

Scholar-poet changes her lifestyle; different yardstick measures world

by GREG COHEN

Annie Dillard used to spread her poetry out on the kitchen floor and measure it with a yardstick to see how much she had written that day.

But now the Pulitzer Prize-winning author for nonfiction has put away her poetry and yardstick and is beginning to settle into her new surroundings on Lummi Island and preparing for her teaching assignment at Western in the fall as a scholar-in-residence.

Dillard, 30, will teach a creative writing course in poetry to be offered this fall through the English department.

The other day, the tall, attractive Dillard seemed at home as she sat in an old farm house on Lummi she is watching while the owners are away and talked about her first venture into prose writing and the unbelievable success she has had with the book, "Pilgrim at Tinker Creek."

"I'd spent about a year in the Roanoke Valley of Virginia reading all the time and walking by Tinker's Creek," she said. "And

when you read a lot, you accumulate information and thoughts and I began writing down what I saw.

"In the middle of writing this book I began getting requests to publish excerpts in magazines."

Excerpts of the book appeared in The Atlantic, Sports Illustrated, Prose, Cosmopolitan and Harper's Magazine. The latter's parent company, Harper's Magazine Press, bought the rights to the book.

The final product, which is now in paperback, is "a personal narrative with lots of natural beauty, natural theology, lots of gore and a lot of hard sayings but virtually nothing happens in it," Dillard said.

The book's success has done little to change her lifestyle although some have tried.

"When the book started becoming a success, by publisher called and asked me to come to New York. But I just couldn't stand New York and the people who are so strange they don't even know they're strange. They expect you to move to there and

enclose yourself in some glass-encased office."

Her easygoing nature rebels at the mention of public appearances or personal interviews.

"I just don't appear. It's very easy to turn yourself into a public figure. You go on the Today show and get millions to buy your books and have people recognize you on the street.

"But I thought it would destroy me. I had a secret fear I would start to need it."

Western isn't her first teaching assignment. She has taught a course in poetry writing at Hollins College in Roanoke.

What kind of a teacher will she be?

Students at Hollins have told her she was "the most authoritarian one they've ever had. But I think it'll be a pure pleasure. I hope we'll be stimulated by each other's work," she said.

Although she said she'd rather do anything else but write it's hard to imagine that the pilgrim won't soon pick up her yardstick and find a Tinker Creek on Lummi Island.



J. Thomas Wilson

PULITZER WINNER — Annie Dillard who won the Pulitzer Prize for her non-fiction book "Pilgrim at Tinker Creek" will teach a creative writing class in poetry this fall at Western.

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Trustees vote in two new cluster colleges

by DENNIS RITCHIE

The list of colleges at Western grew by two with the addition of colleges in business and fine arts, approved by the Board of Trustees' meeting June 5.

In a dramatic five-hour marathon session, the trustees approved the establishment of a College of Business and Economics and a College of Fine and Performing Arts. Both colleges

will come into existence on Jan. 1, 1976.

Establishment of a College of Education will have to wait until the trustees' October meeting because of heavy opposition to the proposal as written.

The establishment of the College of Business and Economics has been long favored by the Bellingham business community and several student organizations. This support proved to be

very favorable in getting the proposal approved by the trustees.

The main reason given for creation of the business college was that the establishment of a separate college would make Western eligible for consideration of accreditation by the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business.

Howard Mitchell, chairman of the economics and business de-

partment and prime mover behind the proposal, said accreditation would give students a "degree that carries a known background of a quality standard. Accreditation would help students in applying for employment or graduate schools because of the respect for accredited programs."

The establishment of a separate, accredited college would also help attract federal grants to improve programs, according to Mitchell. Although two years will be needed before accreditation could be awarded, the fact that Western is being considered for accreditation is expected to help Western graduates now.

Still to be worked out in the fall are admission and evaluation procedures along with the selection of a dean for the college.

Mitchell said, in an interview several weeks ago, that he will not be a candidate for the dean's post. A search committee to find a dean is expected to be formed this summer or in early fall.

If the new college is to be accredited, stricter requirements for those majors will be necessary. A major in one of the college's programs will be required to take 72 credit hours outside of the College of Business and Economics. Presently, majors face no specific requirements of credit hours outside of their field other than completion of 180 credit hours.

The college will include four programs which may be similar in structure to departments: accounting, business administration, business education and economics. These programs are not expected to have specific Full-Time Equivalencies (FTEs) for department chairman duties.

Countering arguments that creation of the college will take away FTEs from teachers, Mitchell argued at the meeting that only 1.5 FTEs would be required. This would include the .5 FTE already assigned for the economics and business department chairman.

Legislative scorecard shows mixed bag for Western students

Ed. Note — This is the first of a two-part analysis on how the college and students, in particular, fared during the past legislative session.

This week our capitol reporters review what happened to legislation affecting students.

OLYMPIA — A study of the legislative scorecard shows that if this session is to be remembered for anything, it undoubtedly will be for what the legislature didn't accomplish.

Talk of tuition hikes for four-year colleges ran rampant during the early months. But the talk soon faded when students from across the state descended on Olympia to lobby strongly against any such moves.

While various members of the House and Senate tried to balance an unbalanceable budget by hiking tuitions, students calmly noted that any such move would mean less numbers of people enrolling in colleges across the state.

The strong student lobbying efforts were noted by some House members as the major reason for the rejection of any such legislation.

A bill that would have banned almost all sales of alcoholic beverages on state college campuses was vetoed by Gov. Dan Evans, after its strong support in the Senate.

With the veto Western can continue with its

plans for a campus pub. The fate of such plans now is in the hands of the State Liquor Board.

Students will get some benefits from legislation when Evans signs a bill that would allow the three state colleges to grant master's degrees in specific areas of study, such as English or chemistry, instead of in broad areas such as "arts" or "sciences."

The legislation is designed to make master programs more attractive to students and their prospective employers. It would also lead to an eventual expansion of graduate programs the college could offer.

Evans also signed into law a bill that would allow elderly to fill empty campus seats in classes. The bill prohibits creation of new classes or expansion of classes for such a purpose, however.

On the minus side for students was a bit of housekeeping legislation that would authorize public and private institutions of higher education to restrict cohabitation in student housing.

The measure exempts schools from certain laws to prevent sex discrimination. Evans is expected to approve the bill.

But overall the students didn't fare that bad this session or at least not as bad as they might have.

Next week a close look at Western's budget as approved by Gov. Evans.

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Progress slowed on College of Education

Associate Dean of Teacher Education Arnold Gallegos said the trustees' actions are not a defeat, just a delay. See pg. 3.

Summer recreation: A break-away

Peter Fromm, Summer Recreation Coordinator, plans low-cost fun. The Outdoor Program plans backpacking, sailing and picnicking. See pg. 4.

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International antiTrident protest set

An Interdependence Day Celebration will be held at the Peace Arch Park in Blaine Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m., sponsored by Pacific Life Community.

The celebration, which will include an afternoon picnic with music, dancing, jugglers and discussions, will be an alternative to the nationally celebrated

American and Canadian Independence holidays, according to the Pacific Life Community which is based in Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver.

The focus of the celebration will be the group's non-violent campaign in opposition to the Trident submarine, to be based at Bangor.

The public is invited to attend.

Teachers' history requirement dropped

A course in Washington State history will no longer be required for a teaching certificate, according to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The course requirement, History and Government of Washington, was dropped by the State Board of Education in May and will apply to all students regardless of when they enrolled. However, the board retained the

requirement for anyone wishing to teach Washington State history in public schools.

In other action the board increased certification fees from \$1 to \$10 effective July 1. Students completing their programs by Sept. 1 will be charged the \$1 fee if they apply for certification before July 1.

Also, U.S. citizenship is no longer a requirement for certification.

Vets eligible for short-course loans

Veterans who can establish that their educational expenses are exceeding their financial resources are eligible for financial aid through the Veterans' Administration educational loan.

The loan can vary from \$50 to \$800 depending on the length of the course or enrollment. Stu-

dents must be pursuing a course of study on a half time or more.

Students must first seek assistance through the guaranteed student loan program before applying for this program.

For more information contact veterans' representative Jeremy Standen at Old Main 430.

School can insure most students

Student health insurance for summer quarter is available to all students who purchased it for fall, winter and spring quarters. It is no longer automatic coverage but is offered at the same rate as during the regular school year.

If a student wishes coverage and is registering for summer quarter, both tuition and insur-

ance may be paid at the same time. If a student will not be attending Western this summer but is eligible to purchase it, the insurance payment may be made at the cashier's office through June 30.

The cashier's office is in Old Main 330A, open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Junior receives \$100 poetry award

Randy Jay Landon, a junior from Wenatchee, has been awarded the Leslie Hunt Memorial Poetry Award for his 16-poem selection entitled "The Second Before Death."

The \$100 annual award is offered in memory of Leslie Hunt, a former professor of English here who died in 1969. The award is administered through the English department.

Other students receiving honorable mention were graduate student Greg Bowers of York, Pa., for his poem "Love in Two Movements (with Bridge);" Jan Hoesly, a senior from Spokane, for "Moving Day;" Shem Beaver, a sophomore from Tulsa, Okla., for "Shaving," and J.F. Yeager, a junior from Walla Walla, for "The Two-Car Family Poem."

Psych to buy computers with grant

Western's psychology department has received a \$12,600 instructional scientific equipment grant from the National Science Foundation.

Ronald W. Shaffer, who is directing an instructional improvement project here, said the grant will be used to purchase an interact computer designed to allow students and faculty to work simultaneously on research projects.

Terms of the grant call for matching funds to be supplied by the college from non-federal sources.

The equipment program is one of several NSF activities designed to help colleges and universities improve the quality of undergraduate science instruction by updating courses and teaching laboratories.

Tight budget doesn't hamper Planned Parenthood's activities

by MARY LU EASTHAM

Planned Parenthood of Whatcom County is in financial trouble for the first time since they opened their doors in 1970.

According to director Dorothy Giesecke, their past due accounts total over \$12,000.

She said she really hates to pressure people to pay because the agency is dedicated to the belief that "no unwanted child should be brought into the world" and they don't want to turn anyone away who needs help.

They will counsel any young woman of child-bearing age, usually 14 to 44, about all forms of contraceptives. They discuss human sexuality with young women and try to develop an attitude of responsible parenthood. They also do vasectomy counseling for men.

Four nurses and five doctors serve the clinic on a rotating basis. Pregnancy tests, pap smears and complete physicals are given. The fees are on a sliding scale, and they charge nothing for those unable to pay.

Those who can pay, however, are urged to do so to meet their loss. Also, any contributions are welcome.

Planned Parenthood is located in the Cascade Building on

Champion Street. The center is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and clinics are held Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 to 10 p.m. For appointments, call 734-9095.

Crater's condition confusing

Mt. Baker has been fogging geologist's field glasses with its steamy smoke signals since March 10, but scientists still aren't sure just what it's trying to tell them.

Scientists from around the country are engaged in a geological guessing game in an attempt to determine the significance of Baker's increased activity. In the past month there have been four periods of especially intense activity, each lasting about a day. On at least one of these days usually white steam clouds turned dark.

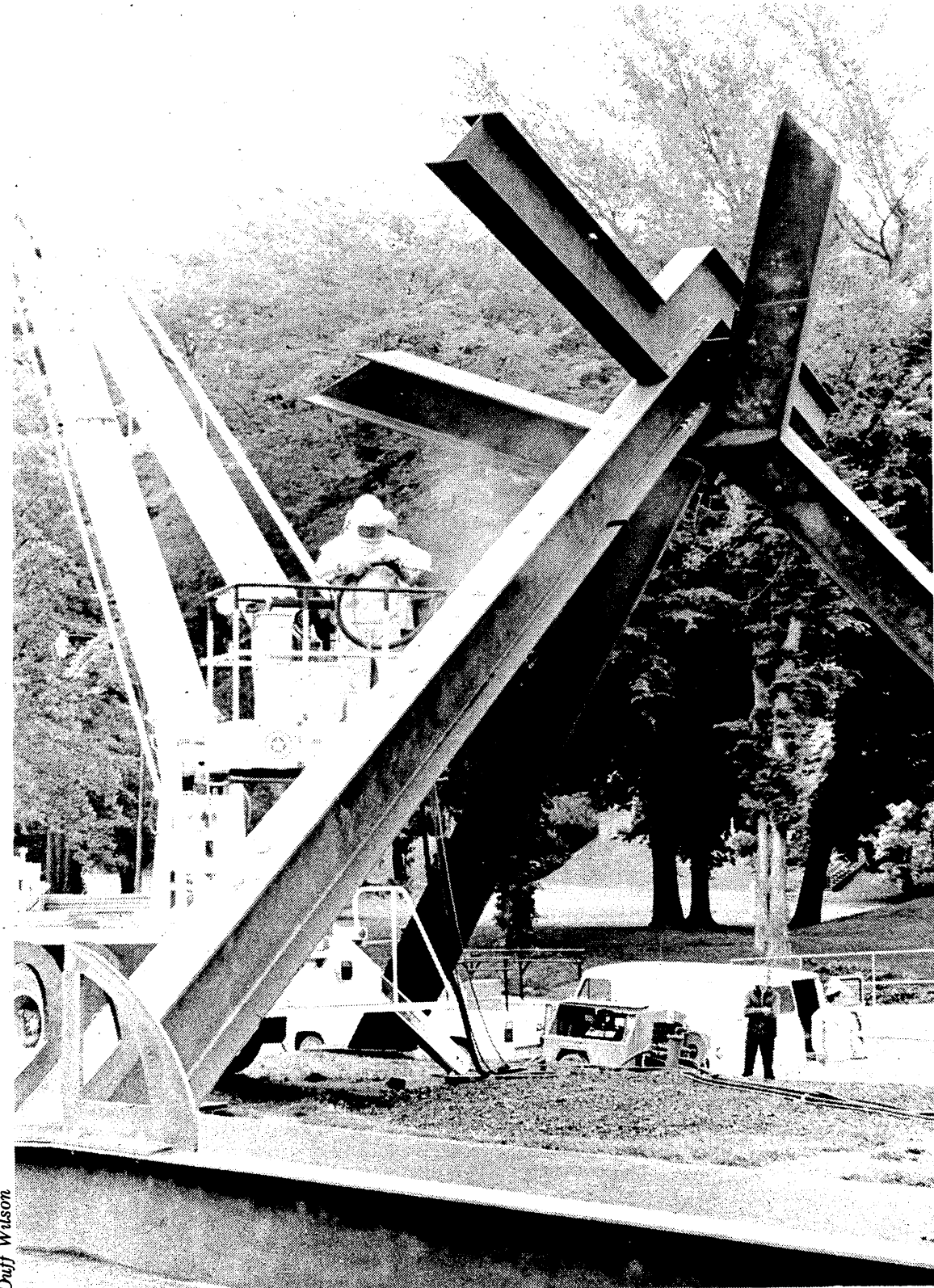
There have also been periods of increased "noise" or background seismic activity, which is being constantly monitored by a telemetric seismic information system at the University of

Washington. And Baker now has its own little "Crater Lake" formed by ice and snow melted by the increased heat on the mountain.

"We're still waiting for something more significant to happen," Dwight R. Crandell of the U.S. Geological Survey said. "As of now, we simply don't know."

But the mountain has been throwing out some hints recently, in the form of newly formed bits of volcanic glass and quartz particles, which may mean that the increased activity is deep seated and very hot.

For the present, Baker's geological doctors will continue to take the mountain's temperature and keep a close watch on its vital life signs in an attempt to diagnose the volcano's condition.



Duff Wilson

NOT THE PRIMER — "No, that red color's a finished job," Harry Skinner, Facilities Development spokesman, said yesterday concerning the paint job done last week on Di Suvero sculpture "For Handel." The sculpture has gone through various stages of colors in its brief existence. From natural rust, to blasted black, to primer rust, to red-light orange in one week. "For Handel," the subject of heated controversy during winter quarter, is in the news again.

Summer Front

The presses are rolling again with this, the first edition of the Summer Front.

As Western's summer student is a different kind of animal, so is the summer edition of the Front. The paper will come out only once a week. After this issue, the regular publishing day will be Thursday.

Summer in Bellingham, if it ever stops raining, can offer a unique variety of outdoor activities at some of the top recreational areas in the country. For this reason, the Summer edition of the Front will inform Western's population of the opportunities and areas available throughout the quarter.

The Summer Front welcomes contributions in the form of photography, graphics, and stories from all members of the college community. The deadline for material submitted to the Front will be Tuesdays at noon.

Front office hours will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. The office is located in Viking Union 313.

Grounds keepers learn sign language

Three Western employes have been learning finger spelling and sign language this spring to communicate with a deaf employe recently hired by the college.

The course, taught by Lois Mitchell of the Controller's office, is designed as a series of six lessons which, after completion, allows students to continue the learning process through their contact with deaf persons.

Receiving instruction are grounds staff members Dave Woods, Irv Bowers and Jack Williams.

Mitchell has taught sign language courses through the speech department for the past six years. She also has a similar course offered through Whatcom Community College.

According to current figures, 85 per cent of the deaf population uses sign language, she said.

Trustees delay College of Education

The Board of Trustees' recent action to delay final judgment on the establishment of a College of Education has caused chief backer, associate dean of teacher education Arnold Gallegos, to become philosophical.

A week after the trustees' non-action on the proposal, Gallegos stated optimistically, "I don't view actions of the trustees as a defeat, just a delay. Besides, we now have a task force doing an analysis that would have had to have been done anyway."

The trustees had delayed action because of heavy opposition from faculty and some college committees. The trustees re-

quested position papers be drawn up so they can make a final decision in October.

Gallegos said that he thinks the college could be approved in October and still start on Jan. 1, 1976 along with the College of Business and Economics and the College of Fine and Performing Arts.

The establishment of a College of Education is designed to better coordinate field training for students, particularly those already teaching who need more training for certain teaching certificates. The undergraduates, theoretically, would benefit from a better coordinated clinical

teaching internship which can last either two or three quarters.

The college would coordinate the teaching programs of physical education, science education and speech pathology/audiology.

Gallegos hailed the main advantages of the proposal as better coordination and planning of field and competency based teaching programs. He said a College of Education would have less of an overlap of the various education programs.

Gallegos emphasized that a College of Education would not be a cluster college but a professional college.

Business prof to present his new course ideas at August conference

by STEVE THOMPSON

Western business professor Farrokh Safavi will present a report on "informatice method" of teaching business courses to the annual meeting of the Academy of Management in New Orleans in August.

Safavi has developed this method after years of developing other means of teaching business courses.

Safavi opposes the philosophy of the "marketeer" being insulated from his market and proceedings on assumptions of what the consumer wants.

"To hell with these assumptions. Go and find out," he said about the traditional classroom teaching.

The theories are presented with a practical application. A student must learn to work them out. All theories taught must be applied.

In 1970, Safavi developed the consumer planning approach to marketing education. The class is divided into teams of three-to-five students. Each team must invent a new product for the Bellingham area.

The student teams then research to see if the market is large enough to begin production.

This program received special recognition and was published in the "American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business Bulletin."

He was soon to develop the triangular approach. The students develop their skills of producing advertisements by working in the news media.

Students contact the business community and

sell ads. They produce the ads and place them in the media.

"The ads produced were of such a high quality they gained the attention of the editor of Education Media," Safavi said. A summary of the program was published in July 1974.

Safavi has also developed the "case method" of instruction. In it a student is given the background information of an organization in trouble, the student must analyze the problems of the case and suggest solutions.

This year Safavi has begun the "informatice method." It is similar to the case method except that not all the information is supplied. It forces the students to develop the information they need to complete the analysis.

Each student is given a budget. The missing information has a price. The price of the information chosen is deducted from the budget. A student must choose the most appropriate information and analyze it.

The problem must be solved within the budget. After discovering the problem, corporate strategy is formulated to correct it.

Safavi submitted a paper on the results of the informatice method to the program committee of the Academy of Management. They accepted the paper and invited him to present his approach and findings.

The academy has a world wide recognition. It is the highest body of scholars of business management in the world. The meeting will be attended by professors and scholars of management from throughout the world.

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Recreation program promises fun summer

by CAROLYN CRAIG

If Western's students decide to spend the entire summer in the library, Peter Fromm could be out of a job.

"My job is to help people get out of here," Fromm, the Summer Recreation Coordinator for the Outdoor Program, said last week.

The object of the newly created summer rec

program is to give students the chance to get into environments other than school — cheaply.

"The Northwest has some of the top outdoor recreation areas in the country," Fromm said. He hopes to coordinate trips whereby students at Western can hike, bike, backpack, climb, canoe and sail into many of the areas.

Some of the trips already on the summer recreation schedule include a backpack trip to Schreiber's Meadow below Mt. Baker, a bicycle tour of Lummi Island, charter cruises to the San Juans and mountain climbing trips to Mt. Shuksan and Mt. Baker.

"But we can do anything people want to do," Fromm said. If someone wants to organize a trip to a place not listed on the schedule, "All they have to do is stick their heads into the Outdoor Program office and put up a sign-up sheet," he said.

People interested in joining in the summer recreation trips can sign up in the office, Viking Union 304. The only charge will be for equipment rental, food and transportation. Equipment will be rented through the Outdoor Program.

"And the rent's awful cheap," Fromm said. A tent, backpack or sleeping bag can be had for 50 cents a weekend.

Fromm encouraged both experienced and neophyte outdoorsmen to participate in the summer program. At least one person on each trip will be there as a resource person, he said.

"But they're not there to tie people's shoelaces," Fromm said. "We're all in it together — the common adventurers together for a simple thing like 'let's go climb a mountain!' or 'let's canoe a river.'"

There will be an introduction to the Outdoor Program and the summer recreation program at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Lecture Hall 3.

"I think it's going to be a good summer," Fromm said. "We're going to have fun."



Duff Wilson

PETER FROMM

Schedule

June 26 — Multi-Media slide shows, an introduction to the Outdoor Program and the Summer Recreation Program at 7:30 p.m., Lecture Hall 3.

June 27 — Picnic at Lakewood. Meet at the visitors parking lot below Viking Union at 4 p.m. to share transportation to Lakewood. Bring your own food and drink. Sailing, canoeing on Lake Whatcom.

June 28 to 29 — Backpacking to Schreiber's Meadow, below Mt. Baker.

June 28 — Lummi Island bicycle tour.

June 29 — Fragrance Lake — Larrabee Park hike.

June 30 — Sailing introductory/information session. Viking Union coffee den, 7 p.m.

July 1 — Backpacking introductory session, VU coffee den, 7 p.m.

July 2 — Mountaineering introductory session, coffee den, 7 p.m.

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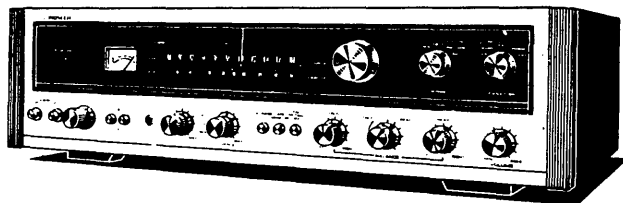
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July 19 — Victoria, B.C.

July 25 — San Juan cruise.

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