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Prairie Astronomy Assn. Lincoln Nebr October 1965.

We hope most of you can attend our meeting Tuesday night at the Science Bldg. 7.30 P.H. Hebraska Wesleyan.

Your Sec,y ,after long last ,has a letter from Cave Optical Co prices and ets .

Steve Kunkee wants information on a Grinding Machine (For Mirrors)

If you have received another notice from Sky and Telescope about your subscription expireing, dis-regard it as our Tres, "Dick Hartley has sent the money in to them".

From the number of Phone calls, Your sec, y has received since our last Heeting, we should see several new faces at the next meeting. Also many calls about the "COIET".

Bill Hoel has a hin Reflector To Sell. He wants to get a larger one. Ets.

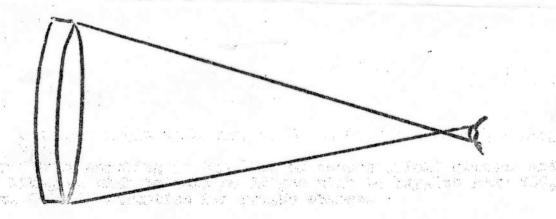
If you have anything in the line of scopes ,field glasses and the like, you wish to sell, or if you wish to buy, let your SEC, Y know. We will advertise for you. No charge.

Page two of this letter was prepared by Ed Joerner and Steve Nunkee.

Come out to our meeting next tuesday, and we know you will enjoy it.

We also plan to have Refreshments.

For a final note: From all the articles in the newspapers about Comet Ikeya-Seki, one would think all you have to do is go out Look up, and there she is. Take it from one who has followed every lead, that Taint So. You will earn it if you see it.



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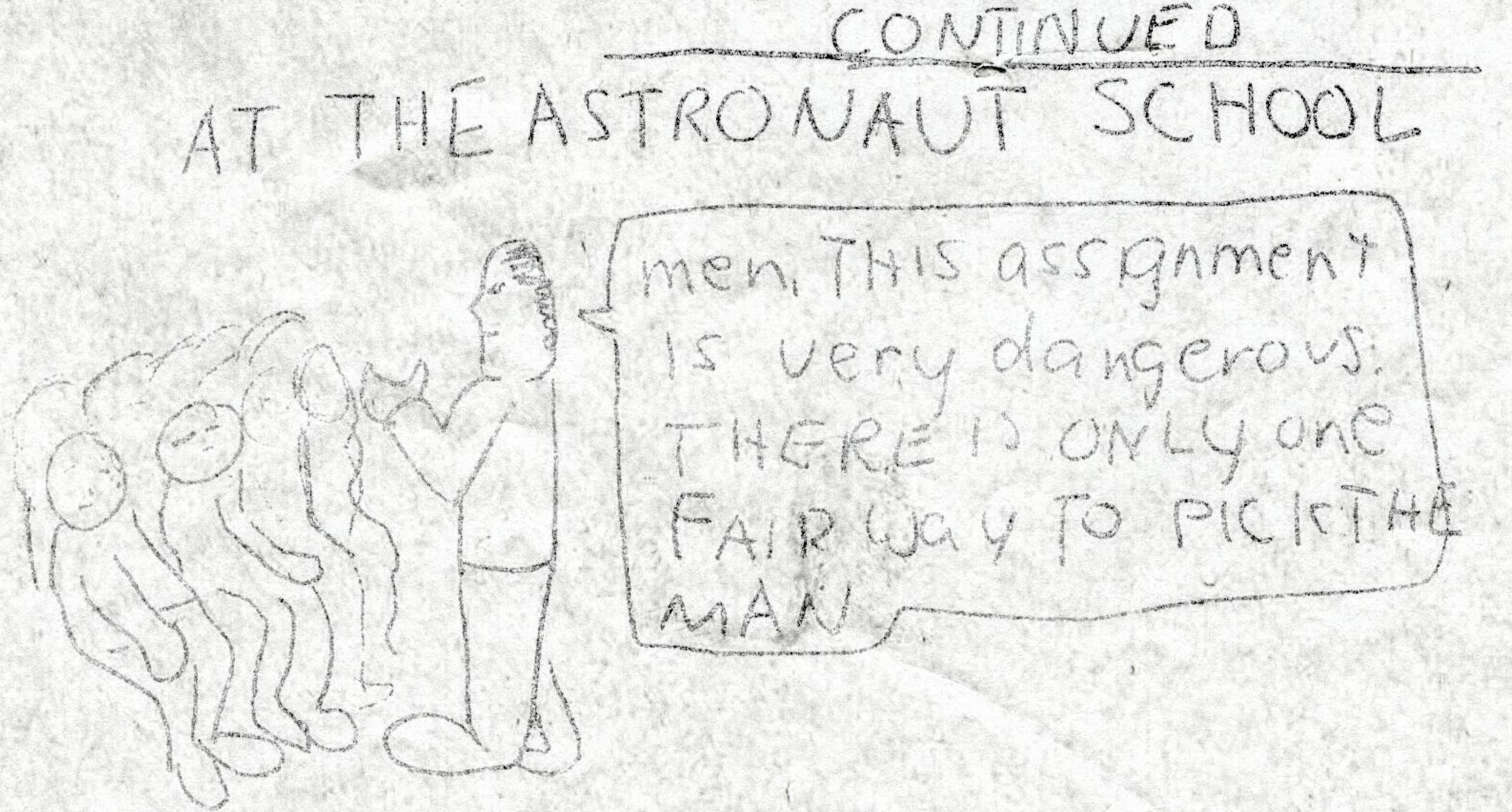
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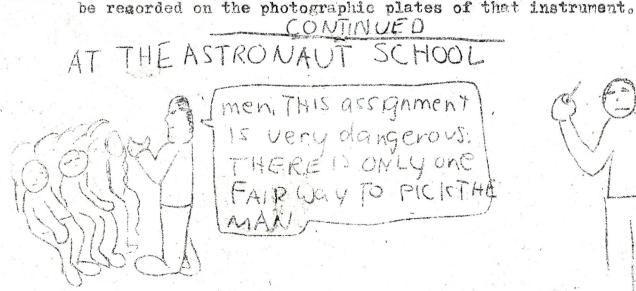
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