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There has been a rash of petty thefts in Wagar's lobby. What makes the situation pretty serious, is that this is not just an ordinary sweeping. The gathering is planned in a professional order-work method. Let's say a "customer" wants a year jacket. The

goes to the "supplier", and orders the type and colour he's interested in. The "supplier" just keeps his eyes open and grabs the first garment that meets the requirements, then sets it for a couple of bucks. The administration is well aware of the organized thefts, and while keeping quiet, has already suspended three students involved.

One grade 8 was the victim of a breaking and entering. After replacing the lock on his locker, the rubber made out with a chocolate bar and 80 minutes. Could it be that her prime suspect is a newspaper full with a sweet heart?

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Many Wagarites are feeling very sorry for themselves lately, now that the holiday season is over and they had to return to the grind. However, to ease the pain, teachers NRC a professional day last Monday. It seems that the girls are more inclined to get back to work, especially those who are trying out for the Track and Field team. These girls have been practicing every lunch hour and often overtime. The Inter-School Track and Field Meet will be held on May 15.

The 11th Graders definitely won't be bored next week, Wednesday, May 8, they will write a Provincial French Auditory Comprehension Test and the following day, May 12, the Grad Dance will be held at the Holiday Inn, Langara. Tickets can be obtained in the lobby.

Mr. Fagan was understandably excited the other day. After it's not everyday that one becomes the father of a young lady! Congratulations!

The Kuhn Foundation is holding their annual Carol-Trust on Saturday, May 5. Sponsorships and tickets are available in the lobby.

Anybody who wishes to know

the time, please go to Rita Schwartz. She's anxious to break in her fancy watch.

Is Steward Stein trying to move around incognito? He's traded his well-known boots for a pair of sleek running shoes.

Some classes were treated to a concert played by the Toronto Runymede band. In appreciation, our guests were invited to watch a dress rehearsal of our hit, "South Pacific."

Speaking of the Rodgers and Hammerstein play, Wagar-style, what was the idea of withholding from early buyers, tickets to the premiere? On April 18, your truly was informed that the Sunday performance had been sold out and that tickets for Monday and Tuesday ONLY were available. However, your faithful reporter took it over a week later, to inform, that a certain number of seats for the Sunday show had been taken out of circulation, were now available to the public. Whether

used to insure the Monday and Tuesday performances, or whether seats were reserved for the public, I'd like to know. (I'd like to know that I should be able to buy tickets for the Sunday performance, if I should be able to buy tickets for the Monday and Tuesday performances.)

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The Gary Abel, held in our school hall Thursday afternoon, was a very interesting event. The girls who competed were from grades 8 and 9. The final scores were as follows: Grade 8: 1st - Lethbridge (145.0), 2nd - Macdonald (102.5), 3rd - Wagar (72.7), and 4th - St. Paul (51.5).

Congratulations to both of our skaters! In fact, the girls' skater, the OMAA title is held by Laurie Macdonald (7.45). Harvey Goldstein was the top skater with 28 points. The girls' skater with the championship in style, by wearing Page Plus to a score of 45-55.

Many girls skaters were arguing over whether a skater has a "good" figure. Many were convinced, "Oh, yeah, but it's only a bird brain!"

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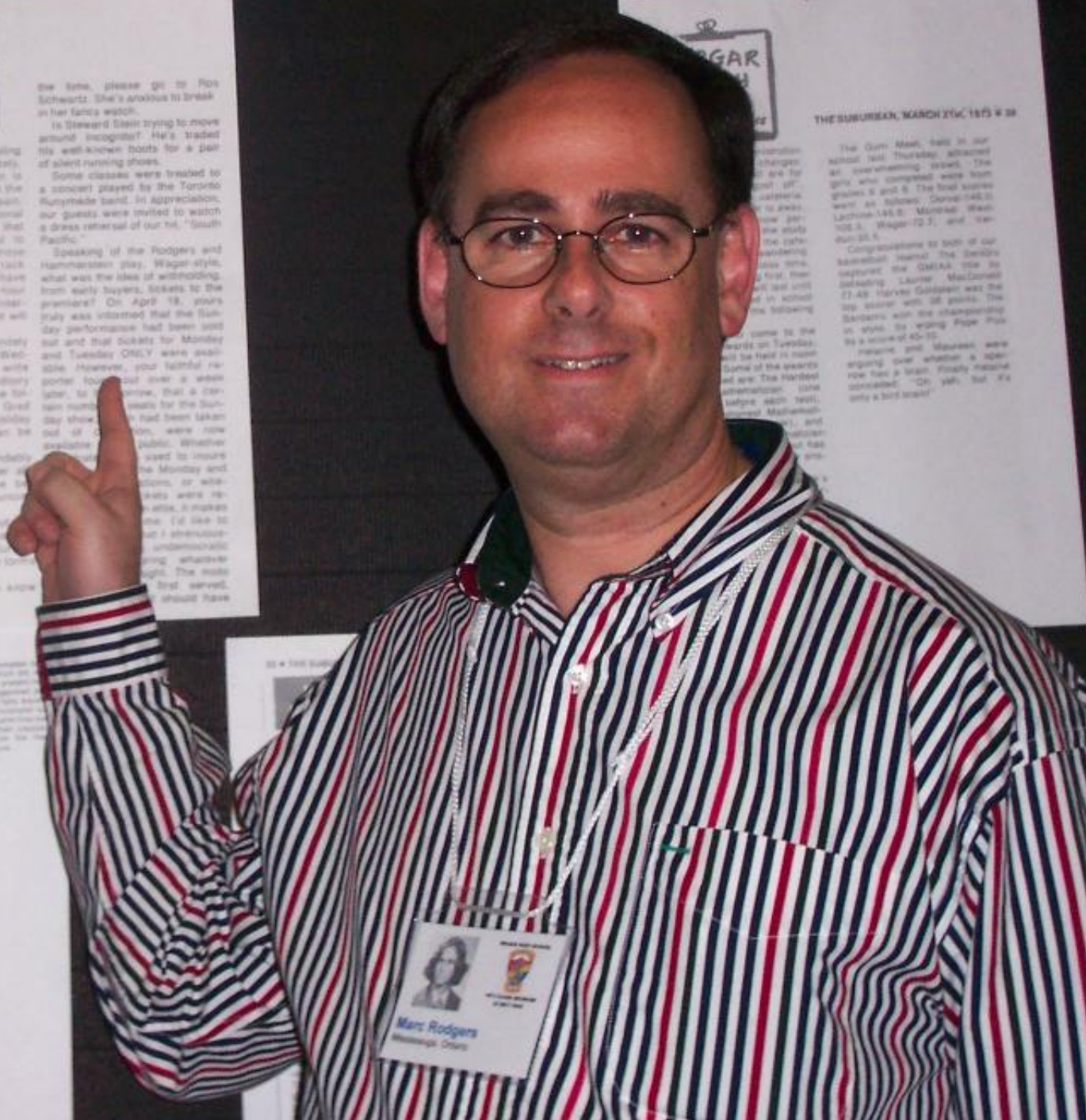
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Three weeks after school opening, the new crop of Wagarites is adapting itself to surroundings. In plain words, the kids no longer get lost in between classes or during fire drills, and they know that the cafeteria is on the second floor (right, Cliff?).

Some grade eight immersion students had a bit of a problem reverting to English math after being submerged for a year in kilos, mètres et litres. However, the daily practice is helping to chase the cobwebs away. (How do you like that one, Mrs. McClung?)

Well, if you complained last year about the two-day cycle, what do you think of the present four-day schedule?

Bus pass pictures for grade

ten's will be taken in the Berri de Montigny station on Friday, September 29 at 8:00 p.m. The dates for the junior grades will appear in this column at the appropriate time.

We're off to a great start in football! Wagar wiped out Loyola 27-0.

Mr. Levine is trying hard to brainwash Technical Drawing students into building a new aquarium for his growing alligator. For anyone interested in tackling this fascinating (?) project, the measurements are 5x3x3. Feet, you guys, not inches!

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William Shakespeare's plays may be the greatest to some people, but to Wagar students he is a bust. The proposed trip to the Stratford Festival was so badly received that it was cancelled.

Elections for Student Council representatives were held last Wednesday in each English class. A meeting of reps. will take place this week.

Is Mr. Levine a pollution fighter? Or is his car being repaired? He was seen pedalling his way to school a few days ago!

The whole class took a double-take when Miss Snow ran into room 131 and asked Mrs. Dow for "The Scope". (No, it wasn't the mouth-wash, only a magazine!)

Dr. de Groot proved his patriotism by installing a T.V. in the gym during the final Canada-Russia game.

Our football team did it again! Marymount was bombed 83-0.

Howard Cohen is absolutely furious over the way the Prelude staff was formed. In the past, the recruiting of members was made through a public appeal. From all the volunteers, the most qualified applicants would be chosen. According to Cohen, the present editor selected her staff amongst personal friends at the very beginning of the school year. I was told that one student who obtained a 95% in Art, (the second highest mark ever given in Wagar) was refused a position. I have also heard, from a reliable source who wishes to remain anonymous, that, "at least one artist, chosen on the

'clique', has never studied drawing." Interesting, isn't it?

This grade 11 kid was admiring himself in a two-sided mirror in the cafeteria, when he dropped the looking-glass on the floor. "It's a good thing it didn't break," he sighed, "it would have meant 14 years bad luck!"

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Last week's item are The Prelude staff created quite an uproar. (Wagarites are not the only ones who read it, apparently!) I was congratulated and castigated for bringing the subject out in the open. One person even went so far as to calling me a coward, because I failed to give a personal opinion. The funny thing is that some members of the Prelude staff were ready to tear me apart due to the fact that, according to them, I was supporting Howard Cohen.

I would like to remind you all that "reporting" means describing a situation as seen, or told, by people involved. My only mistake was not mentioning I fully intended to give Carole Riback's side of the story in the next column.

The interview went as follows:
QUESTION: How did you select your staff?

CAROLE: Through teachers' recommendations, the previous Editor's suggestions, and last year's members.

QUESTION: Why didn't you follow the usual procedure of making a public appeal?

CAROLE: It is not the usual procedure. The last public appeal for candidates took place five years ago, and the people who normally applied were not qualified.

QUESTION: How do you explain the rejection of a 95% art student?

CAROLE: I wasn't told about her marks. The application wasn't handled by me.

QUESTION: Are you aware a petition to disband your staff is circulating? What do you think of it? (Note: the petition has proven to be a flop).

CAROLE: Yes, I am aware, and disgusted. Howard Cohen was informed he could present photos.

QUESTION: Anything else you wish to add?

CAROLE: Your article was unfair.

Now that I've heard both versions, I submit that the formation of the staff was done undemocratically. However, in this case, I agree that teachers' recommendations and past experience in the field was the better choice. Although my encounters with several Prelude members were less than cordial, I have come to the conclusion that if their work matches their eloquence, the upcoming Prelude should be impressive.

Before changing topics, all literary pieces for the Prelude can be given to Cheryl Nudleman, Room 109, or Edna, Room 317. Wder if I should send a contri-

bution? But I better quit while I'm ahead, I got myself into enough hot water!

Speaking of water, the boys' locker room was flooded last Thursday, when a valve accidentally went off. You should have seen Nicky, the janitor (sorry, the caretaker), lump over steps and railings! He was so fast, he could have passed for a contender in the Olympics!

Attention Grade XI students: Applications for SACU tests must be in the mail by October 12. Deadline for registration is October 16.

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It was grad picture time this week. As far as I know, this is the first year photographs were taken in colour, and instead of the usual set of three, students will get six poses.

Over fifty Wagarites attended last Wednesday's Prelude meeting. Editor Carole Riback announced there is now an opening for three positions on the staff: two of these new vacancies are in photography, and one in art. The names will appear in the next column.

Deadline for the Wagar newspaper's first issue is October 25th. Entries are welcome and should be either given to Ros Schwartz in Room 109, or left in the box inside the library.

Attention grade 9's! Picutres for bus passes will be snapped on Tuesday, October 24th at the Berri-de Montigny station, starting at 3:00 p.m.

There have been problems with the junior grades' lockers in the past, but this year, after a rash of forced or smashed locks, the kids are really concerned. Certain victims put some of the blame on the school procedure which requires them to divulge their combination to the teacher. They contend that, as secretly as the matter is being handled, there are always a few mischiefs who manage to learn the number in question, and then advertise it all over the class as a good joke. Dr. de Groot, aware of the situation, has abolished the practice of combination listing for all grades except the 8's, because right after last Christmas, many of these kids couldn't remember

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their combination and needed the teachers' help to open their lockers.

The thieves' main objective is to steal books, which they subsequently sell back at exam time, when students are desperate for missing texts. It is Dr. de Groot's opinion that the only way to stop this unfortunate issue is, for those who know the identity of the guilty parties, to inform the office, who will keep it confidential. Dr. de Groot also allows the use of more comple: ocks. Incidentally, I understand that honesty still prevails in Wagar, and that finders of glasses and watches are keeping the Lost and Found Department busy.

Riddle of the week: When do super-ears make a class nervous?

Answer: When they belong to Mrs. Sherman and make her hear long distant whispers she's not supposed to decipher.

enjoying Northmount a lot more.

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Grad pictures were taken in living colour. Looking as good as ever, the girls were startled by the new breed: the boys in semi-dress. Because they were being photographed on the upper part only, male Wagarites arrived wearing dressy shirts, fancy ties, stylish jackets and jeans. By the way, they don't ask you to say "cheese" anymore, the "now" thing is to utter the word "sex".

Room 210 is open for its second consecutive year to grades ten and eleven. Students are permitted to go there up to a maximum of five periods monthly. Students must realize that Room 210 is not just a place where they can joke around, but a retreat where they can read magazines and newspapers or engage in quiet conversation.

To save Cote St. Luc from oxygen starvation some kids brought shovels to school to help Mr. Loker and Mme. Michot plant trees on school grounds. The event was reported on T.V.

Wagar took over first place in football when they whipped Loyola 33-0.

Monday, October 23, was a day off for us and thanks to Prime Minister Trudeau's decision to call an election, we'll be enjoying another holiday next Monday.

Prelude appointments have not yet been announced.

Anytime a student loses his place in the French book "Le Chien Jaune", Mr. Paradis immediately retaliates by making the inattentive party copy the page. The other day Mr. Paradis had just finished giving such an assignment when he remarked, "Now, which sentence were we on?"

Mr. Feigen was explaining how female Olympic contestants submit to certain cell tests to determine their sex. Which made one scholar exclaim: "Isn't there an easier way?"

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Has anyone bothered to look around the cafeteria at 12:30, when tables are piled up with paper bags, dishes, trays, and leftover foods? The caretakers are so fed up, it wouldn't surprise me if they were thinking of going on strike. This problem is such a headache to the administration

that Dr. de Groot personally rearranged the garbage cans in more strategic points. As a matter of fact, he expressed the wish that parents drop in, at lunch hour, and see the extent of their children's lack of co-operation. In an effort to control the awful mess, Miss Snow came in the other day to order students to clean up. You should have seen the stampede towards the two exits every time she had her back turned! Come on friends, how long does it take to walk to the closest trash can? Try it, you'll

see it's not so hard.

Grade 11's were busy choosing the proof they want for the prelude. One particular fellow turned out so bad that Isadore Czośniak, trying to cheer him up, remarked: "Those pictures are good!" which brought Kenny Boretsky's reply: "Yah, now look at them right-side-up!"

Carole Riback, Editor of the Prelude, informs me that the three vacancies on her staff were filled up by Nina Berkson (art), Leslie Ungar (photography), and Larry Gitnick (photography).

Mr. Levine has asked me to convey his thanks to students and parents alike for their kindness in supporting our foster child. Contributions are still coming in and those who wish to

help should address their donations to: FOSTER CHILD, C/O WAGAR HIGH SCHOOL, 5785 PARKHAVEN AVE., MONTREAL 269, QUEBEC.

The Wagar senior soccer team has finally won a game! We actually edged Westhill 2-1.

Mr. Keith means business when he checks on the kids who skip classes. The last time he dropped

in to cross-examine the innocent-until-proven-guilty, the class list was so long that he had to use three shifts to complete the interrogation!

A grade 11 scholar who isn't too good in French was advised to think of English objects to remember French vocabulary. That's what he did to remind himself of the word "cheville" on a certain test. So he came out with "chevelle".

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Last week our school was informed that it could not enter a team in the CBC educational show REACH FOR THE TOP. A number of excuses were handed out, such as:

1) None of the schools want to compete against you. Hogwash! To even imply that kids are afraid to challenge us is an insult to the intelligence of every would-be contestant.

2) You didn't live up to your commitment to play in the Toronto Finals.

Baloney! Mr. Blair says the CBC was informed that three of the four participants would be unavailable for the finals because of a planned trip to Israel.

3) You've won too many times and we want to give somebody else a chance.

Ridiculous! After all, each participant never competes for more than one season, and if winning two years consecutively disqualifies you, shouldn't the Montreal Canadiens have been barred from the Stanley Cup competition for getting the trophy five years in a row (from 1956-1960)?

In soccer, the students beat the teachers 3-1.

The long power failure caused some Wagarites to actually look forward to being in our warm, comfortable school.

The Wagar Clean-up is well under way thanks to the relentless efforts of Allan Belzberg and Steven Cape.

Once gain the best joke of the week comes from Mr. A. Levine. As he picked-up his movie equipment, he kissed the projector, patted it, and chuckled: "She's a little heavy on the bottom!"

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Progress reports will be handed out on Wednesday, Nov. 29. Contrary to the usual grades,

the marking will be done as follows: A for satisfactory, D for doubtful, and F for unsatisfactory. The purpose of such a general statement is to prepare parents for our first term marks, for better or worse.

Students had Tuesday off due to a Professional Day, and we will have another holiday on Friday, Dec. 1st so that parents can

visit the teachers and find out what they want to know.

The Wagar Clean-up may be over, but "Keep Wagar Clean" is just beginning. Everyone should make use of the garbage cans in the halls and cafeteria. New awards are presented daily to the most deserving floors. Categories are: first, second, and third prize, which are called "Pig Sty".

The Prelude Staff needs creative photography for the annual; pictures to be given to Cheryl Buckman or Joel Simon.

On Saturday, November 25th, the movie, "Alice's Restaurant", will be playing in our school. Tickets are only 50¢ and are available from Stewart Stein, Room 202, or any other W.A.C. (Wagar Activities Committee) member. Tickets at the door will be 75¢.

Paul Goldsmith and Howard Cohen are taking care of the noise pollution in our halls by inserting rubber rings inside the bells, thus softening the shrill sounds.

Some French Immersion Wagarites wish teachers would be more with it, and start to drill them for down to earth situa-

tions, namely good old swearing "en Français" How about that?

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Tripping people during lunch hour seems to be the favourite pastime in Wagar. This particular game is especially popular with the seniors, on the first floor, in

front of Room 112. That extremely bright "sport" caused one girl to fall head first against a locker, resulting in her passing out completely. Isn't it about time some students grew up?

Our school was hit by a power failure last Monday. You wouldn't believe what went on during the black-out! Kids were actually opening windows, hoping the temperature would drop so low, they would be sent home. To the disappointment of many, electricity was restored within a half an hour.

The most relaxed class in Wagar must be the T.D. room, where students do their work while singing, whistling, and telling screwy jokes!

When they looked out the window, the other day, students in Room 107 thought they were seeing "Dagnet" come to life. Two police cars zoomed into the yard, skidding in the snow at every turn. Their beaming headlights finally closed-in on the barracks. About a minute later, they were joined by a firetruck and a firechief car. What was it all about? The airconditioner in Room 403 decided to send smoke signals!

Congratulations to Mr. Shuster for a job well done in the cafeteria. A warning to the sharpshooters: the next time you are caught sending flying-objects on people's heads, you will be bounced out of the premises, and not too gently.

When a book report was given back to this boy, who is below average in French, the teacher shook his head and asked in a worried tone: "Will this lower your mark?" "Are you kidding," exclaimed the scholar! "24/50

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A new regulation has been instituted, restricting unauthorized students from distributing brochures, circulars, etc., to classrooms unless they get written permission from the office. Various Wagarites voiced their objections to this writer. The malcontents oppose the ruling, saying that it infringes on their rights. Miss Ebbett states that giving out such pamphlets, notices, etc., which is usually done without teachers' knowledge, often disrupts classes, and I'm inclined to agree with her point of view. As far as I'm concerned, I don't see any loss of rights, for the simple reason that if it's a worth-while cause, the administration will support it.

Our senior basketball team did it again! On Friday we defeated Sir Winston Churchill and Saturday morning we beat Beaconsfield. Wagar's final game of the weekend ended with a 75-50 victory over John Rennie High.

The Wagar hockey team has been informed by a local conductor of a recent ruling forbidding admission, on any MUCTC vehicles, of passengers carrying skis,

hockey sticks, and bulky equipment bags, between 4 to 7. A single or a couple of hockey players will be permitted to board, providing the bus is not crowded, but for rush hour... no way!

Mr. Feigen wanted the name of

any tissue in the human body. Since no one in the class would volunteer to answer, he grew desperate and cried: "Can't you think of any tissue at all?" "Red" Kaminsky gladly complied: "Sure, Kleenex!"

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Room 210 has been closed for over a week, and will remain off-limits until the book which contains the records for the number of study periods used by each student is found. Rumour has it that some kid(s) swiped it as a joke. In the meantime, the result is that all grade 10's and 11's must suffer. If the guilty party is afraid to get in trouble by making restitution of said book, he can easily avoid any unpleasantness by slipping it under the door.

Last week, the Beaconsfield band performed for the Grade 9's and the music students. The audience decided that it was a good opportunity to talk steadily, while the concert was in progress. I personally do not blame the Grade 9's alone, the way Bulletin Number 7 did, since a lot of uninvited senior students attended, and participated in the general whispering. Such behavior is disgraceful. Something that could have started a bond of friendship made us appear rude and unappreciative.

Our Senior Basketball team won their home opener over Marymount 98-59.

A couple of juniors found out their sense of humour was not very amusing when they got into hot water for smearing glue on a door handle.

S.O.S. to all fellow Wagarites: Our alligator will soon be homeless when he outgrows his present headquarters. Any-

body got a giant size tank or anything that could be used as his new home? After all, who wants a crawling alligator in the halls? And wouldn't you miss our lovable pet if he had to seek refuge in a zoo?.

Bonnie Christmas Carole, also known as Baby, created by Grade 11 art students and Art 51 out of papier maché, made a two week appearance in the Museum of Fine Arts. Baby was a real knock-out: 13'8" tall, boasted a shapely 76-35-76, wore five pairs of false eye-lashes and four wigs.

Wagar's Charity Committee raised over \$200 for the Sir Ar-

thur kids. Yesterday we gave them a party.

Better watch your accuracy in the T.D. room. David S. had a mark taken off the other day, when he misspelled his own name!

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Many Wagarites enjoy spending their lunch hour watching or playing inter-mural floor hockey. This sport is usually exciting for both the spectators and players. The only thing is, there are always a few guys who, apparently, watch too much T.V. and believe that the game is a good time to engage in fisticuffs.

Last week, for example, two fights erupted in the gym. On both occasions, the players involved were separated within seconds, but were subsequently suspended for the rest of the season. Think it over you guys, is all this roughing really worth the trouble?

Everyone was startled the other day, by the ringing of a phone, coming from Leslie Ungar's pocket. By now, the rumour has it that he is receiving obscene phone calls in class.

Congratulations to the cast of the "Sand Box" and all the other people involved, for a job well done.

Room 308 is right on top of room 208 and they both happened to have substitutes on Thursday. Taking advantage of the situation, students from the third floor tied notes to the blind cord and dropped them to the class below. Several messages had gone up and down when Mr. Keith, called by the sub in 208, walked in and saw the contraption dangling out of the window. All I can say is that the vice-principal was far from being amused by these shenanigans.

During a very interesting biology session. Mr. Feigen explained that a fetus reacts to noises occurring outside the womb, and will start kicking during a concert. "To the beat of the music?" enquired a student.

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To the joy of many students and teachers alike, the Christmas Holidays finally arrived. The one

drawback which seems to repeat itself every time there is an extended vacation, is that certain professors seem to get their kicks piling on assignments and projects to such a point that kids are not able to take advantage of a long awaited rest.

The Match of the Century was played on Thursday, December 21. Our senior basketball team overtook the teachers 50-38.

The third floor was so crowded the other day, that Mr. Feigen took it upon himself to direct traffic.

An unexpected surge of enthusiasm for attending French has been noted in Dr. Paradis' level 5 classes. No, it's not a sudden love for the language, and there is no showing of Brigitte Bardot movies; yet, half of the student body shows up before the first bell rings. However, there is a good reason: Dr. Paradis has warned that the last kid to walk in the room, will be the one chosen to be questioned on his topic. Gloating over the crowded classroom, Dr. Paradis ex-

claimed: "I should have thought of this long ago!"

One teacher inquired if the air conditioner was giving off a cold or hot breeze.

"Are you kidding," one student retorted, "this class is full of hot air!"

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It was announced that the Grand Ballet Canadien will be giving a performance on our stage in the near future, for the benefit of all grade 8's. The news stirred a wave of discontentment among the senior students, who claim that for the past year, the junior classes enjoyed all the privileges they were not entitled to previously. This is the second time in four weeks that levels 4 and 5 were by passed for a concert and felt over-looked. On the other side of the coin, one could say grades 10 and 11, when qi-

ven the chance to attend a special programme, have a record for skipping school instead.

Bernie Leibovits' war dance, executed after his floor hockey team scored a goal, would have made any Indian proud. He was rewarded with loud applause from the spectators.

Have you seen Dr. Paradis' new look: beard, mustache and all?

Wagar walloped last year's Bishop Whellan senior basketball team 67-47. Jerry Ostroff was the most outstanding player, with twenty points. Steven Mariasine, who has been out of action with a knee injury, was back on the line-up.

Mr. Schreiber asked his class: "What is the name of the only table without legs?" When nobody answered, he explained: "A log table!" That's a functions teacher for you!

Orders for Grad rings are being taken at the ticket-wicket on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The deadline is January 19th. Let's hope that the students in charge of sizing have been trained better than those of last year, when a great percentage of the rings didn't fit. Many Grade 11's ended up paying an extra \$2.50 for alterations, which is outrageous, considering that prices are between \$16.00 - \$32.00.

Is Stewart Stein trying to test his classmates' nerves with his screeching chalk and nails against the blackboard?

This kid had a sore neck, so how do you think Mr. Feigen filled out the medical form? He wrote: "Pain in the neck". Makes you wonder if he really meant it!

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Results from mid-term exams were revealed last week, to the sorrow of many. Reports will be issued on February 21, followed by a "Parents meet the Teachers" day on the 23rd of this month.

At the beginning of January, it was announced that the grade 8's would see Les Grands Ballets Canadiens. Level 5 expressed their discontentment by passing a petition around, which, although bearing two hundred signatures, was never handed to the administration. Leave it to Dr. de Groot to be aware of the rumblings and do something concrete about it! Our Principal decided to let the grade 11's attend the performance, instead of level 2 as pre-

viously arranged.

No sooner did the news become public, than 50% of the boys merrily planned to skip classes. But this attitude didn't last very long. A handful of students made the rounds, warning that taking-off would do nothing to encourage the head office into awarding senior grades any further privileges. To the surprise of all the male spectators, the affair turned out to be fantastic, as the deafening applause proved. During the last few minutes, one male-ballet dancer held a most interesting conversation with the audience as he explained there is nothing sissy about a man being a ballet dancer, since this requires him to be in top physical condition. It was a most pleasant afternoon and everyone left with a smiling face.

Don't forget, tomorrow is Bingo night! Tickets can be purchased from Mr. Levine.

Following Mr. Kaufman's instructions, level 5 students filled out CEGEP forms. The head of the guidance department went on to explain that "under 'mother's name' you should put what your father calls her." So, one smart guy inquired: "Does that mean we can write four letter words?"

The High School Courses booklet for 1973-74 was distributed the other day. If you think the present four-day schedule is difficult, wait till next year when a new six day format will be introduced. (Well, there'll never be a dull moment!)

Riddle: When can little Jeffrey Levine reach the ceiling?

Answer: When he gets the bumps. (Some birthday present!)

Our senior basketball team won a well earned victory against Howard S. Billings with a score of 69-60.

Dr. Paradis was teaching the parts of the body in French and was demonstrating by drawing the appropriate curves. This made one student smirk: "You'd better erase it before you leave, there's a grade 8 class coming in here

LOWDOWN ON THE HIGHS

Wagar High

by Marc Rodgers

Do you realize that Wagar High, as well as other Secondary schools under the PSBGM, is equipped with some of the most up-to-date machines such as a teletype, adding machine, and a video tape set? What's difficult to understand, is that our progressive administration is still using manual typewriters exclusively, in their typing course.

While the instruction is more than adequate, it is hard to believe that electric typewriters are missing on the programme. I personally know of girls who looked for a secretarial job after graduating last year, and found this very lack of knowledge, a handicap. To their dismay, they discovered that manual typewriters are practically obsolete in modern offices, and employers were not too anxious to provide the training on their IBM, or selectric machines. As a matter of fact, I can't help but wonder why apprentice-secretaries are not taught how to work our teletype, since this is frequently used in larger companies, and such instruction could be given at no extra cost, seeing that the equip-

ment is already here.

Is there any truth to the rumour that Mr. Maw is planning to open a Used Pencil Lot?... Congratulations to the Girls Bantam Badminton team, for finishing first in their Inter-school Tournament... Mr. Levine informs me that our school raised over \$300 for the Milk Fund, the largest amount ever collected by Wagar. Grateful thanks to all contributors... A donut eating contest will take place tomorrow, at lunch. The winner will receive a prize. (Could it be Alka Seltzer?)

On the occasion of Valentine's Day in English 52-04, Mrs. Dow relinquished her teaching job to Rachel Hammer and became a regular student. When the substitute bawled her out for talking, Mrs. Dow acted apologetic. Upon being asked a question, she very innocently replied: "Which poem are we on?... I don't know?" (Does it ring a bell anyone?)

Greaser Day has finally arrived!

Three boys and three girls from each grade will be selected on the basis of the messiest or dirtiest hair, for this honorary(?) title. These lucky(!) winners will be admitted free of charge to Saturday's Winter Carnival. Dance, where the Greaser King and Greaser Queen will be crowned... (Count me out judges, I just had a shampoo and set!).

This is definitely the last week that your homeroom can hand in the money for the class ad. It's your prelude, so remind your friends to bring in their dough and give it to Stewart in Hm.Rm. 202, or Mark, Hm.Rm. 315.

Wagar High

by Marc Rodgers

The Donut Eating Contest was an outstanding success, although it resulted in some pretty sick stomachs. Kenny Finkelstein finished in first place with 22 down the hatch. Harold Gross and Steven Lawee tied for second place for gulping 20 donuts each.

The 1971 Bishop Whelan basketball team defeated our seniors 64-58. While Wagar's efforts in the second half were commendable, we just couldn't overtake our opponent. The spectators were treated to a hilarious half-time show special, featuring MALE Cheerleaders. Mr. Chuprun and Mr. Levine were a real gas in their skirts and falsies.

I'll admit I'm not exactly the best in spelling (especially without a dictionary around), but whoever wrote Thursday's "SENOIR Basketball" notice, would get a top prize in a "Misspelling Bee".

In floor hockey, the Underdogs blanked Les Canadiens 2-0 and the Demolishers defeated the Ardvarks by the same score. The M.F. Krypton team wiped the

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G.B. Lunches by a score of 6-0.

Anyone who took pictures during Candid Camera Day and wishes to submit them to the Prelude, can hand in the snapshots to Cheryl Buckman.

I've heard a lot of jokes about the grub served in the army, but what is Wagar's chef trying to do to us? Train our stomachs to digest the most unpalatable meals? Is this tasteless food a way of preparing us guys for a stage in the armed forces, or to help us cope with the cooking of a future bride?

I know we shouldn't expect haute cuisine, but at least give us something edible? Is it too much to ask that we get fresh buns, without that terrible flour on top; Swiss Rolls and Jelly Tots that don't taste two months old; Big Boys (hamburgers) that don't smell a mile away? The soups are appetizing and so are the chips, but can growing kids survive on these two items alone?

LOWDOWN ON THE HIGHS

Wagar High

by Marc Rodgers

Officially speaking, Wagar High may be a non-smoker haven, but in reality it's something else. During recess and lunch, the smog is so dense near the exits, that you almost have to feel your way out. The fumes reach as high as the third floor and get worse as one goes down. Dr. Paradis was walking through the "fog" in the barracks the other day, when he decided to clear the air. "Teacher!" he yelled out. The kids disappeared within seconds, and the place was deserted... until the following day.

Wendy Glick arrived with a cast on her leg last week, though not because of a sprain or fracture. She soon became tired of sounding like a broken record, so she found a better way of communicating. Now, if anyone asks her "Did you break your leg?" Wendy just hands out a card with all the details.

Our senior basketball team ended their regular season schedule by defeating Loyola 86-66. Today we play a quarter-final game against Rosemount... In grade 11 floor hockey, the One Handed Jimmies shut-out the Ringworms by a score of 2-0. The Jimmies were hoping for a tie while the Ringworms needed a win to capture the first place title. With only a couple of minutes left to play, the Jimmies put two quick goals in, and that was that... The Underdogs blanked the Screaming Eagles 2-0 in the grade 8 league.

To stop the class from talking, Mrs. Sherman threatened her students she would give them a 30 estimate if they didn't keep quiet. "Yippee, you're raising my mark!" squealed a delighted Ronnie F.

The 4th Annual S.W.A.Y. fast will be held on March 9-10 at the T.M.R. United Church. It's for a good cause, so if you yourself can't stop eating, sponsor someone who will... The Awareness Bookshelf is alive and well. Suggestions and requests for books are welcome, so come down to the lobby on Tuesdays and Fridays at lunch-time... The 2nd Annual Mathematics Awards will be held on March 27 at 12:20 in the art room. A lot of interesting things will be happening, including a slide rule competition between Paul Goldsmith and Ros Schwartz.

Mr. Shuster was explaining negatives and positives in grade 8 Math. "If 3 people voted negative for PQ (-3PQ) and 4 voted positive for PQ (+4PQ), how many more voters would PQ have?" "One," answered the class. "Right", confirmed Mr. Shuster, "and that would make

René Levesque very happy!"

Speaking of politics, Mme Tassel was reviewing the latest French Immersion Geography test and informed her pupils that some of their answers were absolutely ridiculous. "For example," she said to Lenny S., "you named one of the astronauts as being 'Robert Stanfield'." She burst out laughing. When she finally recovered, she inquired: "Est-ce qu'il a la tête de quelqu'un qui va sur la lune? (translation: Does he look the type who would go to the moon?)"

Wagar High

by Marc Rodgers

Today, March 14, is "Career Night '73". Ten speakers from the World of Business and Professions will address you and answer questions at 8:00 p.m. in the A.V. Room. All students and their parents are welcome to attend.

Tomorrow, March 15, W.A.C. will present a fabulous double-feature: "Tales from the Crypt" and "The Horrors of Dracula" for the low price of \$1.00. Friday is a Professional Day, so take Thursday night off. The movie will start at 7:30 p.m. in the A.V. Room.

Lawrence Wolofsky was given a $7\frac{3}{4}/10$ by Mr. Maw the other day. Has inflation hit the Wagar marking system?

The Wagar Math Awards will be held on March 27, in the Biology Lab (314); not in the Art Room, as previously planned.

Our two basketball teams had

a busy week. The Bantams defeated Malcolm Campbell High 54-52 in overtime on March 5. On the 8th, the victims were Western Laval High — we beat them by a score of 60-34. On Saturday, March 10, Murray Ostroff guided the Bantams to a 39-28 victory over Mount Royal High. Murray picked up 20 points in that game.

The Seniors, led by Harvey Goldstein (36 points), won their quarter-final game against Rosemount 80-54, last Wednesday.

On March 10, Wagar advanced to the finals when they downed Sir Winston Churchill 67-45. Harvey Goldstein was the top scorer with 2 points, while Jerry Ostroff, who was also outstanding, got 22. Steven Cape wasn't far behind with his 17 points.

Everyone likes to be a winner, except when it's time to play Loto-Paradis. In this case, the name drawn does not make a lucky winner; it selects an unfortunate student to be tested on his or her French topic.

**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

Last week the administration announced a few changes: D.S.P.'s and Room 210 are for studying only! To "goof off", you must go to the cafeteria. When a subject teacher is away, senior students are now permitted to attend either the study hall for that period, or the cafeteria. Anyone caught wandering in the halls during class time, will be given a warning first, then a suspension, which will last until you are accompanied in school by your parent(s), the following time.

Don't forget to come to the Wagar Math Awards on Tuesday, March 27! It will be held in room 314 at 12:20. Some of the awards to be presented are: The Hardest Working Mathematician (one who crams before each test), The Most Dishonest Mathematician (first class cheater), and The Most Logical Mathematician (one who doesn't study, but has the brains to figure out the answer).

As publicized in last week's Suburban, Wagar High was awarded the Putrid Porcine Prize, for being the sloppiest school in Montreal. (Further details in next column.)

Paul Goldsmith is easily identified by his slide rule; Isabel Hornstein through her kangaroo pouch; but you don't have to see Stewart Stein to know he's around. Who else thumps so loudly as he walks down the halls?

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The Gym Meet, held in our school last Thursday, attracted an overwhelming crowd. The girls who competed were from grades 8 and 9. The final scores went as follows: Dorval-146.0; Lachine-146.6; Montreal West-108.3; Wagar-72.7; and Verdun-33.5.

Congratulations to both of our basketball teams! The Seniors captured the GMIAA title by defeating Laurier MacDonald 77-49. Harvey Goldstein was the top scorer with 36 points. The Bantams won the championship in style, by wiping Pope Pius by a score of 45-10.

Helaine and Maureen were arguing over whether a sparrow has a brain. Finally Helaine conceded: "Oh yah, but it's only a bird brain!"



**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

Wagar High is gradually losing the characteristics that made her Montreal's Number 1 Pigsty. (Thanks for the compliments friends, but those pictures in a recent Suburban issue were not my work of art. The honour goes to Mike Wollock!) To solve the garbage problem in the cafeteria, Mr. Keith picks one table at random, during lunch, and instructs all the kids sitting there to clean up the premises. However the caf isn't the only sore spot. The other day, I walked into the computer room, only to find the floor littered with papers and tapes. I personally straightened out the place, to prevent Mr. Sutherland from locking it up. Keep it up guys, but don't be surprised when you find the door shut tight one of these days!

Wagarites will be able to enjoy their first spring holiday thanks to the P.A.P.T. Convention on Friday, March 30.

Paul Wiseman, of French Immersion 22, provided Madame Michot with a good laugh when he conjugated the verb "pourrir" instead of "courir". So he wrote: je pourris, tu pourris, il pourrit, etc. (I rot, you rot, he rots?)

Tomorrow, March 29, a group of students from Manitoba's Trehern Collegiate will be visiting our school. They will be attending classes on Thursday and Tuesday in order to see how things are in a big high school such as ours.

Last week, Biology 42-04 was treated to a sex education movie. Mr. Feigan warned the class that he had never seen it and didn't know himself what to expect. Consequently, the students were preparing themselves for a stimulating show when the film began: "There are two kinds of babies, males and females. The boys are the males, and the girls are the females. Boys grow up to be men; girls grow up to be women..." (Gee whiz, what else is new?) I wonder why the teacher didn't let his other classes watch this exclusive feature?



**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

I was invited to see a preview of our play "South Pacific" and all I can say is that I was very impressed. The acting and singing is great, especially Cynthia Carsley. This girl has a fantastic voice and is a terrific dancer. Judy Freireich showed me around and I was amazed how well organized the group is. When Reesa Bra-mon explained certain changes

in one of the tunes, you could have heard a pin drop. The only sour note on the scene was C.B., who insisted on putting her personal seal of approval before my views on the subject were published. Sorry, but I already have one editor! "South Pacific" will be playing in Wagar from April 29 to May 1. The tickets will be on sale for \$1.50. Take my word for it, this show is a definite must; don't miss it!

You can tell it's spring again; Mr. Blair is back on his bicycle.

Isabel Hornstein, winner of the award for "Being thrown out of class the most, with the best excuse", thanked her teacher, Mr. Schreiber, for making it all possible.

The administration has done it again! Any senior student who

goes in the cafeteria to goof-off will now be permitted to step outside freely, via the back exit.

Sole restriction is that Wagarites are expected to remain on school grounds.

Our girl's Junior Volleyball team defeated Montreal High 2-1 and blanked John Grant 2-0.

Dr. Paradis had a mysterious telephone conversation in a foreign language the other day. Is the class improving so drastically that he's unwilling to take chances in French when discussing official matters?

Home Economics is not a very popular class with the boys in Wagar, although it teaches very useful things to males who like their independence. How about renaming it BACHELOR SURVIVAL as they did in Monkland High? I bet that would remove

the stigma of this being a girls' course.

Mr. Feigan needed a heart and lungs for a biology class and inquired amongst his students whether anyone's father was a butcher. "Michael's (Mr. Butcher) is!" yelled out one helpful classmate.

WAGAR HIGH by Marc Rodgers

Attention grade 10 and 11 senior students who disturb the barrack or gym classes, will be liable to suspension. Teachers are complaining that kids are rude and hamper lessons.

The other day, students were taking a double-take at the teacher in room 311. No, it wasn't a substitute, only Mr. Shuster minus beard and moustache.

Have the girls' Junior Volleyball practices become restricted to fans? Yours truly was ejected from the premises within five seconds of arrival during the last session.

The Davis "Y" pool is now available to Wagarites every Friday during lunch hour. A bus, located in front of the school, will take you to and from the "Y". Towels are provided free.

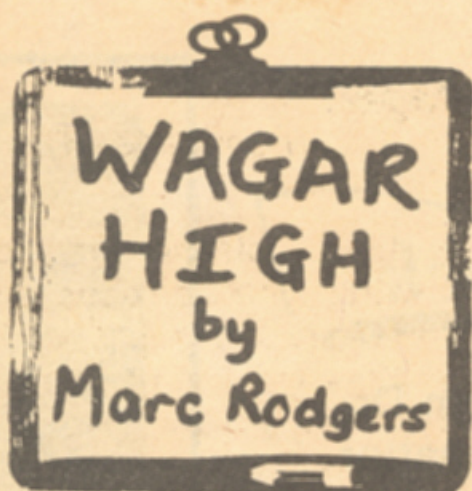
Is Russell Campbell starting a new fad? Instead of walking a dog, he came in the class walking a spider, using its web as a leash (yech!).

The students from Trehern Collegiate, who were in Montreal for five days, have returned to Manitoba reassured. For some reason, they had been under the impression that everyone in Wagar High was a drug addict, and that if they walked in the streets in groups of less than ten people, they would be mugged. Instead of landing in the wild jungle they had expected, they were pleasantly surprised to find that Montreal and our school were not too different from their own home town, except for the size and big city sophistication.

One of the questions on a biology test was: "What is the dif-

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a fish's egg?" The obvious answer would be that birds' eggs have a hard shell whereas fishes' don't. One girl didn't have a clue, so she used logic for her deduction, and wrote: "A bird's egg becomes a bird and fish's egg becomes a fish."



Many Wagarites are feeling very sorry for themselves lately, now that the holiday season is over and they had to return to the grind. However, to ease the pain, teachers held a professional day last Monday. It seems that the girls are more inclined to get back to work, especially those who are trying out for the Track and Field team. These gals have been practicing every lunch hour and often overtime. The Inter-School Track and Field Meet will be held on May 15.

The 11th Graders definitely won't be bored next week. Wednesday, May 9, they will write a Provincial French Auditory Comprehension Test and the following day, May 10, the Grad Dance will be held at the Holiday Inn Seigneurie. Tickets can be obtained in the lobby.

Mr. Feigan was understandably excited the other day. After all, it's not everyday that one becomes the father of a bouncing baby boy! Congratulations!

The Kidney Foundation of Canada will be holding their second annual Cyclo-Thon on Saturday, May 5. Sponsor sheets and forms are available in the lobby.

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the time, please go to Ros Schwartz. She's anxious to break in her fancy watch.

Is Steward Stein trying to move around incognito? He's traded his well-known boots for a pair of silent running shoes.

Some classes were treated to a concert played by the Toronto Runymede band. In appreciation, our guests were invited to watch a dress rehearsal of our hit, "South Pacific."

Speaking of the Rodgers and Hammerstein play, Wagar-style, what was the idea of withholding, from early buyers, tickets to the premiere? On April 19, yours truly was informed that the Sunday performance had been sold out and that tickets for Monday and Tuesday ONLY were available. However, your faithful reporter found out over a week later, to his sorrow, that a certain number of seats for the Sunday show, which had been taken out of circulation, were now available to the public. Whether this strategy was used to insure a full house for the Monday and Tuesday presentations, or whether the best tickets were reserved for a certain elite, it makes no difference to me. I'd like to put it on record that I strenuously object to this undemocratic method in securing whatever objective was sought. The motto was: first come, first served, and in my book, it should have been respected.

**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

The Tentative Exam Timetable has been posted outside the office and in all classrooms. Students should check it carefully and report any conflicts to Miss Snow in writing. Grade 10's will write their Provincial French Auditory Comprehension Test on Tuesday, May 29.

The Second Annual High School Individual Golf Championship will be held on Monday, June 4, at the St. John Golf Club. Any interested Wagarite

should give his/her name to Mrs. Siegal as soon as possible.

The last issue of our school newspaper will be printed at the end of this month. The deadline for submissions is Friday, May 18.

The Wagar version of South Pacific may be over, but the memory lingers on. Mrs. Terry Druick and Miss Irgo did a fantastic make-up job, particularly on Judy Freireich, who played Bloody Mary. Cynthia Carsley and Martin Waldman were casted perfectly in the roles of Nellie FORBUSH AND Emile de Becque. Rickey Kugler was terrific in his characterization of a sailor, especially in the scenes with Captain Brackett, played by Johnny Mestel. Lover boy Johnny Reider (Lt. Cable) did the kissing scenes more than adequately. Marilyn Lerner was superb at the piano. Cookie Berish and Risa Bramon did a professional job in producing and directing. The standing ovations at the end of each performance were well deserved.

Ali, Wagar's pet alligator, has received his early acceptance to the Montreal Aquarium.

The move was prompted by his growing stature which did not fit any longer into his present home. Mr. Levine had suggested periodical walks in the halls would relieve Ali from his cramped quarters, while at the same time keeping the students in their (classes), but he didn't think the Health Board would approve.

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the hospitality City.

● We're all for the support of teachers in their battle against the de-classification, but was it really necessary for west end schools to rule that children can take Monday off in observance of Israel's Independence Day. It was pretty obvious that this was just one more day off for the teachers, as the holiday was neither requested nor wanted by the parents, or the kids.

● BROWNING TIDY there's big doings in Snowden with

by
Marc Rodgers

There has been a rash of petty thefts in Wagar lately. What makes the situation pretty serious, is that this is not just impulsive swiping. The pilfering is planned in a professional underworld method. Let's say a "customer" wants a jean jacket. He

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goes to the "supplier", and orders the type and colour he's interested in. The "supplier" just keeps his eyes open and grabs the first garment that meets the requirements, then sells it for a couple of bucks. The administration is well aware of the organized thefts, and while keeping quiet, has already suspended three students involved.

One grade 8 was the victim of a breaking and entering. After smashing the lock on his locker, the robber made out with a chocolate bar and 80 elastics. Could it be that our prime suspect is a newspaper boy with a sweet tooth?

Congratulations to the Girls Track and Field team for their good performance in the Riverdale meet last week. The competitors placed and won ribbons in 21 events. The Intermediates proved to be our best team, placing third out of 20 schools, and the Bantams finished in sixth position. Many officials said that the Wagar gals demonstrated the best team spirit.

Our Senior and Junior Bands played harmoniously at the Wagar concert, held on May 16, to a very appreciative audience. Mr. Hart was the conductor.

French 511 students spent the day saying their Orals. French 521 will have theirs on June 1st... Attention Technical Drawing 42 students! The first half of the T.D. exam will be written on May 30th at 9:00 a.m.



**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

The Drama class recently presented three short skits to our school. The first, entitled "Let's Make a Dope Deal", had a good plot but was spoiled by the sound system which garbled voices and made them practically incomprehensible. The second play was also well done and easier to understand since the players did not have to rely on temperamental microphones. Unfortunately, due to the fact that the bell rang before the end of the third presentation, kids started to rush towards the exits, and the subse-

quent noise made it difficult for the remaining spectators to hear a thing.

Today, Wednesday, May 30, weather permitting, the Girls Softball team is playing against John Grant High School. Results (if any) will appear in next week's column.

Friday, June 1st, is going to be a very busy day: French 521 (grade 11 regular) students will have their orals. Schedules are posted at the office... All gym

lockers must be cleaned out by this date. Anything left will be given to the intercity schools (whatever that means)... This will be the final day for Wagarites to hand in library books... Finally, at 12 noon, Athletic Awards will be presented at an assembly in the girls gym. All girls who participated in Intramural and Interscholar sports should attend.

Congratulations to the Boys Track and Field team. Wagar came out of the City Finals with

three championships: Mark Taylor — triple jump (Class 4), Ray Vandebosch — Discus (Class 4), and Donovan McKenzie — triple jump (Class 3). Wagar now qualifies for the Provincial Finals, to be held in Quebec City on June 24th and 25th. Best of luck to our deserving contestants!

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WAGAR HIGH by Marc Rodgers

French 521 students are understandably relieved that Orals are all over. While some kids felt that they passed with flying colours, others had to redo them in the afternoon. This gives me the opportunity to voice my own personal opinion that far too much importance is attached to the final provincial exams. Messing up one Quebec exam at this critical time, which can happen easily when a nervous student freezes or feels unwell, may bring your average down for that particular subject, if not making a grade insufficient to pass. For the past couple of years, there have been rumours to the effect that less emphasis would be accorded to matrices but unfortunately for us, nothing concrete has been done about it. So let's go back to cramming, biting nails, and burning the midnight oil.

As expected, Steven Cape won the Boy's Athlete of the Year award, and Simone Speyer was elected the Girl Athlete.

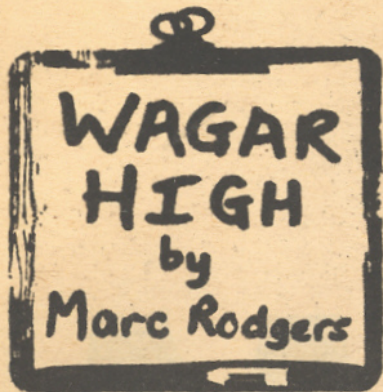
Speaking of the Girls Athletic Awards, last Friday, the assembly was held in the A.V. room. A number of crests and trophies were presented. Due to the lack

of space, only a few can be mentioned. They are: Junior Aggregate — Michele Wiseman, Senior Aggregate — Simone Speyer. The Ghidoni-Stromberg Trophy was presented for the first time. This award, donated by Mrs. Ghidoni and Mrs. (Stromberg) Siegal for fellowship, sportsmanship, and perseverance, was given to Donna Elkin. At the end of the assembly we were sad to hear that both gym teachers were leaving. Mrs. Siegal has decided to further her education, while Mrs. Ghidoni is planning a new career in motherhood. Therefore, both desertions derive from worthy causes, and we wish the two ladies every success in the future.

The other day, two girls softball teams from John Grant High played a game at Wagar. Our team 1 was bombed 28-7 but team 2 evened the score by defeating them 32-24. Our girls did quite well, considering that the opposing team consisted mainly of senior gals.

Mrs. Ruttenberg was chosen as the CKGM Working Girl of the Day, last Thursday. The Honour couldn't have been given to a more deserving candidate. Congratulations!

Let's wish each other good luck for the coming week, and watch for the last Wagar column in the next edition, YOU may be in there!



**WAGAR
HIGH**
by
Marc Rodgers

I wonder if Wagarites realize what a wonderful Principal we have in the person of Dr. de Groot? This being my last column, I can presently express my admiration, without fear of being accused that I am flattering the head of the administration in order to obtain personal gain. A very busy man, sometimes extremely difficult to get hold of, Dr. de Groot nevertheless is always ready to lend a sympathetic ear to any problem. On several occasions I have witnessed how he dropped everything to

discuss matters with a student. These duties are, perhaps, all part of the job, but with Dr. de Groot, you can feel it's sincere involvement, which is supported by his able assistants, Miss Snow and Mr. Keith.

And now, I would like to dedicate this column to Mrs. McClung, for having faith in my

ability as a correspondent... to Stewart Stein, the foot fashion setter... to Mr. Levine, for providing me with news, one way or the other... to Susan Coen and Laura Zacharin, for keeping me posted on the Grade 8 doings (and undoings)... to Dr. Paradis, for being a favourite sujet... to Patti Derstenfeld, for acting as a good locker neighbour should... to Kenny Boretsky, for being a good loser and paying off our

bets (in candies)... to Mindy August, who asked me to mention her name... to Isadore Czosniak, for declaring himself my most enthusiastic fan... to Cookie Berish, for taking the cake as my most devoted critic ... and last, but not least, to Mr. Feigen, for his inspiring (!) sex jokes.

Au revoir to all and bonne chance next year, wherever you are!

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1972

Letters to the editor

Disqualified by good record

Sir, — Wagar High students were just informed that their team would be excluded from the CBC educational show "Reach for the Top," because the school has won the championship in the past two years, besides being runner-up in 1969-70.

The decision taken by the CBC is not only unfair, it is ridiculous. After all, no participant competes for more than one season, and if winning two years consecutively disqualifies you, shouldn't the Montreal Canadiens have been barred from the Stanley Cup competition for getting the Stanley Cup five years in a row (from 1956 to 1960)?

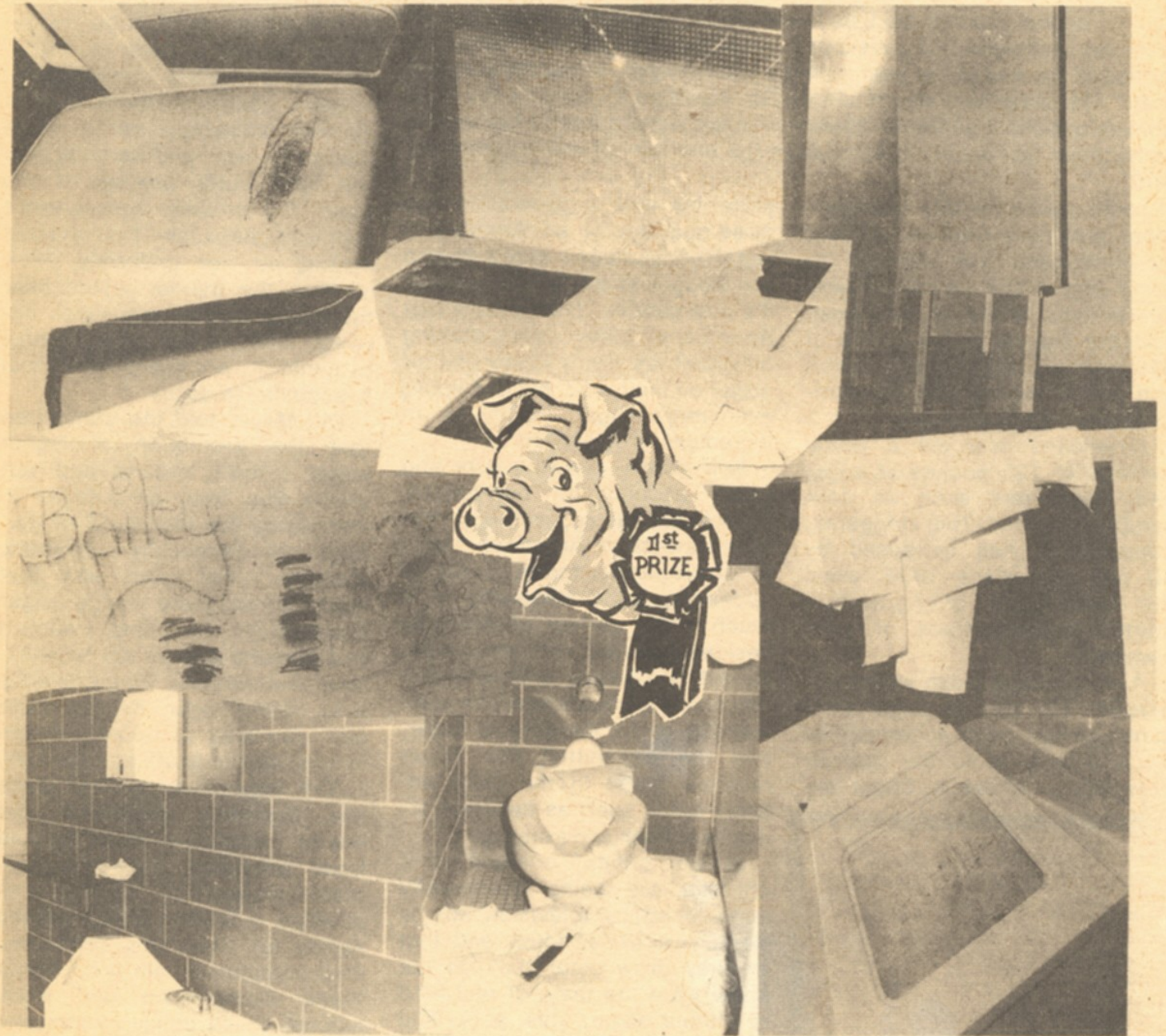
Marc Rodgers,
Cote St. Luc.

The Pigsty (Wagar High) Revisited...

or

Pictures by Mike Wollock

Oink, oink!



The PUTRID PORCINE PRIZE, awarded annually to the sloppiest

in Montreal, goes to the students of Wagar High School this year. The students continue to outdo themselves in their piggish behavior, and they truly merit first prize. Here we see several typical views of Wagar High, as re-decorated by the school's inhabitants.

Counterclock wise from upper

left: a slashed seat in the audio-visual room; a ripped curtain in the same room; graffiti galore (on the walls, the floor, the ceilings, the lockers, etc.); this bare wall in one of the girl's bathrooms once held four shiny new mirrors (where they are now is anyone's guess); paper is senselessly strewn throughout the bathroom; the reason this garbage can is blackened is because it got slightly charred

by the fire someone set inside it; a new idea in interior decorating — toilet paper draped over the toilet doors; what strength the girls of Wagar possess — these toilet doors are ripped right off their hinges; one of many broken windows at Wagar; and, above the picture of our typical Wagar students, — there must be gold in them thar rafters! What other reason to rip holes in the ceiling???

Gym Teachers' Adieu to Wagar Girls

The following was announced to the girls in the Physical Education Program of Wagar High School at the Girls Athletic Awards Assembly held recently.

Mrs. Seigal and Mrs. Ghidoni would like to express the pleasure they have experienced while working with the girls of Wagar High School throughout 1972 and 1973. The awards presented today are only small tokens of recognition. The true reward of participating in Intra-Mural and Extra-Mural Activities is the JOY OF DOING. We hope that all of you have received this reward throughout the season. We also hope that we have touched your life in some way that will help you to become a healthier, wiser and happier person in the future.

Thanks for a great year!!!

(Editor's Note: Both Mrs. Seigal and Mrs. Ghidoni are leaving Wagar High School at the end of this year.)

MAILBAG

Dear Editor:

Whoever heard of an employer hiring people for a certain salary and then, years later, deciding that these workers do not meet the necessary requirements, he informs them they will have a reduction in pay? This is exactly what has happened with the teachers' declassification. Under the present system, a recent graduate in teaching, having obtained the proper diplomas, could earn much more than a professor with ten or more years experience who does not possess the mandatory papers. Doesn't intellect, proficiency, and faithful service mean anything to the government? Diplomas are nice to have, but they don't necessarily certify the quality of an instructor. A good teacher is a mixture of knowledge, wisdom, sympathy, and trust. The students have demonstrated their support by boycotting classes. As an ex high school senior who will be unable to enjoy a graduation ceremony, thanks to the cancellation of all extracurricular activities, I would be happy to sign any petition condemning teachers' declassification.

Marc Rodgers
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