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COMING UP

- December 12 Appoint Motor Club Autocross. OD'ed by Don Angelina.
 Nichol's Department Store, Colonial Heights. Registration
 10:00 am.
- December 16 VMSC Annual Meeting for election of Officers for 1977 and final reports from committees. St. John's Wood Club House. 8:00 pm.
- December 18 Appoint Motor Club Christmas Party, Holiday Inn South, Petersburg. Guests \$7.50/person for dinner. set-ups, dancing.
- December 18 Albemarle Andiamo Auto Club Christmas Party, Old Ivy Inn. Charlottesville.
- December 19 Tidewater Sports Car Club "Winter Four Auto-X Series." event #1. Military Circle Shopping Center, Norfolk. Registration 11:00 am. FCO 12:00. \$3.00/event for SEVSCO members, \$4.00 for others: \$1.00 discount for entrants traveling more than 60 miles one way. Three remaining dates to be announced.
- January 16 WRC Winter Ceries, event #1. There are 4 events in this novice series: other dates are set for January 30, February 20, and March 6. Each events costs \$4.00. series price is \$14.00.
- January 20 VMSC regular monthly meeting.
- January 22 VMSC Annual Awards Banquet. See.flyer this issue.
- January 30 VMSC Rally. OD'ed by Ellen Hamilton and Ralph Bawter. Details next month.

Ballots will not be handed out or voting begun until after the regular business meeting



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				O.D.'s: Bill Hunter a	and Gary	Stout		October 10	, 1976
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Class	Pos.	Car #	Car Make	Driver	Club	151	2110	<u>Jru</u>	Index
<u>A/M</u>									
*	1	53	Phantom	Tom Silva	VWAC	1:01.462	1:00.381	1:00.634	
	2	77	Cooper S	Steve Gibbs	SCCA	1:03.478	1:01.475	1:01.410	
	3	76	Corvette	Wayne Walker	CCR	1:01.525	1:03.633	1:01.632	
B/M									
*	1	56	Cooper S	Sherry Banks AN	NDIA MO	1:06.661	1:04.772	1:03.151	
*	2	57	Sprite	Earl Williams	SCCA	DNF	1:04.866	1:03.480	
*	3	78	MGB	Peter Wilson	VMSC	1:10.957	1:09.117	1:09.923	
	4	73	Datsun	Fred DeBardeleben	VMSC	1:12.794	1:09.509	1:09.234	
	5	49	FV	Fred Sherwood	VMSC	1:10.769	1:10.987	1:09.370	
	6	52	Datsun	Marian DeBardeleben	VMSC	1:15.702	1:12.148	1:11.505	
N	7	3	Porsche	Richard Fohl	PCA	1:16.486	1:11.765	1:13.047	.9092
N	8	72	FV	Mike Williams	VMSC	DNF	1:13.146	DNF	.8920
N	9	58	FV	Bob Lemaire		DNF	1:15.537	DNF	.8638
C/M									
*	1	40	Renault	Len Wells	VMSC	1:07.220	1:05.971	1:05.424	
*	2	22	Vega	Bill Lloyd	VMSC	DNF	1:06.591	1:06.316	
	3	50	Renault	Tom Blot	VMSC	1:07.452	1:07.474	DNF	
	4	60	Renault	Bill Enos	VMSC	DNF	DNF	1:07.666	
	5	81	Datsun	Rob DeBardeleben	VMSC	DNF	1:16.382	DNF	
N	6	51	Vega	Tim Lloyd		DNF	DNF	DNF	.0000
A /D									
A/P	-	CC	Commette	Rhett Riddle	CCR	1:39.120	1:07.651	1:05.625	
™	1 2	66 91	Corvette Porsche	John Ashford	PCA	1:13.529	1:09.494	1:06.249	
.T.	3		Porsche	Dave Armentrout	VMSC	DNF	1:15.742	$\frac{1:06.240}{1:06.400}$	
Name (24			PCA	DNF	1:10.325	$\frac{1:00.400}{1:08.963}$.9561*
2 N	4	68	Porsche	Gary Simmons	PCA	1:19.770	DNF	$\frac{1:00.503}{1:11.549}$. 5501
	5	17	Porsche	Gary Bolton	PCA	1:19.770	DNF	1.11. 545	
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*	1	87	Corvette	Ernie Sims	CCR	DNF	1:03.963	DNF	0540*
3 N	2	41	Porsche	John Wallace		DNF	1:10.305	1:10.412	.9549*
	3	80	Corvette	Margaret Howard	CCR	1:16.567	DNF	1:10.421	0010
N	4	2	TransAm	Charles Burnett	SCCA	DNF	1:20.358	1:15.321	.8913
<u>C/P</u>									
*	1	96	Cooper S	Mike Martin	MCA	1:06.941	1:05.578	1:06.110	
*	2	16	Porsche	Dan Peer	PCA	1:10.083	1:09.378	1:12.952	
	3	74	Datsun	Butch Cobb	VMSC	1:11.362	1:11.455	1:10.953	
	4	55	Datsun	Charlie Alligrant	AMC	DNF	1:11.501	DNF	
N	5	86	Datsun	Pete Winters	VMSC	1:14.482	1:12.775	1:13.056	. 9272
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$\frac{D/P}{r}$		0.5		Dalah Wantan	WMCC	1.00 210	1:09.110	1:11.852	
	1	95	Triumph	Ralph Vawter	VMSC	1:09.319 1:10.581	1:15.796	1:10.161	
•	2	62	Honda	Bill Hunter	VMSC	1:10.501	1:15.790	1:10.101	

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Shelia Hunter

John Loth

Art Wingo

Diane Wingo

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Honda

Corvair

Datsun

Datsun

1:13.461

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CORSA 1:11.685 VMSC 1:15.782 1:11.851

1:12.616

1:16.398

DNF

1:11.088

1:12.370

1:13.969

.9414

DNF

Class	Pos.	Car#	Car Make	Driver	Club	1st	2nd	3rd	Novice Index
E/P						7			
*	1	94	Fiat	Burk Bartels	VMSC	1:07.809	1:15.902	1:07.785	20
*	2	88	Fiat	Richard Nuckols	VMSC	1:11.173	1:10.362	1:10.531	
	3	63	vw	Gary Stout	VMSC	1:11.554	1:10.696	1:13.105	
N	4	83	Fiat	Martha Bartels	VMSC	DNF	1:14.012	1:13.392	.9411
	5	84	Morgan	Doug Markham	MMCC	1:56.579	1:14.121	1:14.449	
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$\frac{F/P}{*}$	4		Detaun	Mike Castleberry	VMSC	1:14.208	1:08.531	1:09.400	
*	1	59 42	Datsun	David Sanderson	V IVESC	DNF	1:10.783	1:11.605	
	2	71	Datsun Pinto	Lance Ingram		1:12.739	$\frac{1:10.165}{1:12.866}$	1:10.787	
	3	11	·	Lance nigram		1.12.100	1.12.000	1.10.101	
A/S									
A/S *	1	79	TVR	John Hartley	VMSC	1:10.767	1:15.801	1:09.082	
*	2	47	Jaguar	Howard Vaughan	V.MSC	DNF	1:10.130	DNS	
1N	3	23	TVR	David Stilwell		1:14.277	1:10.648	1:21.484	.9902*
5N	4	1	Duster	Ralph Ellis		1:15.697	1:14.191	1:15.596	.9429*
N	5	5	Corvette	W. Michael	CCR	1:14.937	1:22.405	1:17.727	. 9335
N	6	15	Camaro	Ben Fortner		DNF	1:18.158	DNF	.8950
N	7	67	Jaguar	Steve Vaughan		DNS	DNS	DNS	.0000
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B/S *	1	46	Jensen-						
	1	40	Healey	Richard Bauer		1:08.678	1:08.720	1:07.944	
*	2	69	Fiat	Steve McCarthy	VMSC	1:10.442	1:08.558	1:08.985	
	3	39	Porsche	Bill Gronning	VMSC	1:10.750	1:09.128	1:11.281	
NH.	4	44	Porsche	Judy McGowan	VMSC	DNF	1:16.427	1:11.852	
N	5	97	Datsun	Richard West		DNF	1:16.650	1:14.565	.9153
<u>C/S</u>		-0	1. 1.	Wilt Consequenced	MACO	DNF	DNF	1:08.442	
*	1	18	Audi	Wilt Greenwood	VMSC	1:11.568	1:09.310	1:08.945	
	2	93	Audi	Dave McCall	VMSC VMSC	1:11.368	1:13.397	$\frac{1:08.343}{1:12.461}$.9480*
4 N	3	43	Honda .	Barbara Stout	VMSC	1:14. 948	1:13. 154	$\frac{1:12.401}{1:12.896}$.0100
22	4	48	VW	Dick Jones Duane Gardner	VIVIOU	DNF	DNF	1:15.404	.9110
N	5 6	4	Honda	John Neblett		1:18.775	1:18.149	1:17.670	.8844
N	O	31	Cricket	John Neplett		1.10.110	1.10.110	2.2	A 763017031
D/S								500	
*	1	70	Pinto	Gordon Paterson	VMSC	DNF	1:14.774	1:11.596	
	2	61	Fiat	Steve Fields	SSCA	DNF	1:13.414	1:13.648	0045
N	3	85	Vega	Pat Femiani		DNF	1:23.916	1:19.158	. 9045
And in	a clas	No. 1.1.1.							
	1	00	Wretched	Wilt Greenwood	VMSC	1:23.353	1:22.117	1:21.612	

^{* --} Trophy

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Neale and Martha Dickinson, Dave McCall, Pete Winters, Marian and Fred DeBardeleben, Peter, Libby, and Lindsay Wilson, Len Wells, Ralph Vawter, Steve McCarthy, Rob DeBardeleben, Dave Armentrout, Tom Blot, Lewis Parsley, Art, Diane and Karen Wingo, Judy McGowan, Bill Gronning, Bill Enos, Mike Williams, Scott Powell, John Hartley, Dan Peer, Charles Burnett, Duane Gardner, Barbara Stout, Shelia Hunter, the silver throats of Jack East and Dick Jones, and the ubiquitous Fletcher Greenwood. Many thanks to the above, with special appreciation to those who braved the 8:00 a.m. chill to lend a hand. If we have forgotten you, please let us know. And, of course, our special thanks to the Thalhimers organization for the use of their Westmoreland lot.

N -- Novice

Name of Event Moonshine Trail II # of Entrants 20 @\$ 5.00 @\$. Date of Event 11-21-76

O.D.'s Neale Dickinson. Lewis ParsleWelpers Official Pre-Checks Mike & Beth Castleberry. Checks Bill Briton. Gary Stout, Toni Wells, Scott Powell, Workers: Shelia Hunter, Bill Enos, Robert Neisz* Adam Burlock* Pam

Jones, Gerry Eberhard, Richard West, Martha Dickinson, Mike & Beth Castleberry, Toni Wells, Scott Powell, Bill Britton, and Cary Stout. CONTROLS Class O/A Car Make Driver Navigator Pos'n 3 5 6 8 10 12 TOT. 11 13 74 1E # 1 3 Fox W.Greenwood Greenwood 269 3 19 35 2 0 151 27 n 518 2E B. Gronninh J. McGowan 914 270 3 1 117 23 725 1 2 300 8 1 1 n 3E Datsun M. DeBard. F. DeBard. 3 0 300 213 2 n 250 300 2 4 2 n 1078 4E B. James 26 4 16 914 E. Martin* 31 254 300 2 1193 268 300 1U# 5 14 VW 5 37 D. Jones R. DeBard. 27 209 230 300 7 300 6 64 1219 32 5E 6 11 C. Hoelzel Charlie H. VW 267 5 275 6 220 300 300 49 0 1426 7 2U # 18 Opel B. Armstrono Bill Arm. 172 600 98 253 24 120 137 50 36 20 0 1558 48 3U # 8 Porsche L. Wells 19 T. Blot 217 214 12 300 300 300 3 0 1728 13 64 209 89 Honda W. Wandax C. Rowe 69 300 9 4U 13 68 300 131 100 204 300 300 9 9 1818 28 L. Paterson G. Paterson 10 5U VW 300 300 172 59 87 46 197 47 n 300 300 19 1827 11 61 Datsun P. Winters B. Stout 266 300 203 112 190 237 153300 200 2107 32 34 n 12 71 P. Wilson Dodge L. Wilson 300 300 1168 77 65 33 166 300 300 1 300 100 0 2109 n 2466 J. Bireta* R. Bireta* 300 146 189 300 81 168 187 300 15 600 180 13 8 11 10 VW Capri A. Winters V. Winters 99 14 90 257 300 199 600 18 300 185300 17 67 2942 600 3077 Porsche Dave Arm. 145 177 15 100 V. Armentout 300 300 224 300 24 89 217 300 1000 110 A. Kussman* 16 J. Lowe 253 300 264 238 231 1000 205 Vega 274 300 22 Π 3154 67 17 12U 11N Datson G. Spiller W. Dudley 164 600 282 239 600 10 253 37 300 103 1000 3636 48 E. Mitchell K. Boland 18 13U 2N 20 Audi 241 600 240 167 262 300 225 300 600 1000 3998 Datsun D. Wingo A. Wingo 209 300 105100010001000190 19 14U 5297 6 300 103 9011000 20 15U 3N 17 TR J. Blanchard M. Murphy 300 300 3001,000 1000 1000 268 300 600 100 1000 6168 36 CER'S TURNED IN UNDER THE 70% 5 IN THE IN THE N -Novice WERK AVERAGE 92.83 704 Non VM6C 80.699 COMBINED AVERAGE 13 THE 807 Trophied

Deliver 1 copy to each of the following within 1 week of the close of the event: Club Secretary, Editor of Checkpoints, and non-club member participants.

THE MOONSHINE TRAIL II

This was billed in advance as a hard rally. It was also said (by the checkers) to be one of the best rallys this year. I can agree with the first—we had more intense and continuous pressure during this event than we had in any other rally in recent memory. Lots of people have said they agree on the second point so I feel a little strange, because I don't agree.

Not to say it was a bad event now. Don't get me wrong—I can see a lot of work and a lot of original thinking (scheming?) went into this year's Moonshiner. There were eleven legs in all, plus a Do-It-(To)-Yourself leg at the end. Each and every leg had its trap, and most traps were carefully (sometimes elaborately) looped.

I should know about the loops- I think Lale and I saw more miles of loop in the morning than we saw of the course. Having organized a few rallies myself. I can appreciate the amount of work that goes into looping that many legs.

So what didn't I like if it was all so exhaustively done? Precisely the fact that after all the work to set up a good course, Lewis and Neale allowed the generals and routes to be sloppy. There were 11 pages of closely typed. outline form generals. They were the basis for all the traps. but they were hard to read and even worse to make sense of. Next there were two pages of addenda and they said the answers to questions (over 8 pages of them) were also official.

Now for an example of why I was unhappy all day. The original generals said

"III-C5 c. Course following instructions are defined as any instruction containing the following words or abbreviations: Turn, Left, Right, Put and Straight."

The addendum re-defined this list as:

"Turn. left right, straight, L. R, and S."

But in the answer to a question on whether L. R. and S were course following actions. someone apparently read the old generals and replied NO.

So now, if you see "L on 609" do you have to change route or not? It just isn't clear anymore. The contestants all properly ignored the question and its answer, but I for one was left wondering how to see when to take things very literally and when to be "loose" and allow for pure sloppyness.

Those who left the start thinking loosely soon got bit. The generals stated:

"III-C-5-e. There are no traps based on spelling in these generals or in the route instructions."

But the trap on leg #1 was that the abbreviation F.Z. was not one of the list of 32 official abbreviations, so "Begin 0.55 mi. F.Z." could not be executed. That's not a spelling trap? Okay, but what IS a spelling trap, then?

Contestants better not think loosely, but rallymasters shouldn't get sloppy either. Route Instruction 78 read: 39.99 78. " "FIXER"

Do I really need to find a sign that says "FIXER? No, the sign at the mileage said SAM D. FIXER. but if it hadn't been for the mileage, after Leg 1 I was ready to go off the edge of the world looking.

In summary, Lewis and Neale, if you want me to bust my head being very precise to follow your course, then I think I have a right to expect a corresponding high level of cars on your part to insure that typos and misspellings and inconsistency are not allowed to slip through.

When you do Moonshine Trail III. I will run it. Aside from being a glutton for punishment, if you ever get your generals and such up to the quality of your traps, it will be a really fine rally.

Pat, for Lale and me.



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FOUND:

Watch; found at the home of the DeBardelebens. Presumedly lost at the Oyster Roast. Contact Marian or Fred Debardeleben, 784-3746.

The Virginia Motor Sport Club takes pleasure in announcing the

26th Anniversary Awards Banquet

January 22, 1977

at the

Westwood Racquet Club

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Cost includes set-ups, dinner, awards presentation followed

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7:00 P.M.-Dinner

8:00 P.M.-Awards

9:30-12:30 P.M.-Dancing

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FROM THE EDITORS:

The Editors wish to apologize to Fred and Marian DeBardeleben for not publishing a rally report on "The Hoodwinker". Due solely to their forget-fulness, they neglected to contact someone to write a report. We did try this month, though, but we still have not received a report as yet.

Because of the strong and divided opinions regarding the upcoming Club elections, we, as Editors, decided upon a policy of strict adherence to our published deadline as far as unsolicited political articles were concerned. Since this will be the last issue prior to your vote, we felt that in the interest of fair play, the opportunity for rebuttal and/or reply should be accorded those with differing views. Only one such article was received and that only hours prior to the assembly of CHECKPOINTS. We declined to publish it.

Over the months of 1976 many members of VMSC have graciously and most times willingly supplied us with material for publication. Some even more than once when not even asked. We sincerely appreciate all the efforts they put into their contributions. Without them, CHECKPOINTS would have been even duller. We also hope that next year's Editors will receive as much help as we did. This year's contributors were (and we hope we haven't overlooked anyone):

Len Wells
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Kathi McCall
Bill Hunter
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A Plea for Club Solidarity

As most of you know, the Club's annual election of officers is scheduled for the December meeting. This year, as is not normally the case, the candidates chosen and endorsed by the Nominating Committee are being actively opposed. Those of us whose names appear below are writing this letter in a frank attempt to support the Committee's nominees, or, rather, to support the concept of a strong Nominating Committee.

Please note that last sentence carefully: "to support the concept of a strong Nominating Committee." We have no wish to discredit the individuals running against the Committee's slate. Lewis, Peter and Judy are all capable, conscientious people, and may be presumed to be running because they believe that they can do a better job for the Club. In the short run, this may be true. We believe, however, that over the years, a consistent election of the Committee's choices is more beneficial to the aims, the well-being, and even the continued existence of the Virginia Motor Sport Club. Our reasons:

- I. Long-term thought. The Nominating Committee looks at the probable makeup of the membership in the coming years, with a view toward providing uninterrupted capable leadership for the Club.
- II. Group consideration. The Committee's slate is selected as a team, not as a group of individuals who may or may not be compatible.
- III. Experience. The Committee, according to the by-laws, must be made up of the immediate past president and one or more other past presidents. Presidents have normally held most Club offices, and working at an office for a year gives considerable insight into the duties and requirements of that office.

Don't assume that since we are for an established procedure, we are against change. You will note that of the six candidates on the slate, four have never held any office with V. M. S. C. Our reasons for our position are those given above and only those given above. We believe that our survival as one of the oldest sports car clubs on the East Coast is primarily due to the type of solidarity that we are advocating here.

Many of the writers of this letter, past presidents all, did not advance through the ranks of the Club as rapidly as we may have thought we deserved. Nevertheless, we did eventually so advance, and in retrospect we feel that the interests of the Club were best served by a slow and deliberate approach. We hope that you, the members, will share our feelings on this point at the election of the 1977 Club officers.

Chuck Hoelzel, President 1975 Bookie Westbrook, President 1974 Mike Castleberry, President 1973 John Chehaske, President 1972 Brad Peaseley, President 1971 Wilt Greenwood, President 1968

(EDITORS'S COMMENTS: An election is when the voter selects <u>his</u> choice from two or more candidates. How can you have an election when only one candidate per office is offered? VMSC might be "one of the oldest sports car clubs on the East Coast" (26 years), but the old U. S. of A. has been around for over 200 years always providing the voter with at least two candidates to CHOOSE from. We don't want someone to present to us a single candidate for <u>any</u> elected government office anymore than we want VMSC's Nominating Committee to tell us we have only <u>one</u> "candidate" to "vote" for.

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As for the reasons for the Nominating Committee's choices:

- 1. Long term thought: One idea on long term thought overlooked is that if members who have been constantly and consistently active for several years are passed over for office, we are going to lose them. Is that what you want?
- 2. Group consideration: The reason the Committee's slate is selected as a team is because "traditionally" the Committee selects the President, and the President selects the rest of the Officers with the "approval" of the Committee.
- 3. Experience: If this is the premise, then there is only one logical choice for 1977's President: only one of the candidates has "held most Club offices."

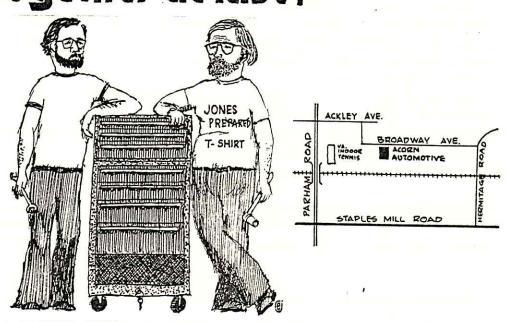
We're for solidarity also. We would like for every member of VMSC to come out and solidly support and vote for the candidate of his or her choice. It's time that we started speaking for ourselves. The Nominating Committee has its purpose and merit; but we should not be forced to accept "a consistent election of the Committee's choices." Besides, what's wrong with a little competition? That's the whole purpose of VMSC! Why didn't the concern expressed by this year's Nominating Committee and Past Presidents manifest itself last year? We have in the past had nominations from the floor: we think it's a healthy situation for the Club.)

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AND THIS MONTH BRINGS US AN EXTRA ADDED BIT OF
EXCITEMENT. COMPETITION BETWEEN NOMINEES FROM
A SELECT COMMITTEE AND NOMINEES FROM THE
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP. FOR OUR GOVERNING RULES ALLOW
EACH OF US THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING CONSIDERED
FOR A POST BY THE CLUB.

WE HAVE HEARD OF LETTERS TO THE EDITORS, OF A CALLING CAMPAIGN, SAMPLE BALLOTS, AND VIGILANTE MEETINGS. WHAT WE OFFER IS A SHORT PAID POLITICAL MESSAGE. A MESSAGE THAT URGES YOU TO VOTE FOR THE PERSON WHOM YOU THINK WILL BEST SERVE THE CLUB. REGARDLESS OF WHERE HIS NOMINATION ORIGINATED.

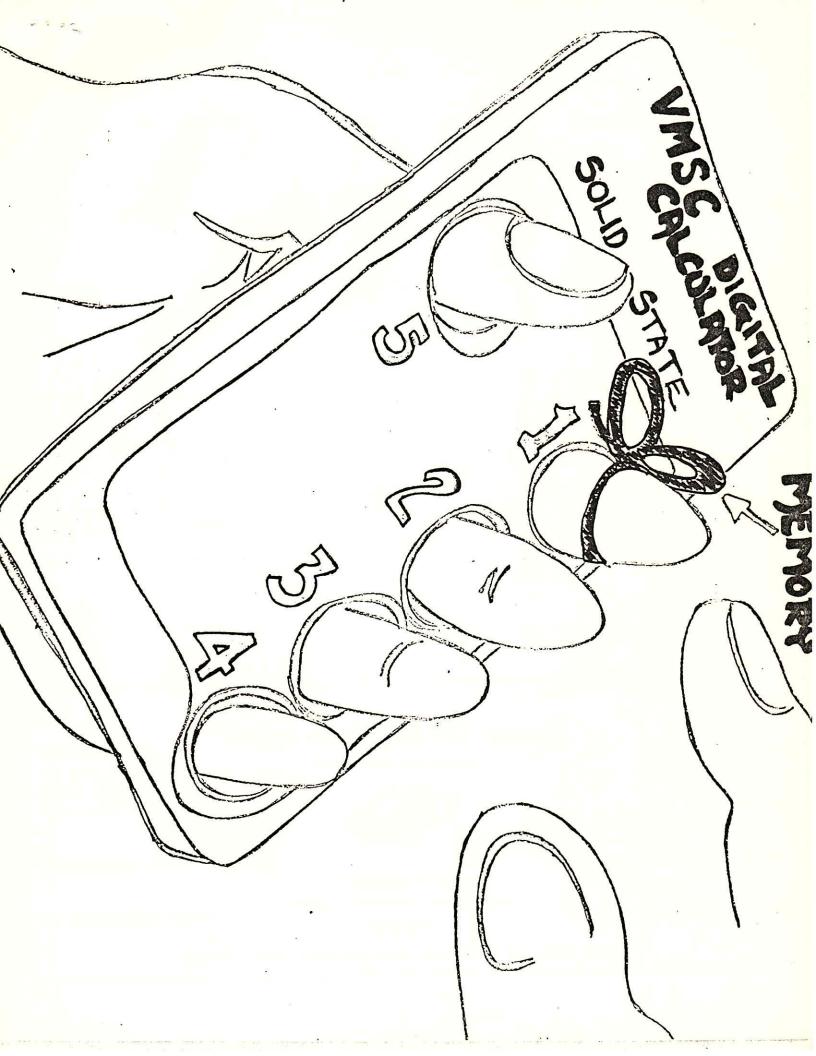
IT HAS BEEN SHOWN THAT VMSC WILL SURVIVE NOT ONLY THE CONTROVERSIAL CANDIDATE/OFFICER BUT ALSO THE INEFFECTUAL ONE. WE URGE YOU, THEREFORE, TO MAKE YOUR OWN DECISIONS. VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATE OF YOUR CHOICE.

Treasurer's Report

CASH IN BANK - BEGINNING	\$1,218.74
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