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## *Fairhavenites Act to Preserve Ridgeline*

By BOB TAYLOR  
Associate Editor

Two historic cabins and a tree-covered ridge near Fairhaven College have become the focal point of a heated controversy over construction of a lighted gravel path connecting Housing 71 and the Western campus.

Construction began last Friday when a narrow strip was bull-dozed up to one of the two cabins once owned by June Burns, a famous author.

The bull-doing prompted a letter from the Fairhaven community which was sent to President Flora and Provost Sargent.

In the letter, Fairhavenites listed six basic reasons why they oppose the pathway.

First, Fairhaven wants to preserve the cabins in their natural setting. The cabins were built during the 1920's by Mrs. Burns and her

husband. Mrs. Burns later wrote a book on her Bellingham experiences entitled, "Living High."

Secondly, the cluster college feels that the ridge should be protected because it is one of the few natural areas that exist in Bellingham and on the Western campus.

Thirdly, Bob Aegerter, the college architect, plans to put mercury vapor lights on the pathway. Fairhaven students feel the lights would destroy the present use of the hill as a "retreat."

Many Fairhaven students feel that the amount of residual light now penetrating through the trees is satisfactory enough.

Fourth, Fairhaven believes that the paved gravel path does not

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## **Gov. Evans Speaks Here Today**



# FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL

His fight for survival is also ours. Because all living creatures on earth are dependent on each other. If we are to survive we must be sure he survives, along with many other living elements that constitute our fragile environment. To survive we, as man, must begin to take steps to clean our air and water, make things healthy again. And if we can accomplish this, then we can stake a claim on that most sought-after "quality of life" when man and his environment live in harmony.

## Bellingham Herald

# ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIAL

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# Academic Council Committee Says Faculty Support Needed to Bring Curricular Change

JIM BROOKS  
Front Reporter

Faculty support is essential for the success of any campus-wide curricular changes, according to the Academic Council's Ad-hoc Committee on the Curriculum Commission Report.

In a preliminary report released this week, the committee said that the faculty, through the Academic Council, has primary responsibility for curriculum.

"Curriculum changes, certainly changes on the order of those proposed in the commission's report, cannot be made except through recognized faculty channels, and cannot be successfully without faculty support, the committee told the council.

The Ad-hoc Committee said it has received a few comments from students, about 30 written communications from faculty members and four departmental statements.

Of the 30 faculty comments, 24 are generally critical, five have "mixed emotions" and only one is favorable.

With one partial exception, the departmental statements are all unfavorable.

Six specific responses listed in the committee report from faculty include:

-The report is extraordinarily vague, particularly as to both the specifics and the implications of the proposed reorganization.

-It fails to meet either of the two aspects of the charge to the commission: to recommend better and less costly ways of carrying forward the instructional program of the college.

-Implementation of so sweeping a reorganization is extraordinarily difficult, quite possibly beyond faculty capacity, in view of the time limits suggested.

The consequences of such an

attempt might well mean, but chaos, faculty alienation, and the loss of valuable personnel.

-The present departmental structure is superior to the proposed system of nine "concerns": it has the authority of tradition and experience; it reflects the changing realities of our human situation and the expansion of knowledge.

-The report apparently is written in innocence so far as relevant experience elsewhere or in Western's own past is concerned; if available data have been consulted, this is not made evident.

-Some internal divisions are necessary, whatever the curriculum structure, and some rigidities are inevitable.

Is there any reason to suppose that the proposed structure would be superior in this respect?

The above responses along with six

others in the preliminary report were approved by vote of the council to be part of their position paper.

The Council also accepted a five point statement written by Edwin Clapp, professor emeritus of English, which points out two basic reasons why the Council rejects the Commission proposal.

First, "the Curriculum Commission has not shown that its proposed "curricular reorganization" will in itself either reduce institutional costs or further the educational function of the college..." and secondly, "that this reorganization is not supported by the Faculty and that an attempt to implement it would be destructive of institutional morale and effectiveness."

Dean of Western, Fred Knapman, chairman of the Academic Council, said that the body will have a final position paper in about a week.

## Curriculum Report Draws Both Pro and Con Reactions

The Curriculum Commission Report continues to be buffeted by adverse reactions throughout the college while others are looking on it with a favorable eye.

President Charles Flora describes the reaction he has been receiving as "mostly unfavorable."

"More reaction is coming in daily," Flora said, "but it's too early to say if the report is going to be implemented."

The Academic Council got a report from a special Ad-hoc Committee it set up indicating that faculty are generally critical of the Commission's report.

On other fronts, the Education Department wrote a memo to Flora expressing general support for the report and the AS Legislature voted a general endorsement of the report.

A group of Nash Hall students have drafted a petition asking Flora to reject the report while another group of students have abandoned plans for a workshop and debate on the report.

The Long Range Planning Committee has begun a detailed consideration of the report which has been largely unfavorable toward the proposed changes.

In the meantime, a task force has met and

decided that the changes proposed by the report would save money for the college.

"The proposal will result in substantial savings for Western," Provost Frederick Sargent II said. He added:

"It's too early to say how much and in what areas the savings will come, but we're drafting a report to go to the president."

The college community is continuing to take a hard look at the changes proposed by the report. The Academic Council plans to present a position paper explaining its stand on the report.

Many academic departments are taking concerted stands and individual reactions are still being solicited.

The deadline for preliminary reaction is May 1. Flora will then take what material he has at hand and develop some specific suggestions to present to the Board of Trustees.

Flora said he will bring his recommendations back to the major decision-making bodies of the college community after he formulates them in May if possible.

Any persons or groups who still wanted to present their views after then could take them directly to the Board of Trustees meeting.

### Evans to Speak

Gov. Daniel J. Evans will be the featured speaker this afternoon for a Huxley College Public School environmental workshop.

Evans will speak at 2:30 today in the Music Auditorium. Student body members are invited to the speech, in which the governor will discuss environmental issues.

The workshop and speech are part of a state-wide observance of Earth Week. Workshop members, led by representatives from Huxley, have been participating in small discussions as well as large group meetings.

Subjects covered have included the role of public education in solving environmental problems, and how public schools can be oriented toward providing economic solutions to ecological dilemmas.

The workshop, entitled "Environmental Education and the Public Schools," has attracted participants from over 30 school districts in the state.

It is aimed at school superintendents, school board members, teachers and community representatives.

## College Students Commit Most Shoplifting Crimes

Approximately 70 per cent of the shoplifting cases prosecuted in recent months involved college students, according to a Bellingham Police Department estimate.

Dean of Women Mary Robinson said Wednesday that the police department notifies security each time a student is arrested and the deans' offices are notified for "informational purposes only."

"In the case of girls, we sometimes call them in to see if we can help them. Most of the girls realize their mistake and seem to welcome our help," she said.

Her office does not report the incident to the students' parents, nor is action taken by the campus judiciary.

"We do not subject the student to double jeopardy," she said.

Persons convicted of shoplifting charges—students and non-students—are generally sentenced to 30 days in the city jail with 20 days suspended.

"The judges have generally been rather nice in the case of students, however," Dean Robinson said.

Most students are able to serve the 10 days in jail during five consecutive weekends and still attend their classes during the week.

Dean Robinson emphasized that normally a shoplifting conviction becomes a part of the person's permanent court record.

"However, after a six-month period, a student can ask to have the conviction stricken from the record if he has been on good behavior," she said.

With the modern technology used by many stores, it is virtually impossible to get away with shoplifting, she said.

One means of detecting shoplifters is the mechanical scanner—a closed circuit television which permits safety guards to see the people in the store without being seen themselves.

Some stores also hire security personnel who stand by the doors to check customers leaving the store.

Most students are not habitual shoplifters, Dean Robinson said.

One student who was given the 30-day sentence said that she had tried it once as a prank "to see if I could get away with it." She didn't.

She said that some of her friends had tried shoplifting and had gotten away with it or she never would have tried it.

"Right now the biggest problem is trying to get the conviction wiped from my record," she said.

Twenty of the 30 days she received were suspended and she is serving the other 10 on weekends.

A Valu-Mart security officer said that most people who are arrested on a "first offense" have probably gotten away with shoplifting several times before.

A total of 40 persons were prosecuted for shoplifting in March compared with 24 in February. However, a Police Department spokesman said that offenses vary from month to month and the situation does not appear any worse than usual.



Photo By DAVE SHERMAN

# Front Editorials....

"To comfort the afflicted and to afflict the comforted"

## Editorial Freedom

Several student government figures on this campus, some purporting to be avant-garde liberals, have attacked this paper for daring to add an editor's note to the bottom of a presidential candidate's letter in Tuesday's issue.

One called the editor's note an attempt to "badger a candidate," and a "deplorable and unjust power act on the part of the editor."

Our editor's note politely questioned some of the statements made by the candidate, and certainly was not an attempt to badger the candidate.

The Front has allowed all of the presidential and vice presidential candidates an equal opportunity to discuss their platforms—without editorial comment on

the same page. But when a candidate chooses to make a soap box of our letters page, then we feel free to take equal space to make "instant commentary."

Sound familiar?

Evidently, the Spiro Agnews on this campus prefer that this newspaper be gagged for making critical comments concerning political candidates.

We will not be silenced.

We will continue to give fair and objective coverage to all student government aspirants, and we will continue to make fair comments concerning their platforms in our editorials and in our editor's notes on the letters page.

—John Stolpe

## The Student Voice

While ideas for academic and governmental reform are swirling around campus, the voice of the student is conspicuously absent.

Faculty committees, councils and departments have raised alarm over the Curriculum Commission Report while students have been enjoying the spring sunshine or studying (?).

The quarter is well underway and the changes proposed in the Curriculum Report and the Daugert Proposal for an all-college governance will be decided on, one way or the other, this quarter. The Daugert Proposal will probably be on the AS general election ballot on April 30. That's a Friday so it's unlikely that many students will be casting votes. The deadline for input on the Curriculum Report is May 1.

This leaves a short week for students to become informed about the proposals and let their views be known; to President Charles Flora himself or a student representative.

So far student interest in the Curriculum Report has been almost nil. Only a handful (a small one at that) showed up at the last open meeting with Curriculum Commission members. Only a few student responses have been submitted to the Academic Council or to President Flora.

It appears curious that students perennially complain about academic

matters and student government but aren't willing to take enough time to acquaint themselves with the issues presenting the college today.

If they really don't want any voice in the reforms Western may make (and some far-reaching ones at that) then they can let the faculty and administration go on deciding how things will be done just as they have in the past.

When the dust all settles it will be interesting to see just how far-sighted this college will be. The decisions made this quarter to accept or reject proposed changes in college structure will probably live on for a long time. The financial situation will force that on the college.

Administration and faculty alike are proud of Western's academic programs. Western has innovated the cluster college concept in Washington State. Western is the largest of the state colleges. It has had grand long-range plans for building growth and student admissions which will likely be curtailed by the budgetary crisis facing higher education.

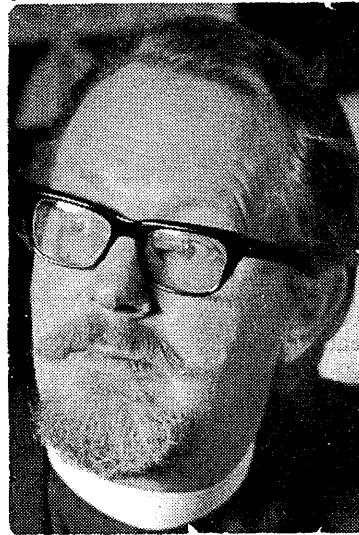
So if students want to be silent, short-sighted and withdrawn from the important questions facing Western, that is their choice. Administration and faculty members will continue to make the decisions which vitally affect the student's education.

—Ron Graham



SUPERNARC

## One Or Two Vietnams



REV. BILL SORDT

About Vietnam there has been much talk and little listening. We are divided. We don't hear each other. Support for the war has come from those who see the United States helping a struggling people defend itself against communist encroachment. Maybe. That's what the Pentagon kept telling me during my 22 years in the Navy, from 1944 to 1966. If we don't fight in Asia, we'll have to fight in California. Showing of the CBS documentary, "Selling Of The Pentagon," and subsequent discussion, have affirmed that picture.

Hysterical anti-communism, as opposed to reasonable foreign policy, has pre-occupied Americans for 25 years. We still hear it from the right. Politicians like Joe McCarthy, Nixon and now Henry Jackson, have built careers on it. Religious leaders like Carl McIntire, Billy Joe Hargis, and Billy Graham have prospered by preaching about it. America has become wealthy because of it. We have told ourselves that we are defending free people against outside control, and that sounds noble. But is it true?

My picture of America is much different, much grimmer. I see an America that is supporting fascist dictatorships in Spain and Greece NOW—because they oppose communism. I see an America that started in 1945 to build a base for the fascist Thieu-Ky dictatorship—in order to oppose communism. I see an America that used its ships in 1946 to move thousands of people from Hanoi to Saigon as a potential base against communism. I see an America that used its power to set up two Vietnams in 1954 instead of one, hoping to manipulate the southern half to our advantage—against communism. I see an America that built the myth of hordes of communists invading the south, when really America has long been the dominant force in Vietnam, soldiers 500,000 strong, forcing our will on troubled war-beset people. I see an America that has ruthlessly bombed villagers in Vietnam and Laos for years to force them out of the country into the city refugee camps where they can be controlled by us and not by the communists. I see an America that spilled a horrendous bloodbath on innocents, many of them Christians, for selfish prideful anti-communist reasons. I see an America now troubled about Calley and others caught in his trap.

I don't like the America I see. It could be so much greater, more noble. I am ashamed of our crass self-interest, no matter the politicians who say we had to do it to prevent such an imbalance of world power that World War III would have come. I mourn the dead, and suffer with the wounded, and pray for the dehumanized in our unsuccessful war.

There has to be a better way to deal with communism—like ping pong, or selling 707's? Now in 1971, can't all of us join the peace action of the spring, with a clear statement that we have been wrong; and with a common testimony to our fearful President that we have sufficient strength of character to resist destructive reaction from the right which he talks about. America needs uniting. We've seldom had a chance like the present. Why not? Stop the war.

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# Letters from our readers

## Concerning the Curriculum Report

Editor:

The Curriculum Commission has suggested an inter-disciplinary program in an effort to recapture the historic mission of liberal education... shelved in America in favor of specialization and narrow disciplines at the undergraduate level." (p. 11.)

In their zeal to get away from the contamination of narrow disciplines, the committee has regressed to lofty intellectual exercises on inquiry into knowledge.

"Given brain power and nurture of knowledge, humans individually and in community are equipped to 'solve problems' and 'cope with predicaments.'" (p. 3.)

Over-intellectualization has its own form of danger just as over-specialization has. Have we not yet learned that intellectual prowess and storehouses of knowledge do not automatically or in themselves develop genuine compassion for human concerns, the strength to struggle with ambiguous values nor the courage to make difficult agonizing decisions?

A balance of specialization or career considerations and liberal arts in a 10,000-member student body will help prevent the development of either intellectual idiots or technological robots.

Ironically, although the commission berates secondary schools in the preface, the Education Department is not only left unchanged, but is also expanded to include all projects which smack of practicality. Thus, a deeper wedge would occur between the division of education and the rest of the college. Yet, I can think of no area where it is more necessary to maintain a unity with other disciplines.

Another criticism arises. Choice of program for both students and faculty is lessened in this commission's report. Specified general education courses would be required of all students with no option—a principle to which I am opposed. And all faculty except education faculty would have to follow the interdisciplinary liberal arts route.

## Question Editor's Note

Editor:

The editorial which followed Libby Bradshaw's letter to the editor in Tuesday's edition sounded very similar to a Bellingham Herald editorial.

I do not understand why the editor feels he should, needs or has the right to go to such lengths to badger a candidate.

I was under the misconception that the duty of the paper was to introduce and inform the student body about the candidates and their platforms. I did not realize that we were paying the editor to attack candidates.

The paper should not be a media for either supporting or refuting a particular candidate. We don't expect the paper to think for us, just supply information so we can draw our own conclusion.

The motivation behind writing this letter is not because I am either for or against Libby Bradshaw's platform, but because I feel it was a deplorable and unjust power act on the part of the editor.

Since his comments were aimed at hurting the candidate's position, and since the Front is one of the main and most effective medias on campus, I feel the editor should be held responsible for this unwarranted political play.

In short, I am damn tired of

With all these criticisms in mind, some benefits may accrue from the curriculum proposal if it is perceived as a supplement rather than a replacement for the present curriculum. In this way, an innovative program with more choices could arise as follows:

1. Institute a general studies major along the lines of the commission report staffed by faculty who prefer inter-disciplinary curriculum.

3. Permit students to choose and to develop their own inter-disciplinary majors from academic departments, general studies or both.

4. Eliminate special educational majors in academic departments. This would save money! Prospective teachers should have the same choices as all other students.

5. Give individual faculty and individual students choice on methods of grading.

6. Have fieldwork experience available to all students who desire it.

Now, about saving money. Any appreciable cut in Western will be detrimental to Western's educational program, especially with our present stringent budget. We are only fooling ourselves to think that we can cut, reshuffle and have a better program. A significant decrease in faculty with no decrease in students mean larger classes, no matter what the program.

The commission proposal could be more expensive administratively than the present set-up. Inter-disciplinary concentrations could create 10 more super-deans in addition to the minor academic department units maintained for teaching and graduate school.

If a cut must come, I believe that my suggestions, which include creating a general studies major, maintaining academic departments, eliminating education majors and giving more students and faculty curriculum choices would be less expensive than the commission's plan.

Frank Nugent  
Professor of psychology  
Director of Counseling Center

the paper attempting to use the media either to push or eliminate candidates for student body positions, and the attempt going unchecked.

I think a public apology is in order to Miss Bradshaw.

Michele Evans  
Junior

Editor:

The following note of apology on behalf of the entire college community has been sent to Miss Libby Bradshaw, the "woman" (Front, April 16) candidate for AS President.

Dear Libby:

The shocking and unjournalistic interpretation (?) and commentary of your political platform and letter in the Western Front, causes me to give intense consideration to the responsibility of the "top four-year college newspaper in Washington state" (Front, April 20).

Our subsidized, all-college newspaper seems to have broken another branch of the bush of individual opinion.

I most humbly offer my apologies on behalf of the entire Western Family.

Sincerely,  
Doug Baker  
WWSC

Editor:

The April 16 edition of the Front contains some statements about the Curriculum Commission report, reportedly made by members of the Commission, which seem to me to present a wildly inaccurate picture of certain parts of the report. The statements are these:

"... the report was a model for curriculum change that was intended to provide more flexibility for students in designing individual programs of study."

"Students can design their own major and graduate with a degree of some sort if that's what they want."

"Students will still be under a modified grading system and if students want grades badly enough they could probably be granted. Individual evaluations from faculty could be asked for."

There is, as a matter of fact, no provision in the Curriculum Commission report for students to design their own majors. What the report recommends is a set of majors different from those we now have from which the student must select 10 courses.

Although the commission's proposals might be amended to include the possibility of student designed majors, such an amendment would seem rather to be an alternative to what the commission recommends as a means for allowing students to work outside of traditional disciplines.

Moreover, allowing students to design their own majors would not guarantee that a student who desires a strong background in one of the traditional disciplines could obtain that background, since the main thrust of the Curriculum Commission report is aimed at eliminating traditional disciplinary courses.

Even if such courses could be justified on academic grounds, the college could probably not afford to teach them if the major recommendations of the commission were adopted.

The statement quoted above concerning in that it implies very misleadingly that grading is certain options will be open to students when those options may very well be unavailable. The statement suggests that students who wished to be graded on the A-F system could be graded in that way. While this might be true for papers, tests, etc., the A-F grades would not appear on permanent records.

Of course "individual evaluations from faculty could be asked for." But only students well known to individual instructors or who take courses from faculty who, for feedback purposes, uses a standard A-F system, would be likely to receive an evaluation which gave information different from that shown on their permanent records.

I don't know whether the statements quoted above accurately reflect what was said by Curriculum Commissioners at the Viking Union meeting. I have no reason to suppose that they don't. But I would like to urge those who comment publicly on the Curriculum Commission report as well as those who report such comments to exercise thought and care in what they say.

Thoughtless comments and careless reporting can only diminish what hope there is for rational discussion of curricular change at Western.

Phillip Montague  
Assistant professor  
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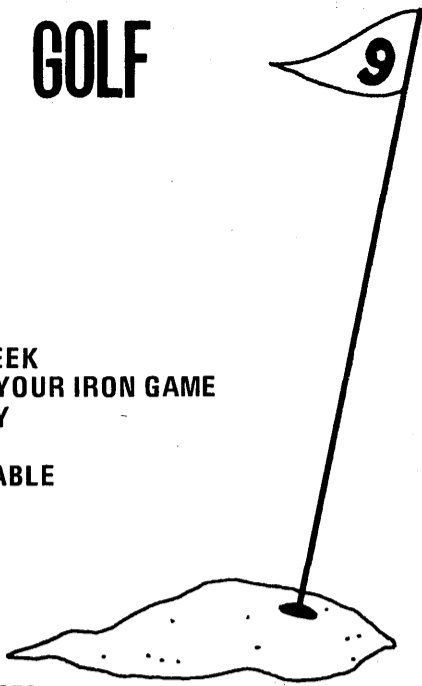
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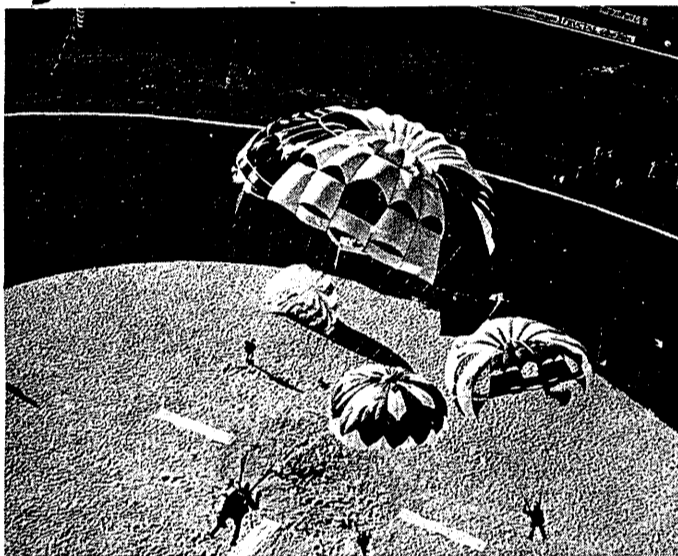
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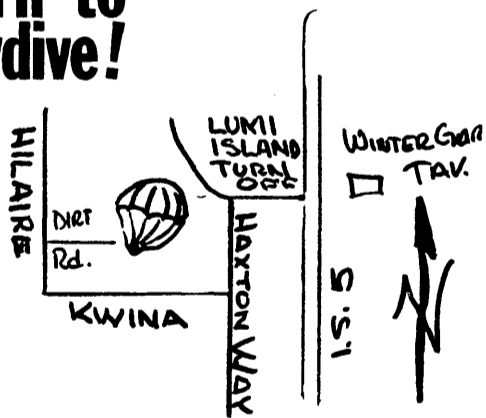
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### drug information

GARY RAMEY

Having recognized, discussed and thoroughly understood our irrational emotional responses to drugs through last week's column, it is time to move on to calm, rational consideration of some specific illegal drugs.

Since marijuana (hereafter referred to as grass—you probably know numerous other names as well) is the most commonly used illegal drug and the first illegal drug most people use, I'll consider it first.

On the basis of hearsay, second, third and fourth-hand stories, tabloid articles, pressure from women's groups, no empirical evidence and, most of all, on the basis of the driving force of one Harry J. Anslinger, former assistant commissioner of prohibition and for 33 years the director of the FBN (Federal Bureau of Narcotics), grass was, in 1937, classed as a narcotic with possession a felony according to federal law.

It wasn't until 1944 that any American with any power decided to see if empirical study would find anything wrong with grass. It was at that time that the mayor of New York City decided to see what all the bru-hah was about. So Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia set a team of doctors, psychologists, police and such to work.

The field studies, done by police officers, found no sociological harm from grass. The laboratory studies, performed on prisoners, found no physiological damage and no addiction. The psychological section of the laboratory studies did find incidents of psychoses, all of short duration, and most of these psychoses were believed by the researchers to be "prison psychosis," a condition frequently found among inmates of penal institutions. There has since been some question about the validity of the diagnosis of those psychoses attributed to grass in that study.

Since then, medical science has progressed significantly. The active component of grass, THC, has been synthesized. (I really shouldn't say the active component—there are several THC isomers in grass, the major one being trans-delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol isomer. Wooooo-ding.) It has been found that high doses of THC produce effects very similar to LSD.

Another rather unpleasant effect of grass which has been found recently is that the THC remains in the brain for several days following the last administration of grass. Whether or not this has any adverse effects (or any effects at all) has yet to be established.

The chairman-elect of the American Medical Association recently announced that in 10 per cent of all females who take marijuana in the last trimester of pregnancy, the infant is mentally retarded. However, he has not cited the studies from which he drew this information. This is a very serious charge, and it will be most interesting to see if he can really back up his statement. I'll let you know if I hear anything further on this matter. If any readers have or obtain further information on this matter, please let me know through the Associated Students office!

Since motor coordination, learning and higher-cognitive skills are relatively easy to study, lots of work has been done in these areas. Some loss of ability was observed in inexperienced users, but experienced users suffered no significant loss and, in cases, actually improved their performance when under the influence of normal doses.

Everyone, of course, has heard of the University of Washington-Washington State Department of Motor Vehicles study which showed no significant loss of driving ability. Unfortunately the study was so poorly run that the results are of little value. While grass almost certainly affects driving ability less than alcohol, I'd rather not be stoned while driving—it's just too much hassle.

Of course there are numerous other effects and studies for which there is no room here. Another time, perhaps. On to some bits and pieces.

Item: THC costs about \$15 a hit to synthesize in a legitimate laboratory, much too expensive for the black market. To date, no THC has ever been found on the black market. Usually it's Sernyl, a very dangerous animal tranquilizer. Use of this drug can, like solvent inhalation, cause direct and irreversible brain damage.

Item: If you try eating a lid or two to get the "LSD-like effects" mentioned above, you're more likely to get sick, vomit, and waste all that good dope. Besides, \$10 or \$20 is too much to pay for an acid-like high, isn't it?

Item: Associated Students has officially given the go-ahead for the drug information center. Volunteer staff, anecdotal information on all drugs, leads on good literature and all sorts of help are needed. Contact through the Associated Students office of Viking Union 223 (the former is staffed all day, the latter only sporadically at this time). It would be a good way to have access to all sorts of drug information.

## Spillman Wins Library Award

Richard Spillman's personal library won him a \$150 award.

This year's winner of the Amy Loveman Library Award, the senior math and physics major won the award with his "sizeable collection" of books.

The award is in memory of Amy Loveman, once an associate editor of Saturday Review, and a judge for the Book of the Month. Wilson Library contributes \$75 of the award, and Howard McGaw, professor of Library Science, put in the other \$75.

Entrants had to answer several questions and submit a bibliography of their collections.

## Country Joe McDonald

Country Joe McDonald made good an earlier promise, and appeared for a free out-door performance at Fairhaven last Saturday.

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Amid cries for more, Country Joe had to return to Vancouver, B.C., for his regularly scheduled performance.

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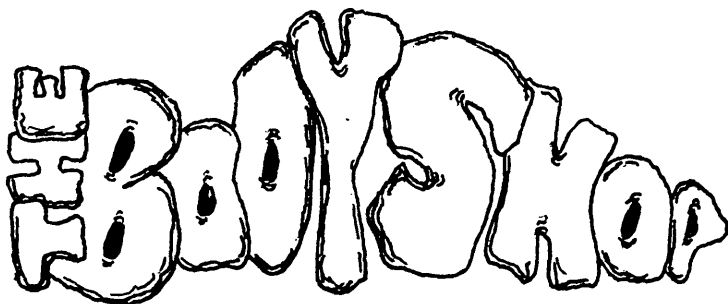


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# Campus Briefs

## Trustees Approve 180 Credits

It's official! The recommendations by the Academic Council to lower the credit load for graduation from 192 to 180 and also to make the minor optional have been given final approval by the Board of Trustees. These decisions are effective this quarter.

However, if this affects your graduation for spring or summer quarters, see the credit evaluation section of the registrar's office in Old Main 109.

## Women's P.E. Banquet

The Senior Banquet for senior women physical education majors will be held tonight at 7 p.m.

All senior women planning to attend should be at Johnson's Fine Foods, just off Interstate 5 south of Ferndale prior to 7 p.m., the time dinner begins.

The menu consists of chicken and seafood as main dishes.

Rides will leave from the front entrance of the women's physical education offices at 6:30 p.m. The price is set at \$2.50.

Money should be paid to Karen Hyde or the women's physical education office by noon today.

## AS Elections Near

Students will have another opportunity to question the candidates for AS positions Monday. Five students attended the last such discussion period.

This "confrontation of candidates" is scheduled from 1-2 p.m. Monday in the Viking Union Lounge.

The general elections will take place in the Viking Union Lounge on Friday, April 30. The Rugby Club will be scrutineering the 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. balloting.

Besides the AS presidential candidates and vice-presidential candidates who survived the primary elections, two AS legislative candidates will be on the ballot.

Kathy Dudik, who had earlier filed for one of the five open legislative positions withdrew Wednesday, leaving just two students who have signed up as candidates for the AS Legislature. The positions will be given to whoever gets the most votes, whether they are candidates or write-ins.

## Bellingham People's Coalition

The Bellingham Peoples' Coalition will meet in the Campus Christian Ministry to discuss May 5 anti-war activities on April 27 and May 4 at 7:30 p.m.

The BPC is urging anyone interested in helping to attend the meetings.

## Tenants' Union to Move

The Whatcom County Tenants' Union (TU) will move out of the Viking Union into a downtown office at the end of spring quarter, Pete White, chairman of the organization, said.

White said that the Tenants' Union wants to make its services available to all the people of Whatcom County, but that a decision by the state attorney general prevents this.

The TU is currently funded by Associated Students but the attorney general's decision states that AS funds may not be used to aid non-students.

After the move, the TU will no longer be able to receive student funds, White said.

He said that another factor in the TU decision to move out of the Viking Union is growing friction between the TU and the AS Housing Commission.

White said that after the move, the Tenants' Union will need private funding and volunteer help and asked that anyone interested in helping contact the TU.

## Student Directory Stolen

Last Friday afternoon someone stole the student directory from Old Main.

Registrar William O'Neil said his office doesn't understand the thief's purpose and hasn't decided whether they will replace the book or not. They don't know what to do.

"We were disappointed that this happened," he said.

This quarter the registrar's office used a book with names, campus addresses and telephone numbers instead of trays of cards. The book was chained to a nail so that someone couldn't accidentally walk off with it.

Friday someone took the nail and chain along with the book.

## J-Board Crackdown

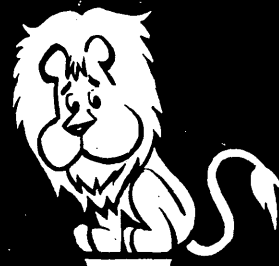
The All Student Intermediate Judicial Board is taking more punitive actions than they have in the past in dealing with student thefts within the campus, Dean of Men Ray Romine said earlier this week.

One student has been recommended for suspension from school and another student has received a deferred suspension, Romine said.

Actions taken by the board have become more disciplinary largely due to the increase in petty larceny on campus during the last two years, he said.

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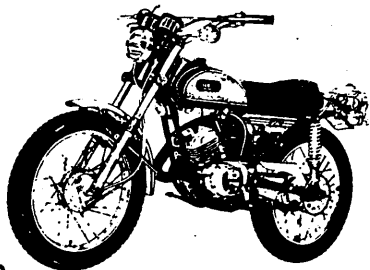
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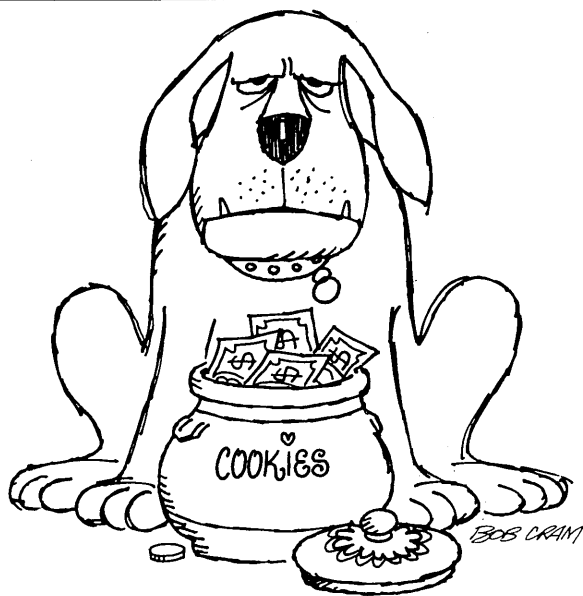
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# PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Trustees Have Ultimate Say

GLEN JONES  
Front Reporter

Why does the Board of Trustees have final authority over what happens at Western?

Chapter 28B.40 of the Washington State Higher Education Code says that the four state colleges (Western, Central, Eastern and Evergreen) legally belong to and are supported by the state.

The Code denotes that the government of each state college is vested in a board of trustees consisting of five members, appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, and holding office for six years.

The trustee candidates are selected personally by Governor Evans through advice and examination of qualifications.

To assure that not more than two officers' terms will expire on the same date, the appointments are staggered.

A chairman is elected by the board members, and they must meet at least twice a year, giving public notice. All four boards must hold a joint meeting at least once a year.

The general powers of the board include:

- Full control of the state college and its various properties.

- Employing the college president, his assistants, faculty and other employees of the college.

- Prescribing courses of study with assistance of the faculty and certified by the state board of higher education.

- Establishing departments and schools.

- Acquiring new properties.

- Purchasing all supplies and equipment needed for operation or maintenance.

- Entering contracts for building of new structures and facilities.

- Accepting of outside monies; selling, leasing, investing or spending of college funds.

- Authorizing all college degrees, certificates or diplomas.

The code goes on to explicate the details of finance, contracts and other specific duties and powers the board possesses.

The chairman of Western's Board of Trustees is Burton A. Kingsbury, a Bellingham lawyer.

Kingsbury has served twice on the board, from late 1949 to early 1957, and from summer 1965 to present. His term will expire this summer.

The four other members are: Millard B. Hodges, of the Ketchikan Pulp Co., Bellingham; Harold C. Philbrick, of Seattle First National



**BURTON A. KINGSBURY**

Chairman of Board of Trustees

Bank, Seattle; Mrs. Fred Butterworth, Seattle; and Patrick Comfort, a Tacoma lawyer.

"The board used to consist of three Whatcom county people in its earlier years, but the student composition of Western has changed considerably, so representation on the board has also expanded," Kingsbury explained.

He said there hasn't been much trouble getting the five members together. They usually meet at Western once a month but also hold additional meetings for urgent matters.

"The bulk of our work comes up through the administration, faculty and various committees of the college, but any board member can bring up relevant material," he explained.

"Our function has been mostly routine for years, but now it's much worse than ever before," Kingsbury said, referring to the current financial crisis and curriculum changes.

The board members are not paid a cent for their services. Their entire capacity is extracurricular to their regular occupations.

As Kingsbury put it, "through expression of my concern for the college, I was appointed to exercise that concern, and that's what I do."

## More Letters

### MI's Not Narcs

Editor:

As an ex-counterintelligence agent for the U.S. Army, I can state definitively that Military Intelligence (MI) is not now, nor has been engaged in drug-related investigations as relates to the civilian community.

Knowing that MI was not so involved during my time in MI (1965-68), I called an acquaintance who is currently in the best possible position to know if MI is now engaged in this activity. He assured me that MI is not now, and has never been, engaged in this activity.

As to whether the Navy (Office of Naval Intelligence) and the Air Force (Office of Special Investigation) are investigating drug-use within the civilian community, their authority to do so requires that personnel from these respective military services be present and using drugs within the targeted civilian group.

The same would apply to the Criminal Investigations Division of the Office of Provost Marshal, U.S. Army.

I should point out that only the Army has divided its security and criminal investigative responsibilities into separate organizations.

It may appear that I, a critic of certain activities engaged in by MI, should now rise to its defense. Quite simply, the dissemination of incorrect information may negate the impact of correct information.

While the Front did not specifically state that MI was active in drug investigations within the Bellingham community, it was so asserted

by implication ("the various counter-intelligence services"), and it is to that implication that I direct this letter.

Allen Gibbs  
Graduate  
Political Science

### Urges Dog Care

Editor:

Every dog should be wanted. It disgusts me to see people coming up to school to give cardboard boxes full of puppies away to anybody who walks by. The majority of the takers, if any, are students who on impulse cannot resist taking one of the 'adorable, helpless, little creatures.'

This blind reaction lacks any foresight into the responsibility involved in owning a dog. Most students living in transient positions, enrolled full time in classes, do not have the suitable stable home environment or the time to spend for raising a dog.

Financially, few students can afford to get the necessary inoculations for puppies (there is reportedly an alarming number of dogs contracting distemper as a consequence). The results of inhumane treatment towards man's best friend.

There is nothing more pitiful than a puppy who has been shut up alone in an apartment all day long; who never gets completely housebroken; whose loneliness teaches him to hate being left indoors to display obnoxious behavior for early lack of attention and affection.

Dogs do have mentality of a lower level, and like children can get all screwed up by improper care.

Have you ever seen tension and nervousness develop in a young dog who has been dragged from classroom to classroom, to parties, or through many homes and temporary dog-sitters?

The cause of this foisting off of excess offspring seems to stem from careless stupidity with so many male dogs running around, what do you expect when you turn your bitch-in-heat loose on this campus or on the streets?

It seems that people do not really have their heads completely on when they insist on abortion reform, act concerned about the population explosion and improving overcrowded conditions.

I've been personally approached by panhandlers, who in their most pathetic tone of voice, plead for money to feed their undernourished litter of dogs (which is probably the 10th in succession).

So, those who get easily sucked in: beware, think consciously rather than impulsively about your capabilities of properly raising a dog.

Ann Clarke  
Senior  
Art

## Letters

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Gary DeLorenzo and Dennis Gardner, owners  
Photo By DAVE SHERMAN

## Bellingham's X-Rated Store Supplies "Porno" to the People

PAT BRENNEN  
Front Reporter

Touch, kiss, screw and ball are old words which recently have acquired new meanings. They are now titles of some magazines and newspapers available at one of Bellingham's most unique stores.

The new store, Great Northern Books is owned and operated by Dennis Gardner, a Western student majoring in art and his partner Gary DeLorenzo, a former Western student, and is the only "adult" bookstore in the city.

Why would two young men open a "porno" shop in Bellingham?

"That's an easy question to answer," said DeLorenzo. "I couldn't find a job and was starving to death." Gardner said he only regards the shop as "a way to make money."

Before they opened their store, Gardner and DeLorenzo talked to Jane Mason, Whatcom County prosecuting attorney and the city's prosecuting attorney about the legal questions involved.

Miss Mason told them she couldn't guarantee that the county wouldn't hassle them.

DeLorenzo said that surprisingly, the store which has been open for over a month, hasn't been hassled yet; nor, have they received any complaints from outraged citizens.

"Man, I expected to be really hassled, but so far everyone has really been cool about it."

The shop, the only one north of Seattle dealing exclusively in sexually oriented material, offers a wide selection of adult material.

If a human being can do it, Great Northern Books probably has an explicitly illustrated book or magazine showing and telling how. DeLorenzo calls it "educational material for adults."

A Supreme Court ruling said sexual material has to have redeeming social value, not to be classified as illegal pornography.

DeLorenzo said many of the illustrations in the shop's material would be illegal, if it weren't for the fact they are accompanied by explanatory phrases or stories.

"The words make everything legal; they give the material redeeming social value," he pointed out.

"In fact everything in the store has passed court tests as to whether it is illegal or not," he added.

Great Northern Book's shelves are lined with all types of periodicals, magazines, paperbacks and newspapers. The store also handles sexual aids, "soft-core" films and if all this makes you tired, water beds.

Whatever your taste in sex: men with women, women with women, men with men, group sex and whatever else there is, the little shop on Railroad Ave. has something for you.

"We try and cover all aspects of sexual life among consenting adults," said DeLorenzo.

While the Front was interviewing Gardner and DeLorenzo, a number of well dressed, middle-aged men came in the shop. Some just browsed and some purchased material. DeLorenzo called it the lunch trade.

"We get all kinds of customers," he added. "Hard-hats, businessmen, students, even some women." "Women usually come in, in groups. They look at the material; some giggle and point and some buy things."

DeLorenzo said the ratio of men to women customers is 10 to 1.

Prices for materials in the store vary greatly. Sex newspapers like Screw, Kiss and Ball are around 50-cents. Graphically illustrated marriage-manuals and other similar magazines range from \$5.00 to \$7.00. At the top of the price list are books with titles like "Sex By Threes" and "Child Seekers" for \$10.00.

DeLorenzo said he has some steady customers who each week buy up to \$80.00 worth of material.

"I guess they collect this type of stuff."

In a break down of his sales DeLorenzo said 80 per cent is heterosexual materials, 15 per cent is homosexual material, both male and female and the rest is s. & m. material.

One of the first things you notice upon entering the shop besides bare breasts and entwined bodies on the shelves, is the clean and comfortable atmosphere the shop offers.

Other things you are bound to notice are the hand lettered signs that say "over 21 only." DeLorenzo said the 21 year old age limit is his idea. The state and city laws cite 18 as being old enough to enter the shop.

"Making them be 21 gives me a three year margin to work with," he pointed out. "That way I make sure no one under 18 gets in; and we stay in business."

Are Gardner and DeLorenzo doing the community a service with their store? As Gardner pointed out, "I think it's healthier to sell this material openly, rather than under cover."

It must be healthier for someone. According to the two young businessmen the only item in the shop they lose money on is the stack of Seattle P.I.s in the corner. As DeLorenzo put it, "business has been good!"

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## Graduate Student Dabbles in Erotica

Spencer Moore, graduate student and teaching assistant in English will speak Thursday during the three day pornography symposium.

Moore supplements his income by writing adult erotic fiction aimed specifically at "those of us who have a less than happy sex life," according to Moore.

He came to Bellingham from North Carolina to "escape the rigid, state-controlled system of morality which permeates and stifles most of Dixie."

Moore has written Lascivia, a moving novel about campus life, published by Ophelia Press, Inc. of New Jersey; Do a Man Pleasure, a startling and revealing commentary on the Deep South, now under consideration by Olympia Press, Inc. of New York, and Drugs Do the Darndest Things, a light-hearted look at hippiedom, also under consideration by Olympia Press.

Moore says of his work, "I like to hit the reader just below the belt with my fiction."

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# AS Legislature Endorses Curriculum Report, 10-2

The AS Legislature endorsed the Curriculum Commission Report by a vote of 10 to 2 last Tuesday, and sent letters to that effect to the Board of Trustees, President Flora and the College Long Range Planning Committee.

AS President Steve Cooper, said, "I was just a little upset that they didn't 'strongly' support the report. I hope they follow up the general endorsement with specific recommendations to President Flora and the Long Range Planning Committee."

Cooper said that disagreements about various details of the report could have been easily cleared up if more Legislators had attended the all-campus meeting concerning the curriculum changes last week.

The Legislature also did not form an Ad-hoc Committee: to make specific recommendations concerning changes in the report, Cooper added.

Legislator John Eastman endorses the bill in general, he said.

"In discussions with students and faculty I have

met with mixed response. The Curriculum Report affects each individual on an individual basis, I can't summarize everyone's feelings in one statement," he said.

Furthermore, the Legislature decided to place the matter of bookstore purchase discounts on the April 30 ballot.

The choices concerning discounts are:

—A delayed discount based on the profit margin of the store for the past fiscal year.

—A discount of at least five per cent at the time of purchase.

Cooper said that he supports the delayed discount system until the beginning of next year, as students are already saving their sales slips.

However, he said that he preferred the discount at time of purchase, and hopes that it could be implemented sometime next year.

In other legislative action, Sue Eickmeyer was appointed to the Student Welfare Committee, and Chuck Broches was given the College Services Committee seat.

# 3,000 Marchers Expected in May 5 Demonstration

Plans are being made by the Bellingham Peoples' Coalition to stage a May 5th anti-war march through downtown Bellingham and rally on the lawn of the Bellingham Public Library.

Coalition Coordinator Gary Evans said about 3,000 persons are expected to participate in the march and rally.

The coalition's request for a parade permit was approved by the Bellingham Board of Public Works Monday morning.

Anti-war speakers scheduled to appear at the rally include a GI from Ft. Lewis, a member of the Third World Coalition, and a speaker "of national importance," Evans said.

The Bellingham anti-war activities will coincide with similar rallies across the country on May 5th.

A rally to be held in Seattle on that day is being labeled "Town Meeting" and will be followed by "numerous acts of civil disobedience," the Coalition leader said.

In Washington, D.C., the May 5th war protest will be the culmination of three days of activity in that city. Plans are being made there to block certain strategic street intersections with living barricades.

The May 5th anti-war rallies will also be held to commemorate the first anniversary of the Kent State shootings and the invasion of Cambodia by American troops.

It will be known as "National No Business As Usual Day."

The scheduled route of the march through Bellingham is:

—Meet in Ennen's Thriftway parking lot at Indian and Holly Streets.

—West on Holly St. to Cornwall Ave.

—North on Cornwall Ave. to Champion St.

—Southwest on Champion St. to Unity St.

—Northwest on Unity St. to Central Ave.

—Southeast on Central Ave. to the library.

Evans said that 30 volunteer parade marshalls will be needed to help coordinate the march and anyone interested in marshalling should contact him at the AS offices in the Viking Union Building.

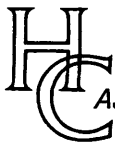
He also urged anyone interested in planning for the march and rally to attend the Coalition meetings at the Campus Christian Ministry at 7 p.m. next Tuesday and the following Tuesday.

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## Speaking of Lp's

By KEN RITCHIE  
Record Commentator

This week's column is going to be disgustingly positive.

I found several excellent 4.0 albums and just can't find anything to bitch about so far as the lp's I have listened to.

It must be spring.

I've found dryrot and termites in my overpriced house, lost my job of two and a half years, and my calendar watch is two days fast... but I must share some good sounds with you.

BIFF ROSE HALF LIVE AT THE BITTER END, Biff Rose. (Buddah BDS 5078)

A PAUSE IN THE DISASTER, Conception Corporation. (Cotillion SD 9031)

ELEGY, The Nice. (Mercury SR 61324)

and

T REX, T Rex. (Reprise RS 6440)

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Biff Rose's half live is his best album.

I have four of his albums, two on Tetragramaton and two on Buddah.

Both Tetra albums are 4+.

The first album for Buddah that Rose cut is poor. (BUDDAH BDS 5069)

This latest release more than makes up for the baddy.

Half Live is composed of excerpts from a nite club act Rose did in New York.

I hope it will suffice to say it is a very spacy record.

Rose jumps quite rapidly from one idea to another.

I believe some people call them flashes.

Thoroughly delightful, thoroughly enjoyable.

Biff Rose, Half Live at the Bitter End.

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About those two albums on Tetragramaton.

I doubt if you can find them... try the budget racks in all of the major stores.

Tetra, to use a phrase of the new people, went belly up.

Bankrupt!

The story I have been told is that they got burned promoting Deep Purple... a group that has since gone to Warner Brothers.

Tetra also had Murray Roman, I'd give 10 bucks to the first person with Blind Man's Movie... another fantastic album (10 bucks if the album is in good shape and I get to keep it forever and ever).

Looking for the first Rose albums and for Roman is a fun project and it don't cost nothing.

I finally got my copy of 'Pause.'

Delightful!

Some deliciously vicious satire on it.

"Sunday Sunday" and "Black for a Day" are two cuts to play over and over again.

It is much on the order of Firesign... very fast, very spacy.

It is doubtful if anyone but 'Lg-FM would play much of the album; the FCC and certain persons in the local audience would definitely object. C'est triste.

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Firesign IV is supposed to be out soon. Hot Darn!

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ELEGY by the Nice. Another winner!

The Nice on this album very gently cross the line from rock et al to jazz, and they take me with them.

I define a jazz album as one that suddenly loses the casual listener as the artist spaces off and makes pleasant sounds.

Elegy spaces right off, but returns to the melody again and again.

Another thoroughly delightful album.

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T REX is a concept album, i.e., it is produced to be heard as an entity. Start at cut one side one and go directly to the end of cut seven side two.

Impossible to adequately describe.

I dug it after the first four seconds.

T REX makes listening to dozens of crappy records worthwhile, because the reaction when you get off to a new record is so much fun.

... I just put it on me record player again and still can't explain what happens... except it makes me feel good.

SHALOM.

# Bookstore Prices

As every student knows, part of the high cost of a college education today is due to the prices of required textbooks.

The Front conducted a comparison between prices at the Student Co-op Bookstore and other college bookstores in the state. Due to the wide variance in textbooks for classes at the different colleges, it was generally difficult to compare prices. But, it was found that there is really little difference, if any, in the price of textbooks as sold in college bookstores.

Howard Mitchell, chairman of the Bookstore Board here on campus, explained that publishers dominate the selling price of their books. Mitchell noted that the bookstore was scolded by a publisher who threatened not to send books because the bookstore didn't mark them up enough.

Mitchell said almost all campus bookstores sell textbooks at publishers' suggested prices which includes a 20 per cent markup (on retail prices) to cover operating costs and shipping charges.

The Front also compared prices on other items sold by the bookstore. Results are in the box on this page.

To be fair to the bookstore, it must be noted that our comparison includes prices at a large chain store that sells on a volume basis. It must also be noted that all prices in our random sampling are everyday retail prices.

It was also learned that at the end of its last fiscal year the bookstore had more than \$97,000 in excess profits remaining after operating costs.

Chairman Mitchell said that the money had been ear-marked for the construction of a new bookstore in the projected student center on south campus.

The bookstore was to have cost \$100,000 which would have been collected over a three year period at about \$35,000 per year.

Due to a cutback in construction, however, the new complex has been cancelled, Mitchell said. Because of this fact the bookstore instituted the rebate plan to channel some of the money that had been collected for the new store back to the students.

	Reg. \$	Bookstore	Discount Store	Head Shop
Stereo records:	4.98	\$ 3.84	\$ 3.87	\$ 3.33
	5.98	4.69	4.87	4.29
School Supplies:				
4x6 notebook		0.19	0.16	
Flair pens		0.49	0.39	
Lead pencils		0.05	12 for \$0.39	
(unable to buy a pack of pencils at the bookstore sold in single units only)				
Drugs:				
Nytol 36 tablets		1.69	1.59	
Command Hair Groom		1.27	1.19	
11 oz. Rapid Shave		0.99	0.97	
4 oz. Mennen Skin Bracer		0.83	0.79	
4 oz. Old Spice Lime		1.69	1.59	
4 oz. Hai Karate Cologne		1.49	1.39	
Paperback books				
(Paperbacks sell for the listed cover price at the bookstore)				
(Discount store prices are reduced from the cover price)				
		\$1.25 for \$1.06		
		\$1.50 for \$1.29		
		\$1.65 for \$1.40		

The bookstore board, Mitchell added, though the students would prefer one check at the end of the rebate period, rather than a straight five per cent discount at the cash register.

In explaining the board's decision, Mitchell said, "If costs go up, the bookstore might have misfigured and returned too much money at the cash register. I think Washington State University, and, maybe, Eastern Washington State College used the cash discount policy at the register and lost money." He explained:

"It's safer to pay back dividends at the end of the period, because you then know how much money you have to return. There is less chance to lose money."

Mitchell added: "It is possible to try the other approach if the students prefer getting a discount at the register."

If this is the case, he added, the board will review the rebate system, then possibly establish the discount system on a trial basis.



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## CCM Priest Sees Campus Mood Changing

DAN TOLVA  
Front Reporter



Father Magnano

What is a priest?

Is he the crochety old Irishman offering sage advice to Bing Crosby in "Going My Way?"

He could be the chaplain pleading with "Mugsy" Magraw to throw his gun out before it's too late.

Possibly the priest is the one who asks the young hero, "And why is it you're drinking so much, Timmy, me boy?"

To find out what a priest really is, why not find one and ask him? There's a priest, Father Paul Magnano, at the Campus Christian Ministry.

Father Magnano was born in Seattle on May 5, 1942. He graduated from St. Thomas Seminary and continued his studies at the Gregorian University in Rome. He has been ordained for two years and has been at CCM since October 1970.

He decided on the priesthood when he was a junior in high school.

"I could be satisfied with this fulfilling work. I had worked with seminarians before, and felt that the priesthood was an important and relevant vocation."

Father Magnano sees the priest as a leader, teacher, prophet, servant, healer and unifying force for the Catholic community.

Father Magnano's duties at the Campus Christian Ministry include working with staff members of other denominations: a Lutheran pastor, a United Church of Christ minister, and a Dutch Reformed minister. This ecumenical ministry excites him.

"Just the fact that we're all working here in the same building wouldn't have been possible a few years ago."

He sees his role on campus as getting Catholics to be concerned with social problems.

"By saying Mass, I bring people together, then encourage them to go out of this building as students, more concerned, involved and committed."

The mood on Western's campus is changing for the better, Father Magnano believes.

"We're seeing that science and technology are important, but they don't answer the ultimate question, "Why am I alive?"

Father Magnano defines a Christian as "one who walks gaily through the darkness." He identifies with any man who is working for the betterment of life.

"There is no future for a closed in, self-contained, complacent gathering of people who use religion as a salve for their conscience."

Father Magnano's deep reverence for life is reflected in these comments on birth control and abortion.

"As a Christian, I believe that life is sacred and holy. Christ came to give us life, and whatever betters that life, I'm interested in.

"The motives for a couple having children must be examined. The question we ask is, "Will it make us more human?" For some couples it would be a sin to have children. To these, we have a responsibility. Intelligent family planning is necessary."

Father Magnano sees abortion as taking life, which ultimately brings about a lack of respect for life.

"Once life is there, we must preserve it."

## Fairhaven Acts to Save Ridge

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conform to current use of the ridge by the students as a retreat.

Fifth, the college doesn't think that the natural environment could handle the traffic from Housing 71 without great damage.

Harvey Gelder, acting dean of Fairhaven, said he didn't see how 400 students from Housing 71 and Fairhaven could travel over the ridge without causing some kind of damage.

Finally, Fairhaven believes that an alternate route with good lighting and footing already exists.

In a meeting Wednesday afternoon, representatives from Fairhaven and Aegerter met with the Campus Environment Committee. At the meeting, further objections were stated by Fairhaven Students.

One student said the pathway would be impractical because of weather. He argued that gravel pathways can become slick and treacherous

during the winter months. He said that this could be a possible insurance risk for the college.

Another student contended that with 400 students using the path, noise would be a major problem.

At the meeting, Steve Erickson, spokesman for the Fairhaven Landscaping Committee, listed an alternative route.

Erickson, a junior from Tacoma, felt that a route could be constructed at the foot of the ridge. Erickson's route would run side-by-side with the Hidden Valley parking lot.

Aegerter was not in complete agreement with Erickson's route. The campus architect said that Erickson's pathway had no aesthetic value. He said that aesthetics was one of the reasons why he wants to run the controversial pathway along the ridge.

Aegerter did agree to halt construction until some kind of agreement can be worked out.

## Bill Digest

Bill S-5, originated by AS Legislator Libby Bradshaw.

Summary Statement: This bill places on the ballot two rebate systems: a discount of no less than five per cent at the time of purchase and a delayed rebate based upon profits of the fiscal year. Students at large will determine which rebate system they prefer and the results will be conveyed to the Bookstore Board for implementation.

Status of bill: passed.  
Bill S-6, originated by AS Legislator Tod Sundquist.

Summary Statement: This bill endorses the Curriculum Commission Report in general and urges that letters of this sentiment be written to the Board of Trustees, the president of the college, and the Long Range Planning Committee.

Status of bill: passed.

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Applications for the editorship of Jeopardy, Western's annual magazine of creative writing and art, are now being accepted by the Committee on Student Publications.

Application letters and any relevant supporting material must be submitted to committee chairman Gerald Kraft in Haggard Hall 353 by Friday, April 23. Interviews and final selection for the 1971-72 editor will be held at 5 p.m., April 28, in Humanities 215. All applicants must attend in order to be considered.

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# Indian Student Union Plans Festival for May

From beadwork to bone games, the American Indian Student Union plans a festival May 6-8 to be full of culture and entertainment, according to Bernie Thomas, AISU president.

The three-day schedule of events, entitled "Indian Days," will be held on campus and sponsored by the AISU. Its aim is to provide a cultural education through entertainment, Thomas explained.

All Western students and Bellingham residents are heartily encouraged to attend and participate, he said.

Festivities will begin officially at 8 p.m. May 6, in the Viking Union lounge with an Indian princess contest. All candidates are AISU club members.

The winner, who will wear a crown of beads, will be selected on the basis of cultural awareness, attitudes, abilities and desires.

The princess will reign over "Indian Days," as well as represent the AISU at other public activities and functions throughout the year.

An Indian arts and crafts show and trade fair, set up in the Viking Union television room and various display cases, will carry through the full three days.

Indian handicrafts, representing the entire Northwest, will be displayed and sold. Among these are bead and leather works, baskets, hats,

silk screen art, sweaters, weavings and wood carvings.

Vine Deloria, lecturer in the College of Ethnic Studies will speak on Indian treaties and rights at 3 p.m. May 7 in the Viking Union lounge. Deloria, a Sioux, teaches a course in contemporary Indian problems at the cluster college on campus. He is an author of several books including "Custer Died for Your Sins."

The same evening, from 9 to 11 p.m. in the lounge, there will be an Indian light show (promising to be different, according to Thomas).

May 8 is the biggest day for Indian culturalization, including a salmon bake with traditional celebrations at 3 p.m. in the vicinity of Red Square. Trout, oysters and clam chowder ("foods given us by Mother Earth," Thomas explained) will also be served.

There will be singing and dancing, with the Lummi dance troop, "Children of the Setting Sun," providing entertainment, and an Indian bone game, "Slahal," will also be played.

Members of the AISU, from numerous Indian tribes, are all inviting their people to share in the food and fun.

Lummi (Thomas' tribe), Makah, Skokomish, Squamish, Suquamish, Chehalis, Yakima, Blackfoot and Sioux will all be represented.

Ladonna Harris, wife of Sen. Fred Harris (R-Okla.), will visit Western next Friday. Mrs. Harris, a Cherokee, is an active speaker for the Indian movement and will give a speech on Indian rights.

# Vietnam War Greatly Affects Third World People's Lives

Three members of the Student Mobilization Committee condemned United States policies in Vietnam and the Middle East in a panel discussion Monday called "The Third World and the War."

Julie Gonzalez, a Chicano student at Western said:

"The U.S. imperialist, racist dogs are waging a war of genocide against the Yellow people of Southeast Asia. They are using Third World people to murder other Third World people.

"We have no business fighting the Vietnamese people when they are fighting against the same enemy that we, the Third World people here at home are fighting," the senior political science major from Outlook, Wash., said.

Zahi Haddad, a junior political science major from Palestine, said that the Middle East might as well be Vietnam if the U.S. maintains its present policies there.

He explained that in 1948 the country of Palestine was given to the world Zionist movement by British mandate.

At that time the state of Israel was formed and most of the Arab Palestinians were forced to move out of the country, he said.

Haddad said that there are now some one and a

half million Palestinian refugees scattered around the Arab world in concentration camps.

"We want to form a democratic state for everyone—Jews, Moslems, and Christians—in what is now the state of Israel . . . Israel is talking about taking in three million Russian Jews. I'm sure that if they can do that, they can find room for a million and a half Palestinians," he said.

He said that Israel is the United States' military base in the Middle East and that the United States must continue to support the Israeli government.

"Jews are the strongest minority group in the United States and the congressmen who appropriate money to send arms to Israel must answer to that minority," he said.

Jim Forsman, a spokesman for Western's American Indian Student Union, said that native Americans are particularly hard-hit by the war in Vietnam.

"Too many of my people are getting killed over there," the sophomore from Suquamish said.

"Most of the Indians I know are stuck on reservations and money that could be used to help them is going to fight the war in Vietnam.

"Now is the time when the Third World people must get together to stop the war. The White people are not doing the job," he said.

## HAPPENINGS

By MARILEE PETHTEL  
Front Reporter

**Play**—A melodrama, "Dirty Work at the Crossroads; or Tempted, Tried, and True," will be presented at 8 p.m. today and tomorrow in the Sehome Little Theatre.

**Dance**—A dance featuring "Funk Experience," sponsored by Edens Hall, will be held tonight from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Viking Union lounge. The 50 cent donations will go to the Northwest Kidney Foundation.

**Film**—"On the Bowery," a story about two people to whom alcohol and more alcohol seem to be the only reason for existence, will be shown tonight in L-4 at 4, 7 and 9.

**Flea Market Sale**—A benefit for the Museum Restoration Fund will be held today and tomorrow at the Bellingham Mall. An auction on Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. will feature anything you might want to buy. The Flea Market opens both days at 10 a.m.

**Conference**—Students interested in attending the

International Conference on Foreign Affairs in Vancouver, May 11-14 should contact the office of the Dean of Women.

**Course Challenge**—Applications for course challenges must be received by the testing center, Old Main 225, by today.

**Concert**—Alvin Norton, trumpet, will appear in a graduate recital on Sunday, April 25, in L-4 at 3 p.m. His program will include works by Hindemith, Vivaldi and Copeland.

**Mama Sunday's Coffee House**—A jazz workshop and jam will be held for anyone interested at 7 p.m. tonight.

**Rock Opera**—The Who's rock opera "Tommy" will premier April 28 at the Moore Theatre in Seattle. Tickets may be purchased at the box office, or through the Seattle Opera Association, 158 Thomas St., Seattle. Tickets run from \$3.50 to \$8.00.

# Third World Speakers Highlight 2-Day Event

Western's Third World Coalition will sponsor "Third World Educational Days" on Tuesday and Wednesday next week.

The campus Black Student Union, the American Indian Student Union and the Student Mobilization Committee will present speakers, films and group discussions in the Viking Union lounge both days.

Featured speakers in the two-day program will be former member of the MPLA (Angolan Liberation Front), an East Pakistani who will speak on the current revolution there, and two Palestinians who are attending graduate school at the University of Washington will speak on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

Other speakers from around the state will include the head of the Chicano Studies program at Washington State University (WSU), four Chicano prisoners from the Walla Walla State Penitentiary, Asian American, Black Panther, and American Indian speakers.

The program schedule includes:

- Tuesday, April 27
    - noon—E. Pakistani speaker
    - 1 p.m.—Asian American speakers
    - 2 p.m.—American Indian speakers
    - 3 p.m.—Film (unannounced)
  - Wednesday, April 28
    - 10 a.m.—Director of Chicano Studies at Washington State University speaking or Angela Davis film
    - 11 a.m.—Black Panther speakers
    - noon—Southern African Liberation support movement speaker
    - 1 p.m.—Palestinian speakers
    - 2:30 p.m.—Director of Chicano Studies at WSU
    - 3:30 p.m.—Walla Walla prisoners
    - 4 p.m.—films
- Coffee and cookies will be available throughout the day.

# Lettuce Boycott Cuts Union Food Sales in Half

By JIM THOMSON  
Front Reporter

The president of Washington State University's MECHA organization told a group of Western students Monday night how he successfully erected a boycott of WSU's food service.

Tomas Ybarra, a junior majoring in Chicano Studies said that the boycott arose as a result of the current labor dispute in the Southwest involving lettuce growers, the Teamster's union, and the United Farm Workers' Organizing Committee, (UFWOC).

He said that until recently California's Salinas Valley, where 70 per cent of the nation's lettuce is grown, was embroiled in a bitter struggle as to which union, the Teamsters' or UFWOC, should have jurisdiction over farm workers in the lettuce fields.

Ybarra said that pickets were stationed outside the Cougars' Union Building (CUB) last month carrying signs asking students not to eat in the CUB.

Leafleteers sauntered about outside—and eventually inside—the building, answering questions about the boycott and passing out handbills, he said.

Ybarra told the gathering of 12 students that on the first day of picketing, the CUB's food business dropped about 50 per cent.

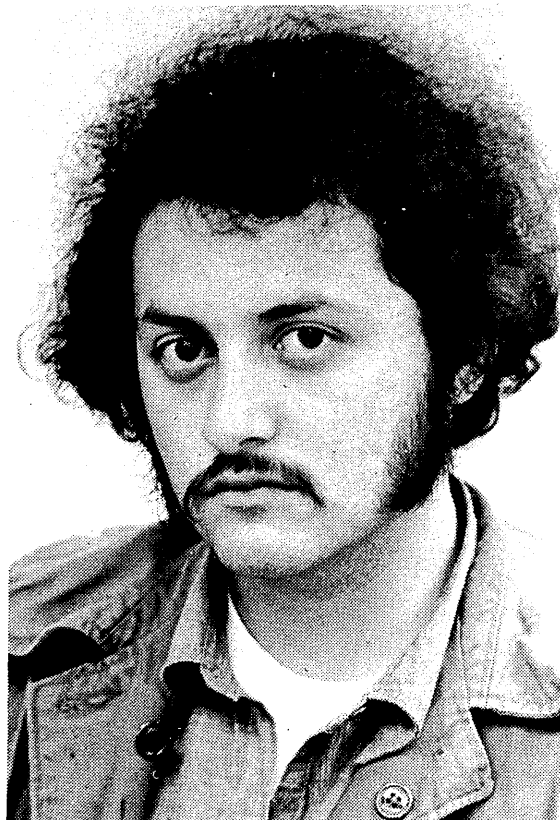
Every day for two weeks thereafter, while the pickets stood their posts from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m., food sales were 50 to 60 per cent below normal.

With about 50 persons working for the boycott, Ybarra said that they were able to send speakers to all the dorms and fraternity and sorority houses to enlist their cooperation.

He said that the response from the various student groups was gratifying and that toward the end of the boycott, even the fraternity consisting of agricultural students agreed not to eat at the CUB.

On March 26, UFWOC and the Teamsters' signed an agreement giving jurisdiction over lettuce pickers to UFWOC.

UFWOC president Cesar Chavez then declared a 30-day moratorium on all lettuce boycotting in



TOMAS YBARRA

order to give the non-UFWOC growers time to sign with UFWOC.

Ybarra said that there is still a large number of growers who have not signed and who have not yet indicated that they will sign before the end of the moratorium. If they don't sign with UFWOC, the boycott will go into effect again on April 26 against their products.

The MECHA at WSU has not decided yet whether to resume picketing after April 26, he said.

## More Letters

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### Western Needs Bike Stable

Editor:  
Last Monday my bicycle was stolen, along with at least two others, (all Peugeot's) from the bike rack on Garden Street, below the Viking Union. This letter is to warn others about this and to make a suggestion.

Could there possibly be an enclosed, supervised parking area on campus?

The area could be fenced in and people could park their bikes in it. An attendant could watch the bikes at certain times during the day, like 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (could be student help).

My bike was locked as were the other two stolen, so locks are no problem for determined thieves. Maybe supervision would help keep thievery down. Something should be done to stop this.

If something like this supervision doesn't happen, I advise everyone to get bike insurance. If I had insurance I could get a new bike. As it is I'm out a Peugeot.

Pat Spark  
Student Co-op Employee

### Sodt Column Redundant

Editor:  
I would like to suggest that the continued running of the Rev. Bill Sodt's column would be an exercise in redundancy and consequently a waste. I am sure that everyone who has read it by now understands that:

- (1) the war in Vietnam is insane and immoral,
- (2) the United States

politically, culturally, and socially is sick and immoral, and (3) the military's major objective is the perpetuation of war crimes.

Since this has been the major theme (first among others) of the student paper in both editorial and "news" articles for the four years I have been here I have to ask "do we really need Bill Sodt?" The novelty of his Christian twist has long since worn off and I have satisfied my own mind that I am not the only one that subjectively detects something discordant (malign?) behind his use of the doctrine. In short I find his column limited in scope and objectionable.

Edward Burns Shaffer  
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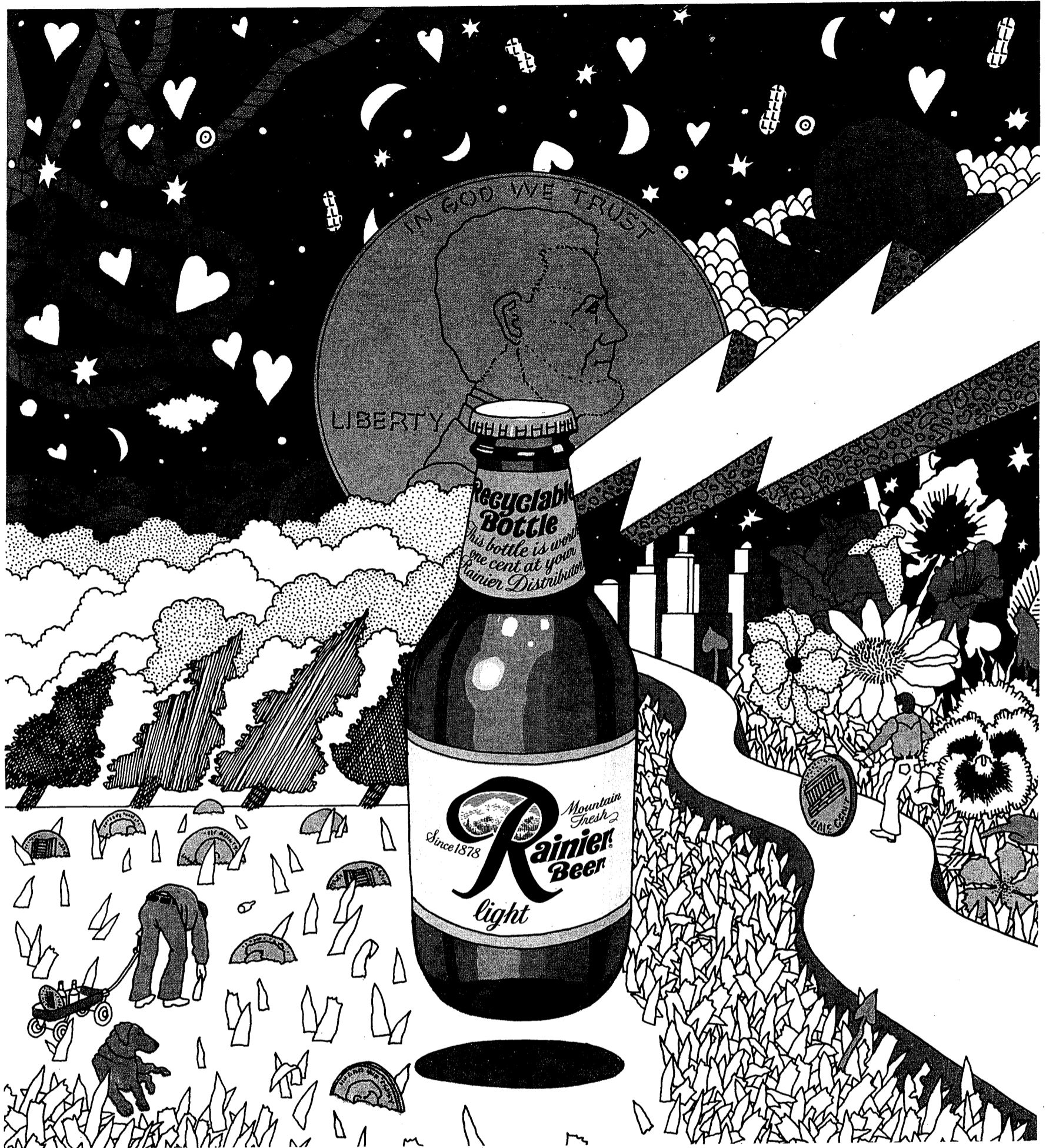
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# Roxanne Trott .. Spirit Is Key to Victory

It's Roxanne Trott's pick-yourself-up-and-try-again attitude that has made her Western's top woman ski racer while still a freshman.

This determined aggressiveness keyed her recent victory in the downhill event at Crystal Mountain. This marked her first attempt at downhill racing. The win also netted her the women's skimeister award at the meet.

"It was terrific winning after being runner-up all season," she said.

In a practice session the day before the meet she "exploded" at 50 miles per hour.

"I fell at top speed and ended up as a heap of ripped clothing and broken equipment."

Downhill racing is more than pointing yourself toward the bottom of the hill and trying to stay on your feet. The right combination of stamina, form and memory spells victory.

"You've got to know the slope and pick the fastest line down it," she said.

"When you're going fast, really fast, and you cut a turn too wide, then you just won't be able to stay on the course."

Form in downhill racing means developing a good "tuck" position. The tuck is the high-speed crouched position.

"You don't break the tuck or you'll catch air, and catching air is what adds seconds to your time."

Stamina pays dividends in the middle and end of the mile and a quarter course. A typical downhill course starts out wide and open and then usually narrows to a tree-infested center section before widening again at the finish.

"At Crystal the center stretch was like a wash-board," she said. "The shade from the trees made it colder and faster than the rest of the course. By the time you reached the final third of the course your legs felt like rubber. One entrant folded near the finish and rolled across the line."

Roxanne is practicing her flips now and hopes to get a job in Sun Valley skiing professionally for film producers.

"It's stunt skiing and not too many women can do it," she said. "I'm going to do it."



Roxanne Trott

# Duffer's Review of Area Courses

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** With warm weather almost here, the Front Sports Department sent a reporter out to some of the local golf courses—at his own expense, of course—to find out how they play. Reporter Steve Johnston, our resident golf expert, describes his golf swing as being like "a desperate man beating snakes in a phone booth." Just the man for the assignment.

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You shouldn't have too much trouble on this nine-holer. Most of the fairways are flat and long, with what I gather to be bunkers on some of the holes. The greens are large and free of traps.

At last count there were two ponds, but whether these were placed

there on purpose remains to be seen when the sun comes out. You have to shoot over one small pond at a par-3. Having an unusual fear of water—and of losing my ball—I just went up an extra club just in case.

When I played the course there was a lot of standing water in the fairways, but I imagine these pools have dried up. The first hole was under repair and I couldn't tell if the third hole was under repair or if the muddy swamp was considered a hazard. My biggest problem at the course was losing the ball in the soggy turf, so if you hit a drive like me, then you stand to lose a few balls.

You might find a little trouble on a couple of holes that parallel a clump of trees if you have a bad slice. Otherwise just keep an eye on the ball and you shouldn't have any problem.

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## GRANDVIEW GOLF COURSE, Custer, 366-4747

Dave Hill once got fined for calling a golf course a "cow pasture," so I won't say anything. This little nine hole jewel does have grass tees, but I wish they would put in rubber mats. Some of the teeing areas are built on a slope and the ground is so hard that it takes a couple of good whacks with a stone to drive in a tee.

There are a few streams running through the course and a couple of ponds—one is more like a lake—to shoot over. A good way to lose a ball is trying to drive over the pond on number eight, that is if every once in a while you have been known to drive less than 200 yards. A friend tells me he can hit over this pond with a five iron, but you know how these golfers lie.

People say the course is easy and par is within grasp. Maybe it is, but it didn't work out that way for me (I can find trouble at a putt-putt range). If I wasn't hitting for the wrong green, I was knee high in grass. I would say the hardest hole is number seven, where a good drive will leave you with a tempting choice. About 20 yards in front of the green is a wide stream lined with trees. The temptation is this: with a good long iron or fairway wood you could get over the trees and onto the green; but if it is too low, then you'll hit the trees and into the water you go. The safe way would be to lay up an easy iron and then chip through the trees. But who can resist?

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## PEACE PORTAL GOLF COURSE, On the border near Blaine

This course has been described as one of the best in the Northwest. I can't disagree. Matter of fact, Peace Portal could easily be compared to any course in Seattle and come out looking good.

The fairways on this 18 holer are kept in beautiful shape, being constantly mowed and watered. For those seeking a real challenge, this is where you'll find it. When I was playing it, one of our foursome said, "If your ball ends up on an even lie, then you're not on the fairway."

After playing the 18 holes you feel more like a mountain climber. The first hole gives a taste of things to come. At about 210 yards out it drops off to a gully, then goes up to the green which is huge and roly. What isn't seen on the first tee are the out of bounds stakes on the right, starting just below the hill. A wee slice will put you out of bounds.

The hills continue with just about every hole, and if you don't have to contend with hills, you have water to fight. One hole stands out. There are two creeks running across the fairway with a small island between them. The idea is to drive the ball onto the island and then shoot up to the green. Well, that's the idea. Everybody tries it, too.

It's hard to find something wrong with this course. I think the biggest gripe could be that it is overcrowded, but that's understandable. When just two of us were playing, it took a little over five hours, and that was on a weekday. I understand the best days to play are Tuesday and Thursday. The course is well-worth skipping a few classes to play.

Another thing is the prices charged. To play 18 holes on a weekday costs \$3.25, which is pretty high even for a nice course like this. An unusual thing that I found was that they keep the sprinkler system going all the time, even when it is raining.

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**SEARCHING FOR THE GREEN:** Reporter Steve Johnston recently went out to play some local golf courses. After a few slices and a bad hook, Johnston ended up behind the Viking Union. He was last seen putting down Interstate 5, mumbling "fore" at a Mac truck.

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## Those were the days...

# Baseball Before the Era of Ba\$eball

BOB HICKS  
Front  
Literary Critic

### Fond Remembrances: the Great American Pastime, or Three Cheers for the Home Team!

Baseball is a spectacle these days, thanks to television, the freeway and a whole lot of "emerging social patterns" which I don't really understand. In a way it's too bad, although I guess spectacles are what the public really wants. Well, after all, Manson and Calley have been leading the pop charts for months now, haven't they?

Anyway, I was reading the sports page the other day (which I always look at, along with the comics, before I even dare a peek at the front page) and I saw the Season was about to begin again.

Somehow the vibrancy, the adrenalin-rushing fever of it all doesn't seem to be there anymore. But I remember what baseball was, when I was a little younger, or it was a bit more real to a world not stunned by My Lais and Vietnams in general and spring riots and summer burnings and moonwalks and everything else that makes today's newspaper read like a sheet of sketches for the Brothers Grimm. I remember, though . . .

**Heroes. Honest-to-God bigger than life hard-fightin' hard-losin' never-quittin' heroes. Seven-foot tall raw mean eatin' warriors snapped and pressed and printed on giant rolls of pulpy cardboard and wrapped with hard stale slabs of unchewable pink bubble gum for five-cent sales to a million grade-school dreamers. (Hey, you wanna trade my Del Rice and Mickey Mantle for your Warren Spahn and Carl Furillo?)**

## Crucial Series Set For Viking Nine

To get to the top you have to beat those in front of you, and with that in mind the Western baseball squad will take on the leading team in the Evergreen Conference (Evco) when Southern Oregon College (SOC) comes to town this weekend.

The Vikings will play the Red Raiders in a double header at Bellingham's Civic Field tomorrow, with the first game starting at 12:30 p.m.

"This game means a lot to us," said Vik coach Connie Hamilton. "We have to win to have a chance of taking the pennant. Especially with that trip into Oregon we have to take coming up. A couple of wins now would put us in fine shape."

The Red Raiders are currently 4-2 in Evco play and 7-7 overall, tying them with Central for the league lead. The Wildcats are 8-9 for the season. Western is 2-2 in Evco and 7-4 for the year. Eastern Oregon, Oregon College, and Whitworth are all 3-3, Eastern Washington is 2-2 and Oregon Tech is 1-5.

"I feel that we're as good as any in the league," Hamilton commented, "and we still have a good crack at it."

**Hamilton plans on starting Don Balke in the opener and Neil Crawford in the second game. Balke turned in a standout performance in last week's series with Central, holding the Wildcats to five hits and striking out nine to win a 4-0 shutout.**

SOC comes to Bellingham an unknown to Hamilton.

"They're new to the league and we've never played them before," said the Vik mentor. "I don't know anything about them except that they're leading the league."

A possible blow to the Viks happened in Wednesday's practice when second baseman Rocky Jackson was hit in the ear by a pitched ball. Jackson was ordered by the doctor to rest yesterday and today, but Hamilton thinks Jackson will be ready to go tomorrow.

"Rocky is a great guy," commented Hamilton, "a real quiet type who the rest of the squad looks to as their leader."

**Should Jackson be unable to play, Hamilton plans to use Keith Reynvaan, a junior from Hoquiam, at second. The only other change planned by Hamilton is substituting 29-year old Dick Merenda in left field for Dan Marlow.**

Starting at the other positions for Western will be Ron Porterfield, first base; Dave Bobillot, shortstop; John Bates, third base; Pete Johnson, center field; Bruce Maupin, right field, and Mike Wheat at catcher.

"We simply have to win both of these games," Hamilton emphasized. "If we can win both we'll be in first place going down to Oregon where two over Oregon Tech would put us in a great position when that powerful Eastern Oregon team comes to town. I know that we can do the job."

My personal hero was Duke Snider. The Aristocratic Bum, the artful Dodger who, at least in my eyes, carried the most exciting team in baseball through a decade of amazing triumphs and agonizing, painful near-misses. The quintessence of All That Was Brooklyn, even though his home was in the bright new land of California.

Was there ever such a team as the Brooklyn Dodgers? Perhaps, in the cold hard world of statistics and basic skills and just plain ability there's not a one of those subway heroes who could match the sleek-muscled analytical stockbrokers who pull on the monkey suit for fun but mostly profit today.

In my mind, though, there has never been and will never be a group of men who could generate the kind of grandiose excitement, the heartstopping melodrama that was the legacy of those 1950's Bums to my imagination. And I was a grade-school kid in a farm town 3,000 miles from Brooklyn.

1955. The year that Next Year came to Brooklyn and all its idolatrous extensions including me from coast to coast. Carl Furillo and Junior Gilliam and Don Newcombe and Pee Wee Reese and Roy Campanella and the Duke and a young pitcher named Johnny Podres and a nonentity named Sandy Amoros who made the catch that gave Brooklyn its first and only Championship of the Whole Blooming World.

And then there was the last great year for my Dodgers. 1959. A far cry from the powerhouses that ruled the National League from the late '40's through the mid-'50's. These Dodgers were in another city, Los Angeles, and were only worn shadows of their past. But somehow, incredibly, this patchwork conglomeration of aging stars, not-yet-matured kids and last-ditch fill-ins who had finished seventh the year before begged, borrowed and stole their way to an end-of-the-season deadlock for first with the Braves.

The Dodgers beat Spahn and Burdette in a two-game playoff, then waded through the Chicago White Sox in the Series for the World Championship. They were a team that never should have won, but they kept doing it, and they made schoolwork almost impossible for a boy in the northwest corner of Washington. This was the year of the moonshots—Wally Moon's lefthanded pokes over the screen in the L.A. Coliseum short left field. It was Snider's last gimp-kneed gasp as a superhero. and just the beginning of greatness for Wills and Drysdale and Koufax.

**Baseball taught me my arithmetic.** I used to spend whole days poring over the statistical records of heroes past and present, figuring batting averages, slugging percentages, earned run averages, win-loss records, even, I swear to the gods, fielding percentages. And from these ancient records and reports of magnificent deeds I learned of the history of the myth, began to feel the minds and deeds of the giants of the Golden Age.

## Western Hosts State's First Greco-Roman Mat Tourney

Western hosted the first Greco-Roman wrestling tournament ever held in this state last weekend. Top college and high school wrestlers from around the state competed.

"The main difference in Greco-Roman, as against Olympic, is that you wrestle from the waist up," said Lanny Bryant, Western's wrestling coach. "You can't use your legs for holds or take-downs; it's hard for Olympic wrestlers to get used to."

Junior Lee Anderson led Western's entrants, winning the 163 pound class. Earlier this year Anderson came fourth at the NAIA championships at Boon, N.C. Two other entrants from Western were Randy Tomaras and Terry Beckstead. Both won their opening matches but were eliminated soon after.

Over 400 entrants from 98 schools attended the meet.

"The Evergreen Conference was well represented at the meet," Bryant said.

Even their names now seem Olympic to me: The Big Train, Walter Johnson; Christy Mathewson dapper Nap Lajoie, Iron Joe McGinnity, Hack Wilson, Home Run Baker, Grover Cleveland Alexander, Rogers Hornsby and Ty Cobb, the Georgia Peach, at once the smartest, the daringest, the most talented and the meanest player in the game, who used to carve up shortstops and second basemen on the basepaths, then eat them for an after-game snack.

Through the pages of such pulp fan journals as Baseball Digest, Sport and the Sporting News I re-lived the Great Moments of the Game: Babe Ruth hitting number 60; the Gas House Gang, rag-tag bunch of rowdies led by the anarchical Pepper Martin and the even crazier Dizzy Dean, running over the mighty Tigers; the Babe eating 26 hot dogs on a bet, then being rushed to a hospital to have his stomach pumped; the tragedy of Shoeless Joe Jackson and the 1919 Chicago Black Sox, banned forever from organized ball for doing the unthinkable—throwing the World Series for a few underworld dollars.

My love affair with baseball also got me my first job as a writer, when I was in high school—sportswriter for the Ferndale Record at two dollars a week (minus taxes) and use yer own paper, bub. Those were days of innocence. The hometown team was the best, and if it lost it was because the officials were blind or the other team played dirty or we just plain got lousy breaks.

**Baseball was like a Homeric tradition for me. It was the mythical explanation of the culture I lived in, the artistic pattern of life and love and custom and death in America. It was the stick-it glue that provided belief in my society, in my way of life. There was a wondrous beauty to the thing. In its way it was as expressive and beautiful as any literary or artistic tradition.**

The heroes, you see, weren't there. They were ghost players in the sky, their images revealed only on the sacred bubble gum cards. I never in my life laid eyes on Duke Snider, but Lord knows I BELIEVED in him. Because he was unseen, the essence of his reality lay in my imagination. What I read of his Ebbetts Field triumphs was only a thin sketch for the grand symphony of thrusts and ploys and larger-than-life action I composed in my own mind.

It made no difference that the Duke and all the other heroes were real people who lived real lives and had real pains and made real money. They were myths, beyond the pale of workaday here and now. Their names and deeds were but the shells for small boys to fill with the dreams and goals and hopes of a lifetime: clay for the personal use of the child potter.

We didn't care then about salary disputes or antitrust suits or any of the vital but distressing things that crowd their way onto today's sports page. Like another entertainer from another time said: "the play's the thing." Play ball!

Play ball!

"Central won the meet and there were three champions and nine placers from the Evergreen Conference," he said.

Bryant also got a chance to look over the current crop of high school seniors and community college transfers at the Greco-Roman meet.

Bernie Ruch (136 pounds) and Rex Febus (180 pounds), both from Green River Community College, caught the coach's eye. Both won their events.

Another sought-after wrestler from the high school ranks is Bellingham's Greg Gowens (149 pounds). Gowens won the state wrestling championship this year, the first that Bellingham High School has ever had.

"I'm pretty sure that Ruch and Febus will be coming here next year. I'm not sure about Gowens, but we're trying to interest him," Bryant said.