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Student shot in El Salvador protest

Western student Bruce Yeager was shot in the leg during an anti-government riot in San Salvador, El Salvador, Tuesday.

Yeager, 23, a senior journalism student from Seattle, was in San Salvador en route to Guatemala where he is studying Spanish. Contacted by telephone late Wednesday night at Social Security Hospital in San Salvador, Yeager said he was following leftist protest marchers involved in what he was told was a peaceful demonstration at El Salvador's National Palace.

He said marchers were spray painting graffiti on the palace walls when shooting

erupted. He said he then headed back to his hotel room near the National Palace when he encountered an elderly woman who asked for assistance to her home. He helped her to her residence and then discovered that he was lost.

He sought directions from a fruit vendor when he was fired upon, apparently, he said, by El Salvador National Guardsmen.

"I don't think they were shooting to scare me," he said. "I think they shot to kill, but I'm not sure."

Yeager said he lay in the street for approximately 10 minutes before local

citizens called for an ambulance to take him to the hospital.

"It was the longest 10 minutes of my life," Yeager said. "I was sure someone was going to come along and waste me."

The bullet shattered a bone in Yeager's right leg just above the knee, he said, adding that he is now "somewhat immobile." He will be hospitalized for an indefinite period.

Since the incident, Yeager said he has been visited by the American ambassador to El Salvador and a barrage of foreign and domestic reporters.

His father, Vincent Yeager, said he was

notified of the incident Tuesday afternoon by the U.S. State Department.

Official news reports say that 20 persons have been killed and 80 wounded during altercations between protestors and guardsmen this week in El Salvador, a small coffee-growing nation in Central America.

But Yeager said, "You can probably double that count."

"It's a real mess here," he said, adding that he probably will return to Seattle "as soon as possible."

—Steve Valandra

Business building now on paper

A \$4.5 million building is scheduled for construction on a southwest field below the Environmental Studies Center, and eight new tennis courts are planned for the south campus area.

Jack Cooley, Western business manager, said the 50,412 square-foot building will be used to better meet the program needs of Western's College of Business and Economics and the speech pathology/audiology department. Construction of the building should begin next September and be ready for use fall quarter 1982, said Eric Nasburg, director of facilities development.

Nasburg said the building's ground level will be used for speech pathology/audiology and the four upper levels for business and economics.

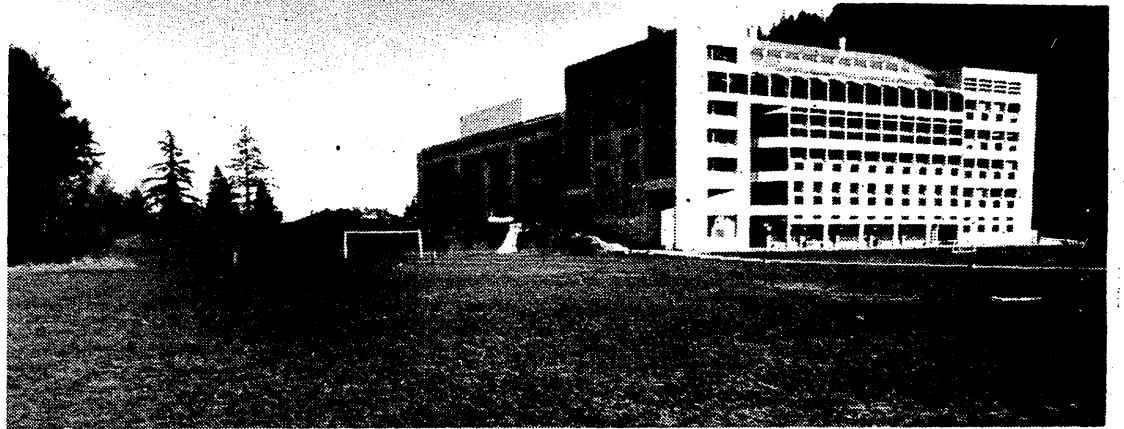
According to tentative plans, all business and economics faculty offices will be located in the build-

ing, along with hearing clinics, workrooms, experimental rooms, faculty and student lounges and eight classrooms, said Robert Collier, dean of the college of business and economics.

Collier said the building will be a big improvement, but he added it won't be large enough for the whole program. Business and economics classes will still meet in other buildings, he said.

When the college of business and economics moves into the new building, Collier said it will vacate 30 offices in Arntzen Hall, which will be divided up among other departments.

Before deciding to construct the new building, Western planners considered remodeling and using Edens Hall, Nasburg said. However, the state Legislature asked the university to investigate the cost of constructing a new building.



PLANS ARE COMPLETED for the \$4.5 million building to be constructed southwest of the Environmental Studies Center this summer. (photo by Rick Ross)

After doing that, Cooley said, the state decided that rather than renovate Edens Hall, it would be better to provide the university with funding for a new facility.

Nasburg said the legislature originally built an 8 percent inflation compensation into the budget to allow for price increases. But, the actual inflation rate has been about 12 percent. Nasburg said the 4 percent inflation difference will cost an additional \$500,000.

Betty Farnham, planning office program manager, said Western will seek the extra 4 percent from the Legislature as a part of its capital budget requests for 1981-83. She said the university will know by spring 1981, if legislators will supply the extra funds.

Nasburg said if the Legislature doesn't supply the extra funds, expenditures will be cut in the building construction. He said the cuts could affect the quality of the

building materials, landscape work or the building's square footage.

Western originally planned a solar heating system for the building, Nasburg said. But those plans were scrapped when the federal Department of Energy withdrew its funding.

Nasburg said he doesn't know what the building will look like yet, but that it probably will be built out of brick and concrete.

Islam, the force behind the headlines

Islam, with 750 million followers, pervades and unites nearly all the eastern world. To understand the politics of these nations, the religion must be understood. For in Islam spiritual and secular actions are not separate, they are integrated and interdependent.

The Islam faith has five foundations, the first being that no God exists but Allah and that Muhammed is his prophet. Practicing Moslems also pray five times each day facing Mecca, fast for the holy month, Ramadan, donate a portion of their wealth—"zakat"—to the poor, and attempt a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in their lifetime.

The linguistic meaning of the word Moslem is "one who is sincere in worship of God."

The criminal and civil code in many Moslem nations is the "shari'a" law, derived from the Koran, the holy book of Islam. Moslems believe it was written by God, who spoke to the prophet Muhammed through the angel Gabriel.

Abdullah Al-hagbani, a Western student from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, said shari'a law is much harsher and more clearly defined than law in the United States. If a man steals, his hand is cut off, and if one murders intentionally, he is killed, Al-hagbani said.

"Islam believes that morality is important and law is subordinate to it. Law itself must be based on morality," he said.

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the shari'a law, like Islam, drinking alcohol is punished with a public whipping of up to 100 lashes, said Mohammed E. Gharai, a business student from Iran.

"In the twentieth century, it is hard to believe and accept that," Gharai said.

"Rules are strong there. Back home is more peaceful. People don't break the law because they are afraid of the consequences," Al-hagbani said.

He explained the prohibition of alcohol. "Although it's a temporary pleasure, it may cause you to do something bad to your family or community."

The Koran says of drinking and gambling, "In them is great sin and some profit for men, but the sin is greater than the profit."

Islam teaches that Allah is the creator of everything. Moslems believe that

Jesus was one of 25 holy prophets, along with Abraham and Moses, but they do not believe in his divinity, or that he was the son of God. Muhammed, as the most recent and the last prophet, brought the final word of God.

Islam also teaches of an afterlife, a paradise and hell.

Justice and purity of life are the cardinal principles of Islam, Al-hagbani said. Justice must be established between parents and children, husband and wife, the rulers and the ruled, and between the classes "to end the exploitation of man by man," he said.

Islam supports wealth, but not capitalism, Al-hagbani said.

"We must not destroy the group for the individual, or the individual for the group, but hold each person responsible

for the poverty of his neighbor," he said.

This doesn't mean idealism, laziness and unemployment are encouraged, but that the burden of misery and bad luck are shared, Al-hagbani said.

Communism is an enemy of Islam, Al-hagbani said.

Purity of family life also is one of the highest values in Islam, and sexual promiscuity is considered a great crime, for it deteriorates the peace and solidarity of the family, Al-hagbani said.

Many Moslem nations are rebelling against what they believe is the decadence that Western modernization is bringing: the breakdown of family life and lowering of moral standards. They are attempting by careful selectivity to admit those Western technologies that will benefit their society and resist those changes that are harmful.

The nightly news gives a vivid picture of the turmoil in the Middle East. Little information is given to show the foundation and force of the revolution and unrest: the Islamic religion.

"I believe the media has really done a disservice and faltered in providing an objective view of the current situation," said Luis Ramirez, director of minority affairs in Western's student life office. "They have failed to educate the public in Iran's culture, religion, history, those foundations of its society that are essential to understanding its politics."

—Beth Herman

Editorials

Costly revamp for cabin is unmerited

In October, University President Paul Olscamp introduced to the Board of Trustees a proposal to replace the old cabin on Western's Sinclair Island property with a new retreat center. The project, which would also include installation of a well and power and sewage systems, was estimated at \$200,000.

A more probable figure, which considers the cost of preliminary studies and transporting materials from the mainland, has been estimated by the Sinclair Island Committee. It approximated the cost of complete development at \$600,000. The committee was created by Olscamp to consider alternative ways to improve the site.

Either estimate, however, seems unmerited for a site that was used by students and faculty only six times in the past year.

Those who favor the proposal may argue that the cabin was rarely visited because of its poor condition. But a more likely explanation is that most people simply have no way to get to the island. The university has no means of transporting groups to the site and few students own boats.

Olscamp's proposal, while providing for a more attractive and comfortable facility, includes nothing to remedy the inaccessibility.

Washington's fickle weather should also be seriously considered before a plan is implemented. Many planned excursions to the island have been cancelled in the past because of it.

True, the island plot, with its beach front and wooded area, is a valuable piece of property and ideal for weekend retreats. It's not something that the university should readily let go.

But is it logical to spend thousands of dollars on a building that few students will ever see, especially when funds could otherwise be used to improve recreational areas near campus?

One wise committee suggestion was to monitor usage of the island for one year before beginning construction. With this plan, a boat chartered by the university would be paid for by the group and only minor improvements would be made to the cabin, such as providing water.

If the site was still seldom used, the university could sell or trade the property for an area more accessible, thus avoiding senseless extravagance.

Christians, courts and the constitution

The First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States states, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble . . ."

Christians pay just as much tuition as non-Christians do. They live in the same residence halls, eat the same food, and attend the same classes. With all these equalizing factors, one would think Christians would also have the right to peaceably assemble on campus and use the facilities they help pay for.

The basic argument is a discrepancy between the state constitution, with its separation of church and state, and the federal constitution, with its right to exercise religion and peaceably assemble.

Each side has valid points for supporting the different views. But depriving Christians and other "religious" people of their freedom and rights to keep church and state separate doesn't seem worth it.

No one is compelled to attend the religious gatherings but they should be allowed to take place on campus.

Allowing people to exercise what they believe was an American ideal. If religious groups lose their right to meet on campus it will be a large step away from democracy and equality.



Comment

Islam revival dubious from western viewpoint

Religion and politics have long been separate issues in the western world and integrating the two would seem impossible in a modern, industrialized nation. But the revival of the Islam faith is attempting to do just that.

Young Moslems, particularly, are looking toward a time when their religion will gain back the importance it lost in a wave of modernization.

Many of them blame the western world for the loss of culture experienced in Islam nations, and feel a return to their faith will help them adapt to the pressures of industrialization.

The evidence of this revival is everywhere in the east. Students at Cairo University in Egypt now request that classes be segregated by gender. Female students are wearing veils again. Student activists fight pornography.

The most graphic evidence, of course, was the revolution in Iran which created, in Khomeini's words, "a government of God." Some Moslems hoped this would set the stage for future revolutions in other Islam nations.

But the growth and success of reborn Islamic countries is questionable, at least from the viewpoint of the western world.

Defenders of the Islam revival blame Western influence for a decline in morals, a breakdown in family ties, and an increase in capitalism.

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modernization, as long as the evils are left out.

Many Moslems believe that technological advance is totally compatible with Islam, that by being selective Islam can pick out the advances they choose without suffering the consequences.

Selective modernization combined with the maintenance of pure faith seems idealistic. And where increasing wealth exists, at least a hint of capitalism follows.

It is also Islamic philosophy that each person is responsible for the poverty of his neighbor. But with the wealth that industrialization

brings, will the Moslems in control be able to aid their masses of poor people?

The revival of Islam includes a return to the Shari'a, Islam's code of justice. Under this code, young Moslems will have to accept a criminal justice system that is barbaric in western terms. Moslem women will lose many rights and accept polygamy as a possible way of life.

Moslem scholars also insist that Islam is compatible with various social and economic systems. But many freedoms Moslems enjoy could be lost if the Shari'a was brought back.

The success or failure of integrating religion and government can be seen in the present state of Iran. Khomeini has imposed strict rules on the people's social life. The demands of the faith are great and not every Moslem is willing to bear the burden.

At this point, the survival of this "government of God" seems threatened.

The true revival of Islam will involve many struggles and most likely many compromises. The question remains: does Islam have room for compromise?

—Leita McIntosh

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Free Speech

Letters

Kleenex theory

Western Front:

Thoughtful reflections on the new Serra sculpture and on various other objects strewn about the campus have led me to form a hypothesis. I will call it the "crumpled Kleenex" hypothesis and it says that one set of actions will inevitably produce a certain set of reactions.

The actions are the following: find a man with a bad cold, have him blow his nose and place the wadded-up Kleenex on a dish. Next, have a stone cutter carve an exact likeness of this wad out of an eight-foot-high monolithic block of stone. When this is done we give it some fanciful but irrelevant name, like "ecstasy." After this we invite three randomly chosen art critics to view the result.

My hypothesis predicts the following reactions: all three critics will praise the "sculpture" and at least one will write a piece that extols its great subtleties of shadow and form. This in turn will set off a chain of events that ends with this object located somewhere on Red Square.

Ed Lowry

New art critic

Western Front:

This is another response to the Serra sculpture that adorns our campus. Specifically, this letter is in response to the letter you printed from Julian Riepe, director of the Interdisciplinary Arts Program, who wrote that people (to my knowledge a majority of the student body) shouldn't criticize what they don't understand (the new sculpture).

Concerning the comment, "There may be grounds for criticiz-

ing the Serra sculpture, but they are the grounds of the trained intellect and the civilized emotion." First, why torment us untrained dumb shits by placing this profoundly meaningful work of rusting metal in such a conspicuous place where we are sure to see and misunderstand it? Second, I think art draws honest emotions from its observers whether or not they understand it. If these emotions don't happen to be civilized, still they reflect the artwork.

I'll admit that I don't know much about art, but I know what I don't like. I don't know very much about dog manure but if I step in it I'm not going to study biology for a few years before I respond.

John Perry

Show respect

Western Front:

What is prompting me to write this letter is the fact that I am astonished by the lack of respect shown toward the United States and the things that represent it.

I am disappointed when I go to a sporting event and see joking and talking going on during the pledge of allegiance. Even though it doesn't just go on at Western, I sincerely question the strength of the moral and social fabric of this university when I see it happen. I don't accept the hand-over-heart action as merely a waste of energy, but as an act which represents the respect this nation deserves.

Why show respect? You say America needs improvement? In some ways, yes. But as George Bernard Shaw once said, "Don't scuttle the ship until you've learned to build a raft." I think some of our reformers don't realize they are actually destroying America.

Times were tough in this country 150 years ago. But the strength of the nation didn't come by changing

it. And what we face today is not much different. But is there that same nationalism?

If you don't love America, leave it. Then you might see what she has meant to a persecuted, tired, hungry, embittered, enslaved race. Then you might realize that freedom must be worked at by us all. I will proudly fight to keep this nation the greatest super-power on earth.

And I will never cease to uncover my head as "Old Glory" passes by.

Kelly Ballard

Join PAVAW

Western Front:

In response to your front page articles on the so-called "Pornography Workshop," it seems to me that these women would have this country regress to a mob-rule society where violence would insure survival.

The group attacks violence against alleged instigators: pornography merchants. I probably couldn't find a single fireman who would advise me to douse a house fire with a flame thrower, but isn't this what the women are advocating?

The great social changes in this century were brought about by people who followed the wise leadership of men who knew that violence accomplishes nothing. Mahatma Gandhi and Martin

Luther King Jr., led people to their desired goals through advocacy of passive restraint and non-violent protest.

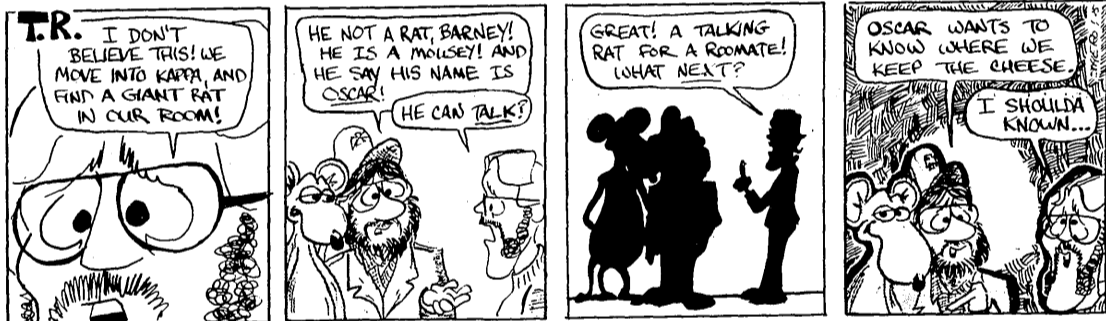
The women involved in the "Pornography Workshop" approached their problem in a way that is, for lack of better words, sad and sick. It is sad because the group does not have the ability to rise above its opponents; it resorted to the violent verbal abuse of a lone man. Enemy or not; it is sad the group should physically and verbally intimidate and threaten anyone. It was also sick. In this country where the individual's rights and property are protected by the constitution, it is shocking to think that anyone, no matter how "just" their cause, has the right to damage private or public property.

It is an ironic coincidence that on the day that the "Pornography Workshop" group performed its intimidation act, one of America's greatest minds passes away. Ex-Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas was a staunch believer and protector of the individual's rights. He also defended pornography, not because he approved of it, but because each individual has his own inalienable right of expression.

Perhaps Mr. Douglas would have joined me in PAVAW. (People Against Violence Against Walls).

Robert Perez

P. F. Mernaugh



Bits & Pieces

Math Retest

The Math Proficiency Test (Math Retest) will be administered on Feb. 6 and/or Feb. 7 at 4 p.m. in Lecture Hall 4. Students must pre-register at the Testing Center, OM 120, during the week prior to the test dates. Positive picture identification is required at the time of registration.

Med students

Pre-med students will meet 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. or 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Monday in Haggard Hall 147.

Lost and found

Lost-and-Found sale 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 30 in the VU television lounge.

The campus Lost and Found

located in Viking Addition 665, will be open to receive lost or found items at the following times during the winter quarter:

Monday: 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
 Tuesday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
 Wednesday: 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m.
 Thursday: 3 to 4 p.m.
 Friday: 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m.

Slide show set

The regular meeting of the North Cascades Audubon Society is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 30 at the Whatcom Museum of History and Art. Featured is an Eileen Kiera presentation, "Slides of the Arctic."

Political science

The Political Science Association will meet today at 4 p.m. in the Courtyard Fare restaurant, 1317 Commercial Ave. All political science students and faculty are invited.

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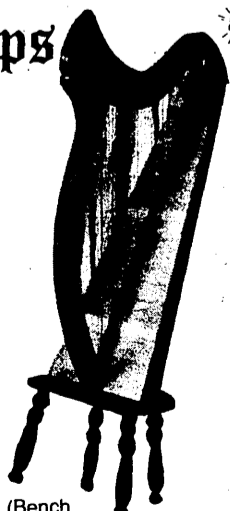
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Religious suit under advisement of judge

Students, campus Christian organizations and university administrators are patiently awaiting a court decision that will decide the future of Western's recognition policy.

After a Dec. 14 hearing on the policy at U.S. District Court in Seattle, Judge Donald Voorhees has the case under advisement for an undetermined length of time.

The hearing was a result of a civil action suit filed Oct. 12 against Western by 14 students and four campus Christian organizations seeking injunctive relief from the existing policy.

They contend their "rights to free exercise of religion, (and) free speech . . . are being injured" by the current policy, according to an Oct. 10 court summons prepared by the groups' attorney, Robert Gunter.

The recognition policy, approved last May by the Associated Students Board of Directors, is a framework for procedures involved in establishing a student organization.

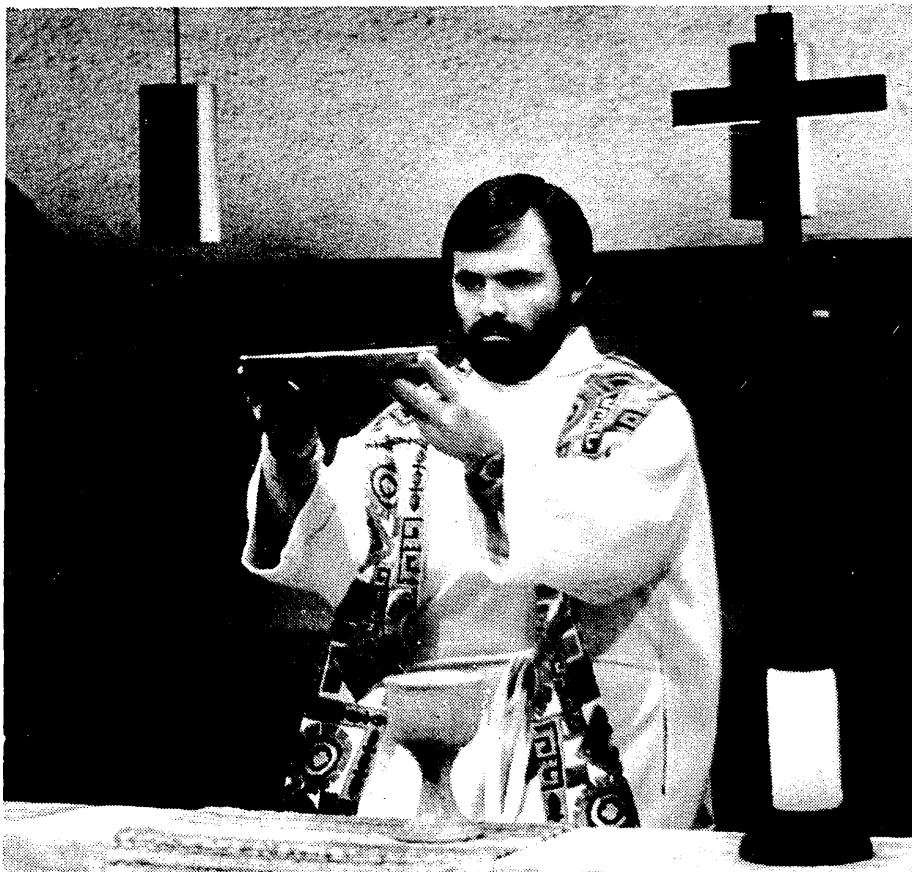
Recognized religious organizations receive the same benefits as any other group, but cannot use public funds or facilities for the purpose of religious worship or instruction, according to an Aug. 7 memo from Jack Smith, AS activities adviser.

In the same memo, Smith, one of the defendants, defined religious worship as ". . . any activity intended to propagate or support any particular religious doctrine or belief, or any activity which is a prescribed ritual of any religion."

A group is allowed, however, to rent a facility twice each quarter for activities deemed "religious."

If a group applies to use space for an activity which is "questionably religious," then a disclaimer must be signed by the requesting students promising that no religious activity will take place.

The defendants' main argument in



Father Don Werner of Campus Christian Ministry offers an alternative meeting place for Western's Christians. (photo by Tom Haynie)

support of the present policy is based on Article I, Sec. 11 of the state constitution, Smith said. That section reads ". . . No public money or property shall be appropriated for or applied to any religious worship, exercise or instruction, or the support of any religious establishment . . ."

According to the plaintiffs' opening brief for the December hearing, the regulations regarding religious groups are an "over-zealous 'guarding' of the state con-

stitution by university administrators and the attorney general."

The brief cites Article I, Section 4 of the state constitution which guarantees "the right of petition and of the people peaceably to assemble for the common good shall never be abridged." The plaintiffs argue the recognition policy as implemented violates this right.

The plaintiffs also claim the "screening" process of activities is an "unconstitutional system of prior restraint," with-

out the benefit of precise guidelines and appeal procedures.

Smith said the guidelines used to judge whether an activity is religious are direct and appear on a standard form. If a group feels they have been treated unjustly, they can appeal to the Student Activities Facilities Committee, Smith said.

In the early '70s, the process of control over student activities was less rigid than it is now. In an affidavit submitted to the court last fall, Brady Bobbink, coordinator of Campus Christian Fellowship (CCF), said "prior to the 1977 proposals to revise (the policy), religious student groups . . . functioned on campus like any other non-religious student organization."

For example, the CCF used to conduct weekly Friday fellowship meetings in Arntzen Hall that were attended by approximately 450 students, according to the affidavit of Jerry Thomas, CCF business manager.

The group must now rent a campus hall or meeting room according to the "twice per quarter" rule. Thomas claimed since the meetings were moved to an off-campus location they have suffered a decline in membership.

Until Judge Voorhees decides on the recognition policy, these rules will continue to be applied. The defendants had asked for a preliminary injunction in October to nullify the policy during proceedings. It was denied.

The suit was filed by CCF, The Navigators, Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and Campus Crusade for Christ, along with 14 individuals. It was filed against Western, University President Paul Olscamp, Smith, Kevin Majkut, advisor to the AS Activities Council, other administrators and trustees, and the AS.


—Shellee Nunley



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Jack Smith

Jack Smith, facility director of the Viking Union, is one of the defendants named in the lawsuit filed by several religious groups against the university. As facility director he plays a major role in determining whether meetings are religious in nature.

When Smith was asked what place religion should have on campus, he expressed his personal views saying:

"In examining the place of religion on campus, a distinction must be made between an individual's right to practice a particular faith and the role of a state agency in promoting religion in general or a specific doctrine.

"Each member of a campus

community should be free to follow any belief he or she desires and should be able to do so without interference by the state. However, at the same time, the state has an obligation to abide by its own constitution, its contract with the people of Washington. Thus, the state cannot use its funds or facilities for purposes of religious worship, exercise or instruction.

"Nevertheless, religion and religious issues certainly can, and should, be topics of discussion and examination within the university community, as should other major social phenomena.

"A pluralistic, multi-faceted approach to learning should be encouraged within the academic setting and is essential to the development of one's intellectual and social capabilities.

"The neutrality of the state in this area also provides the guarantee of freedom from imposing upon its citizens a particular religion or belief through the use of its facilities or resources. Rightfully, then, the practicing or promoting of religion remains a personal choice and does not receive the sanction or support of the state."

Jack Kintner

Jack Kintner works for Campus Christian Ministry, which is not affiliated with the university or Campus Christian Fellowship. He said CCM is funded mostly by area churches.

When asked what place religion

should have on campus, he replied: "Humans are by definition spiritual as well as physical beings. As an activity of the mind, religion ought to find free exercise in a university setting that ostensibly is dedicated to such activities. This free exercise, centering around such things as prayer, meditation, reflection and speculation, is



strict religious activities in and of themselves is, I think, arbitrary. In view of our legal limitations from the state I don't see any way around it short of having the U.S. Supreme Court declare that particular provision invalid.

"Basically, I advocate the free expression of religion on campus, whether it be organized groups or individuals. I also see the other side of the coin. Religious groups have a responsibility to properly exercise themselves in terms of sharing reasonable costs, allowing easy entrance and exit from fellowships as people grow and change, and listening sincerely to constructive criticisms offered from the outside.

"Religious activity at Western ought to be a smorgasbord of opportunity, not indoctrination or coercion," he said.

Brady Bobbink

The religious community at Western is large, healthy, vibrant and vital, said Brady Bobbink of University Christian Ministries (UCM).

"It adds to the campus," he said.

UCM is a teaching, advisory group which works with college ministries in the United States, particularly Campus Christian Fellowship.

"A university should be the broadest possible marketplace of ideas," Bobbink said. Religion plays an important part in diversifying the choices available for exploration, he said.

Allowing religious groups to

meet on campus has three main purposes, Bobbink said.

"It serves a basic educational purpose. There should be free and easy access to as many divergent



activities as possible. Religion is just one of the options," he explained.

"The state doesn't supply any of the basic needs that Christians and religious groups do," Bobbink said. Permitting religious groups to meet on campus would fulfill the second purpose: accommodating and meeting the needs of religiously-oriented students, he added.

Bobbink said pushing out religion would establish the "religion of secularism" at Western. The mental debate that comes from opposing world views is the third reason religious groups should be allowed on campus, Bobbink said.

Northwest churches representing gays

In a small town such as Bellingham, few churches are available where gays can attend and not feel uncomfortable, according to members of a panel discussion sponsored by the Union of Sexual Minorities (USM) Monday.

That concern and others facing gay Christians were the topics in the talk "Gay People in the Christian Community," part of the USM's ninth annual Gay Awareness Symposium.

The panel included representatives from the Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) in Tacoma, Western's Campus Christian Ministry and two gay support groups, Dignity and Evangelicals Concerned from Seattle.

The Rev. Clane Lust of MCC said the church was founded in 1968 when a Pentecostal minister "decided gays were not

hated by God." MCC has 135 churches worldwide, Lust said.

The church is not exclusively for homosexuals and does not teach a specific doctrine, he said.

Vic Van Campen, a pastor of Grace Gospel Chapel, Seattle, and a member of Evangelicals Concerned, said his church teaches beliefs similar to those of the Baptist or Pentecostal faith.

God led him to minister to a primarily homosexual congregation because "mainline" churches were not making an attempt to reach gays, he said.

Evangelicals Concerned is a nationwide Christian task force that sponsors potluck dinners, guest speakers and advocates legal rights for gays, said Maria Valenzuela, a member of the organization and of Grace Gospel Chapel.

The philosophy of Dignity, a gay Catholic support group, is that it is not important "whom we love but the fact that we love," said member David Witzke. He said the organization began over 10 years ago and now has 100 chapters throughout the world. It strives to "get people back in the parishes so one day Dignity won't be needed," he said.

The Rev. Chuck Hunter, an Episcopal priest of CCM, said he represents "the church gay people have been uncomfortable in." He said he was sorry a need existed for religious groups catering to gays, but was "proud" of the work the groups have done.

It will be a long time before most traditional churches accept homosexuality, he said. It is a lack of understanding that causes some people to react negatively to gays, he said.

All the Seattle and Tacoma delegates said they were willing to help establish a church or support group for Bellingham gays.

The panel agreed unanimously that Biblical scriptures condemning homosexuality had to be read in light of the times in which they were written.

According to the Bible, Witzke said, eagles and camels are abominations.

The most important things Christian gays must remember, Witzke said, is to love God and to accept themselves.

"I did not prefer to be gay, I am gay. We have to take care of 'number one' first," he said. "It won't matter to people who really care about you that you're gay."

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People sign up for curiosity or need

Northwest Free University enrolls record number

Astrology, massage, mathematics, yoga and medicinal herbs; what do these have in common? They are subjects of classes and workshops taught by the Northwest Free University (NFU) this quarter.

NFU's booklet describes the classes and gives the times, days, titles and instructors offering the courses.

The course descriptions read like ads in *The National Enquirer*: "You can be rich beyond your wildest dreams!"; "Come prepared to use your imagination and to increase your wealth"; "By tapping into and experiencing the divine stream of energy that feeds us constantly, incredible love and peace is found" are examples.

The descriptions might sound melodramatic, but the classes are not. People are signing up for them, from either curiosity or need.

Registration has risen almost 85 percent since 1974, said Frank Tranter, coordinator of the program. NFU has admitted about 450 students this quarter, the largest enrollment ever, he said.

NFU has expanded its drive to contact people, Tranter said.

"We've published twice as many catalogues this quarter. Our goal is to serve everyone who needs to be served."

Approximately 75 percent of the enrollment consists of Western students.

"We'd like to flood Whatcom and Skagit counties with information," he said, in an effort to reach more non-students.

Diana Ward, who teaches Hatha Yoga, has been instructing classes for about 11 years. Ward first became interested in yoga from a television program in New York City. She began teaching in Bellingham when she moved here three years ago.

Teaching allows her to meet people, she said.

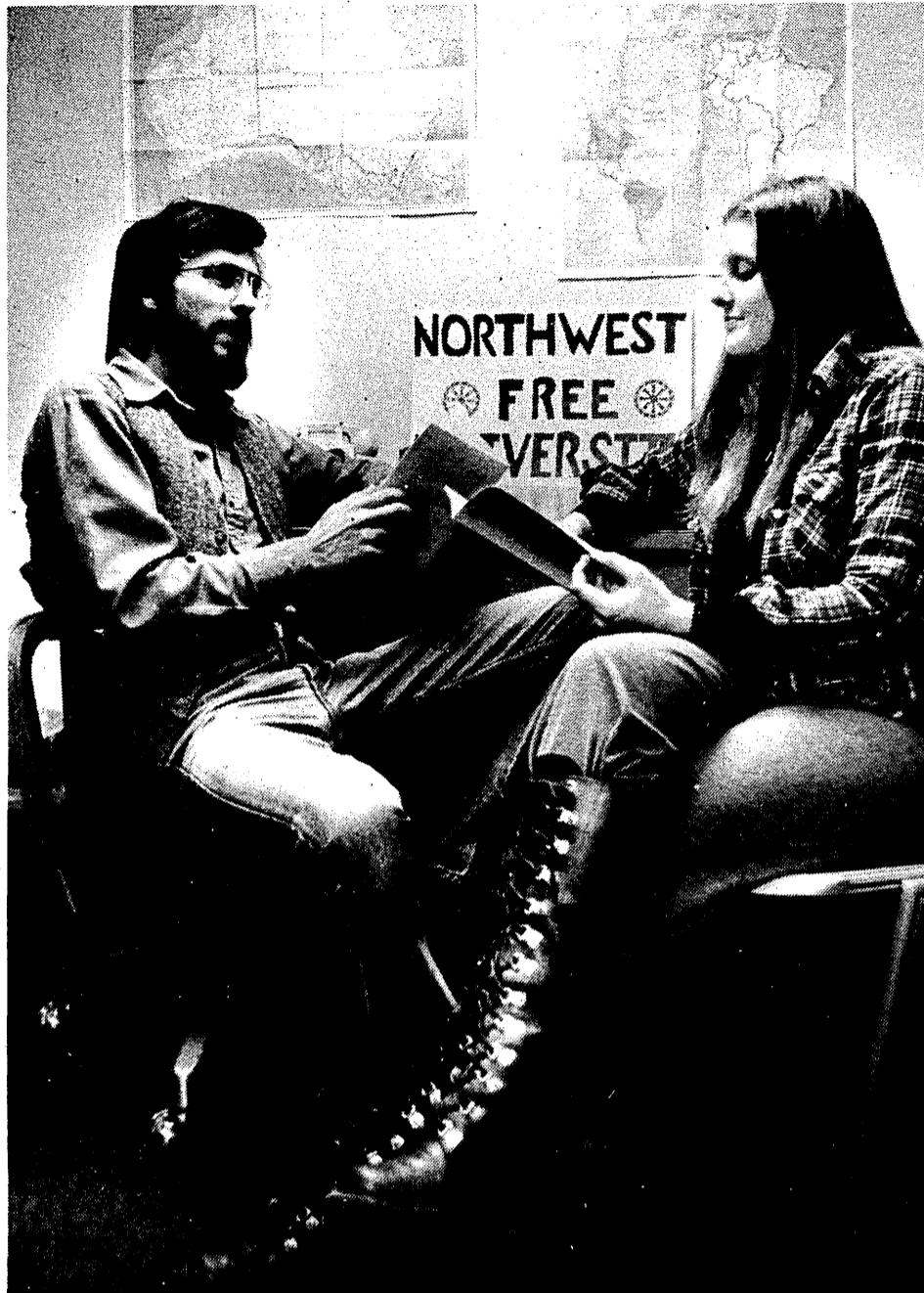
"Every time you teach a class, you learn a little bit more," she said.

Students take her class to release stress, relax and understand more about their bodies.

"We are celebrating being alive and well; we are encouraging each other to stay healthy," she explained. "Every movement is natural. You cannot be involved in yoga without being totally involved."

Thirty-five students are enrolled in her class.

With only seven students in the Tai



FRANK AND JODI Tranter, of the Northwest Free University office, go through some of the catalogs published this quarter for the program. (photo by Rick Ross)

Chi Chuan class, total involvement and commitment is necessary, possibly because of the class meeting time—6:30 a.m. Tai Chi Chuan is a Chinese Martial art, studied as an art.

"In Tai Chi, you're moving slowly and concentrating on the quality of movements," said John Lowry, instructor of the course. "You're trying to control the energy flowing through the

body. It's an active meditation."

Lowry learned the martial art from a local merchant, T.Y. Pang, who owns the Little Panda Imports shop.

"It's a national exercise (in China) and has been around for about 2,000 years," Lowry said. The art has about 108 movements, Lowry said. "It looks easy, but it's not."

NFU also offers classes in whole food

cooking, arts and crafts, theater and music.

The music classes feature some of the more unusual instruments; fiddle, dulcimer and Irish harp, and the more traditional instruments such as the classical guitar and harmonica. John Rollins even offers a class in stringed acoustical instrument building.

Steve Wilson teaches a do-it-yourself solar domestic water-heating course and offers his workshop space for students to make their own units.

Wilson, a carpenter, plans to start his own business designing solar water-heating units. He is teaching the class to educate more people about solar heating.

Wilson said he does not have a large turnout because of the winter season, but, he added, "there will be a big push for solar in the springtime."

Cross-country skiing always is a popular winter quarter class. Frank Schultz and other instructors from Base Camp, Inc., a recreational supply store, teach the course.

"I like the big groups," Schultz said. "These trips are mostly a relaxation time for the instructors."

Private lessons from Base Camp instructors usually cost \$36 for three lessons with a maximum of eight students per class. At NFU, the cost is \$7 per lesson.

Michael Striebel teaches harmonica and a class called, "Attracting Birds or Wildlife to Your Land or Backyard Area." He garnered knowledge for the latter class in rural Indiana, talking to wildlife biologists and living on a six-acre plot of land.

He said he is confident Bellingham residents could attract almost any type of wildlife to their backyards if they really want to.

NFU is supported through registration fees. Each participant is charged a fee of \$7 a class for three classes or less. After that, classes are free unless instructors request fees to cover the cost of materials for a class.

Tranter said he interviews prospective teachers to determine if they are qualified to teach the classes.

NFU was begun in 1968 to fill the educational needs of the community that it believed were not being met by the existing system.

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'Finder-hider' role advantageous to USSR

A former government intelligence expert said we will be on a SALT-free diet this year. He said the SALT II treaty will not be passed at least until the next election because politicians will not want to bring up the controversial subject.

Amron Katz, past disarmament consultant, Rand Corp. scientist and political science professor, spoke here Wednesday on "SALT II: Problems, Possibilities, Contingencies."

He called our current nuclear strategists "deep-thinking, bright, civilian; but really experts in nothing because they have no experience. The only real experts are the survivors of Nagasaki and Hiroshima, and nobody hardly ever consults them."

Katz decried our nuclear strategy. "Our problem is we are implementing a strategy we don't have. Ours consists of a series of one-liners: 'If they do that, we'll

do this.' These are reactions, not coherent plans," he said.

But the thrust of his talk was on missiles, nuclear war and Russian savvy.

He said the US and the USSR are playing a finder-hider game, in which the USSR hides its missiles and we try to find them.

It is this way and not vice versa, he said, because the US Secretary of Defense yearly discloses, and U.S. publications regularly report, on our war strength.

He said the finder-hider role is advantageous to the USSR. We never know exactly how much military hardware they have, yet by revealing enough to show us what they might have, we are deterred from attacking, he said.

He elaborated on determent by demonstration. He said if you have a gun, but hide it, I cannot be deterred. But if I know

or suspect you might have a gun, you are in a position to threaten me.

"It's in their (the Russians') best interest for us to find a lot about them," he said.

He said the Russians help us by "not making impossible to find what they could make impossible."

Their yearly parade of weapons through Moscow serves that purpose, he said, but added, "We've never seen a Russian missile; we've seen canisters only."

The US role is simply put, he said. "We have to find out more than they want us to find out, that's where the contest occurs."

He had no concrete advice on what our strategic weapons policy should be, but mentioned he agreed with prominent government strategist Paul Nitze, whom he said he has known for 20 years.

The Summer 1979 issue of Foreign

Policy maintains Nitze is "the smartest, most knowledgeable hawk in town."

The author wrote Nitze believes "nuclear superiority can determine the outcome of US-Soviet showdowns."

The 65-year-old Katz did offer his own plan to deter the Soviets, but it was difficult to determine how serious he was.

He said the thousands of light manufacturing buildings in the US are indistinguishable from each other in aerial reconnaissance photos. Approximately 500 of these could be equipped with missiles, he said, suggesting we put our old nuclear-armed submarines on blocks in those buildings.

Probably the truest truism he spoke that day was at lunch, when he said: "We will have disarmament when it is no longer relevant."

—Eric Hookham

Members of Baha'i Faith seek 'golden age of peace,' equality

They are 13 students who don't smoke pot or drink beer or favor political candidates. They are loyal to the government, yet they look forward to the day when that government and its inequalities are gone.

They are members of the Baha'i Faith, whose goal is the unification of the human race into a world commonwealth where riches are shared, sexes are equal, war and disease disappear and mankind lives in a "golden age of peace."

This is no fantasy to John Governale, chairman of the Baha'i Club on campus, or his 12 fellow students in the club. They, like the estimated two million Baha'is worldwide, believe this human unity is inevitable because it was envisioned more than 100 years ago by the founder of the faith, an Iranian son of nobility named Baha'u'llah.

According to literature on the faith, Baha'u'llah (1817-1892) is the latest of God's messengers in a lineage that includes Christ, Moses, Krishna and Muhammad. Baha'u'llah's writings and teachings are the basis of the religion. While Baha'is believe future messengers will emerge, they consider their founder's teachings are for "this particular age," as the teachings of Christ were suited for his age.

The Baha'i precepts emphasize the importance of prayer, knowledge of the arts and sciences, love of God and humanity and the desire to help others whatever the member's occupation. Baha'is abstain from so-called mind-expanding drugs or alcohol and do not align with political parties. Members are expected to be obedient to the laws of the land.

The Baha'i Faith has no pro-

fessional priesthood. Adult members are considered equals. Baha'is look forward to the fulfillment of their founder's visions of a world commonwealth with a common language, universal education, a harmony of science and religion and fair distribution of resources. This new society would be ruled by a world legislature.

Unlike some other religions, the Baha'i Faith is not split into sects, Governale said. He said this is because no one is allowed to interpret Baha'u'llah's teachings.

The Baha'is have three local assemblies in Whatcom County, with a combined membership of about 70. The campus club distributes pamphlets and has meetings and lectures for those interested. For further information call Governale at 671-0312.

—Terry McGuire

Cow-gas here

Dairy farmers have an abundance of material to make natural gas, Bruce Lampcov of the Ecotope group said at the recent Northwest Regional Energy Conference here.

Ecotope is a Seattle based non-profit energy research corporation.

In 1977, Lampcov said Ecotope designed, built and operated a methane digester that converted cow manure into natural gas. The digester was built and is operated on a dairy farm owned by the Washington state prison system.

The digester is a continuous "feed and mix" system. Manure is scraped into a chopper and broken down for twenty minutes. Then, it is pumped into a 50,000 gallon tank and processed into gas, producing as a by-product, high-grade fertilizer.

The Ecotope group investigated various uses for the gas, Lampcov said, such as for experimental cooking and heating.

Lampcov said the group also concentrated on using some of the gas in the digester. Some of the gas

was placed in pressurized storage tanks.

Gas is used to heat a water-boiler which keeps an oxygen-free tank at a constant temperature of 95 degrees. It is also used to operate a 40 kilowatt generator that powers a blower which provides continuous mixing of the manure. The tank is oxygen-free because methane explodes when in contact with comparable amounts of oxygen, Lampcov said.

Ecotope decided to build on a dairy farm because of rising fuel costs and recent legislation controlling waste dumping.

"It's an answer for a special constituency, and that's the farmer," Lampcov said.


The system is cost-effective for a dairy farm of 200 to 400 head of cattle, Lampcov said.

Ecotope also is able to design and construct methane digesters for private farms, he added.

The system Ecotope developed was funded by the Washington State Department of Ecology and the U.S. Department of Energy.

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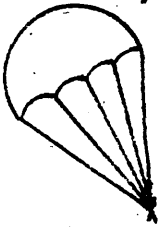
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Faculty bill may reach house

After eight years of tenure in the state Legislature, the collective bargaining issue for faculty and administration of Washington's four-year universities may finally be coming to term.

Senate bill 2336 would grant university faculty the opportunity to bargain collectively with university administration. If the state passes the bill, the Faculty Senate will then vote to determine if this practice would be used at Western.

The faculty are represented by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), and the American Federation of Teachers' unions.

Eugene Hogan, president of Western's chapter of AFT, said he is not satisfied with the teachers' position of negotiating contracts.

"We are discriminated against as compared to other employees of the state and denied equal protection of the law."

Collective bargaining would give the faculty power to negotiate salaries and teaching duties with Western's Board of Trustees.

With this system there must be an agent, usually a group of

teachers and possibly from either union, to act as negotiators. The issue goes to the state collective bargaining agency, where it would be one or two years before it could be put in effect at Western.

University President Olscamp, in a letter to faculty dated Feb. 2, 1976, went on record as favoring passage of the bill.

"I would publicly take a position in favor of passing legislation . . . of whether there should be a collective bargaining agent on our campus. I have lobbied in favor . . . of the Senate bill," the letter said.

Western, as a state university, is represented by Northwest Regional Consultants, a lobbyist group in Olympia.

Barbara Vanderkolk, president of the firm, in a recent conference for faculty, explained the position of the legislature in this session.

"Since the legislature is meeting for only 60 days they will only have time to get through a few bills," Vanderkolk said. "Energy and nuclear waste are areas considered more important than collective bargaining for professors."

She indicated that the legislature might grant a standard-of-living increase in the form of the Supplemental Budget Bill of 1981. It would include a salary increase for teachers of four-year institutions. This could also be accomplished by raising tuition rates.

One professor facetiously remarked, "I don't care, just as long as I get my money."

"Many of your students who graduate this year will be making more money than you will within the year," Vanderkolk said.

The idea of collective bargaining is not new to education in other parts of the country.

"It has been very successful in the East and Midwest, but around here it's just going to have to take the right people at the right time," said James O'Brien of AAUP.

With much of the legislature up for re-election this year, politics will play a greater role in the kind of legislation brought through, Vanderkolk said.

—Mick Boroughs

Official criticizes U.S. broadcasters

Greater sensitivity is needed between Canada and the United States concerning cross-border television advertising and fishing boundaries, Canadian Ambassador Peter Towe told a Western audience Tuesday.

The Canadian Ambassador to the United States told 250 people in Arntzen Hall that the current condition of those issues was "not in the best interests of either country."

Towe criticized Bellingham's KVOS-TV for allegedly lobbying against Canada's Income Tax Act, which prohibits tax deductions for Canadian advertisers who use American stations like KVOS that broadcast to a predominately Canadian market.

The purpose of the 1976 law was "to give Canadian magazines and Canadian television stations a fair chance to compete in the Canadian market," Towe said.

The Bellingham-based station and other border broadcasters were "waging something of a minor war against the Canadian market," Towe said. "I think it's a hopeless and a useless war."

East Coast treaties on fishing boundaries now before the U.S. Senate have a "tremendous" impact on the West Coast fishing industry, Towe said. He said he feels the treaties have been set aside in favor of the SALT II ratification process which has been tabled pending resolution of the Iranian and Afghanistan crisis.

Towe predicted the recent West Coast dispute over tuna boundaries will happen again without Senate action on the treaties. He said further delays in passage of the treaties will "perpetuate the present impasse."

Canadian Prime Minister Joe Clark would like the 1980 Moscow Olympics moved, Towe said, but added that Clark has no current intention to press for a boycott of the summer Games.

"It's a decision of the International Olympic Committee," Towe said.

—Gary Sharp

Teachers' reactions to 'grades' varied

"Report cards" on professors are out and, as expected, reaction is varied.

Late last quarter, after a year of development and delay, 5,000 copies of the Associated Students' Faculty and Course Evaluation Guide were made available.

The guide was published to help students make a "more informed decision" when selecting classes and instructors, according to its introduction.

Printed are ratings, from 0.00 to 4.00, of eight questions important to the pro-

spective student. An overall faculty and course rating is included.

AS representative Dave Nightingale supervised compilation of the guide. Before distribution, he said he didn't "expect all negative criticism or all applause. I hope it will be accepted for what it is meant to be."

Some professors find the guide unacceptable. Leroy Plumlee of business administration wrote a memo to Kathy Walker stating, "Although we agree in principle with the effort and the concept,

accepting the results of this kind of survey would be most difficult for our department."

Maurice Foisy of political science said the figures "should be taken with a heavy grain of salt," but praised the effort.

"I am in favor of this sort of thing because it is more information for students," he said.

He warned students not to judge a class solely on the "grade" given in the guide. He suggested instead to talk with the instructor about the nature of the course

or to talk to other students, "which may or may not be representative."

Harley Hiller of history said his colleagues' reaction to the guide depended on the ratings received.

"Five or six of us went over to the AS office to see how we did. Of course, those who got a high score approved, and the one who got .60 or something said the numbers were meaningless," he said, laughing.

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Benny, 'King of Swing,' brings music, memories

Gingerly he stepped onto the stage dressed in a crisp black tuxedo. The audience and orchestra applauded enthusiastically. Then, 71-year-old Benny Goodman did a two-step, turned to the orchestra and set the joint to jumpin'.

Goodman, who made his classical clarinet debut at age 10, was most famous for playing with swing bands in the '40s. His current tour, which brought him to the Performing Arts Center Tuesday, is designed to promote his new book.

Perhaps in an attempt to return to the good ol' days, the nostalgic sound of the big band is making a comeback. Western got a delightful dose of that sound Tuesday night.

Goodman was featured in the latter half of the Northwest Concert Association sponsored event.

He played from memory in a rich style, the difficult arpeggios of Weber's Concertino for Clarinet and orchestra.

The second piece was a more familiar medley of old favorites

that drew sighs of recognition from the audience.

The medley included "Let's Dance," "Here's That Rainy Day," "I've Got You Under My Skin" and "Honeysuckle Rose."

This was the legend the audience came to see. Goodman's body swayed to the beat as he played in the saucy style that made him the "King of Swing."

Goodman rehearsed with the Bellingham and Western Symphony orchestra for two hours Monday.

"It was a little tense because it's hard for an orchestra of that size to play without a conductor," violinist Clark Potter said, adding that it was a great honor to play with Goodman.

After listening to Goodman, whose stage presence is charming, it's not hard to see why this type of music is making a comeback. The music was made for dancing. Throughout the entire performance Goodman and the audience tapped their feet to the beat that 40 years ago inspired couples to jitterbug.

—Glenda Carino



BENNY GOODMAN, the legendary "King of Swing," made Western a stop on his latest tour. Goodman was accompanied by the Bellingham and Western Symphony Orchestra. He is pictured rehearsing with them. (photos by Todd Mason)



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Sports

Cold-shooting Viks drop 87-83 decision to Lutes

"When we shoot 83 times and they shoot only 62 times, we should expect to win," Viking basketball coach Chuck Randall said after his squad dropped an 87-84 decision to Pacific Lutheran University Tuesday evening.

Western completed only 34 of those 83 shots for a chilly 41 percent shooting average.

Despite the loss, Western received laudable performances from guards Rohn McCoy and Darcy Weisner.

McCoy dominated the boards for Western, pulling down 19 rebounds, seven of those offensive. He also led the Viks in scoring, with 24 points. Weisner tallied 22 on the night.

Usually hot-shooting guards Kevin Bryant and Ron Radliff turned cold. Bryant hit only 5 of 18, and Radliff 7 of 18.

The Lutes took the opening tip-off and scored first. They didn't relinquish their lead until McCoy scored with 3:09 left in the first half to give Western a 40-38 edge.

Tied at 44 with less than 30 seconds remaining, Western went for the last shot of the first half with a passing stall.

With just seconds left Bruce Bravard missed a shot. Radliff

grabbed the rebound but also missed, as the first half ended in a deadlock.

Western began to pressure PLU in the back-court in the second half but Randall said he thought the press hurt his team more than it helped it.

"It used up a lot of energy and they burnt us on it a couple times," Randall said.

PLU began to pull away in the second half aided by its leading scorer, John Greenquist, who contributed 17 points.

Lute guard Dan Allen hurt the Viks by penetrating time after time. He dished out 10 assists, and repeatedly drew fouls. He had a perfect night from the free throw line, hitting eight of eight.

Mounting their last surge of the game, the Vikings closed to 85-77 at the :44 mark.

Bryant hit a 20 foot bomb with 37 seconds remaining to close the gap to 85-79.

Putting pressure on the inbounds pass, Western prevented PLU from getting the ball in within the prescribed five seconds and gained possession.

After another shot by Bryant, this time a miss, McCoy got the

rebound and was fouled. He sank both attempts to make the score 87-81.

Weisner fouled Greg Lovrovich in the back-court after the inbounds pass. Lovrovich missed the attempt and Radliff got off one of his howitzers from the corner with six seconds left to make the final score 87-83.

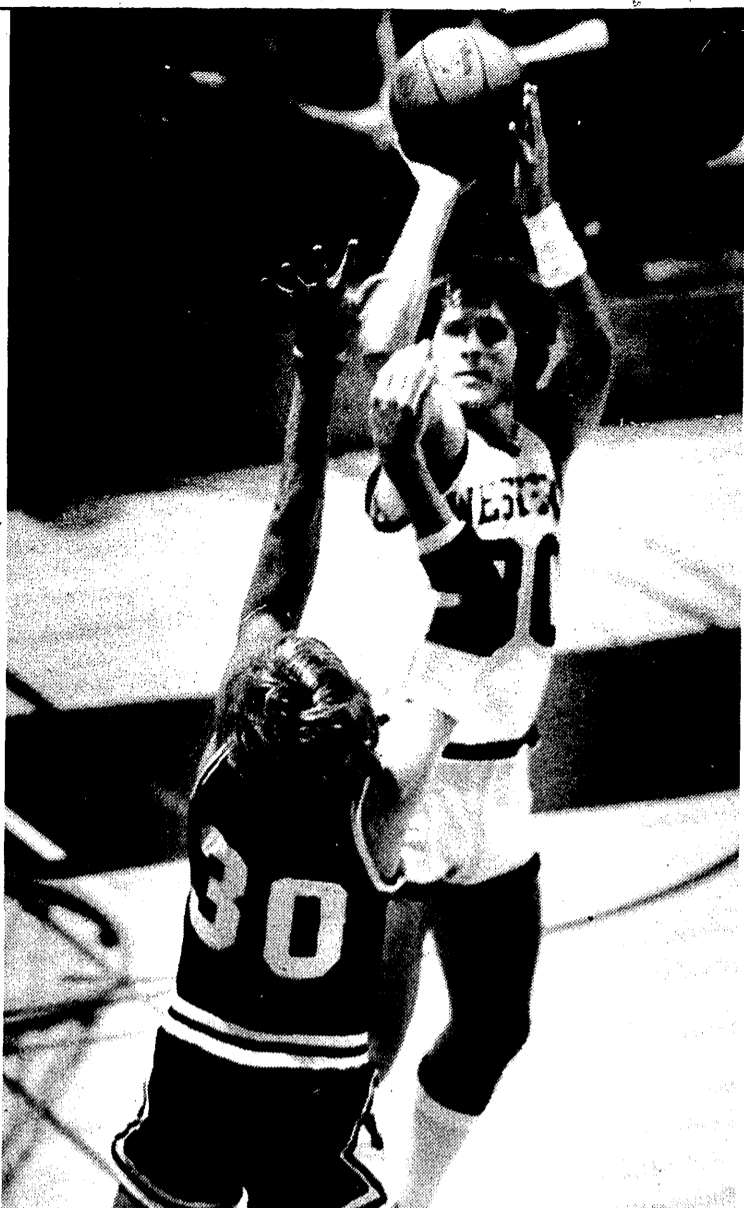
Randall said his team played a good game but the poor shooting hurt.

Western defeated PLU earlier this season 73-69 in Tacoma. Coaches Ed Anderson of PLU and Randall agreed that Tuesday's game was the better of the two meetings.

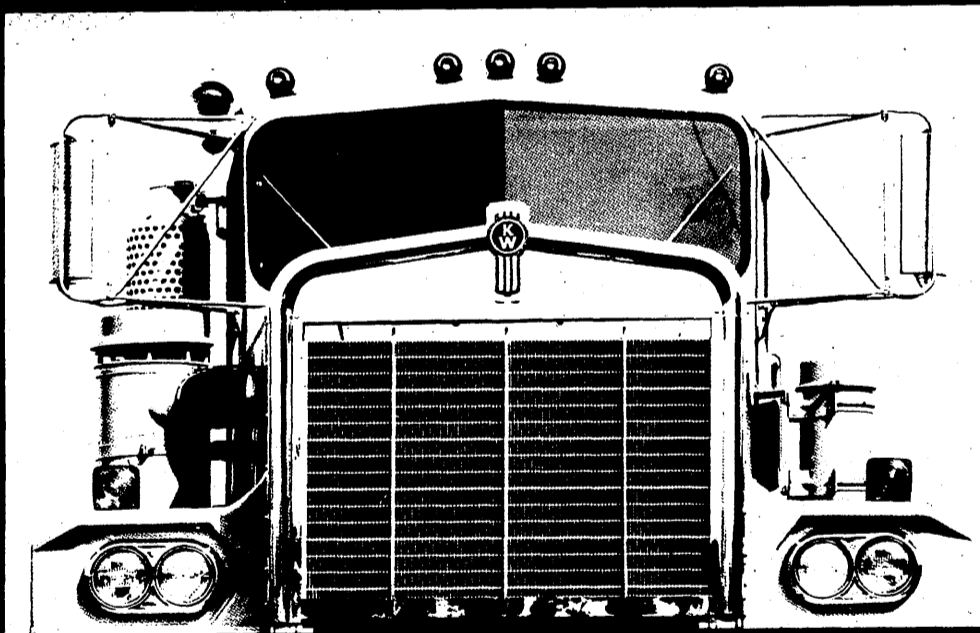
Western's record fell to 6-9 on the season, while PLU raised its to 9-7.

—Lynn Keebaugh

Pacific Lutheran 87, Western 83		
PLU	44	43 - 87
WWU	44	40 - 83
PLU: Allen 18, Levin 18, Lovrovich 2, Lashua 12, Greenquist 25, Williams 12, Muller.		
WWU: Bryant 12, Radliff 14, McCoy 24, Bravard 2, Weisner 22, Durant 9, Smith, Sheehan, Upton, Bohannon.		
Percentages: FG— PLU 35-62 .565; WWU 34-83 .410. FT— PLU 17-21 .810; WWU 15-19 .789.		
Rebounds: PLU 38 (Williams 14), WWU 46 (McCoy 19). Turnovers: PLU 17, WWU 13. Fouls: PLU 15 (Greenquist, Williams), WWU 22 (Durant).		



DARCY WEISNER HAD a big night for the Viks Tuesday as he had a career-high 22 points and made nine of 11 field goal tries. His efforts were not enough, however. The Pacific Lutheran Lutes won the game, 87-83. (photo by Rick Ross)



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Hoopsters entertain Portland

If you want to see the Western women's basketball team in action soon, you had better show up tonight at 7:30 in Carver Gym.

After tonight's game with the University of Portland Pilots, the team will not have a home contest until Feb. 22 when Western hosts Lewis-Clark State College.

The women currently are riding a 10-game win streak, their best since they ran off 13 in a row in the 1976-77 campaign—a year in which they advanced all the way to the national tournament.

The women's game versus the University of Portland will be televised tonight on cable Channel 10 starting at 7:30.

Portland, presently 8-4 under first-year coach Ed Rooney, features 5'5" guard Joyce Robertson (she leads the team in scoring with a 15.0 per game average) and 6'0" center Beth Thompson (12.0 points per game and 11.1 rebounds per contest).

The game is a Northwest Empire League contest, a league which the Vikings lead with a 4-0 mark. Portland is currently 2-2 in NEL play.

For the men, tonight might be a rough one. Western travels over the Cascades to Ellensburg to encounter the always-tough Central Washington Wildcats in a Washington Intercollegiate Basketball Association contest.

The Wildcats sport a 1-2 WIBA mark and an 11-4 overall record. Dean Nicholson's squad is seeking its seventh consecutive NAIA District I title and its 14th national tournament appearance.

Moving Games not a good idea

The shouts can now be heard across the United States and much of the "free world."

"Move the Games to Munich!" "Move the Games to Montreal!" "Move the Games permanently to Greece where they belong!" "Boycott the Games!" "Cancel the Games altogether!" "Hold a Free World Olympics!"

Outraged citizens and concerned political leaders have offered the above statements in response to Russia's military presence in Afghanistan. All of them interesting but also troublesome.

Moving the Summer Olympics to Munich, the site of the 1972 Games, or to Montreal, where the 1976 Summer Olympics were held, are logical alternatives. After all, the facilities needed for all the various events are available. However, the housing and dining facilities built for all the athletes are currently being used as permanent residences by citizens of those two cities.

Moving the Olympics permanently to Greece, where the Games originated in antiquity, is a noble gesture. But, what guarantees the stability of the Greek nation in 10 or 12 years? A massive and expensive permanent Olympic complex would have to be constructed and then maintained during each Olympiad. What guarantees that funds for such an undertaking would be readily available?

Each participating nation also would want to have some kind of input on the design of the facilities and conflicts between nations over this input could be a headache for the International Olympic Committee.

Moving the 1980 Olympics out

of Moscow could also bring up legal trouble for the IOC. They have a contract with the Moscow promoters and supporters of the 1980 Summer Olympics to hold the Games there, and nowhere else. If the Olympics were cancelled or moved to another site, those promoters and financial supporters could sue the IOC for breach of contract. No politics, just simple contract law.

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Conducting a "Free World Olympics" could also result in legal trouble for the IOC. The same contract that binds the IOC to Moscow also allows the Olympic name and symbol to be used exclusively by the organizers from the time the previous Games end to the end of the Olympics they are hosting. Any quasi-Olympics using the name or symbol could be a legal no-no, especially if it receives any endorsement or favorable attention from the IOC.

When real war was present, the Games were cancelled for obvious reasons. No contingency plans were needed. The present dilemma constitutes a gray area. And, if a similar one should arise again, perhaps it would be prudent for the IOC to develop alternatives.

For this particular Olympics, those alternatives now being shouted around the world might be so much hot air. But they might be a good idea for the future.



THE NUMBERS WERE all in favor of Pacific Lutheran, on this rebound and in the final score (87-83), Tuesday night. Western's Rohn McCoy got his share of rebounds, however, as he pulled down a game-high 19. (photo by Rick Ross)

Western athletes up for honors

It could be a big night for Western athletics Monday, if the number of university-affiliated nominees at the Whatcom County Sports Awards Banquet is any indication.

Four Western athletes, one faculty member and the family of a Viking basketball player have been nominated to receive plaudits at the banquet, which will be at the Holiday Inn. A social hour will begin at 6 p.m. with dinner scheduled for 7.

Pat Locker, who won the Sports Personality of the Year trophy after a record breaking freshman football season in 1976, is once again up for the honor after he broke the 4,000-yard rushing barrier in his senior season last fall.

Bill Mahoney, a forward on the Viking basketball team for two seasons, and the AAU's tenth-ranked middleweight amateur boxer who has a shot at making the

Olympic team, is also on the list of nominees for Sports Personality.

The third Western athlete up for Sports Personality is the Viks' field hockey ace, Scarlett Kanistanoux.

Bill Handy, now a wide receiver on the Western grid team, but formerly a standout prep athlete at Nooksack Valley High School, is a contender for the High School Male Athlete of the Year.

The Ray Bravard family, whose son, Bruce, is a starter on the

Western basketball team, has been nominated as Whatcom County Sports Family of the Year.

Finally, Carl Schuler, a history professor here and also the faculty athletic representative, is eligible for the Area Contributor award.

During the course of the evenings ceremonies, four former Western athletes will be inducted into the Western Hall of Fame. They include Wendy Taylor Charney, Claudia Lindor Uhrig, Fritz Chorvat and Dave Emery.

Tickets are \$12.50 and are available at the Bellingham Chamber of Commerce, Blaine Insurance, Hinote's in Everson, Irwin Hardware in Ferndale, Joe Martin's Sporting Goods, Lynden Travel, the Sportsmen's Chalet and Western's Public Information Office.



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WINTER BACHELOR DEGREE & PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE CANDIDATES: All students expecting to graduate and/or receive a provisional teaching certificate at the close of winter quarter 1980 must have a senior evaluation and degree application on file in the Registrar's Office, OM230, by Tues., Jan. 29. An appointment must be made in that office.

ENGLISH COMPETENCY TEST for prospective teacher education candidates will be given at 4 p.m. Wed. & Thurs., Jan. 30 & 31, in LH4. Students for whom this test is a requirement must register in advance in MH202. Picture ID is required. This exam will not be given again until spring quarter.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR CORRECT LOCAL ADDRESS filed with the Registrar's Office? If not, you will not receive your registration proof for winter quarter nor your spring quarter advance registration appointment. The Registrar's Office is in OM230.

THE CAMPUS LOST AND FOUND is located in VA665 and will be open to receive found items or to retrieve lost items at the following times winter quarter: Mon., 10-12 & 1-4; Tues., 3:30-4:30; Wed., 10-12 & 1-3; Thurs., 3-4; Fri., 10-12 & 1-3.

FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM to fill out forms and answer questions is scheduled for Thurs., Jan. 31, Feb. 7 and Feb. 21 in the VU Lounge between 2 and 7 p.m. This is a free service open to everyone, sponsored by the IRS and Western's Accounting Club.

MATH/LAW LECTURE: Prof. Alan L. Tyree, faculty of law, University of New South Wales, will talk on "Circular Priorities in Secured Transactions" at 3 p.m. Mon., Feb. 4, in BH221. This talk will concern the application of math to a legal problem.

AWARENESS SEMINAR: The United Learning Institute will present a two-day seminar Feb. 2-3 in VA350. Cost is \$30 per person, but dorm residents get a substantial discount. Space is limited. For registration and information, contact Chris Cooley, 676-5441.

Career Planning & Placement Center Recruiting Schedule

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

U.S. Navy Officer Program, Mon.-Tues., Jan. 28-29. All majors accepted.

Aetna Casualty & Surety Co., Tues., Jan. 29. Business and liberal arts majors.

All-State Insurance, Fri., Feb. 1. Political science, English, business, accounting and public administration majors.

Keller Supply Co., Tues., Feb. 5.

The Upjohn Co., Tues., Feb. 5. Science majors.

Federal Careers Day will be held Wed., Jan. 30, in the Viking Union. All students are urged to attend.

Puget Power and Western cooperate to save energy

A conservation program has been arranged between Puget Power and Western that offers a monetary rebate on energy saved.

Western has been asked by Puget to voluntarily reduce the amount of electricity used during certain time periods. The plans are called, "University Electrical Reduction Alert Plans."

The first plan, "voluntary brownout," one of two alternatives which Puget will ask Western to cooperate with during heavy energy consumption days, calls for voluntary energy reduction for three hours, either from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., or 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. In the agreement Puget is required to provide three to four hours notice prior to "brownout time."

The plan will help conserve during days of high energy usage. The plan went to work three weeks ago on an extremely cold day. Puget, anticipating a large drain on electrical load, asked all of its heavy consumers, except Western, to put the voluntary energy reduction plan to use.

"Western, apparently, was not contacted because there was not enough notification time involved," said Don House of Western's facilities development.

When Puget decides to use the plan it

will contact House at the Maintenance and Operations office who in turn will notify departmental and main offices on campus.

The offices will reduce energy consumption by turning off unnecessary lights, electric coffee pots and space heaters.

The difference between the amount of energy normally used and that consumed during the "brownout" will determine Western's refund, said Puget representative Frank Cratsenberg.

"The classroom is essential energy and will not be reduced," said Jack Cooley, Western business manager. "However, lights and electricity in classrooms and other areas not being occupied will be shut off during the period."

"This is not anything new, we have been doing this for a few years with Puget Power," House said. He said electrical consumption has been reduced through a "Demand Limiting Program," which through the computer at maintenance and operations shuts off excess lighting.

If Puget asks Western to use the morning time period for the plan, most of the energy consumption will be in the academic areas of campus. If Puget requests

a brownout during the evening period, the Housing and Dining areas will be greatly affected.

Students who live on campus will be asked to voluntarily turn off stereos, radios and heaters during the selected time.

If Puget anticipates more energy consumption than it can produce, a second plan will be used. In an "actual brownout," Puget will reduce the amount of electricity to Western's sub station, located on the south end of campus.

"This occurring is very remote," Cooley said. "It would most likely be used if a serious energy crisis or disaster developed."

Puget can only reduce the level of electricity to the campus by a given amount. If they do cut back more electricity than is required for Western's normal power, departments and areas where large motor and electrical appliances are used will be notified prior to the reduction and given suggestions to what will be safe to use, Cooley said.

"There is not a great chance these plans will ever go into effect. It just depends on the weather and Puget," Cooley said.

—Diane Hill



IN A BROWNOUT, electrical output in Western's dorms would be reduced.

Safety system purchased

Western has purchased an electric generator and a semi-trailer for use in case an area or building on campus suffers a power system failure.

The generator was purchased last May from Pacific Marine and Industrial Co. It cost approximately \$27,700. Last October Western purchases a used 40-foot semi-trailer from the Transport Equipment Co. for \$3,350.

"We are in the process of placing the generator on the trailer permanently," Bill Harrison of Maintenance said. "It will be used as a portable generator. If a building is going to be out of power for a long time, we will take the generator over to the building and hook it up. The generator will provide temporary power until power can be restored," he said.

Western has emergency generators in all its academic buildings to supply power to auxiliary lights.

The Western Front



SINGING IN RED SQUARE weekday mornings is one of the few places Christians gather on campus. (photo by Rick Ross)

Howard to query AS board on recognition policy

Associated Students Board member Jack Howard will ask the AS Board of Directors at its Feb. 5 meeting to investigate a possible change of the board's position on the recognition policy lawsuit.

Howard has sent a letter to State Attorney General Slade Gorton on whether the board can submit a brief reversing its previous position as defendants in the lawsuit. Gorton sent the letter back asking that the question be raised by the board as a whole.

Last year's board approved the policy restricting campus Christian groups from using campus facilities for religious workshop or instruction. The groups can rent the facilities twice a month.

The present board inherited the problem and has not yet stated a position this year.

"We've just stayed away from the issue," board member Dave Nightingale said.

"What concerns me is that we've just come in and blindly accepted what has been left to us," Howard said, adding he wants the board to know it has the option to change last year's decision.

"I'm working for the students and so is this year's board," he said.

He stressed that he does not necessarily support the change in policy but rather that he would like to clarify the board's position.

Howard said he does not want to embroil the AS in the same sort of controversy as last year.

"It's tough for me as a Christian," Howard said, referring to his membership in one of the plaintiff groups. "I'm

going to count heads . . . keeping people (board members) smooth and easy and not getting people upset yet."

Board Vice President Alan Cote disagrees with Howard.

"I don't think that bringing it up at the board level is very constructive at this point," he said. "The process of decision making has left the board's level and is in the realm of the courts." He added he would vote no if he were asked to pursue the matter with the Attorney General's office.

"It's not fair to the students," he said.

"If the board sees it as being necessary, I'm not going to stand in the way," AS President Kathy Walker said, adding that she did not see any reason to change the board's position.

—Andrew Potter