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*So we stand here
on the edge of hell
in Harlem
and look out
on the world
and wonder
what we're gonna do
in the face of
what we remember.*

—Langston Hughes

Emergency Referendum Seeks to Increase Fees

by Ian Carter

CCNY students face an emergency referendum which seeks to raise the student activity fee by a total of \$6.50, from \$27.50 to \$34.00.

If legislated, the increase will be \$5.00 for full time undergraduates, and \$1.00 for part-time undergraduates which will go to the Intercollegiate Athletics Program. The remaining 50¢ will go to the Source newspaper, and make them part of the Student Media Board.

For The Source this emergency referendum is a happy moment. In the Spring 1979 semester they attempted to get on the ballot, but didn't make the deadline for a petition with 10% of the student body signatures.

The Intercollegiate Athletics Program's (IAP) ballot is also in its second term. In the Spring 1979 semester while planning the schedule for the coming athletic seasons they discovered that their budget will be \$40,000 short at the end of the Spring 1980 semester. "This deficit will be absorbed by the IAP's Reserve Fund, which is made up of IAP's fees not spent during the 1960's and early 1970's. However at the end of Spring 1980 the fund will be depleted," according to Mr. R. Zerneck, Director of Athletics.

The IAP made a successful attempt for the Spring 1979 ballot, but their referendum was defeated.

This current referendum is very decisive in the future of some of the IAP's teams. "If we don't get the increase, we will have to eliminate six of our current twenty-one teams," stated Mr. Zerneck.

There was also a petition in circulation to get a proposed raise of \$10.00 for the Finley Student Center. However this drive failed to meet last Thursday's 5 PM deadline with 10% of the signatures of the student body.

"It was speculated that the increase would cover a \$21,000 estimated loss for the 1979-80 academic year," stated Dean Ed Safarty, Director of the center. It was also estimated that the proceeds will cover budget



Above: Students prepare to cast their ballots that will determine if the student activity fee is raised.

deficits for Finley until the end of the 1984 academic year.

Since Finley didn't make the ballot there will be several meetings in the near future to determine how the center will function around the expected loss. According to official sources, no concrete decisions have been made in regards to the future of the center.

The Day Student Senate (DSS) also made efforts to place a referendum on the emergency ballot, but failed to meet the deadline.

The general assembly of the DSS unanimously voted to adopt a resolution that would redirect the \$2.00 semesterly student fees, now going to NYPIRG, to be divided equally between a legal and medical program here at CCNY. "NYPIRG was selected because it receives approximately \$20,000 a semester from student fees at CCNY and doesn't produce the dollars worth of service," according to the DSS. The medical program would consist of a group of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) who would function out of the school's medical office and be

supervised by the nurse on campus.

The legal program is designed to serve the college and community with legal advice. According to the DSS, surveys show that 40% of CCNY's students are in need of legal counseling. The program would have functioned under the already existing Legal Aid Center.

Voting started on Tuesday, Dec. 11, and will continue until Monday, Dec. 17. Locations are as follows: Finley Student Center (outside of room 152); The Science Lobby (next to the elevators); Baskerville (Convent Ave. entrance); Curry Lobby; and Shepard Hall (outside of the cafeteria). Ballot boxes open at 11 AM and close at 3 PM.

All students are urged to attend, and express their voting rights. Your vote determines whether there will be an increase in the current \$27.50 fee.

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More Dilemmas in the A. Phillip Randolph H.S.



Above: Students of the A. Phillip Randolph H.S. demonstrate their desire to pursue knowledge despite the current problems facing the H.S.

by K. Johnson

The A. Phillip Randolph H.S., located in Goethals Hall, is in dire need of undergraduate tutors. The H.S. is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, which is being faced with the problem of insufficient funds.

The H.S. has been on CCNY's campus since September 1979. The school is an alternative to the standard New York City High School, whereby students are able to utilize the facilities and resources of City College.

Tutors are needed to aid the students in mathematics, science, reading and social studies. The students are willing and very eager to learn.

As the students began the semester they were faced with several obstacles. They did not have lockers for their coats and personal belongings. While classes were in session construction was going on all around the school, which made academic endeavors exceedingly difficult. At present the majority of the students have lockers but the construction still continues.

The students of the H.S. exhibit maturity and a willingness to get involved. They were mainly responsible for making the conditions of the school known.

Dean Webb, of the School of Education, plans to hold a meeting with Principal Brite, teachers and parents of the H.S.

students together with Deans from the various departments of CCNY to discuss tutors for the students.

Mr. Schlessinger, Student Coordinator and teacher is currently organizing a photography club, theater club, school magazine, a basketball team and cheerleaders, which he hopes to acquire some assistance from CCNY.

The H.S. is in route to becoming an institution of quality education that will prepare its students for academic success. The teachers, students, parents and the CCNY community together can insure the A. Phillip Randolph High School's academic excellence.

Photo / C.K. Reid

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BRIEFS

Second Annual Health Day

City College's School Of Nursing, Alumni Association, will hold its second annual "Health Day" at the college on Thursday, December 20, from 9 AM to 4 PM in CCNY's Bowker Lounge, Sherpard Hall, 138th Street and Convent Avenue.

Tests will be administered by members of the Nursing Alumni Association and health professionals from a number of organizations.

—Podiatric tests by staff from the College of Podiatric Medicine, Manhattan.

—VISION AND Glaucoma tests will be provided by "Save a Sight," the screening division of Harlem Hospital Medical Center's Department of Ophthalmology.

—Pap smears by Mrs. Betty Farrow, a CCNY alumna who is a Nurse-Midwife and Director of the Nurse-Midwifery-Obstetrics Department at Harlem Hospital Medical Center.

—Sickle Cell Screening by the Sickle Cell Foundation.

Health Day will also include counseling on drugs and related problems by representatives of Phoenix House. Information on how to cope with stress and where to obtain help will be provided by the Washington Heights-Inwood Community Mental Health Center. Literature will be provided by the Mayor's Task Force on Rape, and material provided by the New York Lung Association.

Tutors Needed for A. Philip Randolph H.S.

Tutors are needed to work with students in the areas of mathematics, science, reading, and social studies. The youngsters are eager to learn and they respond well to individualized attention.

Tutors are needed from 2:20 to 2:50 PM Monday through Friday. Although the school lacks funds or a budget to pay for this service, undergraduates who volunteer and participate in this program will be richly rewarded by the gratitude and academic progress of those children they befriend.

Please contact Dr. Virginia Hackett, Assistant Principal at 926-0784 if you can help.

1980 Summer Job Lists

Over 15,000 students and teachers will need summer jobs in 1980. Many have started looking already, but even those who begin looking early may find jobs much harder to come by this year than last. Higher unemployment has made competition for all jobs tighter than ever this year.

If you're looking for a summer job, there's still a shortcut way to find one. The 1980 Summer Employment Directory of the United States (*Writer's Digest* Books: \$6.95) an annual handbook that lists employers with over 57,000 job openings is now available.

Jerome Singleton Acquitted

A Black Manhattan Community College student, Jerome Singleton, was acquitted on the charge of attempted murder. Singleton's arrest had caused controversy as well as attacks on Judge Bruce Wright, who released Singleton on his own recognizance.

Singleton, a Brooklyn resident, was arrested and accused of

attempting to kill a decoy cop, Robert Blodeau who posed as a derelict and feigned injury or intoxication. While Blodeau's back was turned someone cut his throat with a knife.

Singleton was detained by the cop's partner and it was discovered that the B.M.C.C. student was carrying a knife.

The jury voted 11:1 in favor of the acquittal. After the trial, one juror reportedly said, "No one in the courtroom actually believed the cops. The level of police credibility was frighteningly low."

Stop Police Brutality

The Third World Student Union is sponsoring a panel discussion on police brutality with well-known activists who themselves have been recent targets of repression: Amiri Baraka of the People's Defense Committee and League of Revolutionary Struggle (M-L) and Richie Perez of the Union of Patriotic Puerto Ricans and the Black/Latin Coalition; also speaking will be Charles Barron of the Black United Front. On Wednesday, Dec. 19th at 12 noon Rm. 222 Whitehead Hall at Brooklyn College Campus.

FUNDRAISER

Amiri Baraka faces sentencing on Dec. 28 and faces a possible one year in jail. Come show your support—Political, Moral and Financial!!

Date: Dec. 21. Time: 7-11 pm.
Place: Memorial Baptist Church—115th St. and St. Nich.

Poets: Nathan Heard, Yusef Iman, Sonia Sanchez. Music and Refreshments. Speakers: BUF (Black United Front), CUAPB (Citizens United Against Police Brutality, Syracuse), LRS (League of Revolutionary Struggle), BLC (Black and Latin Coalition), West Harlem Community Organization.

Sponsored by: People's Defense Committee
Donation: \$2.00

Holiday Crafts Fair

The eighth Annual WBAI Holiday Crafts Fair, the oldest and largest Christmas crafts marketplace in the Northeast, will take place on two consecutive weekends. The dates are December 14-16 and December 21-23, from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM daily. Columbia University's Ferris Booth Hall, 115th Street and Broadway in Manhattan is the location.

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Dig It! Digits

The most rapidly growing business in Harlem is partially supplied and nourished by its residents. Residents who seldom get to enjoy the business's astronomical dividends. You know what I'm talking about. Try this for a hint, "What's the first"?—The numbers racket is blooming faster than trees, and handling more money than our banks.

The numbers game is illegal, but this small detail doesn't stop the thousands of "Harlemites" from their daily deposits. Some people seek fortunes and others mere activity. This game has helped many through hard times and many into hard times (more of the latter).

Briefly, the numbers is like any other game of chance, if you win you reap, if you lose you weep. Number houses lure the chiniest of people, as well as those who bet the rent money, pay checks etc. You can bet with as little as a penny. For the heavier bettors, the sky is the limit (for those that hit big, this is a probable destination). You can bet on single digits, bolitas (double digits), and whole figures (three digits). This can be

done in any sequence or combination left totally to the discretion of the player. The payoff is very enticing. Usually the odds are set, \$9 to \$1 for single digit hits, \$15 to \$1 for bolitas and \$600 to \$1 for a straight whole figure. For an alleged chance, the number houses cater to combinational hits (any three numbers in any order), realizing as the player does that the chances of a straight hit, are about as

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likely as living rent free. The numbers houses have all kinds of shrewd techniques to keep the interest of its players, e.g., slot machines, turkeys at Thanksgiving, credit, bus outings, and Christmas parties.

Number houses are so well furnished that many players hate to go home. Many houses or holes (anything but) as they are more commonly referred to, are wood paneled and carpeted

beautifully. They include lounging areas and bathrooms for player convenience. Many holes have color television and stereo for pleasure and relaxation. These holes are camouflaged as candy stores, newspaper stands, clubs, restaurants, record shops, game rooms, greeting card shops and even residential apartments. They are equipped to please, entertain and provide refuge for its entourage.

protected by those who have been sworn to uphold "something." I won't divulge any names, but does the color blue ring a bell? Nowadays three or four numbers houses line the streets. If a player is not pleased with a particular hole, he or she is free to change location. Usually the employees of the numbers houses are quite amiable, average people from the surrounding neighborhoods.

From my overall description of the numbers racket it seems glorious and profitable, and most people would argue to the end, that it is. The truth of the matter is, that most people have been unconsciously conditioned into accepting numbers playing as a way of prospering in life. This has been instilled partially by familial addiction, and by "visions of sugar plums that dance in their heads."

Most people think of numbers as an integral part of their lives. The likelihood of winning advantageously in the numbers game are very slim, but that slight possibility in itself is enough to keep the players playing, and the business booming...

Submitted by Marion Boynin a CCNY student

DSS Treasurer, Vassan Ramracha, Raps

—A Word of Thanks—

Soon after the publication of my first article in the newspapers, I received an outstanding response from students, staff and faculty members of City College. Many of them told me that I had raised issues that they were very much interested in and they would like to see more articles covering campus life at City College. Well, the only problem I fear is whether or not I would be able to live up to the reputation of my first article.

The Day Student Senate held the International Turkey Festival on Wednesday, November 21st. The festival was a great success and lots of fun for the senate, students and faculty members who attended.

The first event at the festival was international music, which started at noon and continued until one p.m. Other events that followed were the acrobatic presentation by the Student Association for Islamic Exposures, a mixture of Indian classical and popular music and dance. A main feature in the festival was a play performed by the Sun People, and the performance by Bobby Rodriguez and his Latin band.

During all of these events, a variety of food and sweets were served. Among these were native Dominican foods, turkey served American style, Indian food and delicacies, and Caribbean and Greek food. All of the food, entertainment, games and prizes were free of charge to the City College 'population.' In coordinating this festival and making sure it was a success a great deal of hard work was involved, and the Student Senate thanks everyone for their cooperation and concern.

We would like to thank the various Senators: Antonia Gomez, Visnu Bisram, Mirna Rucci, Arelis Nicasio and Angela Hernandez for organizing the festival; the Nursing Students Association for helping during the festival. The Senate assistants for working with us from the beginning to the end; Prof. Coradin for his advice, the Finley Student Center which helped us organize the games, the worker of Finley Student Center, Mr. Jacobs, and Mrs. Silberfarb from the business office, and Mrs. Debel from Finley 152. Special thanks goes to Dean Safarty for showing us how to carve the turkey, for helping with the prizes for the games and his general concern for the success of the Festival.

Seeing the success of the Festival in terms of the big attendance from students, faculty and staff of City College, and the low cost compared to the annual International Festival, I think that there should be a lot more small festivals like these. The reasons are: When one big festival is held such as the annual festival it is usually very

expensive; many students do not get to take part because they have finals during that time of the semester.

The Student Senate and Finley Center will be getting together to throw a Christmas party just before vacation. Any student organizations and faculty members who would like to take part in this forthcoming party are invited to do so.

Seeing the hard work that was done to make the festival a success, I would like to propose that awards should be made to those students, faculty, staff and organizations that have distinguished themselves through their concern and hard work for helping to improve student life on campus.

—On the Presidency—

Turning to other issues at present, on this campus and on the campuses of several other colleges of the CUNY system, there is a great deal of concern over a particular issue which many students do not seem to be aware of or are not showing much concern about. I think that this is extremely tragic, because this issue can affect the future of student life in the City University system and maybe the future of City College itself. I think it is important that students get involved in the presidential election process for several reasons: At Brooklyn College the faculty has flexed its muscles to force their previous college president out of office, and they have since held strong to their position to make sure that only someone who is acceptable to them would be elected president of the college. And it seems that Brooklyn College faculty has gotten much of its grievances eliminated.

Over this matter, I think that not only should the faculty have someone acceptable to them, but also the students. Seeing that student/faculty relations often fluctuate according to several factors affecting both groups, I think that if in the future the students and the faculty should clash, we the students need to have a president who will be able to understand our point of view. I am not saying that the future president should be biased against the faculty and favor students, but that the president should be a person who has that special quality to relate to young people and give them a fair hearing.

Furthermore, seeing that this campus has many students who are poor and dependent on financial aid in order to make it possible for them to attend school, it is imperative that the future president be someone who is sympathetic to the needs of financial aids and recipient to the aspect of the openly working improvements in the

financial aid operation in this college, increases in aids allocation and openly taking stand against increases in tuition. Some of the grievances financial aid recipients have that a concerned president can alleviate are: The present system of book vouchers which seem to create a great deal of confusion and unnecessary problems for students, because they are required to buy books with this voucher only at City College book store, even when the bookstore does not have the books available; many students have complained to me that they receive their B.E.O.G. checks unnecessarily late in the semester, and this often puts them in great financial problems, such as many of them do not have money to buy food, pay their subway fare, electric and utilities bills, and even their rent which in some cases leads to forced evacuation from their apartments.

The SEEK department plays a crucial role in helping poor students by providing them with counseling and some financial aid, therefore it is necessary that a future president is someone who will fight for not just projecting the future of SEEK but for its expansion.

The campus is an extremely cosmopolitan campus, representing every major ethnic group in New York City, and probably every major nation in the world, therefore it is important the the president of this college is someone who is capable of operating in such an ethnically mixed atmosphere.

I believe that any person the Board of Higher Education chooses for president of City College should be approved by the students of this college in a campus-wide vote.

Any students, faculty and staff members who have feelings they would like to express on any one of the topics I have discussed above are welcome to come and speak to me or bring the matters to the students.

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Open Forum

The Paper is now accepting opinions, essays, poetry and other forms of literary productions. These works should be kept to a maximum of four type-written pages and cover CCNY affairs or the international arena to a lesser extent. We feel this is necessary in order to aid the growth of The Paper and also as a vehicle where students and the public can have a chance to air their views in an open forum.

All submissions are due the Thursday prior to date of publication and are subject to the discretion of the editorial collective.

Open Forum

In Support of the Iranian People

The Provisional Government of the Republic of New Afrika warmly receives the order by the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini regarding the release of New Afrikans (that is Blacks Born in America) detained since November 3, 1979 at the American Embassy in Tehran. We receive this order in gratitude for the release of the Black individuals involved and in appreciation of it as a statement of support for the Black Liberation Movement in America.

At this moment of international confrontation between Iran and the United States Government, we would respond to this statement with a statement in kind. We fully support the Iranian people, the Iranian students in Iran and in America, and the leadership of the Iranian people in their present struggle against American interference and intrusions into Iranian affairs.

In Tehran students have seized the American Embassy and taken numerous American hostages, demanding, with the overwhelming support of the Iranian people, that the United States deliver to Iran the former Shah who is to be tried for crimes against the Iranian population. We see this as a reasonable demand.

We do not applaud the fact that Americans are detained in the Embassy, and we normally would not cheer the

fact that a foreign embassy has been taken. However it is clear to us that the detention of the Americans should be charged to the American Government which arrogantly refuses to deliver to Iranian authorities a person who is charged with the theft of over 6 billion dollars from the Iranian people and with the butchering of thousands of the Iranian population. Moreover, we are persuaded that Ayatollah Khomeini's charges against the Embassy in Tehran are true. The Ayatollah asserts that the Embassy has served as a cesspool of subversive C.I.A. activity. The C.I.A.'s world renowned record of terrorism and counter-revolutionary subversion is well known to us. In Afrika, Latin America, Asia, Southeast Asia and against the Republic of New Afrika it has plotted against peoples' movements; subversion, murder and other forms of terrorism are common tools of C.I.A. operations. It has as a matter of course aligned itself with and recruited corrupt dictators and puppets who sell their people out to United States' imperialistic interest. The Shah who accepted the former C.I.A. head Richard Helms as an ambassador to Iran is, we believe, one of many corrupt C.I.A. cohorts.

The United States now prepares to

expend resources to deport 30,000 Iranian students rather than to return the Shah to Iran for trial and thereby gain the release of all American detainees. This massive misuse of tax dollars demonstrates the U.S. government's complicity with the Shah in his plunder of the Iranian people. The U.S. Government is of course mindful of its various relationships with corrupt and illegal governments in South Africa, Zaire, throughout Latin America, in Korea and in Israel. To tender the crooked Shah for trial would leave the U.S. influence with other suspect regimes on fragile grounds. The United States government is more concerned with its relations with these crooked regimes and the relationship between these regimes and American big business Tycoons who control the U.S. government, than it is with the comfort or security of Americans detained in the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

Finally we might suggest that the United States Government consider closely the present lesson in international reciprocity. In the words of a New Afrikan idiom "What goes around comes around." At this moment there are literally thousands of New Afrikans, black freedom fighters, being held hostage in American prisons across

this country as a result of the U.S. governments' war on the Black movement. Imari Obadele, Hekima Ana, Karim Njabafudi and Wayne X James of the RNA-11, Rev. Ben Chavis of the Wilmington 10 political prisoners, Sundiata Acoli and other alleged members of the Black Liberation Army, and Geronimo Pratt of the Black Panther Party can be quickly noted here just to name a few. They are political prisoners of an unjust war against them and their people. They are treated in most instances far worse than the American detainees in Iran. Many of them have sentences in excess of 100 years. Unless this unjust situation and numerous others like it are rectified by the U.S. government, we can all expect that the victims of U.S. lawlessness will respond by those means necessary. The United States has clearly been the author of its own difficulty.

Keeping this in mind, we urge our people not to expend one moment's energy in cooperation with the United States in its current crisis.

CHOKWE LUMUMBA,

MID WEST VICE PRESIDENT,
PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF NEW AFRIKA

Avenge the Murder of the Communist Worker Party Five

On November 3, five leading members of the Communist Workers Party were murdered by paid assassins of the U.S. government in North Carolina: the Nazis, Ku Klux Klan and the FBI. They were having an anti-Klan rally, but they were set up for the kill by those who felt threatened by these Communist organizers, including the Cone textile mills who did not like to see black/white unity in their plants.

The five, Jim Waller (Central Committee member and president of Local 1113T—ACTWU, National Pres. of Trade Union Educational League), Cesar Cauce, Sandy Smith, Bill Sampson, and Mike Nathan, had been organizers in the mills, notoriously non-union. These five led the fight against day-to-day oppression for better wages and working conditions, against the competency test, etc. For their good work and in the interests of the working class, they were assassinated.

It is clear that they were set up. First of all, the site of the rally that Saturday was given two days in advance to the Klan, without telling the Party that they knew. Secondly, all the cops in the area withdrew for a few minutes to allow the Klan to come in and do its dirty work, eight carloads of them. Then the cops moved in and arrested members of the Communist Workers Party for inciting to riot. In other words, the Klan can kill at will, but if you dare to call them out, you're the guilty party.

There were sharpshooters. The front car of the caravan fired shots into the air, drawing the people to it and dispersing them. Then the marksmen moved in and picked off the Party members, while others sprayed the crowd with automatic weapons. One, Sandy Smith, was chased two blocks and shot right between the eyes, after she ran into the fire to protect the children.

Fourteen Klansmen were arrested,

but the sharpshooters got away clean. The FBI had no comment for several days. The police investigated themselves and decided they had acted properly. And then came the funeral march, where the mayor of Greensboro found it necessary to call out 500 National Guard and 500 riot cops, declare a state of emergency, bring in two tanks, helicopters, SWAT teams, and warn all the people of Greensboro to stay home. But one thousand people from all over the country turned out, and despite their threat to search everyone for arms (and arresting 36 for it) the march was armed.

What the Committee to Avenge the CWP 5 would like to draw out from all of this is that the Klan, with the full backing of the U.S. government, will continue to kill and spread its anti-working class ideas if people do not unite to take a stand against it, and the Nazis. It is not that they are getting stronger, but that the media plays them

up more and more, giving coverage to what should be wiped from the face of the earth. It is being done in a time when people are looking for a target, because of perpetual unemployment, having to choose between heat and food, and so on. The government had to use the Klan to kill off the very people who are fighting, to intimidate those who struggle, and to stem the rising tide of consciousness.

The Committee to Avenge the CWP 5 (City College) calls on all students to come out and fight with it, to spread the word and organize, to confront politicians who say "What a tragedy" but condone the very existence of the government's role; to learn more about the murder and what we can do to avenge these deaths. Come to Finley 332 or drop a note in the mailbox—you can't afford not to.

Submitted by Julie Espinal of the Committee to Avenge the CWP-5

The Year In Retrospect

Global Acclaim For Black Human Rights

Ambassador Young Resigns

Marshak Resigns . . .

'79 Renaissance Encounters Obstacles

Disciplinary Hearing held for Mike Edwards
Issue Evaded
No Results Produced

Harlem Students Ignored By New Campus H.S.

New A. Philip Randolph H.S. Faces Obstacles

Black Unity Celebration Begins Today

Media Board is Faced With Crucial Decision

S.E.E.K. Shows Its Resiliency

O.P. Disrupts CCNY's Apathy

Nigeria in Transition

The U S -Nigeria Connection at CCNY

Black Students Human Rights Conference
Marks 10th Anniversary of CCNY Takeover

Profile of a Congressman: Rep. Charles Rangel

Davis Hall—New Life to Performing Arts at City

Anti-Nuke Rally Gets Wide Support

The Mini Institute Yields Maxi Results

The above are some of our most outstanding headlines from the past year. It took dedicated people to produce them and to rekindle a portion of the Paper's early 70's spirit.

Now the year is changing and we are turning towards a new decade. Along with the passing of the decade some of our staff are moving on.

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Star Dregs

"Captain's log, U.S.S. Enterprise, stardate 7412.3 per admiralty orders herein, Enterprise is now ready to depart orbital dock on my command. I, James T. Kirk do now accept and take operational command of this vessel."

After a historic and successful five year mission, the old crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise have dissipated towards new lives and goals, and have now reunited to warp their way back into our hearts. A colossal luminescent entity, with an ominous presence is heading towards earth. The starfleet's mission is to prevent this destructive thing from reaching earth. Already this fatal mass named Vger caused several vessels to explode into nothingness; so it's the Enterprise to the rescue!

The amount of time I waited on line to see the movie "Star Trek" seemed endless, but since I'm an old Star Trek buff (one among thousands of others), I didn't mind. Seeing the old gang again sort of moved me and others by the zealous applauds and screams given to each character as they appeared. Good ol' Capt. Kirk or rather Adm. Kirk (William Shatner), the emotional Vulcan Mr. Spock (Leonard Nimoy), witty Dr. McCoy (DeForest Kelley), obliging Scotty (James Doohan), and of course the list wouldn't be complete without Sulu (George Takei), Chekov (Walter Koenig), Uhura (Nichelle Nichols), and Rand (Grace Lee Whitney). The old crew haven't changed

a bit since their immensely popular t.v. show "Star Trek," regrettably went off the air.

The cast moved me but the plot moved me to make continuous trips to the bathroom. Give us a break! The plot was too extravagant. Any Star Trek rerun exceeds the entire script of the film. I have no complaints about the original cast members of Star Trek. It's not their fault they had to make the most of a barren script. The life breathed into the old characters is exactly the same. There are new additions to the crew of the Enterprise which could have or rather should have been exempted. Ilia, played by newcomer Persis Khambatta and Decker, played by Stephen Collins—I'll assume that these alleged thespians were used to serve some purpose in the film; as to what that purpose is . . .

I applaud the miracles performed by the special effects team. O.K. now, let's give credit where credit is due, those responsible for this er . . . film. The director was Robert Wise, screenplay done by Harold Livingston, and story by Alan Dean Foster; to you gentlemen my profound commiseration. To Gene Roddenberry, Star Trek's creator who should have known better, I'll expect more from you next time (if there is a next time) . . . Oh, I almost forgot, and to the bathroom, you really should keep a steady supply of paper towels!!!

—Ruth Manuel

"The Jerk": A Wild and Crazy Flick

A cat juggler, a feisty oversexed slut, a keen canine whose intelligence surpasses his master's, and a demented sniper turned detective. These are just mere handfuls of a gala procession of madcap and whimsical antics in the new comedy hit, "The Jerk."

Steve Martin as Navin Johnson, stars as the White lame-brain son of a Black sharecropping family (yes, I did say Black). His loving and over-protective parents portrayed by Mabel King and Richard Ward, finally allow Navin to venture out of his sheltered existence, and into the real world to experience life for himself, leaving behind his five adoring brothers and sisters, and a grandmother that constantly "breaks wind."

Navin encounters a series of ludicrous predicaments such as calamitous short-lived jobs, and an unanticipated fortune. His innocence is ravished by a brazen hussy, played by Catlin Adams and he discovers true love with Sweet Marie, played by Bernadette Peters.

The movie is launched with stereotypical undertones. For example, in one scene a run-down shack, which is Navin's home, is shown. His family members are depicted as poverty-stricken Blacks (sounds familiar eh?)

seemingly oblivious to their condition, are shown frolicking about to foot stomping, boogie bumping music. Navin is the only one who has a rhythmic impediment; he can't seem to keep up with the beat of the music (they just can't seem to get the hang of it, poor souls). Conventionalisms such as these are later humorously flushed, therefore desisting one's analytical train of thought.

Directed by that brilliant comedian Carl Reiner, who certainly isn't a novice at directing, also makes an appearance in the film. The screenplay for "The Jerk" was written by none other than it's wild and crazy star Steve Martin, Carl Gottlieb (also in the movie) and Michael Elias, based on a story by Martin and Gottlieb. The film was produced by William E. McEuen and David V. Picker

So folks "Yank" yourselves away from whatever you're doing and go see "The Jerk." it's a real sidesplitter . . . Oh yes, as for the question penciled in your minds as to Navin's parentage, alas, I'll just have to let you ponder it, at least until you see the film . . .

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"Off the Wall"

Mellifluous and sexy describes Michael Jackson's latest LP "Off the Wall" produced by Quincy Jones. The title tune is soul stirring making you forget everything but Michael's intoxicating voice, as he begins to take complete control of your mind. Included on the album are the hit singles "Don't Stop 'til You Get Enough" and "Rock With You," which are currently among the top ten hit songs on the charts.

One thing that makes this album so unique is that it totally envelopes you.

One minute you're getting down with a serious patty duke, and then the next minute all you want to do is snuggle up close to that special someone. Cuddling seems just the thing to do when Michael sings the sweet ballad "She's Out of my Life"; he strips your mind leaving you naked and defenseless as he continues to intoxicate your spirits.

This album is certainly one of Michael's best and is destined to be gold. Please don't stop Michael; we just haven't gotten enough!

—Anita Johnson

The Feature Soap Operitis

Are you suffering from Soap Operitis? This contagious disease claims six out of seven people each year. Doctors are not sure of the origin of this mysterious disease or how to cure it. However, they do know that at least 80% of its victims are women, so they have compiled a list of the basic symptoms:

1. Failing to get to work or school on time, because you just had to watch the last fifteen minutes of "The Young and the Restless."
2. Talking excessively about how

much you'd like to punch Erika in the mouth.

3. Abusing you television by frantically switching from one channel to the next, because your two favorite soap operas are on at the same time.

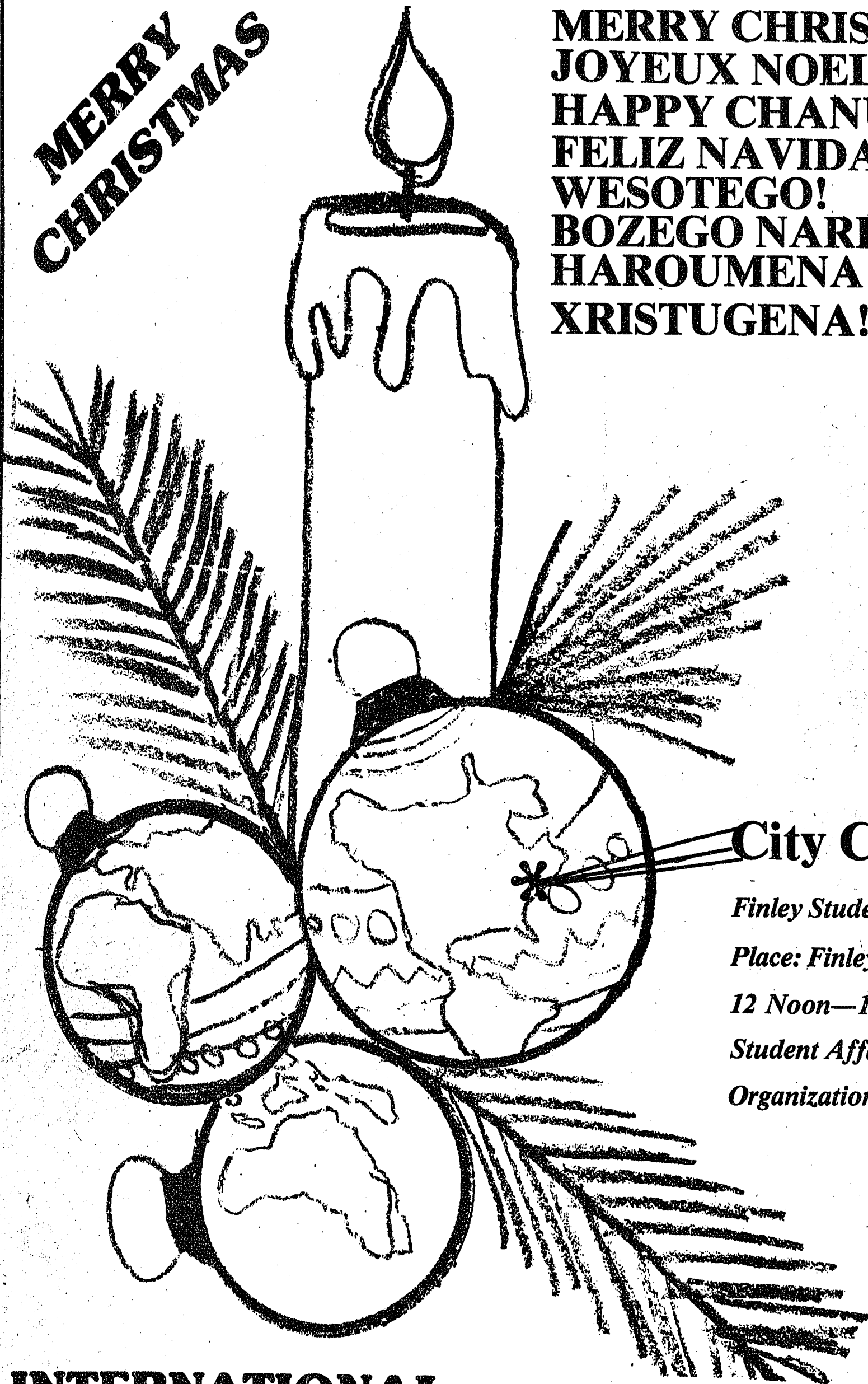
4. Getting very hysterical over characters who don't exist.

If you have any of these symptoms you should check into "General Hospital" for further tests . . . after all, you only have "One Life to Live."

—Anita Johnson

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