

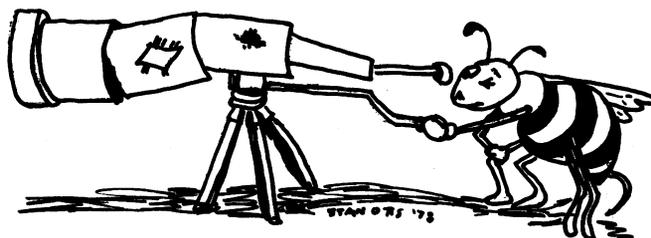
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KEEPING THE WATCH



First of all, I would like to proffer an apology for the tone of some of the rebuttals in last week's issue. Most of them were written around 4 a.m. Saturday morning and, needless to say, I was tired of sitting in front of a typewriter. That perhaps isn't qualifiable as an excuse, but there it is. I still stand behind the content of those responses, but if I had it to do over again, I'd be less brash about it.

Therefore, this week, I shall summarize what I have so far from the various interviews that I have been able to do. These shan't be credited to actual names of those that have said as such, for a few were slightly troubled about having their names in print. It's the ideas I would like to get across.

"The question of separation eventually becomes a question of what is best for three groups of people:

- 1) the Southern Tech 'family'... Alumni, present and future students, and the faculty and staff.
- 2) employers of Southern Tech graduates...business, industry and govt.
- 3) the taxpayers of Georgia...who support Southern Tech and pay more than

half its operating costs."

Separation should be viewed from "this principle of management and administration: the greatest likelihood of good management occurs when:

- 1) decisions are made at the lowest level of competence...which is also the cheapest
- 2) when responsibility is clear, decisions can be traced clearly
- 3) the person on the spot is more likely to know the problems he/she is facing; and thus should have as much responsibility as possible in making decisions ...a decision maker cannot operate effectively at a distance.
- 4) the first three principles should be suspended only when economy of scale (grouped purchasing; consolidated services; etc) clearly make local decision making undesirable. Even then, the local decision maker should have a strong say-so in the matter.

"Separation should not imply lack of future cooperation, and certainly not any vicious competition. Every institution in the University System owes to the taxpayers all prudent cooperation with other institutions. Thus Southern Tech and Kennesaw

College Library personnel have a cooperative arrangement."

We simply aren't going to be cut off from the rest of the world if we sever from Georgia Tech.

In answer to the question of how well we were prepared to stand on our own on this day, most interviewees were quick to point out that the Bookstore was now completely independent, and that the Physical Plant enjoyed slightly greater freedom than before. The EET department, for instance, operates off of its own budget, independent of the other departments. (I did not have time to confirm the disposition of the other departments.)

When pressed on the state of the Goat Shed, most would either refuse to comment, or would do so only off the record.

Some shortcomings in the simple structure of it were sighted as the sheer lack in numbers of people to handle the increased workload. Tom Samford has sighted the fact that our Business Office is merely a clearing house due to the fact that every transaction has to go through the GT computers. That's why refunds, payments and the like require nearly four weeks (+/-) to go through. I applaud Ms. Burris and Ms. Moss for the job they are doing in simply controlling the unbelievable amount of paper work.

The unsaid statement that our mystery letter writer has finally brought to light is simply that most of our problems stem directly from our glorious leader. Whatever his motivation...or lack of it is; whether it be that he's chosen STI as his retirement nest, or doesn't possess the necessary fortitude, or just plain doesn't care; he doesn't seem to want to do much to either advance the cause of Southern Tech, or to protect it from sliding backwards.

I wish I had a dollar for every time I heard someone say that they have never seen our Doctor...and it's rare that the person speaking isn't someone that has been here a considerable while.

So, Leader, would you care to respond to either this, or the letter on page three, column two? I'm relatively easy to find, and there's a phone in my dorm room...422-6534.

Stan Otts

A SOUTHERN TECH GRAD IS...

A person that is trained in the practical applications of his field. He may not be able to tell you exactly why something works, but he can tell you what the best way is to construct it, market it, make it better than all things previous to it or that it competes with, and how to save money doing it.

He may not be what is called an engineer...but has been tagged for the time being with the title "technologist". He is worth more in that capacity in the first fifteen years he spends employed with a company than a Georgia Tech theory taught student is the last fifteen years he spends with the same company.

An STI grad is usually prepared to execute his job in a matter of months with his company, while the GT grad has to learn what the STI grad already knows. An STI grad is usually paid more starting off than his counterpart. Even when the economy is booming, places for theoretics are rare, whereas the practitioner finds easy employment.

A Southern Tech grad returns more to the economy for each educational dollar spent on him than a GT student can.

These are just a few reasons why STI should be the leading Engineering Technology school in the country....again.

FINANCIAL AID SERVICES

Students needing information and/or forms regarding financial assistance for the award period 1978-79, are advised that all forms should be completed no later than April 1, 1978 if you wish to be considered for aid for the following school year.

To assist you with questions you may have relevant to these forms, the department of student aid has scheduled a workshop on March 2, 1978 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in rooms 119-120 of the Student Center.

Recipients of the National Direct Student Loans are urged to come by and discuss repayment procedures with Ms. Annette Marlowe, Manager of Collections.

Please reserve March 2. It is important that forms are properly completed to avoid delay in processing.

Dear Editor:

If some of our fellow Southern Tech students insist that the words "Ga. Tech" be on their diplomas, then why aren't they going to Ga. Tech? It seems they are trying to live off of Ga. Tech's "illustrious" reputation instead of developing one for themselves...and Southern Tech.

As for Ga. Tech reclaiming all of its equipment (if independence is obtained) they can have their squeaky beds and wobbly chairs. I would rather sit on the classroom floors and belong to a truly independent Southern Tech, than to sit in a Ga. Tech owned chair and remain under their "care". I am personally appalled every time I have to use a piece of lab equipment that someone's grandfather used at Ga. Tech years ago.

Why does Ron Jacobs (Feb. 6) consider it a "special privilege" to drive approximately 20 miles and use an athletic complex that his fees help keep open? I'll bet that we would have an athletic complex, too, if we could have all the money that was rightly ours.

Of all the letters you printed in the STING last week, not one of them mentioned one of Southern Tech's greatest assets - its teaching staff. Most of our professors do a fantastic job. Practically all of my professors have made it a point to learn the students' names in each class - let's see a Ga. Tech Professor learn the names of his 100 plus students in each class.

Southern Tech may be small in size, but it's making a big splash in the job market (while Ga. Tech continues to do belly-flops).

Ann Loehr

Dear Editor,

I have enjoyed reading your editorials of late, but I feel you are slightly misguided in your attacks on the GoatShed. You are trying to treat the symptoms but you should treat the cause.

Our problems are not because of Pettit or Paul Smith or even the fact that we are still governed by Georgia Tech, but- with the "Gentle Giant of the GoatShed."

In the past seven years, Carlson has successfully alienated all of the people that are most valuable to a school that is struggling to build a reputation for itself.

Setting aside the current turmoil on campus; he has lost the support of the students, the alumni, the community, and his subordinates (faculty and staff).

I, and I assume many others, feel that if I have a problem, I cannot go to Carlson because he is incapable of making an iron-clad decision and standing behind it when challenged. The man is constantly out of town, so he can escape administrative responsibility.

The alumni apparently doesn't feel any more confidence in him than I do. He sat in the back of the room and was unrecognized at the last alumni banquet. The community, also, does not think of Carlson as part of this community. He retreats to the security of his home in Tucker where he does not have to get involved. He has never presented himself to the community and this is why STI is virtually unknown in Marietta.

The real clincher of all this is the high rate of turnover in personnel. Since Carlson took over the administration of STI, every department head except one has resigned and been replaced. At the present time with grievance hearings and resignations flying all over the GoatShed, it seems we should ask what the problem is and why we can't seem to hold on to people who obviously care about the future of STI and its grads.

I feel that the students of STI owe it to themselves to ask some pointed questions of Carlson, and you as editor of the campus newspaper should bring the answers to the students. Then and only then can we build the future of STI without always being in the shadow of Georgia Tech.

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WHO'S WHO NAMED AT SOUTHERN TECH

The 1977-78 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges will carry the names of 33 students from STI who have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding campus leaders.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from Southern Tech are: Carl Ballenger, Russell Bell, Richard Chupp, Dennis Clay, Melinda Cone, Seyed Daftarian, George Eckel, Vernon Ford, Ross Gallagher, James Goldman, John Hollis, Dana Lange, April Lee, Dong Ho Lee, Mohamed Mansaray, Kenneth Marlin, Harry McCleary III, Joseph McConnaughey, Thomas Michael, Thomas Miles, Edwin Mussinan, Kim Perkins, Christopher Porter, Henry Purvis, Josephine Royal, William Royal, Thomas Samford, Roseanne Snow, Robert Spence II, Abel Uduma, Steven Walderp, Samuel White, Jr., and Brent Williams.

POWDER PUFF MECHANICS

The Southern Tech Office of Continuing Education is offering a course in Powder Puff Mechanics. It is designed for all women who drive. It will be held on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, March 4, 11, 18, 1978. The course fee is \$15. For registration/information, please call 424-7219 or 894-2400.

BAHA'I FAITH TO HEAR DR. KAZEMZADEH

Dr. Firuz Kazemzadeh, one of the nine members of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States, will speak about the Baha'i Faith in Marietta the evening of Friday, February 17, at the Southern Bell building on Whitlock Avenue in a meeting hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Parviz Izadi of Marietta. The meeting is open to the public.

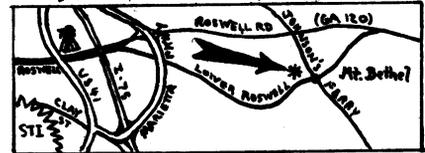
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Tim Strickland	Sigma Pi	17.2
Clarence Bailey	BSA	16.7
Steve Eifert	Lambda Chi	16.0
Robin Parker	Muskrats	15.3
Mark Stroud	TKE	15.0
Joe Peerenboon	Muskrats	14.3
Billy Thompson	Lambda Chi	14.0
George Boulous	Bombers	12.8
Roger Yates	Muskrats	12.3
Steve Bush	BSA	12.0
Mickey Dunn	BSU	11.5
Steve White	Unknowns	10.7
David Jones	Unknowns	10.3
Tim Trew	Sigma Pi	10.0

PAST WEEK'S SCORES

BSU	49	BSA	57	Lambda Chi	43
Backstabbers	34	TKE	45	Bombers	38
Muskrats	49	EW	65	Unknowns	65
Sigma Pi	43	EN	28	Bombers	41

SCHEDULED GAMES THIS WEEK

DATE	DAY	TIME (pm)	COMPETITORS
2-13	Mon	5:00	BSA vs. Sigma Pi
2-13	Mon	9:30	Unknowns vs. Muskrats
2-14	Tue	6:30	Sigma Nu vs. Bombers
2-14	Tue	7:45	Lambda Chi vs. Unknowns
2-14	Tue	9:10	BSU vs. Muskrats
2-16	Thur	7:30	TKE vs. Lambda Chi
2-16	Thur	9:00	Backstabbers vs. BSA

HORNETS

Southern Tech's Running Hornets saw their winning streak end at fourteen games during the past week with a Saturday night 72-65 loss to North Georgia. However, the Hornets remained nationally ranked at sole possession on 19th spot in the NAIA poll and picked up two more wins to run their season record to 21--4 and 11--1 in the GIAC.

The loss to North Georgia on Saturday night came before a crowd estimated at over 1800 at the Hornets' Nest. Tech played perhaps its worst basketball of the season in the first half falling behind by as much as 15 points due to turnovers and cold shooting. With 11:20 left in the half the Saints led 13 to 4 and five minutes later at the 7:12 mark North Georgia had a 23--8 lead. Tech had closed the gap to six at 33-27 at intermission but never got closer than four points during the second half. The Hornets hit 43 per cent from the floor and only 56 per cent from the free throw line for the game.

The conference standings after play on Monday, February 6 look like this:
GIAC Standings--As of Feb. 7

	<u>GIAC Record</u>
1-Southern Tech	11-1
2-North Georgia	9-3
3-LaGrange	8-5
4-Ga. Southwestern	7-6
5-Berry	5-6
6-Oglethorpe	5-6
7-Shorter	5-6
8-Georgia College	3-10
9-Piedmont	1-11

Southern Tech entering a Wednesday night home game with talented Berry has only four more regular season games remaining with three at home and one on the road. After Wednesday night the Hornets conclude the regular home schedule with a Saturday, February 11 Homecoming Night game with Shorter and a Monday, February 13 meeting with Oglethorpe. Their last road game and regular season contest comes on Wednesday, February 15 at LaGrange.

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ALPHA XI ALPHA

It is with deep joy and satisfaction that we welcome the following people into our sorority. Millie Cone, Ann Terrell, Patti Johnson; Associate Members: Debbie Jordan and Sissi Stenbridge.

We hope to grow together and make Alpha Xi Alpha the best ever! We also want to thank Pat Franklin for her gracious hospitality and the use of her home Saturday night.

Remember we welcome visitors at our open meeting Thursday at noon in Conference Room A.

SIGMA NU

All the brothers really enjoyed Homecoming and would like to congratulate those that put it all together.

Our attention now turns to the Winter Bathtub Race. We would like to wish everybody good luck but especially Rodney Bridges and Tom Preacher. Also, just a reminder to all track marshalls to be at school on time to receive instructions.

Sigma Nu is raffling off a one hundred dollar bill. So make sure you get your chance from any of the brothers.

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

The brothers and associate members of Lambda Chi have planned another bus trip to the STI - LaGrange basketball game due to the tremendous success of our last bus trip to Piedmont College. We would like to thank brother Mike "Rooster" Anderson for organizing our trips.

We congratulate brother Eddie Wright and the entire IFC for setting up the IFC Dance last Friday night at the Elks Club. There will be an IFC meeting on Tuesday, February 14 at 12 noon.

The brothers are presently trying to organize a "Big Brother" program with several youths being detained in the Cobb County Youth Corrections Center. We meet them at Wednesday night basketball games and have more activities planned for the future.

For those people who were unable to make the White Rose Dinner the Saturday night before last, you missed a great dinner. Our next one is planned for the first of Spring quarter. For those who forgot to pick up your dishes, they are available at M-6.

We are looking forward to the Bathtub Race next weekend. John R. is promising us a winning tub, so let's get out and support him and his crew.

Congratulations to Lambda Chi Basketball team. They won their first game against Sigma Pi last Tuesday night. Do it again, team!!!

TAU ALPHA PI

All Tau Alpha Pi members are requested to attend the meeting on Thursday, February 16 at 12 noon in room 227. A group picture will be made at this meeting for the Log and other publications.

Tau Alpha Pi would like to thank all of the students who have inquired about becoming members in the past few weeks. If you would like to find out more about this fine National Honor Society, please come to our next meeting on February 16.

Picture Day is Thursday! Be there!

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STUDENT CENTER MOVIE SCHEDULE

ORGANIZATIONS

AIIE

The AIIE (American Institute of Industrial Engineers) will have a meeting on Tuesday, February 14 at 12 noon in room 358 featuring a special guest speaker.

Mr. Tom Mroczko, an STI alumnus now with the Atlantic Steel Company, will speak on his experiences at Atlantic Steel - "How to move a Steel Mill in Three Easy Steps."

All students are welcome to attend!

ASCE

Are you aware of the different fields of study in Civil Engineering; or do you wonder what job opportunities will be open to you after graduation?

If so, then the ASCE has you in mind. The ASCE has put together a series of presentations to inform the CET student on these questions and more about the different fields of Civil Engineering.

Thursday, February 16 at 12:00 in room 568, Part I of the series will be presented. Professor Hornbeck and Professor Williams will talk about soil mechanics and the sanitary/enviromental fields. They will talk about what is involved in these areas of study and the types of jobs that are available after graduation.

In other parts of the series such areas as Structure, Hydrolics, Surveying, Architecture, and Management, plus others will be presented.

If you are interested in the different fields of Civil Engineering, as well as your own career, then we would like to invite you to attend.

SWE

There will be a business meeting in Conference Room "A" at 12 noon on Tuesday, February 14.

The main business to be discussed is Engineer's Week which is February 20 - 24.

See you there!

On Wednesday, February 15 at 8 p.m., the Student Center will show 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY. By tracing the technological history of mankind while exploring the dynamics of space travel, this movie outlines man's inability to cope with the unknown from the origin of civilization through a future age in which man is controlled by computers. This genuinely profound investigation of man's relationship to machines and to his fellow man sets a new standard against which all science fiction films will be measured: not only in terms of special effects, but in regard to thematic concerns as well.

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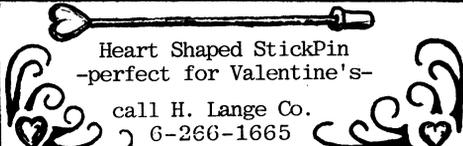
PLACEMENT

- Interviews for the week of February 13:
 Monday, Feb. 13 - Hewlett Packard - EET
 Monday, Feb. 13 - Industrial Risk Insurers
 (FIA) - All degrees
 Tuesday, Feb. 14 - Texas Instruments -
 EET, IET, MET
 Tuesday, Feb. 14 - Ga. Dept. of Transp.-
 CET
 Wednesday, Feb. 15 - McDonnell Douglas -
 EET, IET, MET
 Wednesday, Feb. 15 - Texas Instrument -
 EET, IET, MET
 Thursday, Feb. 16 - Koracorp - IET, AMET
 Thursday, Feb. 16 - Oxford Industries-
 IET, AMET
 Thursday, Feb. 16 - Kawner - MET

UNION CARBIDE CORP, Oak Ridge, TN, has opportunities especially for female and/or minorities. This is government defense related work and they wish to receive applications on minorities graduating within the next 6 to 9 months who have an interest in this type work. It takes 60 to 90 days to have applicants screened for clearance before they can make any type of offers. We suggest if you have any interest, come by the Placement Office and pick up one of their applications.

OFFICIAL SCHOOL CALENDAR

- Feb. 13 (M) Last day to file Graduation Petitions with the Registrar's Office for Spring Quarter 1978.
- 14 (T) Curriculum Committee Meeting - Adm. Conf. Room - 2:30 p.m. (Petitions must reach the registrar by 12 Noon February 13.)
- 16 (Th) Committee on Standing Meeting - Adm. Conf. Room - 2:30 p.m. (Petitions must reach the registrar by 12 Noon February 15.)
- 22 (W) Advanced Registration for Evening School Students for Spring Quarter 1978, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- 23 (Th) Advanced Registration for Day School Students for Spring Quarter 1978, 9-4 (Students admitted on time schedule.)
- 28 (T) General Faculty Meeting - 12 Noon-Library Seminar Room.
- Mar. 15-17 (W-F) Final Exams. End of the Quarter.
- 20 (M) Final grades due in Registrar's Office no later than 12 Noon.
- 18-26 Spring Recess.
- 27 (M) Registration for Spring Quarter '78.



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- IET -Prof. Brad Young
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