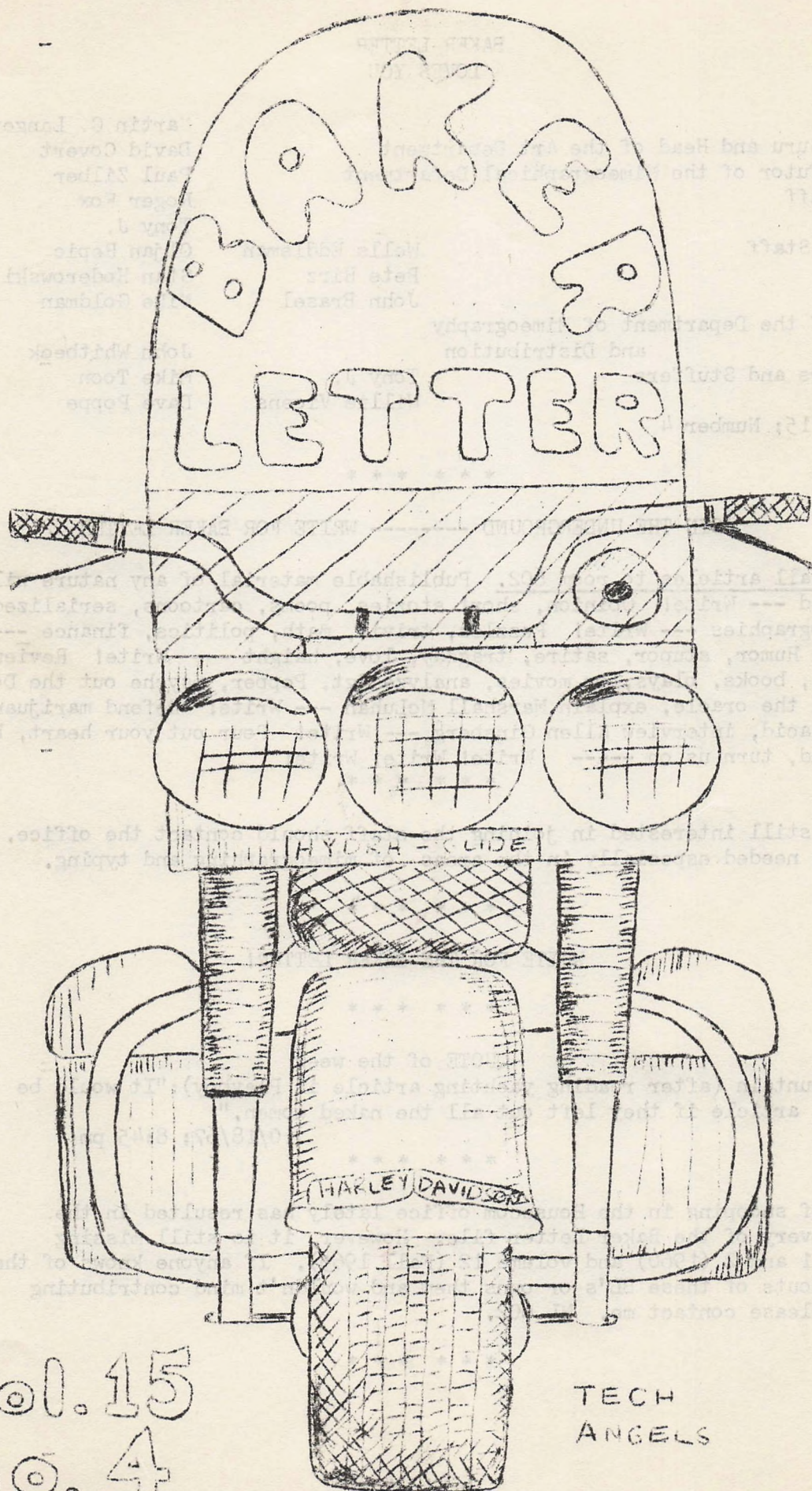




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Anyone still interested in joining the staff should contact the office. Help is needed especially in the areas of mimeographing and typing.

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WRITE FOR THE BAKER LETTER!

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QUOTE of the week

Dave Mountain (after reading yachting article in Playboy): "It would be a great article if they left out all the naked women."

10/18/67; 8:45 pm

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A bit of snooping in the Housecom office lately has resulted in the rediscovery of the Baker Letter file. However, it is still missing volume 1 and 2 (1960) and volume 12 (Fall 1965). If anyone knows of the whereabouts of these BL's or owns them and wouldn't mind contributing them, please contact me. ML 602.

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THE NIGHT AIR

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Tonight I saw from out my window pane
The windy swaying treetops bending by
Some colors glowing lonely through broad and misty sky.

Like outstretched vacant arms, the streams of light
Formed fuzzy sploshes fusing into beams
Of blue and pink. They all enchanted Night
To hide Idea in sleep, and think in dreams.

But close beyond the pale gray mist I saw
A figure tall and strong; its black outline
Sat squared upon the wide horizon. Raw
And hard contempt glowed where his eyes did shine.

Like stone his Roman nose fell smugly toward
A mouth blood red and ugly, sickly bored.

Joseph Morlan, Sept. 26, 1963

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NEW CONTEST

Inspired by the antics of our very own NOW RADIO STATION over the past weekend (and, it must be admitted, by certain residents of that beloved hall, Stanley) the BAKER LETTER proudly announces the second CONTEST. We are conducting a poll to find the fifty (50) worst pop songs of all time. Just write down the three songs that you think are the ugliest, greasiest, most revolting and obnoxious songs of all time and send them to Baker House Box 6021. We are trying to convince WTBS to play the 50 worst at some time. Be sure to put your name on your one entry. Groovey prizes to be announced later, for those people who correctly guess the 3 ugliest songs.

NAME	_____
WORST	_____
2nd	_____
WORST	_____
3rd	_____
WORST	_____

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MUSIC QUIZ

The quiz is 'off and running'. The best score for last week's quiz was attained by Frank Feinhey who identified two compositions and three composers correctly.

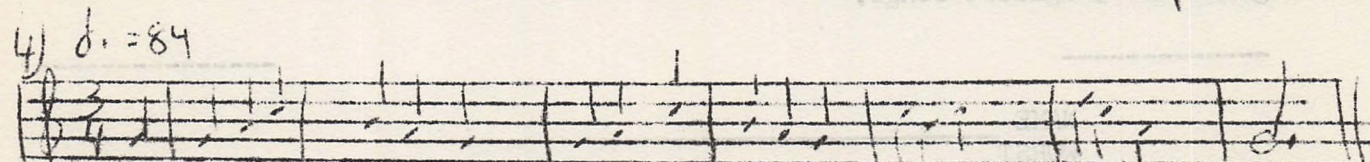
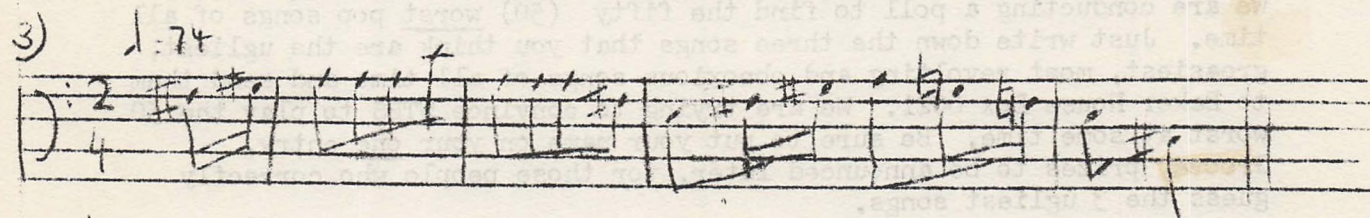
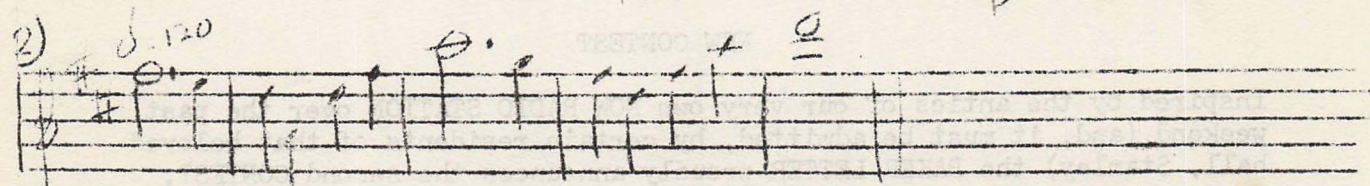
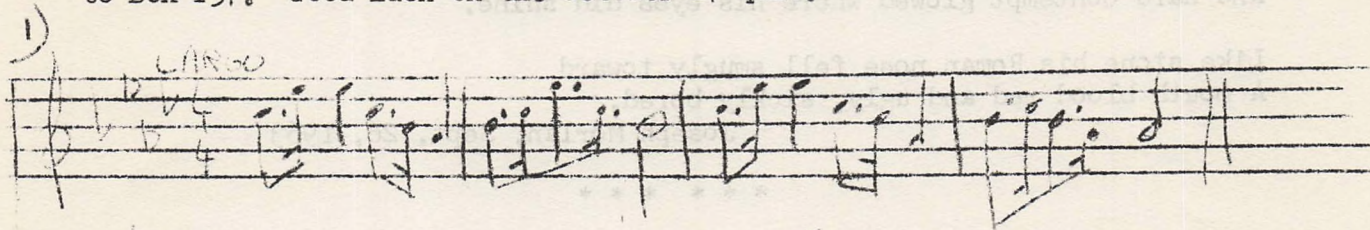
The answers to the October 19 QUIZ follow.

1. Ludwig van Beethoven (1770 - 1827): Symphony No. 3 in E-flat, Op. 55 "Eroica". 4
2. Howard Hanson (1896 -): Symphony No. 3.
3. Richard Wagner (1813 - 1883): Tannhauser, act III., scene II., "Song to the Evening Star".
4. Alban Berg (1885 - 1935): Lyric Suite.
5. J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750): Two Part Inventions, Inventio XIII.

What was your score?

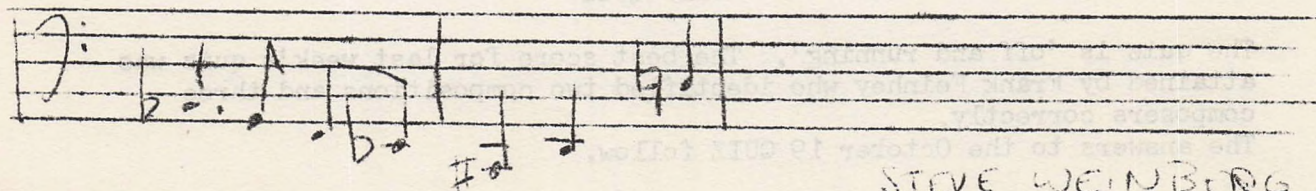
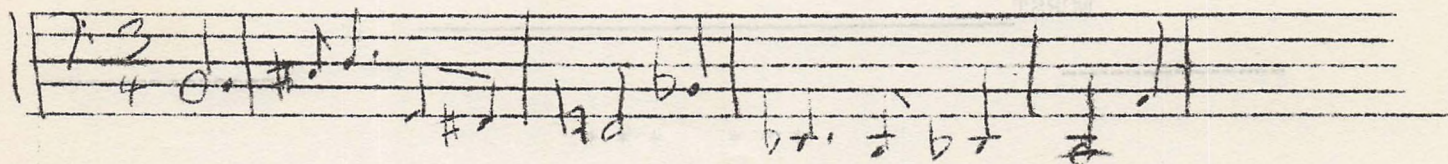
If there are a reasonable number of submitted solutions to the QUIZ over the year, I think it is probable that a prize (perhaps a record) will be awarded to the 'most correct Bakerite'. A correct identification of a composer or his work receiving one point, two points for both, unless otherwise indicated.

Record will be kept beginning today, so submit your answers to Box 137. Good luck on the October 27 quiz.



I'm called little Buttercup, dear little Buttercup though I could never tell why

5) *Allegro*



STEVE WEINBERG
Rm. 137

PDE's FIRST OFFICIAL BASEBALL PREDICTIONS
FOR 1968

Predictions made at 12:30 A.M., Oct. 11, 1967

AMERICAN LEAGUE

HOW CLOSE?

MINNESOTA TWINS	Twins could runaway, but it may be close,
BALTIMORE ORIOLES	with Balt. in it all the way, and possibly
(1) BOSTON RED SOX	even the Red Sox, who should finish at
	least a solid third.
DETROIT TIGERS	These 3 teams should finish bunched
CALIFORNIA ANGELS	together with the order hard to pick,
CHICAGO WHITE SOX	and probably dependent on winter trades.
	The best of these 3 might catch Boston,
	but only if the Red Sox fail out of the
	flag race earlier which is doubtful.
CLEVELAND INDIANS	May catch a faltering team listed
	ahead of them, but probably just a
	solid seventh.
(2) NEW YORK YANKEES	May catch Cleve, but probably a solid 8th
KANSAS CITY (?) ATHLETICS	Close to
WASHINGTON SENATORS	ninth.

HOW THEY'LL DO IT:

I think that a full year from Frank Robinson and less injuries to the pitching staff will keep the Orioles in the pennant race to the end. A return of Oliva to the .300 ranks and an expected improvement by Versailles should make for an even more potent offense next year and an expected repeat of solid performances by their starters could make it a runaway for the Twins, but only if Baltimore's pitching fails. Yastrzemski, Lonborg, and a healed Tony C. will keep Boston in the race, but the pitching behind Lonborg will have to solidify for them to repeat otherwise they'll have to settle for a strong, and possibly close, third. The possibilities are there though, and the pitching might just come through enough for another pennant.

I think Detroit's weak bullpen will put them out of the race a bit sooner than it did in '67, but it probably will be good enough to beat out the Angels, who will need to solidify their staff a bit more in order to move past Detroit and become a contender. The payoff for Bill Rigney's team-molding efforts may not be too far away, however, and I wouldn't be too surprised to see a Cubs-California World Series in 1969, though it may be a little further off than that for both teams.

Pitching depth, according to the latest N.L. vs. A.L. theories, is supposed to be prevalent in the A.L., so maybe the White Sox don't have something so unique and advantageous with a super solid staff in a pitchers league. At any rate, I don't think they'll get away another year in the first division without hitting, so I've got them sixth.

Cleveland seems to be too good a team for seventh place, but not quite as good as the 6 teams above them. They remind me of Cincinnati in the N.L.: if they only get all those on-off pitchers going at once, they'll clean up. They seem bound for seventh unless one of the teams ahead of them falters, and if they don't improve themselves, the Yankees might eke ahead of them if they can find a bat somewhere.

(1) MY SENTIMENTAL FAVORITES. (2) I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THESE TEAMS MOVE UP.

It may take only the return of Tresh and Pepitone to old form to get the Yankees hitting again, though I can't say I expect this. They have a strong young pitching staff, though, which shouldn't take too long to stabilize, so that when the hitting finally arrives, the pitching should be there and zoom! But not 1968 and probably not for a few more years. The A's "strong young pitchers" let the team finish tenth in '67 because they lacked stability and reliability. A year of experience will make 1968's staff more solid, but not enough to beat out the Yankees despite better offense.

Washington finished tied for sixth in '67 only because they were more stable than the clubs that finished behind them. With the exception of one or two who may have a shot at future greatness, they impress me as a team full of second division ballplayers who happened to fit well together. They should show this and fall to the cellar with the improvement of N.Y., Cleve., and the A's, though they'll probably fight it out for ninth with whoever turns out to be the weakest of those teams, probably the A's. Gill Hodges ought to grab the Mets' job while it's still open and highpriced for him and let the next Washington manager get blamed for the Senators' ensuing demise.

ALL PREDICTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BETWEEN NOW AND THE BEGINNING OF THE '68 SEASON PENDING TRADES AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS.

PDE SPORTS QUIZ

Though there is no prize established for the quiz right now, I would like to keep a rating system going throughout the term. One point will be awarded for each regular question answered correctly, a 5 point bonus will be awarded for getting all 5 regular questions right, and 5 points will be awarded for correct answers to the occasional bonus questions. The person with the most points at the end of the term will win the first Baker Sports Trivia Pennant. All correct answers will be announced in B.L., though, so don't hesitate to send in occasional answers even if you doubt that you will keep up with the quiz all term long. I also welcome you to send me questions which you think will be usable for the quiz (please send answers, too). I will mention your name if I use your question, and if you decide to answer that week's quiz, I won't count any points for answers to your own question, but I will still give you a 5 point bonus if you get all of the other regular questions right. Correct answers to questions other than mine will count, of course, for everyone except the submitter of the question, and getting all 5 will be necessary for the bonus for everyone except the submitter. All questions and answers should be placed in my mail box, 2250, and answers will count only if submitted BEFORE the Tuesday after you get your B.L.

QUIZ # 2

This is an all pro football quiz, the first four questions of which are about one of the most exciting games I've ever seen. It was well publicized at the time, and it was on national TV, so it's fair game for the quiz. The game was the 1961 "Pro-Bowl" (NFL ALL-STAR game). Here is some background to help you remember the game: Fantastic passing exhibitions were put on by both quarterbacks, Johnny Unitas for the West and Y.A. Tittle for the East. The West roled up a big lead early in the game and it looked safe for them at half-time. Tittle passed the East to an amazing comeback

though, and they took a six point lead late in the Fourth quarter. But Unitas threw a TD pass on the last play of the game for a one point win for the West.

1. What East defender had a wide open shot, with no blockers in the way, to tackle Unitas from the side well before he got the pass off on the last play, but missed completely?
2. What Est defenseman was the real hero of the game, intercepting several Tittle passes, running one bak for an important TD, and making one other key play?
3. What was that other "Key play"?
4. What handicap was he playing under that made his great showing a truly remarkable physical performance?
5. Who was the last of the regular professional 60-minute football players?

Because few people submitted written answers to the first quiz, I am giving you a second chance by rerunning it.

The PDE Sports Quiz

1. Who hit the first World Series homer in Yankee Stadium?
2. Who stole first base in a regulation major league game?
3. What is the nickname of the NFL football?
4. Who was it name d after?
5. What was the regular season won-lost record of the only pitcher to ever beat the NY Mets in a World Series game and in what year did he do it?

Bonus Question:

You fans who saw the seventh game of the World Series in the Baker TV room and read the sign on the door or front wall may be wondering what Fred Melke did in 1908. It was probably the biggest boner ever pulled in the history of baseball since he cost his team the pennant, and he didn't even have to hit into a double play, strike-out or drop a ball to do it.

Merkle was on first base with Moose McCormick on third with two out and tie score in the last of the ninth for the NY Giants in the Polo Grounds in a crucial game against the Cubs. Al Bridwell hit a line drive that bounced into centerfield, but Merkle, seeing McCormick cross home plate, stopped on his way to second base and ran to the centerfield clubhouse. Giant coach Joe McGinnity, realizing what happened, threw the ball into the stands, but Cubs' star second baseman Johnny Evers called for the ball, and Cub's pitcher Floys Kroh, not in the game, retrieved it and threw it to Evers who stepped on second for the out-it was a third out by forceout, thus no runs could score on the play. By that point the fans were pouring onto the field, so the game couldn't be continued. As it turned out, had the Giants won they would have won the pennant, but not counting that game they were tied with the Cubs, and the Cubs beat them in a re-play of the game after the season should have ended to take the N.L. flag away.

Several people in Baker, I'm sure, know of the Merkle boner, but may wonder what the question is since I seem to have mentioned all the particulars - names, etc. Well, here's the bonus question: Who was the umpire who called Merkle out?

REMEMBER: ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN - SUBMIT TO PDE, ROOM 225.

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