year significant curriculum changes were made. We now have a procedure called "college time" which allows teaching credit for professors who are working on experimental or interdisciplinary courses, or for those who have completed seven contracts within our Holt House Program. The Holt House contract learning program has been elevated from an experiment to a part of our regular curriculum. The language requirement has been modified so that any student who has successfully completed two years or more of a high school language will have completed the college requirement after successfully completing a foreign culture course at Rollins. Largely because of staffing problems and other difficulties the senior interdisciplinary course was discontinued. However, some of the fine projects that were done in this program can still be arranged through the experimental division. New course review and approval has been speeded up by giving this function directly to the Vice-Provost. A detailed evaluation of the Winter Term has been conducted with the appropriate recommendations for changes sent to various committees. A series of faculty forums have been instituted this year dealing with such topics as: individual-paced instruction, contract learning and Winter Term Projects.

We continue to experience growth in our School of Continuing Education where no opportunity is lost to introduce new programs of interest to the community. For example, a course by newspaper will be started this fall. In School of Continuing Education, as well as the Patrick AFB Branch we are introducing the Associate of Arts degree which can be earned in two years. There are several advantages to this degree, which usually marks the half way point to the bachelor's degree.

Our graduate programs in education and business con-

tinue to meet the demands from Central Florida. In addition, starting this fall, a new Masters Program in Criminal Justice will be added in our School of Continuing Education. The impetus for this stems from our highly successful undergraduate program in criminal justice which has attracted substantial federal support.

Developing a strong faculty remains the greatest concern of the academic office. We will have five faculty members on leave for research during the 1974-75 academic year and we continue to award summer research grants and pay most of the expenses for attendance at the professional meeting which is the faculty members first choice.

The Commission on the Educational Future of Rollins College has been extended for another year and it is our purpose to put ourselves at the forefront of those colleges equipped to meet the difficulties and opportunities of a rapidly changing society.

Dwight L. Ling
Dwight L. Ling
Provost

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Communication, sensitivity and involvement continue to form the leading edge of the Student Affairs program at Rollins College. Individual contact and counseling is acknowledged as the primary focal point in the professional endeavors of each staff member. Although certain needs and problems experienced by college students remain rather constant, it remains a fact that our students react and question what they observe and experience in their society-at-large. Their disenchantment with the political scene; the national economy and resulting fluctuations in the job market; the energy crisis et al cause many of these young people to question and evaluate their world and their role in that world.

Campus issues that involve students and their actions as well as reactions are many and varied. The introduction of the legal use of alcoholic beverages on the campus has not prompted an increase in problem situations. As of the date of this report the campus has not experienced a large number of incidents of disorderly behavior which can be related to unwise use of alcohol. While students can drink in their rooms at any time, all organized social events and/or parties must be registered in the Student Affairs Office at least seven days in advance of the event. Persons responsible for the planning, compliance with policies, and clean-up must sign the appropriate social event registration form.

A sub-committee of the College Activities Committee completed a thorough study and evaluation of the fraternity and sorority system at Rollins during the 1973-74 academic year. This analysis, including the role and contributions of these groups as well as past and present academic and social performance, was prompted by a motion brought forth by three faculty members calling for the abolition of Greek groups at Rollins College. The motion itself was initiated following a series of juvenile and irresponsible actions displayed by certain individuals on Fraternity Pledging Weekend. Results of the study were less than conclusive. The sub-committee concluded it's summary of findings with: "The subcommittee recommends no legislation on its own, but leaves to the College Activities Committee the question of enactment of any resolutions stemming from this study. We believe that if there is student interest in more diversified social organization, it should receive the full support of the College whether it takes place within or outside of the present Greek system. A substantial minority of independent students are unhappy and polarized by the situation as it is. Students with strong academic motivation often feel out of place, and informal peer pressure sometimes makes such students feel isolated. Our study shows that there are hundreds of such students who need to be brought together through extra-curricular academic, artistic, and humanitarian programs which allow for a certain amount of socialization. We recommend that departments sponsor more night-time activities which combine lectures, readings, exhibits, and discussions with better opportunities for socialization."

Much has been accomplished in the compilation of a Bill of Student's Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct. The president of the 1973-74 Student Association, working with the Dean of Student Affairs and other members of the college community, was a positive force in this attempt to codify as well as clearly define the policies and issues that concern the student of 1974. The Bill itself will be presented to the College Activities Committee in September, 1974 for further consideration and legislative action.

Our concern for the student and the use of drugs is ever present. Although we have little evidence and/or knowledge of the presence of hard narcotics on the campus it is a fact that many of our students consider the smoking of marijuana in the same light as having a cocktail. This philosophy is largely a result of the dynamics of our larger society that is currently inclined to relegate "pot-smoking" to the category of a minor nuisance rather than a major problem. Although at times we feel the water is up to our chins we will continue to keep our finger in the dike by way of counseling when possible and stringent action when necessary.

The Student Center is enjoying a continuity of strong student leadership which has enabled this organization to increase its ability to function administratively while presenting a comprehensive activities program. The Board of Directors dealt directly with a number of administrative problems throughout the year and formulated policies and made constitutional changes that should serve to guide future leadership. Policies which have been strengthened and formalized



include attendance and admission to Student Center events, use of alcohol at Student Center programs, fiscal procedures and travel expenditures, and use of Student Center facilities by other groups or individuals.

The entire question of reservation of space and scheduling of Student Center activities on the College Calendar has received increased attention and has resulted in a closer working relationship with the Public Relations Office and the Physical Plant Department.

The Board of Directors of the Student Center was strengthened by recent constitutional changes which enable outgoing members and incoming members to work together for a longer period of time in the planning and execution of future programs. This procedure not only provides valuable orientation for new members, but should enable all programs to be scheduled far enough in advance to assure ample planning and publicity.

Faculty and staff participation in the Board of Directors is both desired and appreciated by the student membership. The continued dedication of those individuals filling faculty and staff positions on the Board is extremely important for optimum integration of Student Center events in the overall College program.

The "Real-World" Program, Rollins' two year old community service program, continues to provide opportunities for students to become involved in a variety of projects in the Central Florida area. The community agencies selected last year were re-evaluated during the summer, and appropriate changes were made prior to the beginning of classes. Fall recruitment showed a slight decrease in the number of student volunteers, with greatest response in those projects near the campus, not requiring extensive training or time commitment. The availability of a College vehicle has alleviated most of the transportation difficulties experienced last year.

Development of student leadership in the administration of the program is of major importance at this stage of the program's development. The Student Steering Committee which has operated since last year is structured to provide this leadership, but has not as yet engendered an adequate amount of student initiative. It is through this committee that the prime problems of the program should find relief, i.e. the problems of keeping in constant contact with volunteers and agency representatives, providing incentives for students to continue their involvement, and evaluating the progress of the program as a whole.

Notwithstanding the concerns identified in this report the 1973-74 academic year was one of progress and achievement. The student community exhibited an increased dimension of enthusiasm and interest. The freshman class retained a large measure of its academic involvement and campus spirit. Student leaders in major organizations displayed motivation and responsible initiative in carrying out the inherent demands of their offices.

N. Ronald Pease
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Dean of Student Affairs

INSTITUTIONAL ANNUAL REPORT 1973-74



ROLLINS COLLEGE STATEMENT OF CURRENT FUNDS REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND OTHER CHANGES YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1974 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 1973

	Current Year Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year Total
Revenues:				
Educational and General:				
Student tuition and fees	\$4,402,111			\$4,203,299
Government grants and contracts	263,186			262,752
Gifts and private grants	867,141			683,783
Endowment income	616,989			556,914
Other sources	261,846			347,862
Total educational and general	6,411,273			6,054,610
Auxiliary enterprises	1,397,080			1,367,951
Total revenues	7,808,353			7,422,561
Expenditures and mandatory transfers:				
Educational and general:				
Instruction, departmental research and special educational activities	2,782,424			2,539,813
Sponsored research	142,397			152,263
Public service and development	279,817			280,065
Libraries	305,603			267,358
Student services	399,137			337,147
Operation and maintenance of plant	822,275			780,999
General administration	398,882			418,157
General institutional expense	477,602			380,336
Student aid	474,451			622,056
Educational and general	6,082,588			5,778,194
Mandatory transfers for:				
Principal and interest	88,178			102,292
Total educational and general	6,170,766			5,880,486
Auxiliary enterprises:				
Expenditures	1,372,183			1,262,105
Mandatory transfers for:				
Principal and interest	269,111			177,076
Renewal and replacement	19,000			19,000
Total auxiliary enterprises	1,660,294			1,458,181
Total expenditures and mandatory transfers	7,831,060			7,338,667
Revenues over/(under) expenditures	(22,707)			83,894
Other transfers and additions/(deductions):				
Plant fund	116,265			88,657
Funds functioning as endowment	(100,000)			-
Work study fund	7,668			13,351
Net increase/(decrease) in fund balance	(46,640)			(18,114)

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OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT OF FACULTY FOR THE 1973-74 ACADEMIC YEAR

The faculty of Rollins College has been actively engaged in research and writing and many other professional activities for the 1973-74 academic year to improve teaching ability and professional knowledge.

Innovative instructional methods were employed to enrich students' learning experiences. Peer teaching techniques, contract learning, team teaching, experimental use of visual aids, a self-evaluation and self-paced Keller method were among some of the teaching approaches used. Twenty-five faculty members acted as facilitators for the Holt House Program, a recently introduced contract-learning project.

Thirteen faculty members received Rollins Summer Research Grants and ten members from the behavioral science, biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics departments were recipients of COSIP Grants.

Seventy-eight faculty members attended conferences, seminars, workshops and other professional meetings with a total of twenty-one papers being presented.

Twenty-seven of the faculty published forty-nine articles in professional journals and one has written a series for a professional review. Six have written books, which have either been published or submitted for publication, and one faculty member had five poems published.

Three members of the art department had exhibits, and the six members of the music department gave numerous performances to community and civic groups.

Many faculty members of the Humanities, Expressive Arts, Science and Mathematics, and Social Science Divisions participated in seminars and panel discussions, gave readings and lectures, were interviewed on radio, and made television appearances.

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The 1973-74 year was a critical one for Rollins College as it managed to weather the economic storms and finish with a fairly nominal but nevertheless unwelcome budget deficit. It is ironic that the College attracted more unrestricted gifts than in any previous year of its 89 year history. Some \$830,000 was received in unrestricted support, surpassing the budgeted goal by \$120,000. A particular gratifying note was the increase in the number of Alumni gifts from 1700 to 2200 although the dollar amount per gift declined. A comparison of gifts and grants received with previous years follows:

Fiscal Year	Unrestricted Funds	Special Purpose and Capital Funds	TOTALS
1970-1971	\$719,530	\$ 384,086	\$1,103,616
1971-1972	720,292	972,701	1,692,993
1972-1973	658,133	1,216,889	1,875,022
1973-1974	830,059	1,608,825	2,438,884

The unrestricted record was made possible by a sizeable foundation grant to offset the current year's expenses of The Archibald Granville Bush Science Center, as well as a grant from the estate of Frances Maud Abernathy. Hence, since neither of these sources of support will be repeated this forthcoming year,

it will be necessary for the College to increase unrestricted support from Trustees, Alumni, Parents, and the Corporate Community if endowment funds are not to be depleted to meet spiraling costs.

Despite the economic crunch, Rollins experienced a magnificent year in terms of overall support. Major gifts were received from the R. D. Keene Foundation, The Kresge Foundation and The McFeely-Rogers Foundation to fully fund construction of the new \$750,000 music building to be named in honor of the late R. D. Keene of Florida. In addition, through the generosity of Frederick A. Hauck and many other friends, the foreign language department is now housed in Hauck Hall, a fine and functional structure adjacent to the Casa Iberia. The \$250,000 addition to the campus was dedicated and opened during May of this year.

A \$500,000 commitment has been received from George D. and Harriet W. Cornell for a new and greatly needed Fine Arts Center to house both teaching and office facilities for the Art Department, as well as museum and gallery space for the College art collection which is growing in rapid fashion through the gifts of friends. The Cornell Art Center will provide a vital dimension to the liberal arts mission of Rollins College.

A new physical plant facility has been constructed near the site of the old art structure, as preparations are launched to clear the lakefront area as a site for the proposed College Center. The physical plant facility has largely been made possible through generous gifts to the College by Trustees, particularly Dr. Henry Heald and Mr. John Tiedtke.

Special programs continued at a good pace. Some \$12,000 towards the Book-A-Year Memorial Program, another \$12,000 to establish The John Carter Music Scholarship through the efforts of alumnus John Reardon, and various modest research grants from foundations and the corporate community.

Some \$602,800 in unrestricted funds will be needed for the 1974-75 year, if the College is to preserve its endowment reserves and fully meet approved operating expenses. It will be a major challenge.

Of no less importance, capital funds must be found for the three chief building priorities: a new Theatre Arts complex, a substantial addition to the Mills Memorial Library, and a College Center adjacent to and around Skillman Hall and the Alford Pool. In terms of endowment, funds must be secured to place faculty salaries on a more secure basis, as well as resources for a sabbatical-research program. It has become quite clear, too, that additional scholarship funds must be established to ease the crunch on middle income families who wish to send their young people to Rollins. This need appears to be one of the more serious manifestations of the current inflationary economy.

The future of this college as a private, independent institution of considerable prestige and renown is bright indeed, as long as Rollins continues to enjoy the interest and support of its friends and constituents. This will only be possible as long as we continue to provide a quality education on an individualized basis for our students.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS

The past fiscal year (1973-74) was a budgetary nightmare in terms of unanticipated cost overruns. The cost of electricity exceeded the amount budgeted by \$75,000, or by more than 50 percent. This cost increase occurred despite a reduction in the number of kilowatt hours used by as much as 30 percent in some months. Unexpected Social Security legislation accounted for most of the \$40,000 overrun in the cost of fringe benefits. This coupled with other more modest impacts of inflation plus some disappointments in several of the revenue areas, also due primarily to adverse national economic conditions, suddenly confronted the College with a sizable potential deficit. The year-end deficit was finally reduced to \$46,640, primarily by virtue of a large non-recurring gift, and the application of many extreme cost cutting measures.

During the fiscal year, the President recommended, and the Board of Trustees approved, a \$300 per student increase in tuition and fees for day school students effective September 1, 1974. It was our expectation that this increase would provide sufficient additional revenue to keep the budget in balance for several more years. However, it is now apparent that the present rate of inflation will necessitate another increase in the near future.

The College Administration has been in a position to react promptly to each new financial crisis. This has prevented serious erosion of our reserves. However, the friends and patrons of Rollins are of ever increasing importance through their continued economic support. It has been possible for the College to retain its competitive position both with respect to the level of tuition and fees, as well as in the area of professional salaries being paid.

During the past year, Lyman Hall was destroyed by fire. Many of the Rollins alumni will recall having attended classes in this venerable structure. Most recently it had been used as a temporary theatre workshop prior to its planned demolition. Other temporary arrangements have been made pending the construction of the theatre addition.

A very beautiful addition has been constructed to the Casa Iberia. It houses an auditorium, classrooms, and foreign language offices. It has been named Frederick A. Hauck Hall in honor of the primary donor.

The new Keene Hall Music Center opened its doors in October, 1974 and will provide specially designed practice and rehearsal areas for both individuals and groups.

The termite ridden waterfront eyesore which has housed the Physical Plant offices, shops and warehouse, has been replaced by an efficient new structure near the art building.

The following two financial exhibits have been prepared in accordance with the prescribed new Audit Guidelines. Therefore, the 1973 columns, in this issue, differ from the same columns in last year's issue, since both the 1974 and the 1973 figures are now conformed to the new classification system.

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AN INTERVIEW WITH DEAN CARSWELL, DEAN OF RECREATION

by: STEPHEN HOWE

Student-Just exactly what is the purpose of your office?

Carswell-Well, I bring in changes in the student's recreational facilities.

S-Like what?

C-Oh-changes in the student union, the tennis courts, the coffee house-now the pub, rest rooms, the boat house, how, what and where the movies are shown, the hours and procedures of the swimming pool, and God knows what else.

S-Then you are a very controversial man. There are many decisions you have made that are very controversial, particularly those dealing with the union. Yet most people don't seem to know you exist.

C-I, heh hah, try to lie low. In any case, I hope this interview will alleviate some of that.

S-I sincerely hope so. To start the questioning, let me ask you-what have you achieved of particular note?

C-Let's see. . . I had the tennis court lights installed, I had the pool installed, the score board installed, got our students the drink, and changed the Down Under to a pub.

S-And what is the overriding goal of all this?

C-To keep the students from killing themselves. I swear it's the truth. I have never seen such a laconic group of people in my life. When left to their own devices they just sit and stare straight ahead like zombies, or worse, they start crying. Gives me the creeps. I think that all these people need is a hobby, to take their minds off how dead a campus this is. But that's the problem right there-no outside interests. So I forced through the on-campus drinking bit, so they could stupefy themselves and forget it all. Of course, I also didn't want them to become potheads.

S-How does a pub on campus do the students good?

C-It doesn't just do the students good. It's good from all points of view. The primary consideration was to stop the students who would go to the pitcher house then drive around stoned. Not good for College-community relations, y'know. Then it also makes it practical for all students to reach a pub, without a ride. And, of course, the college gets the profits from this pub.

S-How are the profits from this pub going to be spent?

C-They're going to pay for your new mailboxes.

S-Uh, Yeah. . . More on that later but still, about the pub. Doesn't opening the pub at four every day encourage alcoholism?

C-Social drinking, yes! Alcoholism, no! Er. . . The Rollins Students have demonstrated their mature use of alcohol. While it may appear that opening the pub at four winks at being drunk during the day, do not mistakenly assume that this is so. The Administration

severely disapproves of drinking before five. Yet, God in his wisdom gave man free will, and it is not for the college to abrogate man's God-given right to choose between good and evil.

S-Yet, isn't this entire operation sort of a dishonor to the college?

C-What's dishonorable about helping support the college?

S-It certainly-well, doesn't it run counter to the noble deals of academic? Distract people from their education?

C-What education? I think everyone has admitted to themselves that the pub will not interfere with their education, such as it is. I think the administration has finally realized what every Dean of Activities before me has busted their back trying to make clear-that this is a party school, first and foremost and that is our noble tradition or it is nothing.

S-About the mailboxes. Why did you change them? They were really convenient at their old position.

C-As in the case of the pub, the reasons were many. One was to avoid the normal between class rush of students. . .

S-Now we'll have the rush down at the pool.

C-Yes, right next to the school store. The store should rapidly make up for last year's wretched sales.

S-And those new mailboxes don't have windows and are hard to open.

C-Yes, but then again, the lock is harder to pick, and people won't know which mailbox to pick to get your copy of the National Lampoon.

S-No one ever stole mine. And anyway, why not just have the new boxes in the union?

C-Well-the post office just wasn't a money-making proposition. It was a waste of valuable space. . . It's being replaced by a

thing we'll call Playland. . . One Pong game, one air-hockey game, 5 pin-ball machines, a fence, turnstile, and an armed guard.

S-Why aren't the hours at the pool better? And why is it that there frequently aren't guards there?

C-This will be relieved, I am sure, when the administration allows me to charge a nominal entrance fee. It'll be 25 cents. The same goes for the boathouse.

S-Before I leave, is there anything I've uncovered?

C-Ah, yes. I'm starting my own department with its own courses. It's called the Leisure Dept. of which I am Dean. It's a first that puts Rollins firmly on the educational map.

S-I see what courses will this department offer?

C-Just one right now. It involves bussing the students daily to Walt Disney World. It's entitled "Adventures in Self Discovery."

Harold Mitchell To Speak Nov. 7

Sir Harold Mitchell, noted British author, industrialist and expert on Canadian and Latin American affairs, has scheduled a public film/lecture while in residence at Rollins College during November.

Mitchell, research professor of Latin American studies at Rollins, will speak and show a film on "Alberta in the Context of the World Energy Crisis," on Thursday, Nov. 7. The lecture will be held in Hauck Hall

Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., and will be open to the public. A reception will follow the lecture and film.

On Saturday morning (Nov. 9) he will address the Casa Iberia Book Review Series on his just published autobiography, "The Spice of Life." The review will begin at 10:30 a.m. in Hauck Auditorium.

A former Vice-Chairman of the Conservative Party in Britain, Mitchell was a member of

Parliament from 1931 to 1945. He is the author of several books, including the authoritative "Russian Possessions in the Caribbean," "Europe in the Caribbean," and "Caribbean Patterns," and has earned two LL.D.'s from St. Andrews, Scotland's oldest University.

Questions and discussion are always encouraged following his talks.



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Lincolns vs. Porsches

In this time when new car buyers are being steered towards small, economical cars, it is important that the potential small car owner not be scared away by the age-old claim that large cars are safer than small ones. While people are, of course, entitled to their particular preference in automobile size, they must be careful not to choose a large car in place of a small one solely for safety's sake. Do not misunderstand me. I wholeheartedly support automobile safety. I merely seek to explain a fundamental misconception regarding automobile size and safety.

First of all, we must understand that in a crash situation the vehicle with the smaller mass will experience greater forces of deceleration. The smaller, lightweight automobile is subjected to the greater impact force in a collision with a large car. In no way, however, does this indicate that large cars are safer than small ones. According to Dr. Patrick M. Miller's article in the December 1973 issue of *Motor Trend* magazine, "Reasonable automobile design should require each automobile to dissipate kinetic energy in direct proportion to its mass under intervehicular conditions." In other words, the impact force in a crash must be absorbed by the automobile in proportion to its weight. As a car's body deforms in a crash, kinetic energy dissipates. Small car construction is in keeping with this philosophy.

Different automobile construction techniques cause some economy cars to be inferior in crash performance. In the interest of economy, spot welding is sometimes used in place of continuous welding which is the technique used for large cars. Spot welding reduces the energy absorbing capacity of the structure. This, however, does not cover all small cars by any means.

Actually, large cars present the problem. The large automobile's excessive weight is responsible for an increased amount of kinetic energy in a crash. The increase prevents a large car from dissipating energy in direct proportion to its mass. Dr. Miller points out that "relative energy dissipation per unit length of crush need not be as great in the sub-compact as in the standard size during fixed object collisions." Therefore, a small car with a small frontal crush length cannot be deemed less safe than a large car. Moreover, Dr. Miller states that "Smaller cars typically utilize a greater percentage of the total weight in the structure than large cars. Thus, in the smaller cars a greater proportion of the total mass is located where it can either absorb energy or provide passenger compartment strength."

The ideal situation would be to have automobiles of equivalent masses. Large cars hardly solve any problems with their large size. This is a disadvantage because it poses a far more challenging "energy management" situation. In a collision, the excess kinetic energy which is not absorbed by a large car takes its toll on a small car which is doing its fair share in the first place. Large cars may be fine for protecting their own occupants, but what about the safety of the small car occupants. There should be consideration for everyone involved in a collision. Saving the lives of a large car's occupants at the expense of a small car's occupants is of no help to the automobile safety cause.

*To further emphasize the fact that small cars are not inherently less safe than large cars, I will cite the experimental safety vehicle program as an example. How is it that Volkswagen could produce a 3,000 pound ESV which is just as safe as a General Motors ESV which weighs in at somewhere between 5,000 and 6,000 pounds? Tests back up their safety records. Couple that with the increased maneuverability available in a smaller car, and the fact that there is some evidence to indicate that small cars are involved in fewer accidents than large ones, and you have an excellent reason to remember small cars the next time you are buying a new automobile.

*While this may sound as though small car owners are martyrs facing overwhelming odds in the form of large cars, it is important to look beyond the all too logical deduction that big cars will mow down smaller adversaries. After all, what is it that we are really concerned with? The fact that a Cadillac Fleetwood can push in the front of a Pinto while sustaining relatively minor damage is not of prime importance. The condition of the drivers, not the automobiles, is what matters above all. Interestingly enough, a person who drives a large car while not wearing seat belts would probably be safer in a small car with them. Every automobile sold in the U.S. has seat belts, so the safety potential is there. If you're wondering whether or not seat belts work, ask the Swedes. Volvo found no fatalities below

sixty mph in a study of 28,000 accidents in which belts were worn.

Granted, many car owners do not wear belts, but several manufacturers are trying to do something about this. Volkswagen, for example, sells a 1975 model with an automatic seat belt system as standard equipment making it the most advanced belt system ever to be offered on a production car. The passive restraint requirement does not take effect until the 1977 model year!

The omnipresent argument concerning sufficient front hood length for crash safety is highly complex. Sheer bulk sitting in front of the driver is not the answer. Strength is what counts. Mercedes-Benz, for example, incorporates crush zones which are designed to deform under extreme pressure in a way which will absorb the crash and lessen the force of the occupant's thrust forward.

For those of you who are convinced that the lack of an engine up front is terribly unsafe, I pose the following question: Why is it that the 1975 Volkswagen Dasher (front-engine) is designed to have its engine drop out in a very severe crash? The reason is simple. The incompressible engine would otherwise land in the driver's lap in such a crash. A Volkswagen, for example, with no engine up front to take up valuable space, has a considerable amount of crush space which is of course, highly desirable. This is not to say that front engine automobiles are poorly designed, rather I believe that cars without a front engine are not necessarily poorly designed.

A Freshman's First Impression

by: MARY ALICE BYRNES

Definition of happiness: being able to put away your bottle of Vivarin again until finals, getting your check from home a week early, getting a better grade on your chemistry mid-term than the Einstein who normally sits and sneers next to you, going home for Thanksgiving, and having a date with the person your worst enemy has had the hots for the past six weeks.

But the absolutely, undeniably, ultimate happiness has GOT to be the warm, secure knowledge that there is no possible way for any common delinquent to come crawling off the street and break into your alloy vault in our own Fort Knox (alias your new mailbox). Six inches of solid steel and the most obnoxious, obstinate, perverse combination lock have the power to suppress the desires of even the most experienced, adventurous, thrill-seeking thief. This creates only one problem - where does all this immunity from larceny leave you??? If you have three days to spare, an iron will, an extremely slow-burning temper (a great sense of humor doesn't hurt either), and a desperate, frenzied, incurable need for mail, this may all contribute to your possible success in opening your box. Predictably enough, even the strongest, toughest egos are smashed when all that talented effort (luck), uncountable swear words, sprained wrists, and temporarily lost composure manage to produce a dark, hollow, sterile mailbox, three pieces of dust where the letters should be stacked up, and a two inch spider

glaring at you, obviously perturbed at being interrupted in his task of providing your box with a white net interior. Then of course fate comes through and arranges for the guy who is 7'8" to have a 2' high bottom row box located in the midst of ten 2' high dwarfs who are wildly jumping up and down in an attempt to reach their 7'8" boxes.

To top this off, you can't help but feel that a noted institution at Rollins has been destroyed. You can no longer walk to the Union seventeen times a day to check your mail (or rather to see all the good-looking faces congregated in one spot), you can no longer conveniently slip through on your way to class and glance in the little glass window just to make sure you didn't miss any mail earlier, - you simply end up missing the excuse to see and be surrounded briefly by your friends and the opportunity to lazily mingle awhile in a friendly, comfortable atmosphere. Instead, this has all been replaced by a rather cold, impersonal, but very modern and efficient steel crypt.

But smile and look at the bright side of the situation: It's a great opportunity to get a bird's eye view of all the bikinis and baggies while innocently strolling along to pick up your mail, you can walk the back way around and breathe in all the delicious smells from the Beanery and guess what's for dinner tonight, and, best of all, now you'll finally be able to sleep nights knowing that your letters from Great Aunt Hortense have not been pilfered while you weren't looking.

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Postal service first became a government monopoly in 1789. It ran a deficit of \$40,000. (1) This deficit began a tradition that grew in 1972 to the sum of \$1.7 billion or \$85.00 for every man, woman, and child in the United States just for one year's operation. (2) This is in addition to the exuberant postage rates we must pay anyway. Indeed more than our letters are being taken for a ride.

The question is does it have to be this way? Could the private sector do a better job than this legally enforced monopoly? Many individuals think so. Says Thoman Murry of the Independent Postal System of America, "I intend to tear into that whole business and take it away." (3) The I.P.S.A. runs only third-class mail because of existing laws. It started in 1968 in Oklahoma City and in three years had a nationwide operation. By next year according to Murry, it will be operating "in every hamlet in the U.S." (4) During its first month of business the I.P.S.A. realized a \$500 profit while the Post Office lost \$100 million. (5) Thomas Murray has for years begged the government to let him have a fair crack against the U. S. Post Office. He guarantees faster delivery anywhere anytime, and a substantial reduction in rates, and with all this made a nice profit. Back in 1971 Murray tried to prove his point regarding the delivery of Christmas cards. The Post Office promised delivery by Christmas any cards mailed by December 15th at the price of 8 cents per card. Murray challenged the Post Office to give him a million of their cards on December 23rd and he would have them delivered by Christmas Day, give the Post Office \$30,000 and make a profit! The offer was refused. (6) Says Murray, "... if the U.S. Post Office was in the automobile business, the cheapest car you could buy would be \$10,000." (7) The I.P.S.A. has succeeded although in taking away much of the third-class mail from the Post Office. With lower rates and guaranteed delivery on a specific date, it isn't hard to see why.

On a smaller scale operating in a Chicago suburb, the Hinsdale Common Carriers, capitalized to the extent of \$70, made a \$500 profit in two months offering a 50% reduction in rates with faster and safer delivery. It

pleased everyone from local businessmen to bike-riding teenagers. It did not please the Post Office, however, who quickly banned the H.C.C. from delivering first class mail. (8)

What happened when the private sector was allowed to compete with the Post Office of the United States? Back in 1839 William F. Harrier bought a half-bushel carpet bag and began competing against the Post Office operating from Boston to New York. Within one year he had taken away all the business for himself until rivals began to spring up. (9) All in all, the private sector, operating mainly on the East coast, had taken over one-third to one-half of all mail business in the United States and had the Post Office on the brink of extinction. (10) The service rendered by the private sector was much cheaper, safer, and faster. The Post Office responded by declaring war on its competition by arresting anyone caught delivering letters. These carriers became minor folk heroes, "running circles around the Post Office," and as fast as they were arrested, they were bailed out by the private citizens they pleased so much. In 1845, the U. S. Post Office provided Congress to destroy the private postal systems, promising to reduce rates which incidentally were still above the private sector's rates. (11)

The examples can go on and on. Down in the Miami-Palm Beach area is the Private Postal System of America offering far better service than the government of third-class mail. (12) The Pacific Postal System delivers all third class mail in the San Francisco Bay area. (13) The Parcel Service is one area that private companies have been allowed to compete with the Post Office. The result: most of the business is run today by companies such as U.P.S. or R.E.A. and not the Post Office. (14)

Finally, one may ask why the existing Post Office is so poor. The answer is that it suffers from a few big and numerous small inefficiencies inherent in a legally enforced monopoly. Here is an example: U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT located a U.S. Post Office in New York City where the top 15 employees had been at the same post for between 40 and 50 years. Some spying was done on this Post Office and every day one of the workers would drive his 8-wheel truck to a

deserted train depot, open the back doors of an old abandoned railroad siding, close the doors, and leave. When asked "Why do you go there?" he replied, "Nobody ever told me to stop." (15) Such stories are common, the point being it matters little for a legally enforced monopoly to make mistakes whereas under the conditions of a free market, it would mean economic suicide.

All over the country people like Thomas Murray are begging for the chance to run the Post Office out of business. They promise about a one-third price reduction in existing rates, faster delivery, guaranteed delivery on a specific date, extra safety, while making a million, where the Post Office loses billions.

The above case leaves the reasoned individual with one course of action: To end the legal monopoly on first-class mail, and to sell the United States Post Office to private business. This is one of the many available starting points to reduce the scope of government. The only function of government should be to protect rights, not to violate rights as in the case of the United States Post Office.

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