



# Fertility not proportionate to welfare

Welfare mothers apparently do not have more children as a result of receiving welfare payments, a study by a University of Idaho economist shows.

Dr. John W. Knudsen, U of I assistant professor of economics, reached this conclusion after examining the fertility rates of women on welfare. Using multiple-regression analysis for his statistical

the southern states--were substantially lower than payments in other states.

The AFDC program, funded jointly by federal, state, and local governments, currently pays benefits to some 11 million recipients in the United States with 1975 payments totalling about \$8.5 billion. Both the number of recipients and the total benefits have

"One possible thing making the AFDC program pro-children is that you have to have a child to get on," Knudsen said. Consequently, the AFDC program has been a target for charges that it encourages its recipients to have more children, by paying for additional children.

Knudsen then cited reasons why the AFDC program would not, however, have the impact upon fertility rates that "one might expect from the first view."

First, the purpose of the AFDC program is to improve the "quality of life of the child. The higher payments may just go to improving the quality of life of the child," he said.

Second, even after benefits, AFDC families are still poor. He said that the poor generally have more children than the wealthy, but that, in this case, "with the poorest of the poor," there is a different situation. He also said that, while

program, especially what he termed its "implicit tax," affecting women on AFDC who obtain employment. Formerly, for every dollar that a welfare mother earned, one dollar was subtracted from her benefits. This, then, amounted to an "implicit tax" of 100 per cent on any money that she might have made.

This has since been reduced to about 67 per cent. In other words, for every dollar that an AFDC mother now earns, about 67 cents is subtracted from every dollar of her AFDC payments.

However, as Knudsen demonstrated, even with this reduction in the "implicit tax" rate, there is little incentive for women on AFDC to find employment. This is because once a dependent mother goes to work, she loses some of her other welfare income, which may include food stamps and Medicaid.

"I don't think we have to reform

## "AFDC payments do not necessarily represent a family's total income."

method, Knudsen studied the fertility of women receiving payments through the Aid-to-Families-with-Dependent-Children (AFDC) program.

His study also found that women who have received AFDC benefits for relatively longer periods of time do not have higher fertility rates.

Since it is commonly supposed that the AFDC program leads to increased fertility rates among its clients, the rates should have been higher in states with relatively higher payments, for example some of the Northeastern states, Knudsen said.

However, when he introduced controls for other factors which may affect fertility--education, environment, age of the mother, birth-control counseling--he found that fertility differences among the low- and high-paying states were "inconsequential" and "non-significant."

"We have found no clear evidence that women on AFDC have more children because they're on AFDC," he said.

He emphasized that, in determining the size of payment per state, he made adjustments for factors such as the cost of living, which differ among states. Even after these adjustments, however, payments in some states--especially

steadily increased from 1968, where there were approximately 5.3 million recipients and \$2.5 billion in paid benefits.

Knudsen said that a family's AFDC payments are usually supplemented by additional welfare income, such as food stamps, Medicaid and other available subsidies. Thus, AFDC payments do not necessarily represent a family's total income.

The bulk of AFDC beneficiaries are members of families without fathers, although, in some states, benefits from the program are also available for families in which the father is incapacitated or unemployed.

Formerly known as the Aid-to-Dependent-Children (ADC) program, the AFDC pays additional benefits for each extra child that an

## "Even after benefits, AFDC families are still poor."

AFDC aid does raise a family's income, the payment per child is still low.

As mentioned, Knudsen found that women on welfare for long periods of time did not have more children. He felt that the main explanation for this was that AFDC

AFDC for reasons of its impact on fertility," he said, when asked about his suggestions for improving the current system. However, he said that "there are other reasons why we might want to reform the system."

He cited, as examples, the high diversity of payments from state to state and the high "implicit tax rate" present in the AFDC program. "The present 'implicit tax rates' discourage welfare recipients from trying to improve their economic circumstances," he said.

Along the same lines, he said that some people are excited about "work incentive" programs which would provide welfare recipients with positive financial incentives to obtain work. However, he pointed out, in the case of a single woman with small children, it might be socially desirable to have her home taking care of her children.

Knudsen also mentioned that President Ford's welfare-reform measures, aimed at trimming ineligible persons from welfare programs, have not reduced payments to eligible families on AFDC.

## "women who have received AFDC benefits...do not have higher fertility."

eligible mother bears. Subsidies begin with birth of the child and continue for as long as that child's family is on AFDC. Knudsen said that it has not been the practice to cut off payments after the mother has had a certain number of children.

recipients have poor prospects and may not respond to higher payments by having more children.

Although his research found that AFDC mothers with the most children were generally those who had received birth-control counseling, he pointed out that birth-control counseling may still serve to keep the number of children down.

Possibly, those women who already have several children may be the ones who either seek out or are sent for counseling, he suggested.

Knudsen is critical of several aspects of the present AFDC

## Wilderness Center enjoys year of unprecedented growth

The U of I Wilderness Research Center, conceived just two years after passage of the 1964 Wilderness Act, "experienced a year of unprecedented growth in 1975," according to its recently released annual report.

Major accomplishments of the year include formation of a Technical Board by Dr. John Ehrenreich, dean of the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences, who assumed the added duties as director of the center. The board in turn established formal objectives, policies and responsibilities of the center.

Other key accomplishments include: --Organization of research being conducted under the auspices of the center. --Initiation of new research.

---Beginning an educational thrust.

As early as May of 1966, then head of the Cooperative Wildlife Unit, Dr. Paul Dalke, proposed a wilderness center that "would provide a major research fund solicitor, an intellectual resource pool, and a well equipped agency for broadly conceived research into the nature of wilderness and man."

By 1969, the U of I had acquired as a field station the Taylor Ranch in the heart of the Idaho Primitive

Area, the largest remaining tract of roadless America. In 1970, the Wilderness Research Center became a reality.

In the formal guidelines established for the center during 1975, the purpose of the center is described: "to foster research and educational activities which will lead to a broader understanding of the structure and function of natural ecosystems, man's relationship to them, and their perpetual protection in the wilderness concept."

While graduate students work on advanced degrees in conjunction with major research projects directed by faculty, undergraduate students have an opportunity to work at the Taylor Ranch in the summer on projects they propose. Studies on pocket gophers, native cutthroat trout and blue grouse were conducted last summer in the first year of this project.

Future plans for the center, according to the report, include hiring an assistant director to handle daily administration of center activities, creation of an advisory board of individuals from across the nation concerned about the future of wilderness, broadening of the Technical Board to include disciplines outside the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences, and expansion of research and educational activities.

## Lake management districts called for by economist

A U of I economist says the state legislature should form a "lake management district" to help control waste discharges into northern Idaho's Lake Coeur d'Alene.

"Such a district could institute taxes and user fees to finance control of discharges into the lake," remarked David C. Campbell, associate professor of economics. He was one of five U of I faculty members and 12 students who led a recent workshop at North Idaho

College on shoreline development. Discussing the economic impact of continued overuse of the lake on property values, fishing and recreation appeal, Campbell suggested that persons installing effluent systems for existing homes should be subsidized by lake users who receive benefits but incur no costs.

Echoing Campbell's proposal was Arthur D. Smith Jr., associate professor of law, who advocated the formation of water and sewer districts. He said cities and counties could enact shoreline regulations to control waste discharges into the lake as well as sedimentation and runoff problems from agricultural lands and construction sites.

## Downtown committee is selected

The ASUI Senate recently selected a committee to poll U of I students on what they think downtown Moscow should be like.

ASUI President David Warnick said the committee has met several times and agreed to circulate a questionnaire asking students about their needs and desires for the downtown area.

## Adams receives Big Sky Scholar/Athlete award

University of Idaho offensive tackle John B. Adams has been named one of eight recipients of the 1976 Big Sky Conference Scholar-Athlete award according to Commissioner John Roning.

The 6-3, 230-pound senior from Idaho Falls, Idaho, chalked up an impressive 3.58 grade point average during his four years at the University of Idaho.

Adams will graduate in May with a degree in accounting and then join

the Shell Oil Corp. in Houston, Texas.

Adams was joined in the elite circle this year by Gonzaga tennis standout Bob Domtier, Idaho State football center Richard Rodgers, Montana State griddier William L. Crowley, Weber State grid participant David G. Gray, Montana wrestling letterman Dave Koeppen, Boise State football standout Glenn Sparks and Northern Arizona baseballer John Stringer.

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# Dreams

Received by Mike Bohan c/o this newspaper

*Flying to church*

I could fly, as usual, and spent a lovely afternoon breezing in and out of white puffy clouds over a tranquil sea. Everything was beautiful and peaceful until a shot rang out and I felt myself falling downward. The scene switched and I was in church. In fact, the person who had shot me down from the sky sang in church and I had to sit through the whole service and watch him, knowing what he had done. It became so unbearable I ran out and down the street to my house and started calling for my mother. She had left, though.

*Candidate abuse*

Last night I dreamed my 'dream' girl was going to get married to a candidate who was running for president. I kind of knew he would never marry her and was just using her to campaign for his election. I also knew that he was going to win. Anyway, I was very jealous and disappointed and she was showing me this book her candidate boyfriend had published especially for his campaign. The book had all of his trials and tribulations dating back to when he was a child. It was a very clear-book with pictures in vivid living color. The credentials he had published in the book were all in gold and blue, blue ribbons hanging loose and gold seals of merit on each. I was extremely disillusioned. I woke up and was very angry at the candidate and at my dream girl. I'm still a little shook up.

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# EVENTS

by CHARLES REITH

## COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Interviews for the position of Director of Photography will take place in the SUB Appaloosa Room today at 6:00 p.m.

## RALLY SQUAD

There will be an organizational meeting for all interested persons today at 6:30 p.m. at the Alpha Phi House.

## WRA SOCIAL DANCING

There will be a social dance session tonight at the WHEB Rm. 110. Beginning lessons are from 7 to 7:30 p.m. and everyone is welcome from 7:30 to 9 p.m. This event is sponsored by Women's Recreation Association.

## Moscow Russian Club

The Moscow Russian Club is sponsoring a three-day film festival in the Borah Theatre today through Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Featured films will be Chekhov's "Lady With A Dog." Other films about life in Russia and Russian culture will also be shown. This event is free and open to the public.

## PALOUSE ENSEMBLE

The Palouse Ensemble For Early Music will perform at the University of Idaho FrenchHouse (Le Chateau) tonight at 7:30 p.m. Included in the program will be demonstrations of the various instruments to be played, comments and discussion on music history from the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, and vocal and instrumental music selections from the French masters of these periods. This event is free and open to the public, but come early due to the limited seating.

## COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Interviews for Argonaut Editor and Gem of the Mountains Editor will take place Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the SUB Chief's Room. There will also be a regular meeting in session.

## WRA SQUARE DANCING

Square dancing will be in full swing Wednesday night at the WHEB Rm. 110. Beginning lessons are from 7 to 7:30 p.m. and everyone is welcome from 7:30 to 9 p.m. This event is sponsored by WRA.

## VANDAL FLYING CLUB

There will be a meeting of the Vandal Flying Club Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB (Room will be posted). Topic discussed and the scheduled movie will be "Density Altitude" (An FAA movie recommended for all pilots.)

## GERMAN CONVERSATION HOUR (KAFFEEKLATSCH)

The "Kaffeeklatsch" (German conversation hour), will meet Thursday at 4:00 p.m. at the Campus Christian Center. A short German film "Realms of the Fantastic" will be shown. The film is a collage of paintings by Boecklin, Klinger, Klee, Dalí, and others. All interested persons are invited.

## PRESIDENT FORD COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the President Ford Committee Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the SUB (Room will be posted.)

## PALOUSE REVIVAL DINNER

There will be a Palouse Revival Dinner, Thursday at 6:30 p.m. This is Men's night. Tickets are \$2.50 and are available at the Crossroads Book Store. Music will be by the group "Morning Star."

## COLLEGE 4-4 CLUB

College 4-4 Club will be holding its last meeting of the semester Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the SUB. (Room will be posted.)

## COFFEE HOUSE

There will be a Coffee House this Friday from 9 to midnight. Scheduled performers to appear in the Vandal Lounge will be: Dirk Campbell 9 to 10 p.m., Wes Osterberg 10 to 11 p.m. and Chris McGary and Steve Elsele from 11 to midnight. There will be free coffee.

## LDS AND COMPANY

The LDS Church will be hosting the play "Title of Liberty" which will be performed Friday and Saturday at the U of I Performing Arts Center. Performances will start at 8 p.m. each night with a Saturday matinee performance at 2 p.m. Admission is one dollar.

## GRAPEVINE

If you want to know more about the events in this column and more call Grapevine at 885-6484.

## MOSCOW THOREAU SOCIETY

Anyone remaining in the area during the summer can participate in a transcendental experience by joining the Moscow Thoreau Society. Anyone interested should submit their name, phone or address to Moscow Thoreau Society, Box 3353, U of I Station, Moscow, Idaho. 83843. Respondents will be contacted. No fees required.

# MECHA presents Chicano institute

The U of I chapter of MECHA, a nationwide organization of Chicano college students, will present a Chicano Multicultural Institute on campus this Friday.

The institute, open to the public, will explore aspects of Chicano culture, especially as they relate to education.

On Friday morning at the SUB Chicano educators will speak concerning bilingual education, migrant-worker education and other aspects of Chicano education.

"A Historical Picture of Chicanos" will be the subject of a talk by Dr. Julian Nava at the SUB Borah Theatre at noon. A prominent Chicano educator, graduate of Harvard and member of the Los Angeles City Board of Education, Dr. Nava is a professor of history at UCLA.

At 7 p.m. in the Agricultural Science Auditorium, Dr. Nava will again speak, followed by multicultural singing, dancing and poetry presentations.

This institute will primarily seek to raise public awareness of the Chicano cultural background, said Rosendo De La Rosa, president of MECHA. He pointed out that although Chicanos are Idaho's largest ethnic group, they have been unable to obtain equal educational opportunities because of language and cultural barriers.

Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanos de Azatlan is the full

name of MECHA, and according to De La Rosa, this translates as Chicano Student Movement of the Southwest.

"Chicano" is not synonymous with the older term "Mexican-American," he emphasized, adding that, in a cultural sense, it means "being of Spanish and Indian descent." He further explained that "Chicano" is a new term, revealing awareness of cultural heritage and identity, "uniting us so that we can be more effective in gaining identity."

The constitution of the university's MECHA chapter states in part that its aims are to "enlighten fellow students of the Chicano culture and society as well as its heritage, to contribute to the understanding of minority groups within the American society, and to further the education and economic opportunities for Chicanos."

De La Rosa indicated that a more specific goal of MECHA is "to enthrone all other Chicanos in Idaho into entering into higher education."

Regarding future plans of MECHA, the members "are hoping to have institutes at least once per year," depending on its financial status, according to De La Rosa. He said that they are also anticipating completion of the Chicano Center to be located on the fourth floor of the Alumni Center.

## Speakers and Workshops

Rafael Ortiz-Bilingual Education in the Classroom, 8-12, Borah Theater

Antonio Ochoa-Migrant Education and Teacher Training, 8-12, Borah Theater

Lorenzo Villareal-President, Idaho Mexican-American Educational Association, 8-12, Borah Theater

Cordelia Candelaria-Ph.D. Professor of English, ISU-Educating the Chicanos

Norbert Valdez-Chicano Studies

for Junior High Schools, 8-12, Borah Theater

Rudy Pena--A Profile of Chicanos in the State of Idaho, 8-12, Borah Theater

Dr. Julian Nava-- A Historical Picture of Chicanos, 7-10 p.m., Ag. Science Aud.

Reies Lopez Tijerina--On video tape, 3-5 p.m., UCC 101

## Activities

Chicano dancing and singing--7-10 p.m., Ag. Science Auditorium

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## Women's sports banquet scheduled next week

The first annual women's athletic awards banquet for the U of I has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 28.

According to Kathy Clark, head of women's athletics, the event will begin at 6:45 p.m. at the Mark IV Restaurant on North Main in Moscow. Tickets are \$3.50 and will be on sale to the public until this Friday.

Interested persons can purchase

tickets from the main office in the Women's Health and Physical Education Building on the U of I campus.

Senior athletes will be special honored guests for the banquet which will recognize participants from eight different sports. A most inspirational award will be given to one woman from each team and four-year competitors will receive special plaques.

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# CHARLIE BROWN

## Survival in Moscow

One berry most unrecognized around this area, and seldom enjoyed in anything but wines, is the elderberry, (*Sambucus canadensis*). This berry is overlooked because it has such a low sugar concentration, it is not readily edible raw, like cherries or raspberries. Sugar must be added to process it into wines or jellies. It functions mostly as the flavoring.

For a medical service, elderberries contain tannin. This chemical, when used with a poultice, is a treatment for the rash of poison ivy, or poison oak, or for tanning leather, as the name implies.

A poultice is a layer of gauze or certain leaves, placed over a wound to draw infection or undesired chemicals, like fluid from a bee sting, out. One of the finest leaves for this purpose, is that of the mullein plant, (*Verbascum thapsus*). This leaf, when dried and applied, functions very close to a gauze compress.

And need a light some evening when camping out? Dry a mullein leaf and insert the lower 2-3 in some bacon grease or cooking oil. It functions perfectly as a wick and

will stay lit until the grease or oil is consumed.

Mullein can also be used for a cooked green. The older it gets, the more fibrous it becomes. Pick early for best eating.



ELDERBERRY

Ever wonder what the "fern" is that grows in lawn around this area, and by roads outside the city? This "fern" is not really a fern, but a member of the grass family. Its common name is yarrow, (*Achillea*

*millefolium*). Botanically it was named for Achilles, who could have used it in a poultice on his ankle, since medically it depresses the flow of blood. The poison in the dart, like that in a snake bite would have been slowed in its travels through the body, and help might have been obtained.

As a tea it is very enjoyable, both in taste, price-it's free, and the fact that it's a natural "upper." One wonders why the State and Federal Narcs have never stepped in and wiped it out as bad as they did the natural growth of *Cannabis sativa*? The fact simply is that it is a very mild natural laxative. There is no way you'll ever "O.D.," since around 20 cups, "a good hit," of the tea will end your spree for the day.

As an "upper," it should be picked early in the Spring, before flowering changes the hormonal balance, leaving the taste, but negating its drug effect. When it is just leaves, without the flower stock, is the time to harvest. Dry naturally out of the sun, and store in a jar. You'll always have enough until your supply runs out.

Rosehips are a name many people do not recognize, even though they frequently see them. They are the name for the seed pods on every species of rose. They contain the highest concentration of vitamin C known to naturally occur. Before

oranges were hybrid to increase the concentration of this vitamin, each rosehip contained the vitamin C of 5 oranges. Now it does of just two.

To process, pick in the fall, as soon after frost as possible, to prevent natural biodegradation from sunlight. Wild roses contain much smaller hips than do the types usually found in flower gardens, though the vitamin C is higher. Cut each pod in half, remove the seeds,

then dry. They will not spoil once dried, if kept in a jar with a layer of paper towels on the bottom to absorb air moisture. And then use as a tea or a food additive if the recipe calls for citric acid-vitamin C. Your friend, Charlie Brown

# LETTERS con't

## Honors

## extended

Editor:

We have become increasingly concerned about finding a suitable honor to extend to our wise and altruistic faculty and administration. Therefore, we would like to propose that these academic giants each have a different dessert named in their honor at the student union. What could be more appropriate to celebrate their contributions to this magnificent university, and to do justice to their incomparable stature as persons of integrity and educational excellence. Here is a sample menu of these fountain fantasies:

The Hartung Humdinger-mounds and mounds and mounds of whipped cream over gobs of hot air. No charge for this one.

The Coonrod Commemoration-a bouffant of peppermint ice cream and fudge, laced with anise. Same price as above.

The Carter Slimmer-1 scoop of vanilla with cottage cheese and pickles; pay in advance, plus \$20 surcharge.

Regents' dinner-a smorgasbord of flavors (vanilla only) covered with a rainbow of syrups (vanilla only); you make this yourself, as they are concerned only with the price.

The Kibbie gift-a quarter scoop of pistachio in a three-pint dish. You pay a small percentage-\$5-and its subsidized by all.

Stark's last grant-an empty dish garnished with cherry and nuts. \$2000, but funding is available.

The Committee's coherence- fish and chili covered with marshmallow, mayonnaise and ketchup, with a scoop of raisin ice cream, scattered with the dish over the countertop; you need your fingers for this one. It only cost a penny, or a dollar, or ten dollars...

Raunio's retribution-you pick any flavor, but he only approves one; no substitutions, no drop or add. You've already paid.

Greever's grabber-prune-lemon sherbet, with collard juice and tobasco sauce. Eating is payment enough.

Barton's promise-the service person takes your order; call back in a week, or two, to see if you've got it.

Laboratory exploratory-spinach ice cream garnished with lichens and mosses (entrails substituted for \$1 extra). Pay a \$5 fee for this protein packed power play.

The ASUI candidate-2 scoops of each flavor ice cream, with 2 pints of each topping, served in a truck. Donate something for this ambiguous delight.

The AHB fiddle-fodder - Someone in the SUB chooses a flavor for you and you are forced to eat it. You asked for it.

The P.E. fandango-french fries in beer covered with chocolate and pineapple ice cream; all you can stomach. Paid for by the univ.

Gallagher's gasp-You apply for chocolate; if you are female, you get it; if you are male, you leave. Paid for by government agencies interested in equality everywhere, in everything.

Cron's booster-1 dip of wax in a pouch, with a 6 ft. U of I flag in the center. You have to give a cheer (not raspberry).

The Library cutback-3 scoops of grape ice over sliced apples- This sundae is no longer offered in order to cut costs; but you can still read about it, and it would have cost only \$40.

Violet Reason

Stewart Walker

## Shek cites inaccuracy

Editor:

Contrary to the information printed in last Friday's Argonaut, I, Jim Shek, am the only candidate from the GDI, or if you will, the "dormitory" side of campus.

Upon recognizing the inaccuracy of this facet of the article that appeared on the top left side of page two, my first emotion was one of disappointment with the Argonaut. But realizing the inherent difficulties of any publication effort, this misrepresentation was "no biggie."



I wish that Ken Housman was in fact a dorm resident, but he is not, though he is considering attaining such status next fall.

Before he does, he should realize some of the problems of living over here. He will submit a housing contract with a list of preferences as to what hall he would like to be placed in. Of this effort, no guarantees will be given, and chances are he will be denied his choices. He might apply for a single, but with a forecasted 600 to 700 new students arriving on campus next fall, what are his chances?

Once here, he will be told that he must purchase a meal card and eat in the cafeteria. . . can you stomach being told where to eat, and the food at the same time, Ken?

And if he has a vehicle, three or four trips around the nearest parking lot ought to reveal a place to leave it. Of course, if left in a questionable area, that little white slip under the wiper will only mean a lighter bank account.

But what the hay, that won't be the only unreasonable expenditure. I mean it won't be that bad having the dorm up-keep money going to buy coffee for the illustrious administrators.

Well, Ken, should you decide to live over here your patience might self-destruct in five days. But good luck, and best wishes on your campaign.

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# A.P. news briefs

## Power plant DEAL DENIED

Spokesmen for the Interior Department and the sponsoring utilities denied Monday there was any "deal" to set aside the proposed Kaiparowits electric plant in Southern Utah until after the November elections.

## Hunt no contest

Nelson Bunker Hunt, son of the late billionaire H.L. Hunt, pleaded no contest in his wiretap cover-up trial. All charges were dropped against Nelson's brother, W. Herbert Hunt, in the same case.

## Gag order argued in courts

The news media asked the Supreme Court Monday to bar lower courts from restricting news coverage of pending criminal trials.

## Seven held after drug raid

Police are holding seven persons after two drug raids at Boise. Ada County sheriff's officers said they confiscated what they thought was \$1,100 worth of cocaine in the Saturday night raids at Seaman's Gulch in the foothills above the city and in an apartment house.

## Closet gays on police force

Homosexual policemen "should come out of the closet" to show they can be good cops, Police Chief Charles Gain says.

## NFL owners resume talks

Representatives of National Football League Players Association and the NFL owners resumed talks Monday on provisions for a new contract.

## Republicans meet

College Republicans meet 6:30 p.m. (tonight) in the SUB. Room will be posted. Final details of the College Republican National Campaign Committee Fieldman Training School this weekend will be discussed.

## GOP to head

The College Republican National Committee notified the Idaho College Republicans yesterday that a member of their organization will be appointed to head a committee which will present the concept of regional presidential primaries to the Platform Committee on the Republican National Convention this summer.

The Idaho College Republican League led the effort to create the first regional presidential primary in the nation, which will be May 25 in Oregon-Idaho-Nevada, said Jim Redinger, College Republican Chairman.

The College Republican National Committee endorsed the concept of regional presidential primaries, "as opposed to the present system of scattered primaries," this summer.

Details of the committee appointment will be determined when College Republican National Chairman Karl Rove visits the University of Idaho this weekend for a CRNC Campaign training school.

## Pursley blasts Symms

by BRUCE SPOTLESON Reprinted from the Lewiston Tribune

The man who wants to supplant Steve Symms as Idaho's First District representative listed some of his reasons why at Saturday night's Congressional District 1 caucus banquet at Moscow.

Boise attorney Ken Pursley said that although Symms may sound like a Populist, his voting record makes him look "a lot more like a robber baron than a Populist."

Pursley observed that Symms recently requested the Fair Campaign Practices Committee to investigate senior citizens, consumer and conservationist

organizations that publish voting records of congressmen.

The Democratic aspirant said that such a deed is tantamount to a revival of the "enemies list" exposed and criticized during the Nixon administration.

"It's the kind of thing that we've tried to cleanse our system of," Pursley said, "and it's the kind of thing that he (Symms) is trying to bring us back to."

Pursley also said Symms is misguided on a number of key current issues.

"He thinks he's the second coming of Paul Revere," Pursley contended, "constantly shouting 'the Panamanians are coming.'"

"I am more interested in the concentration of power in oil companies and the people of this country than in what the people of Panama are doing."

Pursley also complimented Senator Frank Church for his ideologies, saying that Church has drawn his personal admiration and respect for public stands on key issues.

## Senate tackles budget

The ASUI Senate will be faced tonight with the monumental task of approving the ASUI general operating budget for 1976-1977.

The budget covers an enormous area which includes such things as the Communications Department and the Entertainment Department.

The Finance Committee has spent about a month preparing the finance budget and it has been reported that they have moved along quite smoothly and cautiously, and many of the senators feel that the bill should pass without too many difficulties.

An issue which has aroused a considerable amount of interest lately will be the subject of debate when the senate discusses the bill providing for the transfer of up to \$800 for the purposes of covering the costs of police protection for the Blue Mountain Music Festival.

The bill was tabled last week after a heated debate broke out as to whether students were actually in favor of paying for police protection.

A sum of \$4,000 for the remodeling of the offices of the Gem of the Mountains is provided for in a bill which will also be reviewed for approval on the senate floor.

Two bills and two surveys are in line for a positive tally if the senate deems it proper to do so. One bill calls for a student survey to be conducted to find out how many students are in favor or against the idea of user fees. The survey would ask students whether they support an imposition of additional general student fees or if they favor the imposition of additional user fees.

The survey then asks the student which user fees he or she would support, if any. Some of the areas are U of I catalogs, computer cards,

U of I blue books, parking on campus, and time schedules.

The other bill provides for a survey to be conducted which, if approved, will actually be a presidential poll. Students are asked which national candidate they favor as president. The poll would serve only as an informative poll for students interested in seeing the political preferences of the university.

The senate will vote on a bill which provides the amount of \$700 to be paid as dues for membership in the Idaho Student Association.

The U of I's ASUI representative to the Idaho Student Association will also be decided, as a bill providing for the appointment of ASUI Senator Tom Rafetto to that position is up for approval.

## Demo caucus needs ground work

by BRUCE SPOTLESON Reprinted from the Lewiston Tribune

Idaho Lt. Governor John Evans said Saturday that the Democratic party need only lay the proper pre-election groundwork, and it will become the majority party in the state legislature.

"My point is simply this," Evans told more than 200 persons who attended the First District Caucus on the University of Idaho campus at Moscow and a banquet afterward.

"A little more time and effort by the party in fielding legislative candidates will erase Idaho's dubious distinction of being one of four GOP-controlled state legislatures in the entire nation."

Evans said that the Democrats have fallen down in pre-election planning the past two decades, and he urged the party to "go to work" to organize strategy for the 44th Legislative elections.

Criticizing "Democratic pessimists" who don't think any of their party's candidates can beat incumbent President Ford in the upcoming national elections, Evans said he thinks 1976 will be "a great Democratic year" in which one of his party's members will be elected President.

"You who recall the 1960 election," Evans emphasized,

"isn't 1976 comparable? The Democrats had a large number of great candidates. We had a spirited primary campaign, an exciting national convention and then the

Democrats closed ranks behind our candidates, John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson—and we won."

"I predict the same will happen in '76," Evans said.

## Title IX reports

All colleges in the U of I have returned their initial fact finding reports on Title 9 to the offices of President Hartung. The Dept. of Affirmative Action wants all interested persons to read and critically analyze the reports.

The reports are currently on file in Hartung's office. They cannot be removed from the office but can be read at ones leisure at a table set up in the office. Access to the reports is available Mon-Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. including the noon hour.

The critical comments by readers will be included in formulating the universities final Title 9 report.


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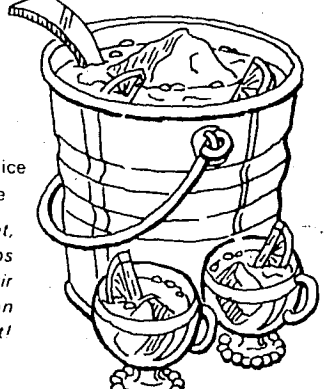
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# U-Hut plays set for week-end Richard Hugo to read poetry in Kiva

Two one-act plays, Moliere's "The Doctor in Spite of Himself" and Michel de Ghelderode's "Christopher Columbus," will be presented in the U Hut Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

The studio productions are under the direction of senior theatre arts students Dan Hiatt and Howard Swain. Admission is free, with seating available through sign-up sheets in the U-Hut lobby.

"The Doctor in Spite of Himself," which will be directed by Hiatt, was first performed in 1666 at the Palais-Royal in Paris. It is said that Moliere added this fast-paced farce as an interlude to his more serious work, "The Misanthrope," to draw the public to his theatre.

Denny Hartung is cast in the leading role of Sganarelle, the woodcutter, with Cynthia Wands as his saucy wife Martine. Other cast members include: David Billingsley, Dirk Campbell, Kurt Daw, Liz Olds, Jim Rigenhagen, Joe Wagner and Kathy Winans.

Written by Flemish playwright Ghelderode in 1927, "Christopher Columbus" is based on the story of the famous navigator who discovered America. The play depicts Columbus' attempt to discover "the Eden within himself."

Describing the work as "a grotesque, supernatural fairy tale in three scenes," director Howard Swain will use eight actors, all

women, to portray the 22 characters of the play.

"There is a truth within this play that goes beyond using only men for men's roles and women for women's roles - I am using eight actors, eight artists," said Swain.

Senior theatre arts student Rachel Foxman is cast as Columbus. The other cast members are Jane Slama, Jean Fitting, Jean Davis, Sue Ashland, Megan Richman, Julie Campbell and Lisa Peek.

## Russia comes to Moscow

A three-day film festival is planned for today, tomorrow and Thursday in the Borah Theatre. The festival is being sponsored by the Moscow Russian Club in association with U of I students. The films will run 7-10 each night with free admission.

The films are soviet productions with English sub-titles. The feature film is a Chekhov called "Lady with the Dog." Other shows include "People's of the Soviet Union," "Russia," which contrasts czarist Russia with modern Russia, and "Russian life today: inside the Soviet Union."

Richard Hugo will read from his poems at the Kiva Hut, near the old gym on the Idaho campus, on Friday evening April 23 at 7:30. The reading is sponsored by the English department and is open to the public free of charge.

Hugo was born in Seattle and received B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Washington where he studied under Theodore Roethke. Since 1964 he has been a member of the English department at the University of Montana.

His first volume of poetry was A Run of Jacks (U. of Minnesota Press, 1961), and his subsequent volumes include Death of the

Kapowsin Tavern (Harcourt-Brace, 1965), The Lady in Kicking Horse Reservoir (Norton, 1973), and What Thou Lovest Well, Remains American (Norton, 1975) which has been nominated for the National Book Award. The books are available at Bookpeople and at the campus bookstore. Hugo's work appears frequently in The American Poetry Review and in such periodicals as Poetry Northwest, Field, New Letters, and The New Yorker.

Hugo's work maintains a strong sense of place. "The poem is located in a specific place," he writes in a recent edition of the

APR. "You don't know where but you know the poet knows where. Knowing where you are can be a source of creative stability. If you are in Chicago you can go to Rome. If you ain't no place you can't go nowhere."

In his own poems, Hugo is almost always "at home," somewhere in Montana. "To Die in Milltown," Hugo writes,

"It's to have an old but firmly painted name and friends. The blackfoot stops, funereal and green, and eagles headed north for sanctuary wait for our applause to fly them home. At 6 a.m. the fast train east divides the town, one half, grocery store and mill, the other, gin and bitter loss."

The titles of his poems are a virtual atlas of the Northwest: "Graves at Elkhorn," "Helena, Where Homes Go Mad," "Cataldo Mission," "Missoula Softball Tournament," "The Only Bar in Dixon."

The poems, however, are not merely descriptive. Hugo writes a flowing narrative line, and the places in his work are populated so that we always remember the human drama that he associates with the place as much as the place itself. In the title poem from his most recent volume Hugo reminisces:

...Wild roses remind you the roads were gravel and vacant lots the rule. Poverty was real, wallet and spirit,

and each day slow as church.... Recently, Hugo has written a number of verse letters from various locales (Big Ford, Hot Springs, Deer Lodge, Ovando) to different acquaintances. In a "letter" from Deer Lodge, a town which chose a state prison over a university, Hugo writes:

"Some poets equate themselves with criminals. That may be because we share the same desolate loves, the same railroad spur along the swamp ignites some old feeling of self inside and when the sky comes gray late afternoon across the world on Sunday, we know we're friendless and the hounds bay in the distance sniffing for our trail. We are equally cowed by the official, by men who never clown or smile. And we, poet and felon, know how certain times are right for others, wrong for us. We die 4 p.m. on Friday when the fun begins for others. And we are like the teens of Deer Lodge, always under the censorial eye of the tower. We find secret ways to play. No one except poets know what gains we make in isolation. We create our prison and we earn parole each poem."

From Roethke, Hugo acquired his love of sound in the poem. "He performed therapy on the ear," Hugo observes in an article in APR. "Good poets have obsessive ears. They love certain sounds and not others." Why that is so, Hugo admits in a later article, cannot really be explained: "You have to be silly to write poems at all."



Montana poet Richard Hugo will read his poetry April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kiva. Interested persons are invited to attend.

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## Faure players honored in L.A.

Five U of I music students were awarded an honorable mention recently in the 30th Annual Coleman Chamber Music Auditions in California.

The Faure Woodwind Players, coached by U of I associate music professor Robert Probasco, competed against 11 other chamber music ensembles at Pasadena, Calif., April 9-11. First place winner in the senior division was the Hansl Quintet from Los Angeles, Calif.

Members of the Faure Woodwind Players are bassoonist Barbara Bell and flutist Margaret Best, both of Boise; clarinetist Jeff Flolo, Kellogg; and oboist Kathy Hartung and hornist Roger Logan, both of Moscow. They are students of the

Northwest Wind Quintet, of which Probasco is a member.

"I'm quite proud of the students," Probasco said. "All the groups competing were good, solid ensembles. We are honored to be the only ensemble not from the Los Angeles area to place in the awards."

Under the coaching of Probasco, the student chamber group began playing as a quintet in September. They have toured southern Idaho and Missoula, Mont., performing at public recitals and music clinics.

The U of I student quintet performed Anton Reicha's Quintet, Opus 88, No. 2 and Malcolm Arnold's "Three Shanties."

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