

Services claim cuts unjust

by RIC ROFF
SONJA BROWN

Prefacing its recommendations on how to cut the budget of student services, the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Personnel Budget pointed to President Charles Flora's "apparent lack of insight and understanding" and the Board of Trustees' "precipitous action based in part on eleventh-hour pleas."

In its report to Dean of Students C. W. "Bill" McDonald on ways to cut the budget by 30 per cent, the committee, after meeting almost daily for the past three weeks, urged McDonald to advise the president of the "grave concern" over the reduction, to request a formal audience before the Board of Trustees and to convince Academic Vice President Jerry Anderson and Business Manager Don Cole that the reductions be shared by other areas besides those falling under the Dean of Students Office.

In the face of what seemed to them unjust reductions, noting that library acquisitions were cut none at all, the committee (composed of Ray Romine, associate dean, who chaired the committee; Dr. Kenneth Jernberg, director of the Student Health Service; Sandra Taylor, director of the Counseling Center; and Louis Lallas, director of the Career Planning and Placement Office) made the following recommendations of where funds might be cut:

- \$42,000 by transferring resident directors and aides to the Housing and Dining budget;
- \$10,000 or \$5,500 by reducing stipends to graduate students in student personnel administration;
- \$30,000 (in 1973-74) by returning

to financial aids federal overhead monies generated by that office;

-\$20,000 by returning to the placement office monies generated by that office;

-\$11,000 by reductions in the Counseling Center;

-\$20,000 or \$10,000, by reducing health services budget; also recommended was the transfer of the health service to St. Luke's Hospital;

-\$53,213 by 10-month employe appointments;

-\$26,656 by 11-month employe appointments;

\$42,000 or \$84,000 by assessing students a \$2 or \$4 health fee.

McDonald will present a "progress report" on the cuts at the Board of Trustees meeting, tentatively set for Jan. 10.

*'Everyone is hurt,
but no one is
bleeding to death.'*

Dr. Kenneth Jernberg, director of Student Health Services, defended his area during testimony to the committee saying that 3,000 students a quarter pass through its doors, and for some it is a service which enables them to stay in school. Those students who do not use it nevertheless have a right to expect a health service to be available, he said.

In answer to Romine's belief that educational functions should have priority over service functions, Dr. Jernberg testified that the main purpose of health services was indeed to provide health care therefore regulating health education to second place.

"However, we are now building programs in nutrition and preventive

health care into the service," he said.

With the elimination of the Counseling Center students would lose a voluntary, free and confidential counseling service, which last year served 17 per cent of the student body, Sandra Taylor, director of the center, reported.

About 800 students a year have problems of "moderate severity," Taylor said, adding that close to 200 a year could "drop out of school without counseling."

The Bellingham community would be unable to provide the psychological crusading students need and workshops and self-study projects would not provide an adequate substitute.

Associate and assistant deans defended their services, expressing a desire for strong leadership and coordination of services.

One suggestion for lifting the "fog" surrounding their functions was clustering several of the services into a development center.

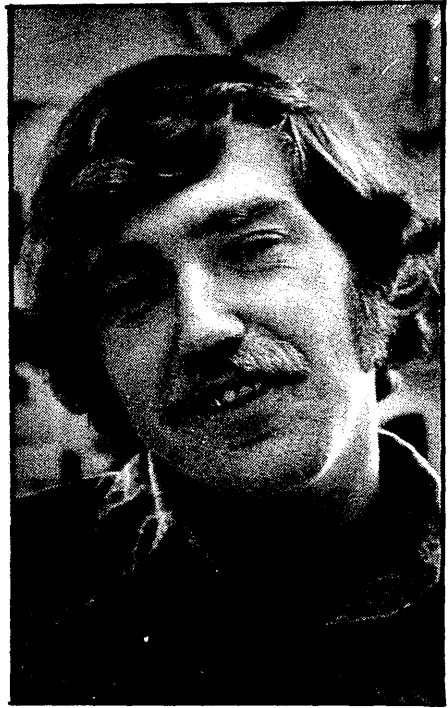
Judging his office to be among the most crucial to students Richard Coward of Financial Aids said the least effective services should be cut rather than making across-the-board cuts.

Louis Lallas, director of Career Planning and Placement, pointed out the changes in the employment situation since 1969, which marks the end of an era of plentiful job opportunities. "More than ever graduates have to demonstrate job readiness and learn the skill of job seeking," he said. Ninety per cent of 1971-72 graduating seniors used his office's service, he added.

The committee designed the proposal so as not to seriously eliminate any one service area or personnel.

But it was met with general disapproval by the student services heads.

Romine stressed his committee's efforts to find "loose and floating



RAY ROMINE

funds" rather than hurting one service area more than another.

Coward termed the proposal as a "cop-out" by the committee since it "cut everyone across the board."

"I'm not for sorting people out," Coward said. "But the committee is taking the easy way out. This way everyone is hurt but no one is bleeding to death."

Coward further supported his feelings saying the committee's duty was to determine which services met the student and college's need and that it should have found out what services it could do without.

Assistant Dean Tim Douglas criticized the Board of Trustees' action in hastily accepting the Mitchell Report that detailed reductions in college services.

"We should go to the board and raise

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Heating fuel rationing could close Western

by KEN OLSEN

Classes at Western may have to be suspended from time to time next quarter due to critical gas and fuel oil shortages.

There is a "dramatic possibility" of closures next quarter if the "middle-cut oil" Western's physical plant uses as a secondary fuel for heating comes under proposed government allocation plans, according to Gerald Brock, administrator of Western's business management office.

Any decision to close the college in the event of such an emergency would ultimately rest with College President Charles Flora.

Flora would not deny the possibility of closures but said he expects no shutdowns at this time.

There have been rumors of the possibility," Academic vice president Jerry Anderson said, "But we anticipate no closures yet."

Anderson was confident that periodic closures would not affect the educational process at Western.

He said that all alternatives would have to be considered before any shutdowns could occur.

The basic heating fuel used at Western is natural gas, according to Stuart Litzinger, head of the physical plant.

Because Western is on an "interruptable-industrial" schedule, the plant has had to rely on industrial fuel oil for heating purposes as gas deliveries are being suspended "more and more," Litzinger said.

If the fuel oil is allocated under the

government plan, Western would be limited to using equal or less amounts of oil than were used last year.

"We only had to switch to oil for 58 days last year," Litzinger said, "But this year we may have to rely on it for 90 to 120 days."

As a result, Western may need 600,000 to 700,000 gallons of oil this winter as opposed to 300,000 gallons last year. Under proposed government allocation plans which limit oil usage to last year's amounts Western might be lucky to get even 300,000 gallons.

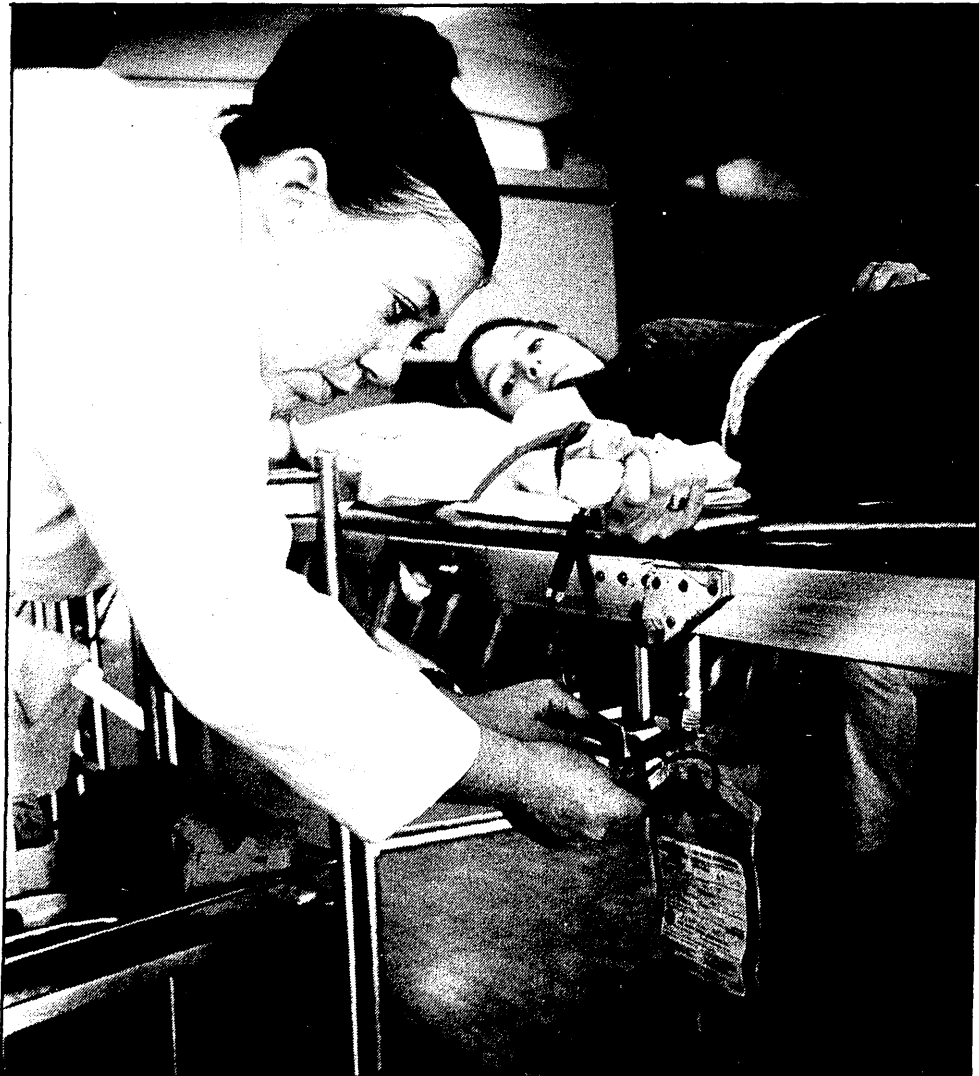
This could mean that Western will get less than half the oil it needs to heat the campus during Winter quarter.

Interruptions in gas deliveries will continue until mid-April, according to Hal Munton, vice president of Cascade Natural Gas in Seattle, Western's supplier. Curtailments are due primarily to a reduction of gas coming from Canada, he said.

Fuel allocations will probably go into effect this month, according to Herb Hunter, chief buyer in the division of purchasing for Washington State in Olympia.

Hospitals and institutions will receive the highest priorities in fuel allocations, he said, but there is no guarantee that Western will get enough fuel to operate fully.

Western's business office is studying plans that would allow the college to get more gas, but at a higher cost, and only under a contract that would be binding for one year. The physical plant budget is already under stress, however, because of the high price of the fuel oil currently in use, Brock said.



BLOOD THIRSTY—The King County Blood Bank obtained 186 pints of blood during its Tuesday drive at the Viking Commons and a bank spokesman called the drive a success. The blood will be used wherever necessary in northwest Washington.

Anderson grapples with crisis

by JIM BROOKS

Grappling with the worst budget crisis in Western's 75-year history is no easy task. But Jerry Anderson didn't expect it to be when he took on the challenge of vice president of academic affairs just 68 days ago.

Since his arrival at Western from Michigan, Anderson said he has had "feelings akin to the residents of London during the blitz of the Second World War."

Having dispensed with the usual "honeymoon" period to get adjusted in his new job, Anderson began by working 18-hour days toward solving the immediate problems facing the campus.

If the next legislative session votes to slash Western's appropriation for 1974-75 by \$1.6-million due to the enrollment drop, Anderson now believes the college is prepared to maintain quality education.

Anderson said the goal has been to achieve zero reduction in personnel while preserving the quality and reputation of the college.

"I've been very impressed with faculty, student and community response in finding alternatives to deal with the short-term problems. At least, we will be able to sustain existing

programs and honor our commitments to the students."

He said that faculty and staff are planning to share cuts in salary and take leaves. He has met with most departments in Arts and Sciences and the cluster colleges and found that "pride and professional commitment is still here."

"The maintenance of quality must be our number one concern. Any other position would be self-defeating. Unless we are responsive and maintain quality, we can only look toward a continuing decline in enrollment."

Anderson said the "prevailing concept that Western is going to be nothing more than a glorified community college is absolutely not true."

He said colleges in Michigan faced similar enrollment declines three years ago. And, that through careful, long-range planning, their enrollments stabilized and increased and the legislature responded accordingly.

"I believe we can take pride that the scar tissue and disruption of our teaching-learning environment has been kept to a minimum as opposed to other campuses facing similar problems."

He said he doesn't see "how the legislature can help but be highly

responsive to our institution given its reputation for past accomplishments in its service to the public."

Anderson rates Western in the top five in the nation for excellence among schools of its size and mission.

He said there has been "a concerted effort to improve an atmosphere of trust and to keep open the channels of communication which are so vitally necessary."

"I am aware that the alternatives before us, in most cases, require some sacrifice on the part of faculty. But we hope these are only temporary measures."

He looks for Western to emerge from its present dilemma and show favorable results by the end of this academic year.

"In the long run, we will be way ahead if we do our best job of internal long-range planning. We can emerge from this crisis stronger and better than ever before."

Matters of immediate attention include:

-A close look at academic and career advisement.

-Curriculum analysis and the avoidance of course duplication, individualized learning and programs for students, re-examination of admission



JERRY ANDERSON

standards, repackaging of financial aid, attention to career education complementing the liberal arts tradition, and reorganization of the academic affairs division to be more responsive to the academic needs of the college.

-A look at the committee structure to ensure that time and energy is not spent without receiving impact.

"Through long-range planning, we can push onward and upward so we never again have to face this kind of crisis," Anderson added. "We must all work together."

Visitors to judge doctorate proposal

Leona E. Tyler and Frederick Lighthall will judge the doctorate proposal, its quality and the capability of the college to offer this proposal. They are at Western today.

Tyler is the president of the American Psychological Association (APA). She is the fourth woman to be picked for this position.

Tyler is a diplomat in counseling, which is a recognition of confidence in an applied area given after five years experience after the doctorate. She was the first woman dean of a graduate school in the country.

Tyler has written four books. *Work of the Counselor* is being used at Western in Psychology 553.

Frederick Lighthall is presently the chairman of the Educational Psychology Faculty,

department of education at the University of Chicago.

Lighthall is the associate editor and consultant for the *Journal of School Psychology* and is a life member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is a licensed consulting psychologist in the state of Connecticut.

Some of Lighthall's publications are *Anxiety in Elementary School Children*, and *Pedagogisk Forskning*

The psychology department hopes to get the approval of Tyler and Lighthall for the doctorate proposal. The comments and recommendations of the two will be incorporated into the final draft of the proposal and will be presented to the Graduate Council which will determine if it is ready for review.

Ecology, energy ideals collide

by BOB SPEED

The Nixon Administration opened up several areas in the Rocky Mountains to shale oil research and development Wednesday.

The environmental implications of this action are potentially more disastrous than strip mining for coal. Coal stripping has laid waste to huge

analysis

parts of several eastern states, especially West Virginia.

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No environmental restrictions were proposed for the project in the Wednesday decision.

There must be a better way. During the remaining 27 years of the twentieth century, energy will be a key question. This will be the period of the energy "crunch," when demand will outstrip available supplies.

Nuclear power is proposed to be the main new source of power. It has been stated in previous articles in this series that although nuclear power plants can be operated safely, the wastes are among the most poisonous substances known.

Oil use will continue to rise, but is a finite resource with a limited future. Coal will again become one of the most important fuels, as technological advances improve its performance.

Technological improvements for coal include the production of high quality oil from coal.

With most fuels, pollution is one of the main considerations. Coal and oil both produce hydrocarbon pollutants, carbon monoxide and other chemical pollutants, as well as heat pollution. Nuclear fuels produce radioactive emissions and wastes and generate heat waste.

Nuclear fusion, the power of the hydrogen bomb, is being researched. Within the past two years, Soviet scientists have made breakthroughs which make fusion a practical process, relatively pollution-free.

The major problem with fusion lies in the extremely high temperatures which must be generated to begin and maintain the reaction. No material exists which can withstand the temperatures, over one million degrees Centigrade, so research is being done utilizing electromagnetism as a shield.

Electrolyzing water into its component parts, and recombining them electrically, produces power which could be used on large and small scale operations to produce power. Only one waste product is produced - water. Hydrogen generation has been suggested as a feasible alternative to fossil fuel for running automobiles. Electrolytic converters have been suggested to produce power for homes.

The sun is already being used in many places around the world on a small scale. In Japan, vinyl pillows placed on roofs heat water for home use, especially

bathing. In the U.S., some housing developments are being constructed experimentally, utilizing solar-cell panels in roofs which transform the sun's energy into electrical power. Such panels are already producing as much as 60 per cent of household needs.

Solar power is not only directly available, but non-polluting. It is one of the few sources of energy which does not add heat to the atmosphere or waterways.

Waste heat will be one of the world's biggest problems in the long run. Water used to cool fossil fuel and nuclear power plants, introduced into waterways, alter the ecology of the water and kills water life. Buildup of waste heat in the atmosphere because of cooling towers has the potential, along with the possible "greenhouse effect" of chemical pollutants, to raise the earth's temperature sufficiently to start melting the polar ice caps. This process would take centuries, but would put coastal cities under water eventually.

Waste heat is long-range problem

Solar power, because it utilizes only the heat from the sun already available to the earth, merely transforms one kind of energy into another. Although local heat accumulations could result because of large production plants, the effects would not be worldwide.

If, however, satellites were placed in space to capture the sun's energy, and beamed to earth with lasers, excess heat would again be a problem.

Geo-thermal power, and the energy available from the tides and the winds are also being researched. Some areas already use these resources on a small scale, but widespread application is not possible because of the limited availability of the resources.

The real question is how long the world is going to be able to avert tragedy as population increases outstrip resource availability and production.

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AFT would keep faculty, cut fees

by KEITH MYETTE

(Ed. note: This is the final installment of a series tracing the growth of the local chapter of the American Federation of Teachers.)

Most state legislators have seen education as a commodity to be used for the best interests of the community. With that in mind, Western was ordered to give back \$1.62 million of state funds budgeted for students that didn't register last fall.

This means a reduction in up to 100 faculty positions, and the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), largely composed of young, untenured teachers (who would be the first to go if reductions would be based on tenure and seniority) felt the crunch with the rest of the college community.

Reductions were ordered because enrollment figures forecast by the state's Office of Program Planning and Fiscal Management (OPP & FM) did not materialize.

Gov. Dan Evans later vetoed the measure, but it will be brought up again this January.

AFT position papers insisted on the "primacy of the instructional program" and demanded that instructional budget cuts "come only after the exercise of every other

possible means of saving money," but cuts were still forecast.

Local AFT President J. Kaye Faulkner of the economics and business department has tried (thus far unsuccessfully) to impress upon legislators the need to hold back on the cuts.

Faulkner does not fit the stereotype of the professorial scholar. At home in the classroom or in the labor hall, Faulkner puts the problem facing the AFT quite simply: "We should be getting these bastards that are oppressing us!"

Faulkner has cultivated relationships with community and state labor leaders, playing down "the elite characterism of

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college professors" in discussions with labor.

The local AFT chapter supported the oil chemical workers' strike against Shell Oil last year, and Faulkner has expressed support for the striking retail clerks union against the downtown Bon Marche.

Faulkner sees Western's salvation lying with the legislature in January, and he has secured "explicit support" from the Whatcom County Central Labor Council, which represents most AFL-CIO affiliated unions in the county (the AFT is an AFL-CIO affiliate).

The labor council has approved and sent to other councils a position paper supporting the right of faculty members to bargain collectively and strike, and ask for changes in tuition and fees that would "enhance, rather than kill," the opportunities for working-class students to attend college.

According to Faulkner, this support would bind union lobbyists in Olympia to "massive support" for higher education funding.

Besides asking for labor's lobby support, Faulkner plans to initiate a college-wide faculty poll asking for institution of a collective bargaining agent, most likely the AFT.

Most proposals aimed at easing the budget crisis were drafted by AFT members, including the Summer (Stanford) Plan, which would, in effect, hire professors for a three-quarter period.

Besides keeping more professors employed by the

college, the plan would stop older, tenured faculty members from teaching during the summer session.

A few members have resigned from the local AFT chapter, but Faulkner sees the remaining

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members (there are currently 167) as dedicated.

"It is not simply another coffee club," he said. "We have an intellectual and emotional commitment to action."

The increasing pace of the union's activities, which has drained Faulkner, has led to fewer meetings and more executive committee sessions, a situation Faulkner dislikes and promises to correct.

"Things have moved fast," he said. "We (the executive committee) are almost a shadow administration at this point." But he added, "You either trust us or you don't."

VA can get vets' checks by Monday

Veterans who aren't getting their educational benefits should contact the League of Collegiate Veterans, according to LCV director Gary Thompson.

Many vets enrolled at Western this quarter have been having trouble collecting their benefits, he said, but they can get action by contacting the LCV before Monday. The director of the Veterans Administration Office in Seattle, W. R. Phillips, has assured the LCV that he will personally handle all problems pertaining to veterans checks.

For more information contact the League of Collegiate Veterans, Viking Union 226, or phone 676-3460.

Languages face cut

Unable to come up with concrete reductions in full-time equivalencies (FTEs), the foreign language department finds itself facing a sub-unit analysis by the administration.

Department chairman Walter Robinson said the department had been unable to guarantee around two of the seven FTSS required in the reduction-in-force policy of the college. The department was reduced from 19 to 12 FTEs in the Mischaikow report.

Because of the uncertainties in the implementation of the reduction, the department's faculty has been reluctant to sign letters of intent to participate in a reduction program.

Wednesday, however, department members signed letters specifying which professor would do what in the reduction program. According to a Dec. 4 memo to the department from the Academic Coordinating Committee (ACC), the letters of intent were to have

been signed and turned in by noon Wednesday or administration would have to start their own sub-unit analysis in preparation to FTE reductions.

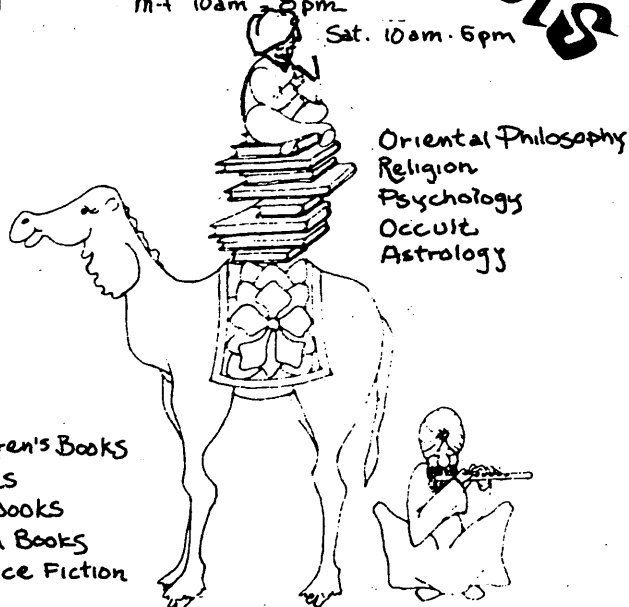
The department's professors disagree completely with the policies of the Mischaikow committee in regard to reallocation and reduction in force according to the letters signed Wednesday.

The letter says the faculty signed "for humanitarian reasons" and agree to take part in the program.

"If we do not sign the letters," Eunice Faber said, "the administration will implement its own sub-unit analysis for laying off faculty."

Wednesday Loren Webb of the ACC informed the department that they had already done a sub-unit analysis of the department and came up with reductions of 2.5 FTEs in French, 2 in German and Spanish, .25 in Russian and Linguistics, and none in Classics.

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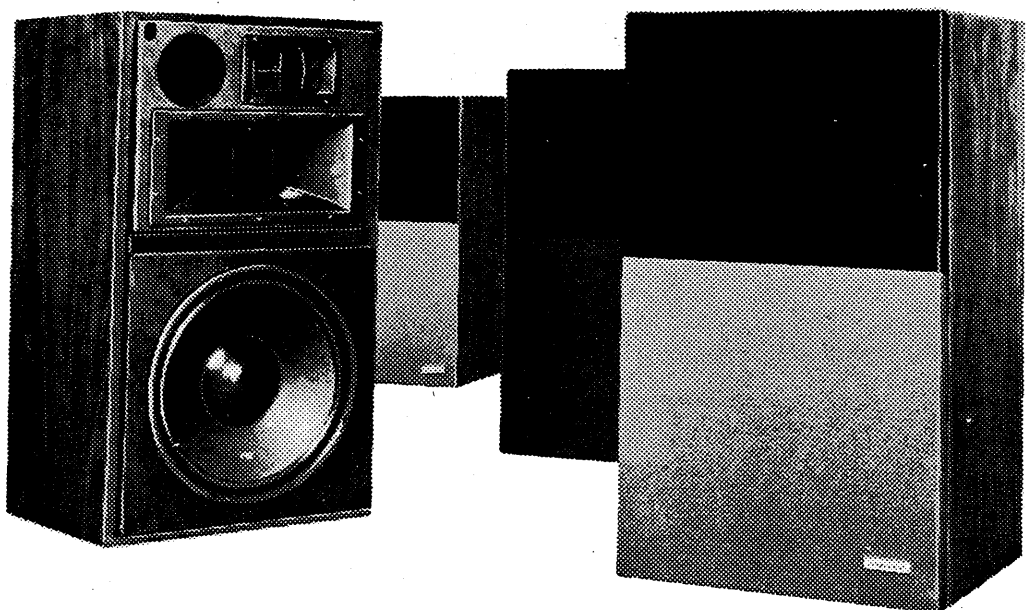
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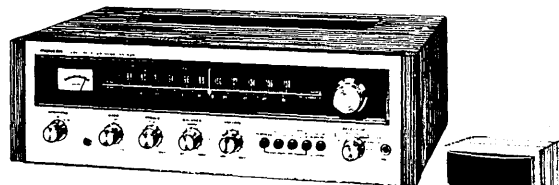


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NITWIT sends us their final final

by JACK BROOM

The National Intercollegiate Team to Write Intelligence Tests (NITWIT) has sent us our final exams for this quarter. However, they inform us that they will not be able to grade the answers since they are disbanding to save energy.

Once again, a team of local researchers who share the NITWIT philosophy have added a number of questions pertaining to local issues.

National Issues

- 1) Egil Krogh, Jr., a White House "plumber," has recently pleaded guilty in federal court. His crime was:
 - a) installing a faulty flushing arm in the White House john;
 - b) failing to adequately plug up administration "leaks";
 - c) authorizing the burglary of a psychiatrist's office;
 - d) getting caught.
- 2) Energy czar John Love recently resigned from the Nixon administration because his views differed from those of the President. He had proposed:
 - a) cutting his own work week down to two days;
 - b) converting the engine of Air Force I to run on peanut butter;
 - c) rationing gasoline to consumers;
 - d) heating the entire Capital with the hot air given off by the Oval Office.



- 3) Time Magazine last month printed its first editorial in 50 years. The editorial called for:
 - a) the re-instatement of Spiro Agnew;
 - b) more government controls of the press;
 - c) the Washington Redskins to try more end runs;
 - d) the resignation of the President.

- 4) A recent survey indicated that garbage men are among the most trusted individuals in our society. In light of this:
 - a) The Republicans will probably nominate a garbage man for President in '76;
 - b) a team of 13 garbage men has been appointed to replace the Watergate investigating committee;
 - c) Spiro Agnew is taking a correspondence course in large can handling.

Essay Questions

I) Compare and contrast the Royal families of England and the U.S., especially noting similarities of the recent royal wedding in Britain to the earlier wedding, in this country, between Princess Julie and Sir David of Ike.

II) President Nixon is seeking support these days by boldly announcing that he is "not a crook." What is the name of the last national official to make such a claim? (Hint: If you don't remember his name now, perhaps you agnew it earlier this year.)

III) Applying the nation's agricultural policy to the gasoline shortage, what are the chances that the government will soon start importing large automobiles from the Ukrainian U.S.S.R. to use up the gasoline we don't have?

Local Issues

- 1) The Viking wrestling team will be seeking its first dual meet victory of the season:
 - a) against Oregon College of Education;
 - b) against Eastern Washington State College;
 - c) against Kahou Tech;
 - d) for a long time.

2) Wayne Morse recently spoke at Western. He is:

- a) the inventor of the telegraph code;
- b) a former U.S. senator from Oregon;
- c) enrolling as a physical education major;
- d) being held prisoner in the basement of Wilson Library.

3) In order to cut down the number of students who leave Western at the end of this quarter, the college administration is going to:

- a) lock the doors;
- b) lower the Winter quarter tuition to 17 cents;
- c) ask Santa Claus for 1,000 toy students;
- d) pray.

4) The "AFT" is an important group on campus these days.

"AFT" stands for:

- a) Asking for Tenure;
- b) Ailing, Failing and Trailing
- c) American Federation of Teachers;
- d) Associated Friends of the Trustees.

Bonus Question:

What is the answer to the bonus question?

editorial

Cop-out charge wrong

After hours of arduous meetings listening to heads of student services tell their stories, the committee to recommend cuts decided not one service should be eliminated.

The problem faced then was how to give students the same services for less cost — how to pry loose the dollars without collapsing the edifice.

Some termed it a "cop-out." They wanted only the "necessary" services to remain.

A student is not going to need all the services all the time, but there are times when a student is going to need one of them — any one of them. This is the reason a total program of services, without gaps, is needed.

There are also those critics who say that a college environment is unnatural and that "all

those services" make it even more unnatural, hence wrong. There is nothing unnatural about a college campus. If growth is natural then a campus can be the most natural of places.

The point of student services is that they either hold the student together so that he can grow or they actively aid that growth.

There is a cop-out the committee still has a chance of performing, however. That is, to fail to make heard that the services need reorganizing and that they need to be more visible and available to the students and others on campus. The associate and assistant deans' functions especially need such clarification.

Maybe Jerry Anderson, the new academic vice president, is right: there are problems now, but there are opportunities.

commentary

Gay compliments 'warmth'

"I was biased, having heard you speak before. I expected cold rhetoric — you extended warm feeling. I expected you to flaunt an attitude of aloof security-lost in your own trip to your own view of the world."

I have been so engulfed by the warmth of the response to "Troubadour" from people here at Western, that I can no longer contain my joy. Hence, I am compelled to share with you excerpts from letters I have received. I too was biased while I was in preparation for this performance. I thought surely that people would miss the essence, lose it in their judgements about my artistic ability or their struggle to maintain validity in the foundations of their bigotry. The oceans of support from Alliance members in leafleting, having the tickets, programs, posters printed, etc. gave me no clue that this performance of "Troubadour" would be an especially humanistic experience for myself as well as others.

"... Instead I encountered vulnerability, love, and concern for others... I found grains of tolerance as you spoke of oppression — I was awaiting bitterness.

So, excuse me for my expectations and thanks for your gift of self."

When I walked off the stage during the first night's experience, I went to my dressing room to recuperate from the tremendous emotional trauma. I sat for awhile with my head in my hands trying to stop my tears. When I looked up, the room was full of people, all looking at me, who had been standing quietly as I put myself together. I smiled and found myself instantaneously submerged in a communal hug.

"... It has long been observed that much of the prejudice against gay people is derived from reaction in heterosexuals to fears about their own latent sexual tendencies."

The second night my mother was there. Also my great aunt, also my lover's mother. I knew that my actions that evening would be forever bronzed in their minds from then on. I felt every second on stage to be climatic. I was exhausted after my first few opening lines. I wanted to walk off and forget this whole business. Thank God I didn't.

"... Although predominantly heterosexually-oriented, I occasionally find myself physically attracted to other men. For awhile, after I recognized and admitted this to myself, I found it disturbing, almost frightening. I have, however, come to accept this as not unnatural; certainly the gay liberation effort has had an influence in my change in attitude.

God bless you."

When my mother walked up to me that night and hugged me, saying, "Honey, that was beautiful," something I've been waiting all my life to hear, when people that I've never met began to approach me on campus and in broad daylight greet me with handshakes, hugs, and even kisses, and when these wonderfully uplifting letters, notes, and phone calls arrive in the office, I know it has all been worth it. I've never known any artistic or humanistic endeavor on my part to have been such a fulfilling experience. For what it's worth these days, I love you all.

Thank you,
Rebecca Valrejean
GPA

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commentary

Boycott wines

The United Farmworkers Support Committee here at Western has begun a boycott campaign against Gallo wines as part of its regular activity.

This effort is part of a nationwide campaign now underway in support of the U.F.W., which is on strike against Gallo.

The Farmworkers signed a contract with Gallo, the largest domestic wine producer, in 1967. This contract was renewed in 1970. However, when it came up for renewal this year, Gallo refused to sign, and instead signed an agreement with the Teamsters Union. They did this as part of an attempt by the California growers to bust the U.F.W., which through its organizing efforts has for the first time won basic rights for farm labor in this country.

Farm workers, mostly Chicano, are one of the most oppressed and underpaid sections of the work force. They are specifically excluded from present labor legislation, and therefore cannot call for a N.L.R.B. election to settle the question of which they want to belong to.

For that reason, the Gallo field workers had no choice but to go out on strike to support their right to be represented by the U.F.W.

The Teamsters Union leadership has no interest in improving the lot of agricultural labor. If they did, they would simply keep out, and not disgrace the labor movement by aiding the big growers in an attack on the U.F.W.

Recent revelations about Teamster contributions to the Nixon reelection campaign, in return for a halt to a federal investigation of misuse of Teamster pension funds, shows the real character of the present Teamster leadership.

Gallo wines include "Boone's Farm," "Spanada," "Tyrolia," "Ripple," "Thunderbird," "Red Mountain" and "Raisano," as well as the "Gallo" brand. Any wine with "Modesto, Calif." on the label is made by Gallo.

The U.F.W. Support Committee here is asking students not to purchase these wines. Presently, however, the boycott campaign here in Bellingham is centering on convincing local merchants not to stock Gallo products. This effort has already met with considerable success, with the Fairhaven Tavern, Cal's Tavern, Pete's Tavern and the Wine Cellar all agreeing not to purchase any further Gallo products when their current supply is sold out.

The committee is planning to work from this base of support until all retailers have agreed not to stock Gallo wine. Those who are unwilling to comply with the boycott will have their names published on a list to be distributed among local students and trade unionists.

Aside from the Gallo boycott campaign, the Farmworkers Support Committee here is regularly engaged in picketing Safeway and carrying out a variety of other activities.

The committee holds regular weekly meetings which are open to all interested individuals. These meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the MECHA office, Room 010 Viking Union.

Karl Foreman
United Farmworkers
Support Committee

letters

'Right on' housing ad implies sexual bias

Editor, Western Front:

We would like to question an advertisement which seems sexist to us.

The housing advertisement of Nov. 16 pictures a young man looking at a book *The Calculus*. The words run "Why walk a mile for a class? Live close. Live on. Housing 676-2950." Because of the macho appeal, it seems necessary to read the advertisement with a hip and rugged voice. "Right On" conveys a very sexual base tinge.

The young man is hard as evidenced by his scarf and general aura, yet a "pretty boy." The Michael Landon, Mark Spitz "I drink milk" sex model that sells both milk and sex.

We do not know if this is all conscious or sub-conscious, it would seem both. If housing advertises they are saying on-campus housing is not just ordinary, but better than ordinary. And so the young man has everything because he does live on-campus, or will. He has "brains," observe the Calculus book he is holding. It is our hypothesis that this young man would not be presented with a music book in hand, not an art book, not a language book, since none of these would fit the

somewhat "cool image." The young man appears more analytical than emotional, as men have been so characterized for centuries. Areas of study are seemingly divided into their respective analytic-masculine and emotional-feminine categories.

As a fashionable heterosexual male, the women are "just implied." This young man is what women are supposed to want and men are supposed to want to be like. This young man is thus "sold" by housing to the consumer.

There are other messages certainly. The hole in his shoe shows he will be better off living on campus... but we did not even notice this until pointed out to us.

We are posing our own biases certainly, but we have obtained them through such advertising as this. We are urging that some consideration be given to matters of this sort in hopes of surpassing our stereotyped, commercialized notions.

We would invite replies from housing, The Front and others.

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'Passage' offers regional alternative

by JOHN HYMAS
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The Northwest Passage, Washington's only 'alternative' newspaper, is alive and kicking in its tiny office above rapidly changing Harris Street.

The Passage first appeared on the streets in 1969. It was one of the many alternative papers which sprang up in the discontent and turbulence of the late 1960s. Circulation is now 4,200.

"Obviously," said John Brockhaus, Passage worker, "the Bellingham Herald is very right-wing. The Passage serves as an outlet for a lot of people in Bellingham, Seattle and points in between, whose interests aren't reported by even the more liberal papers."

The Passage has a distinct, rather low-key style which separates it from other alternative papers such as the Berkeley Barb or Los Angeles Free Press.

Four-letter words are used with discretion, and sexist language and ads are carefully screened out. A policy was adopted last fall to eliminate the universal "he" in material submitted to the Passage and replace it with "he/she".

The content of the Northwest Passage reflects the people working on it. One issue may be mostly "down home funk" and another, "hard core political stuff," Brockhaus said.

The Passage calls itself a "fortnightly journal of ecology, politics, the arts and good healthy living." Each of these take turns being the outstanding feature.

For a while the Passage had a very strong ecological flavor. Although the environmental bend has never diminished, the content gradually moved to back-to-the-land articles, such as goat raising, organic gardening and other related topics. Currently it has lost some of its country flavor and increased its political content.

Articles printed in the Passage are contributed by members of the community and staff and are completely unpaid. Anyone can work on the paper. Editorship is rotated each issue among those fairly experienced with Passage production.

Recently a cooperative editorship has been tried.

Passage staff member and part-time Western student Billy Patz explained that there are fewer students on the paper at present. "Most of the workers now are from the community (Southside) so there's more community orientation."

This system of a totally volunteer paper is not without its problems. Often the paper seems to be on the verge of collapse. Complete turnovers in the staff take place frequently. No one currently working on the paper began with it four and a half years ago.

The staff doesn't do as much of the writing these days because of fewer members, and so less time. Community sources are depended on for news and events. Most of the staff workers are self-taught journalists with no previous experience.

"The kind of people who relate to the Passage don't commit themselves — people just don't stay with one thing too long anymore," says Patz. "We often think about ways to get people interested, but are successful only to a certain degree because of today's culture."

It is hard to generalize about just who works for the Passage. People come and go.

*'fortnightly journal of ecology,
politics, the arts and living.'*

Financial problems are also common for an alternative newspaper in a small city.

The main crisis, insists Brockhaus, is the people working on the paper; or lack of them.

He has doubts as to whether the spirit of volunteerism is still around, and fears that unless "some way is found to pay a few coordinators; chances are fair that it (the Passage) may fold."

"But not" he added, "in the near future."

Many people have been burned out trying to keep the paper together because they also have to spend time working for a livelihood. After a

certain point, the limitations imposed on an all-volunteer paper finds some who have a lot of time to it to move on. With a few members, Brockhaus felt, the quality of the Passage would improve. More time devoted to organization and keeping a few events.

Rumors that the Passage was going to be "one disgruntled staff member Brockhaus said.

This summer when the demise of the Passage seemed imminent, the larger advertising industry in Seattle and greater human resources were called to discuss the relocation.

The Passage office overflowed with concerned folks who immediately put up with the idea of moving. There were many people at the chaotic meeting but, unfortunately, without a good idea of where they could go.

As a result, although firmly planted in Bellingham, the Passage staff is as small as ever.

The Northwest Passage survives because there still feel there is a need for more of a Bellingham paper and a few have enough help put it out. Articles on Bellingham history, local food conspiracies, and entertainments and the events calendar can be found in a copy of the Bellingham Herald.

Staff members next week will attend a conference of Oregon and Washington friends to discuss problems and ideas to improve circulation and financing. According to the direction of the conference will be toward productive ways of support, continuing as a source for social change and to establish a stronger line of communication with the Environmental problems, the same throughout the Northwest, will be another topic.

Tom Begnal, staff member for a year and a half, told of the upcoming holiday issue. It will feature "Christmas, Hanukkah, and other cultural events as well as winter crafts and art with politics as possible."

Student life different for Western

by ERIK MAGNUSON

Disgruntled dorm residents fed up with the high cost of Saga food might be interested to know that at one time \$2.75 bought three square meals a day for a week. The source of the eats wasn't Saga, but a boarding house on High Street — and the year was 1899.

In 1889 Fairhaven was a thriving community with a salmon cannery and fishing fleets. Bellingham had a respectable 22,000 people. Holly Street was a plank road.

The campus itself was dotted with logs and stumps, much of it was swampy and students had to walk on boards to keep from getting their feet soaked.

Life wasn't all that easy in the opening year of "New Whatcom Normal School", as Western was called then. A history of the school, called "The First Fifty Years," was written in 1949 by a group of faculty members. This brief work provides a vivid glimpse into the lives of the early "pioneers."

"Students were scattered all over town in rooms furnished in many cases with a cheap

washstand or a box used for that purpose, a table and a bed," the authors explain.

There was a bright spot however — the principal's wife often combed the streets of Bellingham for student lodgings at her husband's request. Apparently, women's lib had not yet come into vogue.

The 264 students attending Whatcom Normal were at no loss for recreation, we are told. There were "steamer excursions," up and down Lake Whatcom and hikes along Chuckanut Drive, "then a narrow, steep, dangerous trail."

For the more intellectually inclined there were the joys of the "Thespian Club", and five "literary societies" were set up in the first year.

Dramatic troupes went in small boats to islands (presumably the San Juans) or "traveled rough corduroy roads... to little lamp-lighted school houses." Due to the high percentage of Swedes, Finns and Norwegians enrolled, an entire play of Shakespeare might be heard in a thick Scandinavian accent.

It seems students were content with such

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Implementation of this new policy will save Western Students \$8,000 per year on the cost of text books.

Ry Cooder plays 'devilish rhythms'

by KEN ROSENTHAL

Ry Cooder, flailing maniacally on mandolin, exorcising devilish rhythms from his guitar and singing strongly in the studied manner of an authentic old-time blues man, was warmly received at last Saturday's concert in the Music Auditorium.

His hour-and-a-half set, his first live appearance in eight months, featured a number of Sleepy John Estes tunes, some Joseph Spence songs and such obscure "classics" as "I Caught a Stranger in the House and I Busted Him With a Club," "Call Jesus on the Mainline and Tell Him What You Want" and a song about Billy the Kid, referred to by Cooder as "a snotty, half-wit slob."

Personally, it was his stringwork that was impressive. In his hands the mandolin, usually a rather unobtrusive instrument, became a powerful, train-rolling force behind the vocals. His guitar playing was likewise fine — particularly the bottleneck stuff.

There was a quality in his vocals that turned me off once or twice which is not to say his singing wasn't strong (it was) or appropriate to the songs (it was). It just seemed that this young and talented White man's vocals were the result of a studied reproduction of the Black men whose music he was predominantly using.

Which brings me to the excellent film about 75-year-old Black singer-philosopher Mance Libscomb that preceded

Cooder's set. Libscomb's rural, hardtimes background produced an authentic musical idiom that expressed very personal feelings about the human condition.

Cooder's Hollywood hills reproductions of Sleepy John, for example, expressed the life-view of the man but failed to elicit the deep emotional-personal-attachment-to-life-of-the-original. Perhaps Cooder's use of a small amplifier added to this effect.

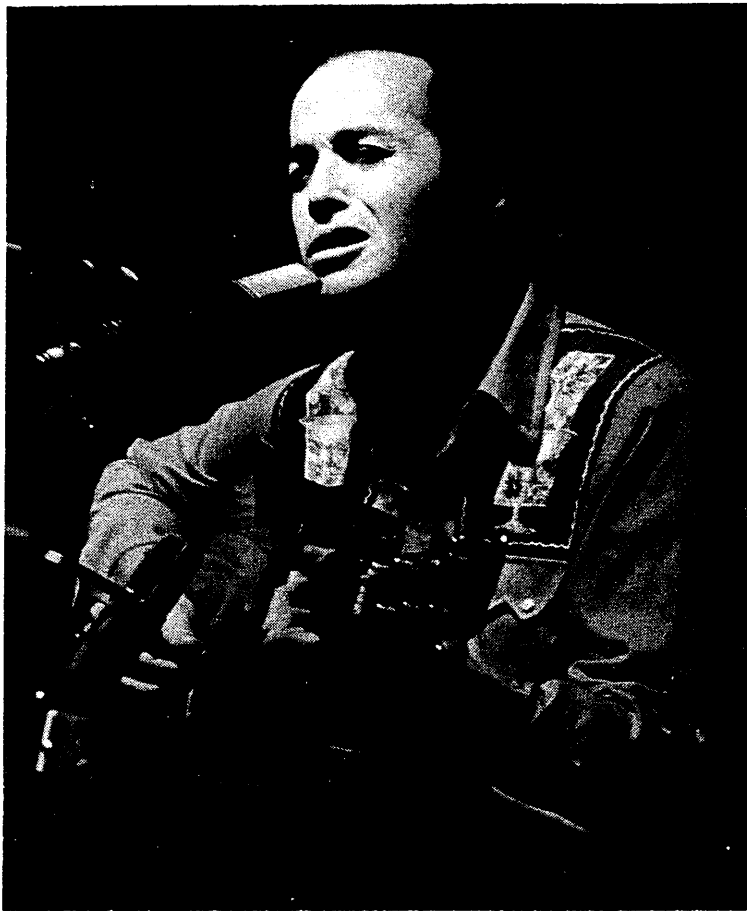
Perhaps I quibble. Notwithstanding these reservations, Cooder's set contained many fine moments, the audience was very appreciative (a three-song encore was the result of a standing ovation) and the Program

His mandolin became a train-rolling force.

Commission's final musical enterprise of the quarter was a fitting end to an outstanding series of concerts that brought a variety of talented artists to Western.

And then there is Winter quarter. Leading off a four-concert Program Commission line-up will be the Michael Bloomfield Group, Jan. 12 in the Music Auditorium at 8 p.m. Tickets will cost \$3.50 and will be sold at the VU Information Desk, Puget Sound Records and the Fairhaven Tavern.

The Paul Butterfield Blues Band, Bob Dylan, the Electric Flag, Super Sessions, Triumvirate, etc. — all have



RY COODER

benefited from the guitar playing of Bloomfield. His new group will make his reunion with Mark Naftalin, the accomplished keyboard man who played with Butterfield for a number of years.

Would you believe Randy Newman? Buy tickets early for this sure sell-out. The Newman concert will be Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Music Auditorium. There will be two shows, at 7 and 10 p.m., and tickets will cost three bucks.

Feb. 16, also in the Music Auditorium, this time at 8 p.m. and costing \$2.50, will be the Michael White Ensemble. A "Rock n' Roll Surprise," tentatively scheduled for Carver Gym, will happen March 9. (How about a hint, Nils.)

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'pioneers'

When one considers the policies at "Normal" in Lynden, a predecessor to Normal which folded in 1892. There, students were required to sign a pledge not to chew gum, play cards, or attend theatrical performances. Eight or ten students were expelled for being so brazen as to attend a play, and "Normal" was later reinstated. To take the author's words at face value, the whole institution was pervaded by an enthusiasm, and students were energetic. An eighth grade student was a must to begin work toward a teaching degree.

A "walking club" was the closest thing to a sports team at the turn of the century, and it was not lacking, we are told. A school student from 'aboriginal vocables,' went:

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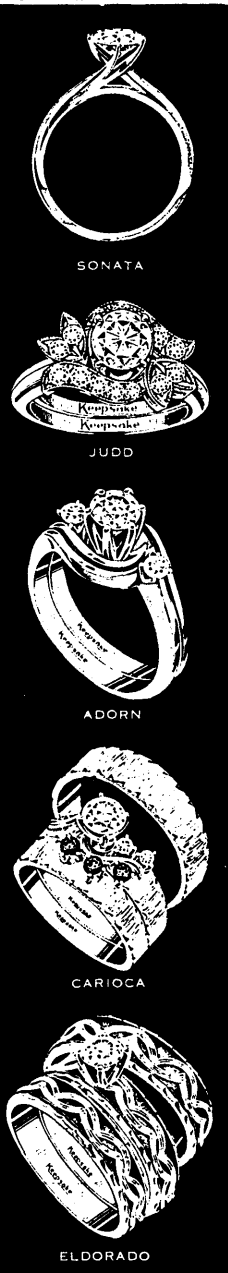
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7:30 p.m.: "Scenes from Great Moments in Theatre," presented by drama dept., Old Main Theatre.
Photography workshop Dec. 15-21 is being offered at the technology dept. through Continuing Studies. Mr. Embrey will conduct the workshop. Prerequisite: Tech 160 or permission.

A representative from Stanford University will be on campus today, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to explain graduate opportunities at the Graduate School of Education.
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Service cuts recommended

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holy hell on this," Douglas exclaimed, "and prove to them that these services are necessary to retaining students and that they are sufficient enough now to do this."

Romine stated the reason for the Board's action as stemming from a communication weakness in the services area. Testimony from service areas to the committee was evidence of the communication block.

"If we didn't even know what each other was doing," he said, "how could the board?"

Kay Burke, director of the Viking Union and who served on

the Mitchell Committee stated she couldn't defend the need of Health Services when it faced strong opposition because she didn't have any information on what Health Services did. Because of this she supported the feeling of not being able to "communicate to the board unless as a group."

Jernberg also attacked the library fund that received little attention as "inordinately high." Coward also expressed dissatisfaction with library's book acquisition fund as unnecessary since having so many books for so few students was futile.

Activities budget axed 13%

The AS government and departmentally related activities such as drama, men's and women's athletics and musical organizations will suffer from 10 to 13 per cent budget cuts over the next six months because of decreased enrollment.

The departmentally related activities budgets, totalling \$255,286 under last spring's estimate of 7,462 full fee paying students, will be reduced by \$33,357 to \$221,929 coming from the actual figure of approximately 7,000 full fee paying students.

The AS will take an approximately 10 percent cut by losing \$15,000.

Each of the full fee paying students pay \$11.10 out of their tuition and fees for the departmentally related activities. The AS receives an additional \$6.40 from each student.

Informed on Monday of the exact amount of money to be lost, representatives from each activity decided to take the loss equally with each activity losing between 12.9 and 13 per cent.

Included in the departmentally related budget is the operation of the Viking Union. Of its \$94,193 all but four thousand dollars goes for salaries.

The AS was at least partially ready for the cuts. A reduced enrollment reserve fund of \$5,000 was set up at the start of the quarter in preparation of the cuts.

The various AS organizations and activities are presently drawing up proposals to be presented to the AS Board of Directors.

Impeachment discussion Wednesday


"Should Nixon be impeached?" will be the topic of University of Washington history professor Giovanni Costigan's talk at Fairhaven Auditorium Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Costigan, who taught at Fairhaven College last year, is well known for his interest in civil liberties and his activities in behalf of the civil rights movement.

The talk is sponsored jointly by the Whatcom County chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization.

An open discussion session will follow Costigan's presentation. The event is free.

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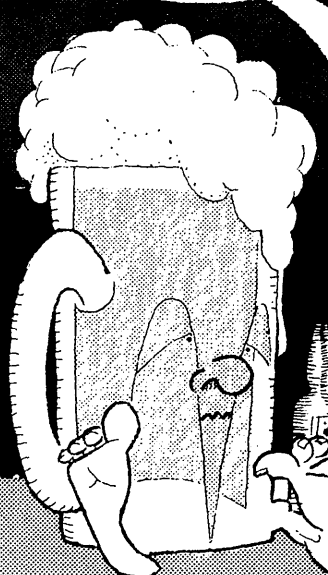
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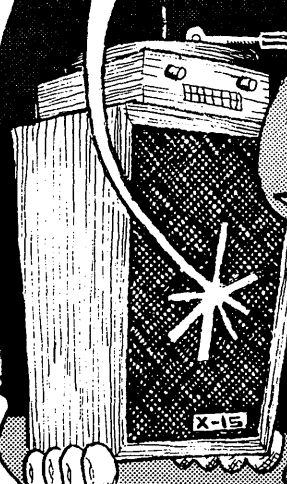
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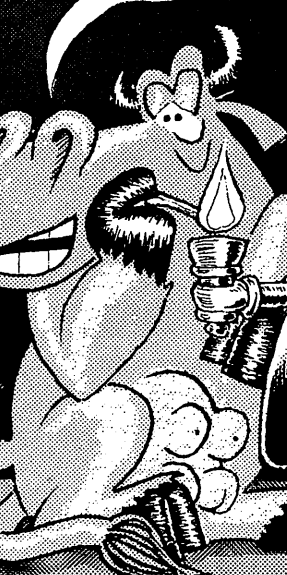
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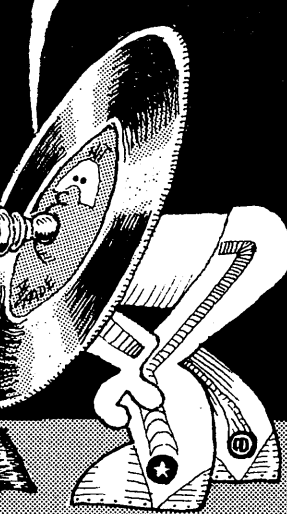
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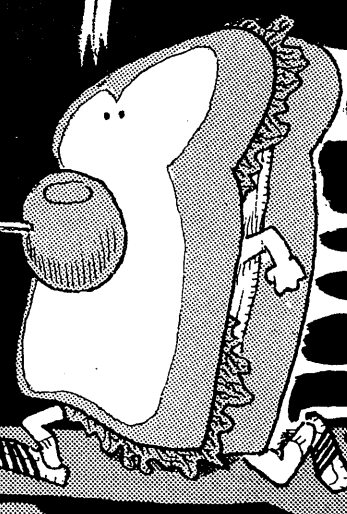
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Five men and women to bowl at regionals

Five men and five women won the right to represent Western at the Associated College Unions International (ACUI) Regional Games Tournament, in Gresham, Ore. by winning the intramural bowling tournament held Nov. 28 and 29.

The men topped a field of 24 entrants, and the lowest qualifier averaged over 181 for the eight-game tournament. The winners and their totals are John McDonald, 1,539; Cal Speer, 1,507; Bob Weinstein, 1,475; Al Wickland, 1,456; and Rahn Lahti, 1,453.

Only six women entered the tournament. The top five are Cyndi Scott, 1,226; Cathy Crockett, 1,200; Kathleen Kirsop, 1,096; Corlis Boulton, 1,053; and Kitty Seaborn, 900.

The sixth woman, and first alternate in case one of the top qualifiers can't make the regionals trip, is Joan Enslow, who bowled an 873 series.

Lahti, the men's fifth place finisher, came in tied with the men's first alternate, Mike Steward, after the regulation eight games. The two had a one game roll-off the next day to decide who would qualify for the regionals.

Lahti, who wears an artificial leg as the result of a boyhood accident, shot a 224, without an open frame, to Steward's 173 game with two splits.

The regional games, held Feb. 7, 8 and 9, and being sponsored by Portland State University and Portland Community College, will include competitors from 26 schools throughout Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Canada.

Hoopsters fall in opener

by O. K. JOHNSON

The jinx of Royal Brougham Pavilion is still frustrating Western basketball teams. Wednesday evening the Vikings never overcame their first game jitters and dropped a lackluster 66-49 contest to Seattle Pacific College in Seattle.

Today and tomorrow, the Vikings will be in Tacoma participating in the Daffodil Tournament hosted by the University of Puget Sound. Western will play UPS tonight at 8 p.m. and will face either the winner or loser of the Portland State-Fresno State game.

Wednesday evening, Western could not get untracked offensively. After taking an early 4-2 lead on baskets by Chuck Fisher and Rob Visser, the Vikings went into a six-minute cold spell that enabled the Falcons to establish a lead that was never headed.

Seattle Pacific's Mark Stream erupted for six of his 10 first-half points late in the initial period to propel the Falcons to a 22-10 lead. The Vikings closed within nine points on baskets by Keith Lowry and Visser with 1:18 remaining, but Stream's passing and scoring propelled SPC to a 28-17 halftime advantage.

Battling back from a 13-point deficit early in the second hal-

the Vikings, pulled within seven points on a Fisher basket with 15:18 left to play. It was as close as Western got the rest of the night.

The Falcons capitalized on Western turnovers and used a fast break offense during the next six minutes to breeze to a commanding 51-31 lead. The biggest Falcon lead came with 4:48 left to play when SPC's Nate Townsend's jumper gave the Falcons a 60-35 lead.

Craig Nicholes, Jim Hotvet and Chris Brown finally caught fire late in the contest to bring Western within 17 points as the final buzzer sounded.

Other than lack of scoring power, Western failed to rebound aggressively against their shorter opponents, giving the Falcons two and sometimes

three shots at the hoop in order to score.

Visser, a transfer from Grays Harbor Community College, was the workhorse for the Vikings, leading the Big Blue with 11 points and pulling down 14 rebounds. Hotvet was Western's second leading scorer with eight points, followed by Dick Bissell with six. Stream led the winners with 18 points, followed by Al Peeler with 12.

Western's junior varsity watched a seven-point halftime lead melt away as the Falcon junior varsity rallied to a 70-62 victory.

Western is now 0-1 on the year while Seattle Pacific is 3-0. Western's first home game will be Jan. 3 against SPC at 7:30 p.m.

Women harriers dominate UW Invitational in Seattle

The women's cross-country team closed out its initial season of competition on a high note last Saturday at the University of Washington Invitational in Seattle.

Although no official team score was tabulated, Western's

domination was obvious. The Vikettes' Ronda Minor won the individual title with a time of 17:30 for the 2.6 mile course.

She was followed by Sue Stange in third, Margie Lindberg in fifth and Sue Rivard in sixth.

The host school was the only other complete team in the meet. On the basis of unofficial dual meet scoring Western beat the University of Washington 9-19.

Western coach Ralph Vernacchia has expressed great satisfaction with the progress of the team. None of the girls on the team had run cross-country before this season.

It is hoped that the success of this year's team will provide the impetus for a much improved women's cross-country program at Western.

Tankers ready for wet season

With only one returning letterman, Western's men's and women's swim teams will be facing an extremely uphill battle in one of the toughest areas of the country this season.

The Viks will face such expected opponents as Pacific Lutheran University, second in the NAIA championships last season; Central Washington, perennial Evco champions; Southern Oregon College, last year's Evco champion and Highline Community College, one of the strongest community college teams in the Northwest.

The schedule of times and dates for the teams is still being drawn up by the athletic departments of the various schools. The first meet is expected to be held several weeks into Winter quarter.

The 10 member men's team will be led by Paul Simmerly, lone letterman and finalist in the 100 and 200 yard breast strokes and medley relay in the Evco championship meet last year. One performer from last year, Robin Allen, diver, is a possible performer.

Other competitors on the predominantly freshman team include Bob Lytke, Jeff Smith, Greg Laing, Mark Davis, Bill Sawhill, Darrell Kimmerly, Joe Coverson, Jeff Mickle, and Doug Danner.

The women's team, under the tutelage of Coach Don Wiseman, who also coaches the men's team, will have its ranks increased by three swimmers who will join the team when the volleyball season is over, bringing the total up to seven.

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Mingo takes first at tourney as Vik matmen place second

Coming off a second-place finish in the Simon Fraser University Invitational tournament in Vancouver, B.C. last week, the Viking wrestling team will travel to Ellensburg to participate in the Eastern Washington Invitational tournament tomorrow.

Injuries and upcoming finals will prevent the Viks from taking a full contingent to the one-day tournament. Mark Reiman and Tom Trippe are sidelined with injuries.

In last week's high finish behind Pacific University, Western was led by Dale Mingo, 118, who captured first place. Second place finishes were garnered by Mike Guthrie, 134; Mark Reiman, 177, and Brett Bennett, heavyweight.

Other Vikings winning places

include Dan Bailey, 158, who grabbed third, and Charlie Walker, 150, who took fourth.

Over the weekend, John Adams, 136, placed second at the Canadian tryouts at Thunder Bay, Ontario, for the British Commonwealth Games. Adams was pinned by Egan Byler, a

member of the 1972 Canadian Olympic team, after going into the third round tied 0-0. Adams said, "I just made a mistake and he rolled me into a pin." In the event Byler is unable to compete at the games to be held in Auckland, New Zealand, Adams, as first alternate, will be given the invitation.

Volleyball team eighth at regionals

Western's volleyball team, while finishing eighth in the regional tournament hosted by Oregon College of Education in Monmouth, Oregon last weekend, had the satisfaction of beating rival Washington State University and coming close to defeating a few top rated Northwest teams.

Western faced six teams,

winning two of seven matches. The wins were recorded over Eastern Oregon and the Cougars.

Western gave top seeded Oregon State a scare in losing the first match 16-14, 15-5.

The second match, against WSU, saw the Viks forced to come from behind to win 15-13 after leading 11-1 in the first

game. The Viks won the second game 16-14.

The Viks then threw a scare into Portland State University, defending regional champs, by winning the second game before bowing 15-9, 13-15, 15-9.

The tired Western team could do nothing against the University of Oregon Ducks in the last Friday match, losing on their own mistakes 15-5, 15-4.

Starting out fresh on Saturday the Viks came from behind in both games to defeat Eastern Oregon, 16-14, 16-14.

Lack of concentration appeared to be Western's downfall in the first playoff game, against the University of Washington. The Huskies capitalized on Viking mistakes to win easily, 15-4, 15-3.

Next year's squad should have an abundance of experience as only one starter, Kathy Dooley and reserve spiker, Bev McKissick will be lost through graduation.

a team that plays in spurts. The Fires lost their first two games of the year, then won four in a row, dropped two more and now are, hopefully, on another positive tangent following Sunday's win over B.C. Tech.

The Fires are a young team, consisting of three sophomores and eight freshmen, and are "starting to jell," according to coach Pete Burns. "We're playing more together now than even before this season. We're becoming a 'team' team."

Burns cites a tough, "man to man" defense as the team's strongest attribute. Their biggest weakness, he points out, is their inconsistent shooting. The Fires shot only 28 percent from the floor in their last loss, a 71-66 upset administered by a team from the Whidbey Island Naval Air station.

The Fires have picked up wins over the faculty-alumni teams from Ferndale, Sehome, Meridian and Bellingham high schools. Their losses have been at the hands of AAU teams from Victoria and Vancouver, B.D., the Nooks Valley alumni and the Whidbey base team.

Individually, Burns is very pleased with the recent emergence of postman Mike Anderson and forward Brad Potter. The 6-4 Potter, a freshman from Longview, has been particularly impressive, averaging 18 points per game during the last three contests. He scored 21 against B.C. Tech in a limited appearance which saw him sprain an ankle and lose a tooth.

Trotters, cagers, swimmers, volleyballers finish up exertions after busy quarter

Fall quarter intramurals are grinding to a halt with the conclusion of volleyball, racketball, swimming, the turkey trot and men and women's one-on-one basketball competition.

In women's one-on-one basketball competition, a new activity started this quarter by student requests, Wendy Hawley defeated Margaret Bolek for the title. Hawley has chosen to compete against the seven men remaining in the single elimination tournament.

Seven men remain as of Wednesday evening going into the quarter final round of action. The seven are Dave Knodel, Skip Houser, Mike Wheat, Charles Rensberg, Roger Mithoug, Jerry Rise and Scott Curran. Curran is scheduled to go against Hawley.

The semi-finals of the women's volleyball tournament was scheduled to be held Wednesday evening. The four teams remaining in the competition are the Leftovers, BSU All-Stars, Go-Getters and Stripling's.

In racketball, Rob Harcus won the men's title defeating

Rugby squad to play UW behind gym

An even win-loss record will be the goal of Western's rugby team as it will face the University of Washington behind Carver Gym tomorrow afternoon in the last game of the first half of the season.

The second team, with a 3-1-1 record, will begin the action at 1 p.m. and the first team, 3-4, will take over at 2:30 p.m. After tomorrow's games the ruggers will rest until the start of the second half of the season in February.

The top teams of each school will be fairly closely matched as far as season records are concerned. The UW, at 3-3, boasts two all-stars from England and more experienced backs.

The Viks will be coming off a two-week layoff as their game last weekend against Surrey rugby club in Surrey B.C. was cancelled because of field conditions.

After a slow start due chiefly to inexperience, Western has come on strong, with recent wins over Washington State University and the Seattle Rugby Club. Western combined with the best of the Chuckanut Bay Rugby Club for the win over Washington State.

Paul Gawenko. Cindi Scott captured the women's title defeating Nori Bowman.

Nine men and four women competed Nov. 20 in the second annual turkey trot in which two men and women won turkeys for Thanksgiving.

Myrnie McCormick was the fastest woman around the two-mile course, covering the distance in 11:36. Kristine Olsen came closest to her predicted time, being off only 3:47.

Dean Powers was the fastest man around the three-mile course, covering the distance in 18:13.3. Jeff Schultz came closest to his predicted time, being off 34 seconds.

In swimming competition,

Syd Jacobs won the 550 meter breast stroke and the 100 meter individual medley to take top honors for the women.

Bruce Johnson won the 100 meter individual medley and the 50 meter backstroke while Don Williams won the 50 meter freestyle and fly competition for the men.

Next quarter, men and women's basketball, racketball and swimming will be offered. In addition, wrestling and handball will also be offered for the men. Dick Bartsch, director of Intramurals, suggested that if students would like to see a particular sport or event offered, to contact him or leave a note at Carver Gym 112 or 182.

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Duff Wilson, selected by the Student Publications Council as Winter quarter editor of the Western Front, said Wednesday that he has resigned from his position on the AS Board of Directors "because of the possibility that the general public might see my dual role as a conflict of interest."

AS President John Wolfe attributed Wilson's resignation, recommended in a vote of the Front staff, to the staff's "basic mistrust" of the AS government.

Wolfe said that recent decisions by the AS board of directors which assure winter publications funding through the comptroller's office and provide for one more publications representative on the AS Communications Council were intended to soften that "mistrust."

Wolfe told the senate at its last meeting that its start at implementation of the publications council was an unnecessary and secondary action in light of the board's actions.

Since then, the senate has voted, 23-5, in a mail ballot, to submit the publications council to an early Winter quarter vote of the students.

If approved by the students, the publications council would become the fourth council of the senate. The senate's committee on councils and committees would recommend the new council's structure, and the new council itself would recommend its policy, both subject to senate approval.

"Tremendous," said Front editor Rodger Painter, when told the results of the ballot. "I'm glad that this on-going hassle may soon be resolved."

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JANUARY 26th - THE GENIUS OF RANDY NEWMAN

Newman is one of those highly adored cult figures with many people, but just as many have yet to discover his wit and wisdom. He is a songwriter's songwriter. Harry Nilsson recorded a whole album of just Randy Newman songs and one of Three Dog Night's earliest hits was Newman's "Mama told Me Not to Come." In fact, so many people have recorded songs by Randy Newman that everyone has heard a Newman tune at one time or another, whether you know it or not! A public appearance by this notorious recluse is an event - And this will be his first ever and only appearance in the Northwest!!

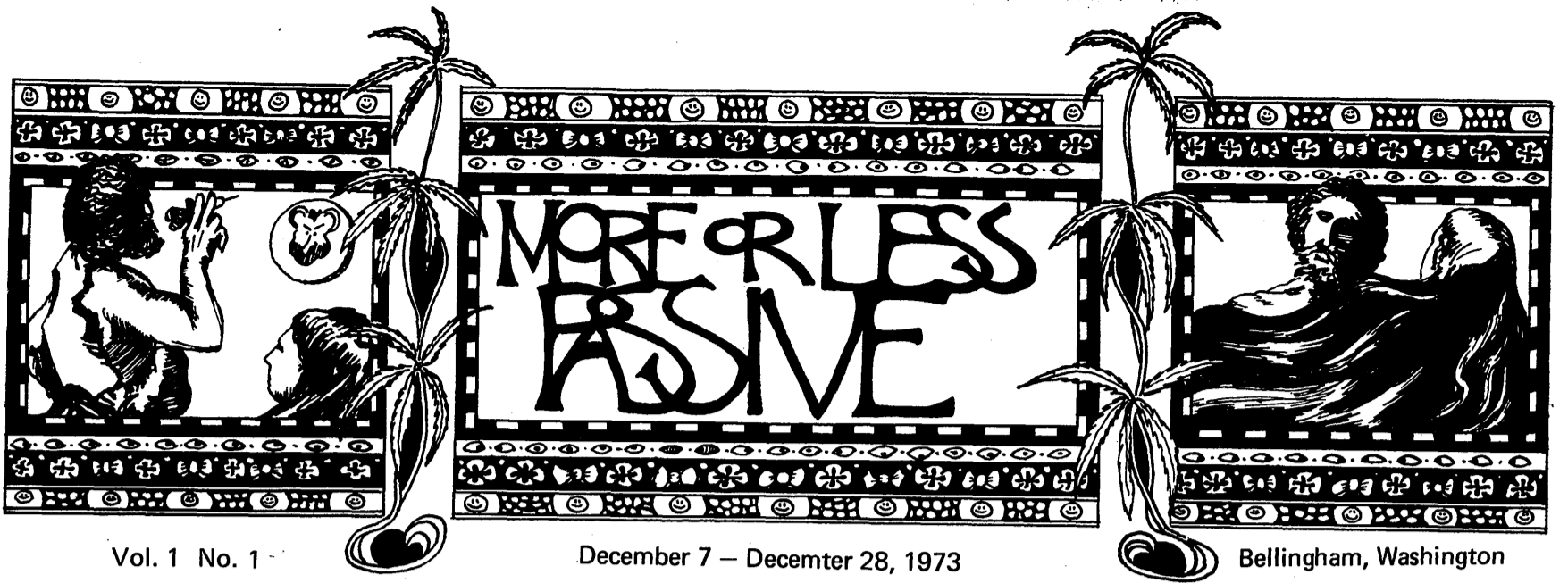
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Michael White plays the violin. In years past he has appeared with performers like John Handy, Pharoah Sanders and Jerry Hahn, as well as being a founding member of the excellent, but short-lived, Fourth Way. His present group is one of the finest collections of musicians alive. Ed Kelley plays piano majestically, Prince Lasha is the reed wizard and Kenneth Nash plays all sorts of percussion. This group is guaranteed to stimulate and satisfy with sensitivity all your sound senses!

+++Some surprise events are bound to happen when you least expect them - stay tuned!!!

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Poisonous Leak

Near a small college town in Ohyeasure, Idaho, a man reported urinating against a building known to carry radio-active waste evaporators. Immediately following his escapade the machinery broke down creating one of the most disastrous radioactive crisis ever in the history of Ohyeasure.

Police apprehended the man minutes after his waste spill and charged him with "recklessly taking a poisonous leak".

Now in protective custody, the man is being held suspended in mid-air with his feet pointed towards the sky.

Canuck Slugs

On The Slime

An invasion of giant slugs is headed south from Canada. The slugs, ranging from four feet in height and up have been bred espically for the growing stuffed slug culinary industry.

Several of the slugs, originally thought to be harmless, overpowered a scientist and two guards at a secret research installation and slimed them to death.

The slugs breed rapidly and travel at alarming speed for creatures so large. They are easily killed when seen, but their nocturnal habits and resemblance to piles of trash make them hard to detect. People are cautioned that the slugs are especially dangerous when cornered or wounded.

The killer slugs are especially fond of beer, and several taverns have been attacked and taken over by the slugs. It has been difficult to get escaping tavern patrons and residents to call the police. The people are afraid the slugs are hallucinations.

A favorite tactic of the slugs is to crash through back doors of houses to get at the refrigerators. One slug was recaptured after crashing a house in suburban Vancouver and breaking into the liquor cabinet. When overpowered, the slug was consuming expensive Scotch and quality Cuban cigars while watching a re-run of the Untouchables.

People are advised to barricade their back doors and to be very careful about how they answer the front one. A case of beer near the garbage cans with a trip wire alarm might deter the slugs long enough to split the scene, but fast!

How To Cope When Cork Pops

For the survival minded, the Passive has compiled some helpful suggestions in coping with a future environment that appears inevitable in light of the awesome nuclear capabilities of the major powers.

When the cork is popped and the earth is scorched, be sure and keep a folded copy of these tips in your tattered jeans.

1) water—a questionable commodity to locate since the terrain of the nuclear wasteland will not conform to present day topography. Should one adapt to the new "quality" of the crust and lower tin can, garbage pail etc. tied to strips of cloth until a splash is heard. Trial and error is very important in this technique.

2) fuel—sources of energy will be in short supply then as they are now. But heated caves will be of comfort. Burnt stumps of trees, chipped with the sharp edge of a rock until the outer layer is removed will reveal slightly radioactive, but burnable wood. Be sure to locate new homestead in area once designated "forested."

3) food—contrary to past attitudes that vegetation is sufficient for survival, the environment of the future will dictate new conditions. Since all vegetation will be defunct, food sources will be restricted to the already dead and cooked carcasses of the animal world. Once again radioactivity must be adapted to. Storage will also be a problem. Such an acute one, incidentally, that the Passive regrets that it has not the answer.

4) socialization—in the past, has led to close ties amongst groups, while at the same time designating "others" as enemies. Ergo, defense systems were built. In the future, all groups, communities, states and nations should be avoided in order to prevent the situation you have just found yourself in!

USING YOUR OWN . . .

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by art a. chokes

Hi. You wonder just what the headline means? Simply, in just two words, it's fertilizer and dope.

That's right, fertilizer, or more potently, you OWN fertilizer to grow your OWN dope. You think I'm kidding? I'm not.

Some of the best shit around today is being grown with human excrement and if you are like I am, smoking shit has become such a habit, that you've started growing your own.

But most likely you aren't using your own to grow your own and if you aren't then . . . well, the thought is just sickening to me. You are obviously smoking someone else's shit raised in someone else's shit.

Therefore, I've taken the delicate task of telling you what to do to grow your own while using your own, starting from consumption and blast-off to retriavation.

To begin with, I should note that in growing your dope this way it costs you only \$1.49 for a butterfly net, perhaps \$2 for a silver spoon and around \$20 for a good set of pots and pans.

Most importantly, the shit has to be at least a foot high before the fertilizer is used so that when application of the dung comes (dung time), it does not shock the hell out of the plants system. (If the plant is any smaller than a foot, it can die before contact is made. Plants are sensitive. They KNOW.)

Once fertilizer is applied to the plant, you must water like mad or the plant will collapse of dehydration. The plant will not die but just collapse. When it is watered, it will shudder right back up fine.

B and S baked beans, corn, prune juice and radishes I find are the best things to eat and should be measured out in even portions, brought to a boil, simmered for five minutes and then allowed to cool before drinking. That's right, this is the consumption part—so vital to plant health, growth and welfare during its body-building days.

The only drawback here is that painful diarrhea may occur, making the fertilizer totally inaccessible to netting after blast-off. It has been found by my talking to others that taking deep breaths helps to relax this situation a little. However, it doesn't do anything else.

If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again. After awhile your body will become accustomed to fighting the mixture at consumption and therefore dispose of it in appropriate, firm little pebbles.

Immediately following a successful launch (blast-off) is where the \$1.49 butterfly net and silver spoon come in (retriavation).

With practice you will soon be able to retrieve the fertilizer blindfolded and might even want to. Noseplugs are relatively inexpensive so you may want to use them also. Clothes pins will also work.

What you do is give the net a quick right twist with your wrist, plunge downward and then snap it back. Will you be surprised! It works!

Once retriavation is over, the flight is a success. It's now dungertime and you should instantly apply the fertilizer to the plant in order to prevent the shit from becoming stagnant. It can lost its potency while the plant can die during this time. (It does no good to try talking to the plants. They seem to refuse listening to anyone at this stage.)

Finally comes application time. By taking the silver spoon you should mash the fertilizer thoroughly while adding water. By making holes in the dirt the plant is growing in (with spoon handle) you can pour the solution into

the roots of the plant. The dirt may be very hard. This is because the plant in its defense has drained all water from the vase, thereby creating an almost petrified rock.

The lighting you installed during the dopes early growing period should now be removed completely from the plant. No light should be allowed to reach the plant from now until harvest time (when plant is three to 12 feet tall). For some strange reason, it will now thrive on darkness.

After harvest, will you ever be surprised! It is extremely potent shit.

And there you have it. I started growing my plants about two weeks ago after learning this process and have had to raise the roof of my closet twice. The plants are now 12 feet high.

Remarkably, the dope smokes smooth and light and leaves a faint scent of burning rubber. I also find a slight after-taste of Georgia-Pacific lingering until well after I've smoked it. (People living in Bellingham find this to be true. However, I have talked to people in Everett who have tried this method and they find Weyerhaeuser lingering.)

My biggest problem now is what to do about the loud eruptions and rushes of stale air from the closet. Sound-proofing and insulation have not taken care of the hassle.

Otherwise, there have been no other problems with this fun and easy process.

Anyway, it's worth it. Enjoy your SELF and stay high.

CRYPTIC

Plans are being formulated for the new student co-op cemetery to be laid out in Red Square. The cemetery is one of the many projects of the recently created "Class on death," and is designed for those students doing research for the classes rather extensive final examination.

Lowell Z. Plotz, the cemeteries coordinator, sees the cemetery as a marvelous undertaking. "All the students are excited about it, and really want to participate." Plotz stressed that student involvement, the cooperative effort, is what will make go. "In fact," he said, "with all that's going on, I expect a lot of business. That's why we've reserved a special section for the untenured faculty."

Plotz emphasized that business will be good this time of year, because students see the cemetery as a viable alternative to going home with their grades. "And they don't have to pay back their National Defense loan," Plotz said enthusiastically.

"Boy, it's just erally neat how all the students are getting involved, ya know?" They really like getting their hands into old mother earth," said Plotz. And for those cooperative students, Plotz is planning a special treat.

Inspired by the famous Firest Lawn Mortuary in L.A., where visitors can see film clips of a famous movie star at their grave site, Plots has his own line of special "casket features," to lend comfort to the departed and the departee.

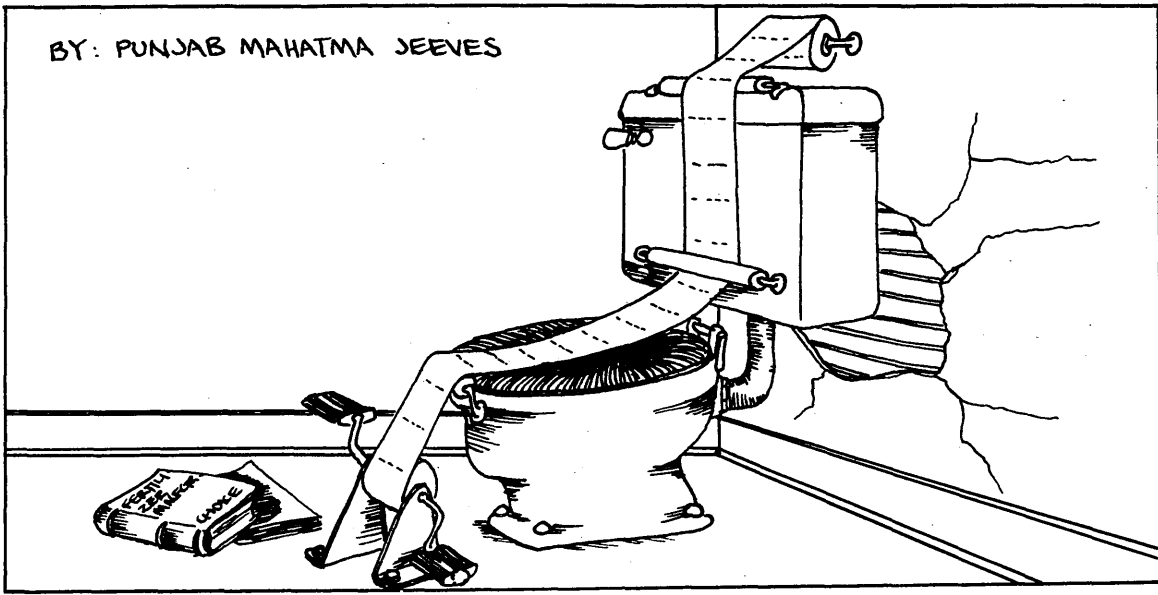
In the crypts of departed English Majors, there will be continuous showing of that epic film, "Ma and Pa Kettle meet Beowulf." For the ecology buggs there are biodegradable caskets, and for Campus Christian Fellowship there are piped in tapes of Billy Graham. Second Coming enthusiasts will have caskets with special trap doors.

As the cemetery is getting "underway," Lowell has begun a novel based on the project. "The characterization is a little stiff," he said. "But the plot is really great."

OUT OF THE
MOLASSES
JUG
Slug Preser

YOU WILL NEED: (PER QUART JAR)
8-12 GARDEN SLUGS
1 SPOONFUL TOTASCO/HA CHA CH
2 PINCHES SEA SALT
CURRY, CUMEN, CAYENNE, PEPP
4 CLOVES GARLIC (WHOLE)
2 BAY LEAVES (THE TRIP TO THE B
6 FRESH PINE NEEDLES.

BY: PUNJAB MAHATMA JEEVES



RECYCLER

I traveled the world over, and seen many wonderful inventions of mankind. Before I settled down here at Monroe State Reformatory I had traveled extensively in the Zmabezi. Or was it the Middle Fork of the Congo? No, I believe it was the lower reaches of the Nile. There I met one of the most truly remarkable men I have met in my life, and I've been in nearly every prison and monestary from here to Mozambique, and yes. He was a true genius, a man of many talents. He was the son of an English anthropologist and an Indian native woman of high caste. His name was Punjab Mahatma Jeeves. Lord Jeeves, they called him in the environs. His blue eyes impressed the natives greatly. One of the items he most desired from the rest of the world was one he had become accustomed to while in England with his father, toilet paper. Lord Jeeves insisted on importing choice American toilet paper. The native varieties were excruciating, as they were made of a hardwood similar to mahogany. With his meager resources and difficult delivery system, Jeeves was forced to conserve. And since necessity is the mother of invention, Jeeves revolutionized the toilet paper of thousands of the Upper Nile. Now, in Amerika it is becoming necessary to conserve, too. So, I give you the basic plan for Jeeves' toilet paper invention, using only the equipment available to him. The very same items are available right where you live.

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RETRAINING

Every day, when all values are being challenged and old ones being discarded, some have been left un-derneath, taboo, as it were, even to the most hard-core socialist individualists. We've all heard those bathroom-gutter jokes about the taboo subjects, but after many hours of comparative study, I concluded something had to be done. The taboo subject to which I am referring, is of course, defecation. I mean, shit. This subject has been left untouched too long. It's the age-old subject of the turd in the punchbowl. So, I asked myself, do 200 million Americans sit on their eyes forward, feet planted firmly on the floor, as if they were at some kind of perverse call of "Attention!"? The answer, because, I concluded, nobody ever

questioned the authoritarian principle behind it (so to speak) which goes back to toilet training. Not without a plan is the fact that the damage is done early, so early that no one remembers it. How can one expect to question something they don't even remember.

I did extensive research and found that this fascist Amerika has spent millions for cancer research, but NOT ONE PENNY for research into defecation!

My destiny all but slapped me in the face one day, while I meditated. It came so hard that I nearly fell off the stool.

How could I have been so constipated for so many years, to accept this fascist method of defecation? I asked myself. I felt like kicking myself in the ass.

The very next time nature called, I began my investigation of alternative methods the counter-culture might use to advantage to break away from this Amerikan pattern.

The first new alternative I tried out was this. I stood on my head over the toilet bowl, with my feet straight up in the air. This didn't work very well.

The next time, I tried the same basic position, but with my legs drawn up into the lotus position, with my head pointed down, but in the opposite direction this time. The results were similar. I didn't need a third try to assure myself there must be a better way. I did need another shower.

In order to clear my mind of past propagandistic indoctrination, I tried fasting. This did not produce the desired results, so I began a steady diet of prunes and Ex-lax. I found this allowed the creativity to flow much more freely.

In the next few weeks, I must have tried a thousand different ways to defecate. Some of the more successful ones were:

Climbing a flagpole (I imagine a telephone pole would do in a pinch) while meditating on the mystical sound OM.

Squatting off the back end of a fast-moving truck, while holding on tight to the railing, while talking in tongues, as loudly as possible. This method is highly recommended, but watch for the State Patrol and be careful of the wind chill factor in winter. Exposure might be embarrassing to explain to either a trooper or a hospital attendant.

I finally came up with the BEST method of all, which is not at all what my authoritarian parents or first grade teacher said was proper. With my feet firmly placed on the bowl of the toilet, I faced backwards towards the wall, on which had been placed a picture of Richard M. Nixon and his dog Checkers, and chanted Kizzmaiaz, kizzmaiaz at the top of my lungs. The combination never failed to produce the desired reaction, and the position itself allows one to peruse the entire wall area for graffiti in the absence of a picture of Nixon. I do recommend that everyone carry a picture of him, to places where none are available and you are feeling a bit irregular.

Remember, the family that shits together showers together.

DIRECTIONS: CATCH SLUGS. PLACE IN A LARGE POT OF BOILING WATER. REMOVE FROM POT AND PLACE ON A FLAT SURFACE TO DRY. MEANWHILE, FILL EACH JAR WITH THE SPICES AND FLAVORING INGREDIENTS. PLACE SLUGS COMFORTABLY IN EACH JAR. COVER WITH THE BOILING WATER FROM THE POT. DAP AND DO THE REGULAR CANNING TRIP WITH YOUR JARS. PLACE IN A COOL, DARK PLACE FOR 3-4 MONTHS. (DO NOT BECOME ALARMED IF THE LIQUID IN THE JARS BECOMES CLOUDY - YOUR SLUGS ARE ENHANCING THE FLAVOR BY EMITTING BODY FLUIDS. THE CLOUDINESS WILL DISAPPEAR.)

WHEN YOU'RE READY TO DEVOUR YOUR CULINARY CREATION, INVITE SOME FRIENDS, GET GOOD AND HIGH, AND BE SURE TO BUY SOME BEER. ENJOY.

NOTES

It Takes Your Breath Away

The Environmental Procrastination Agency has announced a ban on breathing in all metropolitan areas with a population exceeding one million persons.

"Air quality tests indicate that the atmosphere in most large cities is unfit for human consumption, so we decided that the best way to rectify the situation is to ban breathing," an EPA spokesperson said.

To enforce the breathing ban, the EPA is equipping special "breath patrols" with sonic lung analysis kits. The patrols will take spot checks of passing motorists and pedestrians anyone found to have air in his/her lungs will be subject to an indefinite banishment to the suburbs.

Nasel Sticks Nose Up At Gravity

Consumption advocate Ralph Nasel recently called for Congress to repeal the law of gravity as the "first progressive step towards conserving our vital energy resources."

The natural energy that is wasted on "just keeping things down to earth" could be harnessed for clean industrial power, Nasel said.

Nasel pointed out that if the law is repealed all immobile objects could be anchored to the ground and people could carry lead weights in their pockets.

"In the face of the current energy crisis, it is ridiculous to allow this waste of natural energy resources on keeping things in place," Nasel said.

T.V. Out Of This World

Rumors have been spreading across the United States that television sets are in reality aliens from the planet Darvon, who have come to take over the world.

Although NASA, CBS and the FCC all deny these allegations, thousands of people have either disappeared completely or become frozen in a sitting position for years reciting over and over "good-night David, good-night Chet."

More ominously, authorities recently crashed through a back door of a suburban Seattle home to find a television set blaring loudly while sipping a bottle of Jack Daniels and smoking expensive Cuban cigars.

Down On Typewriters

Ralph Mader, consumption advocate, pressed the Environmental Revulsion Agency to ban typewriters. Recent consumer probation studies have shown that the long-term effects of the bell ringing at the end of each line drives people crazy.

Mader Fails To Score

Recent studies have shown a dramatic decline in the quantity and quality of beaver around Bellingham. A recent beaver hunt on a dark and cold and lonely Friday evening netted not one beaver. None were even sighted, according to local beaver expert Ralph Mader. Each beaver captured is termed a "score," Mader said, and commented "I didn't score all night."

Mader did say there is an ample supply of local crabs, however.

WASTE IS A SHITTY THING

Cut down the tree, oh, woodsman
and kill its gentle life
and use its sweet body to make your vulgar money
It never asked for love
It never asked for help
It never asked for anything
You Shithead

Spare the air, you over there
And don't pollute my meager share
'Cause when you do, it just ain't fair
I hope you get eaten by a bear

Water polluters take note,
some day fish may vote

Pollution is the lump in life's mattress
Pollution is the rain in life's day
But at least it helps me sell poetry
I wouldn't have it any other way.

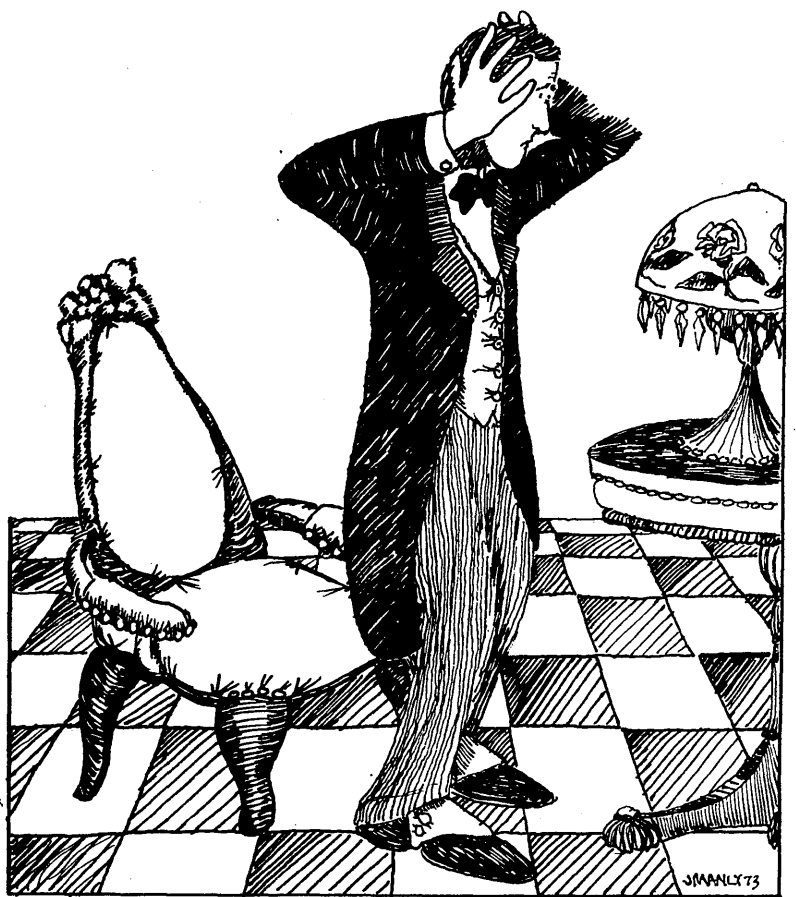
SLOBBING IS AN ART...I KNOW

I walk the same old street,
It seems to be my beat.
I stop for something to eat
And spill chili on my seat.

I wander around the town
seeing friends, getting down.
Some folks think I'm a clown,
A human joke to pass around.

But I see life in other ways
In minutes, hours and in days,
Which makes it seem a crazy maze
To keep me in this constant daze.

THE POETRY READING



LOVE, TRUTH, BEAUTY IN ONE NEAT LITTLE PACKAGE CONCERNING THE COMPOST PILE OF LIFE

DIFFERENT STROKES

Sex
I feel I'm in a cage.
When will I be of age?
He says he's gay, "What are you?"
"I'm, uh, hetero-sexual."

With all my might
I can't feel right.
"Bisexual, and you?" she asks,
"I'm, uh, hetero-sexual."

Is my mind so small?
Can I be loose at all?
"Sheep are nice," he/she says, "And you?"
"I'm normal! I'm normal! I'm normal!"

Roses are red
Violets are blue
Potatoes are brown

MISCONCEPTIONS

B.D.: There's a snow storm
out at Jim's, lets hit the slopes!
Bring your ski equipment and
scales - Jean Claude.

SAMMY MUDDER - I'm stuck hitch-
hiking at the Alger exit, and
need a ride before I die of
exposure and starvation. Will
take a ride to anywhere.

ANYONE HAVING SITZ BATHS
out there in the dingles?

I'd really love to get away
from my shower stall in the
city and groove but I don't know
if I could take the change

of water. I have a skin
rash whenever the water's
below 105 degrees.
CARLA FRIESEN

ALL OWNERS OF
UNWANTED GOLDFISH

I have a much loved goldfish
that needs a friend but all
I can give him is a "Goldfish"
cracker. I'm getting tired
of seeing him mpoing in
his gravel. ANDREW MORGANTHAL

I NEED A TOAD urgently.
My fairy godfather told me that
if one would be delivered be-
fore Christmas, if I could kiss
him without getting a wart,
I was told he would turn
into a charming prince. I usual-
ly don't believe fairy stories but
at 45 I'm getting desperate.
MARGARET CHASER

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FREAK OF NATURE FOR
SALE OR TRADE - Half grown
two-headed black and white
goat. A cute pet for children.
Trade for almost anything or best
cash offer. Call Dick-733-0124.

I'm in hell and loving the rays
down here. For anyone
interested in joining me at the
"SPA" there's a great primeval
hole at the end of the West
Shore Drive on Lake Whatcom.
Enter it and it's just a
matter of time. THE DIGGER MAN.

ALL AUNTS AND UNCLES who want
to be heard-UNITE! We've got
nothing to lose but out in-laws.
We've got a nation of nieces
and nephews to gain. No
matter if you're black or blue,
red or white, we must
be remembered.

HAVE A TREE OR BUSH
that would like a better home?
Bring it to Mr. Dirt's
Swamp. There are plenty of
dogs that would like you
immensely if you would and
our house in the tulies
would smell a lot nicer.

JAMES BACKENFORTH-
Would you please stop
commuting and make up
your mind. The Garden isn't the
same without your wow herbs! Who
do you want anyway-ME or
your mother? RHODA TRANE

A JOB \$\$\$!! - Full-time
job as light bulb changer. No
experience needed. Call K. Imus,
Fairhaven.

LOST BACKPACK ON HOLLY
ST. Contains valuable papers and
has "FUCK NIXON" written on
back. Keep the dope. Return
to 1414 Hilliard St. No
questions asked.

STEVE NEFFRADIGHTY-I
may be the bitch of your gripes
but I'm hot after your
ugle bod just the same. Up
here in Cottongrove-CLIO

BOOTERS BEWARE!-The Silver
Silver has been reported in
someone's cleats but we don't
know who's. From all we can gather
this vile thing was smuggled
in by the coach
of the CRUDE team because
he needs some raw recruits
to find more shells on the beach.
Do not give in to this
terrible menace! From THE MEN

STILL FIGHTING
THE MEAT SHORTAGE? If you
don't mind living in
the country I've got a wonderful
MAMFAM bull that needs a little
more fattening up than I can
give him. He drives the cows
crazy shasing them and loses
all his weight. Inquire at the
HURKY TURKEY FARM.

FREE BEER - for those who want
to help fold copies of our
community paper on Monday
afternoons. Just come upstairs
and bring a friend.

ANYONE OUT THERE GOING through
MENOPAUSE? I want to know what to
expect. Any post-menopause women
out there with stories to tell
I'm writing a sequel to EVERY
WOMEN DOES
to be called THERE CAN BE JOY
AFTER THE OVEN CLOSSES. I want
to know if that's a true
statement. REUBEN of SANDWICH.

I'M TRYING TO COMMUNICATE
with telepathetic people but
all I seem to get is static and the damn
radio stations. Put your left index
finger to your ear lobe at esactly
8:45 p.m. on December 7
and yell three times, "captain kangaroo
is an imposter." I'll try to hear it.
GUESS WHO.

HORIS-If you don't get yourself
back here soon I'll turn you back
into a cauliflower just
as I found you. THE GERIATRIC
GARDENER

WE NEED A TEEPEE TO LIVE IN
but for some reason they're as
scarse as igloos in Alaska.
We know some Indians still live in
them because our 9th grade
history teacher said so. Let us
know when you find a vacancy.
JOHN & MARTHA, Washington, D.C.