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Four Montana Tech faculty members attend Los Angeles AIME meeting

Dean Gus Stolz, Professor Koebler Streed, Professor William van Matre, and Professor Donald McGrath recently attended the annual meeting of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers in Los Angeles, California on February 19-23. On Sunday, February 19, they attended the minerals education sessions where problems of education of the mineral engineer were discussed. Educators discussed improving education of the engineer and representatives from industry discussed what they wanted in the present day mineral engineer. The meeting was concluded Sunday evening with a dinner and an address to Doctor John C. Calhoun of Texas A&M as the outstanding mineral educator of the year. He presented an address with thought provoking ideas on future education trends.

On Monday and Tuesday there were many technical sessions which covered all phases of the mineral industry from geology through mining and sale of the metallic products. On Monday evening, February 20, there was a Montana Tech alumni meeting in the Biltmore Hotel with approximately 60-85 alumni and their wives attending.

On Wednesday afternoon, Dean Stolz was chairman of an education panel which discussed the shortage of mineral engineers. The theme of this meeting was what the educators and industry could do to attract boys to the industry. They discussed the advantages, opportunities, and challenges in this mineral industry.

The meeting was concluded on Friday, February 23.

Canadian wildlife is discussed at Tech

A lecture, accompanied by a color movie, was given by guest speaker, Edgar T. Jones, on Wednesday, February 21. The movie, entitled "Canada's Mountain Wilderness," was produced by the National Film Board of Canada.

Mr. Jones spent years roaming in the Canadian Rockies and has the sequences shown in the two rolls of film. There were many close-ups of various forms of wildlife and there were acres of forests, mountains, water, lakes, and streams. Mr. Jones is both a naturalist and a conservationist. Because he is able to photograph animals and scenery in otherwise inaccessible areas, he has made some of his best pictures. His movie "Canada's Mountain Wilderness" gives an opportunity for young people to see the wildlife and scenery of the Rocky Mountains.

The shocking displays in the Physics Department on E-Days made some people's hair stand on end.

56 make honor roll, 2 earn straight "As"

Topping an honor roll of 56 students for the fall semester are Walter S. Bauer and John W. Cook with straight "As.

Students having indices of 3.75 or better are Janine M. Alley, Angus Hemp, William C. Goldberg, Gary Kargacin, Clark L. Walters, Harvey J. Keaden, Jr., David C. Koski, Charles Parcell, Lucinda J. Sanderson, Cynthia M. Haste, Dimitrei L. Martin, Illinou McCandley, Bobby B. Seidel, James P. Forus, James R. Loomis, Robert S. Morrison, and John B. Roland Jr.


Of the students on the honor roll, the twelve freshmen general students had an average of 3.94. Twelve science students had an average of 3.71 and ten business students averaged 3.56. The nine freshman engineers averaged 3.56. The nine freshman engineering students had an average of 3.53.

The average class index breaks down as follows: graduate (undergraduate), 3.86; graduate (graduate), 3.18; senior, 2.90; sophomore, 2.43; junior, 2.43; sophomore (engineering), 2.15; freshman (engineering), 2.05; and freshman (general), 1.95.

Siga Xi hears about life in Russia

"Russians are great readers." This statement was made by Dr. Robert S. Hoffman at the Sigma Xi Club meeting last Thursday night in his lecture entitled, "One Year in the Soviet Union." He went on to say that many Russians would read whatever they could.

Slides were given along with the lecture. Dr. Hoffman had pictures of such summer vacation hot spots as the plateaus of Nevada, the Circus of Peter the Great, the Kremlin, St. Isaac's Cathedral, and many museums of Leningrad and the Russian countryside.

On a collective farm the farmers are allowed to keep part of what they produce, whereas on a state farm the farmers are paid by the state and none of the crops belong to them. Both have been converted to museums and are only of historical importance to the Russian people. Dr. Hoffman also explained the Russian school children have to go to school six days a week, but their school day is only about four hours long. In Russia there is no particular shopping day. Instead Russian housewives might go shopping two or three times every Friday. Though there is no particular shopping day, farmers still use animal markets.

Dr. Hoffman was in Russia from 1963 to 1964 on a National Academy Science Exchange Fellowship. Most of the time he and his family stayed in Leningrad while he attended the Zoological Institution. He studied the similarities of birds and animals on both sides of the Bering Strait.

Dr. Hoffman received his Bachelor of Science degree from Utah State University in June, 1950. He studied at the University of California at Berkeley for his advanced degrees and earned his M.A. degree, June, 1954 and his Ph.D., September, 1955. He is now a professor of zoology at the University of Montana.

Research being reorganized here

Research and development activities at Tech have been reorganized, according to a statement released by Professor Donald W. McClaschen, director of research and development.

Dr. Vernon Griffiths has been appointed assistant director; Mr. Victor Burt, business manager; Mrs. Helen McLaughlin, secretary; Mrs. Janie Kravchuk, bookkeeper; and Mr. Keith Johnson, legal counsel.

Also formed were three groups: A Projects Control Group, Special Projects Group, and Projects Review Group. Members have not yet been appointed.

All groups will be affiliated with the Mineral Industries Development Foundation at Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology. According to Professor McGlashen's statement, among the major functions of the college are "to examine critically, classify, integrate, and add to present knowledge; to examine proposed new procedures, theories, and ideas; to develop new findings and techniques, new applications of science, engineering, philosophy, new literature, and new truths in all fields of knowledge."

He also added that research results in increased service to the "economic and social interests of the State of Montana."
Will the sound advice of the older generation fall on deaf ears?

by STEVE BAUER

If you attend any of the popular dances to hear such bands as The Chequemates, Few, Friday’s Children, The Innkeepers, or The Chequeumaties, you realize the musical trend is toward greater volume. Dancers rarely object since a stronger beat results. However, many people are concerned that these high volumes will damage a person’s hearing. An explanation of the factors involved shows that there is less danger than they claim.

Volume is normally measured in decibels (db). A faint whisper is about 40 db while normal conversation is around 65 db. Standing 35 feet from a riveter, you would hear 97 db of sound, a volume commonly recorded at rock ‘n’ roll dances. Each additional 3 db means the sound energy has increased 10 times — and 1,000 times as loud as normal conversation, a less impressive figure than it seems. If the local bands played this loud, there would be no reason to worry about high levels.

If the sound is increased to 120 times this volume, the “threshold of feeling” is reached at 120 db, the point where young people can feel the pressure of the sound while older people feel slight pain or discomfort. Most experts agree that this volume can impair the hearing only over a long period of time.

When the sound level is increased another thousand times to 150 db, damage to hearing can occur very rapidly. If the Chequemates played at such a volume, they would easily produce this much sound. Interestingly enough, they have actually played at maximum volume at some dances, occasionally bursting speakers or drumheads. But this doesn’t mean that anyone will go deaf. In a closed room, little of the sound energy can escape and the familiar reverberation occurs. When Chequemates play in a closed room, they can easily produce this much sound. Interestingly enough, they have actually played at maximum volume at some dances, occasionally bursting speakers or drumheads. But this doesn’t mean that anyone will go deaf. In a closed room, little of the sound energy can escape and the familiar reverberation occurs. When Chequemates played at full volume in a closed room, they would probably “cheer you on” to think, because it is converted into heat rather than muscular energy.

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Examining a beaver in a lab for the evolution of life course are (left to right, seated) Dennis Hunt, Tiffany Holverson, Bob Longene, Marga Berryman; (left to right, standing) Gary Dahl, Gary Benton, Professor Gilmore and Bob Rock (Photo by Jon Groff)

Evolution of life is subject of new course

A new geology course, The Origin and Development of Life, is being conducted the spring semester. The three credit course meets on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m., under the instruction of Mr. Ernest B. Gilmore, guide a student into the area where he is likely to find specimens available for class. After a student has experienced the work involved with cleaning specimens, he tends to treat specimens with more respect. "Fox snout" serves free in Room 305, Main Hall every Thursday.

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Some of the students in Geology 290 have been heard to complain about scraping meat off the bones of specimens. Mr. Gilmore explains that this is necessitated by the lack of specimens available for class. After a student has experienced the work involved with cleaning specimens, he tends to treat specimens with more respect. "Fox snout" serves free in Room 305, Main Hall every Thursday.

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One may question the application of a biblical phrase to a discussion of our school. First, of all, I ask the administration of this school to look on the freshman enrollment figure of '70. Last year it was less than 30. What is the reason for this?

The students of present engineering majors. Yet this minority consistently sur-

5,000 offered to promote understanding

An award of $5,000 is now being offered for a comprehensive program to further understanding between the people of Great Britain and the United States.

Offered by the Edward L. Bernays Foundation, the award will be given for a manuscript, not exceeding 5,000 words, in which such a program is presented. The deadline is June 30, 1967.

Joni Robbins, Bob Lefeldt featured

Joni Robbins, a blue-eyed blonde, is a freshman in this issue's Spot-

Light. She is a graduate of Girls' Central and takes American Literature, English, Sociology, Speech and Magna at Montana Tech.

Next year she plans to transfer to Boreman or Missoula where she will major in interior decorating.

Joni's main like is her art les-

sons but other things which are of interest to her are the Student Union Building, parties, dances, and, of course, boys.

Joni can be seen with Evalie Byrnes, Karen Novack, and Gayle Robbins.

Bob Lefeldt, a senior from La-

vina, Montana, is majoring in Min-

eral Dressing.

The Denver police department is after you!

The Denver Police Department is currently conducting a recruitment program on Western college cam-

puses to increase their manpower pool. They feel that only intelligent, competent, and highly moti-

vated personnel can render effective police service to the community.

Any interested male between 21 and 35 who is at least 5'8" tall and weighs 150 pounds, is eligible for a position in the police profession. In addition to his previous education, the applicant will be trained at the Denver Police Academy.

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Vocational Interest Blank is discussed

The Strong Vocational Interest Blank is discussed. A test to help guide a student into the area where he is likely to find work is now being offered.

The test is taken on your own time at home.

The Strong Vocational Interest Blank helps to identify differences between occupations that college students usually enter. There are two tests, one for men and one for women. There are 200 questions in each test, but the questions and occupations tested for vary.

Bond's Eye View

E-Days are over. This means that everyone can go back to their normal routine again. It was fun though. One good thing that usually results from talking about something in a particular department for two days is that the exhibitors begin to gain an understanding of what they are talking about.

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ried manner. Criteria for judging shown in the exhibition and comprehensiveness shown in the explanation of the exhibit as well as in the visual effects of the display. Many exhibits of engineering skills and equipment have interest only if their use is understood. An example of this would be the geologist's hammer. Everybody knows what a hammer is and how it is used. So why show a hammer? It is because showing the parts of the fraude, the geologist's hammer is just as important to his field work as a claw hammer is to carpentry.

To repeat, I would like to see the judging done using time enough to appreciate what is being done. It is not fair to a group that has worked hard to prepare and work up a good, easy explanation and then have the judges 'pass through' as Vo-Vo was a fire in the building.

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Students learn mine rescue and first-aid

A course in Mine Rescue Training, required of all senior Mining, Geological, Petroleum, and Engineering Science students, was conducted at the Original Mine Rescue Station beginning Monday afternoon, February 27. Twenty hours of instruction was required to qualify, divided into two groups, Geology, Mining, and Petroleum students met February 27 through March 3, from 2:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., and Engineering students met March 6 through March 10, from 2:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Each student had to have a Physician's Examination Form filled out by the examining physician.

Mock Election held on political issues

On February 14, 1967, a mock election, held in conjunction with eight other Montana college campuses, was conducted in the Student Union Building between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. This election gave each student a chance to voice his opinions on several issues pertinent to college students and future citizens in the business world.

The issues voted upon were those which are now being debated at the state and national level. The issues involved were the voting age, a sales tax, a possible lowering of the drinking age, receiving a state scholarship and the manner in which the state should be changing.

The outcome of this general election was 165-70 for lowering the voting age. Nineteen was the favored age, receiving 77 votes. There were 65 votes for 18 years, 22 for 20 years and 4 votes for others not listed. On the sales tax issue, 196 voted against and 37 for it. 150 voted against an increase in income tax and 177 believed it should be increased. Concerning the drinking issue, 144 favored a lowered age (19 was preferred age), while 35 wanted the drinking age to remain at 21. 235 of those favored allowing the people of Montana to vote on the sales tax at a special election.

Dorm boys have interesting mail carrier

The dorm boys at the dorm have an interesting mailman, a cheerful 6 foot fellow named Charles Ljundberg. Charlie picks up the mail at the business office in the Library-Museum Building and delivers it to the dorm where he sorts it and places it in the appropriate boxes, usually just before noon.

Unlike the mailmen who must battle the proverbial rain, snow, sleet, and hail, Charlie can duck through the school tunnels from the Library to the Gym. The only possibly exciting part of his journey is crossing Park Street and avoiding wild instructors on their way home for lunch.

After attending Worcester Junior College for two years, Charlie received his Associate in Mechanical Engineering. He is now in his third year of Engineering Science at Montana Tech. This is his second year as mailman.

The most interesting tool in Charlie's trade is his mallack, which looks much like a paper express bag and is used by Charlie to deliver the first bag used by the school since Montana State School of Mines and Metallurgy. The bag has been changed twice since that name was first used.

Sigma Rho selects officers, new members

At the last meeting of Sigma Rho on February 14 at 7:00 P.M., the following officers for the spring semester were elected: archon, Pete Norbeck; vice-archon, Charlie Ljundberg; treasurer, Steve Sands; secretary, Herb Sargent; scribe, Bob Morrison; and sergeant-at-arms, Bill Williams. A discussion of the initiation dinner followed. It was decided that the dinner should be held at the Vegas Club on March 4 at 7:00 P.M.

Later, a closed meeting was held to decide by vote the pledges who would become active. The following were accepted: Bob Hutt, Keith Jensen, Bill Stuart, Walter Olsen, Ted Williams, John Snyder, Nick Pentilla, Dan Piazza, and John Bowsher.

$2,000 scholarship open to students

Candidates for degrees in mineral engineering are eligible for the Henry DeWitt Smith Scholarship for the year 1967-1968. The award is $2,000 cash.

The purpose of the award is to assist a "worthy student in the pursuit of his graduate education in Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Departments of leading colleges and universities." However, students in allied fields may apply.

The Henry DeWitt Smith awards are administered by the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers.

Interested students should contact Dean Gustav Zolfo immediately for information on applying.

Creative writers organize

The newly formed creative writing group on campus meets each Wednesday in the SUB. The purpose of the group is to help each of the members to write creatively and well. Members write works, such as short stories and poetry, and then read them to the rest of the group for criticism.

About eight to ten students are in the group. Anyone interested is asked to contact Mr. Robert Athers, the director of the group, for further information.

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Films to be shown

Films concerning the Man-In-Space Program are being shown at Montana Tech in room 215 of the Main Building at 7:00 P. M. every other Tuesday.

Admission to these films is free and all films are in beautiful color. Each program lasts approximately one hour. The following films will be shown on Tuesday, March 21, 1967: "Gemini 8" is about the flight of Astronaut Armstrong and Scott. It was an exclusive roll rate from a faulty thruster. "Gemini 10" tells about the flight of Astronauts Young and Collins. "Gemini 11" tells about the flight of Astronauts Cernan and Gordon with extravehicular activity.

For further information concerning the Man-In-Space Program films, contact Professor McCaslin.

Finagle Factor is presented

Several years ago John W. Camp-bell, editor of Astounding Science Fiction, and the readers of that magazine collected samples of Finagle's Laws. These "laws" have evolved from the experiments of thousands of scientists who have been frustrated by the fact that na-ture is too unpredicted presented here is the "Finagle Factor."

Years ago—when the universe was relatively easy to understand—the Finagle factor consisted of a simple additive constant (sometimes called variable constant) in the form:

\[ X = Y + K(1) \]

Where any measured variable, \( X \), could be made to agree with theory, \( Y \), by simple addition of the Finagle factor, \( K(1) \).

Later diligence couldn't be solved so easily and so a fudge factor, \( K(2) \), was added.

\[ X = Y + K(1) + K(2) \]

Powerful as this adjustment was, World War II studies in serv-ice theory indicated a need for a still stronger influence. The diddle fac-tor, \( K(3) \), was born and made to multiply the quadratic term.

\[ X = Y + K(1) + K(2) + K(3) \]

It is felt that, at least at present, reality can be made to agree with mathematical theory with reasonable agreement on the basis of these three factors.

However, John W. Campbell feels there is a different basic struc-ture behind the Finagle, fudge and diddle factors. The Finagle factor, he claims, is characterized by chang-ing the universe to fit an equation. The fudge factor, on the other hand, changes the equation to fit the universe. And finally, the diddle factor changes things so that the equation and the universe appear to fit, with-out making any real change in either.

For example, the planet Uranus was introduced to the universe when Newtonian laws couldn't be made to fit known planetary motions. This is a beautiful example of the application of the Finagle factor. It seems that the relative-strenght was strongly influenced by the observed facts about the orbit of Uranus. Obviously a fudge factor was introduced. The photographer's use of a "soft-focus" lens when taking portraits of women over 35 is an example of the diddle factor. By blurring the re-sults, photographs are made to ap-pear to match the facts in a far more satisfactory manner.

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Four AWS girls attend convention

Four girls representing the Associated Women Students at Montana Tech attended a wide-ranging convention held on the campus of Eastern College at Billings. Cheryl Thornton, president of Tech's AWS, Carol Trythan, vice-president, Trudy Tomzach, and Darlene Wheeler were invited to this convention held February 17 and 18. Mrs. McRide, the sponsor for the group, also attended.

The theme of the convention was "This Door Swings Both Ways." The purpose of the convention was to vote on a constitution, elect state AWS officers, as well as begin the need for more communication between the various members of the AWS throughout the state. Approximately fifty girls attended. These fifty girls represented AWS organizations from the University of Montana, Montana State University, Northern, and Eastern, as well as Montana Tech.

The girls roomed at the dorms. Their schedule included panel discussions, banquets, and hearing various guest speakers besides attending the meetings themselves.

Astronauts in language in orbit

What the astronauts have done to the English language is the subject of some speculation by Mary C. Valentine in a recent edition of "C. C. Merriam Company's Word Study."

Many of the observations of the first men in space were put in tech-nical terms, now increasingly familiar to the lay public—perigee, telemetry, ionosphere, tropopausa, albedo.

Some new terms or new usages were formed also—a-gwol, shuttle rockets, sub-orbital, yw, horizon scanony inputs, etc., etc.

In the use of regular language, the astronauts showed that they weren't English professors anyway. Colonel Glenn began his first press com-mentary with "First off, how did I control that fly-by-wires?" Major Grissom found the sun "real bright." Perhaps the most famous and widely used of the space locutions, however, is "A-O-K."

In a meeting the problems of communication in a new venture, the astronauts tried a peculiar combination of highly colloquial American with the most sophisticated technical terminology. If those Maritans know English, we may not be able to understand them.

Odd Montana facts show colorful past

It should be of interest to all students to know just how far the State of Montana has come in the years since statehood. As late as 1850's beaver and buffalo skins were the sole product of Montana. In it's first year of production, 1865, Aber- nathy surmounted ten million dol-lars in gold.

Marcus Daly and the Standard Oil Company backed legislation to name Anaconda the state capital.

F. A. Heins, one of the "Copper Kings," sold out mining claims in 1906 for the total of ten and one half million dollars and one year later was pauperized in the Wall St. Panic of 1907.

Garfield County has only 4 per-sons per square mile. The U. S. average is 56.5 persons per square mile. Some more recent information showed that in 1962 Montana shipped 22 million Christmas trees to other states. A fact that should deflate the egos of some of the Butte students is that petroleum has be-come the most important mineral in Montana, exceeding copper both in volume and in the value received for it.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

Dean Stolz takes trip to Washington

Gustav Stolz, Dean of Student Af-fairs and Head of the Petroleum Department, attended a meeting February 10th and 11th in Wash-ington, D. C. of the Engineering Preparation Committee.

The meeting, sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers, was held to initiate new ideas leading to greater success in persuading more suitable candidates to enter the field of engineering and engineering aids.

The committee members were briefed on the need for more co-operation and more effective action. Statistics relating to the enrollment of high school seniors into engineering colleges were presented.

They concluded that their goals would contain a new and different program of literature and better dis-tribution of the material.

Jaycees honor 1960 Tech graduate

Robert W. Hoy, a 1960 graduate of Montana Tech, has been selected by the national Jaycees for inclusion in its list of 1967's outstanding young men of America. Hoy lives in Glendora, California, with his wife and two daughters. He is now the general manager of western opera-tions of B.L.H Electronics, Pasadena, California, a firm which makes electric measurement devices.

Hoy was an instructor and drafts-man in descriptive geometry during his last three years at Montana Tech. During his attendance at Tech, he was named in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" in 1959-1960.

Young and Collins. "Gemini II" occurred both above the Southern California Chapter of the Montana Tech Alumni and has been active in the East San Gabriel Valley Chapter of Professional En-gineers. He has participated in nu-merous seminars and is a frequent guest lecturer at industrial firms and colleges on the subject of strain gauge technology. Hoy was also the executive secretary for the Western Regional Strain Gauge Committee four years.

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Intramural volleyball, handball starting

Volleyball
Intramural volleyball will begin sometime in early March, according to Coach Lester. The opening game will feature the Supermen vs. the Spikers and the Obsturiers vs. Tappan-krew. These four teams will start the action for the first week of team play.

Every team will be able to play each other at least once; it is hoped that more than one round will be played.

At the end of the season a tournament will be held with all teams participating.

Awards will be given to the top teams.

Handball
Intramural handball will also begin sometime in early March with the contestants arranging their own schedule.

The doubles will begin first, consisting of thirteen teams: Craig Barbaro and Fred Hoffman, Ace Weing and Mike Crick, Jim Benny and Dan Sebena, Vern Kingston and Bill Stanton, Gary Varosky and Ed Kavin, Gary Ryan and Brian O'Neill, Bill George and Gary Hunt, Bill Robinson and Dan McLaughlin, Joe Mattioli and Les Ocks, Henry Ryboston and John Odoms, Terry Angrove and John Sutte, John Cavanaugh and Fred Dalbec, Gary O’Farrell and Dan McVeigh.

After the doubles have been played the singles will start. Each man will play his teammate first, then the winner of each team will play the winners of the other teams until the top four individuals are recognized. All those who participated in the doubles will also play in the singles with the exception of John Cavanaugh and Fred Dalbec.

Track, intramural softball, golf to begin

Track
The Montana Tech track team began its workout Monday, Feb. 27, outdoors and in the gym when weather did not permit. Some trackmen started practice before Monday in order to be in competitive condition.

Coach Lester reported that his team will be strong in the running distance events and sprints, but they may be fairly weak in the field events. The track team hopes to participate in at least three track meets.

Softball
Coach Lester also announced that he will soon start intramural softball for all those who may want to participate. Those who are interested should contact Coach Lester as soon as possible so that team rosters may be drawn up. Each team will play every other team with at least one round of games.

A tournament is also hoped to be organized for the teams to participate in.

Golf
Intramural varsity golf practice was put into full swing Monday, Feb. 27, with regularly scheduled practice sessions being held.

Regular playoffs have not yet been announced, but the practice sessions have already begun for some competitors.

Coach Lester announced that there will be some returning lettermen to the squad as well as some new golfers from high school.

More information on golf and intramural softball will be published in the next issue.

Tiddledywinks intercollegiate sport
Tiddledywinks, usually thought of as a child's game, has become an intercollegiate sport on the Eastern seaboard.

Using specially made mats from England, teams from Harvard, Princeton, and Yale hold yearly contests.

Requiring skill rather than muscle, tiddledywinks offers an opportunity for lovers and poets to outperform more burly but less finely coordinated athletes.

It seems more than likely that with increased interest and demand for competitive activities to substitute for warfare (we hope), fast growing tiddledywinks may become increasingly popular, even among women, who are now invading the masculine domain of pool.