

## '64 Crucible Staff Seeks Material

The staff responsible for the publication of the **Crucible**, Lock Haven State College's literary magazine, met recently to decide their publication date, publisher, and to begin reading material for possible inclusion in the 1964 edition of the **Crucible**.

All material submitted to Mr. Edward Hill's office, Room 100 in the library, or to any member of the **Crucible** staff, will be read and considered for use in the **Crucible**, to be published early in May.

Officers and members of the staff are: Ron Lindsay, Editor; Vicki Steinberg, Assistant Editor; Karen McMichael, Business Manager; Fred Hammer, Assistant Business Manager; Bob Morgan, Circulation Manager; Joanne Kanis, Assistant Circulation Manager; Dixie Fisher, Janis Siciliano, Claudia Wasko, Adrienne Aumiller, Nancy Henderson; Thomas O'Brian, Dianne Wagner, Susan Hall, and Vickie Andrus.

## Bravard Accepts Post

Mr. Robert S. Bravard, Lock Haven State College assistant librarian, recently accepted the position of review consultant for **Choice Books for College Librarians**. The publication appears monthly for the purpose of providing a review service for undergraduate college librarians. It was founded by the American Library Association which felt a need for an organization of expert consultants to review books in the fields of Liberal Arts, Business, and Engineering. Six hundred reviews are expected per year and reviewers will be sent twice this number so that the most significant can be reviewed.

Mr. Bravard is also the book review editor of **The Eagle Eye**. He was editor of the **Expansion Review** for two years and his poetry has been published in **Seed**, a publication of the Transient Press.

## Cash Prizes For Photos

The Lafayette Chapter of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalism fraternity, has announced an intercollegiate contest for black and white photography.

The contest, which is divided into two categories, artistic and journalistic photography, is open to all college students. Awards will include cash prizes, ribbons, and certificates. Cash prizes will be awarded to the best picture in each category. Runner-up and honorable mention winners will receive ribbons and certificates.

Anyone interested in more information concerning this contest, see any member of **The Eagle Eye** staff.



"Who dunnit? ? ?"

## 'Ten Little Indians' Provides Suspense

### Players Winter Production Promises Evening of Terror

February 20 and 21, Price Auditorium will be the scene of ear-shattering screams, surprised faintings, and terrifying murders. Dr. John G. Handley's cast will be killing and being killed, suspecting and being suspected starting at 8:15.

Larrie Jones, junior elementary major from Allentown, portrays Anthony Marston—a "gay blade" who doesn't mind admitting that the only moral and ethical principles he follows are those which suit him.

A reformed drunkard is Dr. Armstrong played by Chic Hamlin, sophomore English major from Media. He has been forced to channel his energies away from surgery because of his drinking.

Emily Brent, spinster and non-drinker, is played by Mona Mangan, freshman liberal arts major from Lock Haven, who last appeared on stage as the mother in **Death of a Salesman**.

Walt Rudder, sophomore English major from Philadelphia, acts as General MacKenzie who is a stickler for discipline. He appeared in **The Monkey's Paw** last semester.

Rod Fowler, junior elementary major from Lock Haven, who was Happy in **Death of a Salesman** changes character to interpret Sir Lawrence Wargrave—a retired judge.

The houseman/butler, Rogers, is played by Bob Morgan, junior English major from Williamsport. He recently appeared in **Nude Washing Dishes**.

Vicki Steinberg, junior English major from Wilkes-Barre, will play Rogers' wife, the housekeeper. Mrs. Rogers is the typical nervous complaining nag.

Jim Salmond, junior social science major from Altoona, who had a major role in **The Game of Chess** which was recently presented at Loyalsock High School, portrays Captain Philip Lombard.

Vera Claythorne, the mysterious Mrs. Owens' social secretary, is played by Pam Swartz who directed **The Pot Boilers** last semester.

## College Players On-the-Road

**The Game of Chess**, a one-act play by Kenneth Sawyer Goodman, which was presented to the Lock Haven State College campus in November, traveled to Loyalsock High School in Williamsport Tuesday. The play, directed by Melanie Thomas, concerns an aging ruler whose life is being threatened.

## I. R. C. Makes Annual Tour Of U. N.

Twenty-two members of the International Relations Club are now in New York on their annual United Nations Trip. The students and faculty advisers left campus yesterday morning and will return sometime tomorrow evening.

Highlights of the trip are a background lecture at the Foreign Policy Association and attendance at a meeting of the United Nations Security Council. The group will also take a general tour of the United Nations to see such things as the General Assembly Hall, the UNESCO foundation, and the various delegation lounges.

Students attending the tour are: Mari Harding, Richard Brown, Sandra Bodle, Roselie Bechtel, Elaine Mock, Folkert Van Karssen, Robert Hudock, Joe Zukoski, Katherine Ambrose, Christie Lyons, George Boyce, Elizabeth Bowes, Judy Confer, Elizabeth Collins, Judy Myers, James Reaser, Judy Hetrick, Joe Gentilman, Donna Gusdorff, Mary Ann Whiting. Dr. Paul Bernstein and Dr. Tao Cheng will accompany the group.



Miss Lydia Gross

## Teacher's Experience Inspires Book

Miss Lydia Gross, director of elementary education at LHSC, recently had her book, **How a Town Grew in New England** published by the Christopher Publishing House in Boston, Mass.

Miss Gross gathered the material and wrote the book while on the faculty at Willimantic State College, Willimantic, Conn. At that time, she was using the techniques of research to demonstrate to student teachers what could be done; and used the stories as instructional material in classrooms.

Miss Gross tells of the obstacles which stood in the way of the attempts to settle and the way these were overcome through persistent efforts.

The people, their times, their clothing, furniture, methods of choosing town leaders, and government are carefully recreated.

## Fraternity and Sorority Rush Period Commences

An informal mixer sponsored by the Panhellenic Council and the first of a series of "round-robin" smokers, both to be held Sunday, February 9, will mark the beginning of the sorority and fraternity rush period at Lock Haven State College.

The sorority mixer will take place in Woolridge Hall recreation room at 9 P. M. It is open to any coed who is considering rushing a sorority at this time or at any time in the future. The rules and program of the rush period will be explained to all interested at this time.

Sorority rush will continue with the Panhellenic Tea Sunday, February 16 and a series of parties to be given by the individual sororities. Rush will officially close on February 28, at which time the sororities will send out their bids.

To be eligible for sorority rush, a girl must have attended

Lock Haven State College for at least one semester and have an overall average of 2.0 or better.

The fraternity "round-robin" is the first of those to be held by fraternities this rush period. At this time all interested male students should attend all four fraternities and sign up for rush. It is imperative that all fraternities are visited for a man is considered ineligible for rush if his name does not appear on all four rosters.

A series of smokers will follow this first. Rush will end after two weeks of smokers and then bids will be sent out.

To be eligible for fraternity rush, a man must also have attended Lock Haven State College for at least one semester and have an overall average of at least a 2.0. Students whose average is less than this but who had an average of 2.2 last semester will be considered.

## This Week

- Friday—February 7—  
PSEA Fun Night — all physical education facilities open
- Saturday—February 8—  
Basketball—Edinboro (away)  
Wrestling—Rochester Tech (away)  
Hobnob—PSEA and Newman Club—RG
- Sunday—February 9—  
Sorority Mixer—Panhellenic Council—RG—9 P. M.  
Movie — THE OUTSIDERS—Price Auditorium 7:30 P. M.
- Monday—February 10—  
Alpha Sigma Tau business meeting—9:00
- Tuesday—February 11—  
Basketball—Clarion—8:15 —FH
- Thursday—February 13—  
PSEA—SHL—7:30 P. M.
- Friday—February 14—  
Greek Valentine Party — FH—8:30 P. M.  
Drama Workshop—7:00

**BEAT EDINBORO**

**Letters to the Editor**

Dear Editor:

I have been a student at L. H. S. C. for the past five semesters. Each semester I have had to purchase between five and sixteen books ranging in price from \$.50 to \$8.50. Books, especially good ones, are certainly necessary to a good education, but I feel that used books will suffice as well as new ones.

Since most teachers will want to choose their own textbooks for the course that they are teaching, often you will not be able to sell a book the next semester. However, many books are used semester after se-

mester and students still must buy new ones because they have not been able to contact anyone who has one to sell. Also, many students will not be able to sell a book because he is unable to find a purchaser.

This situation is helped somewhat by the notices in social square and in the dorms, but I have found that by the time I find the name of a person who is selling the book and actually locate them, the book has inevitably already been sold.

It seems that a "used book store" could be set up by the S. C. C. or some other campus organization to buy and sell used books. This would make it possible for students to purchase easily the needed books at a nominal cost.

Pat Turnbaugh

Dear Editor:

Another semester has begun; not a new one—just another.

As usual, each instructor fervently believes his to be the only course of instruction being taught at the time.

Evidence of this is presented with the volume of "short-range, long-range reading, research, and busy work" assignments.

English majors are buying many books these days. Thirteen paperbacks, which may last through the semester enabling those persons to resell their books for a paltry sum, have replaced the solid bound Volume II of American Literature. Cost—\$10.25.

Now those in English Literature last semester may laugh.

It's true! Textbooks do cost only four cents out of every

dollar spent for your college education. That is—if you are spending \$1,810.00 per year to go to college. Some people do. But not at Lock Haven. Well, the bookstore has to make a profit; so do the persons owning shares in a publishing company.

"Busted"

**IFC Has New VP**

Joseph Grebb, Elementary Education Junior from Middletown has been elected vice-president of the Interfraternity Council at Lock Haven State to fill the unexpired term of William Lewis who resigned.

Grebb, a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Grebb, 537 Linden Street, Middletown.

James A. Thompson of Camp Hill, a sophomore in Health Education was elected IFC representative to Student Council. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Thompson, 3808 Chestnut Street, Camp Hill. Thompsom is a member of Kappa Delta Rho.



Mr. George Hayfield

**GEOGRAPHY CLUB**

**Hayfield Hails Ice Age**

by Robert Bartlett

This Tuesday evening the Geography Club will present Mr. George Hayfield as their guest speaker.

Mr. Hayfield, Lock Haven State geologist, will speak on an interesting cold weather topic—The Great Ice Age. The talk will be particularly interesting because our area was involved in the Great Ice Age. Various little known things about the Great Ice Age will be revealed in this interesting talk.

Robert Wycoff, Club secretary and treasurer has announced that the membership cards have arrived and will be distributed at the meeting.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting is welcome to do so. Meetings are held in Sullivan 206 at 7:30 p. m. the second Tuesday of every month.

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**CAMPUS CULT-URE**

Peter Sellers, a man of parts, many movie parts, that is, has become a big man on campus. Sellers has been named the Number One college pin-up at citadels of higher learning across the country, according to an informal survey. The collegians' interest in Sellers, who habitually assumes multiple roles in many of his pictures, is rapidly taking on the proportions of a genuine cult to the "In" group on campus. Photos showing Sellers in his multiple movie roles decorate

dormitory walls, fraternity and sorority houses and other student gathering places. Stanley Kubrick, who produced and directed the forthcoming "hot-line suspense comedy," "Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb," is giving the mobile-faced star a mild workout by utilizing him in three roles. Here Sellers is shown (upper left) as the President of the United States; (upper right) as Dr. Strangelove, a German nuclear scientist.

**Summer Employment in Europe for Students**

More job opportunities in Europe this summer . . . Work this summer in the forests of Germany, on construction in Austria, on farms in Germany, Sweden, and Denmark, on road construction in Norway.

Well, there are these jobs available as well as jobs in Ireland, Switzerland, England, France, Italy, and Holland open by the consent of the government of these countries to American university students coming to Europe the next summer.

For some years students made their way across the Atlantic to take part in the actual life of the people of these countries. The success of this project has caused a great deal of enthusiastic interest and support both in America and Europe.

This year, the program has been expanded to include many more students and jobs. Already, many students have made application for next summer jobs. American-European Student Service (on a non-profitable basis) is offering these jobs to students for Germany,

Scandinavia, England, Austria, Switzerland, France, Italy, and Spain. The jobs consist of forestry work, child care work (females only), farm work, hotel work (limited number available), construction work, and some other more qualified jobs requiring more specialized training.

The purpose of this program is to afford the student an opportunity to get into real living contact with the people and customs of Europe. In this way, a concrete effort can be made to learn something of the culture of Europe.

**ATTENTION**

Anyone who has any short stories, poems, crossword puzzles, or any other bit of original talent that would like to have the same printed in the Eagle Eye, bring your copy to the Student Publications Office.

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**POETRY CORNER**

Meditations by Davith

As I sit, in my dark and silent room; the shades are drawn, only a slit of sunlight breaks the continuum.

My thoughts wander, often beyond the reaches of man. The infinite and most remote possibilities become in a real sense my toy, a toy that I may manipulate at will. Life, death, reason, and the benign position of mankind cross the path of my mind and I contemplate these things. Often touched by the Creator I am able to induce a soul provoking thought. These thoughts may damage, may even destroy me.

With the counterthought of self-destruction in the sublimities of my mind, I find I must continue to meditate—to an eventual end.

**Fraternity News**

**SIGMA KAPPA**

The 1963 fall pledge class of Sigma Kappa gave their successful "Miss World" party for the sisters on January 29, 1964 in Akeley auditorium. Each sister came costumed to represent a different country.

Sigma Kappa's formal initiation of their fall pledge class was held January 31, 1964 in Russell Hall recreation room. The following pledges became sisters: Jacque Hall, Sandy Herman, Shari Haas, Shelia Rager, Kay Marthouse, Donna Guthrie, Lorainne Ernst, and Anne Nyhart.

The sisters are now engaged in a fund raising project in conjunction with The Smart Shop. In this plan one or two dollars a week are paid to the Smart Shop. Weekly drawings are held for gift certificates. Money accumulated through this plan can be used as credit at the Smart Shop. See any sister for details.

The sisters extend their congratulations to Judy Piraino, who has recently been graduated.

**RACK ROCHESTER**

**The ENQUIRING EYE**

by MEL HODES

QUESTION: What is your reaction to the New Woolridge Hall?



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ALLEN MURAWSKI—Morann—Elementary

Woolridge Hall has a beautiful lounge. Why can't it be used for entertainment purposes, instead of just a showroom?

HELEN PHILLIPS—Williamsport—Elementary

I think the same rules re-

garding men in the lounges in Russell Hall should be observed in Woolridge Hall. The new dorm has a big lounge separate from the girls' rooms and I can see no reason why fellows can not use it to wait for their dates. After all, Smith Hall is open for the girls. By the way, the new dorm is really nice.

JOHN YODER—Johnstown—Math

I feel that men ought to be permitted in Woolridge Hall for the simple reason that all other colleges I've visited, all day and night men are allowed in the dorm lounges.

PAT STAMM—Seaford, New York—Elementary

Woolridge Hall is a beautiful place. It is conducive to study and quiet hours really exist here. I think that the few problems we have, if any, will be worked out within the near future.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

by Joan Enck

Did you know that there is a world organization for Fellow College Students who live in underdeveloped lands?

Did you know that World University Service is a student to student movement which started in a box car in 1917 to help refugees?

Did you know that only black Africans can receive scholarships to study abroad and WUS is trying to remedy this.

What can LHSC students do to aid our fellow students throughout the world? Each dollar that we give will be matched with another dollar by the recipient. One dollar will give a Congolese student, his wife, and children a student medical plan. Twenty-five cents will provide three meals a day for a student in Greece.

Beginning March 2, 1964 our campus will participate in a fund raising drive to help educate college students in other parts of the world. It is only through our help that these students can receive the kind of education that will help them and their country. Helen Phillips, student chairman of this year's campaign, along with Tom MacDonald, Co-Chairman; Kitty Rienzo, secretary; Joan Enck, treasurer; Mr. Donny, faculty chairman; and the faculty committee hope that this year's drive will be the best ever.

**Happiness Is...**

by Vickie Steinberg and Jim Salmond

- "lounge furniture" . . . Woolridge girls
- "a five pound book" . . . modern drama class
- "having a house" . . . KDR
- "enough boys to go around" . . . folk and social dance class
- "a mustache" . . . Wilbur Decker
- "a sabbatical leave" . . . Mr. Lehman
- "meeting deadlines" . . . Praeco staff
- "sports writing for a penny a word" . . . Don Wagner
- "thirteen books" . . . American Literature II students
- "observing the weather" . . . Mr. Johnston

**BOOK REVIEW**

By Robert S. Bravard

**THE DUNWHICH HORROR AND OTHERS**

by H. P. Lovecraft

There are those who somehow divert themselves with detective stories. Aside from the works of A. Conan Doyle and Raymond Chandler, I would rather read the WORLD ALMANAC than the semi-literate efforts of a Carr or a Christie. I have no doubt that my favorite literary diversion will be as scornfully desired by the mystery story readers; I read and enjoy and recommend horror stories.

A good horror tale is one of the most difficult of all literary aperitifs to construct. The slightest false phrasing and the entire thing becomes preposterous. In spite of this genre being a sort of literary curie, many of the greatest authors have attempted it; Poe, Maupassant, Henry James, Faulkner, all have achieved success with horror.

The roll of authors who have written a sizable collection of terrifying tales with a degree of consistent success is short indeed. Ambrose Bierce, Frederick Brown, John Collier, M. R. James, A. Blackwood, and H. P. Lovecraft are all I can think of at the moment. Bierce and Brown are available in paperback but the others are found only in anthologies. So I am very pleased to find that Lancer Books has now produced a collection of Lovecraft in paperback. I urge all of you to invest fifty cents in this unusual American master.

Lovecraft's life (1890-1937) was almost as curious as anything he ever wrote about. He was a citizen of Providence, Rhode Island and while he did visit various historically interesting places in the east, he spent most of his life in his native city. In ill health throughout his life, he was unable to bear any temperature below 30°. He was quite shy and quite forbidding in appearance, consequently he went out for his customary long walks after dark. Lovecraft had few friends, but to those who were his friends he was a witty companion and a faithful correspondent. Above all, Lovecraft was a craftsman who created his stories with absolute skill. He wrote out of a specific set of theories and had even pub-

lished a small study indicating the principles of successful horror stories based on his all-inclusive reading.

Although certain of the stories have been anthologized almost continually, one of the barriers to his receiving critical recognition was that most of Lovecraft's work was published in pulp magazines. It has been his friends, notably the Minnesota regionalist, August Derleth, who have kept Lovecraft in print and have edited the posthumous collections. It is my opinion that even without these friends and their work the stories would have received eventually the critical attention they deserve but certainly these friends have accelerated the process and their faith is now being justified.

It is becoming increasingly

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**QUOTABLE QUOTES**

"Our true nationality is mankind." (H. G. Wells)

"Education commences at the mother's knee, and every word spoken within hearsay of little children tends towards the formation of character." (Hosea Ballou)

"We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done." (Longfellow)

"There is only one thing in the world worse than being talked about . . . and that is not being talked about." (Wilde)

"At 20 years of age the will reigns; at 30 the wit; at 40 the judgment." (Franklin-Poor Richard's Almanac)

"Every individual has a place to fill in the world, and is important in some respect, whether he chooses to be or not." (Hawthorne)



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# Heavy Schedule Tomorrow at Field House

Thomas Field House will be the scene of a double header tomorrow evening, beginning at 6:00 P. M., when Slippery Rock and Waynesburg will invade the Eagle's Nest.

Coach Stan Daley and his fighting five will take on a powerful Slippery Rock quintet. Slippery Rock has an impressive record but we are looking for a slip on their part, and for the Eagles to fly home with the victory. Coach Daley will start 6'6" Ken "King" Saupp at center, Brian Coleman and Paul Lenihan at the forward spot and Bruce Darrow and Tom Lewis at guards. The hoopsters are now 2-3 for the season, but they are a young team, that will have a lot of time to play together. Three of the first five are freshmen, Brian Coleman, Paul Lenihan and Tom Lewis. Ken Saupp, a transfer from Juniata, should provide the needed rebounding strength. This current five will probably be somewhat equal in their scoring output. If necessary we can count on Pat Hepinger, Doug Graybill and Gary "The hatchet" Klingensmith to help out the Eagles.

Following the basketball game there will be a wrestling match where the Lock Haven matmen will face Waynesburg. Last year the Eagles had some of their feathers clipped in their not so decisive victory over the Burgers. This year the Eagles will go all out to prove their superiority to Western Pennsylvania wrestling powers. The Eagles punch should be provided by Fred Powell, Adam "Bomb" Waltz, Roger Cook, and Jerry Swope. But we must not overlook freshman Jeff Lorson, who has shown L. H. fans some fine wrestling. Dick Rhodes could be a surprise this year, while Ike Eisenhower, a consistent wrestler has been getting better with each new outing. Tom "Sampson" Simmons has the strength, and this year's experience has shown him to have real potential. Harry "the giant" Sisak as anchor man has had his hands full this year, but has done a fine job.

Last Saturday night in basketball action the Edinboro Eddies continued on their winning streak by whipping the Eagles 83-61. Although there was a 22 point deficit, the away game was closer than last week's 80-48 loss to the Eddies. The Eagles are now 2-8 on the season.

Venturing to Rochester the Eagle matmen murdered R. I. T., 32-0. Action was limited as three forfeits at 57-67-77 cinched the match. In the past two meets the grapplers have held their opponents to no score while piling up 63 points against Slippery Rock and R. I. T. The matmen are now 5-2-1.

## Lock Haven Snake News

1. R. W. got out snaked by Susy B.
2. M. M. hit Luigi's with a bobby pin and his hair—whose?
3. Louie-Louie got popular suddenly—watch out.
4. A new game is catching on at L. H.—Last One Out of the Union Gets Embarrassed.
5. The Wedding March is getting to be L. H.'s theme song.
6. Are the Woolridge girls really sending smoke signals?

# IN THE EAGLE'S NEST

by JIM SALMOND, Sports Editor

Just as educators desire a high scholastic standing of their institutions, so do others enjoy other forms of collegiate competition. Once before this year the issue was brought forth, "should Lock Haven State issue scholarships to outstanding athletes?" This question raised the eyebrows of many, but it apparently was dropped at that.

First of all, basketball has served as a sounding board for those skeptics who feel that a college "can't be good in all sports."



Jim Salmond

Our records over the past years have been very poor. This is not to infer that either the coaching or the team's present members are the ones to blame. But let's be honest with ourselves, a team that consistently loses acquires less and less spirit and more and more apathy. Ask any September freshman, what his outlook is toward the basketball season? His answer will be riddled with apathy, the plague of all players and coaches. This could all be eliminated by granting some scholarship aid to prospective high school graduates.

Secondly, I wonder about this year's wrestling team. I can remember the time

when most colleges considered L. H. a major power in wrestling. What about now, 3-2-1?

No one can live in the past. If we are going to have sports at Lock Haven, why not give scholarships? We demand prerequisites for college entrance, excellence; why don't we do the same in sports?

Prediction: Loyola will fall from the herald ten while Dickinson will hold its third rating and UCLA will hold first.

Don't forget intramurals will be starting soon. The teams will be entered by now and as it looks, the Eagle Wing will be tough to beat. They will be sparked by former varsity playmaker Lou DiSorbo.

Coach Hacker has high hopes for this year's tank team. Congratulations are sent to Ed Hazlett and Don Faulkner for breaking the backstroke and the free style records respectively. With continued performance like this we should put up a strong bid for the Penn-Ohio Meet and the S. C. C. Championships to be held in March. More about this later.

Some mention should be given to the Junior Varsity teams. I am referring especially to the J. V. wrestling team and basketball team. It goes too often unsaid in newspapers that such teams do exist and that they also practice daily and go through much of the same problems as those who get the varsity action. It is most unrewarding to be a member on such teams but the sports staff of the **Eagle Eye** salutes those who have the true sense of sportsmanship.

## Book Review

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obvious that Lovecraft is receiving that serious critical evaluation; he has even been favorably mentioned within the erudite pages of the KENYON REVIEW. Like Poe, Lovecraft is highly esteemed in France. It now seems certain that Lovecraft will shortly become a fairly important minor American writer; there is now danger of his being forgotten.

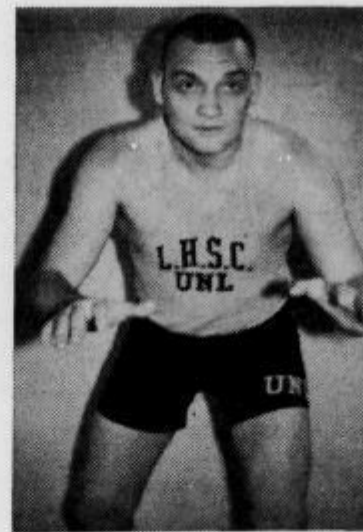
Unlike most horror writers, Lovecraft does not depend upon the common creatures of superstition for his effects. Instead he creates an atmosphere of cosmic evil with ageless monstrosities continually lurking at the edge of consciousness. Lovecraft utilizes the timeless and the universality of his overwhelming evil to create situations of unspeakable awfulness, with the subtle promise that a total understanding can only result in stark madness.

This mood is created by using a highly charged vocabulary which can suggest monstrosity in a few select adjectives. Lovecraft is careful never to overload the story or to attempt to sustain the tone beyond endurance. So absolute are his descriptions that the reader at times can smell and taste the presence of horror. I can think of no higher compliment to Lovecraft's art than to state that while you are reading him, you absolutely believe in what you are reading and when you are finished, there is a momentary struggle before the safe, real world returns.

To my taste, the best of Lovecraft's tales is, **THE RATS IN THE WALLS**. (Incidentally, all of Lovecraft's titles are excellent, properly suggestive and thematically related to their content.) It relates the slow reversion to ancient evil of a civilized man after his return to live in the ancestral castle. The story begins calmly enough and the descent into insanity is related in an ever increasing hysterical manner. The end effect is visceral; the reader is momentarily convinced that he has stumbled into something he does not want to know. A summary cannot of course indicate the fine plot construction or the subtle way the prose rhythms creates the mood.

Of course the horror story is only on the margin of serious literature, but any writing, when it is done well, deserves readers. In our times we have had Graham Greene taking the conventional spy story and making a metaphysical experience out of it. The Kenyon Review critics can find Freudian insight in Lovecraft; they probably are right, but they are also reading good exciting fiction at the same time.

There is a local legend in Providence that Lovecraft yet walks the streets at night. On occasion he has a companion and those who whisper such things whisper that the companion is Edgar Allan Poe. I for one chose to believe the story. I have no doubt that Poe would have high regard and deep respect for the strange terrifying talents of H. P. Lovecraft.



Harry "the giant" Sisak is one of the biggest wrestlers Lock Haven has had. Those who saw "the giant" crush West Chester's heavyweight, thus making the team victory more decisive, had a real pleasure. Harry weighs 225 lbs. and stands 6' 6". It is little wonder he is called "the giant." Harry's dramatic LOOK on the mat and his abilities have made him a favorite with Lock Haven fans. He has a lot of team spirit and drive, a quality quite favorable to the team.

## RECORD BREAKERS

# Mermen At Morgan State Splash Feast

Coach Harold Hacker and his tankmen have been vigorously practicing for their upcoming meets. Tomorrow the team will venture to Morgan State in Baltimore, Maryland, where they will take up a strong, powerful squad. Touring for Coach Hacker will be freshmen Ed Hazlett, Don Faulkner, and Tom McDonald; juniors Roger Test, Jake Laban, Tom Zavaladega, Dick Schneider, and Walt Eilers; seniors Lou Fraine and Kim Levan. Traveling with the team are divers Don Colbert, a sophomore, and John Turner, a freshman.

So far in the season, the team has posted a 1-1 record facing Gettysburg and Geneseo. Ed Hazlett broke the backstroke record with a time of 2:27. Then Don Faulkner broke the fifty and one-hundred yard freestyle records previously held by Walt Eilers.

The next home meet will be against Bloomsburg February 19.

## CAGER CALLS

Games Feb. 8	W. Va. vs. G. Wash.	Calif. vs. UCLA	Lycoming vs. Dickinson	U. of Pa. vs. Harvard	Penn St. vs. Navy	AVE.
DiSorbo	W. Va.	UCLA	Dickinson	Penn	Navy	—
Wagner	G. W.	UCLA	Dickinson	Penn	Penn St.	—
Salmond	W. Va.	UCLA	Lycoming	Penn	Penn St.	—
Jacobs	W. Va.	UCLA	Dickinson	Penn	Navy	—
Pick Your	—	—	—	—	—	—



Remember: you're "expected home" at 10

Home by phone, that is. When you set a regular day and time to call your parents, you're sure of reaching them. Why not make a definite arrangement next time you phone home—like tonight.

