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**STAFF THIS ISSUE**—Before dawn, when Santa's sleigh turns back into the Great Pumpkin, all our staff would like to ask a favor of the old boy. Bob Anderson would like, at least 14 different things, and because he's greedy we'll leave him out. Virginia Box would like a few rulers to be left where she can find them. Beth Nilsen would like a bottle of beer. Beth Winteringham would like a, well, ah, um, well she'd like one anyway. Bob Blair would like a moustache curler. Dan Carroll would like a moustache. Ken Hutchinson would like a type catalogue. Dick Nimmons would like to be able to show this to his mother. Dale Rogers would also like to be able to show this to his mother, for a change. Dorothy Constable would like to stop being called the girl who sounds like a cop. Ina Van Nieuwkirk would like plastic surgery. David Hebditch would like a Casserole. Ron Ternoway would like a sign saying, "Oh no I won't," and yours truly, Harvey G. Thomgirt the 42nd would like to get this, the last issue of 1969 to bed so I can join the party.

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# Textbook charges "erroneous"

Professor Bernal E. Walker says charges made in a letter to the editor printed in Dec. 4 issue of The Gateway are "erroneous."

He was referring to the accusation that department heads were forcing their students to read

textbooks that the department head had written.

He said he had never written a book which was "prescribed for purchase by students in any course."

The head of the department of

educational foundations explained that textbooks are recommended by the person or persons in charge of teaching a course.

"I do not have such freedom (to prescribe books), nor would I wish to have such freedom," he said.

The author of the letter in which the accusation was made wrote the following in apology:

"I shot an arrow in the air.

Unfortunately, it was misdirected and hit the wrong person.

I beg your pardon for my wretched aim, and your forgiveness for my ignorance.

I believed someone else to be the department head of educational foundations.

I should have been more explicit, and called a spade a spade, or any other card that may be cut."

We, too, apologize for committing the error of not properly checking out the facts as they were submitted to us in the letter.

Blush!!

# Anthro class votes confidence in teaching ability of Frucht

The tenure committee of the Anthropology Department will receive a motion from Professor Frucht's students to be taken into account when they consider his application for tenure here.

The motion from Prof. Frucht's Anthropology 377 class expresses "our unanimous support and confidence in the exceptional teaching ability of Professor Frucht."

Prof. Frucht's tenure hearing will come up shortly after Christmas break.

The motion, prompted by a Gateway article on the speculation surrounding the co-chairmanship in the anthropology department was passed unanimously by a class of 140 students.

Prof. Frucht said he had no knowledge of the motion until after it was passed.

He said he was grateful to the class for its vote of confidence, however.

He declined further comment on his impending tenure hearing.

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