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From the Editor

Democracy In Action

This is the first edition of the Kefauver Pantagraph. We write this in order to provide Stevenson with a publication unlike any it is presently accustomed to having.

Our goal is to entertain you by showing the world, the nation and most importantly our own school through a very off the wall style. Often you may find we shoot from the hip and totally miss our mark, but that is in keeping with the philosophy of our paper; which is never to take yourself too seriously.

We are going through an interesting time in our lives now, testing our footing on the world each day as we begin to grow independent and it is easy to see ourselves as more important than we really are. This paper is merely an effort to restore proper perspective on ourselves as we grow to adulthood by taking cheap shots at anyone and anything. Hopefully no one will be too offended at any of our articles because most of them are simply meant to poke fun at each other in the hope that the people at Stevenson, both faculty and students alike, will never take themselves too seriously, lest they lose sight of what really is and is not important.

Abbey Hoffman

Due to the overwhelming success of the recent blind primary, Illinois governor Jim Thompson has proposed a new bill to be brought up for consideration early next month. This bill would eliminate all names from the primary ballot, allowing the voter to choose from a barrage of numbers. When questioned about the validity of such a proposal, the governor replied, "The selection of candidates by the random choosing of numbers will help the voters. There really are no differences between the candidates, thus the blind selection should help those with problems in reading ethnic names. In addition, the new system will help voters by freeing them of the dreadful chore of listening to politicians talk for hours on end and never say anything."

If this is a successful program, the governor said he would try to utilize the number system even more effectively by combining elections with the state lottery, thus giving a shot in the arm to both programs.

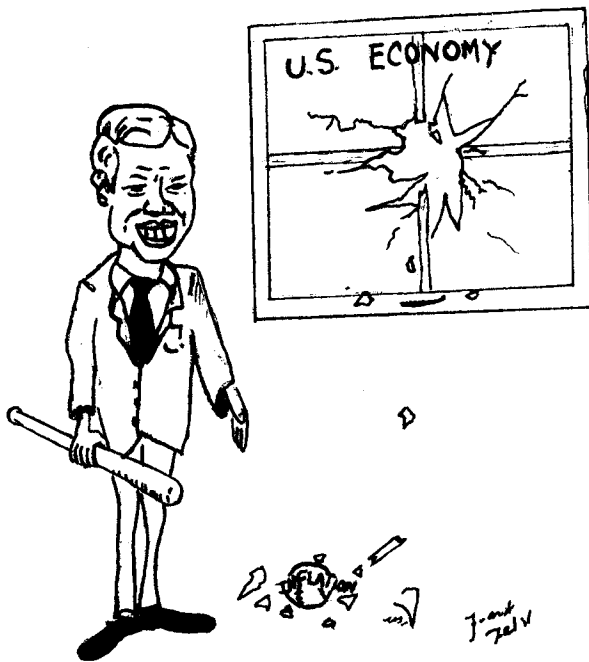
The constitutionality of this system has already been brought to a test. After several hours of deliberating, the Illinois Supreme Court upheld the validity of the law which caused so much confusion for Republican voters in the March 18 primary. In a brief statement from the court, Justice Daniel P. Ward said, "We rejected arguments that: the blind primary process was an improper delegation of the legislature's powers resulting in differential treatment of voters; that it's an intricate conglomeration of heterogeneous political entrepreneurs; that a vicissitude of such magnitude was not in keeping with the constitution of the GOP; cont'd p. 3

**CHEWING GUM:
PATHWAY TO PEACE**

In keeping with its attempts to report the important issues and news of the day to Stevenson students, the STATESMAN of March 21, ran an important expose on the state of gum chewing at our school.

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EDITORIAL PAGE



"I'll blame it on the Iranian Crisis."

Dear Editor,

We wish to complain about the quality of the cafeteria food. The consistency of the mashed potatoes is incongruous with the vector forces required to lodge them securely to the windows (even when mixed with the heavy gravy). And perhaps the muffin pizzas and hamburgers could be aerodynamically improved if they were shaped more like frisbees. The chicken could also be improved by lightning up on the grease content which currently prevents the exertion of proper spin necessary for the right trajectory.

Get on the ball cooks, We can't be total slobs without your culinary expertise!! (By the way, three cheers for your sour cream, it stick to the ceiling forever.)

The Sophomore Football Team

Butt - Rebutt

Butt (I. Emma Dumbroad)

The draft is terrible. We've gotten this far without it, why spoil a good thing? Besides I don't want to die for an oil company, this country has never gone to war for economic reasons before; what a horrible idea! America should only go to war for freedom and democracy and to free slaves.

Draft beer, not people.

Rebutt (Will B. Loyal)

By God, what's wrong with these pinkos in our country who don't want to go and die in a war? If we don't kill every yellow red in sight, then we will be overrun by the hordes of godless heathen communists. Everybody knows that God is on our side and all Russkies, Chinamens, and Iranians deserve to die.

First they flouridate our water, then they take over Afganistan. It's a clear plot to overthrow the free world. First we should get out of the U.N., and then we must respond to our great President's call for a draft. The only good red is a dead red. If we don't submit to the will of our government totally, and follow our leaders blindly, we can never hope to be free.

Dear Editor,

When will you ever increase the quality of your lousy paper? Why don't you read the WIT and learn how it's really done. Don't you know that the students want to read now are the macabre tales of death and horror? Get with it editor, let us see a "WIT-like" paper composed entirely of morbid stories and reports. Maybe then somebody would read this poor excuse for a bird cage liner.

Joe's Pet Palace
and Gerbil Emporium

The article informed us of the widespread popularity of this sport which has been raised to a level of artistry. The Kefauver Pantagraph wishes to salute the STATESMAN on its timely article and to add to it by proposing our own suggestion for the furtherance of this booming sport.

We wish to propose that gum chewing not be limited to a mere hobby. We see gum chewing as the sport to bring the world back together and insure world peace. Gum chewing afficianados of the earth will gather together in one united effort to support the introduction of gum chewing into the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

STATESMAN, the Kefauver Pantagraph salutes you, the student body salutes you, the world salutes you. We need more of this kind of hard-hitting journalism that provokes profound thought; that ultimately benefits all mankind. Yes chewing gum does seem to be the material paving the pathway to peace. The only problem now is how to scrape it off the bottoms of our shoes.

SPECIAL PANTAGRAPH OFFER

Now that The Kefauver Pantagraph is off and publishing, we would like to extend our hopes that our publication will soon join the ranks of such vital cogs of the Stevenson student body as The Statesman, SRQ, Student Congress, and the 1980 Pom Pon Squad. In order that you will feel that we are part of this esteemed group, we will do what is crucial for all Stevenson student organizations to do. In the fine tradition of all the past and present groups who have inundated you over the years with such essentials as pep shakers, memo boards, Texas grapefruit, Wisconsin cheese, Italian sausage, and green St. Patrick's Day flowers, we will extend to you the unique opportunity to purchase the one thing not yet sold by any organization. This is perhaps the one single item you have always wished the student organizations at Stevenson would sell. During lunch hours and after school you will be able to purchase it from any member of The Kefauver Pantagraph staff for a mere buck three eighty. Yes, The Kefauver Pantagraph is now offering for sale official April Fool's Day Stevenson green and gold commemorative nothing.

Van Halen

The Classics Of Tommorrow Today

The full artistry of Van Halen never really hit me until I was fortunate enough to hear "Beautiful Girls" on the jukebox eight times in one class period. Being a discriminating music critic, I was, of course, struck by the fantastic music appreciation of my fellow students. They know when they have heard true musical mastery, fused with inspired, deeply probing lyrics.

The words were, of course, superb, in that fantastic Van Halen tradition. Such socially relevant phrases as "Bottoms Up" and a good occasional "Yeow!" led me to expect only the greatest from these modern day Shakespears. I wasn't dissapointed. I was treated to lyrics that exposed such universal truths and messages as, "Got a drink in my hand and my toes in the sand, all I need is a beautiful girl!" Such mastery comes only once in a lifetime, perhaps even eternity.

But these immortal lyrics were not their greatest achievement. I think that came with their creative theory in harmonizing. I was very impressed with Van Halen's off key vocalizing. In this critics opinion, the creative innovation of singing out of tune is a magnificent breakthrough in music theory. What we see here may be the most influential trend in musical history since Beethoven's 3rd Symphony bridged the gap between 18th and 19th century music, changing forever the face of classical composition.

The impact of Van Halen's skill cannot be underestimated. They are the force driving music into the 80's: may they continue far into the future. Perhaps they will even surpass the great group KISS' someday. *by James Marshall Herdrie*

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that it is not propitious in its intent to encourage adaptability for the delegates, and; that it is a subversive proposal intended to subvert the system of democracy." The Justice then had copies of his statement distributed to reporters, remarking, "Here, it is all rather self explanatory. May your mushrooms never grow taller than your kneecaps."

Kefauver Pantagraph
Political Poll

The Kefauver Pantagraph recently polled students at Stevenson on their views of certain political questions. The questions and responses are listed below.

- 1.) If Ted Kennedy is elected president, in what direction would you like to see him go with his national health care plan?
 - 20% A. In the same direction as he went with Mary Jo Kopechne.
 - 34% B. In the direction of the Congressional Circular File.
 - 21% C. In the exact same direction as he has for the last eight years; it should keep him out of trouble.
 - 25% D. I don't know, I'm a freshman.
- 2.) Will you support a provision in Illinois Campaign Laws allowing for negative campaign contributing, meaning politicians would be able to pay certain persons not to support them?
 - 61% A. Yes.
 - 14% B. No.
 - 25% C. I don't know, I'm a freshman.
- 3.) If Ronald Reagan is elected president, would you be in favor of a constitutional amendment proclaiming "Bedtime for Bonzo" the National Motion Picture of the U.S.?
 - 2% A. Yes.
 - 73% B. No.
 - 25% C. I don't know, I'm a freshman.
- 4.) If John Anderson ends up running on a third party ticket, which of the following names do you feel is most appropriate for that party?
 - 1% A. The Demopublican Party.
 - 3% B. The Pigmentless Hair Party.
 - 70% C. The party that is spelled "John Anderson" but is pronounced "Brains in my back pocket."
 - 25% D. I don't know, I'm a freshman.
- 5.) What do you feel should be the major emphasis of this 3rd party?
 - 3% A. Calling themselves Republicans but talking like Democrats.
 - 7% B. Giving speeches supporting gun control in front of rifle associations.

65% C. Supporting a 50¢/ gallon gasoline tax so that senior citizens can be paid more Social Security benefits in order to afford rising fuel costs.

25% D. I don't know, I'm a freshman.

6.) What do you think has been proven by the large number of votes that William Scott collected in his GOP senatorial bid while a decision was pending as to his guilt on a federal income tax evasion indictment?

0% A. That some politicians can be elected no matter what they do.

0% B. That Illinois voters are as stupid as all Hell.

0% C. That crooks stand a good chance of being elected to public office.

75% D. All of the above.

25% E. I don't know, I'm a freshman.

W.C.

Just as the swallows return to Capistrano, our own social butterfly has returned to our beloved Stevenson. After wintering in her East Coast hide-away, she has returned to re-assume her prominent position in Stevenson's social circle. We're all glad you're back.

Approximately two weeks ago, Bo Derek made a surprise visit to Stevenson. We caught only a glimpse of her, and she hasn't been seen since. Come on Bo, quit hiding!

The basketball game against New Trier West was highlighted by the induction by the induction of two enthusiastic fans into the Post Office Hall of Fame. Congrats guys, that's the kind of spontaneous publicity Stevenson needs!

A Stevenson student, known for her affinity for fermented grape juice, is presently conducting experiments on the behavioral effects of green M&M's. Inside sources say she'll be dissatisfied when she learns that "They melt in your mouth, not in your mind."

CRACKING DOWN
NEW RULES ALLOW ONLY WORKING
NOT PLAYING

Recently there have been two new library rules added, bringing to total two more rules that there had been previously up until this time in the past. Word has it that staffers are already working on more new rules in an all out effort to break the record in departmental rule totals. In addition to the ever popular rule "you must be silent and respectful", the new rules state that in addition you must "weigh more than a duck", and "you must wear cufflinks inscribed with the words 'my mother is a gerbil and a professional opossum skinner.'"

These rules are all designed to aid students who need the library for research and to instill in all Stevenson students a sense of responsibility and respect for others studying.

Bea O' Graphy, library spokes-person said that she was usually "very lenient towards people talking and usually gave them a few warnings before twisting their arms off with her Captain Whizzo decoder corkscrew penknife and can opener, rendering them limbless." She went on to say that students "should definitely respect the library."

These rules, Mrs. O'Graphy said, were designed to "Limit the number of students using the library." She explained how this would be effective by pointing out that "The first rule will apply only to Freshman and Sophomores, who are getting smaller every year." When asked to elaborate, she explained the content of the first new rule saying "The purpose of a librarian is to help out and not to ducksit."

She then explained how the last rule would reduce the number of students using the library during lunches by bringing up the point that since "The cafeteria is not formal dining, very few students should be wearing cufflinks."

We hope these new rules will help to control library usage and make studying more profitable to those who need it.

Literacy Scores Improves A lot

Once again, our English Department is proud to report that the Literacy Test scores of the average Stevenson student has dropped 5% less than it dropped last year. According to a department spokesman, the average graduating senior is now capable of reading wash-room doors, school cafeteria menus, and T.V. guides designed for remedial readers. In his words,

"The kids in this school isn't no dummies."

While on the subject of washrooms, however, the Kefauver Pantagraph has found that several exceptional students have displayed talents above and beyond the average by leaving their literary masterpieces scrawled on the restroom walls. The freshman washrooms have been found to contain mostly limericks while the seniors' washrooms contain evidence of more highly developed poets who have dared to dabble in free verse. Of course my favorite is a deep, profound poem written in spondaic scansion that reads "Jocks suck/Freaks rule."*

There is much much more to discover so feel free to browse and maybe contribute some of your own. Get in on the literary fever sweeping Stevenson and maybe your literacy scores will fall even more slowly in the future.

*The Kefauver Pantagraph is always looking for bright, original writers. We would appreciate it if the author of this poem would please contact us, we need more people like you.

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ARTICLES WANTED

Wanted-Set of pink lawn flamingos for a recently married Italian couple. (Will trade my 1959 Studebaker with curb feelers.) 555-8900

Wanted-1 garden dwarf, must be under 2 feet tall and over 200 years old for position as foreman of landscaping crew. 200-6789

Wanted-300 cocktail umbrellas for Gene Kelly film fest and belly dancing jamboree. Tel. 867-8934

Wanted-Duck scales, need immediately. Tel. 555-3478
Ask for Bea

Wanted- Spike toed gnome boots for disco outfit. Ladies size 3. 867-6348

Wanted-Set of cast iron Italians suitable for lawn decoration. Young Flamingo couple just moved into area need landscaping now. Tel. 555-8901

Wanted-Prom date, male short mature man preferred. Also need some landscaping done.

Wanted-Major garment manuf. needs 1000 baby alligators. Must be suitable for sewing on polo shirts. 889-1125

FOR SALE

For sale-Sunlamp and bullworker. Increase your bod while you even out your all-over tan. Ask for Stevie or Tommi if you call after 6. Tel. F-r-i-s-c-o 9.

For sale-Cement track shoes. All sizes avail. Ask for Vito. 555-2578 (Will swop for lawn flamingos or life-size lighted Nativity scene).

For sale-Set of cuff-links inscribed with "My mother is a gerbil and a professional opposum skinner." Family heirlooms but I must part with them. Getting a job as part time librarian in Gnome, Alaska. 867-3340

For sale-75 green and gold nothings struck in 1978 by Bubba's Mint of Encino. Must sell to clear for new inventory. Tel. 200-8604

For sale-'59 Chevy, lots o' chrome, air adjustable shocks, 6 tone horn, fuzzy dice, plastic Virgin Mary on dash, electric Chihuahua on rear deck and much much more. Call K-mart 67-2037
Ask for L.O. Rider

SWAP O' RAMA

Trade-150 pairs of Pampers, waist size 38-40. Will trade for 1 gallon body paint and 1 pair of handcuffs.

Swap-12 cases Pina colada mix and golden coke spoon for Led Zeppelin belt buckle or a pair of Ted Nugent moccasins. Call 588-2300

POSITIONS

For Hire-Experienced garden dwarf seeks employment in landscaping firm. Also available for prom escort. Call Derek Small 867-6849

For Hire-One grandmother experienced in migrant fruit farming. Also has background in math. Winters in Arizona vegetable belt and summers in Michigan. If interested contact Don P. Calc Cherry Growers Inc. Traverse City Michigan. (May be interested in swapping her for Beatles albums pressed on Apple label).