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GRAN PRIX

Selection & Election

All hero drivers and aspiring Graham Hills should set aside Sunday, Oct. 27, as the day to display their courage and driving expertise in the Fitz House-sponsored "Gran Prix du Oakland" gymkhana.

A gymkhana is a one car at-a-time, timed speed event run on a parking lot road course. This event features laser-photoelectric timing and a Christmas tree starting device.

Facts that deserve mention: Cars are classed according to relative performance. (Your clapped-out MG won't face any Corvettes.) Seat belts are required. A waiver of liability must be signed by all contestants. Each car is allowed one practice and two timed runs. The price is \$2.50/car, and there are lots of trophies. See Bruce Scharfenberg, 206 Fitz-ext. 2430, for other details.

Highlights of the event will be runs by a nationally competitive Formula Vee and other "Mystery Machines."

This event will definitely not be a dangerous "car-wrecker," so don your goggles and competitive instincts and come out to wow the crowds. By B. Scharfenberg

FITZ IN FACT

All four classes represent themselves well in Fitzgerald House this semester. The freshmen through senior classes are nearly equally divided, as each counts approximately 1/4 of the total population of Fitz. Of the 93 men of Fitzgerald House, "The Intellectual Dorm", 89 were asked about their class standings and majors. Our roving reporter, Dale Smith, couldn't reach the other four men.

Elections for the officers of Fitz House took place Wednesday, Sept. 25. Elected to offices were Bruce Ellner, our new president (room 221); Pat (Who?) Walsh, new vice-president (room 202); Steve Liskow, secretary (110), and Brad Cooney, treasurer (203).

In the days following the election of officers, each floor held elections for its floor representative. Elected were Dale Smith, 2nd Floor South; Howard Taylor, 1st South; Ken Smith, 1st North, and at the present time, a close tie between Dave Beard, and Mike Gingras to put a little excitement in 2nd North's election.

These are the first House Council elections under the new constitution, which was approved by the house on Monday, Sept. 23 in polls taken on each floor by its last year's floor representative. The total vote was 81 yes to 5 no, with only 7 abstentions (or votes unavailable).

Fitz men were divided as follows:

Freshmen	21
Sophomores	23
Juniors	21
Seniors	24

MAJORS

Pol. Sci.	11	Eng.	7
His.	4	Phy.	2
Pre. Med.	2	Econ.	2
Mth	8	Mus.	3
Bio.	3	Bus. Ad.	4
Psy.	11	Lib. Arts	2
Chem.	4	Sec. Ed.	2
Egr.	21	El. Ed.	1
Art His.	1	Soc.	1

-by Dale Smith

EDITORIALS

Readmitted Recruiters

It is now time for the annual complaints about military recruiters on campus. Each year, SDS and the Observer see it as their duty to clear the campus of these people, no matter what the rest of Oakland's students think about the issue. Last year, they succeeded in having the recruiters banned, contrary, we suspect, to the wishes of a majority of Oakland students.

The fact is that there are students on campus who would like to see these men, either about military careers or just getting their hitch in the service out of the way. For the campus radicals to tell these students they cannot see their recruiters, while letting in recruiters for most other professions, is blatantly wrong.

Of course, I have heard a solution for this too. That is to let no recruiters on campus and severely restrict the activities of the Placement Office. The argument here is that the Placement Office is detrimental to education because it helps to keep the student interested only in a career, not in getting an excellent education. Even more, the Office serves mostly business and stresses conformity and the dollar sign.

Perhaps there are things about the Placement Office that need changing; little is ever really perfect. But, it should be remembered that there are students who want jobs in business, and that the Placement Office is there to help everyone, from the aspiring businessman to the future grad student. People who do not wish to go there are not forced to go. In these respects the Placement Office provides a valuable service. If, in so doing, it goes against someone's beliefs, they should remember that theirs are not the only sets of beliefs on campus, and what they dislike may be what someone else appreciates most.

Children's Hour

Many people have urged Fitz Bitz to come out strongly against the demonstration that took place when Sen. Muskie was here. But, in all conscience, we cannot come out against the demonstration itself. The demonstrators had some valid points and should have been able to raise a few issues and questions that needed raising. They did not do this.

The problem was that the demonstration was so amateurish. With a little strategy, the demonstrators probably could have had a sizable part of the crowd on their side. Instead, they turned popular opinion against themselves by the rudeness of their actions and the crudeness of their tactics. By completely ignoring the temper of the audience, SDS and its friends probably set the causes of peace and New Left politics at Oakland back about three years. From the mischievous gleam in some faces, it was obvious that many were enjoying being "naughty" more than they were fighting for an ideal.

The girl who walked down the aisle saying, "See Oakland make fools of themselves--1-10" was probably right.

What do you call a Chicago cop when he's in bed?

A pig in a blanket.

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ANIBITZ

E.Devine

(Ed.--This column is a new regular feature of Fitz Bitz to give our sister dorm a means of expression.)

As a student of this university, I would like to express a feeling which I think is shared by many others. That feeling is disgust; disgust for the group of people who displayed such outrageous rudeness toward Senator Edmund Muskie. Senator Muskie was here as a guest of the university. He is a man whose experience in political matters, I'm sure, far exceeds that of any student on this campus. Perhaps, if he had been given a fair opportunity to answer all questions, and if many questions could have been asked in the time it took to ask so few, we may all have learned something. However, Senator Muskie was not given this opportunity. He was rudely interrupted in mid-sentence; he was greeted with shouts of "Hell no, we won't go!" and attention was purposely diverted from him to members of the audience. Those who were disrupting the program seemed to ignore the fact that there were others present who had come to hear the Senator speak and learn what they could from him.

It is very hard for me to understand how university-educated people could have been so completely disrespectful to the Senator (or for that matter, to any visitor on O.U.'s campus). As far as I was able to observe, Sen. Muskie made every possible concession to those who were trying to disrupt the program. Yet all he got in return for his calm and understanding was a slap in the face from a group of people who decided to voice their hatred by walking out on a man who may, some day, be one of the few who could do something about their gripes.

There are many people on this campus who happen to agree with some of the ideas the anti-war dem-

onstrators possess. However, these people hesitate to associate themselves with slovenly crass, rude people whose only apparent objective is to disrupt any program which promotes views contrary to their own. In a small way the efforts of these demonstrators appears to be to inhibit the freedom of speech which they themselves so boldly and loudly use.

My only hope is that no one will mistake this group of people as the voice of Oakland University.

The women of Anibal wish to express their thanks to the men of Fitz for giving them the opportunity to voice their opinions.

SPORTS

by Ray Miller

 APPLES CREAM GOLDENRODS

The Fitz North Apples combined the strong passing of Ron Braun and a hard hitting defense to whip the South team 39-7. The Apples mixed their plays well as Braun passed for 7 T.D.'s and 3 extra points. Steve Cohen passed for the Apples final 6. The Goldenrods seemed unable to mount an effective offense, switching around 4 quarterbacks and not scoring until the third period when Ron Ewalt connected with Rick Berzack. The Goldenrods were hurt by bad hikes and by three interceptions; one each by Bruce Ellner, Vic Norris, and Lee Eggericks. Steve Shuman intercepted a pass for the losers.

Both teams will play this week, the Apples against second floor Vandenberg and the Goldenrods against first floor Hamlin's team.

 Scoring: Apples Goldenrods

Eggericks	19	Berzack	7
Cohen	12		
Ellner	6		
Horner	1		
Webber	1		

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Fitz Bitz would like to wish good luck to Apples and Goldenrods!

WORLDS

AWAY---

A certain billboard on I-75 casts an image of our university, an image of implied professionalism and grandeur.

But these two concepts are lacking in the minds of Tom Aston and the over 200 members of SET, as well as the Barn Theatre patrons.

Tom Aston, director of the Barn Theatre, explained that the Barn belongs to the students for the particular purpose of being a "creative outlet." "The Barn is not just a theatre, it serves as the home for many other types of creativity as well. The theatre was here first only because it was the oldest function of SET. But since we've moved here (September, 1967) SET has grown to include other forms of art." He cited as an example the art studios below the theatre.

"We also have two different groups of people who started out in the theatre but have since gone into film-making. They use the Barn as their home base." After being questioned more on the subject, the very modest Mr. Aston added, "Both groups are still experimenting, but so far have been rather successful; I think they've come up with some pretty good ideas...their films will probably be shown at the Fine Arts Festival during the winter term."

There are several reasons for the Barn's success as a creative outlet. One obvious reason is that the Barn was salvaged and remodeled by students (plus a loan from the Chancellor). But the Barn is more than just a home-made product; it definitely belongs to the students. "Here we don't have to worry about being nice to the janitors...we don't have to work around someone else's schedule." Mr. Aston went on to explain that

the Barn was a part-time interest of its students. Because there are no obligations or other demands, everyone is free to come and go as they like. The SET is set up in the same manner. Mr. Aston stressed that there were no cliques and that entry by anyone was not only simple and possible but encouraged.

After only a few minutes in the Barn, you come to realize how different it is. The building mirrors its director and the people who built it; it has a quiet but energetic sincerity.

----The Barn is never dieing; it is neither static nor limited but always changing. ~~The Barn can~~ be stated in three words: experimentation, creativity, and-----sincerity.

-by Tom Townsend

NO RUST ON THE CHASTITY BELT

Fitz has had its seasonal sex lecture, and unfortunately it was pregnant with Latin medical terms and thinly disguised "why you shouldn't" facts---V.D. helps destroy strong bodies twelve ways, nothing is foolproof, the pill can make you ill, etc. Those who practice the approved Catholic method can expect a virtual army of little visitors.

We were spared the moral spectacle of Mother with a tear in her eye and a prayer on her lips, hearing the news, but aside from this, it was all very, very dry, and everyone stayed limp.

by Bruce Scharfenberg

Fitz Bitz would like to thank all the people from this (and other) dorm(s) who offered suggestions, and criticisms.

We would like to encourage anyone who has something to offer to participate in epistolary intercourse with us.