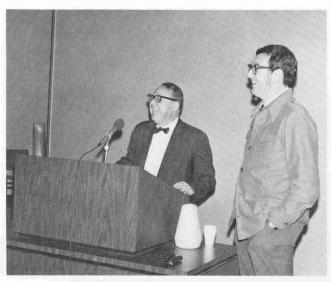
## THE BIG COPPER CAPER

It all began when Dr. Bert L. Vallee came to the campus on November 15 to deliver the annual Buchman Memorial Lecture for the Caltech Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. Dr. Vallee, who is Paul C. Cabot Professor of Biochemistry at the Harvard Medical School and the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, spoke to a full house in Baxter Lecture Hall on "A

Century of Zinc Biochemistry and Metabolism."

Dr. Vallee likes to end his talks on his Zn research with a slide showing that *all* the elements in the periodic table are really zinc — so his Caltech audience knew this was coming. As soon as it came, then, the Caltech Cu research group (see pages 16-21) went into action, as follows:



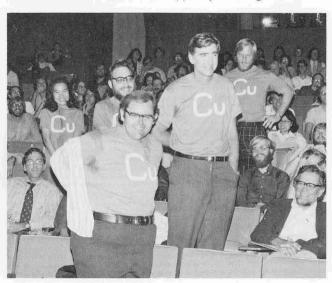
After Harry Gray had set up the speaker -



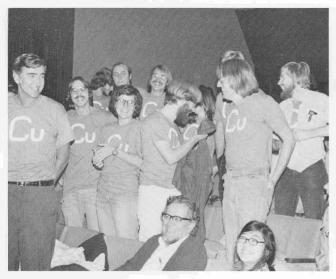
Fred Anson struck a blow for copper by removing his shirt -



and was shortly followed by John Dawson -



and by Pom Sailásuta, Barry Lever, and Bob Gagné —

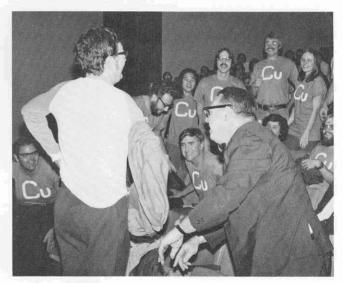




who were followed by a host of others — to the delight of Harry Gray, who then took off his shirt —



and joined the copper rebellion -



before peeling off one further layer of clothing —



to reveal his true identity —



and revel in it.

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