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Drugs: The Dangerous Darlings

"His health precarious, his marriage unhappy, his struggle to make a living by writing and lecturing unavailing" describes the nineteenth century poet, Samuel Taylor Coleridge. Because of poor health Coleridge turned to laudanum, a popular remedy of the time, and soon faced the horrors of drug addiction.

A recent program presented at Tech, on drug abuse and addiction brought many unknown facts into the open.

Students from the University of Tennessee at Memphis College of Pharmacy viewed facts and characteristics of drugs frequently abused by high school and college students.

At the end of the program there was a question and answer period. Cindy Masner questioned, "In our constitution it is stated that everyone has the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. If this is so, then why is it wrong to take drugs, if this is the way some people find happiness?"

Mrs. Virginia Lee answered the question this way, "Here on earth your physical being is a holy temple that God has loaned your soul. One should keep his body sacred."

Karen Callahan reflects another answer to the same question saying, "When you are on drugs, it lifts you up for a while, but your ability to reason, your vision, your reflexes are all dulled. On numerous occasions, you become a hazard to others. When your pursuit of happiness infringes on my civil liberties and on my life, then it's time for action to be taken."

Judy Smith, reflecting concern for those who use narcotics, wrote "When you are on dope, you don't realize what you are doing. You could kill someone and not even know about it. There is a chance you could kill yourself. Dope causes hallucinations which could cause a person to attempt to do things which are beyond his capability. For instance, while on dope you may think you can fly. You try to do this and find out you can't."

Sometimes students feel the whole adult generation is down on

them. Just because they look a little different doesn't mean they should be condemned so easily. In agreement with this Bill Richards "A lot of people, mostly elderly people feel that every time they see a person with long hair, sideburns and a beard, they are looking at an addict. But most young people just want to be different, I think you can be different without taking drugs."

Vickie Pools, defending the use of drugs asks the question a lot of people wish they had the answer to. "Why should a person be allowed to buy booze and not be allowed to buy dope? Both are considered to be harmful to the soul and body. If this is so, and it is harmful to the soul and body, it need not be your body, not unless you wish it to be."

Mr. John Little spoke on the tax dollar of citizens. A large percent of taxes are being spent to support mental institutions where many addicts are being treated. The abuse of drugs puts a strain on wage earners pocketbooks. Tax payers must take care of those who cannot, because of their willful misuse of drugs, support themselves.

Joe Meister's reaction to this was "I think its bad that taxes have to be so high, but without taxes how could the government take care of all those needy people in the country? What they said in the auditorium is true about the government supporting the institutions, but if they didn't, who would? I don't want all those people dying just because I thought they were terrible people."

It was a program in which interest was intense and varied.

The mixed emotions were probably summed up in the following words by Judy Smith, "It is really up to you if you want to harm your body in this way. But first think about something. How would you feel if your child or loved one was killed by someone on dope? Would you say, well, in our constitution it says life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? I think all of us should work together to prevent legalizing dope."

Students Rescue Stranded Motorists

Who says Tuesdays are dull? The first Tuesday after Christmas sure was zippy. With people rushing around, pushing cars, throwing snowballs, and generally having a blast, there wasn't much school work done.

Something new showed up that day — slacks. Girls generally seem to like them but the men have varied opinions. Gary Xiques, "They look better than some of the short skirts." Mike Hanrahan said, "It added variety to the school scenery, however, on some girls pants looked good; on others they didn't because of size, height, and weight." One student was quoted as saying, "I think they're sexist!" Wrecks were not uncommon Laetitia Harrison gave this account of her's. "We were going down McLean and skidded completely around. Cars were coming from all sides. Everybody screamed, but I laughed. We took a right turn at Avalon and Bam!!, that was it."

It seemed funny then, but even when there isn't any snow or ice students had wrecks. On January 26, Billy Britton, Pat McLemore, and Bobby Edwards were driving down Overton Park Avenue. A car ran a red light at Cleveland and Overton Park hitting his car. There were no serious injuries. Bobby got a whiplash, Pat McLemore hurt her knee and foot and got a bump on her head.

Alumnus Scores High

A recent Tech graduate, Miss Virginia Kay Crawford, is among the top scholars at David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tenn. She is listed on the Honor Roll for the past quarter, having achieved a grade point average of 3.5 out of a possible 4.0 to qualify for this honor. This is better than a "B" average and places Miss Crawford in the top ten per cent of the Lipscomb student body of approximately 2,200.

She graduated from Tech in 1967 and is now a junior at Lipscomb majoring in speech.

Teenagers Voice Their Opinions

"There are vibrations!" is a phrase that adequately describes what some of the teenagers at Memphis Technical High School students interchange their opinions and ideas with various sports, movie and musical stars. The "scene" is the Show, the series in which young people have the opportunity not only to hear their favorite musical groups perform, but also to interact with them and important newsmakers. "The Show" is broadcast over Channel 16, on Thursday nights.

This highly electric gathering of diverse personal attitudes and accomplishments converses in depth on topics such as violence on television, sports events, prestigious figures that influence youth, the individual's responsibility toward lyrics on society, and the role of the award winner.

The teenagers that visit the Show are as much a part of the program as the newsmakers and performing artists who are showcased during the hour. They all come together on the set and have a hand in what is said and the overall direction of the session.

Some of the guest stars that will be seen in following shows are, Kenny Rodgers and The First Edition, Dick Gregory, Bill Toomey, Mason Williams, Dr. Benjamin Spock, and the Taj Mahal.

Deserving Teenagers Receive Honors

Vivian Sherrill and Robbie Jolly were selected as Teenagers of the Week from Tech. This is a very high and deserving honor that's hard to get.

Vivian Sherrill was confronted with the question of what she wanted for Christmas above everything else. Her answer was "I wish people would remember the true meaning of Christmas all year round instead of just at Christmas. Vivian also won the DAR Award.

Robbie was asked how he felt about fraternities and sororities.

Semester Honors

Students at Tech High School seem to take an interest in their subjects by the grades they make. These students listed below have made first honors for the semester. In order to qualify for first honors one must make first honors throughout the first semester.

Meanwhile many other students have kept busy in their studies by making second honors throughout the first semester.

Seniors this semester were really outstanding. Six seniors made first honors while twenty-six seniors made second honors.

FIRST HONORS

10th Grade

Ken Allen Brisepe, Claire Smith, Sheila Roberts.

11th Grade

Debra Moffit, Patsy Kennedy.

12th Grade

Larry Bailey, Robert Jolly, Donald Burkhardt, Vivian Sherrill, Betty Winsett, Pat Coleman.

SECOND HONORS

10th Grade

Gloria Morgan, Nina Johnson, Janice E. Camburn.

11th Grade

Judy Gardner, Jeffery Carlock, Cindy Masner, Barbara Matthews, Pattie Ayers, Frank Galloway, Jr., Robert L. Hall, Pamela Johnson, Kay Hall.

12th Grade

Van Phillips, Sharon Green, Patricia Hall, Roe Barnes, Robert Veazey, Laetitia Harrison, Marjorie Houston, Jo Ann Meredith, Janet Sue Green, Windi Click, Paula Harwell, Katherine Lacy, Pat Nykodem, Betty Price, Linda Riley, Deby Ballard, Susan Beaver, Eva Bell, Velma Scott, Pat Stainback, Virginia Sullivan, Pat Tolbert, Susan Goldsmith, Janet Gomilia, June Mansfield, Mary Simpson.

He said "I really didn't know much about them because there aren't any at Tech." He also said friends of his said the real qualifications didn't matter much because if you were a friend of someone in a sorority or fraternity it wasn't very hard to get in one.

Their advice for junior high students is to be friendly, don't talk behind someone's back, and don't be afraid to speak up when you feel you're right. After you graduate is the time for all fun and games. Your school work is more important than any activity.

"Paint Your Wagon"

"Paint Your Wagon," is one of the most action packed musicals ever produced. The movie supposedly is derived from the days of the Old West when anything could have happened.

When the story begins, we see a booming gold-mining town which has mushroomed almost over night simply because of the "gold fever." The town was comprised entirely of males until the memorable day when a Mormon came boldly into town escorted by his two wives. After auctioning off one of his wives to the miner with the most favorable bid, No Name City as it was called, was left with the

task of adapting to two female citizens.

Overwhelmingly funny are the words to describe this show. Lee Marvin is extremely effective as an old drunk who during the span of the story breaks every rule of society. He is the anti-hero and of all the characters wins the sincere affection of the audience. Clint Eastwood is in the audience. Clint Eastwood is in the audience. Clint Eastwood is in the audience. Clint Eastwood is in the audience. Clint Eastwood is in the audience.

The music is moving and masculine with the harmony of male singers. In short, the show is fantastic.

THE NAKED PREY

This motion picture deserves to be called the best picture of the decade. Why? Watching this picture gave me a feeling of complete relaxation. The way Cornel Wilde portrayed the role of man was perfect. Despite the fact that he was being stalked by vicious savages in the vast jungle continent of Africa.

The movie's central theme is Man's struggle for survival in a savage cannibalistic world. Here is man, a civilized and cultured being, setting foot into darkest Africa. Stripped of his clothes, he is free to roam the earth as prey for the blood-thirsty natives.

Although his principle motive is to keep the natives from killing him, the man has a second purpose, that being to keep himself alive and free from hunger. This struggle for survival leads him to eat some seemingly impossible delicacies, such as raw snake meat and desert lizards.

Starting out with no clothes or food this nude, man fashions shoes

from the pelt of a lion that he had earlier devoured for food. He fashioned a loose body cloth from the read dress of a dead native.

Because of his situation man faces several dangerous perils. Some of which are: (1) walking through a seemingly endless snake pit; (2) falling from the top of a towering waterfall and; (3) risking his life for a piece of meat an inch square.

I felt that this movie was an excellent example of the trials and tribulations faced by stoneage men. If mankind could only look back to see how this man and others like him survived, they would find a better light of understanding. The freedom that man portrayed in this picture is very ironic to the title. Although man was being stalked by savages he was also experiencing a new way of life. This portrait of man represents hope for a completely Utopian life in the near future.

When The War Years Have Passed Away

Within all men there rings a bell of love.

There are no more hated pushes and shoves.

A new sun shines on this miraculous day.

When the war years have passed away.

Jim's home with mother, isn't that grand!

Dad's standing proudly to shake Jim's hand.

Something like this will happen one day.

When the war years have passed away.

Then Bob can be home when Christmas is here.

Susan won't cry cause Tom isn't near.

Churches will be full, that's what they say,

When the war years have passed away.

Betty won't cry cause Ed is dead.

Pat won't kill Bob because he's out of his head.

Believe it or not there won't be a way!

When the war years have passed away.

John and Cora will one day wed. Tiny Tim and Miss Vicki will sleep in one bed.

Hard to believe, you dare not say,

When the war years have passed away.

"The Reivers"

William Faulkner's famous novel, The Reivers, has been transformed into one of the greatest current movies.

It is a lively story portraying the bumps a young boy takes on his road to manhood. The action begins when the boy's grandfather goes away on business leaving behind the family Winton Flyer, the family car, with his three grandchildren. After stealing the car, the three grandchildren, or Reivers as Faulkner called them, set out on their pilgrimage for the rip roaring town of Memphis. Upon arrival the boarded at the neighborhood's house of ill repute. Imagination can give one a hint at the adventures that followed.

This movie may be enjoyed by anyone who likes to throw his head back and laugh. Steve McQueen's performance as the mischievous Boone, was outstanding. McQueen and his unknown comrad seemed to have a private conrad for the sake of proving the one who could acquire the most laughs. Between them, the audience was kept in stitches except for an occasional flick of sadness provided by the younger star. See this movie for fun and variety.



Dear Editor:

In past weeks several problems within our schools have received major attention. One such item is "long hair". I believe this situation was handled improperly by both parties (those for and those opposing).

Those "for long hair" were wrong by obtaining mass media attention which did not reflect the views of the entire student body of Tech. The opposing body of students wanted similar attention to allow the public to wonder more about Tech.

This was a matter concerning students of Tech, not the people of Memphis. This should have been discussed among the students of Tech as it is a domestic problem.

Some of us belong to a group that receives all of the awards and recognition, publicity in the Review and Yellowjacket. Perhaps we earned them, but why should we allow ourselves to repeatedly accept recognition. Personally, I feel an awful sense of greed. Many students have pointed out to me, that at our basketball games there is a group of students who always sit together, while other students feel that they should not penetrate this "group".

I am not trying to hurt anyone or cause ill feelings but I would only like to see our students "get together".

Thank you, Robert Hall

Thespians To Sponsor Teacher Of The Year

The Thespian Society is sponsoring a Teacher of the Year contest. The student body will vote for the teacher they think deserves Teacher of the Year. Also at the last meeting the three remaining officers were filled. Ritual Chairman — Windi Click, Probation Officer — Danny Webb, Sgt.-at-Arms — Chuck French.

Recently officers were elected for the National Forensic League. It is an honor club and a member is inducted only after earning points in Speech Tournaments competition. The new officers are as follows: President — William Pearson, Vice President — Windi Click, Secretary and Treasurer — Ira King.

Teachers Trudge Through the Snow

by Robbie Jolly and Buster Pearson

As Memphis received its' first accumulation of snow in about two years everyone waited to see if school would be open or closed. The competent advisers said yes and thousands of Memphis kids trudged to the city schools.

Tech was among these schools and we made the best of our snow filled day. Amongst the clatter of noise and people arriving late, the day finally started by second period. Prior to this William and myself conducted a "survey" with Tech High's own teaching staff. The answers were given were made by teachers already miserable from snowy incidents.

The Question we stated was thus:

We're from the Paper Staff and we'd like to know why you came to school today?

The Answers thrown back were:

Mrs. Horner—I don't live too far.

Coach Williams—I like snow.

Miss Butts—I came but can't say I agree with the decision to come.

Mrs. Stamper—It's my job.

Mr. Spencer—It's the right thing to do.

Mrs. Bright—I'm loyal to Tech.

Coach Wright—I haven't missed a day in years.

Coach Collins, Miss Henry, Mr. Peters, Miss Cock, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Alderson all said because they liked money.

Black Is Beautiful

"Say it loud, I'm black and proud!" February 7-14 was National Negro History Week. Mrs. Francis Martin, our librarian, kindly consented to display some books in the library on Negro Literature. Mr. Jobe Walker and the Art Department are responsible for the sign with the display. Some of the books on display were: A Choice Of Weapons by Gordon Parks, Up From Slavery by Booker

T. Washington, Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos Or Community? by Martin Luther King.

During Negro History Week, the McLean Library featured films on displays. It is the hope of this newspaper that students, teachers and faculty will voluntarily promote National Negro History Week through displays and bulletin boards.

"B" Average In Hall Of Fame

I feel that the "B" average in the hall of fame is excellent. No one wants a failure for a leader. If our country is to be led in the right direction then it should be led by people with a high degree of intelligence. We often fall short of good leadership by electing people that are only interested in self glorification.

In my opinion, having to maintain a "B" average is one of the best requirements if not the best for our student body. All of the people that are complaining about this requirement should get up off their rusty dusties.

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I feel this is utterly revolting. Any time a person has to have a "B" average to be witty or hand-

some its' time for a change. When asked why such a requirement was made compulsory this answer was given: The Annual Staff pays for this section of the year book and therefore they should set their own requirements. We, the student body go along with this idea to an extent. That extent being: Mr. Tech is highly irregular and most unfair to the rest of the students.

One must consider the fact that no matter how hard they try some students just aren't capable of making "B's" in every subject. Heaven knows that a boy doesn't have to be a "B" student to be handsome, or best dressed. So people, have a heart, don't be so snobbish because a few people have a higher level of academic intelligence than others.

"The Sterile Cookoo"

"Come Saturday morning, I'm going away with my friend." These words, from an academy award nominee for best song are from "The Sterile Cookoo."

The movie is the beautiful, funny-sad story of an anti-wierdo (wierdos are college big men on campus) girl, who finds somebody to love her for the first time in her life. The funny part is, her boyfriend is a wishy-washy in-between, who defends the wierdos and finally becomes one. However, he loves Pookie for the incredibly alive person that she is until her newness wears off and he resumes his comfortable position as a fraternity man.

It is impossible to relate to a group of people why this movie is magical and memorable. Maybe the real beauty was in the acting of Liza Minelli, who was Pookie Adams as if the part had been written for her. Maybe it was.

However, "The Sterile Cookoo", although not in my opinion an academy award winner, is an appealing, really amusing, and important movie.

Protest Waged For Rights

No one seems to know for sure what actually happened Friday, February 13th when Mr. Bourne met with several Tech boys regarding their long hair. Indignant students were hollering, "He said get it cut by Monday or else!", while Mr. Bourne defends himself with, "No ultimatums were set down — the word Monday was not used." Who does one believe?

On Saturday, February 14th, fifteen Tech boys went to the Board of Education to protest. They hoped to talk with someone there who would act as a middle-man and tell them who was right and what solutions they could find for their problem. However, finding the building closed, they met with little success of any kind — except they got their pictures in the paper. They were also quoted in the newspaper articles. (and mis-quoted, according to William Moore, who denies making the statement about "Jesus was the first hippie.")

Opinions about this situation (I'll spare you the puns about "hair raising situation", etc.) are pretty radical in the school. Sharon Flack, a senior, seemed extremely disgusted with the fifteen. It seems she can't understand why a boy would want to look like a girl. (Sharon has black hair halfway down her back — "That's different," she says, "a woman is supposed to have long hair.") Most of the boys I've talked to seem to be pretty united in feeling that it is unfair for them to have to get haircuts. They feel their personal good-judgement is being belittled and their freedom of choice is being denied.

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Shop Courses Open Doors

For many years Tech has been known as a comprehensive high school. The shop courses as well as academic subjects make Tech an all-around school.

Whether you are preparing for college or for a job after graduation, Tech has what you need and want.

The three hour courses such as Cosmetology, V.O.E., Auto Shop, etc. offers students a chance to get excellent training in any field of their choice as well as two credits per year. The big requirement for all these courses is an interest in the field you wish to go into. Other requirements are listed below along with all the three-hour courses offered at Tech.

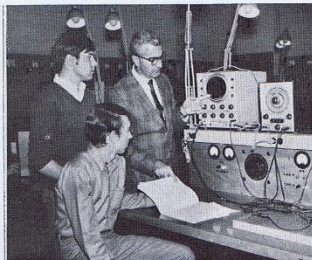
Learn Radio and T. V.

Algebra I is definitely required for the Radio and Television Course. An advantage of this course is the fact that it can be taken for one, two, or three years.

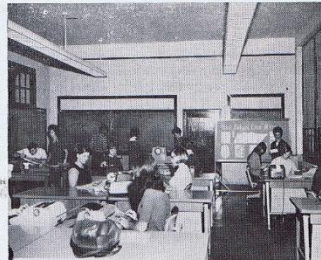
The first year covers radio techniques and the second teaches the knowledge of television.

The young men taking this course vary their learning time from the classroom where the basics are acquired and in the shop room, where their skill is put to use.

Right now, the Radio and Television Department is experimenting with the Diode Detector.



Tech boys in Radio and T.V. look eagerly as the teacher describes operation of equipment.



VOE students gain typewriting skills as well as everyday office procedures.



Art Students On The Move

A hive of bees couldn't be busier than the group of students taking Commercial Art at Tech.

Incredible — just listen to some of the activities going on in the art room on any given day of the year which prove this statement.

First, one student is working on a design for the cover of a pamphlet and he has a deadline to meet. Next we see a couple of students doing posters on such subjects as crime prevention and safety. (Tech won first place last year in the crime prevention poster contest and is going to be well-represented this year.) Another group of artists are painting murals on flats to be displayed around the school.

Here and there around the room you can see art students drawing still-lives and landscapes to improve their technique and knowledge of the materials.

To be an average art student who hopes to succeed in the field, a student has to have more than a natural ability to draw. (Although without this ability one cannot even begin in art.) A good art student has to be willing to work at anything that is presented to him, regardless of its immediate value in art, and have a tremendous desire to do all the things which are necessary to achieve a good standing in the art field.

The art department has organized and now has its own club, Tech Art Club, a subsidiary of VICA. The club has many activities planned for the future including a banquet, art tours, and educational trips, group pictures in the annual and art exhibitions.

Some of the many things that have been done by the club in the past are stage decorations for the beauty review, cafeteria decorations, a successful candy drive to raise funds for the clubs activities, and a tour of Brooks Art Gallery.

Tech Meets Academic Needs Of All Students

"Vocational High School" suggests the key to the easy way out. Tech High School is often mistakenly linked with "vocational schools," which offers the wrong impression entirely. Tech is a comprehensive high school. In addition to offering highly specialized areas of training, Tech also has a well-rounded academic program. English, history, math and science courses are the basics and are valuable assets to college-bound students.

Everyone benefits from a thorough knowledge of the history,

mechanics, and government of the country. It is necessary that each citizen understand the mechanics of his government in order to select the best qualified officials to represent his views. History courses offered at Tech include both American and World History, Government and economics.

Math is vital in every specialized field, and offers a challenge in every respect. Chemistry, electronics, and welding are three hour courses which require a thorough knowledge of basic algebra and general math. Pre-

F H A In Today's World

Home Economics is the ideal education for every girl. One learns the brightest and newest ideas in homemaking and child care, as well as sewing and cooking.

The Home Economics department is one of the most active classes. Each girl that takes home ec. is a member of the Future Homemakers of America. The FHA members have an opportunity in entering the Mid-South Fair competition in sewing, cooking, and modeling. The seniors compete for the Betty Crocker Award in December. February comes along with the Sears Sew-A-Rama, in which the girls compete with others from all over the city and county. Each spring two annual events take place, the Fashion Show where the girls model the clothes they made in class, and the State FHA convention.

The department consists of a cooking room with six complete cooking units, a large sewing room with twelve machines, a mirrored dressing room, and a three room furnished apartment.

The basic purpose of our home-making educational program is to prepare one for the dual role of homemaker and wage earner.

High Demand For Welders

Welding, ordinarily a two year course, may be extended to a three year period if the student maintains a B average. A good background of math and mechanical drawing are important prerequisites.

The course offers various types of modern industrial methods such as the laser beam and the electronic beam. Another type particularly in demand now is tungsten gas welding, which is also taught in the shop.

Jobs are abundant in the field of welding. According to Tech's welding instructor, there are 42 different areas a qualified welder may enter. Among these are welding engineers, supervisors, analysts, technical writers, and technicians.

requisites in this field include: unified geometry, Algebra I and II, trigonometry and advanced math.

There are many advantages of attending a comprehensive high school. Students are offered a wider variety of courses, and may have the opportunity to study subjects which correspond with their chosen vocations.

Tech students displayed their talents at Kingsbury High School's First Annual Forensic Tournament. Claire Smith placed first in Oratory and Beverly Bolden third in Humorous Interpretation. Also in the finals were: Ira King, William Pearson, and Carolyn Hawkins in Poetry Interpretation, Robbie Jolly and Windi Click in Duet Acting.

Prepare for Business with VOE

There are two separate courses in the VOE program. VOOS is the secretarial course that prepares you for work after graduation in some secretarial field. You must have three credits in business subjects before taking the course, and shorthand is required. You can, however, be taking your third business subject in your senior year along with VOOS.

Not only does it prepare you for secretarial work, but it shows you how to dress neatly and appropriately and how to choose your clothes. In VOOS you learn to use many business machines such as the mimeograph, IBM Key punch, calculator, and the Stencil or ditto machine. You also receive an excellent knowledge of all types of filing.

VOOS is the clerical part of the VOOS except no shorthand is required. This course takes you further into business machines and spends more time dwelling on each individual machine. VOOC also gives you a good knowledge of the grooming habits that should be practiced, neatness in dress, and cleanliness.

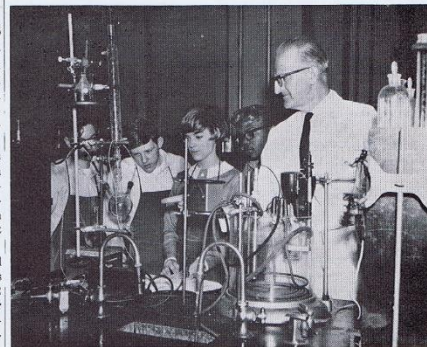
Guest speakers from business offices, dress shops, and wig salons, and modeling schools are frequent visitors to both of these classes. Field trips to such places as the Telephone Company are exciting. Both of these courses give you excellent training in everyday office experiences and send you into the business world fully prepared.

Economics: Insight To U.S. Economy

Economics is the study of supply and demand, including everyday problems of buying and selling. This course provides insight for understanding and knowledge of the United States. By knowing when and why to charge or pay cash, students realize the possible causes and courses of inflation, deflation, and stability in economy. This course is vital to history

and civic majors, and provides both informative material and challenge. It is beneficial to all students no matter what field they each may choose because Economics provides valuable experience in making decisions regarding money matters.

Consumers Economics presents economical problems and the solutions to these problems. The economic status of the nation is explored and possible financial difficulties are discussed.



Industrial Chemistry: Opportunity Knocks

The Industrial Chemistry course offered at Tech is primarily for students interested in making a career in the field. This course offers a unique opportunity if one is willing to work hard.

Our course offers the best preparation for college, and it is the only three hour course of its type in the Memphis area.

Most of the students prefer to continue their chemical education in college, after two years in the Tech Chemistry course.

Tech's lab has been equipped according to local industrial lab needs. Its lab facilities are as

fine as those in the colleges and universities in this area. Due to the excellent equipment and fine instruction, second year students receive chemical plant operators training.

Algebra I is required along with the approval of the Chemistry teacher and a year of science. Algebra II is helpful if you wish to really learn something about the course.

If you have your eye on a well paying job as a laboratory technician, or other jobs of that type, this course is made for you!

Paper Caper with Denise

"Cliques"

"No matter how hard you can't stop them now." Who are they? They are the many cliques around Tech High School. Both black and white students are guilty of being a part of the many separate groups.

For instance, have you had a chance to check the halls in the morning before school, where you find a group of students who classify themselves as the L.O.E.B. Society (Lovers of everything black). In another corner I chanced upon a group called the S.L.O.T. Society (Social Leaders of Tomorrow). It so happens that I overheard this small group talking in the lunchroom one day. They call themselves the B.W.F.S., (Black and White Friends Society).

Accidentally I heard a member of a nameless clique say, "The good people go to Tony's and the bad people go to Shoney's." Man, can you dig that!

Technites Still Shine

Some of our young men look so handsome in their clothes that I must bring them to your attention again. They are Sylvester Watkins, Charles Flynn, David Taylor, who are especially noted for wearing alpaca, slack suits, bell-bottom slacks and knit shirts. If you get a chance, just ease Terry Bullard, Robert Ford, and Chris Winfrey in their bad English cut leather coats. Also look for Clite Bridges and Larry Jones in their cashmere coats." Although these young men wear outstanding clothes, there are some fellows who look good in anything they wear. They are Karl Mabry, Marvin Pleasant, Billy Groce, Buster Pearson, James Hall, and Everett Bowen. Keep up the good work, fellows.

Get In the Groove

"Come Together" was the first record played at Alonzo Richmond's boss party on January 9th. After the guys and dolls heard this disk, they really began to get in the groove of things. Some of the mighty "ST" students seen there, in couples were Beverly Bolden — Wesley Johnson, Debra Maxwell — Robert Moore, Celia Farris — Darnell Brumley and of course Alonzo Richmond — Joyce Phillips. Needless to say, these weren't the only Techites there. Herman Adair, Bobby Boyce, Lloyd Porter, Richard Lewis, Theodore Geans, Debra Pruitt and Mark Harwell were doing their own thing, too. But the party would have been dull, if it hadn't been for Joy Taylor, Denise Williams and Tosca Parker keeping everyone laughing. Some of the latest dances that were exhibited at the party were the "funky" chicken, the muscle man and the yoke. Man, you talking about fun, they were really partying hardy.

What If . . .

by William Pearson

What if you were in a state of anatomical juxtaposition of two orbicular muscles in a state of contraction?

Eva Bell—I'd rub my arm.

Sherry Wilkerson—Give it to Lee.

Barry Smith—Kick Eva Bell.

Ricky Reed—Feel good!

Windi Click—I'd get in a coffin and shut the lid.

Robbie Jolly—Why would I have to do anything?

Tom Stone—Go see a doctor.

Mike Hanrahan—Hurt!

Nancy Bates—I'd itch.

Mike Skow—Lay down because it would hurt.

Vivian Sherrill—Hit Buster.

Pat Neal—I'd die!

Susan Goldsmith—I'd relax.

Gary Jones—Stand on my head.

Liz Millington—Ouch!

Gary Xiques—Buy a fifth of good booze.

Chuck French—Quit while I was ahead.

Miss Butts—Try to put myself in the shape of a donut.

Bob Veasey—Worry!

Larry Bailey—Get some local anesthetic — fast!

The above means kissing someone.

Modern Machines Help Students

The one main purpose is to learn the fundamentals of machine tool operation. The tools and equipment in the Machine Shop are the same as the ones used in the Industrial Shops. To give the students the knowledge and ability they will need when they enter the business world, information topics and job assignments are arranged.

Machine Shop offers a wonderful opportunity after graduation. After two years of machine shop training, graduates may be employed as machinists, apprentices, toolmaker apprentices, machine operators, or maintenance machine trainees.

The requirements are a real interest in the course, students must be able to learn blueprints and mathematics, one year of Algebra, and the students must take mechanical drawing.



Modern Music Masters and band relax after performing in one of the several concerts put on annually.



Electronics Offer Unlimited Future

Electronics is an ever-widening area, offering unlimited future to students who are smart enough to realize its potential and prepare to take advantage of its opportunities.

Students study in class the electronics theory and then apply the theory in the electronic laboratory.

Electronics is open to any junior or senior who has completed the courses of Algebra I and II. It is offered as a major and a minor.

After finishing the course, a student can go on to college and gain a degree in Electronic Engineering.



Beauty Achieved Through Practice

Cosmetology is another of the three hour courses given at Tech. The only requirements are to have a student license, white uniform and Cosmetology kit.

In first year Cosmetology the class hours are divided into two categories: theory and practical. Theory hours are the hours spent studying the Cosmetology book. The practical hours are spent learning to roll their hair, finger wave, manicure, rolling a permanent wave and eyebrow arching.

As for the second year student, they have more practical than theory. Time spent in the class room is usually two days a week while the time in the lab (where the practical work is performed) is usually three days a week. In practical work the students give patrons anything from an arch or comb-out to a bleach. The students grades are figured on the number of patrons they have each six-weeks and their grades in theory.

When the students reach their third year in Cosmetology they should have finished the Cosmetology book completely. After finishing the book by the second year, third year students just review. Each student has to send six dollars to the State Board of Cosmetology if they wish to receive a license. They also must pass a State Board Cosmetology Exam in Nashville.

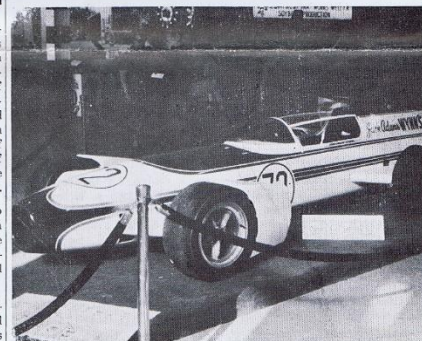
Business World Requires Speech

One of the most enjoyable elective courses offered at Tech is speech. Taught by Miss Ruth Butts, the Speech department offers varied activities. Outside of the classroom, students participate in Forensic Tournaments and dramatic productions. One is given the opportunity to learn many of the skills of theater. The art of stage makeup, building sets, stage movements, and much, much more.

At the present time, only two years of speech are offered, which can be used as a minor. In the 70-71 school term, speech may become a major as three years will be offered.

By participating in Speech activities, one may earn points that will enable him to join such clubs as the National Forensic League and the National Thespian Society.

Today's business world requires a person to be able to speak well, so speech is the ideal course for everyone.



Mechanics Today's Demand Achieve Supplied by Tech Experience

Tech High's Print Shop offers both offset printing and letterpress printing. This course is taken for two years with two credits per year. You can take printing for a third year with the permission of the teacher. It can be used as a major and a minor if taken for three years. It teaches most of the basics of printing, from hand type to large offset presses. You have one hour in a classroom and two in the shop itself.

There is a big demand for printers and if you are 18 years old and a good worker, you can get a part-time job while in the second year. There are no particular subject requirements except the fact that you should be fairly good in English. It also helps to have one year of mechanical drawing and one year of typing.

If you are interested in cars, then Tech has a real treat for you — Tech's Auto Shop!

Before taking this exciting course, one should have at least one year of Algebra. This course covers all major components of the automobile: the engine, the power train, the body, and the frame.

Testing equipment, service equipment and special tools for servicing the components or systems are furnished by the school. The student, however, must furnish his own hand tools and coveralls used in the shop. The equipment used in the shop is the same modern equipment used in garages or service departments.

Each graduate student can find employment if he so desires. One out of every seven men and women work in the automobile industry. Recommendations for employment are based on willingness to work, neat appearance, and the abilities of the student.

Soul

"I have longed for peace and have prayed. But I cannot expect peace to blanket the earth when people, even myself, cannot bring peace to themselves. It takes more than just one. But there is one thing I do which helps bring peace toward its goal. I smile because there is still peace between me and God."

—Carol Petty, Senior

"Learning to get along with the people here has helped me to make better grades. And to me this was a great challenge because I want a "star" just the same as everyone else does."

—Robert Ford, Senior

"I have been here at Tech for two years and I have found no better friends than I have here. I feel this way toward both black and white students. This is my reason for thinking that Tech is the friendliest school in Memphis."

—Marvin Pleasant, Senior

"I like to come to school every day, but I hate to come over here to Tech, because of the many rude people. You may not believe this but it is the truth, although everyone seems to be happy over here. But I'm not. I'm not going to worry, I'll pretend that I'm happy, smile at you when you hurt my feelings, but don't call me "nigger" and I hope you see the real me as a Negro."

—Charlean Lockett, Senior

Mike Reed Makes Trip To Holy Land

If somebody had told me they'd gone to the Holy Land a week similar to that of Denise Williams, who said, "What Holy Land?" but my interview with Mike Reed revealed that his tour was not only informative and educational, but really interesting and a lot of fun.

Mike, a sophomore here at Tech, was able to go on the tour because his father who is a preacher, was offered this tour free if he could find a group of people interested in accompanying him. Although his father's trip was free, Mike had to work and save for his expenses.

Mike and his father flew to New York, where they met about 60 other people. From there they flew to Jerusalem. Next came tours of various cities and sites nearby, which often involved long bus rides. Among the places Mike went were the Sea of Galilee, the city of Haifa on the Mediterranean Sea, Athens and many cities in Israel and Greece. One of the most interesting things Mike told us was that there are no draft laws in Israel but every boy and girl goes directly into the service after graduation from high school. Very few teenagers have cars there because it costs a fortune to buy and run them. Otherwise, most of the kids are very much like us. They go to movies and shows on weekends for entertainment and dress pretty much like we do in some parts of the area.

In other parts, in Jerusalem's old city, for example, people live exactly as they did years ago. There are open markets, where they sell goods, and they dress and travel in the same manner their ancestors did.

Mike enjoyed the trip, and plans to go again if possible. This time he would like to go by himself instead of on a tour so he can take his own time and stay longer.

The Roaring 70's



MOD SQUAD:

Smash Hit

by Donald Rosenkrans

Of all the youth-oriented TV programs, "The Mod Squad" is my favorite. It shows three kids, one from the slums, one from rich, but unloving parents, and a daughter of a prostitute. The show tells how kids like these can get mixed up in small crimes. This is something that a lot of people don't understand and should know.

The kids got "busted", and instead of punishment the police asked them if they would work for the police department. They now work as a team, cracking drug rings, catching car thieves and other crimes that teenagers are likely to try. Often there is an older person behind the crimes using the teenagers as pawns. There is a lot of truth in that.

"The Mod Squad" is also good because the actors are realistic. They use words and phrases which are common among young people today. The writers don't make them use "hip" phrases manufactured from Hollywood. Other shows patterned after Mod Squad, such as "The New People", suffer greatly from writers trying to think like young people. They try to toss in as many "hip hang-ups" as they possibly can and it turns out very boring.

I think "The Mod Squad" is successful not because kids are the heroes, but because it shows young people and their emotions as they really are. I think if more adults watched this show, they wouldn't be so ready to jump up and say, "Why did you do that, you overgrown brat? Don't we give you everything you need?"

Thoughts

A voice was faintly heard.
But pushed aside, ignored.
The voice grew slightly louder,
Still pushed aside, ignored.
Then the voice became quite audible,
Yet everyone continued on their own
Now all that's left is a pile of ashes,
And—
Nothing else is seen nor heard.

Big Flop

by Nanel Hites

A very popular show with almost all the young people of today is the hip with-it The Fraud Squad, which by the way, is so hip and so with-it that very often one can't decipher what it is the characters are trying to say.

Composing the cast are typical, all-American, Truly Barnes, beautiful sensitive, hip-hearted girl, Pink Cochran, also all-American, also beautiful, and Finkon Hayes, handsome, defiant black man. And they're cops. But the deal is, they have to be hip cops, and say things like "solid", and be bitter and martyrish when they have to betray their generation by turning in their friends, who are usually dope heads or kleptomaniacs or something. They are absolutely typical teens — except they have no prejudices, no sex hang-ups, no anything that every normal, red-blooded American (or Rumanian or Russian or Australian) kid has.

In the average working day of the Squad, "groovy", "outasite", Truly plays girlfriend to some "ungroovy" fiends of some description, and lures them to a warehouse, one of which always happens to be nearby, where Pink and Finkon jump out from a tree or a roof in their Keds, and massacre them.

At the end of the show, one of them usually cries a little, and somebody says something deep and symbolic, and they walk across a street and the commercial comes on.

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It's hard for me to believe
That people are really
In love
With each other
Because it looks to me that
It's impossible that
With all the people in the world
A person never meets,
That out of the small percentage
He does meet,
He find the one.
In
Other
Words,
I think
The choices are pretty limited.

Little Boy Blue

by Terry Phillips

Yes, I'm free, as the wide blue sea,
But it's true my heart has not a
key,

For you see my heart is made
of stone,

It happened when she left me
alone.

Of course, you're right! I'll put
away these tears,
And laugh at the next dark and
gloomy years.

Come, come now! Let's be
happy, the world is full of
hate.

And if you mourn too long,
death will get you sure as
fate.

Taking Interest

In Pets

Students at Tech High School, the Yellowjacket would like to express its feelings toward your co-operation concerning the stories about your pets. Many students have stated that they did not want a story printed in the school paper. You must realize, however, that your stories compose your paper. If you do not wish to send stories to the paper, then there can be no paper. It is not just the idea about your pets, but the idea of expressing your opinion in your own way and contributing co-operative thought to guide other readers.

There is one person that contributed a story about her pet. She is Nadolyn Jean Hankins. Her story was about her pet squirrels. Nadolyn has 4 squirrels whose ages are about one year and six months.

When asked how she obtained her squirrels, Nadolyn said that she and her brother found them in a tree in their backyard. Nadolyn tells us that her pets give the whole family many hours of enjoyment. They are obedient and easy to care for. Thank you for sharing your pets with us.

SOUNDS —

Envy At Twilight

by Kathie Lacy

Their shadows as they ran down the bluff intrigued me.
The tender laughter as the pair fell and found themselves in a pile of leaves aroused much envy in me.
Pebbles, cold and sweaty in my small hand, shone sparkly in the coming moonlight.

A huge green horseapple falls near my feet and I begin wondering where God and Nature really came from.
It is growing very late and the trees begin to blacken.
My tiny ears are chilled and growing red because the winds blowing in off the river are cold and damp.

Now my thoughts wander back to the time when I was small enough to play naked in the rain.

I'm too big now; a pity too!
The trees are growing blacker. I stand up here and envy those lovers down there.
So, here I stand at the top of the bluff waiting;
Waiting for my childhood to end.

Ballad

by Shirley Tipler

All night long she cried on her windowsill.

Beneath her on the street ran the long snow-white lines of traffic.

In her mind, a plan of paradise explodes and as her pupils grow, a storm grows.

Her bright horse's eyes, her silver skin reflects the dawn.

With semen blood and musk breath she greets another victim wrapped in sunshine — the new day.

Each tomorrow falls prey to her smile.

Yesterday is covered with sorrow and forgotten with her tears.

In the silence of empty rooms, her song erupts turning the green leaves brown.

The man under the bed listens as his heart goes from ice to water.

She stops to guide him into her life, easing his mind, smoothing out the wrinkles. Until tomorrow.

Death

by Doris Burton

It came last night, not by surprise,
Hate was in its evil eyes.

It had been coming gradually for days.

But now it felt different as into its eyes I gazed.
They said it would get me and they were right,

And now it's here in the middle of the night.

In the dark its arms reached out to me.

It called my name rather quietly. It beckoned me and I rose to stand.

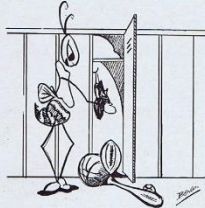
I followed it at its command. Before we faded from all the light,

Flashed before me was my whole life.

I thought, "For me no one had ever cared,"
And all at once I wasn't scared. But once again I was filled with fright,

As we turned our backs on all the light.

Now that I'm here on the other side of breath,
I realize there is a need for death.



Say Coach

1. Are you trying to build the team up for next year?
Bobby Boyce 12-03
Collins: Yes.
2. What's the average points the team has scored throughout this season?
Diana Grishan 10-08
Collins: About 52 points.
3. How long does it take for our team to get warmed up?
Shelia Durks 11-06
Collins: About 20 minutes.
4. Which player has the highest average?
Michael Barber 10-3
Collins: On A team Richard Lewis.
Wms: On B team Anthony Ervin.
5. Who's idea was it to buy those eye-catching uniforms?
Jeannie Bobbitt 10-06
Collins: Coach Collins.
6. Who designed the basketball team's uniforms?
Alonso Richmond 12-04
Collins: Coach Bill Collins.
7. Are you discouraged because the team is losing?
Ira King 11-03
Collins: Rome wasn't built in a day and a basketball team can't be built in a year. The students also have to realize we have a group of boys that never played before. You will just have to be patient. We will improve some by next year, but usually it takes three or four years to build a championship club.
8. Do you think the boys should be taken off the team because their grades are bad?
Collins: Yes, because basketball is an extra curricular activity and if a player is falling in his subjects he doesn't have any time to devote to any extra activity.

Jackets Alphabet

J. is for Johnson as in pam
A. is for Adair as in Herman
C. is for Cole as in Leslie
K. is for King as in JoAnn
E. is for Eaton as in Eddie
T. is for Tipler as in Shirley
S. is for Sherrill as in Vivian

A. is for Alexander as in Larry
L. is for Lawson as in Vickie
P. is for Pickler as in Eddie
H. is for Hall as in James
A. is for Ayers as in Charlie
B. is for Barber as in Michael
E. is for Edwards as in Linda
T. is for Thomas as in Sue

If you don't see your name, watch for yours in a coming issue.

Students Plan

Rivermont Party

It's about that time again, guys and dolls for the annual Junior-Senior Prom. If you are interested in having a grand time at the Downtowner Motor Inn or the Holiday Inn Rivermont, contact either Denise Williams or Charlean Lockett. They are both in Miss Cocke's home-room, L.L.S. Don't wait till the last minute juniors and seniors. Get your name on the list now if you plan to be there! This prom is sponsored by a small group of seniors outside of school.

Classroom Notes

by Denise Williams

February 3rd, Mrs. Elizabeth Horner's English classes had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Sandy Fogle, a friend of Mrs. Horner. She gave an account of her research on ballads. As informants she used her family, friends, and family doctor, whose background resulted from eastern Kentucky.

Mrs. Sarah Weber's D. E. Classes were in the process of giving sales demonstrations Jeri Gallo was demonstrating how to sell wigs. Ronnie Mertz, with a serious look on his face, asked Jeri, "Where is the glue you use to put the wig on with?"

In vocal music, fifth period, Mr. Leland Marsh asked Tommy Basden, Frederick Scott, and Ricky McNatt to join the girls in a singing. The boys were slightly insulted and Frederick Scott replied that we are the "Mod Squad." The class did not catch on to this joke readily. Frederick explained, "You know, one black, one white, and one blonde!"

WANTED: Several Sound and Sense books that have strayed away from Mrs. Elizabeth Horner's English classes.

HELP! The chemistry lab was almost put on fire by Sandra King. She put a piece of burning paper in the wastebasket. It was immediately put out by Mr. D.

Miss Ruth Butts is known for her strict penalty against gum chewers. Joe Dell Cox, Beverly Bolden, and Denise Williams were determined that they were going to chew their gum until the bell rang for class to start. At the instant the bell rang, simultaneously, they all dropped gum from their mouths into the wastebasket that they had been standing over for about two minutes. Miss Butts said that she only wished that she had a movie camera!

Sometimes you'll be amazed how many simple things you really don't know. One day in paper staff, a story was being wrote on the "Holy Land." Not thinking, someone asked what Holy Land.

Stars Will Shine

Don't be discouraged because Tech has had a losing season. Collins says that it is almost impossible to build a championship team in one season with inexperienced boys. Next year, Tech's team should be one of the best in the city. Tech already has the star uniforms and next year, the stars will shine in them.

Top Ten Around Tech

- Friendship Train
- Gladys Knight And The Pips
- Raindrops Fallin' On My Head
- B. J. Thomas
- Love Bones
- Johnny Taylor
- Ma Belle Amie
- The Tee Set
- Didn't I Blow Your Mind
- The Delfonics
- Arizona
- Mark Lindsey
- The Ghetto
- Donna Hathaway
- Hey There Lonely Girl
- Eddie Holman
- Voodoo Woman
- Simon Stokes
- Thank You
- Sly and The Family Stone



Basketball Coach Bill Collins designed new uniforms for the team. Bright gold and blue uniforms, with a wide blue strip around the gold trunks, and a streak of lightening on the "tank top". Standing L to R are: Coach Bill Collins, Kenneth Gomilla, Larry Dickerson, Richard Lewis, Gary Xiques, Earl Johnson, Eddie Eaton, Gary House, Billy Laneer, Jerry Crite, Emory Brim and Coach Bryan Williams.

Honor Society Inducts New Members

Leadership, scholarship, character and citizenship were the main qualities considered in choosing members for the Honor Society's spring induction.

This year at Tech we seem to have an abundance of students possessing these traits and on Wednesday, January 30, a number of these students were inducted into the Honor Society. These new members are as follows Nancy Bates, Velma Scott, Eva Bell, Pat Steinbeck, Sharon Green, Carolyn Hawkins, Janet Gomilla, Donald Burkhardt, Gary Xiques, Pam Johnson, Patsy Kennedy, Barbara Matthews, Frank Galloway.

The new officers of the Honor Society are: president; Vivian Sherrill, vice-president; Cheryl Blankenship, secretary; Pat Coleman, treasurer; Betty Winsett, chaplain; Bob Veazey.

Hospital Sponsors Round-Up at St. Jude

There's going to be a St. Jude's Roundup, Sunday afternoon, April 26, at three P.M. It will be held at the Mid-South Fair Arena at the fairgrounds.

The show will consist of a circus-type fashion show and twenty rodeo acts. There will be twenty-five representatives from different riding and saddling clubs, and a grand entry march composed of a hundred students in eye-catching attire.

A special star will attend the show. He will be chosen by Danny Thomas, and will be announced at a later date.

Elvis Presley has been asked to donate a horse as an attendance prize.

Admission is \$2.00 and all proceeds will be donated to St. Jude's Hospital. For tickets see Pat Nykodem, room 303.

Speech Department Announces Play

Miss Ruth Butts has obtained royalties to the play, "Harvey" written by Mary Chase, which is currently showing on Broadway with James Stewart cast in the starring role.

"Harvey" is an amusing comedy about a seemingly deranged man and his best friend, an invisible rabbit! (I might add the fact that he is six feet tall.) It should be a real treat to see this play. Try-outs will be announced at a later date. There will be six male roles and six female roles open to the student body.

Former Wildcats Help Tech Team

Larry Finch and Ronnie Robertson, former stars of Melrose basketball team and now attending Memphis State, agreed to help their old coach out with his new team. Larry and Ronnie came and scrimmaged with the Jackets. Coach asked them because he felt the only way Tech's team could get better is by playing against the "better than best."

The scrimmage took place the 28th and the 29th of Jan. in the gym after school. Although aided by three Yellowjackets, Finch and Robertson dominated the game. Coach Collins alternated the entire "A" team in and out of the game.

In the last two weeks, the "A" team has shown real promise. They've played a few real close ball games and were forced into overtimes. They put together three good quarters every game but can't seem to get the fourth. Coach Collins feels that this is due to lack of experience and that is why he asked Finch and Robertson to come. The team has shown a steady improvement and I feel that they should reach their peak when the tournament starts. The "A" team greatly appreciated the experience they gained from their scrimmage.

Epidemic Hits Tech

On the city-wide scene, Memphis is in the throes of a mild influenza epidemic. An average of 120 to 130 cases of the flu has been reported weekly. A total of 362 cases of the "Hong-Kong-like flu" were reported to the Health Department last week.

Around the halls of Tech High, the flu epidemic has caused an overwhelming amount of absences among students and faculty members.

Beware of "the bug", because its here to stay, at least, until the warm weather begins. If you don't believe me, ask Miss Butts, Miss Cooper, Mrs. Martin, or Mrs. Campbell. If you can't trust teachers, question some of these students, Shirley Tipler, Debra Pruitt, Lynn Lamar, Joy Boyd, or Debbie Buchanan.

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