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# Electioneering Begins Presidential Hopefuls Begin Campaigns

#### by Joe Caponi

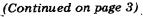
The 1984 Polity election campaign has begun with a burst of activity unheard of in recent years as a number of candidates prepare to fight for the Presidency.

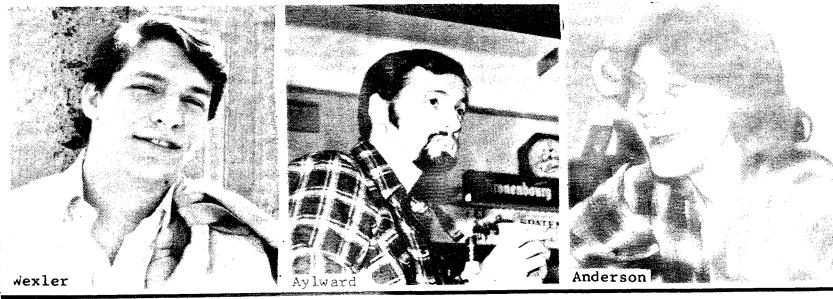
The election is scheduled for Thursday, April 26, and petitioning opens today for all available seats. Candidates will have a week to complete their petitions to be placed on the ballot.

What will make this campaign different from previous ones is in the number of candidates committed to going for the top spot. Two candidates have already begun campaigning in earnest.

Polity Secretary Belina Anderson says that she plans to stress two major themes in her campaign for the Presidency. "The Polity structure needs a major overhaul. The Senate and Judiciary have to function the way that they were designed to and that depends alot on the President and the Council giving them and the other people in Polity a clear idea of what their functions are and how they can accomplish them. Secondly, Polity has to become more accessible to people, it's much too centralized up there in the Union Office. We have to bring in some new perspective." About her own experience in Polity, Anderson said, "Having seen just how Polity has failed in the past, you can see much more clearly how to make it better."

Saying "Polity has become increasingly less effective in being responsive to student needs and I think that it's time to change that," junior Danny Wexler explained his entry into the race. Already the most visible of the candidates, with hundreds of "Wexler"

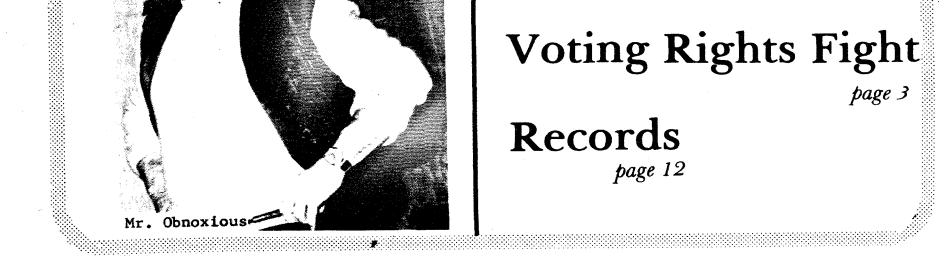




# Ellison and I-CON



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# The Fourth Estate: Editorial Self-Study and Student Life

The main flaw in the University's voluminous Self RA/MA selection process to insure that students will that they would recieve no compensation for. More study report is in the way that it sees the relationship between students and administration and in particular the relationship between students and Residence Life. While it claims corrctly that the doctrine of in loco parentis has faded away from years ago, it still assumes that students want and need a paternalistic Residence Life department to care for them in the manner that Residence Life sees as best.

In the section on campus environment, the report states:

"Regarding campus activities, students tend to characterize each other as 'apathetic.' Students usually express unhappiness with the apathy, a hopeful sign that the condition is capable of remedy. However, solutions depend on leadership. Such leadership must eventually involve students themselves, but we believe the first initiative needs to come from Student Affairs professionals. One of the cornerstones of a reinvigorated student life is the residence hall director (RHD) and the student residential assistant (RA). The RHD and the RA can make or break the intellectual and social quality of residential life."

Given the actions that Residence Life has undertaken in the last few years, that paragraph is one of the finest examples of doublethink produced in this appropriately Orwellian year. To say that Residence Life can develop student leadership and initiative is mind-boggling. The brain cringes at the concept. Dallas Bauman, the director of Residence Life - the man who called for four residence halls to go off the dorm cooking program in September and a total of 80% to be off in four years when Marburger himself only called for 50% of students to be on the meal plan and Vice President Preston said that at the most two quads worth of buildings will have to be affected -Bauman, the man who masterminded the 'quad-wide'

have as little to do with picking their RA's as possible Bauman, who called on RA's and MA's to police their halls and turn in to Public Safety any underage residents caught drinking beer — this is the man to whom the responsibility to turn us into independent, mature adults able to make our own decisions has been given?

The main difficulty facing student leadership is the obstacles put into its way by administration. Students wishing to run programs in their buildings are faced with obtaining a 'Limited Events Clearance Form' deliberately designed to hinder such events. Students wanting to get involved with student government, activities, clubs, or media are faced with the problem that the University refuses to recogonize their efforts in the form of academic credit and gives them the choice of doing well their extra-curricular activities or doing well in their grades.

Students are capable of providing their own leadership and being responsible for their own activities. They do not need a Big Brother Bauman to tell them where and what to eat, how to live, what to drink, what activities to go to, and what role models they should look up to.

The Self Study members themselves misunderstand the nature of student life and activities. Consider the underhanded stab the report makes at Polity:

"It is indicitative of Polity's lack of participation in University governance that, of all groups on campus, Polity was the only one not participating on the Self-Study Steering committee in spite of persistent and diligent efforts to have Polity's representative attend the Committee's meetings."

What the Committee fails to realize is that Polity officials would have been the only people on the Committee not being paid by the university to be here, and that such participation is a long term committment away from studies and their other activities

broadly, the report says, "although the Senates and many university Committees call for student membership, undergraduate student participation is weak." If Residence Life were more genuinely interested in promoting student leadership, they would seek out ways to make things a little easier for those students who want to get involved.

The report also restates such tired Res. Life cliches as:

> "Potential extracurricular intellectual activity and leisure time may be interfered with by the many hours students now spend in the buying and preparation of food. Students who cook for themselves tend to eat with the same few students, and thereby lose much of the benefit for association that residential life should make possible."

Why can't Administration stop trying to do what it thinks is best for students and let students decide for themselves what they want? Students are perfectly aware of the amount of time and hassle that Dorm Cooking represents and have made a conscious decision about the way that they choose to spend their time. They don't need Residence Life to say, "No, I'm afraid we know what's best for you."

The report continues:

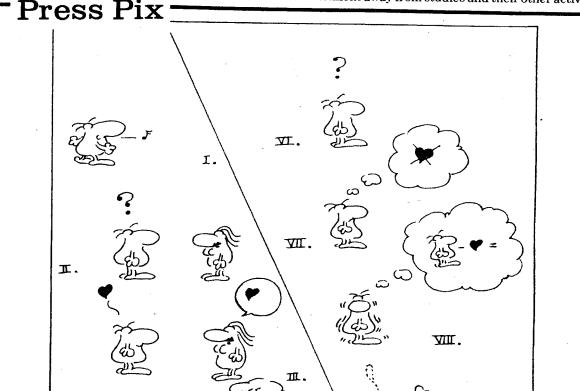
"RA's can be powerful influences in guiding students into activities that are intellectually stimulating and socially rewarding instead of excessive "partying" and noisy behavior."

This is just silly. More about the study next week

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# **Registering At Home** Voting Rights Suit Sought

#### by Ron Ostertag

Stony Brook students are being recruited to register to vote using their Stony Brook addresses in order to gain student voting rights here.

SASU, with the help of Stony Brook students and Polity, is driving to gain the right for students at Stony Brook to vote in their college community, a right recently gained at two other SUNY schools and being fought for also in a statewide lawsuit.

New York, being one of the only states in which students still do not have the right to vote in their college community, is currently being sued for that right in a statewide lawsuit by SASU, NYPIRG, and the Albany State Student Association. In a community by community fight for voting rights, SUNY Oneonta students last January gained the right to vote in their own Otsego county, students at Purchase won the right last fall, and now students at Stony Brook will begin the fight.

In order to bring a class action lawsuit against Suffolk County and NY State, enough students must register from their campus address and be rejected by the Suffolk County Board of Elections, so that Polity with SASU can file suit. Barry Ritholz, VP Polity and one of the recruiters of registrants wants "a total of aobut two hundred students" registering from their campus addresses. Along with Ritholz, Paul Rizzo, Patrice Jacobson and Danny Cohen recruited 75 registrants door to door from Kelly A yesterday, and today O'Neil College will be canvassed.



Kelly A Leg Chair, Paul Rizzo and students registering to vote

"New York State is the only state that doesn't allow students to vote on campus and that effectively disenfranchises student residents," claimed Ritholz. Also, as SASU argues, students are subjected to local laws and ordinances, affected by legislation on their college districts, pay local taxes,

pour millions of dollars of revenue into receive a rejection from the Election their college communities annually, etc..

According to Jacobson, "people are into registering. They realize that absentee ballots or going home to vote is a pain." Once students have registered, it is expected that they will

Board within two to three weeks. This will arm SASU and Polity for their lawsuit. Tom Swan, SASU Director reminded, "there's a presidential election in the fall, and a lot of student issues like the 21 year drinking age and the utility fee, which students will need to vote on.'

# Presidential Campaign

#### (Continued from page 1)

posters, Wexler, a Gray resident and political science major, says that a lack of communication is responsible for Polity's poor image and lowered capabilities. "One of the things that has to be done is increase communication between students and Polity and Administration.

A second candidate that emerged are tentatively scheduled for April 18th late this week is Rory "Hawkeye" and 24th. Aylward. Former PSC Chairman, Polooked to imbreeding for it's leaderand get some work done, and student Zuckerman was elected.

government should be just that, student government."

The Polity Council recently added stipulations to the Election Board Bylaws that the Board must hold at least one candidate's forum open to the public and the media between the time of the closing of petitioning and the election. Currently, two such debates

It is expected that several additional lity and Summer Senator, and founder candidates will present completed and current president of the Parachute petitions for President, a change from Club, Hawkeye says, "Polity has the one-sided ballots of the last two years. Also, with the campaign having ship, which hasn't worked, and they've begun so relatively early, a month grown to be too complicated for their before the actual vote, it is expected own good. I haven't seen much in the that the election may draw considerlast three years here that's convinced ably more interest and excitement than. me that they have accomplished much any election since the 12-candidate up there. It's time to put aside politics 1980 election in which Richard

### Senior to Speak at Commencement

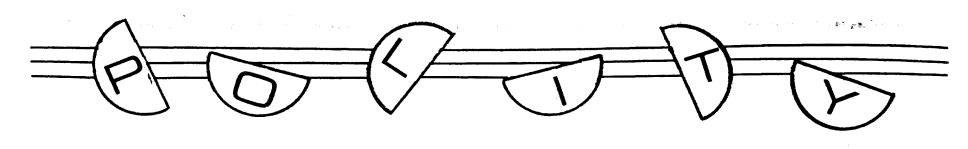


The Press will be running interviews with the major Polity candidates in next week's issue. Any candidates interested in obtaining the list of interview questions to be returned to the Press next Monday night can obtain them from Polity Executive Director Robin Rabii or from the Press (246-6832).

For the third year in a row, a graduating senior will be chosen to make an address at Commencement about life at Stony Brook. The addess, which will be given at the main ceremony on the athletic fields, is open to any graduating senior. A committee, chaired by Director of Student Activities Kayla Mendelsohn and Linguistics Department Chairman Mark

Aronoff will choose the speaker after hearing auditions from those who have submitted speeches.

The deadline for submissions of typed copies of speeches (to be approximately 5 minutes long) is April 18, to be submitted to the office of Student Activities in Union Room 266. More information can be obtained at 6-7107.



The Uniti Cultural Center and the United HENDRIX COLLEGE APRIL 5th 10:00 PM MAIN LOUNGE Front will be holding a very important PRESENTS... town meeting on Wednesday April 11, at SAVAGE PARTY 6 pm in the Uniti Cultural Center. There will be several speakers and discussions on various items affecting the minority community at Stony Brook. Threrefore all minority clubs, organizations and progressive people should attend. Don't miss this chance to get involved **DJ STUDIO 007** and be heard. Refreshments will be served ABientot •0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0•0 Is expanding its diversifed staff. If you are interested in helping your fellow POLITY students, drop by the Hotline office in the in the Stony Brook Concerts 0 Polity Suite in the Union • Presents Polity Hotline is an emergency complaint An Evening With referal and infomation service.We'll help you solve your problems with the University and **ELVIS COSTELLO** help cut Red tape involving academic residental, maintenance and finanical Solo in concert problems.Hotline will also make referrals for with special guest sexual harassment, rape, V.D. and psychological counseling.We are student advocates **T-BONE BURNETT** here to serve the students of Stony Brook. 246-4000 Saturday April 14th 7 days a week/24 hours a day 0 • 0 9:00 pm In the Gym 0 only G.A. seats available 0 • ALL tickets at Union Box Office ۲ and Ticketron 0 0 The Runners Gather • Come run with the Stony Brook Runners Club Curtis Thurs April 12 7:30 pm Runners meet this Sunday and Lecture Hall 100 & Lisa every Sunday at the Union Students \$100 at 4 o'clock Public \$200 Sliwa Contact R at 6-7436 All seats G.A. Founders of the Guardian Angels STONY BROOK PLAYERS SPRING FLING PRESENT **KELLY** A's JESUS CHRIST

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# It's Spring, It's I-CON Science Fiction Convention

by Ken Kruger

I-CON III, "Long Island's Biggest Convention of Science Fiction, Fact, and Fantasy" was held this weekend at the Lecture Center and, while not spectacular, it did provide some solid entertainment.

The convention officially opened Saturday afternoon with an address by author and Guest of Honor Hal Clement. According to the I-CON program Clement has written only ten novels in thirty-five years and this proved to be a fine example of the blistering intensity of the man. Clement kept a large audience in LH 100 quietly bored for ninety minutes with an unmemorable monologue followed by an unmemorable question and answer session. The only surprise in store during Clement's session ws that more people didn't get up to leave. Clement may be a fine writer, but he is certainly a poor speaker.

The tedium of Clement was followed by the excitement of author Harlan Ellison. Ellison was the most entertaining speaker at the convention, largely because of his short temper and biting frankness.

In between readings of his short stories and newspaper columns and tales about his writing experiences, Ellison took on every target that presented itself.

Coming out onto the stage Ellison dropped to his knees in front of a foothigh lectern and said "Hello, I'm-Harlan Ellison and this is my podium!" Ellison used the lack of a stand for the podium as the launching point for a tirade against the convention's organizers, his hotel (170 miles away), and Long Island and its residents the majority of which were as enter-(teenagers in leather jackets trying to act surly) in general, all to the approval of the audience.

Ellison also poked fun at the 'serious" science fiction fan's distorted views of reality in a story involving his alleged dropping of a crystal chandelier into a crowd of people. Ever the diplomat, Ellison later told a photographer who was taking his picture, "Do that again and I will come down there and kick your fucking head in"-he kept the crowd well entertained.

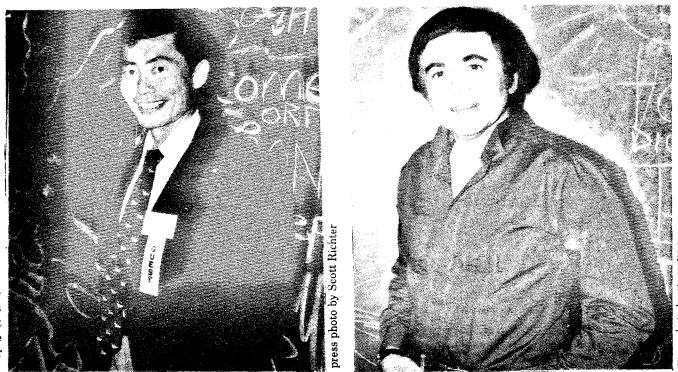
The next two speakers were the ones the "Trekkies" were waiting for-

anytime he wanted to.

Angeles politics, spent too much time quadruple feature that went steadily talking about this subject to a crow downhill with each successive me The first film, Steven King's The that obviously wanted to hear about life on board the Enterprise. Koenig was as Dead Zone, was perhaps the pick of entertaining as Ellison without being the convention. Next came Brainstorm, Natalie Wood's last film and obnoxious. Obviously a practiced convention Doug Trumball's brilliant example of speaker, Koenig held a hilarious one- new, extraordinary film-making techman debate with his "Chekhov" alterniques. ego aout the superiority of "real" life The next two offerings were It Came over "film" life. After a few minutes the From Outerspace, a 1950's 3-D epic debate got ugly. Koenig accused starring an intrepid scientist, his de-Chekhov of trying to rape a Klingon voted sweetheart and a strange alien woman and Chekhov countered by intelligence; and It Came From

saying he was nine years younger than Hollywood, a film about 1950's 3-D

Koenig and could toss him a beating epics. Both were worth missing.



George Takei aka Mr. Sulu

Koenig then invited fans up onto the stage to take part in a Chekhov screamoff contest. As any Trekkie worth his dilithium knows Chekhov had a tendency to get a bit hysterical and scream whenever he had a chance. After the judging Koenig gave in to the demands of the crowd and presented medleyof: Chekhov's better known screams from both the TV series and the two movies

I-CON also featured a number of other guests, including artists Rowena Morriland, Tim Hildebrandt (who did the original Star Wars movie poster) and authors SamuelDelaneyand Don Kingsbury. These people and a host of others spoke singularly and in panels, taining as Chem lectures. The greatest achievement of these panels was to keep the people waiting for movies occupied for the fifteen or so minutes between flicks--this they did admirably

The movies, of course, were the main attraction at I-CON and unfortunately were pretty bad. If I-CON III, an event eight months in the planning cochaired by Daniel Hank and Ralph Schiano, was the biggest convention on Long Island you'd think they'd be able to show a lot of good movies but this wasn't always the case.

Walter Koenig and George Takei; The pre-convention festivities Fribetter known as Chekhov and Sulu. day night drew a long line of people Takei, currently involved in Los impatiently waiting in the cold to see a

paucity of good films. Besides Close Encounters of the Third Kind and the original The Thing most of the Picture, which deserved to be a flop; We were treated to such "gems" as: that includes a love scene in full ar-Death Race 2000, in which David mor. 'Kung Fu" Carradine and Sylvester

Walter Koenig

Mr. Chekhov aka The weekend came and went with a "Rocky" Stallone race across country trying to run over as many people as possible; Star Trek-The Motion other movies shown were not up to par. and Excalibur, the King Arthur tale

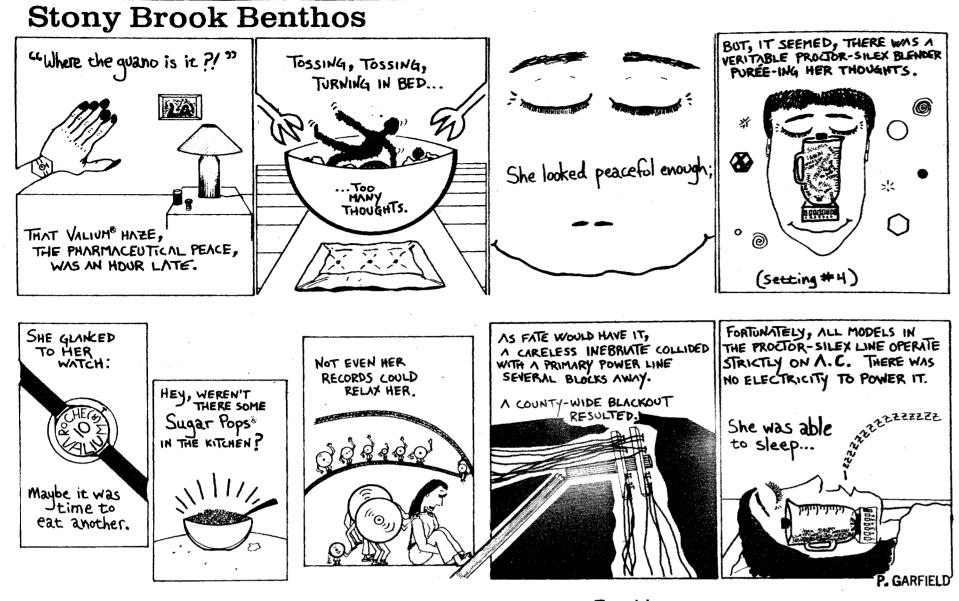


You'll find me, Chipper Brown, of the Computer Science Department. All week I teach the rudiments of binary thinking, and when I'm through @FINing my students, I feel like I'll pop my stack. That's why I go to The Lounge for a frosty beer. This Friday if you input \$1.25, I'll output a Monkschoff light or dark (not mutually exclusive).

So get on the beer queue with me this Friday between 5 and 7 pm.

The Lounge Rm. 133 Old Chem.

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#### AN OPEN LETTER TO THE STAFF AND STUDENTS OF STONY BROOK

During the morning of March 27, vandals defaced the office of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance. The door was completely removed from its hinges, and one wall was marked with spray paint. As members of the Alliance, we are not only angered by the act itself, but are embittered about the way in which university officials have handled the matter as well. This open letter is written to inform the staff and students of Stony Brook as to what the Alliance has encountered since the incident, and to confront those to whom we turned for help.

The door was discovered missing on Tuesday morning, and though the names and phone numbers of the GALA officers were available, the building manager, Dave Tinnmann, notified none of them; this should have been done immediately. Instead he left a note on the GALA office desk which said, "Please stop by my office concerning your door." No GALA members arrived at the office untill that afternoon. Thus, the office was left completely unprotected for several hours. Office machinery, a record collection, a stereo, a small library, and other items went unwatched throughout the morning, making the office an open target for theft and vandalism. We consider this to be a case of serious negligence on Mr. Tinnmann's part. It was only through stroke of luck

# SASU Update

#### Drinking Age Increase Fauing

While Gov. Cuomo's statements votes of those still undecided, but supporting a 21-year-old drinking age leaning against the legislation. Tierney become increasingly questionable, re- noted the positive impact of recent cent events suggest that such legisla- lobby visits and more than 10,000 tion will not pass this legislative ses- letters from SUNY students. sion.

The bipartisan Legislative Commission on Critical Transportation Choices made no recommendation in its March 15 report after splitting 3-3-4 on the issue.

Speaker of the Assembly Stanley Fink has expressed his personal dislike dozen states lobbied and rallied in of the proposed drinking age increase, Anderson opposes the change, stating which are eroding America's future. he considers it "too difficult to enforce."

alive in the Senate, it's pretty well perpetuated by a small minority. Less tion. than one-half of one percent of 18- to The proposed federal student ficohol-related accidents."

penalization of a selective minority President Scott Wexler. would be far more effective.

visits to state legislators to sway the graduate and undergraduate students.

#### Students Lobby

"Students united will not be defeated" was one of the rallying cries March 26. as over a thousand students from two Washington, D.C., demanding an end while Senate Majority Leader Warren to the cuts in higher education aid

The rally was part of a Nation Student Action and Lobby Day, which "Although the 21 proposal is still followed a three-day conference during which students were educated on snuffed out in the Assembly," said higher education issues and lobbying SASU Legislative Director Hope techniques. The conference and de-Geisler. "We must continue to remind monstration were sponsored by USSA. the legislature that this problem is the United States Student Associa-

during Reagan's first three years in Geisler emphasized that the Go- office. "This does not take into account vernor has taken a "band-aid ap- the increased cost of attending colproach" to the problem of drunk dri- leges, or the ever-increasing demand ving, noting that education rather than for scarce aid," noted USSA Vice

Reagan's proposed federal budget SASU President Jim Tiernev would cut \$326 million in need-based stressed the need for letters and lobby aid, eliminating 797,000 awards to

#### Letter-To the editor:

ings," of March 29. In the article, be extremely important. policies."

Guevara with clenched fist, rifle, cate what he will. "bringing the war home." Cohen ridicules the Old left for assuming that "public opinion matters in this country." It definitely does matter The civil rights gains in the 60's, the stopping of the Vietnam War, the curtailment of our one-sided

nuclear energy policy; all of these were accomplished through public I am responding to Mitchell opinion. In a democracy like Cohen's article, "Careful Bomb- America, public opinion will always

American government and industry Cohen asks that we think about are held in contempt, and presented Third World struggles but fails to as the enemy of all freedom loving mention Afghanistan. The war in people. It is too bad that Marxists Afghanistan is one of the bloodiest and other radicals fail to appreciate in that nation's history. Despite

the unique system of democracy the fact it is anti-communist it that exists in America. Cohen receives little media attention. naively and dogmatically reduces Cohen should think about this, and all U.S. foreign policy to one decide if the American media is sentence. He says, "U.S. based biased as he alleges. He should also multi-national corporate interests... think about the fact, that anarchist are the basis for our governments bombing helped to create the preconditions for the victory of the Cohen is a 60's radical, who idea. Bolsheviks in Russia, at the beginnlizes the idea of Third World revol- ing of this century. With that vicutions, and lumps them all together tory, the Bolsheviks went on to into one just struggle. One assumes wipe out the opposition. Here in a he has a large poster of Che democracy he is quite safe to advo-

and beret, and some inspiring This being an election year, I quote concerning the struggle. But would advise every one to vote. the U.S. is not the sole cause of the To Cohen, I would remark that Third World's problems. Many of instead of wasting your dedication these problems have existed since and commitment spreading Marxlong before our nation was born. ism, get involved in the democratic In Africa we see religious and tribal system. Then perhaps you can differences continue to cause war really do something for the oppressand promote bloodshed. Similar ed of the Third World, and you will patterns can be found in the Middle see what America is really about. 20-year olds are ever involved in al. nancial aid cuts follow a 23 percent cut | East, India, and South East Asia. The I.B.M. conspiracy is only in Anarchist bombing in the U.S. can your mind, there is nothing stoppnot solve the Third World's prob- ing you from working for positive lems, nor does this amount to social change through democracy.

> Sincerely yours, Stephen Z. Starr

# Vandalism The University and Safety

that GALA did not suffer further abuse.

The circumstances which surround the vandalism are unusual, and yet the building management seems to be unconcerned. For example, the student union is cleared out and closed every evening. Where did the Vandals come from? More mysteriously, GALA is surrounded by four doors which are locked every evening. Was one of the vandals someone with a key? At this point no serious inquiries have been made by the building management, and nothing has been done to prevent such vandalism from occurring again.

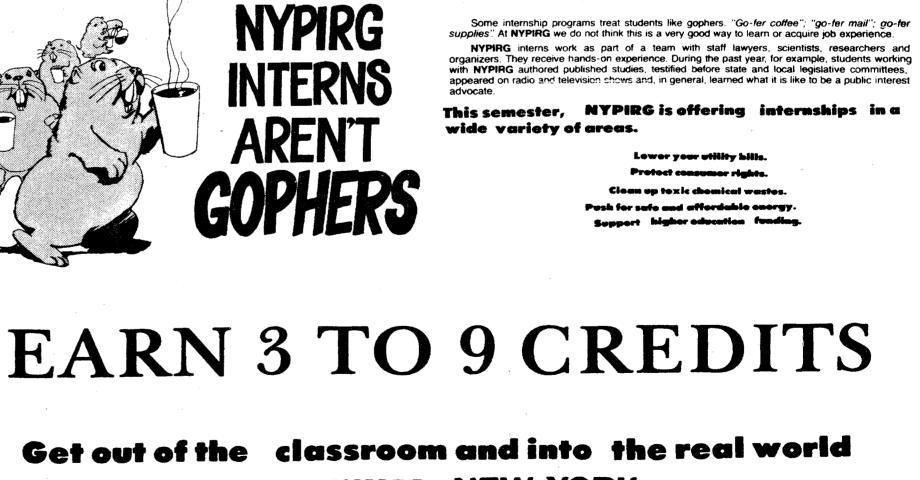
Taking the steps which should have been taken much earlier, a GALA representative notified Public Safety about the incident. The officer on the line informed us that the door had been found in Roth Pond. When asked to come down to GALA, the officer said, "We're not in the door business." The GALA representative tried to persue the matter further. The officer interjected with "I'm a busy man," and hung up. In short, GALA was tersely denied the security and assistance that Public Safety is allegedly here to provide. At present, Public Safety took at the outset, one would have to be a fool to take any stock in such statements, and we can safely assume that Public Safety will do nothing unless the vandals themselves go to the Public Safety office and confess. (And even then...)

The university administration, of course, has

viewed all of this with its traditional passivity and disinterest. While discrimination based on sexual preference exists everywhere in the nation, Mr. Marburger seems sure that it does not exist on the Stony Brook campus. Thus, Mr. Marburger is unable to deal with the incident as it does not exist for him. The damage done is not due to oppression and prejudice; it is simply the whimsical prank of mischievous schoolboys. (Those mischievous schoolboys vandalizing the GALA office....those devil-maycare klansmen burning their crosses....those happygo-lucky Nazies breaking asome Jew's window for a laugh....) We have no reason to expect support from the administration.

This year marks GALA's tenth anerversary as a campus organization. It is unfortunate that it must begin with feelings of betrayal towards those with whom we have worked so well in the past. Yet our will to resist oppression has been strengthened by these recent events, and GALA will continue as always. We thank those of you who have lent a hand or expressed support for our organization; our special thanks to Carole Friedman, who has been invaluable help to us more than once. We are only sorry that other university offices have been so uncooperative and sedentary in their actions surrounding this incident. The members and friends of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance at Stony Brooks







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RAPE AWARNESS & PREVENTION NIGHT

**Rescheduled for:** (due to weather) Thurs. April 5th, From 7-9:30pmin the UNION FIRESIDE LOUNGE ·Lectures, Self-Defense Demonstration, Movie & Discussion. Rape Whistles will be sold for \$1

### **Pre-Med** Society

Tonight! LH 109 7 PM **Guest Speaker:** Obstetries/Gynecology Wed., April 18 7 PM

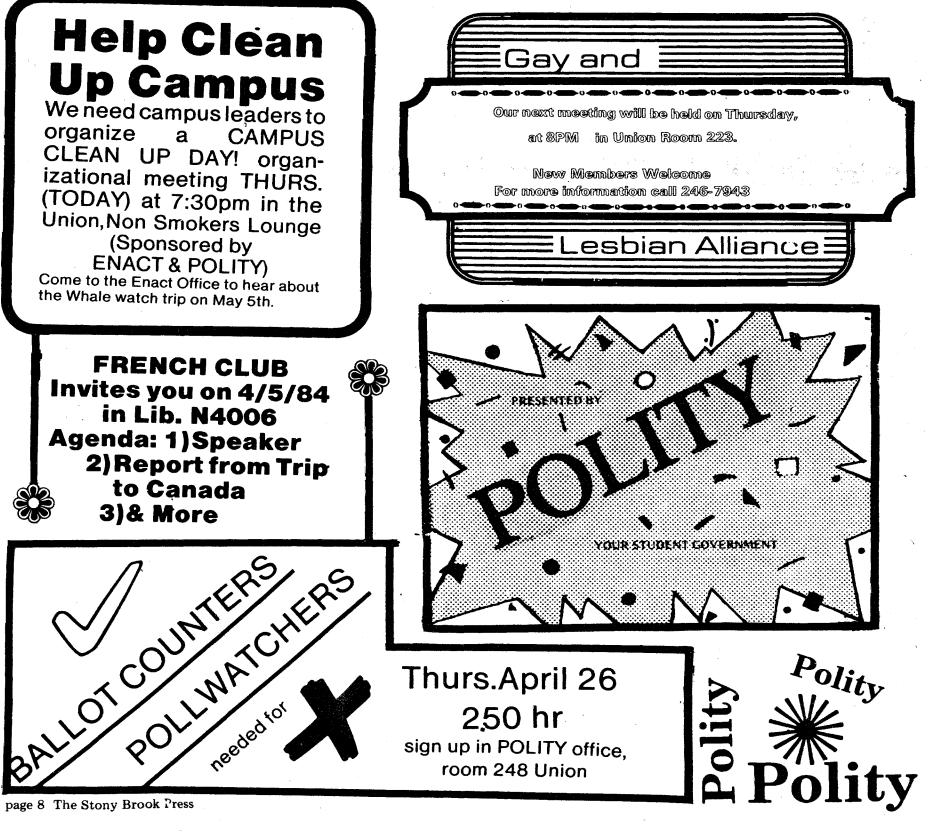
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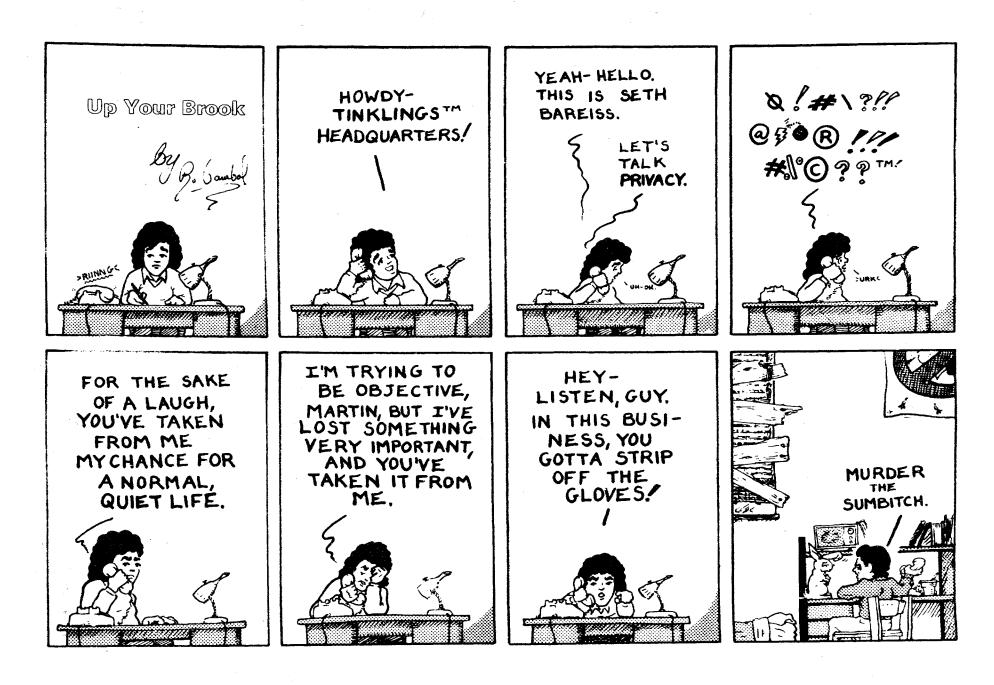
**Mock Interview** Ms. Debra Gillers Dean of Mecdical Admissions will conduct the interviews

The UNITI Cultral Center is holding an art contest for the purpose of selecting a Logo. We will be accepting entries until April 13,1984.

Entries must be CULTURALLY ORIENTED to be considered We are offeraprize(to be determined) to the artist whose work is chosen as our logo. Please send entries or for further infomation, contact Eddie

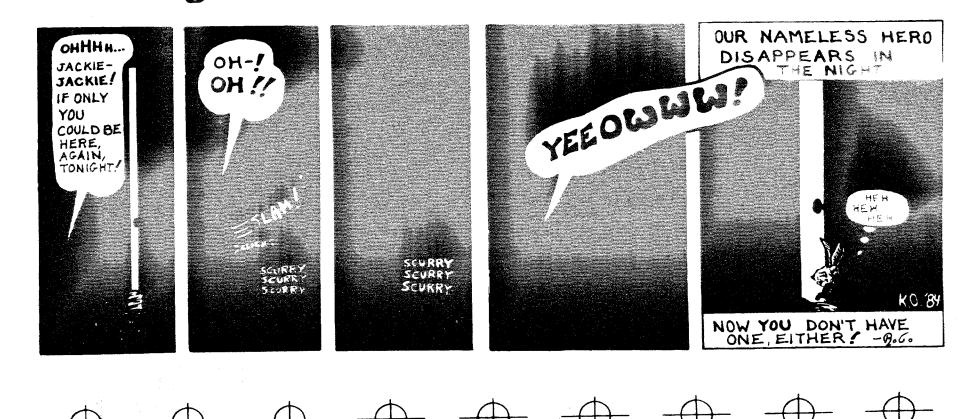
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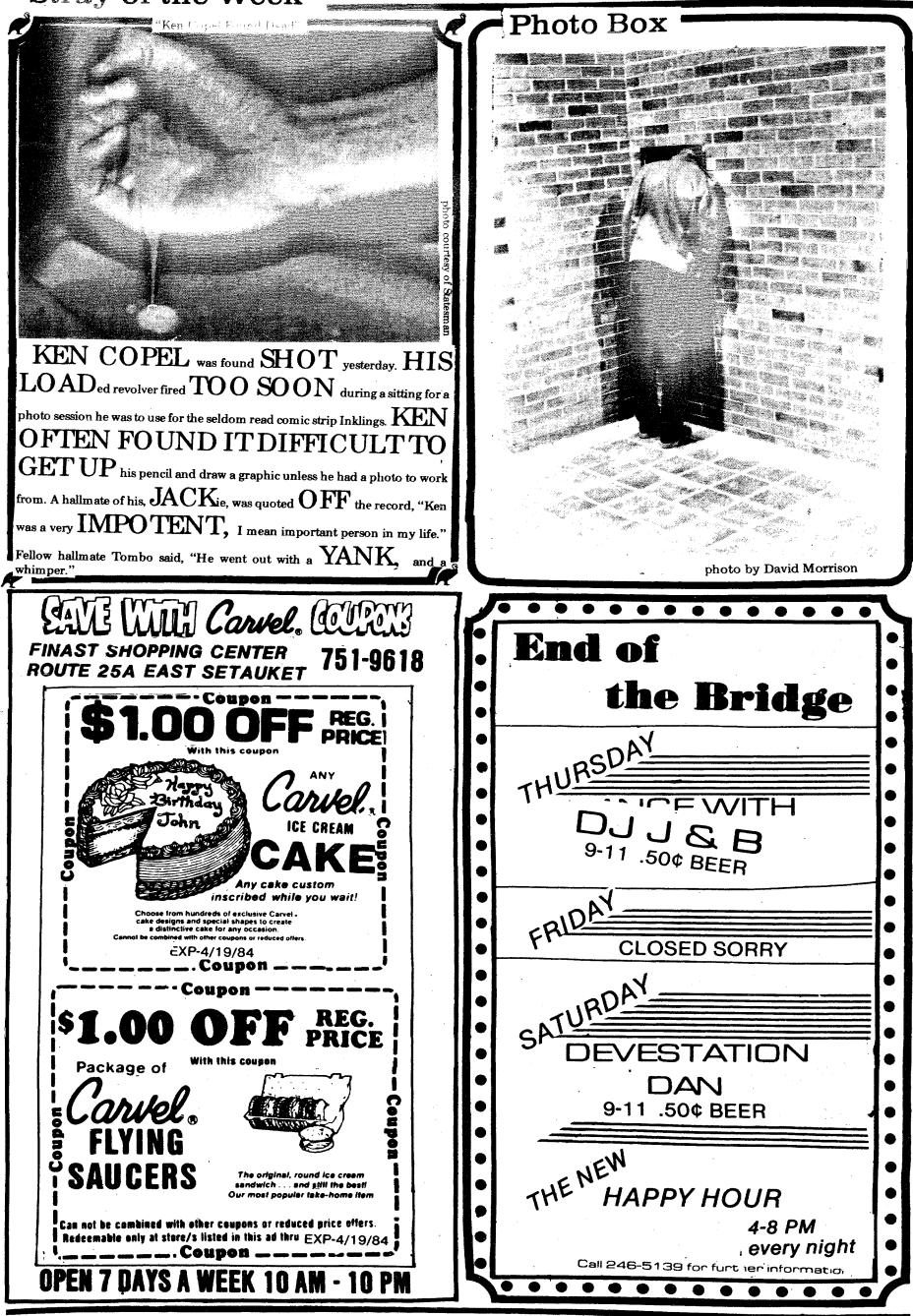


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### Crimson

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airplay, and includes a very predictable chorus that I cannot get used to; however it does have a good beat. Also included on the album are "Nuages (That which Passes, Passed like Clouds)," an excellent instrumental in the vein of Discipline's "The Sheltering Sky," "Dig Me," a heart-felt pang to a rusty car in a junkyard; "Man with an Open Heart," in which Belew gives us a second chance on some guitar themes from last year's solo album Twang Bar King, while professing the value of one so understanding as a "man with an open heart." Closing the album is a sentimental reference to the old King Crimson album Lark's Tongues in Aspic (one of their best) with "Lark's Tongues in Aspic Part III." Fripp reproduces his old solos with new twists provided by Belew, and the rhythm section excells as Bruford "goes off." I would highly recommend this album to all Crimson fans, and would even be so bold as to encourage the unfamiliar to try it--however: be prepared for French confectionary and not Hershey's kisses.

John Rosenfelder is a DJ on WUSB 90.1 FM and can be heard on Tuesday nights at midnight.

Style

(Continued from page 12) people to see that people who claim that constant change is needed to better things are, in fact, wrong.

For long time Jam fans the new directions Weller is taking may seem to be a "selling out" of sorts, a compromised, watered down image of the fiery lad he once was. However, an open-eared listen without resistance to artistic transitions just might convince one that My Ever Changing Mood is a great album

# Smiths

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never really heard you laugh/so who is rich and who is poor/I cannot say ..... " Then comes the best line of the song, "But I don't want a lover/I just want to be seen in the back of your car." Great sarcasm!

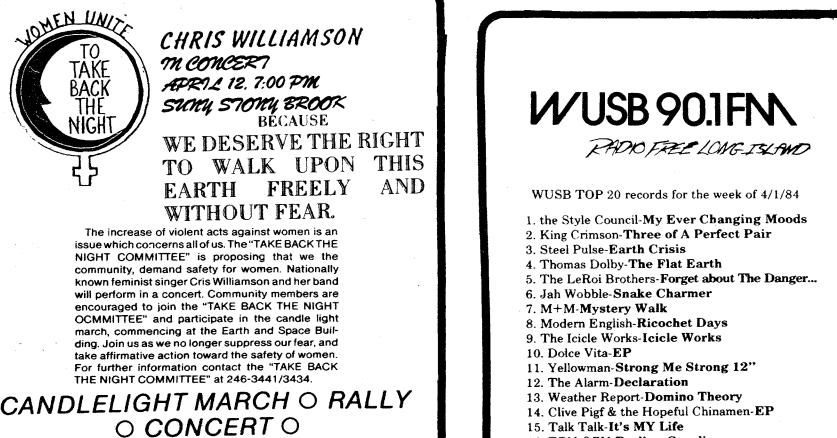
Every once in a while Morrisey will come up with a line or two (such as the one just mentioned) that will amusingly simplify what he is trying to say. "Still Ill" is a catchy, upbeat tune about his dissatisfaction with life. "And if you must go to work tomorrow/well, if I were you I wouldn't bother/For there are brighter sides to life/and I should know because I've seen them/But not very often ... " His whole disgusted attitude is concisely summed up in the lines, "England is mine and it owes me a living/Ask me why, and I'll spit in your eye."

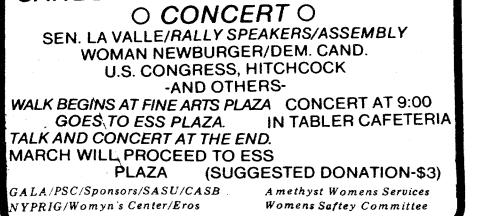
Another song worth listening to is "This charming Man." one of the few immediately likable songs on the album. It's about a vain hungry man. "What Difference Does It Make" is also good and works mainly due to a catchy, early Rolling Stones kind of riff that goes on throughout the song.

As I've said, The Smiths are not for everyone. If you've tired of all the overproduced electronic scholp that is all too common today, it may please you to know that The Smiths are virtually synthesizer free. Their is a pure ungarnished sound reduced to its lowest common denominator.

#### Birth Announcement

The Press wishes to extend its best wishes and congratulations to SCOOP Exec. Director JoAnne Young Doeschatte and Phil Doeschatte on the birth of their daughter Jessica Johanna on Monday.





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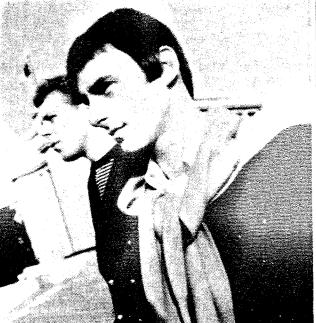
King Crimson Three of a Perfect Pair Warner Bros. Records

#### by John Rosenfelder

King Crimson was always considered one of the most excessive of the monsterous art-rock groups of the seventies. Devoting large portions of albums to bell-ringing, insignificant guitar warblings and such, the group gained a reputation of being experimental, avant-garde or just plain artsy. Members of the group came and went, making it difficult for Crimson leader, guitarist-composer Robert Fripp to carry on the group while dealing with the fluctuating views of the public and the press. In 1974, Fripp dissolved the group and spent the remainder of the seventies involving himself in experimental music, most notably his collaborations with Brian Eno. Through his friendship with Eno, he performed on several David Bowie records and even contributed some Frip pertronics (his signature guitar processing developed with Eno's help) to the Talking Heads song "I Zimbra."

In 1981, Fripp unexpectedly reformed King Crimson and chose some very famous side-men to fill out the band. Adrian Belew, who had worked with the Heads and Bowie, contributed vocals and his own weird guitar sounds; Tony Levin on bass, an ace session man who has played with everyone from Carly Simon to Peter Gabriel; and the inimitable Bill Bruford, who had been in the group when it had last played, on drums.

Since 1981, this new configuration has released two albums, **Discipline** (1981) and **Beat** (1982). These albums feature the individual musicians in a very pronounced way without becoming excessive. There is a devout consciousness to the songs themselves, and the arrangements, although very intricate (so intricate that after years of listening, I still hear something new every time I listen) never overstep their boundaries. In this way King Crimson



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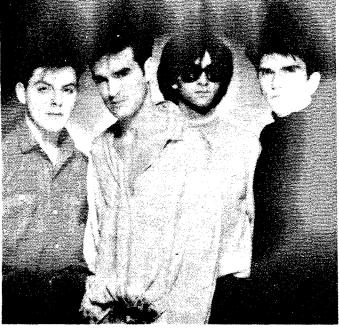
#### by Paul C. Yeats

In a recent interview with **Musician** magazine, ex-Jam leader Paul Weller explained that the purpose of the songs on **My Ever Changing Moods**--the first full length LP by his new band, the Style Council--is not to fatten up his ego by singing on all the numbers or to offer an awkward display case for his guitar playing, but to convey certain ideas and feelings within the context of the music itself. It's not whether or not he is singing or playing on a number; what's important is that the feelings, whatever they may be, are fully expressed by the performer and received by the listener. Accordingly, the presentation Weller has afforded to this work is strikingly different than anything he's ever done before.

The album is tremendously eclectic in its selection of musical genres which leads to a fabulous compendium of great sounding music. With Weller alternating on guitar, bass, and synthesizer the effervescent Mick Talbot on keyboards and drum warrior Steve White, the band skillfully dabs into Motown, jazz, pop, funk, rap, easy listening, and even rock.

The jazz oriented numbers are the instrumental "Dropping Dombs on the White House" and vocal "The Paris March." The instrumental piece is very reminiscent of Miles Davis' faster work from the early 1970's and has superb drumming by White on top of a screaming horn section. Tracy Thorn is the featured vocalist in "The Paris Match"; she sings the pensive lyrics with a deeply projected sense of melancholy in front of a slightly driving backup tune, and the cut is also a fine example of Weller's stated aims.

Although "Blue Cafe" sounds like it may very easily fit into an easy listening format, it is nevertheless a great mood song. It has a few nifty licks but mostly tends to center around the fuzzy rhythm of Weller's telecaster. "You're The Best Thing" employs a classic Philadelphia/Motown sound and boasts a smooth-asglass chorus and instrumental section. Although lyrically it's a bit too overtly romantic at times, the music and singing help to make this another quality number. The title cut is a pop number and perhaps the best song on the disc. It depicts a few physical transitions in some alright verse--"teardrops to children"--and also proposes quite an attitude change for Weller himself. It seems that Weller has recently revised some of his ideas concerning change. The last lines of the song ask for people to realize that constant change results in confusion and despair, and for



The Smiths The Smiths Sire Records

By Jean Marie Pugni

What kind of band would pick a name so unglamorously simple as The Smiths? One that firmly disagrees with the old saying, "Don't judge a book by its cover." As four recruits of the new British invasion, The Smiths have brought an intriguing, slenderized sound to this country.

Upon first hearing The Smiths you might think there's not much here. And if you've got the time and patience, there's a good chance you'll come to the same conclusion on your second and third listens too. Around the fourth time you will begin too admire youre intuitive powers and either wind up hating The Smiths (band and album title), or, still taking pride in those powers, you may consider this a prime example of less being more. I am a member of the second group.

The Smiths make use of very basic rhythms, harmonies, and Gregorian chant melodies. They don't believe in the guitar solo, or any kind of solo for that matterm To the rest of the band it makes no difference whether or not singer/lyricist Morrisey is singing and/or moaning, because simple background accompaniments is all that guitarist/composer Johnny Marr, bassist Andy Rourke, and drummer Mike Joyce will play. As a result, their music is very entrancing, most of the time charmingly so, but at times it can be tiring.

The band's main attraction is Morrisey. His calm singing style comes across as priestly and comedic at the same time. The modal sounding melodies sung with his gentle tenor provide some rare moments of celestial bliss. Interrupting these instances, but just as delightful Morrisey will take smoothly flowing phrases such as, "People said you were easily lead," and speed up his delivery of the last three words. His victory in getting these last three words to fall ahead of the beat he is racing against, makes him sound like

has successfully brought together the best aspects of art-rock and new wave and fused them into the most distinctive sound in rock today.

Their new album, **Three of a Perfect Pair**, brings us no surprises in terms of the overall sound. Any song on this album could just as easily be on the other two. Is this good or bad? Well, to fans of the group it may seem bad at first, but with continued listening you will hear many new things, such as acoustic guitars and electric drumming. The songs themselves are as good as ever, except for one song that does not make it. This is "Sleepless," which I am told has been released as an EP. The song has been totally stripped down, making it somewhat appropriate for FM *(Continued on page 11)* 

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Bill Murray's imitation of a night club singer.

Morrisey's lyrics are often rambling and patternless. He rhymes when he feels like it and sometimes pays attention to the meter. In The Smiths's case though, this unrefined writing adds to their charm. In the song "You've Got Everything Now" Morrisey compares himself to an old school chum. He says, "Back at the old grey school/I would win and you would lose/But you've got everything now/and what a terrible mess I've made of my life/No, I've never had a job/Because I've never wanted one." After this bout of dejected feelings he then begins to turn the tables and starts to wonder who the more fortunate one really is. "I've seen you smile/But I've

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