



Trustees keep equal staff level for '74-'76

by DENNIS RITCHIE

The question of how to continue affirmative action programs for hiring of women and minorities during a time of budget crisis confronted the Board of Trustees on Thursday.

While wrestling with the problem of keeping faculty members at Western for '75-'76 school year at the same voluntarily reduced salaries as the ones they are taking for next year, the trustees and College President Charles J. Flora had to face the possible deterioration of the College of Ethnic Studies.

The trustees, after a long and tense debate, decided to allocate full time equivalencies (FTE's) to departments for academic year '75-'76 at the same level as for '74-'75, with the exception of the Ethnic Studies cluster college.

While all other departments were getting the same number of FTEs, Ethnic Studies was raised from 5.5 to 8.0 FTEs in accordance with Western's commitment to the Affirmative Action policy.

Flora proposed the increase for the cluster college at the beginning of the meeting, but, at the suggestion of Inger Trudelle, Affirmative Action spokesperson, and others, changed his proposal to keep the ethnic studies at 5.5 FTEs and put the 2.5 FTEs in a general pool for the distribution of women and minority faculty throughout the college.

Flora reluctantly made his change, which was eventually overruled board, after much discussion in the Miller Hall corridor which seemed to include most of the people attending the meeting.

While proposing the switch of the 2.5 FTEs into the pool, Flora declared that any reduction below 8.0 FTEs could drastically alter the cluster college. He recommended that all, or most, of the 2.5 FTEs be given back to ethnic studies from the pool.

The trustees rejected the compromise after exploring the

possible effects of such a reduction. New trustee Ark Chin, who was attending his first meeting as a trustee, declared, "Since, in the past, the board has reaffirmed faith in the College of Ethnic Studies, can we go back unless we want to change policy?"

Flora was immediately attacked by several faculty members in the audience when he announced his recommendation to keep the FTE distribution among departments the same for the academic year '75-'76 as for next year.

Arthur Kimmel of foreign language faculty charged that his department's 50-page proposal concerning restoration of several FTEs in the department was ignored by the Academic Allocations Committee and Flora.

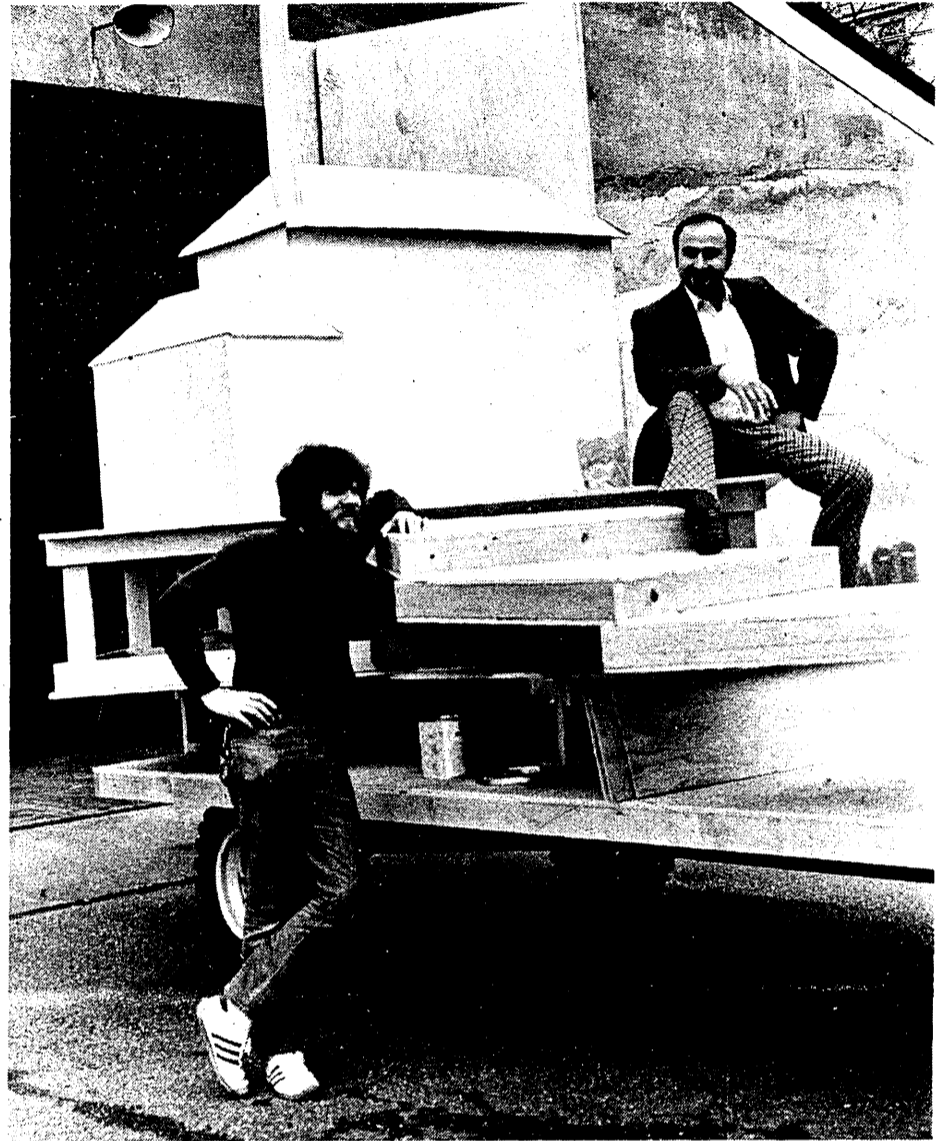
Kimmel continued his attack saying, "This committee, which was chosen mainly by the administration, selected the worst possible option for my department. Last year, we were told these recommendations were not written in stone. Yet, the same recommendation is being presented."

Flora played a powerful position in defending the recommendation. He asserted, "We looked into the question, 'Is there sufficient evidence to reduce some units to reward other units?' and the answer was negative. It is not fair to say that the department recommendations were ignored."

Walter Robinson, chairman of the foreign languages department, pointed out, "We cut our FTEs from 19 to 12 and had to terminate 37 per cent of the faculty, while nobody else is taking less than a one-third salary cut."

Several faculty members questioned whether the faculty members who are taking pay decreases for next year to avoid termination of faculty will tolerate the same situation for a second year.

Each department must make its recommendation on how its FTEs will be distributed by May 15.



ROGER GERMAIN — (left), director of Western's scene shop, and Leonard Ramshak have Western's Blossomtime float on the road to completion. The float, a replica of Old Main atop a stack of books, will appear in the May 18 Blossomtime Parade (see story, page 12). — photo by Allen.

Primary election results

Here are the results of yesterday's Associated Students and All-College Senate primary elections as reported by the Election Board late last night.

A runoff election for the final candidates will be held Monday, May 13.

Students will have an opportunity to fire questions at the candidates tomorrow at noon at a forum in the Viking Union lounge or the VU plaza if weather permits.

AS PRESIDENT:
Duff Wilson, 308 votes
Carla Higginson, 170.

AS VICE PRESIDENT:
Stephen Barrett, 286 votes.
Hugh Larkin, 212.

AS POSITION NO. 3:
Scott Cairn, 468 votes
Tony Torrey (write-in), 2

Dick Falkenbury (write-in), 2.
Robert Fieldler (write-in), 2.

AS POSITION NO. 4:
Jeff Larsen, 419 votes.
Ellen Wills (Torrey), 90.

AS POSITION NO. 5:
Marilee Fosbre, 390 votes.
Leonard Green (Torrey), 70.

AS POSITION NO. 6:
John McCartney, 388 votes.
Tony Torrey (Torrey), 75.

ALL COLLEGE SENATE (six seats):
Patrick Fitzgerald, Becci Warner, Duff Wilson, Stephen Barrett, Vicky Witt (Socialist), Rudi Hoyer (Socialist), Tony Torrey (Torrey), Mike McKinney. **WRITE-INS:** Roger Sitko, Candy Oksnes, Stuart Omdal, Becky Beard, Nancy Hathaway.

TOTAL VOTES: 852 (about 11%)



FIRST MEETING — New trustee Ark Chin, left, listens intently at the Thursday Board of Trustees meeting, his first meeting as trustee. — photo by Allen.

inside.

Students, inmates argue prison reform

Western debaters argued prison reform with inmates of McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary. See pg. 6.

Rising Sun lights dark hours

A "flying squad" is helping Bellingham residents with life problems. See pg. 3

Kappa makes move to sexual integration

Kappa dorm will be co-ed next year by room with areas set aside for single-sex living. The Advisory Committee on Housing and Dining approved the change last Wednesday.

Kappa's third floor went co-ed a year and a half ago and the experiment has been called a success by those who pushed for Kappa's co-ed living.

According to Jim Molenos, resident aide of third floor and a leading advocate to make Kappa co-ed, there have been less problems on third floor than on any other floor in Kappa. He attributes this to the fact that the two sexes working together can solve problems with more efficiency.

He explained that pressures among the sexes as a rule disappear on third floor due to both sexes working out problems as a close-knit unit.

The co-ed movement was pushed by a recent dorm vote in which 28 residents were for co-ed living, 14 against and 17 wanted a compromise.

This compromise resulted in an agreement that 50 rooms be

set aside next year in areas for those desiring single-sex living. The locations of these areas have yet to be determined.

Those opposed to co-ed living stated the choice between living in either a co-ed section or a single-sex section would have been eliminated had Kappa gone all co-ed.

John Mares, an opponent to the all co-ed plan, stated that the best of two worlds would have been eliminated had Kappa gone all co-ed.

Another resident, Dave Reinhart, said he wasn't opposed to co-ed living but it was the principle of the thing. According to Reinhart the pro co-ed faction said those opposed would have to start living with the other sex someday so they might as well start now.

Those opposed to the all-coed plan said that they were satisfied with the compromise that will go into effect fall quarter.



BORED OF TRUSTEES — College President Charles J. Flora, third from left, and the Board of Trustees, right table, listen to a speaker at Thursday's meeting in Miller Hall. The trustees were presented with a letter requesting them to challenge the legislature's right to cut Western's budget. — photo by Allen

Board mum on faculty letter

by SHERRY JOHANNES

The question of whether the state legislature legally can force Western to give back \$735,000 that it appropriated two years ago, has arisen in a letter from Western's American Federation of Teachers (AFT).

The letter stated that the bill which provided for the monies to be taken back from the college constituted an "impairment of contract violation of Article I, Section 10 of the United States Constitution."

Mark Wicholas, president of the AFT presented the letter to the Board of Trustees at their May 2 meeting.

Currently the AFT is involved in the suit between 16 faculty members and the college. The defendants in the case are College President Charles J. Flora, the Board of Trustees, and the college.

The case surrounds the Reduction in Force policy (RIF) and its legality in terminations of some faculty members and pay reductions for others.

Pat Comfort, one of the board members, and a lawyer, asked Wicholas if the letter had anything to do with the pending lawsuit. If it does, he said, then it is unethical according to the ethics code of the law profession.

The question stems from whether it is ethical to send the letter to the board, which is one of the defendants in the case, or whether it should have been sent to the attorney for the defendants, Stephen Jamieson.

Wicholas said unethical practices "is a very serious allegation that he (Comfort) has made" and that "it is unwarranted considering he didn't read it carefully."

According to the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 28B.40.390 the president of the college is to "generally supervise" the college and oversee the observance of the rules made by the Board.

The letter, which came from the law firm MacDonald, Hoague & Bayless, was written by attorney Frank H. Retman. It stated that the board, on April 11, 1969, "formally approved, with the president and faculty council, a faculty handbook containing principles governing faculty service."

The provisions of the handbook, according to the letter, are a part of the "contractual relationship" between the college and the faculty, and have been followed since its approval.

In the handbook it states that a faculty member "shall be retained as a member of the faculty and extended the rights and privileges of his academic rank for at least one academic year following the date of notification of dismissal."

It also states that if a person is to be terminated in his second or "subsequent" year at Western, he "will be informed March 15 that his contract will terminate with the close of the next academic year."

"No faculty members received notice of termination on or before March 15, 1973" for

economic reasons," according to the document written by Retman.

So according to the faculty handbook, members of the faculty could not be terminated, except for "moral turpitude" before the end of the 1974-75 school year.

The letter to the board argues that during March and April of 1973 the legislature passed a bill which gave funds to Western which were sufficient to "obviate any need for reduction in faculty."

The letter also states that the "legislature lacked the authority to revise the appropriation for WWSC for the 1973-75 biennium, or to impair the contracts of Western's faculty members."

"It is our belief that a claim challenging the constitutionality of the legislative reversion should be actively pursued, and on behalf of the faculty professional union, we ask that the board promptly take appropriate action in this regard," the letter stated.

Both Jamieson and Comfort said after the meeting of the board that they would not comment any further on the letter than to say that if the letter pertains to the case it is "unethical." Because the case is in court, it would be inappropriate to say anything that might damage its outcome.

Rep. Barney Goltz, D-Bellingham, said that he didn't know if it pertained to the lawsuit, and it would be inappropriate to comment if it does.

campus shorts & sidelites

Summer school registration May 20-22

Summer quarter registration appointments will not be mailed out this year as in previous quarters.

Students must pick them up in the Registrar's Office, Old Main 230. Any student who did not request an appointment, but hwo now wishes to attend should have one assigned at the Registrar's office. Appointments will be available until May 17, for advanced summer registration May 20-22.

Any student who does not have his local mailing address on file in the Registrar's office will not receive his advanced registration appointment for Fall quarter. Advanced registration for Fall quarter is May 29 - June 5.

If any students failed to request a fall registration appointment, they will be able to have one made at the Registrar's office starting May 20.

1,100 of 1,900 dormies support UFW

The United Faram Workers Support Committee is expected to present a petition today to Riley Visertsen, director of Saga food service.

The petition, which the committee claims has 1,100

signatures of 1,900 students living in dorms and eating at Saga, is in protest to current policies and contracts of the food service, according to Scott Winslow, coordinator of the UFW.

Journalist wins \$300 scholarship

Pat Duggan, of Western View, Western's Channel 10 TV show, has been awarded a \$300 scholarship. Duggan is a junior majoring in speech and journalism.

The scholarship was granted by Women in Communications, Inc., of Seattle. Grants are based on scholarship and financial need. They are available to all junior and senior

women planning careers in communications.

Currently news director for Western View, Duggan was awarded first prize for television news by the Sigma Delta Chi Society of Professional Journalists in April.

Duggan has also worked for the Western Front and the Western Highlights radio news program.

Huxley seeks recycling center operator

Huxley is looking for someone to run its recycling center and the HERB office this summer.

Requirements for the job are: one must be 1) a Huxley student, 2) eligible for work study, 3) registered for Spring

quarter, and 4) it would be nice but not necessary to have a truck or van.

The work would be nearly full time and pay \$1.88 an hour.

For application contact the Huxley office.

Nude sauna now segregated

Nude sauna bathing will again be permitted at the Beta Gamma sauna, but this time it will be segregated by sex. It had previously been co-ed.

The policy now in effect states that the sauna will be open each night from 6:30 to 9:30 for non-nude sauna users.

From 9:30 to 11 p.m., bathers will be segregated for those desiring nude saunas. Women will be allowed in the sauna on even numbered days of the week, and men on odd numbered days.

Violators of the policy will be told to leave, and a large number of violations will result in closure of the sauna.

The policy, adopted by the Advisory Committee on Housing and Dining last Wednesday, went into effect Thursday for a two-week trial basis.

According to Debbie Carter, resident director of Beta Gamma, the co-ed sauna policy was unworkable because there were numerous violations of non-nude sauna hours.

The sauna is open to anyone living in a dorm or holding a campus dining contract.

Crisis center specializes in friends for the friendless

by GREG COHEN

Christine has just gone through the latest in a series of fights with her boyfriend; but this one was emotionally bloodier than most and in the twilight hours she goes into the bathroom and takes a handful of barbiturates. Christine is 19.

Mike has been having trouble with his job lately and his wife can't seem to understand him. And so between arguments with her and the kids he's been hitting the bottle hard and becoming more depressed with each drink. Mike is 35.

Both Christine and Mike are everyday people. But both have problems they seem unable to cope with. Both need a friend.

"Loneliness and depression are two of the most common types of cases we handle here," says Jack Nighbert, director of Bellingham's Rising Sun. "People can't seem to realize that we are all prone to times of depression, loneliness and anxiety and that just one small thing might push us over the edge into ideas of suicide." It doesn't take a special type of person.

While the Rising Sun handles all types of human relations, a group of specially trained volunteers, known as the Flying Squad, deals with suicide cases—both threats and attempts.

The 15 members of the flying squad are trained in first-aid and how to handle drug overdoses and alcoholics.

Each member must know all types of drugs depressants, barbiturates, tranquilizers and amphetamines and how they affect an individual.

While the Rising Sun is open around the clock, the flying squad has volunteers on duty only from 6 p.m. until 9 a.m.

The squad is divided into two member teams of volunteers — one male, one female.

A good number of their contacts are referred from the police, St. Luke's Hospital and Bellingham's Crisis Clinic.

"We have a good relationship with the cop on the beat," Weden says.

Whenever the squad gets a call they immediately go to the person, it might be a home, a bar or the hospital. In some cases they'll talk with the person in his own environment; but in most cases they try to get the person back to the Rising Sun house at 1020 N. Forest where

they work to relax the person — both physically and emotionally.

"We try hard to get the person calm and then we just listen and talk when we think it helps," Weden says.

"But the hardest part is trying to relate to another's environment, that's really why we try to get them to the house. It helps them relax more if they're away from their own surroundings," she says.

"We handle everything from drug problems, including alcohol, to marital and love relationships to worldly hassles," says Judith Weden, a member of the squad.

During 1973 the Rising Sun handled 808 cases, of these 119 were referred to the Flying Squad.

In Bellingham the larger number of calls to the Flying Squad come from those in the community. Few come from the college.

"Under five per cent of our cases come from the college," Nighbert says.

What affects people in Bellingham who are contemplating suicide?

"The weather plays a very significant role in causing depression and feelings of loneliness," Nighbert says. "Especially during weeks of severe rain. Also we get many calls following holidays especially after Christmas."

"Spring is another peak time for depression," Weden said. "People see the same old thing still around and know that nothing's changed."

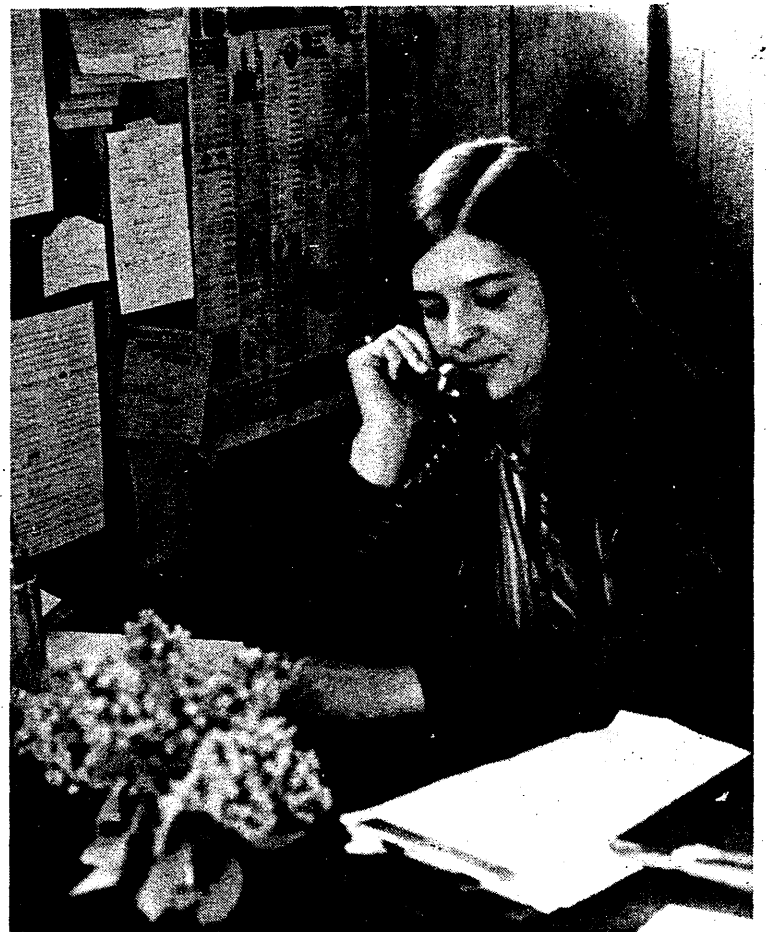
In Bellingham loneliness accounts for the most calls and alcohol is the major problem.

"They're (alcoholics) the hardest to handle," Weden said, "just because of the alcohol."

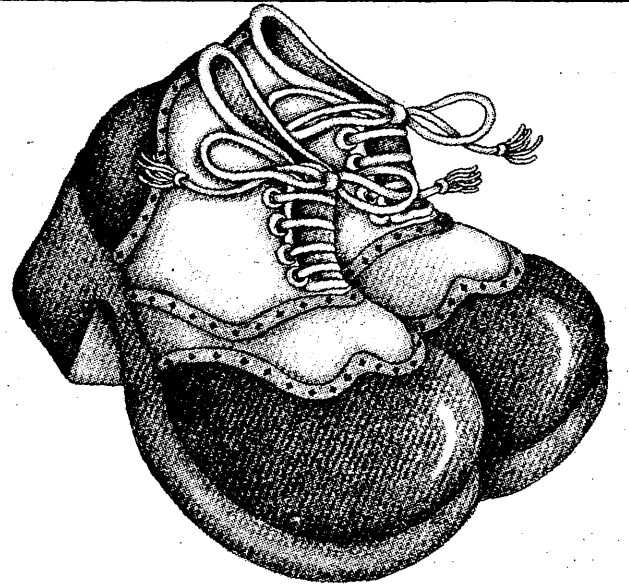
"If we can't handle a case we refer them to St. Luke's, the Mental Health Clinic or other agencies, she said.

For Christine and Mike and anyone who needs a friend they have one when they most need them in the volunteers of the Flying Squad and the Rising Sun. At 733-9211 someone is always there to answer the phone, listen and help.

"We're just people helping other people," Weden said.



PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE — Rising Sun volunteer Doreen Fulk listens to one of many people who call for help. The Sun will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. to help raise money for the human relations center. — photo by Allen



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Court to hear faculty suit soon

A tentative court date was set for the suit challenging Western's Reduction in Force (RIF) policy. The case may be heard early in June according to American Federation of Teachers (AFT) president Mark Nicholas.

The suit was brought by 16 faculty members because the RIF policy resulted in legally questionable faculty terminations and salary cuts.

Four cases precede the faculty suit on the court docket and the time it takes for those cases to be decided will determine the trial date.

The depositions taken by lawyer Hal Green of Seattle, and those taken by assistant attorney general Stephen Jamieson will serve as evidence in the case. The case will be tried without a jury.

At the April 25 meeting of the AFT, Nicholas outlined some of the things he wanted the union local to accomplish.

He said that more campus involvement was needed on the part of the local. As some examples of this he cited backing up faculty grievances, pushing faculty positions, taking part in the selection of deans, and criticising administrative actions.

A better picture of the financial affairs of the college and an idea of where every penny is going was another of the points Nicholas brought up at that meeting.

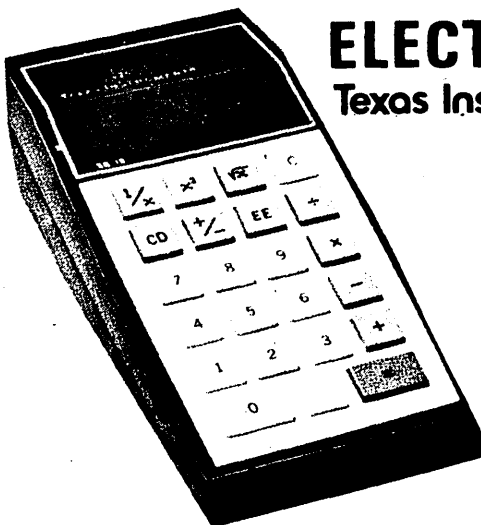
Meanwhile, Kaye Faulkner of economics and business

faculty, and vice president of the Washington State AFT has been on a campaign to organize labor unions in schools around the state.

The AFT has locals on all state campuses except Washington State University and Evergreen State, according to an article in the April 30 issue of the Labor News. The Labor News is the State AFT's publication. The article

announced that Central Washington State College has joined the growing number of labor unions in the state.

Faulkner was quoted in the article as saying, "Many teachers are now learning lessons that most workers have known for a long time: that they are employees and that if they want control of conditions of employment they must organize."



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editorial AFT letter has merit

The state legislature has apparently made the decision that higher education is an over-valued luxury its citizens can save some money on.

It doesn't take a crystal ball to realize that this attitude is seriously crippling our college.

We all—students, faculty and administration—want the same thing: a quality educational institution; a college that awards degrees commanding respect because its programs are comprehensive and diverse and its faculty is superior.

A new path to that goal was presented to the Board of Trustees last Thursday by the law firm representing the segment of our college community most actively working to maintain our academic integrity, the AFT, Local 2084.

The letter, written by Frank Retman of MacDonald, Hoague and Bayless (the law firm representing the AFT in its suit against the trustees, president Flora and the college challenging the reduction in force policy), asks the trustees to sue the state legislature for withdrawing previously appropriated funds.

The letter says the money the state took back had been "specifically and unconditionally appropriated in April, 1973," and that reversion of the appropriation "may well constitute an unconstitutional impairment of contract in violation of Article I, Section 10 of the U.S. Constitution."

In the letter, the status of the faculty handbook as a contractual agreement is persuasively established. The AFT holds that in the absence of a collective bargaining contract the handbook assumes the status of contract.

The original appropriation by the legislature was, according to the letter, "sufficient to obviate any need for reduction in force." After the first bill, Western contracted according to the appropriation. The reversion of a substantial amount of that money interfered with contracts already in effect.

As the letter says, "The Legislature cannot by legislative fiat change those rules and regulations affecting contracts entered into by the Board pursuant to its authority."

The letter further states: "We believe that the claim is so meritorious and important that it should be presented to the State at the earliest opportunity."

The trustees and the president should act immediately on this matter.

As the letter states: "We understand from the Faculty Professional Union that the College and its Board of Trustees desire to pursue any and all appropriate means that may result in restoring faculty and thereby preserving the academic integrity of the College."

The course outlined in the letter is not only appropriate, it is courageous. Many of the nation's colleges—undergoing similar struggles involving similarly tight-fisted state lawmakers—will be watching. We—and they—will be slowly bled to death unless we fight like hell to preserve our integrity.

The AFT is fighting the unconstitutional and arbitrary actions of the state. Let us hope the administration and the trustees accept their invitation to join the struggle to maintain a viable educational experience at Western.

—Ken Rosenthal

letters

Bibliophile reads books rather than eats them

Editor, Western Front:

Of late there have been several letters regarding the subject of discrimination, intentional or unintentional, on your part. Well, this is another one, only I am protesting an article of yours in the Campus Shorts and Sidelites column.

Sir, on behalf of all so-called "bookworms," I really must protest some of your language used in that article. For instance, "bookworm's appetite." Bookworm is a vulgar noun with distasteful connotations. If you must label people who love to read, you might in the future use the term "bibliophile." It is much more accurate. As for "appetite!" Really, you seem to

sound as if it is on the same level as gluttony! Reading books certainly isn't one of the seven deadly sins as far as I have heard.

Finally, with regard to "hoarding," this again is certainly an unfortunate choice of words. You make Joel Cowan sound like a miser sitting gloating over his collection!

Being a bibliophile myself, I have noticed that there is a tendency among people to regard us "bookworms" as abnormal individuals. Your article is certainly a reflection of this!

Sincerely and respectfully yours,
Katherine M. Stolz,
Freshman, Political Science

Police blind to traffic woes

Editor, Western Front:

While sitting in front of the bookstore Friday, I witnessed what was nearly a tragic accident. It was 12:50 p.m. and the normal two or three cars were backed up on either side of a designated crosswalk as students blocked their passage.

A blind female student was trying to cross the street from the library to the bookstore. When she was half way across the street, a blue-green Pontiac roared up at her and screeched to a stop less than a foot from

hitting her. She was frantic and ran to the sidewalk in a state of shock.

Isn't it just about time the Bellingham police enforced the ban on automobile traffic on High Street? Hopefully it won't take a serious accident involving a pedestrian and an automobile to spur them to action.

One wonders who're the more blind (handicapped) — the blind girl, or the police with their lack of foresight!

Ken Sorum
Freshman

commentary Military haunts vets with coded discharges

Recently it was disclosed that, since 1955, the military separation form DD-214 has contained a secret code number (SPN), with which the issuing command can brand the veteran. In other words, a veteran with an honorable discharge can have, concealed on his DD-214 an encoded comment such as "Unsanitary Habits," "Anti-social," "Criminalism," "Apathy," "Obesity," "Paranoid," or any of a hundred others.

Many business firms have access to these codes and use them to discriminate against prospective employees. What this amounts to is the military continuing to exercise its "non-judicial punishment" long after the veteran has recovered his normal constitutional rights upon separation from the service.

My DD-214 has two or three typographical errors on it — does yours? A mistake of one digit, for example from 411, "Early separation of overseas returnee," to 461 — "Inadequate personality," could cause a veteran untold grief for the rest of his life. Was the clerk or yeoman who typed up your DD-214 tired, bored, hungover, high or otherwise inattentive? Even if the use of SPN numbers could be justified, and I don't for a moment believe they could be, the procedure under which they are assigned is open to immense error and subject to great misuse.

To believe that, "Well, the problem has been publicized now, so something will be done to fix things up," is unrealistic. Since when has government sprung instantly into action to right a wrong? Government must be petitioned and prodded until it produces needed change.

The League of Collegiate Veterans is circulating a petition, directed at Washington's congressional delegation, seeking to have the Pentagon issue a new DD-214 to all those subject to this unfair system. The League also has a copy of the heretofore secret numbers, so bring in your DD-214 and find out what the military really thought of you.

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Aliens face job restrictions

by GREG COHEN

Foreign students will find it difficult to receive summer work permits this year because of a recent change in Immigration Service policy.

In a letter dated April 19, Immigration Commissioner Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., announced that foreign students

seeking summer employment must obtain permission directly from the Immigration and Naturalization Service rather than from school officials as had previously been the case. Each case will be judged on the individual's financial needs.

Chapman said that his decision to withhold authority from the school officials was intended to protect summer job opportunities for American youth.

Mary Robinson, associate dean of students, feels that the timing of the new ruling comes too late in the year for those seeking work to be able to secure their permits in time.

"It does not seem fair to cut them off this quickly," she said.

To Western's 42 foreign students this will mean that they must apply to the Immigration Service for personal interviews to receive work permits.

Many foreign students have relied heavily on summer employment to meet the cost

of tuition and living expenses during the school year and to survive during the summer months. Without summer jobs many will have to return to their homelands without finishing their education.

"This puts me in a very awkward position," Jagdish Yellesetty, a foreign student at Western said. "I will probably have to find a summer job on campus, which is exempt from the ruling."

Yellesetty, who is president of the campus' International Club, worked last year for an auto dealership in Alaska.

The International Club has initiated a letter campaign to Washington State lawmakers to have the ruling overturned because it comes so late in the year and will cause a hardship on many students.

Students interested in voicing their objections to the new ruling by the Immigration Service may contact the International Club or Mary Robinson for more information.

Night escorts possible soon

The feasibility of establishing a ride-escort service for students who must travel around campus after dark will be discussed at a meeting Thursday at 3 p.m. in Viking Union 361.

Doug Bernstein of the psychology faculty said the response to a questionnaire he distributed around campus last week indicates students are interested in establishing some type of after-dark transportation service on campus.

Out of 125 students polled, 44 per cent said they have to curtail their activities at night because of a lack of transportation to and from campus.

Fifty-nine per cent said they would make use of after-dark transportation services if available.

Bernstein and three students began exploring alternative transportation possibilities last quarter. The idea is to provide safer transportation for all Bellingham citizens after dark, notably for women and elderly people who may find it unsafe to walk or hitchhike during late hours.

Any interested students who are unable to make Thursday's meeting may contact Bernstein at 676-3522.

events

TODAY:

3-6 p.m.: Chess Club will meet in the Viking Union coffee den, all players welcome.

7-10 p.m.: Self Study presents: Transactional Analysis Mini-Workshop II, with Rod McKenzie, VU 354, free.

8:15 p.m.: Colleen Rodrigues mezzo-soprano graduate recital, Concert Hall, free.

TOMORROW:

7:30 p.m.: Viking Sounders will meet in Bond Hall 109.

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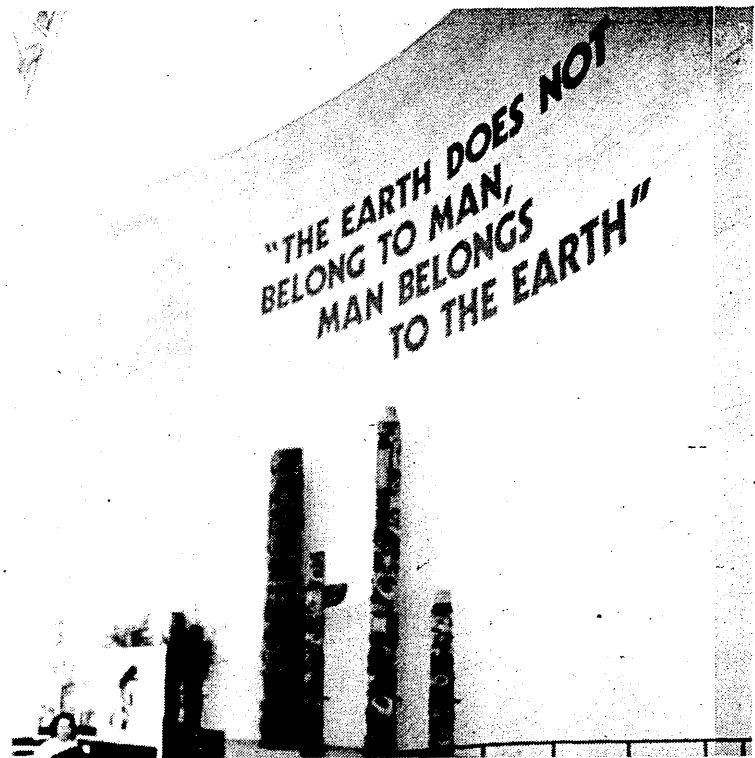
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THURSDAY:

8 p.m.: Students International Meditation Society introductory meeting, Bond Hall 105, free.

8:15 p.m.: Concert of original student compositions, Cole Biasini, director, free.



MOTTO — Away from the hubbub of presidential speeches, large crowds and thousands of balloons that were sent aloft to mark the opening of Expo 74 in Spokane Saturday, the fair's motto quietly relayed its message from a wall in the United States Pavilion. Hopefully all who visit the fair will take a moment from fair activities to stop and contemplate the real meaning behind the Expo. — photo by J. E. McCartney

This question, along with nine others, make the top ten list of questions most frequently asked by college students when confronted with the claims of Christ. Is Jesus really God? How can a loving God allow war and suffering? What about the heathen who have not heard about Jesus? Is the Bible really the Word of God? How does God view the Jewish people? You, no doubt, have had similar questions.

Look for the answers in the upcoming Front.



5. How does God view the Jewish people?

God neither accepts a person simply because he belongs to a church, nor does He condemn a person because he is Jewish. The Jewish people as a nation have rejected Christ as their Messiah, but many individuals have accepted Him.¹ There are many Jews who are Christians because they have received Christ as Savior, and there are many church members who are not Christians because they have not received Christ. Condemnation, whether of Jew or Gentile, results from the rejection of God's provision for man's sin — Jesus Christ and His death on the cross.²

Far from condemning the Jews, the Bible relates that God's purpose is to bless them, and through them to bless the world.³ As you read the Bible you will find that the Jew is the divine barometer, the mainspring in the prophetic clock and the center around whom revolves God's purpose for men and nations.

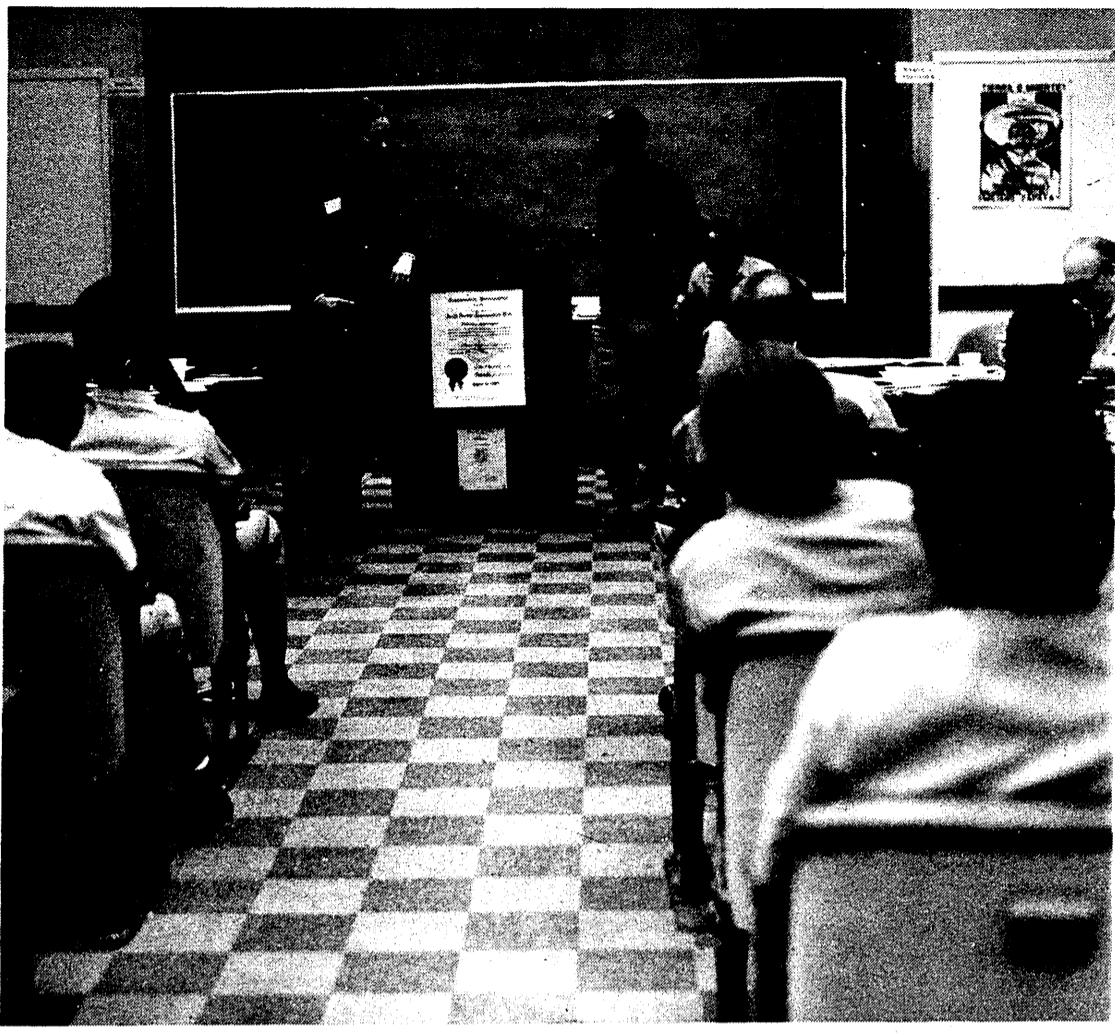
God did **not** choose Abraham and his seed because of personal merit,⁴ but in order that they might be His stewards and the channels of communicating His message to the world.⁵ Through disobedience and rejection of their Messiah, the Jews have been scattered among the Gentile nations for two milleniums and have suffered terribly at their hands.⁶

Nevertheless, God has not forgotten His covenant with His earthly people — Israel.⁷ His express purpose is to restore them to the land of Palestine in fulfillment of His promise to Abraham,⁸ and through the return and reign of their once-rejected King and Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth, to inaugurate the only universal period of peace and justice in all of earth's history.⁹ In the meantime, all people from every nation are called upon to respond to God's message of love and forgiveness as expressed in the words of Jesus, "Come unto me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and you will find rest for your souls."¹⁰

1. John 1:11; 2. John 3:17-19; 3. Romans 11:11-12; 4. Deuteronomy 7:7; 5. Genesis 12:1-3; 6. Deuteronomy 28:58-64; Hosea 3:4; 7. Romans 11:1-2; 8. Genesis 13:14-15; 9. Zechariah 12:10; 10. Matthew 11:28-30

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The living hell? Duo debates pros, cons of pris



'PRISONS ARE FACTORIES OF CRIME' — Blane Smith's inmate opponent said prisons should be abolished and replaced by "low-security camps for less violent offenders, and community psychiatric centers for violent criminals."

by CHARLES CHILD

High above the fancy wrought-iron gate we were about to enter a sign read: McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary.

The gate's curves and twists looked out of place in the long steel fence with the massive concrete prison behind.

Entering were six debaters from the Western debate team; the coach and his wife; Pacific Lutheran University's debating coach and me.

Two Western debaters, Blane Smith and Zach Zabinsky, were going to debate McNeil inmates on an obvious enough subject: prison reform.

The inmates were to argue that prisons should be abolished, Blane and Zach were going to try to tell them the opposite.

Past the gate, we walked across an open space, through a door and into a lobby. Here we all had to sign in.

With everyone's name on the books, a prison officer led us to a large room, the debate's site.

On the way we stopped single file before a door to allow a group of about 20 prisoners to pass. We gawked as they walked past.

One of them said, "This is the living hell. You'll get a bird's-eye view."

The debate was being hosted by the McNeil prison chapter of the Toastmasters Club. The Toastmasters are a nationwide organization of people, mostly businessmen-types, who meet to improve their public speaking.

Few chapters meet wearing prison fatigues. The McNeil chapter had officially dubbed themselves El Dorado, a legendary city in Spanish America rich in jewels and gold.

The program room was a long hall, not really an auditorium. About 30 inmates filled the rows of chairs in the middle. Inmate paintings hung on the walls and large ventilation pipes ran across the ceiling.

After the introduction, the first order of business was to initiate a new member. The toastmaster of the evening, Tom, introduced the new member's sponsor, who said, "I've seen him in the corridors and courtyard and he seems to act like a gentleman and he would be an asset to our club."

Jim, the prospective member, was escorted to the bathroom at the end of the room, or "our back office" as Tom put it, so the club could vote. It was unanimously in favor and Jim came out smiling.

It was time for the debate. Across from Zach and Blane at the front of the room sat their opponents, Mel and James.

Mel was a short black man with huge arms and large scars on his forearms. He wore a black turtleneck jersey, with a string of beads around his neck. He was about the only one who didn't wear the standard tan prison fatigues.

His partner, James, was a much older white man, perhaps in his 50s. He pored over his notes with only one eye, his left was missing.

Mel stood up to give the first affirmative speech. He started reading excerpts from a study prepared by former Att. Gen. Ramsey Clark, which detailed the miserable prison conditions in America today.

He picked out the phrase, "prisons are factories of crime," and brought it home. "The first thing you see when you enter prison is homosexuality. And when you leave, you're only given \$50, so you have to turn to crime."

It was an odd mixture of official statistics and bitter experience.

He concluded by saying prisons should be abolished and replaced by low security camps for less violent offenders and community psychiatric centers for violent criminals.

Blane rose to cross examine Mel. "You said you wanted to re-educate the prison staff." Blane said. "The government is working on programs to do just that."

"Put them in prison for six months and then you'll have an educated staff," Mel countered. This drew loud applause from the audience. They were getting warmed up.

"And about homosexuality," Blane said, "couldn't prostitutes be brought in, as is done in Mexico?"

"Association brings about assimilation," Mel said. More applause.

After they were done, Zach rose with a handful of cards and papers to give eight minutes for the negative.

We can't abolish prisons, he said, because radical change takes a radical change in society. We have to remember that society is not going to change over night. We must be content with small and meaningful changes.

He talked very fast, trying to get in as many points as possible. He was slick and smooth compared to Mel.

We must also remember that two thirds of the correctional population is on parole, he said. We should try to further rehabilitate the rest.

It was James' turn to cross-examine. "Have you ever seen a rotten old house out in the country?" he asked Zach.

"Yes."



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Pain in the wallet

Trustees approve \$4 tuition increase

by JUDY MOOERS
The Board of Trustees raised in-state tuition from \$165 to \$169 per quarter at its Thursday meeting. The move, effective Fall quarter, will bring approximately \$70,000 in extra income to the school next year, much of it scheduled to help support the student health service and counseling center.

The \$4 increase raises Western's tuition to the maximum allowed by the 1973 legislature and applies only to students whose legal residence is Washington state. It does not apply to out-of-state students who, at \$453 per quarter, are already paying the maximum.

Western is one of three state colleges to consider a tuition increase. Evergreen College has also approved the \$169, while Eastern Washington State College's trustees will decide at their June meeting.

The \$70,000, based on an estimate of 7,000 full fee-paying students, will be split

among student activities, departmentally related activities and student services.

Because of the reduced enrollment at Western, Dean of Students C.W. "Bill" McDonald noted, all activities and services took a 13 per cent budget cut this year.

The services, especially, were hit hard and the counseling center and health service, to be cut \$20,000 and \$40,000 respectively, were faced with possible extinction. The services share of the tuition increase will help offset those budget cuts.

"Hopefully," McDonald said, "\$35,000 will go to the health and counseling, with \$35,000 going to student activities, which include Associated Students and Viking Union operations, and departmentally related activities, which include athletics, forensics and drama."

The final decision, however, on how the money is to be used will be negotiated by McDonald and representatives

of student and departmentally related activities.

Former AS President John Wolfe questioned whether the trustees would limit the amount of money to go to activities, so

that more could go to the services. Trustee Pat Comfort pointed out that that would be the board's right, but stressed that action would probably not be taken.

Marine life internship offered

The Resources Development Internship Program is offering an internship this summer with the Port of Port Angeles entitled "Environmental Inventory of Port Property."

To qualify you must be a senior or graduate student in botany or biology with a background in conservation.

The intern will provide the Port Commission with an inventory of living plants and animals on port property, which is coastal plain and tide land.

The purpose will be to gain a better understanding of the environment, to insure that all Port projects are conducive to the environment and to make available information necessary for an environmental impact statement.

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WHO'S THE FAIREST — Bobbie strokes on eyeshadow as he transforms from male to female for the show. Bobbie says it "only takes about 20 minutes to look beautiful." — photo by Allen

Male entertainers are definite drags

by RIC ROFF

Bobbie was busy fixing his nails.

Dee Dee Dedell and Christina slithered like snakes into a restroom marked "WOMEN" to put on their face. "Those guys are a little shy," Bobbie said with a wink.

Photographer Tom Allen was busy snapping pictures and handing out cigars. Bobbie asked, "Want a beer?" and I took one. Most everyone was sipping Old Kentucky and Seven.

"We're not here to do a show, we're here to drink," Christina joked as he slipped in and out again.

People were marching in and out of the Viking Union television room that was now a dressing room. Gay? Straight? It didn't seem to make any difference.

Female impersonators had returned to Western.

At least a dozen wigs were on Bobbie's side of the room. Hanging on row upon row of rolling coat racks were dresses and gowns of every color, shape and texture imaginable.

A box of cosmetics sat between Bobbie and myself and he kept digging through them as pre-show, nervous-electric clowning around went on by friends and associates.

Someone asked Bobbie if he liked women.

"I love women," he answered with jovial enthusiasm. "I just don't go to bed with them any more."

At one point Dee Dee returned to the room, plopped a red wig on his head, admired himself in a hand mirror and said, "Lucille Ball, eat your

heart out." The room erupted with laughter.

The impersonators first came to Western about three years ago when Gay Peoples Alliance was formed on campus. Bobbie was then performing at the Star Dust room in Seattle.

Once a year since then Bobbie has "come back to college" with a dance and impersonation show that has attracted hundreds of fans of every age and sex.

"One more year and I graduate," Bobbie said as he powdered his freshly shaven face. "It does take four years, doesn't it?"

"Not for you, beautiful," someone said. Whistles and hoots followed that crack.

"I'll be beautiful after I get all this shit on," Bobbie said. "You'll just have to wait."

Show time was drawing near. "Shakemill," doing their best to keep the impatient crowd of 150 loose and moving, put forth some fast-stepping tunes that worked.

Then, the lights went out, the band went silent, people sat on the VU floor and beautiful, bouncing, brown-eyed Bobbie front and centered.

Direct from the Thunderbird in Vancouver, B.C., Bobbie, Dee Dee and Christina featured color, spotlights, feathered robes, strip tease, voices of Mae West, Kay Stevens, Pearl Bailey, Barbra Streisand, Geraldine, Marilyn Monroe and many more.

As one awed spectator put it: "Those guys are really beautiful."

It couldn't have been put any better.

Dass speaks to 'madmen'

by BOB SPEED

"Check your mind at the door. This meeting is for madmen only. And madwomen. And children."

Baba Ram Dass opened his meeting in Carver Gym Friday evening with meditation, a chant, and the above greeting.

Dass talked about world suffering, the game of life, the hypocrisy surrounding death and spiritual grace, amid good-humored laughter and children crawling about drinking his water and playing with flowers.

Dass, whose name used to be Richard Alpert, was a Harvard University psychologist fired with Timothy Leary for researching and advocating the use of LSD in the mid-1960s. One of the "turn on, tune in, drop out" advocates for a while, Dass later wrote a book called "Be Here Now," on the meaning of spiritual growth.

Alluding to the "drop out" period of his life, Dass said Friday night, "You can't drop out. The game goes on, and the only way out is death, and even then you're not really out of the game."

Dass's philosophy is partly based on reincarnation.

When we help another individual, we help ourselves.

Good humor and high energy sparked the evening, as Dass talked about his fat Indian guru with three teeth, who is now dead. While alive, the guru had a telepathic relationship with Dass and some of his other pupils. Now that the guru is dead, Dass finds that the old man still plays the role of the child's imaginary playmate to him. The old man acts with what Dass refers to as the cosmic sense of humor.

As if in response to Dass' explanation, a small child came up and sat on his lap, playing with flowers.

Dass talked about the hypocrisy surrounding death in the United States, caused by fear of death.

Birth, death and preservation are the only constants, and death is merely a change of form, Dass said.

We've brought birth into the home, from behind the veiled sterility of hospitals, and now we'll do the same for death, he said. People should be able to die at peace, in the presence of their family and friends in their own homes when possible, he said, without fear or



A MYSTIC SPEAKS — Baba Ram Dass, right, and Nils Von Veh, Western's program commissioner, in Carver Gym Friday night. — photo by Allen

You really should start searching for spiritual truth in this life, Dass said. Make the most of it, because you only have one chance in 81,000 of being reincarnated as a human being again, and that's when you can progress the farthest, he said.

"The greatest cause of suffering in the world is the illusion of individual separateness," Dass said. There is an underlying unity we could use to reduce suffering. We are all brothers and sisters, but most significantly, we are all one on a spiritual level, he said.

hypocritical silence about it.

Life is a game and a paradox, Dass said. We live as if there was free will, when on another level things appear very much predestined.

Using as example a trip through India, Dass told of an unplanned stop at a shrine and meeting his guru "accidentally" who had directed food preparation all day for Dass's arrival with a busload of people.

Therefore, one must live one's life assuming one has a choice, playing the game, but realizing the determinism of life.

Series offers zany western

An early Sam Peckinpah film "Ride the High Country" (1962), is the Art Film Series offering Thursday in Lecture Hall 4 at 8 p.m.

This comedy-western is the second feature film that Peckinpah made. He went on to achieve fame for his direction of such notable films as "The Getaway," "Junior Bonner," and "Straw Dogs."

Joel McCrea and Randolph Scott star in "Ride the High Country," as two old-timer cowboys who reminisce about the good old wild and wooly days.

The fine supporting cast also includes spot roles from Edgar Buchanan.

Admission is 75 cents for students and \$1.25 general admission.

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Frontier film features Fonda

by BRUCE HAYES

"The Hired Hand," tomorrow's movie at Fairhaven Auditorium is arty at times, but for the most part is handsome, simple and almost old-fashioned.

Peter Fonda, in his directorial debut, took a story about two wandering cowboys and, aided by some beautiful photography, created a film that has a feel for place and farm life.

The time is the 1880s, the place New Mexico. Harry Collings (Fonda) and Harns

(Warren Oates) have been taking jobs at various ranches. One day they wander onto the ranch where Collings had left his wife (Verna Bloom) seven years before.

She gives him a cool reception, but hires the two men as farm hands. Eventually Collings and his wife reconcile, and the reconciliation is partly brought about by their daughter.

Fonda is quiet in a rather unobtrusive role, and as a director has made a good start. Oates is excellent as a beat-up,

used-up man, but one who is not bitter.

As Hannah, Bloom gives a superb performance, and her honesty gives it the effect of beauty. She is also blessed with an authentic frontier woman's face, worn by the seasons and loneliness.

The film's best scene attacks typical western violence. In averting a slain friend, Collings and Harns settle for shooting the murderer in the feet.

"The Hired Hand" will be shown at 7, 9 and 11 p.m. Admission is 50 cents.

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B.C. school to present free concert

Music ranging from late Renaissance lute songs to the concluding opera scene of Robert Strauss' "Capriccio" will be featured in a free concert this Sunday at 8:15 p.m. in the Concert Hall.

The concert is an exchange program between Western's Opera Workshop and the Vancouver, B.C. Community Music School. Singers of the vocal class of Jacob Hamm, of the music department, and an opera interpretation class of Derek Bampton, Vancouver Community Music School's vocal coach and piano accompanist, will perform.

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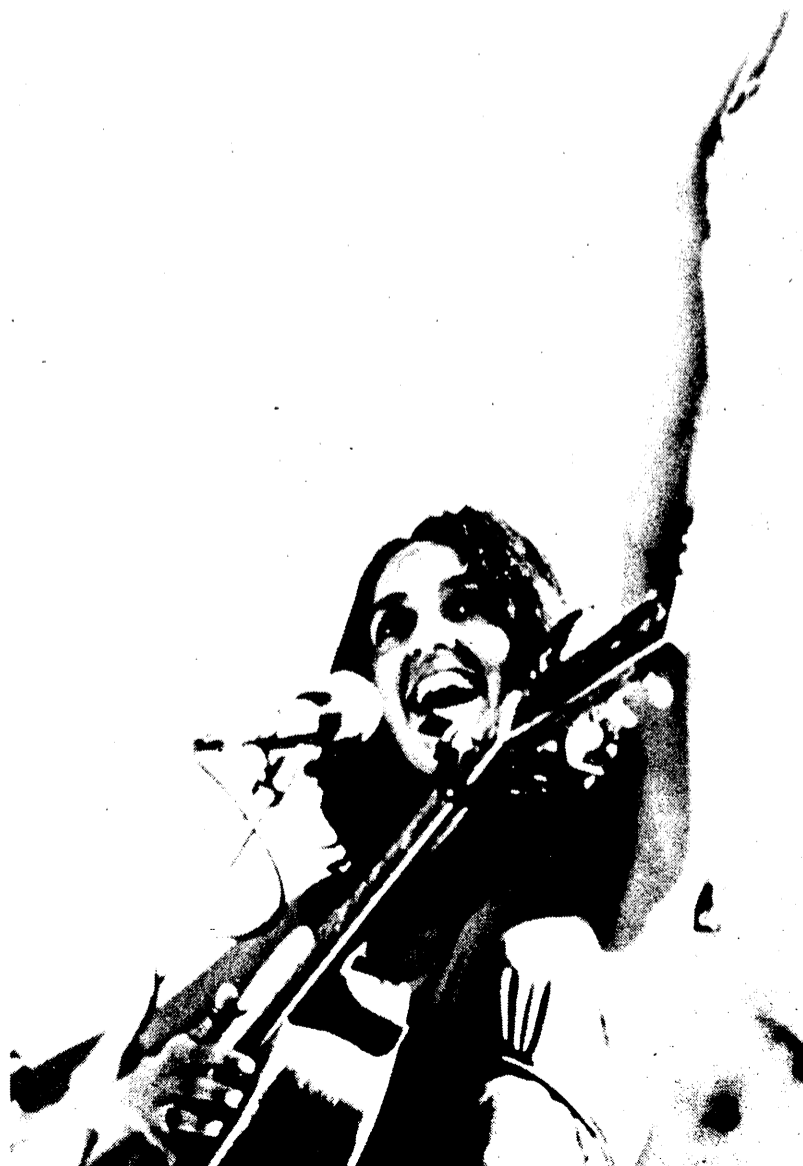
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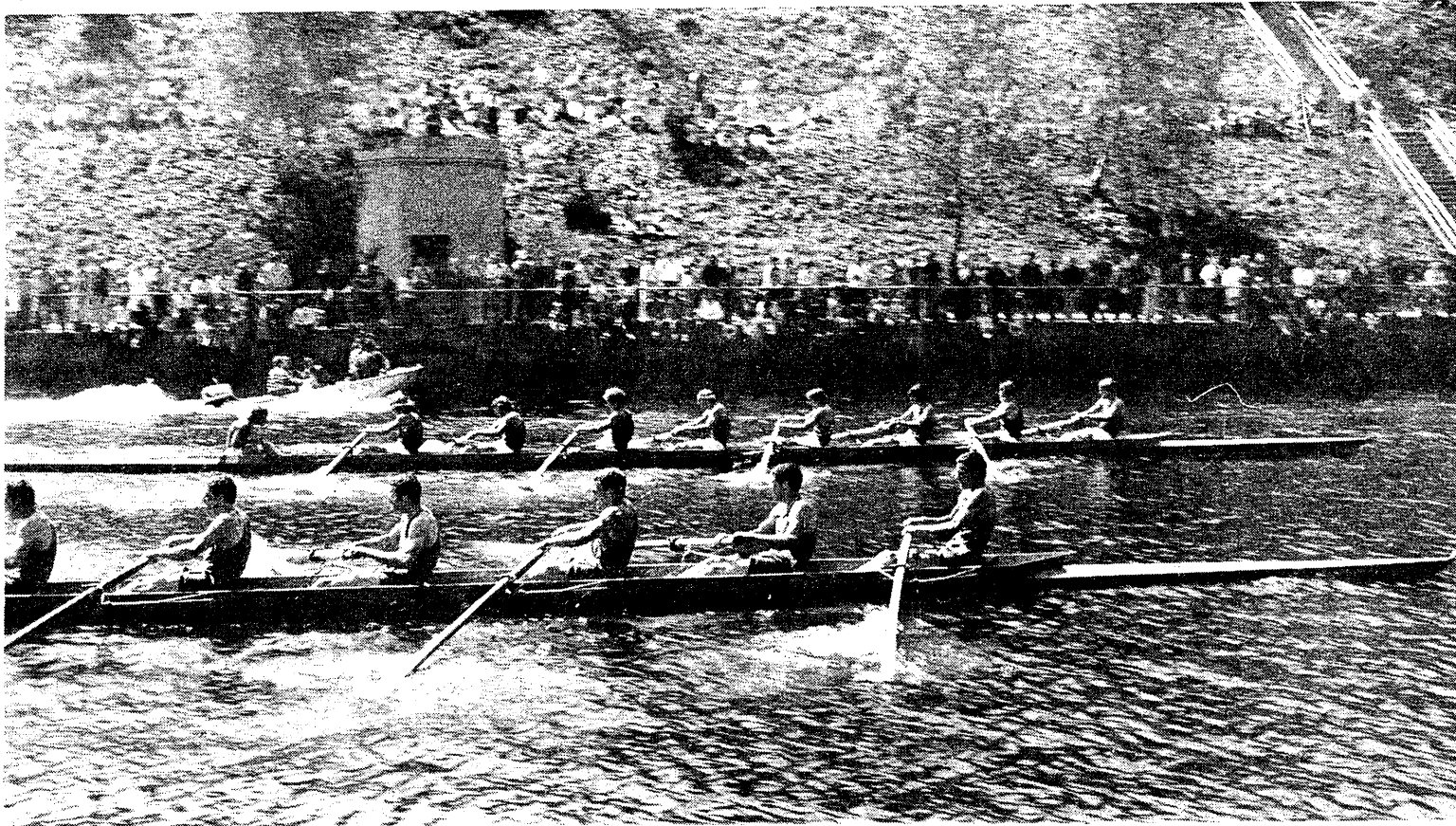
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GALLEY SLAVES - Western's varsity crew (foreground) trail slightly behind the UCLA Bruins in a fight for second place in Saturday's Opening Day regatta in Seattle. The Bruins eventually nosed out the Viks by 2.5 seconds in the feature race, which was won by the University of Washington Huskies. - photo by Dennis Ritchie

Oarsmen lose wire-to-wire battle with Bruins

Western's crew team, according to legend, doesn't belong in the same water as the University of Washington. Saturday's Opening Day regatta in the Montlake Cut in Seattle proved that to be partially true, but also showed that the Viks can stay level with practically anybody else.

The Vik varsity boat finished third in a three-boat race, normally nothing to be thrilled about, but missed beating national power UCLA by only 2.5 seconds. The Bruins boasted four of the oarsmen who were in the fours-with-coxswain boat who beat Western to win last

year's International Rowing Association regatta.

As was expected, the Huskies blew the Viks out of the water in the freshmen and junior varsity races. Two Husky boats beat the Vik freshman by four lengths while two more Husky jayvee boats beat the Vik jayvee boat, which included

a lot of lightweights, by about the same margin.

The Huskies did not totally demolish the Bruin and the Vik varsities as was predicted, but did pull away for a four-length victory. The Viks stayed even with the Bruins for most of the race but faded near the end to lose by half a boat length.

Women finish second in Northern-Eastern meet

The University of Washington's women's track team relied on balanced scoring throughout the day to place first ahead of Western, in Saturday's Northern-Eastern meet at Pacific Lutheran University.

Competing under sunny skies and warm weather, the UW compiled 120 points to Western's 93 and third place Central's 59. The 12 team meet included schools from Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Several individual Viking records were broken and three of these, the 200-meter hurdles, 220 and medley relay met qualifying times for the district meet next weekend in Cheney. Marilyn Powell who missed

Western's first meet with a foot injury, recuperated enough to win the 200-meter hurdles in 33.1, the exact time needed to qualify.

Powell also ran a leg in the first place medley which also qualified in 1:55.8, just under the 1:56.0 time needed.

Sue Stange improved her time and led the whole way in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:12.0.

A dropped baton in the last event of the day, the mile relay, brought the meet to a climax.

Western's Melissa Barnum running the third leg in second place, began to pass a UW runner when the baton was either dropped or knocked from her hand. It cost Western valuable time, and despite efforts from Bethany Ryals in the last lap, they were unable to catch the Huskies.

Golfers ninth at Eastern

Western's golf team finished ninth last week out of 15 teams at the Eastern Washington

Invitational played at Indian Canyon near Spokane.

Portland State University won the tournament with a score of 737. Western finished at 791 and was led by Mike Haerling who shot a 75 and 70.

Other individual scores for Western were: Larry Boyd with 80-79, Chuck Price 83-80, John Salzburg 83-74 and Steve Kukull with a 88-84.

Western's golfers will be traveling to Yakima this Thursday and Friday for the Evco and NAIA District I matches to be played at the Suntides course.

Lounsbury expects Western to make a strong showing in the Evco championship along with Eastern. Simon Frazier and PLU are favored in the NAIA with Western as a dark horse.

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Spikers second in final home meet

Despite two school records and excellent all around efforts Western's trackmen finished second in their triangular meet with Central and Pacific Lutheran University (PLU) Saturday. The Wildcats compiled 96 points, Western had 57 and PLU 49.

"We couldn't have done much better, everybody performed well," coach Ralph Vernacchia said.

Top individual performer for Western was Mike Vorce, scoring the Viks' only double win of the day. He took both hurdle races with both winning times the best for Northwest small colleges.

Vorce ran the 120 highs in 14.3 holding off Central's Nate Warswick who finished with 14.4. Vorce's time was a personal best, a new school record and qualifying time for the NAIA national meet in Arkansas. Vorce also won the intermediates going away with a time of 52.4 which qualifies him for the national meet.

"Vorce's time in the intermediates was expected but his time in the highs was shocking," said Vernacchia.

Greg Wirtz was the second record setting Vik taking the 3000 meter steeplechase with a

time of 9:35. His time also qualifies him for nationals.

Keith Porter took second in both the 100 and 220 yard dashes in 10.0 and 22.7. Steve Menard ran 4:25 in the mile for second place and first in the three mile in 14:37.4.

Other good performances turned in were by Barney Thompson and Dean Briggs. Thompson took the pole vault with a vault of 14-0 and Briggs tossed the javelin 207-3.

The Viks scored as expected in the distance events as Menard had plenty of support from Andy Herstrom and Mike Shaw. Herstrom finished third in the mile in 4:26.4 and Shaw took second in the three mile with a time of 14:47.

Netmen 1-1 for weekend

Western's tennis team breezed by the University of Puget Sound last Saturday by winning all singles and doubles matches to score a 9-0 victory.

In a later match a strong Pacific Lutheran University (PLU) team scored a 7-2 win against the Vikings.

Mark Bjornstrom and Jeff McKinstry were the lone winners in singles play against PLU.

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Netters tie for third

The women's tennis team tied for third out of five teams in last Saturday's University of Washington Invitational.

A highlight of the day came when Western's first singles player, Wendie Harper, defeated last year's regional champion, Medrice Coluccio from Seattle University, 7-5, 5-7, 7-5. Harper went on to place second overall behind Sue Goesling of the UW.

Wendy Hawley and Debbie Pritchard, first doubles team, battled to the finals but lost in the determining match to the UW, 6-4, 6-3.

EOC hitters put Viks 0-12

Seven errors at critical times snuffed out any chance Western's baseball team had last weekend of ending the 1974 Evergreen Conference season with at least a single conference victory.


The Vikings traveled to Eastern Oregon where the Mountaineers swept the three-game series 10-5, 6-4, and 6-2, giving Western a 0-12 Evco mark and 1-16 mark overall.

Today the Vikings travel to Tacoma to meet Pacific Lutheran University (PLU) for a doubleheader.

Despite the weekend losses, Viking coach Dick Bartsch said he thought the team played the best baseball of the season. The Vikings matched Eastern Oregon in hits, but the errors led to Western's downfall.

Seniors Dan Marlow and John McDonald each had three hits for Western. Marlow blasted a three-run double in the top of the ninth inning in Friday's 10-5 loss.

McDonald, the team's leading hitter at .353, turned in a fine pitching performance allowing no earned runs in Saturday's first game.

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frontlines

by LOUIS PHILLIPS

Smoking issue still smoldering

Frontlines: In a number of classrooms on campus I see NO SMOKING signs. What can be done to get both profs and students to quit smoking during class? A.N.

A memo from Vice President for Academic Affairs Jerry Anderson prohibiting smoking in academic buildings is "obviously impossible to enforce," according to Fire Marshall Charles Martin of campus security. To send a security officer to a classroom to try to stop a smoker is like trying to "empty the ocean with a bucket," said Martin.

He said a professor can order his students not to smoke during class, but often the profs won't do this for fear of creating hassles.

Martin asked smokers to follow his example: he smokes but only when he knows it cannot possibly annoy others.

Call library for longer hours

Frontlines: Is there any possibility of having Wilson Library open during Friday and Saturday evenings the last two weeks of the quarter?

The dorms are too noisy to study, and Spring quarter will probably be worse than fall and winter were. It seems the library would be well used those last two weeks not only for quiet study, but last minute research papers as well!

N.N.

Library director Robert Lawyer is "willing to talk about it." But first he wants "some expression of a large number of students" and won't keep the library open just for you.

Lawyer said he would consider 50 students calling him a "ground swell." But so far this year only 25-30 students have asked for longer hours over two-and-a-half quarters.

"We're really short of bucks" and want to "put our money where it will do the most good," said Lawyer.

Robert Cross, assistant director for public service at the library said, "we can't operate on popular demand." He pointed out that if hours were extended at the end of Spring quarter, hours may have to be shortened at the beginning of Summer quarter.

To let the library administrators know it's worth it, call Lawyer at 3050.

Got a question, hassle or complaint? Write it down and drop it in campus mail addressed to FRONTLINES c/o The Western Front. We'll do our best to supply an answer that means something.

Campus student labor investigated by union

Employe positions are disappearing from campus and the classified union workers want to make sure these positions are not filled by students at a lower wage scale, said C.W. "Bill" McDonald, dean of students.

The Washington State Federation of Employees (WSFE), on-campus union, wants to know how many students are employed on campus, including those within the work-study program and those employed in the housing area. The union is also interested in the wages paid each student according to job classification.

"I don't know what will come out of a study of this sort of thing," McDonald said, "all we can do is comply with the union's request."

Personnel director Phillip Leanderson said the union's request for this information was an attempt to understand the student employment situation. "They (the union) want to know where the money goes and why it is spent on students instead of the classified personnel," Leanderson said.

Each department is in the process of cutting back, Leanderson explained. In doing so, they must stay within their reduced budgets without spilling over. It is this situation that prompts the investigative

concern of the union, Leanderson said.

Early last year, the classified staff on campus suffered a loss of 21 full-time employes according to Leanderson.

When asked if the union would take over students' jobs on Western's campus, Leanderson said, "I don't know. We haven't defined the problem yet, nor can we say there is a particular problem."

Campus Controller Timothy Kao acknowledged the union's request for information but insisted there was nothing to fear. "There is no danger of students losing money, the union has no authority at the present time to take money away from student funding," Kao said.

President of the union workers Walt Riddle would make no comment concerning the union's activities.

The WSFE field representative, Fred Rollins was on Western's campus last week and said no mention of the union's informational request was made to him. If such a request was made, Rollins said, the union may be making sure students are not employed in a classified workers area. If they are, Rollins continued, we would insist union workers be hired to replace them, or the student paid regular union wages.

Old Main to go afloat during Blossomtime

Roger Germain had been racking his brain for days. His mission was to devise a means of tying Western's 75th Diamond Anniversary to Bellingham's annual Blossomtime Festival.

His gaze wandered blankly around his room, his eyes passing over a stack of his old, dusty text books.

Although Germain had already graduated from Western and is now part of the staff, his first reaction was to avoid looking at the books.

But then an idea began to glimmer in his mind. "College books - students - Blossomtime..."

That spark of imagination soon materialized into what is now shaping up to be Western's Blossomtime float—a replica of Old Main sitting atop a stack of books. Miss Whatcom County will even perch at the top of the stairs as she waves to cheering crowds during the May 18 Blossomtime Parade.

Germain, director of Western's theater scene shop, now has the float on the road to completion with the help of Leonard Ramshak who handles the carpentry. (See photo, page 1.)

But so far only a few people are working on what is supposed to be a community project. There is still plenty to be done, Germain said, and anyone interested in helping out may drop by the old motor pool building behind the Armory on State Street just south of Cedar, or call Western's Public Relations Office at 676-3350.

Volunteers to find ACTION

VISTA and Peace Corps recruiters are on campus this week looking for graduating seniors or graduate students willing to devote one or two years helping the underprivileged help themselves.

Under a new "preslotting" method, VISTA recruiters will be interviewing applicants for 130 specific jobs in the Western region (Northwest, West, Southwest, Rocky Mountain states, Alaska and Hawaii).

The volunteer work includes paid living and traveling expenses, plus a small living allowance. VISTA offers a \$600 readjustment bonus for its one year tours. Peace Corps veterans are entitled to a \$2,000 bonus for their two year tour.

The recruiters are interviewing in Edens Hall 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

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'Town and Gown'

Executive compensation will be discussed tomorrow night at the Meat Hook restaurant at Western's student chapter of the Pacific Northwest Personnel Management Association (PNPMA) final "Town and Gown" function of the academic year.

The program will feature a "no host" bar at 5:30 p.m. followed by a prime rib dinner at 6 p.m. and the speaking presentation at 7:30 p.m.

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