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Pussycat, Pussycat, where had you been?
I'd been to the Gunny Bag to see the scene.

The SPECTRACAT was called to the Gunny Bag (you know, the SACrament they have ev ry now and then) - Franco Nero wanted it served on the menu. The message was delivered to the Cat by the Voice Box. Franco Nero had come with loaded pistols (or so he thought!) but found, to his dismay, that they were only water-pistols (a very damp Diwali, eh?) Jimmy Carter's brother wanted the Cat under the Cublications Pommittee (whatever that is!). It looks as if the Gunny Bag had held many Rip Van Winkles - they woke up only after seven weeks.

The Gunny Bag
Decided that our mag
Isn't just a rag.

"Your tails you can wag,
We don't want to nag;
Now the 'Cat's' out of the 'Bag'.

But we'd rather you had
Not pulled this gag
And told us of your mag
Without this time lag."

The above is by no means the official minutes of the proceedings at the Gunny Bag meeting.

CAST (in order of appearance)

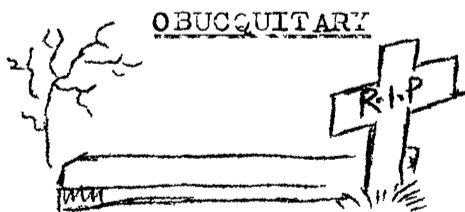
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| 1. FRANCO NERO | : | Hero of the movie D'JANGO. |
| 2. Voice Box | : | Single channel, 15 watts
Arfi SPEAKER. |
| 3. Jimmy Carter's brother | : | Miz. Lillian Carter's son
(Master Kramer?) |
| 4. Publications Committee | : | #+*%@&&#Rs&g@mm%12.!? |

All characters mentioned are purely fictitious and resemblance to any person, living or dead or sleeping, is purely coincidental.

QUIZ

The inter-collegiate Rotaract Quiz was held at CLT on Saturday. Six of the twelve participating colleges qualified for the finals through an in camera prelims. "What does R stand for in R. Gundu Rao?" - Ramarao. "What is common to the Liril and Nescafe ads?" - Come Alive. "For what ailment did Gandhiji employ earth treatment?" - Constipation.

Four colleges tied for the fifth place in the prelims - MCC and AC Tech pulled through by virtue of submitting a minute early and faring better in the first 10 questions. Uttam Padukone ("Is corrrroctt", "Not that", "Is wrong") was lively besides being extremely knowledgeable. "What separates Minicoy from the Laccadive Islands?" "Water" quipped a member of the audience, and was promptly rewarded with an eclair for humour. Vivekananda (Vijay Kumar, Madhav, Bharath) with 16 points cashed. CEG (Umesh, Shyam, V. D. Shivakumar) tied with IIT (Joy, Suku, Pat) 15-15. IIT got the better of CEG in the written tie-breaker 1-0 for the Rs 50 2nd prize. The 1st prize is Rs 100. The prize distribution will be held at Hotel Ashoka.



It is with deep regret that we announce the sad and untimely demise of our beloved BUCQUIZZ...n (n→8), on this day, the first of November, nineteen hundred and eighty-one. BUCQUIZZ leaves behind SPECTATOR and more space. May **its** soul rest in peace.

Inserted by friends, relatives and editors.

CYCLE RACE...SUGGESTIONS WELCOME

Ours is a veritable 'Campus of Bicycles'. For quite some time I have been wondering how a cycle road race (a la annual road race) could be conducted.

(i) The race should have mass participation like the annual road race.

(ii) Only ordinary cycles should be permitted; sports bikes and bikes with modifications (e.g. mud-guards removed) should not be allowed.

(iii) The distance should be at least 7 km.

For several reasons, a cycle road race seems much more difficult to conduct than the annual road race. Some of them are

(a) You cannot have a 'bunch' start as in the road race. Even during the road race, several runners bump into each other at the start.

(b) There are several jay-walking kids in the residential area. Very grave, even fatal injuries could result if a kid were knocked down by a speeding bike.

(c) If the race is held in the stadium, the track will get spoiled. Moreover, the athletics track is not firm enough for a bike.

One way out would be each hostel having its own cycle road race. The top two competitors from each hostel will vie for honours in the institute-level race. I reckon 24 is a manageable number.

Suggestions on how a cycle road race can be held are welcome.

Bucket (225 Ganga).

Football: SWEET REVENGE FOR NETAJI

Netaji Club (Saidapet), a first division side, beat IIT 1-0. In the previous encounter we had outclassed them*. We played below par at three quarter strength, whereas they were at full strength and in full cry (unlike last time).

(*As related in SPECTATOR Issue 7 dated 25-10-81.)

INTER-HOSTEL

TT: Narmada beat Tapti 5-2. Sajai (Na) won all his 3 matches. A. B. Sreenivasan (Na), an instt. player, lost to Kiran in straight sets. Ravi (Ta) beat Avinash (Na) for the only other win for Tapti.

