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Ford reveals review lineup

Members of the academic review and non-academic review committees, except for student representatives, were named late Thursday night.

A position on each committee has been reserved for a student. Nominations by the

Associated Students Board had not been submitted as of Thursday.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Paul Ford named Harvey Gelder, Richard Fowler, John Moore, Chris Sucek, Marjorie Donker and Bruce

Pullan as faculty representatives to the academic review committee. Ron Johnson, of academic counseling, will represent administrators.

Erwin Mayer, Joseph Crook and Howard Evans will represent the faculty on the

non-academic review committee. Tim Douglas, dean of students, will represent administrators. Maurice Bryan, chairman of the Staff Employees Council, will represent staff.

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Student, staff opposition in vain

Trustees OK Senate plan

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Maurice Bryan addresses the Board of Trustees at yesterday's meeting. The trustees showed little sympathy for

Bryan's pleas to have classified staff representation on the Academic Program Review Committee.

By LORI McGRUFF

A plea made by two staff employee representatives, the Associated Students president, the president of the Administrator's Association and the head of one of the two faculty unions on campus received little sympathy Thursday from the university's highest governing body.

The three members sitting on the Board of Trustees unanimously decided to go ahead with the university-wide review process without acting on requests to add an additional member to the academic review committee.

Those speaking also asked that student, staff and administrators be ensured a place on both of the committees included in the review process.

One committee is to examine academic programs on campus, while the other will consider the strengths and weaknesses of non-academic programs.

Maurice Bryan, chairman of the Staff Employees Council, called the board's action "backing out" and promised to not let staff, student and administrator demands die.

Controversy over the number of members on the academic review committee and the ensured representation began Sept. 27 at a faculty senate meeting.

The senate was called upon to approve a review process hammered out following negotiations between the senate's executive board and top West-

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Disdain greets AS lease proposal

By MARK CARLSON

Student concerns about the legality of a portion of the newly formed Faculty Club's lease with the university were shot down Thursday by Western's Board of Trustees.

Trustees Chairman Curtis Dalrymple labeled the portion in question — a clause permitting the private club to reimburse Western over the next eight years for architects' fees — "prudent business practices."

After turning thumbs down to the Associated Students' contentions regarding the Faculty Club lease, Dalrymple "clarified" the board's stand on public meetings for the finalists in the search for Western's next president — contradicting an earlier statement by fellow trustee and Presidential Search Committee Chairman Gordon Sandison.

The lease, which gained unanimous approval from the trustees, allows the controversial club to pay back the university with no interest.

Associated Students Secretary-Treasurer Ron Bensley had spearheaded a motion passed at Monday's AS Board of Directors' meeting questioning the legality of the reimbursement plan. At that meeting and at Thursday's trustees' gathering, Bensley contended that the plan was in violation of the state Constitution.

AS President Mark Murphy echoed Bensley's concern.

"(The plan) violates standard business practices, because eight-year loans at zero-percent interest aren't generally available

to Washington state residents," Murphy told the trustees.

But Dalrymple, who was visibly hostile to the Associated Students' questions, said the plan "is not credit, no matter what state

law says about it."

"Sometimes a lessor has to absorb some costs in order to lease the place at all," Dalrymple said.

Western is fortunate that the

Faculty Club will be able to pay back the costs of architectural plans, which came out of the university's operating budget, Dalrymple said.

Although Murphy refrained from further argument after hearing words in support of the club from every administrator in attendance who had helped develop the lease, Bensley persisted.

When he branded the reimbursement a "financial assist to a private group," Dalrymple cut him off with a challenge.

"Is your concern the damned technicalities of this or are you just opposed to the Faculty Club," he demanded.

Bensley, noticeably flustered, restated his argument before sitting down.

In other business, the board:

- Heard Dalrymple's report clarifying Sandison's remark that the five search committee recommendations will be brought to Western for public hearings later this fall. Dalrymple said that all five men won't necessarily be brought to Western for visits, adding that some finalists may be deemed unfit for the job when the board meets to consider their applications.

"We (trustees) may decide that one or more candidates aren't desirable," he said.

- Heard statements from American Federation of Teachers Pres-

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CBE too small—Meier

By DON JENKINS

Western's College of Business and Economics at least should be modestly expanded, but if it isn't, the Legislature should take notice, business administration department Chairman Robert Meier said.

The Legislature and this state's voters expect public colleges and universities to place more emphasis on the applied sciences, applied technology and the applied arts, Meier contended. He also called Western's current emphasis on the liberal arts "dead wrong."

Meier acknowledged that his views aren't shared by most of Western's administrators. One such critic, Bob Thirsk, associate director of the Career Planning and Placement Center, maintained that "it would be foolish" to de-emphasize the liberal arts.

Meier is quick to point out he doesn't think the university should place its primary emphasis on business and other non-liberal arts fields. It merely should "recognize the fact that (business) is what students are coming here for," and create more balance between the two, he said.

The CBE in general—and the business administration department in particular—are "one of the more poorly staffed" areas, Meier said.

Existing teaching staff is too small to meet the increasing demand for business classes, he said. This means students aren't allowed enough flexibility when planning their schedules, he said.

Business classes are 90-95 percent full. "If the airlines were doing as well as we are they would be making money hand over fist," Meier said.

Thirsk, who helps Western graduates find jobs in business, industry and government, said that a strength of a Western business degree is the liberal arts education the school provides.

A liberal arts background makes an employee "better able to work in the business environment," he said.

A person with a liberal arts education is able to understand people and issues, Thirsk said.

Thirsk said it's sometimes difficult to convince employers that a person with a broad liberal arts education can do the job usually reserved for a person with a business degree.

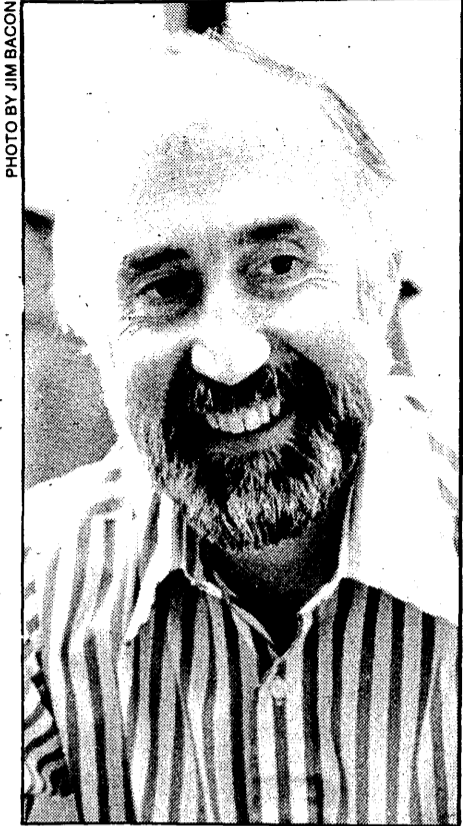
Meier said the business major provides a broad liberal education. The business department has classes in business law, history and behavior.

The business major-boom is because that's where people think jobs are after graduation, Meier said.

Thirsk said he agrees, pointing out that the word has spread that people with business degrees have a good job placement record.

The job market, however, is in danger of being saturated by people with business degrees, Thirsk said. The recession is compounding the problem, he added.

Meier said he sees no glut of business graduates on the job market, contending that people with business degrees are best prepared to weather bad economic times.



Acting University President James Talbot

Talbot to review board: take long-term approach

By MITCH EVICH

Appealing to members of Western's program review committees to look far into the future, Acting University President James Talbot Wednesday outlined what he foresees for this institution in the years ahead.

"The review should take a long-term approach," Talbot told his audience of mostly faculty and administrators. "I hope it will result in a recommendation of what this institution should be.

"And in particular, I hope it will not get bogged down by trying to decide how we will meet next year's (budget) reduction," he said.

That remark drew considerable criticism from Edward Kaplan of the history department, a nominee to one of two committees composing the program review.

"If the program committee isn't going to get us through this next biennium, then who is?" Kaplan asked.

"We have the appropriate processes," Talbot replied. "We have the Planning

Council, and we have, if need be, the mechanism for a RIF (reduction-in-force)."

Talbot, who drew up plans for the program review committee this summer and presented them to the Board of trustees in August said he hopes the committees will examine Western's future during the next five years.

"As most of you know, I'm a geologist," Talbot said with a grin. "For me, five years doesn't seem very long."

In a speech that touched several bases, Talbot described the effect of continuing enrollment declines, outlined Western's funding prospects for the next biennium, and stressed the importance of Western's public image.

Talbot said enrollment is likely to decline in the years ahead—even without additional funding slashes—as a result of a shrinking 18 to 24-year-old age group.

Latest figures from the registrar's office predict a drop of about 900 students from last year, Talbot said. Although that decline has resulted in part from tighter admissions policies designed to keep pace with last fall's faculty-position cuts, he said, further unintended admission

reductions will follow in the years ahead. Anticipated enrollment declines for the 1983-84 school year could cost 12 faculty members their jobs, Talbot said.

"And that's assuming that there are no budget cuts to go with them," he added.

Talbot said Western's funding from Olympia probably will fall somewhere between what Gov. John Spellman has targeted and what is needed to continue operating at current levels.

To combat economic and demographic problems leading to an enrollment decline, Talbot said Western should work to increase its percentage of students who stay at the university.

"One out of every five freshmen will not be here by the end of the quarter," Talbot pointed out. "And one out of every three will not be here by the end of the year."

Talbot pointed to efforts by the academic advisement center, the tutorial center and other support groups as means of achieving a higher retention rate.

During his speech, Talbot also reiterated his support for the liberal arts, calling them "the basis" of Western.

Ford: Review committee poses no threat to faculty

By CAROLYN CASEY

Anxiety over the newly formed Academic Review Committee and a proposal that would make all juniors take an English competency test surfaced at a meeting of the Academic Coordinating Commission Tuesday.

Acting Vice President Paul Ford attempted to soothe faculty concern over the review committee, which is one of two groups to be set up to re-evaluate Western.

Ford said the committee poses no threat to faculty and should be given a chance.

"Everybody assumes the review will lead to terrible things, such as a RIF (Reduction in Force)," he said, "and you know, it may not be that way at all."

A reduction in force means tenured faculty would be laid off.

Several ACC members expressed concern that the review was just the first step in declaring a RIF.

"The new committee is distinct from the RIF process," Ford said. "I was hoping we could have a more positive attitude about it (the review)."

Further talk of future reductions and budget cuts surfaced when Peter Elich, chairman of the Allocations Advisory Committee, gave his report to the ACC.

His committee works as advisers and

mediators for departments trying to implement budget cuts.

The committee met only twice last year and Elich said he was "somewhat embarrassed" by the inactivity.

The past reductions were of non-tenured faculty and the departments did not need the committee's advice, Elich explained.

"Unfortunately, we will probably become more necessary in the future," he said.

"The 29.5 (faculty reductions) last year left little flexibility in the departments. Our mediating body will become more necessary in helping departments meet their reductions later in the year," Elich said.

Ken Symes, chairman of the Committee on Expository Writing, also reported to the ACC about his group's progress.

Although his formal recommendation won't be submitted until mid-November, Symes told the ACC about some changes he will propose to encourage better English skills at Western.

All students should be required to take a composition course in their freshman year, he said.

If their transcripts state they are exempt from English 101, they should be required to take a higher level composition course, Symes explained.

His proposal will call for a junior level exam, required for all juniors, with a sample essay and a basic English skills test.

To further stress writing skills, "we will ask each department to add a strong writing requirement to an existing course," he said.

The final aspect of his proposal will be training sessions for instructors to teach them how to evaluate students' writing skills.

The ACC elected its new officers at the meeting.

Merrill Lewis, of the English department, was chosen as the group's president and Howard Mitchell, of the economics department, will be the ACC's new vice president.

Committee appointments, based on faculty nominations, also were decided. Richard Feringer, of the English department, was appointed to the Admissions and Intercollegiate Relations Committee.

Marian Tonjes, of the education department, and William MacKay, of the psychology department, were appointed to the Graduate Council.

The ACC was scheduled to elect a student member to the commission but the Associated Students hadn't submitted nominations at the time of the meeting.

Trustees OK faculty's plan for review

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ern administrators. After AS President Mark Murphy presented a proposal to add the member and ensure representation, debate followed and the senate voted 15-10, with five not voting, against the measure.

Staff and students left outraged. Students, however, unlike staff, were ensured representation in writing before the senate meeting by Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs Paul Ford.

Bryan addressed the board after Ford and Faculty Senate President William Sailors assured board members Curtis Dalrymple, Gordon Sandison and Jerrold Manley that the senate "overwhelmingly approved" the process and assured them that very few complaints have been made about the program review.

Reading from the original program review proposal, Bryan questioned the fairness of the makeup of the committees.

The process of establishing the committees is as important as the results of the reviews, Bryan said. On page three of the proposal document, which gives detailed descriptions of the committees, it reads "there must be fairness in conduct of review activity, and the appearance of fairness must be obvious to concerned constituencies."

Kay Rich, president of the Administrators Association, shared her support of Bryan's statements. Milt Krieger, president of Western's American Federation of Teachers, which represents about 105 of the more than 400 faculty, questioned the Faculty Senate's right to voice all faculty's feelings on the issue.

"The faculty at large, I believe, would be more in favor of the amendment than the senate proved to be," Krieger told the board.

Krieger said he believes most faculty approve of the ensured representation on the committees.

Murphy, even though the group he represents will be represented on the committees, also emphasized that all constituencies should have a voice on the review panel.

Aivar Silins, president of local 1381 of the Washington Federation of State Employees, took his turn on the floor and focused his argument on the legalities of excluding staff from the review process.

Silins represents about 300 of the more than 600 classified staff employees at Western. He said article 4.3 of the bargaining agreement between the Board of Trustees and the union ensures staff representation on any committee that could "adversely affect their condition of employment."

Dalrymple closed the discussion with the position the trustees had taken since the program review was first called for in August.

"I for one do not intend to attempt to rewrite the proposal at the present time," Dalrymple said. "If the administration wishes to change the present proposal they may do so."

United Way begins drive

United Way representatives and volunteers are aiming to raise \$828,245 in Whatcom county by Nov. 9.

United Way is a national organization that concentrates on the local needs of communities. It supplies aid to several agencies that deal with youth development services, emergency and special services, health services and individual and family life services.

Approximately 85 percent of the donations will remain in Whatcom county.

Computers due in SAB

An "Out to Lunch" sign now hangs on the door of South Academic Building room 308.

SA 308 is the site destined to be the new computer terminal center, but a few things are holding up the process.

One is the terminals, which cost about \$1,000 each, have not arrived. Another is no one seems to know when they will arrive.

"There are no villains, just confusion and carelessness," said Eugene Owens of the business administration department. "When you move into a new building, things always go wrong."

The new terminals, when installed, will be in two rooms on the third floor. The center currently is housed in Bond Hall.

The terminals, consisting of a keyboard and video screen, will be plugged in to the storage banks and the "master system" in Bond Hall.

Currently three new terminals and two old ones are in use in one room in the South Academic Building. About 20 more are expected by winter quarter.

The terminals, as with the computers in operation in Bond Hall, will not be limited to business administration or computer science students. Math students also will have the new system at their disposal.

Owens said he hopes the terminals will be ready for student programs by winter quarter.

Fire hall to be razed, rebuilt

By NEVONNE HARRIS

An historic fire station on Maple Street serving Western and other Sehome Hill-area residents will be demolished later this month to make room for a bigger facility that will, when completed, provide more modern fire protection.

Until the new station is completed in about two years, the Prospect Street fire hall will cover the area, which will add as much as two minutes to the current three and a half minute response time.

When the new facility is in operation, response time will be cut to a minute and a half, said Robert Neale, public information officer of the Bellingham Fire Department.

The Maple Street fire hall's territory comprises St. Luke's Hospital, Western's campus and Samish Way toward Lake Padden. It is scheduled for demolition on Oct. 18.

The new facility on Maple Street will cost \$1.6 million and will house an engine, a ladder truck and two paramedic ambulances. Upon completion, the hall will be headquarters of the Bellingham Fire Department. The work is being funded through a bond issue passed by voters three years ago.

Only about six calls a month are made to campus, Neale said, adding that the figure is not as great as one might expect from an area with such a large concentration of people.

Most of the fire alarms set off at Western are false alarms, Neale said. He said he didn't know why Western has so few fires.

The last noteworthy fire at Western occurred earlier this year in Nash Hall. That blaze was started by an electric blanket, but was confined to one room.

The fire department celebrated the razing of the Maple Street fire hall with an open house last Saturday. The public was invited to see some of the new and old

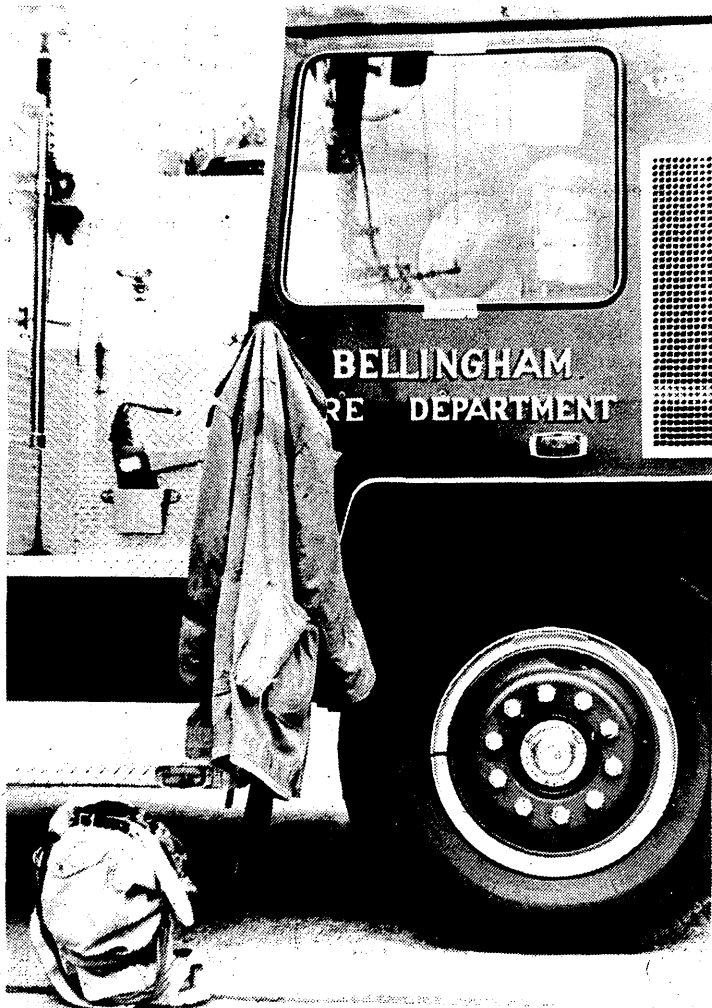


PHOTO BY F.C. GILBERT

This fire truck will soon have a new home—at an old location. The Maple Street fire station will be torn down and a new facility constructed in its place.

equipment, drawings of the new station and photographs of Bellingham's history.

The hall was built in 1903 when horse drawn fire-fighting equipment still was in use. The current kitchen area was then the stable, Fireman Larry LaBree said.

Wires and pulleys allowed quick fastening of horses to the fire wagon.

When horses were replaced by

motorized wagons, the firemen kept the horses as pets, LaBree said.

The last horse, Mike, died about 1917 and was buried in the back yard. The city, however, ordered the men to exhume the carcass and deliver it to a local rendering plant. Outraged firemen protested the heartless order, but the city stood firm and Mike finally was exhumed, LaBree said.

Lost and Found sells items cheap

A 25-cent see-through brassiere and a pair of black silk men's underwear are just two of the "cheap" buys awaiting budget shoppers at this quarter's Lost and Found Sale next Tuesday afternoon in Viking Union Room 408.

Lost and Found Coordinator Gail Yarbrough said the sale will have "excellent-condition lost articles on sale at a reasonable price."

The sale contains about 600 to 700 articles from last winter quarter. The prices range from 25 cents to \$3.50, except costly items such as wrist watches and calculators.

Items such as Texas Instruments and Sharp calculators, and Seiko and Timex watches are priced from around \$3.50 to \$5, Yarbrough said.

The sale will feature about 60 umbrellas, a lot of clothes (T-shirts, sweat shirts, coats, jackets, hats, gloves, etc.), shoes, notebooks, books (comic books, textbooks, etc.) and a basketball, Yarbrough said.

The umbrellas are marked at 50 cents or \$1, depending upon the condition. All the clothes are around 50 cents to \$3. Books are between 25 and 50 cents.

Yarbrough said, "Everything in the sale is priced low because things that don't sell on that day will be given to Goodwill anyway."

The Lost and Found office holds lost articles for two quarters before they go on sale, she said.

Yarbrough said what surprises her is "people lose expensive and important things like keys, wallets and watches, and they don't even come in (the Lost and Found office) and look for them."

The office is open the following days and hours:

- 10 to 11 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m. on Mondays.
- noon to 2 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays.
- 10 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- noon to 2 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursdays.
- 9 to 11 a.m. and noon to 1 p.m. on Fridays.

The sale runs from noon to 4 p.m.

Proposal

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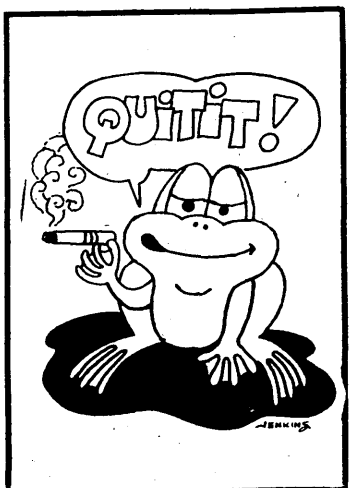
ident Milt Krieger and Classified Staff Employees' Council Chairman Maurice Bryan asking that presidential candidates be brought before their groups for questioning.

Dalrymple told Krieger he "can't understand why your group can't meet the candidates at a faculty forum."

He referred to a proposed general faculty meeting with presidential candidates visiting Western.

But the trustees seemed more receptive to Bryan's request.

"We want to provide every opportunity for the campus community to meet with the candidates," Dalrymple said.



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OPINION

Reagan's gaffe a '50s cliché

President Reagan's apparent attempt to discredit the nuclear freeze movement by linking it with the Soviet Union may be for him the costliest gaffe of a presidency pockmarked with oratorical blunders.

Chatting with an audience of veterans' group representatives, Reagan remarked the nuclear freeze campaign is "inspired by not the sincere, honest people who want peace, but by some who want the weakening of America and so are manipulating honest people and sincere people."

With his statements, Reagan joined with the right-wing shibboleth contending that the KGB and its dupes are pulling the strings of the freeze movement in Europe and the United States. Anti-freeze factions are stepping up their campaign against the peace movement these days—with a leading role being taken by Reader's Digest magazine.

In its October issue, the Digest contains a condensed version of a book—written by one of its senior editors, John Barron—contending that Moscow is backing the freeze campaign with more than just glowing rhetoric.

Some of Reagan's critics are charging the administration and other groups associated with the extreme right with trying to rekindle the fires of paranoia and xenophobia, which blazed during the Red Scare of the 1920s and the McCarthy years during the '50s.

But other Reagan critics point out that most Americans today seem skeptical of the well-worn theory that an international communist conspiracy exists and imperils America. We agree.

Considering the widespread (and constantly growing) support the peace movement enjoys, Reagan's remarks amount to little more than yet another blight on his administration's record. Democrats such as Sen. Edward Kennedy have

gleefully exploited the gaffe as more evidence of the president's considerable shortcomings, while embarrassed administration aides and key Republicans such as Sen. Howard Baker are scrambling to "clarify" Reagan's statement.

Those of us who'd like to see Mr. Reagan retire to the cozy confines of his California ranch in 1984 eagerly await the next Reagan misstatement. It shouldn't take long.

Reynolds' warp: a return to '60s

On Oct. 1, 1962, on the campus of the University of Mississippi, James Meredith, a man with a courageous and noble sense of purpose, was escorted to class by two United States officials. The day before, amid gunshots, jeers of abuse and the stink of tear gas, among national guardsmen, U.S. marshals and hostile mobs, many were injured and two people died.

Twenty-eight years ago, in 1954, the Supreme Court outlawed segregation in public schools.

The year before, Willis Ball became the first black student to graduate from Western. Last spring, 76 black students were enrolled at Western.

A week ago, George Wallace, former racist and segregationist, narrowly won the democratic nomination for a fourth term as governor of Alabama. He was carried by both black and white votes, achieving victory through his "jobs for both blacks and white" platform.

This is an anniversary of social progress. In a world bombarded daily with warnings of nuclear annihilation, torn by the strife of religious wars, saddened by the deaths of innocents and struggling amid economic depression, it's a chance to look back—however short the distance—and dwell upon the fair vision of progress made and sins forgiven.

Frighteningly enough, however, is the fact that

if you look behind your shoulder for too long, someone is bound to come up and push you backward.

Such a person is President Reagan, and ironically, the man he put in charge of the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department. William Reynolds is the instigator of the new civil rights policies incurring sharp criticism from the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Among the most criticized of Reynolds' ideas: integrating schools by voluntary busing programs rather than forced busing—a "freedom of choice" theory rejected by the courts in 1968—and his belief that "good faith" efforts by employers will help solve racial and gender imbalances rather than mandatory goal programs such as Affirmative Action. Also, Reynolds led a bitter fight against a bill that would have strengthened voting rights, certainly the most basic of civil rights.

Reynolds also was one of the main forces involved in persuading the Reagan administration to reinstate tax exemptions for private schools that discriminate against blacks and other minorities. The reversal awaits a U.S. Supreme Court decision.

As for his boss, Reagan's claim that his administration is more actively enforcing civil rights law than its predecessors is challenged by a study by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

According to the EEOC study, Reagan and his cohorts have departed from the path of enforcing well-established policies in the areas of fair housing, school desegregation, voting rights and equal employment opportunity.

An absurd note to Reagan's claim: the statistics used to show how active EEOC has been during his reign actually cover the last four months of the Carter term and an eight-month term before Reagan appointees took over the commission.

The progress we have made in the past 20 years toward uniting mankind—progress hard-earned by blood and tears—should not be set back 10 years by the bias exhibited by the leaders of a four-year administration.

Does imitation equate equality?

Today girls in high school can wear pants, take woodshop and play basketball just like boys. Later, as women, they can drink like loggers, swear like long-shoremen and smoke like the Marlboro Man because it now is more socially acceptable.

Equality of the sexes appears to have become a reality. This is not necessarily so. Women's progress in social and economic areas has, at best, been superficial and

labor. For most, the choice is still only between dull, dead-end "pink collar" jobs.

In order to "succeed," a woman has to adopt aggressive, competitive and demanding attitudes associated with male behavior. She is then rewarded by earning on an average 58 cents on the dollar for comparable work. She also receives a bonus by developing mental and physical illnesses related to the working place.

A working woman paying the price of "equality" now suffers from stress, high blood pressure, ulcers, lung cancer, alcoholism and reduced life expectancy just like her male counterpart. Women also are becoming embezzlers and cheats in order to support themselves or their families.

The burden of supplementing family income to maintain middle-class lifestyles falls on the woman's shoulder. And when she arrives home she still will probably face three more full-time jobs as wife, mother and housekeeper.

The term "feminization of poverty" almost is becoming a cliché. Two-thirds of all adults who fall into federal definitions of poverty are women. Half of all families defined as poor are maintained by women. Cutbacks in welfare coupled with inflation will

increase the number in each category.

Making it in a man's world is not all it's cracked up to be. Getting to work for wages one is unable to live on is not equality.

Unfortunately that seems to be

women's main choice. It will remain that way as long as Christianity retains its patriarchal attitudes. It will be so as long as men remain physically stronger, hold power and continue to fear women while forgetting who spent twenty years raising them.



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limited or, at worst, unhealthy.

True, the door to a wider variety of career opportunities is open, yet only just a crack. So far just a small percentage of women have entered traditionally male-dominated occupations such as astronauts, race car drivers and construction workers.

More and more women are entering the work force, but primarily as cheap, exploitable

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Students don't need a voice

Western Front:

Professor Polen's remarks will undoubtedly play well to the gallery he has chosen; unfortunately they do little to advance our thinking about a difficult and important question. Certain of his claims seem straightforwardly incorrect; others are incoherent.

To the extent that this institution was conceived to serve anybody, I suspect that it is the people of the state of Washington, who have needs which they seek to satisfy. To this end a faculty is employed, and I think that only those who are posturing in a certain way will find incredible or chauvinistic the claim that faculty are and ought to be responsible for the academic programs of the university.

Surely the people would not. Quite the contrary. What they find incredible is the craven abdication of this responsibility in the face of demands for participation, control and relevance. What Professor Polen must tell us is why faculty should have any voice in curriculum at all if we serve students in the sense that he suggests. We should simply take votes of the students and offer what they want. What this view ignores, and for an institution of excellence the ignorance is woeful, is that curriculum is normative.

Professor Polen says that "we (the faculty) are employed" because "they (the students) must have the right and responsibilities to take part and help determine their education." This is mumbo-jumbo. We are to make the very best contribution we know how to the education of our students. How that is done is, of course, one of the major questions, but it is far from clear that the answer is to be gained primarily from the students themselves.

In his final paragraph, Professor Polen asks if "we . . . want to underestimate a mind" and says that "If we do . . . we would do best by beginning with ourselves." As far as I can tell, this simply makes no sense. He concludes by saying that: "Over the past few years we really haven't done very well." Very well at what? The context suggests that we haven't done very well at underestimating our minds. Certain parts of Professor Polen's letter suggest that it would be difficult for some of us to do that.

By the way, my word was "fund," not "funnel."

—Hugh Fleetwood
Philosophy

Fleetwood hurt students, staff

Western Front:

At last: A hard-hitting expose' of Right-wing members of the Faculty Senate and the interior of Hugh Fleetwood's mind!

Philosophy should give rise to an understanding of history. Under capitalism, the cultural values of Western civilization have come close to being erased by the insane logic of the arms race. I believe that history is being committed against my will: I don't remember ordering the atom bomb!

Who decides, anyhow? Consumers? What a laugh: I'd like to see more hospitals, more universities. How about a fair distribution of food resources? Our

superbly organized system could deliver the goods to the people except for one thing: Capitalism doesn't serve the system, it serves profit. Reagan Incorporated has replaced true Christian values with James Watt's Armageddon approach of "Why save the forest if it's going to be blown up tomorrow?"

Philosophy not based on reality gives rise to all kinds of fanciful notions. Fleetwood's logic probably goes something like this: "In a perfect society, students should learn and teachers should teach."

Students (and staff) have been terribly insulted. We don't deserve to be called citizens unless we fight back for our lost rights. Yes, we are losing them and someday it could be too late. Ask the Jews, ask the Palestinians! I say, let's stick behind Mark Murphy and the student body and fight for our rights as students. I also believe that the Western Front should help us in that fight. Therefore, congratulations!

—Peter Ramsey

Watch your mushrooms

Western Front:

Mr. Weeks' article on mushrooms last Friday left the reader with a number of misconceptions. I would like to clarify some of them.

"Potent" would surely include the deadly poisonous (mushrooms). The "most potent (mushrooms) in Whatcom County" are not "amanitas." *Amanita Muscaria* is a potent hallucinogen, but not deadly, and has been eaten by those who don't mind its extremely

unpleasant side reactions. Deadly species of *Amanita*, such as *Amanita Phalloides*, the "Death Cup," are not known to occur in Whatcom County, but they have been found in Seattle and could easily grow here (this species is originally native to the East Coast, but has recently been introduced on the West Coast).

The most potent mushrooms in Whatcom County are small brown, gray or white members of the genera *Inocybe* and *Galerina*. Superficially, these may look like species in the genus *Psilocybe* and they may occur in habitats where hallucinogenic psilocybes are found. The exact identity of the species of *Galerina* and *Inocybe* is a job for the specialists for these groups alone.

Most people who collect and eat mushrooms lump them into a group (along with the *Psilocybin* mushrooms) affectionately known as LBM's (little brown mushrooms) and avoid them. Deadly poisonous species have been misidentified and eaten by people looking for *Psilocybe* species. One such person died last year after eating some from Whidbey Island.

Those who must eat *Psilocybin* mushrooms should learn something about identifying mushrooms in general. In addition, collect with someone whose abilities and knowledge in these matters you would bet your life on.

—Fred Rhoades,
biology department

Over 25 and angry

Western Front:

I have just had the "pleasure"

of reading the immortal utterances of one Hugh Fleetwood in Friday's Western Front.

I'm trying to imagine why anyone would make such insipid statements that could be made public, thereby insulting the entire student body, of which more than 25 percent are over 25.

I believe the people who have the most objective outlook on the reliability, importance or applicability of subject matter presented at the university are the students and the staff personnel.

This conclusion is drawn from my many years of observing and participating in the working world. The university does not differ from the "real" world all that much.

If a student were on the Faculty Senate committee, possibly there would not be reams of "wisdom" from that person. But in turn, what could the committee contribute to the student?

I hope that the members of the committee are not so naive as to believe that their particular utterances in a classroom are the most important messages derived from a particular class. The relationships shared between fellow students, professors and the interaction of the two groups influence not only the way the material is initially received, but can affect the manner in which the material is recalled and applied in the future. The relationships are often of much more value than some of the material presented during the year.

At the beginning of the letter I mentioned that one quarter of

the students on campus are over 25. STRATA (Students That Return After Time Away) is an active Associated Students group on the university campus representing returning students. The conclusion this office draws from the statement by Hugh Fleetwood is that he is indeed correct saying students, over 3,000 taxpaying citizens, are indeed lacking in wisdom. If we were as wise as our years, very possibly the Fleetwoods of Western would no longer be employed by the said taxpayers-students.

—Maria Coesens
STRATA coordinator

Quartet was tasty aural dish

Western Front:

Bravo! I would like to thank those who have organized the Musica Viva International Concert Series for bringing the Quartetto Beethoven di Roma to Western.

I left the house in a rush on Monday night, wishing I had time for dessert. Listening to the crisp works of Mendelssohn and Brahms played meticulously by the quartet was more than my palate could have dreamt of consuming.

I was transported by the images and emotions evoked by the four masters. It was beautiful. The encore by Schubert was the icing on the cake.

Thank you for the nice bit of educational enjoyment you afforded me in experiencing these four men, their instruments and their music.

—Paul Woehrlé

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'Chaos' delays need grants

By JIM BACON

A year of "chaos" for financial aid has contributed to delays in getting state need grants to eligible Western students.

About 530 of the 700 students nominated for the grants missed the first deadline for nominations, Aug. 1, said Wayne Sparks, financial aid director. Those students can expect their checks by mid-November.

The rest should have gotten them by today, according to rules set by the Council for Post-Secondary Education in Olympia, which operates the need grant program.

"Financial aid has been chaos the past year, especially the past summer," Shirley Ort of the CPE said.

The U.S. Department of Education, for example, dragged its feet before sending proposed changes in regulations regarding federal student aid programs to Congress for action. The changes

finally were sent four months late. Battles between Congress and the Reagan administration over levels of funding for the programs left many students and schools waiting for information.

Ort said the CPE didn't know how much it would get from the state to cover need grants until mid-summer.

Schools can't nominate students for the grants until application information from those students is complete.

Western nominates students by sending a list of nominees to the CPE for processing, which Sparks said takes about a month. The CPE has set two deadlines for nominations, Aug. 1 and Oct. 1. Sparks said the names must arrive at the CPE by those dates.

Ort said the two deadlines were established in an effort to be fair to the number of late applicants common among the state's community colleges. Community colleges get a lot of applications at the last minute, she said.

But the Aug. 1 deadline still assures eligible students can get a grant check in time for school. Students nominated by Aug. 1 can expect their checks between Sept. 13 and Oct. 8, Ort said. Those who make the Oct. 1 deadline can expect them between Oct. 25 and Nov. 12.

Students are nominated once and this covers the whole school year.

Ort explained how the nominations are processed. The names of nominees, along with each nominee's social security number and a code to identify the student's school, go into a computer. A state need index number for each nominee, based on the application information the nominee has given his or her school, also goes in.

The CPE then checks to see if each applicant has gotten need grants in the past. Any student who has gotten grants for 12 quarters (8 for semester schools) is ineligible.

Next the CPE checks with the state Department of Social and Health Services, as required by the state auditor, to see what other state benefits applicants have gotten that could affect a student's eligibility.

The CPE then checks its accounts receivable files to see if any applicants owe a refund or repayment on past need grants.

A list of eligible students is sent to each school. Before it is sent the CPE asks the schools if they want to issue their own checks or have the CPE issue them in the students' names. If the CPE writes the checks, they are sent to the school for distribution. Schools, such as Western, that issue their own checks, get the money from the CPE in one payment to cover the checks.

Only public schools are allowed to issue their own checks. Private schools must have the CPE issue the checks.

Behavior studied in labs

By MARIANNE McCLARY

Management behavioral labs. The title brings to mind a contradiction of terms. Management is business-related and the act of supervising others. Behavior is observation and psychology. And that's exactly what the management behavioral labs are — a combination of the two.

The labs, actually one room with a sliding partition, are designed to study the problems of business management through active discussion, participation and observation. The labs were designed to give students a chance to build managerial skills through the "learning by doing" concept rather than the familiar lecture hall class.

The labs are in the new South Academic Building, room 108. A control room, which will contain the audio and visual equipment that hasn't arrived yet, will be used to videotape the students participating in the exercises. The tapes then will be played back to students to allow them to study their behaviors.

The rooms also are equipped with two-way mirrors to allow "unobserved" observation.

Professor Eugene Owens, one of the founders of the labs, said he is excited about what the lab will do for the students as well as teachers.

"The videotape will allow students to say, 'Here I was negotiating in a strike situation,'" Owens said. "It brings the situation which might normally be found in a textbook to life."

Professor Kenneth Keleman, the other initiator of the labs at Western, also is optimistic about the benefits.

The idea behind the rooms is small groups can get together in a room other than a standard lecture classroom, Keleman said.

"Standard rooms have immobile seats and it's difficult to form discussion groups comfortably when your chair won't move," Keleman said.

The rooms won't be used only by the College of Business and Economics. The Speech Pathology department, formerly based in College Hall and now in the new building, also has expressed interest in using the new labs for observing speech-related problems. Keleman and Owens said they believe the labs also can benefit the sociology, psychology and political science departments.

Owens has had experience with management behavioral labs at the University of Colorado at Cragmore, UCLA, and the Air Force Academy.

Before the labs were installed, groups met in two rooms in the basement of Arntzen Hall, often making observation difficult and impractical.

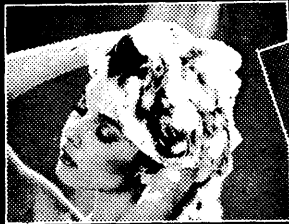
While some professors want to schedule the labs as regular lecture rooms, they will be used for mainly 400-level business classes.

"In a lecture situation, you can accept the information I give you, and never get a chance to feel it. The labs would give you a chance to experience the things you hear and read about. And you'll remember," Owens said.

Until the camera and video equipment arrives, students must observe each other from the two-way rooms.

The labs can be used only when a faculty member is present.

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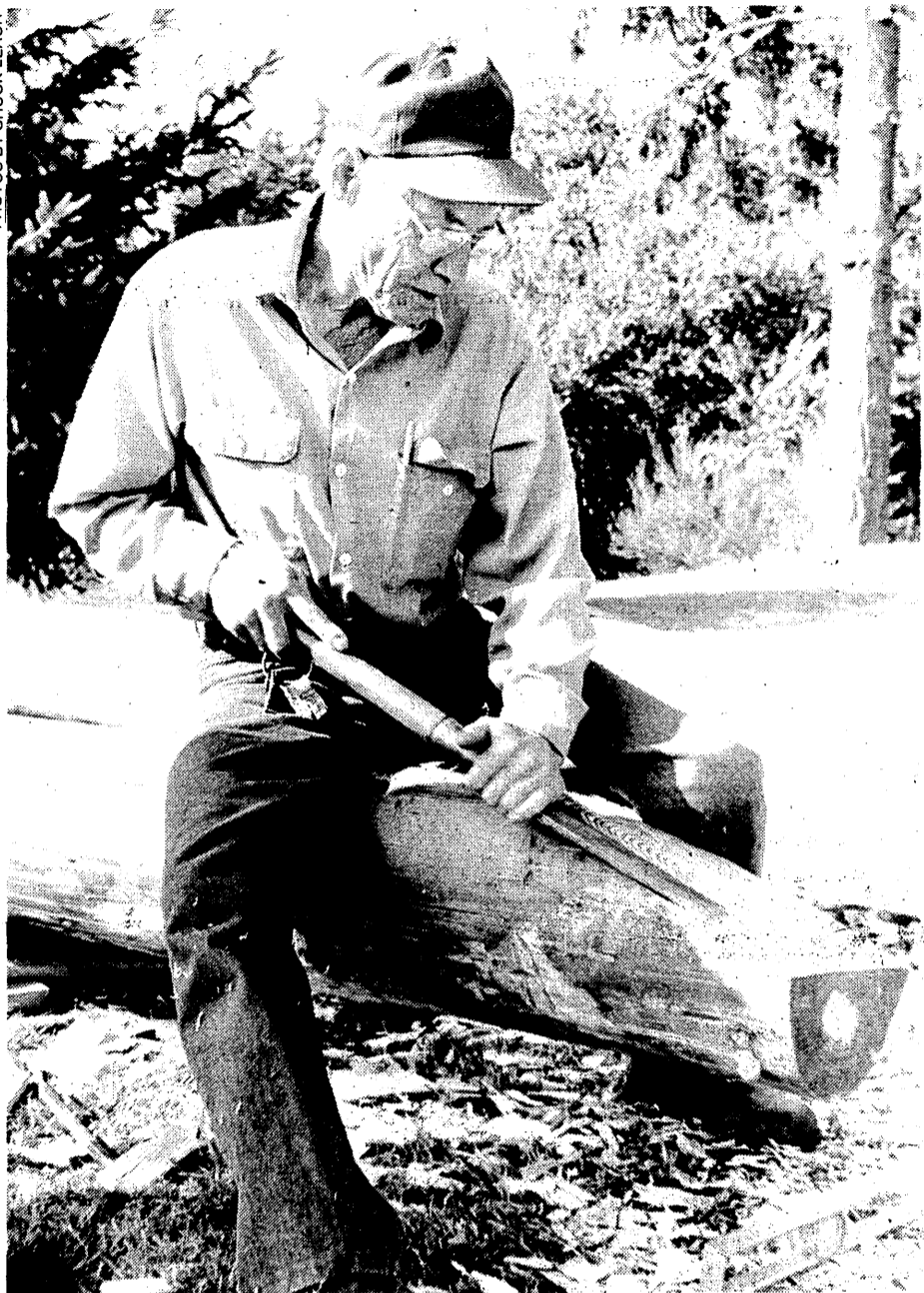


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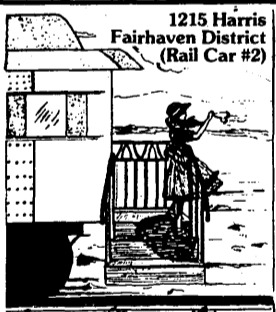
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'Log Ramps' gets face lift

Carpenter Norman Long performed rehabilitation surgery on the dismantled "Log Ramps" sculpture this week. The sculpture was in a shambles earlier this year after being moved from its former location to accommodate the South Academic Building. Its new home will be just north of the building.

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Disorders:

By KATHY MATHISEN

Many Western students consume large amounts of food in private and suffer from shame afterward. Others fast all day, then eat only a plate of meticulously-organized vegetables.

"Western may be different from other campuses," said Richard Spitzer of the Chestnut Psychological Services. "But it would be safe to say 34 percent of the women (at Western) and 5 percent of the men are prone to an eating disorder."

Spitzer is a counselor for an eating disorders therapy group offered by the Counseling Center.

Students who suffer from eating disorders usually are achievers and interested in pleasing others. Most are women. Their appearance is important to them and they see themselves fatter than they really are.

Spitzer recalled a 13-year-old girl at University Hospital in Seattle. She weighed 65 pounds and was 5 feet 2 inches tall. "She'd grab her sides and say if she could lose another five pounds, everything would be fine," Spitzer said.

The girl suffered from anorexia nervosa — self starvation.

Most anorexics are obsessed with food, said Patricia Marek, counselor for the eating disorders group. They read cookbooks and study nutrition on their own. They worry about calories and losing weight.

Anorexics can be ritualistic about the little food they do eat, positioning it carefully on the dish at a particular time each day, Marek said. Even worse, they push themselves to their limits by exercising without eating. They may suffer from exhaustion.

Anorexics do not recognize they have a problem and seldom seek help.

"As far as they're concerned the rest of the world is overweight," Marek said.

Anorexia can be fatal, Spitzer said. Twenty percent of anorexics die, mostly from malnutrition or cardiac failure, he said. If anorexics habitually vomit to rid themselves of food they might have forced down just to please family or friends, they could develop esophageal irritation, which can cause the esophagus (the food pipe) to rupture — leading to death. Inhaling vomit also can cause death.

Overeating also can be fatal.

Habitual purging of food by vomiting or by taking laxatives is characteristic of binge eaters — bulimics.

"Bulimia, literally 'ox hunger,' is periodic gorging or binging on large amounts of high caloric foods in a short period of time," Marek said. Bulimics can consume up to 55,000 calories within two hours. They can die from rupturing their stomachs by overeating.

The bulimic often follows a pattern of dieting and binging and finds eating a balanced diet difficult. A bulimic's weight often fluctuates 10 or more pounds. He or she often is not skinny, like anorexics.

"Binging is generally done in isolation and is usually only stopped by getting so full that you can't put another thing in you or by being interrupted or by falling asleep," Marek said. Some go on binges three times a week, others six or seven times a day.

Anorexics also can be bulimic.

"Some anorexics lose control of the self-starvation and they binge," Marek said. "Then they vomit. One of the main differences between an anorexic and a bulimic is the bulimic recognizes that she has a problem and the anorexic denies that she has a problem."

Because anorexics are less likely to seek counseling than bulimics, statistics on the number who suffer from anorexia probably are low, Spitzer said.

Bulimics "feel shame and guilt after they binge," Marek said. They are aware their behavior is unusual, but can't stop, she said.

Bulimics often can hide their illness from friends and family. Anorexics lie about their eating habits. But Marek said those who suspect a friend has an eating disorder should express concern for the friend's health, instead of commenting on how thin he or she appears.

"If you have a roommate or friend who you think has one of these problems, it is important to support them and let them know that you don't think they're weird," Marek said. "Tell them that maybe they could go and find out if they could get some help with it, that it is a common thing."

"They can at least tell their friend they've heard of this problem and a lot of people have it and there is help available."

Support group starts

A support group for students with eating disorders begins its first meeting 4 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in Miller Hall 263. Binge eating and self-starvation will be discussed by the group offered by the Counseling Center.

The group is limited to 16 members and will accept new members only during the first two meetings. Patricia Marek, a counselor leading the group, said she would like to meet interested people before they come. She may be reached at the Counseling Center, Miller Hall 262, or by telephoning 676-3164.

Excessive eating, dieting results from insecurity, can cause death

A 13-year-old girl weighed 65 pounds and was 5 feet 2 inches tall. She'd grab her sides and say if she could lose another five pounds, everything would be fine. The girl suffered from anorexia nervosa — self-starvation.

—Richard Spitzer
Chestnut Psychological Services

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Landlords cut rent to fill vacancies

By KATHLEEN STANFORD

The paint is peeled and the ceilings are cracked in some off-campus apartments, while others are well-maintained and offer bay views.

On-campus apartments, painted annually and maintained regularly, cost less than some off-campus apartments. At \$267 per person per quarter, four people can share a two-bedroom unit at Birnam Wood. Fairhaven and Buchanan Towers rent for less.

Economics and a decline in Western's enrollment, meanwhile, have increased vacancies and lowered rent at some off-campus apartment houses. Rent also will decrease on campus.

The off-campus housing market is suffering, and 14 on-campus apartments are available.

"The market is soft," said one landlady. Blaming the defeat of the Chicago Bridge and Iron project at Cherry Point, she said many people are leaving Bellingham to find employment.

"There are quite a few vacancies, and we can't fill them," she said.

Fewer students are in Bellingham because of higher admission standards, said Keith Guy, director of university residences.

Some students have lost Social Security benefits or could not find summer jobs, off-campus housing listing coordinator Helen Farias said.

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The slightest noise reverberates off the lofty walls and ceiling of Wilson Library's third floor quiet study hall.

Wealth: Western's libraries offer everything from maps to typesetting to Bach

By DONNA RIEPER

Books are not the only resources waiting to be mined from Western's libraries. Music, maps and media services also are available in related departmental archives.

The music library in Performing Arts Center 376, a pleasant, plant-filled environment is the haunt of music majors, but everyone is welcome.

The music library has a collection of classical and jazz records and tapes for use in its listening rooms. The record collection recently was enriched when Western became a repository for Radio Canada International, an arm of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Classical, choral, jazz, folk and pop music are included in this collection.

Music reference materials, children's texts, music education materials and a selection of periodicals are found in the library.

The music library offers cassette tape recordings of music department concerts for \$3 a copy, usually available the day after the concert.

Fine and circulation policies are the same as in Wilson Library.

The music library is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The Educational Media Center on the first floor of Miller Hall provides faculty and students with audio-visual, television and graphics services.

In the audio-visual area, rental films are ordered for Western classes and projectors and operators are supplied.

Television services provide the campus with cable service, videotape editing and copy service. Because of budget cuts last year, one person instead of three does all of the television work.

Production services are not offered, except by special arrangement with Gerry Murray, director of the center.

The graphic arts staff has been reduced to one designer from three. To help compensate for this reduction, the media center now offers students, faculty and staff a self-help area for graphic arts.

In Miller Hall 152, equipment has been assembled for sorting, viewing and duplicating slides, making slides from book or magazine photographs, dry mounting and laminating.

Also included are an Artograph machine for enlarging or shrinking pictures and an AM Vartypewriter phototypesetter for setting and printing headline type.

Users should bring their own supplies for most projects, although the media staff will be happy to sell them materials at cost if the staff has them in stock, Murray said.

The Educational Media Center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

If more detailed geographical information is needed than provided by the atlases in Wilson Library, try the map library on the main floor of Arntzen Hall.

The map library, part of the department of geography and regional planning, is the home of approximately 160,000 maps, including topographic sheets of the United States and Canada.

The collection includes more than 450 atlases—some in other languages—18,000 aerial photographs, 55 globes, some raised relief maps and satellite images.

The U.S. Geological Survey, Defense Mapping Agency, National Ocean Survey, Washington State Department of Natural Resources and the Canadian government all have depository agreements with the map library.

Materials cannot be removed from the library, but a copy machine is available.

The map library is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday as well as 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The map library includes approximately 160,000 maps, including topographic sheets of the United States and Canada, 450 atlases, 18,000 aerial photographs, 55 globes, and satellite images.

landlords are advertising special incentives to attract renters, as said. "Cottage Creek was offering bus tokens. Lots of people are offering the first month's rent free or at half-price. Sometimes else was offering a free cycle."

An off-campus two-bedroom apartment, advertised as Victorian, rents for \$210 per month, including electricity or gas. It is finished, but the furniture stuff is falling out.

A one-bedroom, maintained apartment costs \$165 per month, including electricity. All utilities, including cable television, are included in the rent. A one-bedroom unit offered \$265 a month.

Students moving onto campus this winter can expect to find bargains, Guy said. Residence hall fees will decrease winter quarter and again in spring. Exact costs depend on individual contracts.

Planning is the key to finding the "right" place, Farias said.

"First decide what you want," she said. "Specifically, if you want a fireplace that works, if you want a shower, as well as a garage that locks.

"Decide if you think it's possible for you to get it. Decide that you can have it."

A vacancy sign, meanwhile, was posted Tuesday at an off-campus complex across from Birnam-Wood.

Panel to discuss human rights book

This fall's book of the quarter, "The International Bill of Human Rights," will be the subject of a five-part series of discussions.

The book outlines the International Bill of Human Rights, which was approved by the United Nations General Assembly in 1966.

The bill is an attempt to set guidelines for human rights in countries where military rule oppresses citizens, said Bill Scott, documents librarian and chairman of the committee that selects the book of the quarter.

The first panel discussion, "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Helping Dignity Triumph over Degradation and Death," will be presented from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

James Davis, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, George Drake, associate professor of sociology, and Sandra Dresbeck, assistant professor of history, will be on the first panel. Scott will moderate.

The following panels will be presented Oct. 26, Nov. 2, Nov. 9 and Nov. 16.

All panels will be presented in the Library Presentation Room.

"Each panel will approach the topic with a slightly different perspective," Scott said.

Panels will consist of faculty, administrators and students, he said.

Scott cited the governments of Chile and the Soviet Union as countries that have ratified the International Bill of Human Rights, but still impose obvious restraints on the rights of their people.

President Carter, who wrote the introduction to the book, signed the bill in 1976 for American adoption, but Congress has yet to ratify two of the most important covenants of the bill, Scott said.

The panels are being conducted to encourage discussion about the bill and to get people to read the book of the quarter, Scott said.

NEWS NOTES

ESP probed

The so-called phenomena of extra-sensory perception will be probed in a two-day workshop this month sponsored by Western's Center for Continuing Education.

The class, slated for 7 p.m. Oct. 15 and 10 a.m. Oct. 16, will feature spiritualist medium Gloria Brough and Western psychology professor Larry Miller, a skeptic of parapsychology.

In addition to ESP, auras, psychic healing, reincarnation and "out-of-body" experiences will be discussed.

The course fee is \$30. For more details, call 676-3320.

Self-defense class offered

The Women's Center is offering a free eight-week self defense class. Pre-registration for the class, which begins Oct. 11, is in Viking Union 211. Classes are from 6 to 8 p.m.

Free child care will be provided.

AS accepting applications

The Associated Students is accepting applications from students wanting to serve on various AS and academic related committees. Applications can be picked up in the AS office, Viking Union room 227. The deadline for applications is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13.

Debate planned

Candidates for the U.S. Senate and the 2nd Congressional Districts will answer questions at a forum 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at the Whatcom County Museum.

The event is being sponsored by the League of Women Voters, Whatcom County Central Labor Council, Students for a Nuclear Freeze, Western and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Western will host the annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Oct. 28, 29 and 30.

Non-salary class slated

"Surviving Without a Salary," a class on making it in an inflation-ridden economy, will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.

The non-credit course is being presented through Western's Center for Continuing Education. A \$30 fee is required.

For more information and additional details call 676-3324.

Correction

Newly appointed Western Board of Trustees member James C. Waldo was incorrectly identified in an article in Tuesday's edition of The Front. The Front regrets the error.

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THE ARTS

Pizza pies on rise in Bellingham

By CHUCK LEACH

Although it never will be compared with the North Beach area of San Francisco, Bellingham is blessed with a number of quality pizzerias.

That's good news for students — most of whom came of age during the pizza pie's rapid rise to the top of nearly everybody's favorite food list.

A sampling of area restaurants serving pizza revealed that the best pizza is the pizza that's made fresh for each order — and that just about every sit-down restaurant that serves the delicacy in Bellingham is worth a visit.

Here's a rundown on 10 pizzerias, all of which are rated on a scale of one (repelling) to five (excellent).

Uncle Aldo's is Bellingham's only pizza house that throws the dough when making the crust. Whether this customary practice adds to the taste of the pizza is a mystery, but at least it's fun to watch.

Aldo's offers two types of pizza, Sicilian (thick square crust) and Neopolitan (thin round crust).

Its dough and sauce are made from scratch daily and Aldo partially cooks the crust to ensure all the dough gets cooked after the toppings are added.

Uncle Aldo's offers eight items with which to top your pizza, including sausage, sweet-fried peppers, anchovies and capicola — an Italian ham similar to Canadian bacon, only spicier. Its cheese is 11 percent mozzarella.

One nice feature of Aldo's pizza, other than its taste, is you can buy it by the slice.



Uncle Aldo's, located at 1230 N. State St., rates a four on a one-to-five scale. Its pizza can be eaten there or ordered to go. Prices are reasonable and pop, beer or wine also are available.

Venus Pizza, located at 1304 12th St., and 4200 Meridian St., serves 29 varieties of pizza on a medium thick crust, but as with most places, any combination of toppings can be ordered.

Its yeast crust is made daily and the sauce also is made from scratch.

Its toppings are above average, including tomatoes and shrimp. The cheeses are a blend of Monterey Jack and Mozzarella.

Venus' prices start at \$4.05 and orders to go are discounted 10 percent. The restaurant also serves pop, liquor, beer and wine. Tuesday evenings pitchers of

beer with any size pizza are \$1.

Venus also delivers within three miles of their Fairhaven restaurant.

Venus' pizzas always have been a favorite because of the soft, medium-thick crust and the abundance of toppings. On a scale of one to five, Venus gets a four.

Cascade and Viva pizza restaurants, located in the 2400 and 2500 block of Meridian St., offer a variety of pizzas on its own medium thick crusts. While both places have a nice assortment of toppings, Viva's has a slightly wider selection, which includes sauerkraut, smoked oysters and Polish sausage in addition to Italian sausage.

Cascade's pizza is better, however, because the pie is less greasy and has a better crust.

Pop, liquor, beer and wine are offered with dinner at both pla-

ces. Each rates a three because their crust and sauce isn't as pleasing as Aldo's or Venus.

If you've ever wanted to eat pizza in a circus-like atmosphere, then try Rico's Red Lion Pizza Parlor in the Bellingham Mall.

Besides offering a wide selection of pizzas, an arcade helps burn off the calories gained. Game tokens are given away with pizza purchases.

Rico's makes thin crust pizza using only natural ingredients. The selection includes a tostada pizza, complete with refried beans.

Rico's uses a blended cheese consisting of mozzarella, cheddar and provolone. Purists might disagree, but a blended cheese is better than 100 percent mozzarella because it offers a range of flavors.

Rico's prices are reasonable, starting at \$3.62. The pizza, which

can be purchased to go, rates an easy three.

Howard Vroman, an owner of Sneaky Pizza, says the restaurant serves one of the thinnest and firmest pizza crusts in Bellingham. "I bought the place for the crust recipe," he said.

The crust and sauce are made there and 12 toppings are offered. The toppings are good and the cheese is mozzarella.

The prices range from \$3.25 to \$9.95. On the rating scale, another easy three.

Three huge pizza chains — Pizza Haven, Shakeys and Godfathers — maintain franchises in Bellingham. All three restaurants are very similar.

The crust and sauces from the three restaurants are made with the aid of pre-packaged products. The crusts are medium thick, except Shakey's, which offers thick or thin crusts.

All have quality toppings, with the exception of Godfather's beef and pork topping, which are 8 percent soybean.

Shakey's and Pizza Haven use a cheese that's a blend of cheddar and mozzarella. Godfather's only uses mozzarella.

These restaurants differ only in the bargain categories. Shakey's offers a luncheon buffet Monday through Friday for \$3.27, which includes all you can eat of pizza, chicken, spaghetti, salad bar, mojos and cinnamon rolls.

The Pizza Haven has half-priced pizzas all week from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and a \$2.95 all the pizza you can eat smorgasbord from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Godfather's makes a satisfying six-inch pizza for \$1.89.

Of these three restaurants, only Pizza Haven delivers.

Landscape exhibit open in VU gallery

By NORI SHIROUZU

"Land and Sky," an exhibit of landscape pastel drawings by a former Western student, Susan Bennerstrom, will open Tuesday at the Viking Union Gallery.

The exhibit features 27 drawings titled "Germany I," "Welsh Night," "Midsummer I," "Cloud Dance," and "Weather Report." They are drawings made in the Bellingham area and during trips to Europe that Bennerstrom made last year and 11 years ago.

"They are colorful," Viking Union Gallery Director Joe Anzalone said of Bennerstrom's works in the show.

The drawings are not specific landscapes, Anzalone said. Bennerstrom Conveys her evoking feelings of images and memories of this area and the places in Europe in her drawings, he said.

Bennerstrom's landscape drawings aren't set in a specific place, but could be everywhere.

One piece, called "Midsummer I," can't be anywhere, though, because Bennerstrom literally created the landscape. The colors in the drawing, which she said are "southwestern kind of color"

or "desert color," have no relationship with its invented, "southern-California-like" land formation.

Bennerstrom's drawings are "not realistic" in a sense that the real landscape is translated into her own perception, Anzalone said, but "they are tightly drawn."

Bennerstrom studied at Western between 1967 and 1970 and is currently studying under a Western drawing instructor, Tom Sherwood.

She received an honorable mention in the Whatcom County Annual Juried Exhibition this year.

"Land and Sky" will be at the gallery from this Tuesday to Oct. 30.

The opening reception for the artist will be at the gallery Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

The Viking Union Gallery is open the following days and hours:

— 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays.

— 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays through Saturdays.

It is closed Sundays and Mondays.



Targets visible tonight

The Bellingham music scene has never had it so good. Within one week, the artists of two of the most popular EPs in the Northwest are sweeping through town: Life in General, opening for Romeo Void last Sunday, and the Visible Targets, headlining a show tonight at the Matrix, with Young Executives and Room Nine opening.

Visible Targets has emerged

from the pack of regional bands by performing its own music (the band refuses to do covers of other artists' songs) and by being accessible as well as challenging.

Both opening bands, Young Executives and Room Nine, have former Western students on their respective rosters. Drummer Mike Stein of the Young Executives is a former disc jockey at

KUGS-FM; and the bass player for Room Nine, Scott Boggan, is a former music director for the station.

Tickets for tonight's show are \$3.50 in advance, \$4.50 at the door and are available at Cellophane Square, Budget Tapes and Records and Mother's Record Shop.

The matrix is located above the Hideaway on Cornwall Avenue.



***** Queen Ida *****



PHOTO BY GARY LINDBERG

An estimated 225 people shook the floor of the VU Lounge last Tuesday to the zydeco sounds of Queen Ida and the Bon Temps Zydeco Band. The combination of reggae, calypso, blues and rock provided a distinctive zigzag beat against the joyful, driving Acadian-French melodies.

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British music scene trendy, 'fashionable'

"No matter where I roam, I will return to my English rose. For no one will ever keep me from she."
—Paul Weller, *The Jam*

It is evident as soon as one steps inside any one of the record shops that dot the British landscape: trends are more important to Britons than the music is.

As a native Briton, I spent three weeks this summer being shuttled back and forth between relatives in the south of England. Jotting from the seaside of Bournemouth to the suburbia of Chichester and the enigma that is London, I discovered an England so conservative in its conformity that the only real identity of anyone under the age of 21 is the various trends set by the music industry.

Unfortunately, the music industry has such a stranglehold on popularity that one television show, "Top of the Pops," broadcast every Thursday night,

decides what is and isn't popular. If a band's song makes it on "Top of the Pops," it's a hit. Basically, the show is just "American Bandstand" taken seriously.

Radio has no outlet for modern music because stations are tightly programmed and regulated, with almost half as many stations available as in the United

Malcolm Lawrence



States, as well as interruptions from Italian, French and German stations. John Peel of the BBC is the closest thing to rock 'n' roll that England has, and he tries to present as wide a selection of popular groups as he can. Everything from Genesis to Pink Floyd to Paul McCartney gets played on Peel's show.

Most of the record shops of England are no larger than small dorm rooms and constantly have the three best selling singles of the week playing. When I was over there "Fame" by Irene Cara, "Come On Eileen" by Dexy's Midnight Runners and "Driving in My Car" by Madness all could be expected whilst record shopping. Albums generally cost more, with most list prices set at five pounds (almost \$9 in late July.)

The bottom line of music in England, though, is the chart. Just because a band has the number one selling album this week doesn't mean that it will be in the top 30 next week. The soundtrack from "Fame," Roxy Music's "Avalon," and ABC's "Lexicon of Love" all were jockeying around the top of the charts during my brief visit, with Elvis Costello's "Imperial Bedroom" already on its way off the charts. "Combat Rock" by the Clash was

on its way back up, though, because of the success of "Rock The Casbah."

Jimi Hendrix is still very popular in England, with 66 albums available featuring probably every track he ever wrote, thought of, or even dreamt up the day before he died. Marc Bolan, of T. Rex, also is raking in posthumous royalties with 35 albums available under his name.

Independent music also thrives over there, relying on independently run stores to provide a haven for whatever is brought in by up and coming labels to distribute. Indies also have their own chart, dominated by bands that will probably never see the glare of the stage lights on "Top of the Pops."

Real entertainment, though, comes from walking the streets. Punks, skinheads, lovers of ska and trend-conscious thirteen-year-olds bop up and down avenues almost completely ignored by common citizens. After all, this is 1982 — five years post-Sex Pistols. Punks have refused to develop any kind of social awareness and are still living in 1977. They are destined to become a pathetic relic of the '80s, much like the hippie of the '60s. Johnny Rotten still is considered Anti-God, but now the Anti-Nowhere League has the lime-light. The Dead Kennedys and The Exploited also get their fair share of graffiti scrawled on monuments. Mohawks are visible, but not very common.

Skinheads, dressed all in Levis with massive boots below, can appear pretty scary, but are fun to watch. Their girlfriends are funnier, though: same wardrobe except for one thin fringe of hair at the hairline and one fringe on the nape of the neck. For the populace, earrings are so obligatory for both sexes that they are trite. Even heavy metalers wear them.

England really does have a lot happening musically, but one has to live in London if one wants to succeed at all. Recalling this summer in the U.K., I did get to see the Clash, and I purchased 13½ albums, a purchase I rationalized by assuming I would save money buying imports at domestic prices, though it probably worked out the same anyway. Four vintage Velvet Underground, two out-of-print Lou Reed albums, two German pressings of ancient Who albums and a David Bowie EP, (the ½ album) were among my cache (all topped off by getting Mick Jones' autograph in Minneapolis while waiting on a stopover to Denver.)

But the most memorable moment was the time I was running around the Underground (subway) system in London when I heard the most beautifully halcyon accordion send a melody liltling through the labyrinth of corridors searching for a shilling or two. I didn't know where it was coming from, but I did know that it would never make it on "Top of the Pops." And that made all the difference in the world.

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KUGS' rock marathon spins for promo goal

For 60 hours, from noon Friday until midnight Sunday, rock 'n' roll music will pilot KUGS-FM in a boost by the station to increase listener support and the radio station's budget.

KUGS Music Director Mark Turner said the station is "trying to raise money as well as promote the station to the students."

If the goal of \$500 is met, Turner said, the money will be spent paying off costs for promotion, buying new import albums and other general expenses "from typing paper to a new cassette deck and a coffee pot." Any money left over will be used to initiate a fund for the station.

Listeners will be urged to call the station at 676-KUGS during the marathon to donate money or albums; no minimum pledge will be set.

Individual items such as large promotional posters and album packages will be auctioned during the marathon, and the public

is invited to visit the station, where a number of free albums will be available.

Volunteers from the station will work three-hour shifts with other volunteers handling listener pledges during the weekend marathon.

Turner said that KUGS' alternative musical style is reminiscent of the 1960s, "when college stations didn't play popular things like the Beatles. They played bands like Cream and The Who before they became accepted. And today we are playing bands like The Clash and The Jam."

Turner emphasized that a variety of rock 'n' roll will spin during the marathon, from Chuck Berry and Motown to psychedelic, through the art-rock of the mid-70s to the music of today.

"Since this is a station for the students, we're trying to give them new and good music that they might enjoy," Turner said. "We don't play the hits, we discover them."

CALENDAR

TONIGHT—A 60-hour pledge-making rock marathon begins at noon on KUGS-FM. Listeners can call 676-KUGS to donate money or albums to help promote the station. Music items will be auctioned during the marathon.

Peter Marsh will play the violin at a faculty recital at 8 p.m. in the Concert Hall. Admission is free.

Songwriter/guitarist Eric Park performs at 8 p.m. in the

Viking Union coffee shop, part of Western's Mama Sundays series. Admission is free.

SATURDAY—"My Dinner With Andre" plays at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in the PAC Main Auditorium. Admission is \$1.50.

SUNDAY—"Neighbors" plays at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in the PAC Main Auditorium. Admission is \$1.50.

MONDAY—"Land and Sky," pastel drawings by Susan Bennerstrom, opens at the VU Gallery. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

SPORTS

Vikes turn around to win

By MARIANNE McCLARY

Spurred by nearly 100 enthusiastic fans, the women's volleyball team served, set and smashed its way to victory Tuesday night against the Seattle University Chieftains.

In three successive games, won 15-9, 15-4 and 15-11, the Vikings displayed a complete turnaround in the skills which Coach Paul Clinton said caused the Vikings to lose both their games last weekend.

Good blocking and serving accompanied Viking enthusiasm early in the first game. Super setter Jackie Nelson performed sky-high sets, which were slammed down into Chieftain territory by strongarm Sherri McKee. This was to be characteristic of the Viking squad all night.

Strong serves by every member of the Vikings were returned by the SU team with difficulty. McKee roused the audience with her ace serves, which the Chieftains couldn't handle.

The abundant Viking communication on the court, along with the ability to work closely as a team, ultimately led to the match win. The Chieftains, an enthusiastic team but not as communicative as the Vikings, often were silent as Western chatted away and dominated the match.

The increase in Viking communication was a welcome change, said both Clinton and assistant coach Chris Larson. The lack of mental preparation aided in the Viking demise on last weekend's road trip.

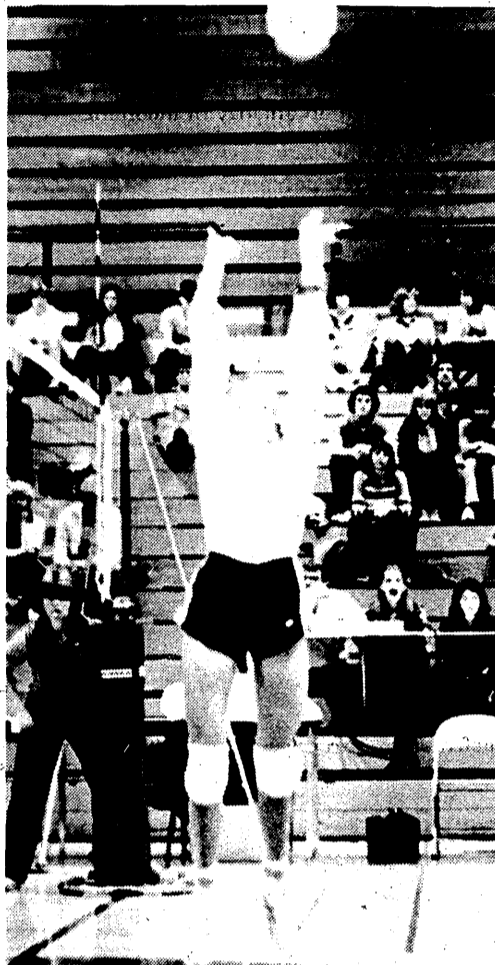
Game two was another easy win for Western. Both teams started off with a few turnovers and no points. Western's first point came on a hard, through-the-center by McKee. Debbie Abramczyk executed a few good hits, which fell like bombs on the Chieftain squad, and followed them with three untouched serves.

The crowd was visibly behind the Vikings on every serve, block and hit. The Vikings took almost every serve and maneuvered into a set-spike combination, while the Chieftains relied mostly on just bumping the ball over the net, a much less powerful way to return the ball.

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Bump . . .



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The combination of bump, set and spike plus improved communication between team members resulted in a Viking win over the Seattle University Chieftains Tuesday night at Carver Gym. From left to right: Kathy Wallace bumps the Chieftain serve into play; Jackie ("Super Setter") Nelson pops the ball skyward to aid in a Viking spike; Wallace bounds into the air to spike the ball into Chieftain territory.

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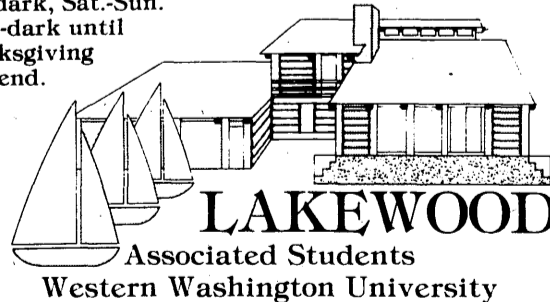
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Small size creates a fighter—alum

This article is the second in the alumni athlete series.

By HEIDI FEDORE

After only two days at football practice in 1967, five-foot-eight, 141-pound Fred Emerson became discouraged and thought college football was not for him.

After the first mile-run during practice, Emerson struggled to find motivation to continue with football and sought his high school coach's support. He was convinced to persevere and became an asset to the Viking team the four years he attended Western.

Emerson broke three interception records during his senior year, 1970. He had the most interceptions in a game, three; intercepted nine passes in a season and 26 in his career. He was awarded the Senior Honorable Mention in the National

Association of Intercollegiate Athletics and three times was All-Evergreen Conference. Even now, Emerson said he feels that size isn't "that important."

"If you're good enough, you're big enough," he said.

Emerson coaches football at Ferndale High School. He described his "big, small" philosophy with an analogy of incoming sophomore players.

"A sophomore who comes from a junior high football team and is small has had to fight for everything he's got," he said.

On the other hand, a player who has always been the biggest, "maybe he's got by with natural talent. But when the bigger player can't handle the competition, he's never learned how to fight back."

Football, for Emerson, has been an experience where he's learned how to "stand back up" from losing.

"Sure, you also learn how to win," he

said. "There's lots of hills and valleys." "When I hear about Western trying to drop the football program, I think of all the

position was available and returned "home." He was assistant coach until a year ago when he was promoted to head

In football, size isn't that important...if you're good enough, you're big enough.

—Emerson

people who are successful today because of what they learned in football," he said.

Emerson said he knows of three lawyers, an FBI agent and numerous coaches who played football for Western.

Emerson has predominantly coached since graduation from Western in 1970. He earned a bachelor's degree in physical education and a minor in history.

After graduation, he moved to Tillamook, Ore. and taught traffic safety for a year. He got word that a coaching assistant

coach.

He said he didn't mind "just" assisting for so long because his home is in Skagit County. In fact, he considers himself lucky to have been able to remain in this area. Many of his colleagues have not been as fortunate.

Once a year, the alumni players, mostly located throughout Washington, have a family-type get-together each year.

Last year, the get-together was at Emerson's house. About twenty people attended.

By air or ground—Vikes plan TDs

By STEVE RUPP

The proud fathers of a strapping one-game winning streak, Western's Vikings will try to extend that streak Saturday, when they are hosted by Whitworth College in Spokane.

For the Vikings to increase their victory count, they will have to stop Whitworth quarterback Mike Martin. He currently is ranked third in the nation in passing with 774 yards, and has completed nearly 50 percent of his passes.

A Viking defense that has given up an average of 147 yards per contest through the air should be improved, Head Coach Boyde Long says.

"We have made a lot of adjustments to try and stop Martin," he said.

In addition to Whitworth's stellar quarterback, the Vikings will try to shut off his favorite receiver, runningback Keith Duncan. His 24 catches for 228 yards puts Duncan at the fifth-ranked spot nationally for receivers.

Western, however, is not without firepower of its own, as fans who witnessed last Saturday's game will attest.

Another asset for the Vikings is placekicker Shane Briggs, who Long says "has improved 100 percent" since last year. Briggs is perfect in both his extra points and field goal attempts this year.

The Vikings proved last week they can run the ball consistently when they drove 90 yards—

almost entirely on the ground—to beat Willamette in their closing minutes. If the offensive line again can open holes for tailback John Locker, who gained 109 yards against Willamette, the result could be more payoffs in the end zone.

"We think we can run the ball against them," Long said optimistically.

If the ground game gets shut down, the Vikings can strike through the air. Wide receiver Bill Handy, who has 100 career receptions, 17 for touchdowns, leads the team in scoring with 24 points.

If Handy is unable to get himself free, counterpart wide receiver Trey Cummings is capable of picking up the slack. Last week, when Handy often was double- and triple-teamed into obscurity, Cummings pulled down five passes, including the game-winning two-point conversion.

Second-year Whitworth head coach Bruce Grambo has the services of a quartet of competent linebackers to stop Western's defense, including Terry Bitz and Jim Dawson.

The Viking defense, which has steadily improved during the past three games, should be kept occupied in Spokane's Pine Bowl

Stadium. They are spotting the Pirate offensive line an average 30 pounds.

Western is hoping to avoid a repeat performance of last season, when they led 25-21 late in the game, before allowing the Pirates to beat them in the final minutes on a trick pass play. But, Long said, revenge is not important: "Last year we beat ourselves."

Injuries, which have not struck hard at Western this season, also must be kept to a minimum, Long said.

"We can't afford any injuries because we are short of depth at certain positions," Long said.

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PRE-PHARMACY STUDENTS who plan to transfer to the UW in fall 1983 or fall 1984 should plan to see Mrs. Lillie Jones, UW Pharmacy School, between 9:30 and 11 a.m. Mon., Oct. 11, in HH215.

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MATH PROFICIENCY WORKSHOPS will be held by Pam McRae at 6:30 p.m. Mon. & Wed. this quarter for students who need to prepare for Math Proficiency Test or need help in basic math before registering for Math 103. Sponsored by Tutorial Center. Free to WWU students. Inquire at OM285, 676-3855.

COUNSELING CENTER GROUP OFFERINGS for fall quarter include: **Overcoming Perfectionism** (2-4 p.m. Thurs.); **Women's Support Group** (3:30-5 p.m. Wed.); **Careers & Majors: How to Pick & Choose** (2-4 p.m. Tues.); **Test-Taking Reduction** (2-3:30 p.m. Tues.); **Eating Disorders** (4-5:30 p.m. Tues.); **Headache/Stress Reduction** (3-5 p.m. Mon.); **Math Anxiety Reduction** (to be announced). For more information or to sign up, call 676-3164 or stop by MH262.

PHI BETA LAMBDA: Initial fall quarter business meeting will be at 10 a.m. Tues., Oct. 12, in SA210. Agenda will include election of officers, membership drive, dues collection, committee formation.

Planning & Placement Center Recruiting Schedule

(Seniors must have files established in the Placement Center prior to sign-up for interviews.)

Foreign Service Exam, Sat., Dec. 4. Application deadline is Oct. 22. Brochures/applications are available in OM280.

U.S. Navy Officer Program, Mon.-Tues., Oct. 18-19. All majors. Sign up in OM280.

High Mountain Management, Tues., Oct. 19. Weekend seasonal jobs. Sign up in OM280 beginning Oct. 12.

Peace Corps, Tues., Oct. 19. All majors. Sign up in OM280.

Institute of Paper Chemistry, Tues., Oct. 19. Chemistry majors. Sign up in OM280.

Shell Oil Co., Wed., Oct. 20. Business/accounting and geology/geophysics majors. Sign up in OM280.

Atkinson Graduate School of Management, Fri., Oct. 22. Sign up in OM280.

Gonzaga University School of Law, Wed., Oct. 27. All majors. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 13.

Defense Mapping Agency, Wed., Oct. 27. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 13.

NOAA Corps, Wed., Oct. 27. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 13.

K-Mart Corp., Thurs., Oct. 28. Business and other majors. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 14.

Timberline Systems, Thurs., Oct. 28. Computer science majors. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 14.

Burroughs, Thurs., Oct. 28. Sign up in OM 280 beginning Oct. 14.

Touche Ross, Mon., Nov. 1. Accounting majors. Pre-select resumes must be in by Oct. 15.

Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Mon., Nov. 1. Accounting majors. Pre-select resumes must be in by Oct. 15.

Arthur Young & Co., Mon., Nov. 1. Accounting majors. Pre-select resumes must be in by Oct. 15.

Bear, Johnson & Shute, Tues., Nov. 2. Accounting majors. Preselect resumes must be in by Oct. 15.

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SPORTALK

Unilateral mediocrity rules NFL

Now that the National Football League has entered its wintertime slumber about four months earlier than planned, those who spend their autumns rooted to the living room couch may choose to note just how far this once-majestic organization has slipped over the years.

As a first grader in 1968, when my father first exposed me to the television world of the NFL, the league was dominated by teams that could be termed champions in the true sense of the word, not just survivors of an overdrawn and overloaded regular season.

That season's super bowl, in January 1969, featured the New York Jets and the Baltimore Colts, two teams as different as the leagues they represented. The American Football League's Jets were represented by a long-haired "mod" quarterback named Joe Namath, the epitome of an upstart organization. The Colts were quarterbacked by two old warhorses, Earl Mor-

rel and Johnny Unitas, both sporting cow-cuts and the latter adorning a pair of high-topped shoes as well.

To the shock of the stuffy NFL, the anti-establishment Jets won the championship, 16-7. As an ardent seven-year-old idolizer of Johnny Unitas, I was moved to tears, but little did I realize I had witnesses what would prove to be the apogee of pro football's excellence.

Today, upsets such as the Jets conquest of the Colts don't really occur. Sure, some weak team will knock off an opponent that has a much stronger record, but it's not the same thing.

Thanks to Commissioner Pete Rozelle's spirited drive to achieve "parity" among the 28 NFL teams, we now enjoy what might be called unilateral mediocrity. Cincinnati and San Francisco ostensibly emerged as the two best teams in football last year, but will anybody remember who they were 13 years from now?

Football is designed to have winners and losers, not just for each game, but for the course of a season as well. As recently as the mid-1970s, a few teams did stand well above the rest and they were feared by all they faced. But now the Steelers, the Cowboys, the Rams and other members of the

For the long-suffering fans of the less-endowed organizations around the NFL circuit, unilateral mediocrity has been hailed as the moral equivalent of success. One recalls that it wasn't long ago when back-to-back winning seasons by the Seahawks created the illusion that they actually might be a good football team.

Some claim mediocrity has made the NFL more exciting. With upsets abounding each week, the cliché that it can happen "on any Sunday" has gained new credence. But upsets, like the American dollar, lose their value when they flood the market. A football league is capable of supporting only so many surprise teams each year.

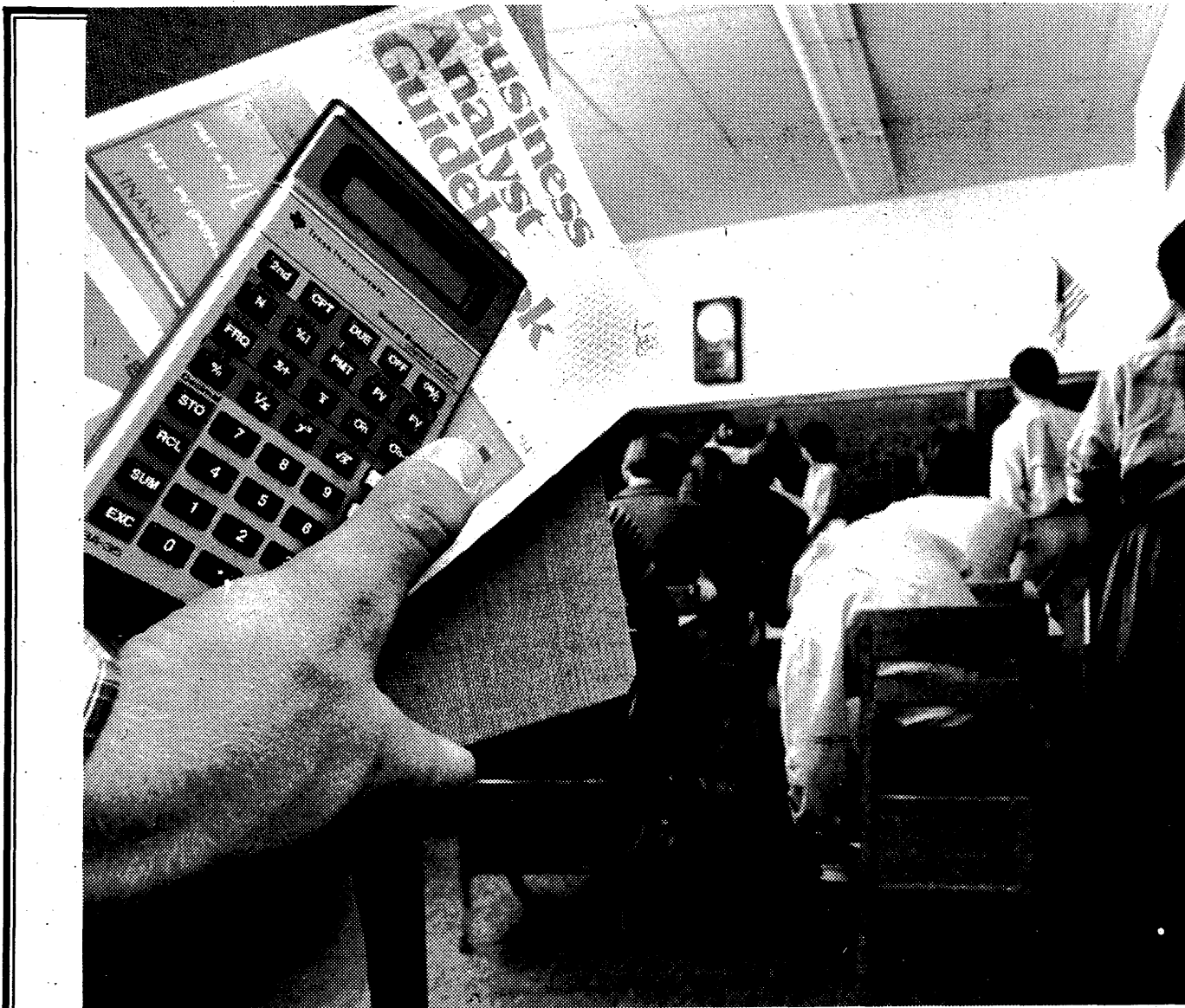
Equality may be the word nowadays around the NFL and for all I can surmise, it may be what the fans most desire. But inequities give rise to underdogs and upsets and they were what made pro football the institution it was.

Mitch Evich



NFL elite have become engulfed among the ubiquitous web of the 9-7 record.

To beat such teams used to be a feat worthy of a banner headline in Monday's sports pages. But what does it mean to beat the 49ers or the Bengals? Heck, even Seattle's Seahawks are capable of pulling it off.



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Team talk aids win

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By the third game, fatigue was visible on both sides. Western's first few hits, as well as the serves, were long, but the Vikings quickly returned to form. SU got within two points, 8-10, by using substitutions and time outs to break the regained Viking strength. The 15-11 game was close, but Western never lost its confidence.

The Vikings "did an incredible job as a team," both coaches told them after the game.

In light of their 1-9 record going into the match, the Viking coaches decided to tell the women just before the match to go out and WIN.

They did just that.

"The concentration was there," Larson said. "We didn't have one particular thing to work on tonight. We just said to go out and win and it all came together."

The Vikings have a chance to prove their superiority over the Chieftains again Saturday in Seattle.

Weekend Line Up



Football
Oct. 9

at Whitworth College

Men's Soccer
Noon, Oct. 10

at Evergreen State College

Women's Soccer
4:30 p.m., Oct. 12

at Pacific Lutheran University

Volleyball

1 p.m., Oct. 9

at Seattle University

Men's and Women's Cross Country

Oct. 9

Western Invitational