

# The Polemic

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## Shallow, DeCeased lose

Congratulations are in order for Joe Shallow and Chris DeCeased, the losers in the GM/PU elections. These two candidates tried valiantly and succeeded in avoiding office. No doubt they will feel proud when they see their opponents' names being dragged through the mud in the Polemic. They will be able to say to their grandchildren one day, "What happened to him could have happened to me." Again, we give these two our wholehearted congratulations.

Now to the winners. Let's give them a nice warm Polemic greeting:



The former  
**GM**  
is open to proposals  
for future use

## Student loan defaulters pay with their lives

In the latest of Ronald Reagan's seven point plan for the destruction of the American education system as we now know it, the President has outlined his newest plan for solving the problem of student loan defaulters. The program, presented to the press this week, proposes a simple deal: your money or your life. The President was quoted as saying, "It certainly is not fair to those who do pay, for these defaulters to get away with a free education. We must, repeat must bring justice." Reagan then went on to say that since it is impractical and inhumane to remove the education from these people's heads, the easiest solution would be to kill them.

When questioned about the methods of carrying out this plan, plus the legal and moral questions of the government participating in such a program, the President was quick to respond with "We will have very little to do with the actual execution, er, carrying out of the plan. Through the F.B.I. we have numerous qualified contacts who will be more than capable of these actions..." The President went on to say that, although there will be a cost to the government for these "services", he felt that the influx of money to "families" in large cities could be nothing other than beneficial.

The President also outlined several alternate plans should Congress fail to approve the first. These include the previously dismissed education (brain) removal method, collecting all defaulters to the vicinity of the next nuclear

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## Polywives solicit service increases

The Polywives, comprised of spouses of Rensselaer students, is increasing its efforts to gain additional services and solicitation rights for themselves. According to Polywives President Plan Yurevening the group feels (a lot) that the Union has been insufficient in its growth to accommodate these women.

The main point of the group's action is to gain additional solicitation rights on campus. Yurevening was quoted as stating "Since our husbands are never around, being always busy in research, we've got to get it somewhere." The club's current request includes making both the freshman dorms and the Quad open territory for free use by lonely wives of R.P.I. knurds.

Other interests of the club include additional medical coverage for obvious reasons, maternity benefits, a (well-furnished) room in the Union, and both reimbursement from the Union and honorary degrees for putting up with a bunch of engineers.

A final request included changing the function of the group to better fit its name. The view of the club was that since it is called the Polywives, it should be allowed to participate in Polygamy. A decision from the Erogenous Board (E-Board) should be coming in the morning.

### Student...

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accident, or forcing them to sit in on lectures at eastern engineering schools until their debts are paid up (although this proposal was even scoffed at by Reagan himself as far too cruel).

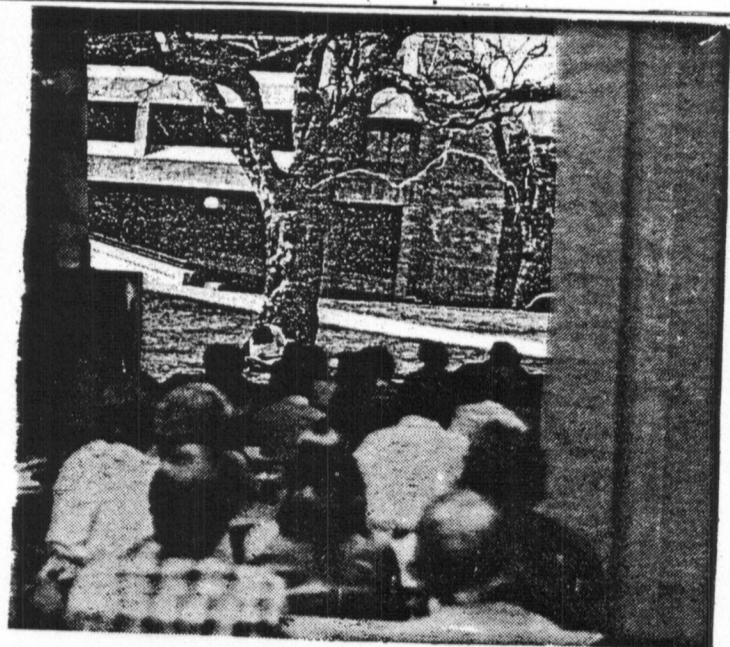
Whatever the outcome, the message was clear: pay up.

## The Poly, fuel for the future

In this time of rising fuel costs and shortages of fuel, RPI seems to have found the solution: an alternate form of energy, namely, the Polytechnic.

This novel use for the RPI publication was thought of when a copy of the Poly was analyzed and found to be 99 and 44/100% pure fertilizer. Not only is this useful for easing rising fuel costs by giving oil companies serious competition, but also for finding some useful function for the Polytechnic. Burning a Poly has been found to be not only a good way of creating energy, but also a mark of extremely good taste.

Also, if you have all the energy you need, just shred the remaining Polys, spread them over your garden, and watch the flowers grow.



MANY STUDENTS showed up last Saturday in the McNeil Room to see S-TRUCK's production of "A Tree Grows in Troy."

# Local Geeks attack dog

A group of R.P.I. Geeks reportedly carried out an attack last week on the RPI Care "Espirit-de-Crap" Dog. The dog, while visibly shaken, apparently was not injured in the altercation.

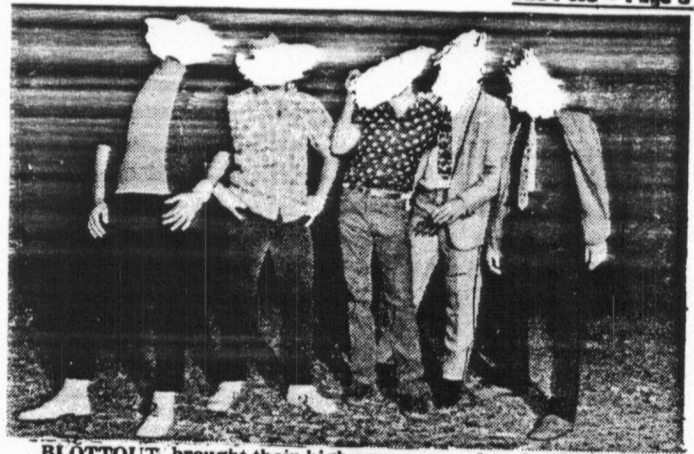
According to witnesses, the dog was attacked as it lay near Church VI after the Quad party Friday night. The dog apparently was not aware of the approaching assailants due to its condition following the party. The attack began with physical abuse by the Geeks, after which the Geeks began to do highly strange things to the dog, the description of which is not printable even in the Polemic. At this point the dog protested loudly, bringing witnesses to the scene and frightening off the Geeks. The dog was taken to Samaritan for observation, and quickly released.

According to Dr. Appahled, this incident points out some major problems on campus, including both the fact that alcohol was available in such quantities to sufficiently waste the dog, and the problem of recurrent attacks by groups such as the Geeks, comprised of mainly super-knurds and undernourished Physics grad-students.

At last report R.P.I. security was hot on the trail of the attackers. On a tip, the entire force (?) has left for Miami beach to comb the beaches for clues. More on this as their tan develops.



POLYS PILE UP as more students on campus choose quality over quantity in their reading material.



BLOTTOUT brought their high energy sound to the Fieldhouse Friday for the GM Week Grand Finale. Opening act was aMaxin.

## The Polemic presents:



# BLAKE EDWARDS' polytechnic

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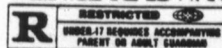
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BLAKE EDWARDS' The Polytechnic

David McLeish Mark Mitchell John Brown  
Leslie Ann Melato Bob Aldrich Mike Haslam  
Mike Kenny

ORIGINAL MUSIC BY HENRY MANCINI... (DIRECTED BY) BLAKE EDWARDS... A PARAMOUNT PICTURE



LORIMAR

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Saturday, April 31  
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# HORRORS

## AT RENSSELAER

### Viewing behavior of children on drugs

One study going on at RPI of which next to no one is aware is one concerning the behavior of preschool children when treated with hallucinogens. To facilitate the study, the children have been given growth-inducing hormones and have been given identities as RPI students.

Interestingly enough, the children, even though their identities were unknown to each other, have been able to discern the rest of the subjects, presumably through comparison of mental capacities, and have banded together to form a close-knit group of friends. The group recently staged a coup d'etat and took over the dwindling newspaper, the Polytechnic.

Psychologists have determined that the children have recently reached the "anal stage" if their development, coinciding



with the release of the Pottytechnic.

Shown here at a recent meeting of the Poly, the children are obviously terribly maladjusted. Also, the drugs have clearly taken a toll on the physical appearance of the subjects. According to researchers, most of the children will never look normal again nor will they ever be able to lead normal, productive lives.

### Computer replaces aged IBM 3033

In a move applauded by many, the RPI administration decided to replace the present IBM 3033 "computer" with a more conventional digital logic machine. This move followed the shocking revelation that the IBM 3033 system now used all over campus was a highly unconventional system.

It was uncovered last week that the IBM 3033 is actually comprised of 3,033 monks (leftover from the old seminary, which used to own the chapel) working abaci in the basement of the VCC.

In the past, RPI found the monks cheaper, easier, and insulated from the vagaries of Niagara-Cherokee although the system did "crash" every once in a while for vespers. But now RPI has retreated from its former position in embarrassment, and has decided to buy a DEC PDP-11 to bring the Institute into the computer age.

In a related story, the Troy Unemployment Bureau has reported a 50% jump in unemployment in the city. However, most of the newly unemployed, strangers in hooded robes, are expected to land jobs soon doing Xerox commercials.

### Nuclear wastes used as dental alloy

The latest news from the good folks at the Nuclear Laboratory up the hill is a solution to one of our nation's more "hot" problems; yes, they've finally found a use for all that nuclear waste. Researchers say it can be used as effectively as gold in dental work.

According to Lawrence, head of the Nuclear Engin-

ering Department, "The benefits are amazing. Besides filling the tooth, this stuff kills pain -- forever! My department is glowing with pride."

The new alloy, to be commercially known as Radiafill 238, should be on the market early next year, and should have a shelf life of 25,000 years.

# Computer implantation replaces biology

Studies indicate that computer sperm implantation may soon replace antiquated biological methods of conception. Says researcher M. Omar Funn, "Soon parents

will have to tell their children about the birds, the bees, and the 3033s.

Female subjects for the study have not been hard to find. A busload or more arrive every hour from downtown Troy to take on Myron. Certain electrical and mechanical devices have been fitted to the computer in the control room, so as many as ten women can be serviced at once.

But the process has not been without problems. Myron seems to be having a tough time with the exceptionally large number of clients. He has been going down more and more often even though he was programmed to "remain permanently up". Funn and his fellow researchers have no doubt that Myron will soon regain his virility, as they are taking him to a Masters and Johnson clinic next week.

# "Baby talk" replaces textbook

Amid complaints that the textbooks currently in use are too technical and hard to read, the School of Management has mounted a campaign to write textbooks more in line with the students' reading level.

After extensive testing of the management students, the Dean of Management Robert J. Alien found that after such words as "cross-checking", "slapshot", and "high sticking" (notably, not "power play") the reading level of the management students was indeterminately low. Therefore, the management texts are to be rewritten at as low a level as possible.

Goo-goo, gaa-gaa, da-da, and feh! will be the type of text in the introductory course textbooks; Dick, Jane, and Spot will introduce basic management skills in the higher level courses.

Not surprisingly, hockey coach Like Adesktop reacted enthusiastically to the change. "I think it's really good," Adesktop remarked. "Now RPI can have the kind of team it deserves."

# till later

Well, the year is over for the Pole. We've put our razor blades away, closed our rubber cement jars, and destroyed our crooked-edges. We revel in the fact that we won't have to walk around every Wednesday with ten or twenty fresh Polys in our packs. It's over.

But there's always-  
NEXT YEAR!!

Yes, the Pole will be back and better than ever before. In fact, we're already accepting prescriptions for next year. Because we've been increasing in size, (unlike the Poly), we've been forced to raise our price a bit. But they are of course still a bargain at only \$2.00 for a semester (about seven or so issues ..) or \$3.50 for the entire year (about 14 issues). To order a local prescription you must give us an on campus delivery address. Otherwise, you can order a mailing prescription at \$3.50 for a semester and \$6.50 for the year. Mail prescriptions can be sent anywhere the U.S. Postal service sees fit to serve (or disserve...)

Till later...

The Pole Staff

P.S. Is extra-fine intercourse a contradiction??

# Cereal

"But why did you punch that sequence on my terminal?" Martha asked.

"Uh...I don't remember. Hold on a second," Jon replied. He reached for the Polemic, Volume 2, Number 13, and turned to the column "Cereal."

"Oh, yeah...for the hell of it. At least that's what the writer said."

"Oh."

Sid blinked. He was back at his terminal. Dimly, he heard voices across the building. It seemed that someone had accidentally reversed the Teletype feature of his program. Good thing

too, but he'd have to fix it for next time. "And I better not use the Lineac again, either..."

"Hello, IPAC, Stan speaking."

"Uh...yeah. My name's Dave. I don't know what's going on here, and you people are supposed to know everything, and..."

"Oh, you're Dave. Well, it's sort of a long story...have you ever heard of the Polemic?"

"The what?"

Stan sighed. This was going to take a while...

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get medical attention immediately!!  
Half-life: 45 years. And remember,  
not one single person has ever been  
killed in any Polemic energy plant.  
Now if we could only devise a method  
for disposal...

By the way, we did not do it, so do  
not take us to the J-Board, the Troy  
court, or any other such body. It  
won't work. Trust us. If you like  
it, let us know by Myron mail to PO-  
LEMIC, or directly to: 202 Wiltsie  
House (where?). If you don't...

# Pole

## Man of the Year

This being the last issue of the year, we at the Pole decided to haul out the back issues and determine the Pole "Man of the Year", the campus personality we have ragged on the absolute worst. Here are the top five finishers:

Rank		Times Picked On
1.	Pete . . . . .	18
2.	Poly . . . . .	17
3.	George . . . . .	12
4.	Bill . . . . .	8
5.	Dog . . . . .	7

We'd certainly like to thank Pete for letting us have so much fun at his expense. We can only hop that his replacement will be just as much fun. Congratulations, Pete!!

## People Who ...



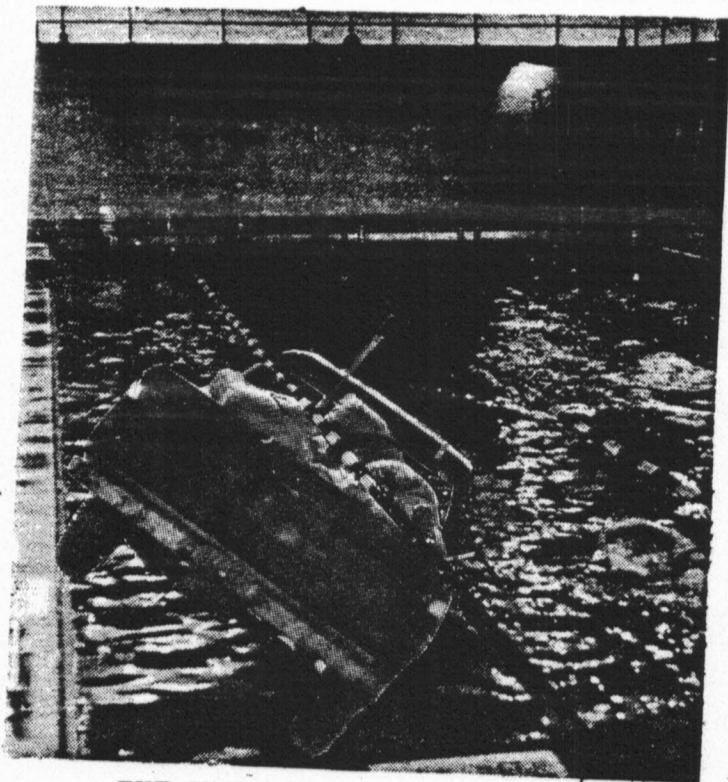
# "S and M: The Agony and the Ecstasy"

# sports

## Diamondmen lack talent

Yes, it's that time of the year again; spring. It's time for talk of baseball, but there is no joy at RPI. Things look pretty bleak for the team this year, coach Blob Sucrets. "I don't know what we're going to do this year. The team doesn't seem to have any talent. Can't anybody here play this game?"

Coach Sucrets doesn't know whether or not to have his team show up at all for the games. "We're considering packing it in. It's that bad," he stated.



THE HAZARDS OF CAR-POOLING  
Number 69:

Changing Lanes During the Race.



### IN SEARCH OF THE POSSIBLE:

USES FOR THE POTTYTECHNIC STAFF

SUGGESTION #1: Human Fire Hydrants



AFTER BEING INFORMED that student government leaders don't know their asses from their elbows, and keep putting their feet in their mouths, Dr. Bahld gave an impromptu anatomy lecture at the last E-Board meeting.

**SECURITY**  
Tip of the Week

**steal.**

Submitted by:  
Crime Prevention Unit  
RPI 270-6611, 24 hours