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Cyclists must come to grips with road's rules

by Alicia Gallagher
of the Argonaut

What would the reaction be to a car driving at night without its lights on?

According to Officer Gerald Rasch, of the Campus Division of the Moscow Police Department, most people would signal the driver because it is dangerous. "But most bicycle riders don't realize the hazards of not having a headlight on their bike," Rasch said. "It's the same as a car."

Riding without proper lighting is only one of the many problems with bicycles on the University of Idaho campus. Bicycles weaving in and out of traffic, failing to stop at stop signs, failing to yield "right of way" to pedestrians, and failing to follow posted speed limits are also hazards.

So far this year, bicycles have been involved in nine accidents with cars on campus, in addition to several bikes flipping over or colliding with stationary objects.

"People don't equate bicycles with serious injury," said Dan Weaver, also of the Campus Division, but a recent bicycle accident on campus sent the rider, a woman, to Gritman Hospital for an overnight stay. Weaver said the woman's bike was totaled when she a parked car on Sweet Ave. She was cited for reckless riding.

According to another Campus Division officer, Dennis Cochrane, bicycles "just fly around the corners of



Blake, Sweet and Nez Perce streets. It's a wonder there aren't more accidents," he said.

In the Idaho Driver's Handbook, a bicycle is recognized as "a vehicle of transportation, not a toy" and is required to "observe all the laws and rules of the road" just as a car must. This includes signaling for turns or lane changes as well as obeying posted traffic signs.

There are also some special provisions for bicycles, such as being able to ride on sidewalks. Many bicyclists, however, don't seem to be

aware that the streets closed to motor vehicle traffic on campus are considered sidewalks and pedestrians have the right of way, not bicycles.

According to Cochrane, some situations require "officer discretion" and involve a theory of "width of reason." An example is a bicyclist faced with a stop sign at the base of a hill. Cochrane said that if the rider slows down and makes sure there is no cross traffic, most officers would not cite him for rolling through the intersection; a "California stop."

However, Cochrane emphasized that continued abuse of this leeway would force the officers to clamp down.

Rasch said he will usually warn a rider without a headlight on a first offense and will inform him of the laws requiring such lights. He will also request that the bicyclist either ride on the sidewalk that evening or walk the bike.

"I haven't run into anyone for a second time without a light this semester, but when I do, they receive a citation," Rasch said. "If they would just get a leg light, it would be

acceptable."

According to Rasch, citations are issued to bicyclists on the same basis as to those driving cars, with similar fines:

—A non-moving violation, such as not having a headlight, carries a \$30 fine.

—A moving violation, such as running a stop sign, carries a \$40 fine.

—A charge of reckless riding can carry a fine of up to \$150.

"Most bicyclists don't realize that when we stop them, it is for their own benefit," stressed Rasch.

Legislative committee proposes adding tuition, dropping tenure

A state legislative committee has proposed two changes affecting this university: the addition of in-state tuition, and the end of tenure for professor.

The committee headed by State Rep. Dan Kelly (R-Mountain Home), endorsed a proposed state constitutional amendment allowing tuition to be charged at Idaho's colleges and universities.

If the legislature and voters approve, the amendment will give the legislature authority to set tuition levels, said Kelly. Currently, the money charged students is in the form of fees, not tuition.

One of the supporters of the proposal concerning tuition was Senate Finance Committee Chairman David Little (R-Emmett). He said he had no problem supporting the proposal because "when you cross state lines you've got to pay 25-35 percent of the cost of education (in tuition)."

Kurt Johnson (R-Idaho Falls), chairman of the House Education Committee and a supporter of the proposal, said "Many students can't afford increased tuition, but many can."

The Idaho Constitution specifically prohibits tuition

at the University of Idaho, and state laws extend the ban to the other institutions as long as tuition isn't charged here.

Kelly said tuition would be uniform among all the institutions and would be measured as a percentage of education costs, although exactly what constitutes education costs was not specified.

The same legislative committee voted last week to do away with most of the tenure system at Idaho's state colleges and universities.

Tenure is a form of job security for college professors. After a certain period, usually five years, faculty members with tenure can't be fired except for cause. College professors claim they need the protection of tenure to insure academic freedom.

The committee recommended a "grandfather" clause which would allow professors with tenure when the law was enacted to retain tenure, but would forbid granting tenure to anyone else.

Richard Moore, faculty chairman at Lewis-Clark State College, said the abolition of tenure would be quite a blow to already shaky faculty morale.

"I would also imagine that the exodus of excellent professors would increase and it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to replace them," Moore said.

Nick Gier, public relations director for the UI branch of the Idaho Federation of Teachers, predicted defeat of the tenure proposal but was much less optimistic about the tuition proposal.

Gier said faculty endeavor and job security go hand-in-hand and when the legislature declared financial exigency for higher education, they basically abolished tenure. Under a state of financial emergency the state reserves the right to fire tenured employees.

Gier called tenure "the only way a professor can feel secure and pursue research endeavors," saying it was beneficial to the university as a whole.

Another argument for keeping the tenure in Idaho is that if the state abolishes it, the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) would put this university on a blacklist of sorts, warning new professors against seeking jobs here because of the lack of job security.

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Senate appointments were approved

by Bobbi Humphries
of the Argonaut

The ASUI senate approved the appointment of Tim Malarchick to the position of ASUI senator for a one-half year term Wednesday night. Malarchick was inaugurated by ASUI President Eric Stoddard and actively attended his first meeting.

The vacancy in the senate was the result of the resignation of former ASUI vice-president Clark Collins and the promotion of senate pro tempore Scott Biggs to the position of vice-president.

The senate also approved a resolution requesting that "the financial vice-president of UI direct the necessary committee to review and propose an appropriate plan for a jogging path that would meet the needs of all the university community."

The resolution also states that the senate, feels the placement and maintenance of a jogging path should be studied further, and the financial vice-president should have the authority to sanction the Campus Planning Committee to review student needs.

In financial business, the se-

nate passed a bill providing for the transfer of \$957 from the general reserve account to a subsidiary presidential account to be used by the Idaho Chapter of the Financial Management Association. The money will fund an ASUI student credit union feasibility study.

The study will be completed by the end of the current semester, according to Martin Behm, Communications Board chairman. A spokesperson for the Financial Management Association will report to the senate monthly to review the progress of the study.

Upon completion of a feasibility report, to be submitted no later than Feb. 1, 1982, all remaining funds shall be returned to the general reserve account, the bill states.

Behm said a \$400 club service fee has been included in the budget to serve as a monetary incentive for the project director and assistant.

"A paid individual might be more willing to put forth a greater effort for the project," Behm said.

In other business, the senate approved the following ap-

pointments under the programs department: Kevin Herby as chairman of the entertainment committee; Diane Siverly as promotions assistant; Ken Siville as labor assistant; and Mike Jennings as ticket assistant. Each of these appointments are for a term of one year.

Other appointments approved were: Toby McNeil and Robin Villerreal to the recreations board; Phineas Haglin as chairman of the promotions department; Rene LaGrone to the judicial council; and Steve Moss to the golf course board. These appointments were also for one year terms.

Stoddard said the reason the appointments are taking so long to be made is that the government operations and appointments (GOA) committee members have had difficulty getting together for the interviews.

He also said there has been a remarkable turnout of individuals who have applied for ASUI positions. Approximately 100 applications were submitted, and about 60 positions needed to be filled, Stoddard said.

The remaining applications will be placed on file for future reference, he said.

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Letters

No spaces

Editor,

I was appalled by the *Argonaut's* blind point of view in the article, "Parking: Hazardous to New UI Students" in the Sept. 18, issue. Does the reporter "JG" ever park on the UI campus? He must not, or he wouldn't have such a twisted understanding of the students and parking.

Although tickets are given in accordance with the current parking regulations, the UI's system of parking needs to be modernly revamped. The University seems to be ignorant of the relationship between the increasing enrollment and the decreasing parking space. The student who buys a \$30 (yellow) parking sticker doesn't always get a \$30 parking space, and the average parking spot is becoming more and more distant from the average classroom.

Do the people who control parking ever see headlines of "UI record enrollment this semester" and other indications that the UI population is increasing every year? Well, with more students and faculty, there are more automobiles. Yet in the two years that I've gone to school here I have never seen one new parking space!

When the administration chastised the campus center from parking and through traffic, they cut a tremendous amount of parking area. Yet merely 25 feet from the Ad. Building I see a whole row of reserved parking spaces for the administration. Wouldn't this appear to you as slightly hypocritical?

What a rude awakening is in store for someone who buys a \$30 parking sticker and expects to get a \$30 parking space! In my opinion, it's outright deception to sell more yellow stickers than there are yellow spaces! Why doesn't the university sell just as many yellow stickers as yellow spaces? Also, sell the amount of blue stickers as there are blue spaces. At least then the buyer of a yellow sticker would get his money's worth.

With the administration's idea to move the traffic away from the university comes the fact that the student who drives to the university daily has to walk farther to class year after year. I don't feel the student should have to put up with this, especially when the administrator, who has moved the traffic further from the campus center has a parking space reserved for him just seconds away from his office in the center of campus.

The *Argonaut* article states: "Freshmen and transfers are sometimes more affected because they have not learned the ropes." No, I don't believe it's the ones that haven't learned the ropes who get the bulk of the tickets, I believe it's the ones who are sick of putting up with this system and are trying to beat it. Hopefully we will soon.

Charles Christopher

Editor's note: According to Parking Coordinator Lee Perryman, approximately 100 new campus parking spaces have been added in the last two years. More are being developed on the west side of campus.

Street meet

Editor,

The off-campus students at the University of Idaho make up over 50 percent of the student body, but their voice in student government is seldom heard. Important issues such as the proposed street modifications need input from all students, both on-and off-campus. In order to hear that off-campus voice, the ASUI Senate has set up a seminar to discuss the proposed street modifications on Tuesday, Oct. 6, from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the Vandal Lounge at the SUB.

Bill McLaughlin, former chairman of the Campus Planning Committee, will be available to answer questions. I urge all interested students both on- and off-campus to attend this seminar and to make their voice heard.

Kevin Grundy
ASUI Senate Pro Tempore

Tea, Brian?

Editor,

As some of your readers know, I am the housemother at Farm House. Last Tuesday, I picked up a copy of the *Argonaut* and found the paper to be a very fine product. You spoke out against the juvenile activity in litter and damage and pointed out the need for better campus lighting. Good. It was gratifying to this longtime fan of the UI to see that the CPA exams exceeded the national average in such fabulous fashion, 84 percent to 30 percent—though that latter figure could be as low as 10 percent, actually. With our Professional Engineering Tests topping the nation (leaving Stanford in the dust, which does me particular good) we can brag a little. Stephanie Kambitsch didn't make the first ten in the Miss America contest, but she was fourth featured in the next eight which yielded her a \$2000 scholarship. That 4.0 showed, didn't it?

There was another item which caught my eye: the column by Brian Beesley, the graphic artist, taking Mrs. Ronald Reagan to task for buying table appointments for the White House. We can be glad this was not at government expense for it was, indeed, costly. However, our First Lady is supposed to hostess hospitality which reflects the culture of our nation where just dollars and cents are not the yardstick. The refurbishing of the White House was done by gifts—many gifts. That is the privilege of the givers and reflects our independence in a nice way.

This brings to mind another such gift.

A bit ago the State of Idaho found itself without sufficient china, silver and crystal to give a state dinner. The governor's wife at the time decided to do something about it. She took samples of what would be suitable and with a girlfriend toured the state. Those who wished her well met her at luncheons or teas to see what it was all about. Then they clubbed together to remedy the deficiency. The results were handsome. The last time I was at the Governor's Mansion when the Evanses entertained some women commissioners, the service was used in part, and the rest was displayed in the foyer for all to enjoy. No mention was made in any way to the lady who had had the enterprise to glean this equipment. I thought she deserved better treatment than that. Her name was Ruby Samuelson.

Nancy Reagan is a neat lady. We hope as time goes by that she will be understood better than at present, for that is to be fair. Yes, Brian? I invite you to my place for a chat and a cuppa. OK?

Grace Wicks

Editor's note: Brian is honored and thirsty and will R.S.V.P. Mrs. Wicks' offer.

No path

Editor,

Once again another exciting issue has popped into the scene at this university. As usual, the issue concerns student funds in respect to another so called "student service." The issue at hand is the infamous jogging path which is to wind its way through the arboretum on the periphery of the golf course. I, for one, am totally against this "critical and most important" path.

In the four and a half years I've lived in Moscow, I've never had nor heard of any problems associated with jogging. We are fortunate to live in a town in which there is plenty of open area to run and enjoy the country. So why must we put an unnecessary trail through an arboretum? What is an arboretum anyway? A place for jogging? If this were the "City of Brotherly Love" (Home of the Philadelphia Eagles), I could see the need for a jogging path. Even then I'm sure it wouldn't go through Morris' Arboretum.

Whoever proposed and supports this vital path which will tear up our new arboretum should re-evaluate the issue. It's not that I'm questioning anybody's ethics or service to the students, nor dedication; I just think a jogging path is a dumb idea!

Joe Becker

What evidence?

Editor,

Peter Brooks' letter of Sept. 25 calls

for a response. Luther and Calvin were not only great scholars but they also knew the difference between faith and reason, religion and science.

For Calvin, the Bible is self-authenticating and it is not "right for it to be made subject to demonstration and argument." He also said that "we seek no proofs, no marks of genuineness upon which our judgment may lean."

Luther and Calvin would have had no sympathy with modern fundamentalists, like Francis Schaeffer, who try to prove the Bible by external evidence. For the Reformers, such a move to extra-Biblical evidence shows a great lack of faith. It makes religion into a pseudo-science and undermines both faith and reason.

When we do go to extra-Biblical evidence, we do not find the consistent support that Brooks and other fundamentalists claim. Archaeologists have determined that Jericho's walls came tumbling down four hundred years before Joshua arrived on the scene. A smaller town without walls was rebuilt, but it was abandoned in 1325 B.C. The next city on Joshua's path, Ai, had been in ruins since 2200 B.C.

Even the evangelical *New Bible Dictionary* (p. 612) cites 1600 B.C. as the fall of Jericho, but it gives weak arguments for the survival of the smaller unwallled city into Joshua's time. We must conclude that Joshua's first two victories have little or no historical basis.

The argument from prophecy is extremely weak. Scholars have shown that the Christian writers either misinterpreted or mistranslated many Old Testament passages which they thought referred to the Messiah. For example, the Suffering Servant of Isaiah 53 is never referred to as the Messiah, even by later Jewish prophets.

Matthew finds Messianic passages in the most unlikely passages, and by mistranslating Zech. 9:9, he forces Jesus to ride two animals at the same time (21:5-7).

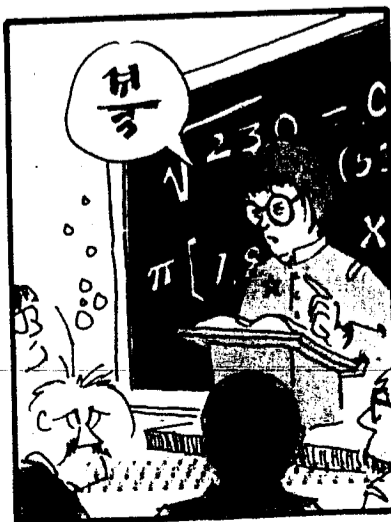
There is no logical or historical support for Luke's account of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. I refer readers to the Anchor Bible Commentary of Luke's census, and to my booklet "Contemporary Theology."

I appreciate Brooks' crucial concession that some of the fulfilled prophecies "might have been staged," but I believe that all of them were. Besides, a good historian would require extra-Biblical evidence to check these claims. This evidence does not exist.

Fundamentalist Christians are doing their religion an injustice by making it into a pseudo-science. Fundamentalism grew out of an attack on "modernism," but these people are thoroughly modern in their misguided search for "proofs."

Nick Gier
Philosophy Department

Mackin



commentary

Washed out

We in Idaho have been so absorbed with our own little problems that we've practically missed the fact that the state of Washington seems to be collapsing. On Sept. 17, Governor John Spellman announced budget cuts amounting to over \$655 million. Several suits, challenging the 10.1 percent cut, have been filed by school districts and unions. It seems the state must fund the school districts completely, which makes the cuts illegal in public (K-12) education. If these suits are successful, the cuts at other agencies could rise to 20 percent. Twenty.

Of immediate concern is the effect the cuts will have on WSU. The university faces possible reductions in tenured faculty, reductions in support staff, and as a result, lower quality and a smaller student body.

Where will it end? Will WSU be subjected to 20 percent cuts? If so, you can kiss quality goodbye. The administration at the University of Washington has already cancelled most of its evening classes, and a plan to close the school for a week at the end of the semester is being considered. The president of Western Washington University in Bellingham is talking about permanent closure of that institution.

Aside from the obvious effect of cutbacks at WSU, there are significant effects that would be felt in Moscow. A smaller WSU would mean less business at Moscow's malls, restaurants, and bars. Turning a large number of students away from the universities in Washington because of lack of funding and higher costs could cause staggering social problems.

We cannot understand how Washington got to this point. The idea of anticipating higher revenues in a time of recession seems foolish, yet state governments continue to do this, gambling with the lives and well-being of their citizens. Idahoans know only too well the horrors of across-the-board cuts in budgets, but thank heaven we haven't had to face anything like our neighbors to the west.

Lewis Day

Hollers heard

Bravo! Participation and attendance by both students and ASUI leaders at a jogging path seminar this week was impressive.

Many of the 50 people there aired complaints, advice, opinions and questions. Even an attempt to end the two-hour session didn't stop hands from being raised. And those hands did count.

Last week, the Senate delayed voting to support the path because they wanted more input and time to consider recommendations and possible conflicts. They got that input the night of the seminar and this Wednesday, approved a resolution to have a committee look at a plan to suit everyone.

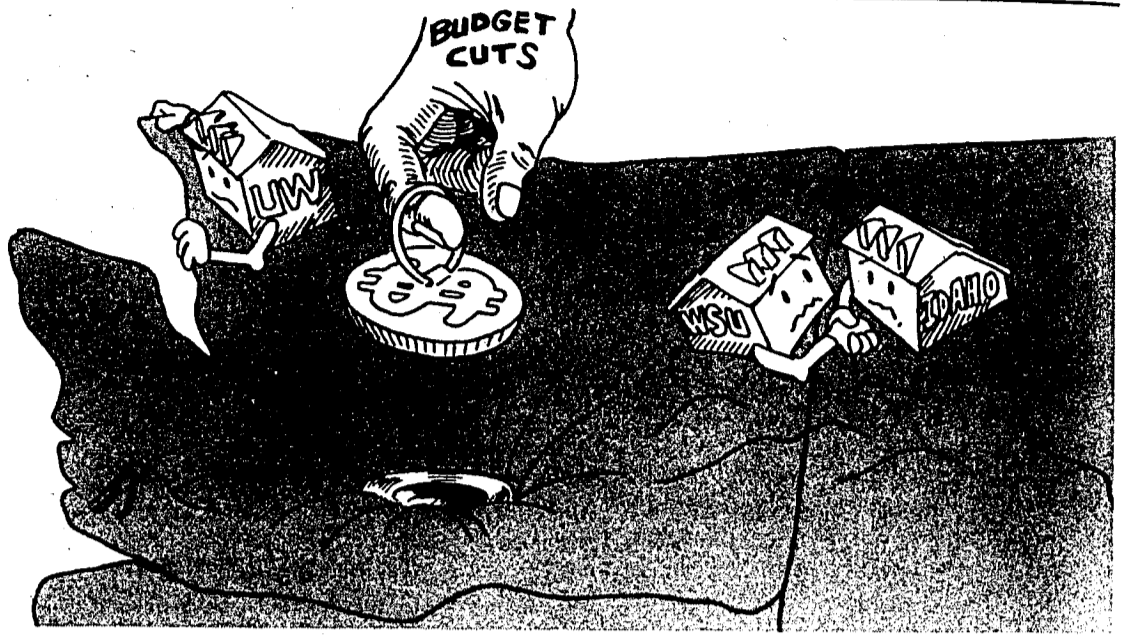
But, in effect, the jogging path has been tabled indefinitely. David McKinney, vice-president of financial affairs, said yesterday that the \$15,000 now available will not be there in the spring. So unless jogging fiends revolt and throw their Nikes around, prospects for a path are dim.

But the issue succeeded in another way. Students cared enough to give a holler—and they were heard.

Mary Kirk

Letters Policy

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Nuclear musings

Tom von Alten

The first surprise at the ASUI Issues and Forums program last week was that just about no one came. I expected the topic of nuclear power to bring a few choice characters out of the woodwork, but with perhaps one or two exceptions, the audience seemed quite sane.

The second surprise came when Dr. Wayne Lehto, representing the American Nuclear Society, focused his presentation on refuting the most erroneous antinuclear claims available. He made a point of repeating some of these in an incredulous tone and offering various sorts of "proof" that they were unquestionably false. For example, Lehto stated that the Three Mile Island accident "proved conclusively that we could not get a 'China syndrome' (core meltdown)." This proof of reactor safety leaves something to be desired. By his own admission, a single operator error was sufficient to debilitate an entire plant, even if catastrophe was avoided.

After ten years in reactor safety research, Lehto was able to present a convincing refutation of WASH-740, a 1956 government report that described a hypothetical "worst case" accident. He dismissed the dangers of radiation by claiming that emissions from a nuclear generating plant during "normal" operations are hundreds of times less than background radiation, but admitted that the allowance for workers in the industry is almost thirty times the background level.

Lehto exists in the happy world of "no deaths and no disabilities," but contrary to his claim, the nuclear power industry does not. His claim is made plausible by the delayed effects of radiation hazards. Twenty years later, the cause of a cancer death can not be readily identified. It is a fact, however, that the lung cancer rate among uranium miners is from three to five times higher than the rest of the nation.

Lehto's defenses were as easy to characterize as those he was attacking. He asserts that waste is not a problem; the volume is small and we know how to take care of it. Nuclear power is economically attractive and without it we will lose our standard of living. No other options are feasible in the short term, etc. He did urge the audience to do their own reading and find the facts for themselves and I applaud that remark.

I would add a warning though: advocates of costly technology are prone to lying. For example, Lehto claimed that a nuclear power plant repays its capital costs in a year of operation. This is incorrect by a factor of ten. Assuming a selling cost of 5 cents per kilowatt hour, a 1000 megawatt plant operating at full capacity (which they rarely do) would generate \$438 million gross revenue in a year. At present, by Washington Public Power Supply System estimates, such a plant would cost at least ten times that amount.

The third surprise of the evening came when Dr. Karl Grossman gave a dramatic and unconvincing presentation using the arguments and documents that Lehto had refuted as unrealistic exaggerations. Parts of the documents were

flashed on a screen at an irritating pace. Although his speech was mostly emotional, one bit of truth did seem evident. From his perspective as an investigative journalist, he said, "the bigger the story, the bigger the attempt to cover it up. The cover up in the nuclear industry is the biggest I've seen."

If the subject were not so serious, the whole thing would have only been poor drama. Certain aspects of the issue were made apparent, however. The two sides of the debate are becoming increasingly polarized and are no longer interested in communicating with each other, but only with that segment of the public whose views are not entrenched. Supporters of both sides are prone to distortion, exaggeration and appeals to emotion rather than reason. Much of the information on the subject has been and is being concealed. Strong efforts are being made to keep the decision-making out of the public domain.

I was disappointed that so few of the real issues that are unresolved were addressed. Perhaps the most basic is that of how technological decisions are to be made in a democratic society and how such decisions can impose restrictions on democracy. The complexity of nuclear power is often cited as a reason for limiting the public role, but it should be a reason for emphasizing public awareness as one of the key topics of debate.

A choice exists between capital intensive development that creates few jobs and decentralized methods of energy utilization that can create many. It is a social issue, not purely one of a technical nature, but it is routinely included in that realm by government and industry leaders.

The questions of nuclear waste disposal, reactor safety and economics have by no means been resolved nor are they likely to be in the atmosphere of "hard-sell" that prevails. Nuclear power is certainly a proven technology, and yet the Reagan administration continues subsidies for it while slashing the solar budget saying, "It can do well enough on its own." Proponents of states' rights must recognize that the issue of nuclear waste disposal must be decided on the federal level.

The arguments implicit in this debate are in need of examination. Many industry forecasters and officials take the existence and development of the electric grid for granted as a goal of our country. The suggestion that we could enjoy our standard of living without sacrificing democratic principles or environmental quality is dismissed because it also entails decentralization of our economy and redistribution of wealth.

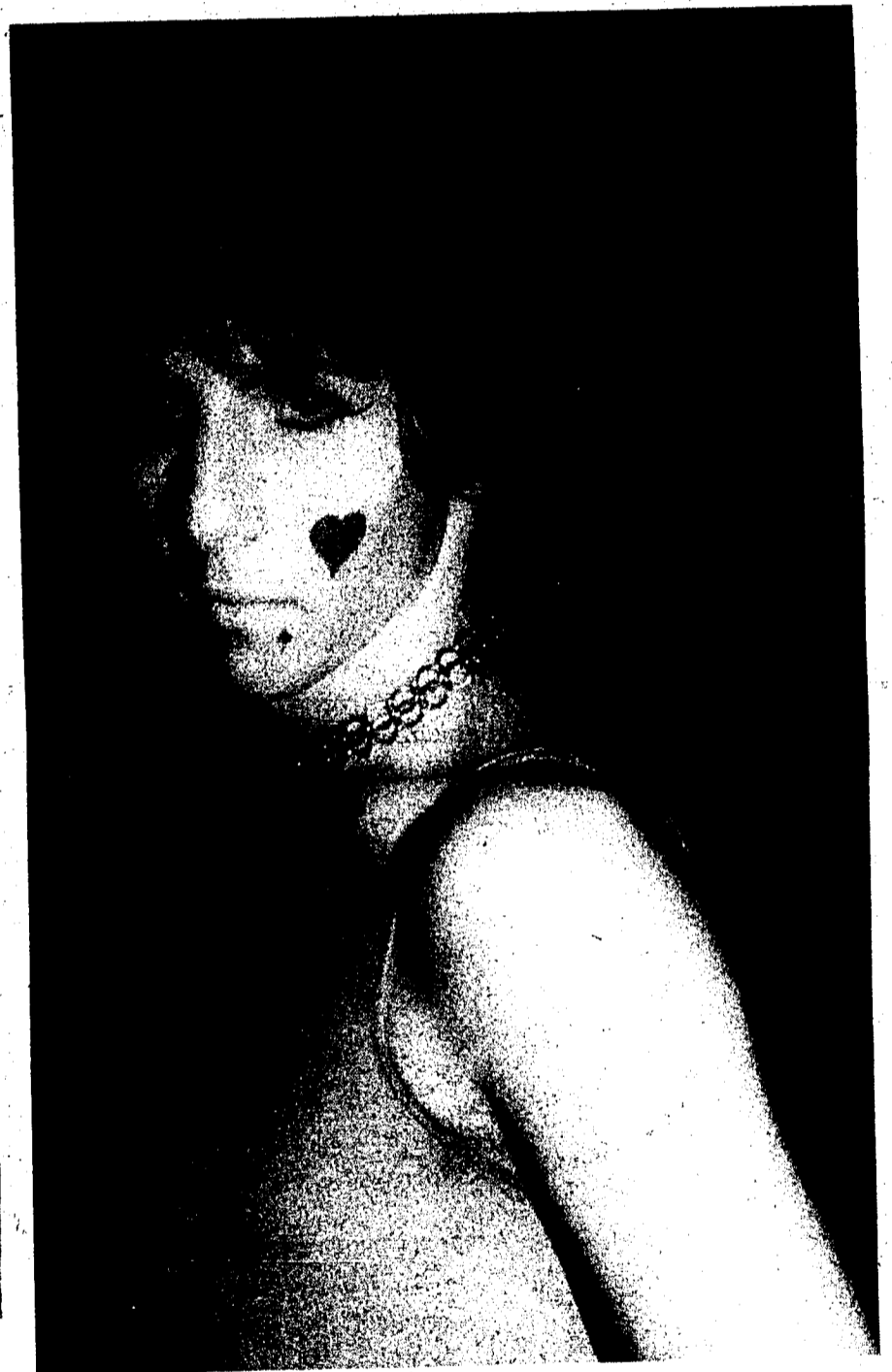
The fact that these decisions are so crucial right now and will determine future possibilities for decades is what makes this debate so serious. It must not be delegated to vested interests to be decided by an advertising campaign.

Tom von Alten is a student of mechanical engineering.

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MosCon III — jacuzzis and fantasy in a science fiction weekend

by Lori White

It is impossible to write notes in a Jacuzzi. It is also impossible to write notes while wearing a vaguely Grecian costume and carrying a hunting bow. Trying to write notes while being hugged by a friendly science fiction fan is downright rude.

No one, least of all me, wanted to be rude to the more than 300 people from all over the Northwest and western Canada who came to MosCon III. This past week to attend MosCon III.

MosCon, organized for the last three years by the Palouse Empire Science Fiction Association (PESFA), is the only science fiction convention held in the Inland Empire. It is also one of the smallest "cons" in the country, according to PESFA members. While Jon Gustafson, MosCon

committee chairman, considers it to be a "fair-sized regional con," often science fiction conventions in larger cities, such as Seattle, Wash. and Portland, Ore. (sites of NorwesCon and OryCon), draw over 1,000 fans.

Despite its small size, MosCon had a wide variety of activities to offer to the discriminating fan. There were movies, trivia quizzes, and panels on everything from how to design an alien to how to survive being a neo, or new fan. There were huxters' (dealers') rooms where fans could buy science fiction and fantasy books, comic books, exotic jewelry, posters, and little pipe-cleaner dragons that rode on hats and shoulders.

Fans could meet several professional writers and artists, including guests of honor Kate Wilhelm, author of such novels as "Where Late the

Sweet Birds Sang," and "Margaret and I," and Tim Kirk, Hugo-award winning artist. The Hugo is the science fiction equivalent of the Oscar. Fan guest of honor was Sisle Tompkins, who has been the founder of fan clubs, the editor of various "fan-zines," or fan magazines, and has been involved in many conventions. Special guest Damon Knight was ill and couldn't attend.

Fans had the chance to see old friends and make new ones at "MosCon's own world-famous Jacuzzi Party," as advertised by the convention program. "It's a chance to get together with friends and relax," said Mike Finkbinder, PESFA member.

Also for fans was the Saturday night costume contest, in which robots, Greek gods, warriors, and a prince of Saturn all mixed together

peacefully enough, except when there was an aborted attempt to lynch Toastmaster Steve Fahnstalk. Afterwards, Fahnstalk was showered with coins while singing "Pennies From Heaven," which, by the way, is a time-honored MosCon tradition.

Randy Reichardt, of Edmonton, Alberta, and the originator of the coin-throwing, was quick to point out other traditions. "The previous guests of honor like the con so much they keep coming back," he said.

Jerry Sohl, science fiction and TV writer and guest of honor at last year's convention, came back because "The people in this area are about the friendliest I've found...I've been going to conventions since 1952."

F.M. Busby, another professional writer, said that he has been to every MosCon because, "I like it." As for

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next year, Busby said, "I expect I'll be back. God willing and the creeks don't rise."

Just plain fans felt the same.

Larry Reid, from Edmonton, Alberta, said he drove 660 miles to "meet my family. There's a humongous pile of friends out there."

Wilhelm doesn't go to many conventions. "They take too long," she said. However, she decided to come to MosCon because she had never seen this section of the country before. Wilhelm did have one complaint (besides the rain): "Moscow is a nice place," said Wilhelm, "but it's 500 miles from everywhere but Pullman."

Kirk, the artist, said there's another factor besides friendliness and scenery. "It's just like the Elks or the Masons," he explained. "People who think alike. To find an outlet like this is gravy."

The events for which MosCon is best known among other conventions are, besides the Jacuzzi party, the art show and auction and the Lensman Awards.

The art show and auction, specializing in science fiction and fantasy art, are events which the MosCon planning committee seem to regard as the convention's specialties.

The show contained works by "about 30-40 artists," explained Fahnestalk, who, in addition to his duties as toastmaster, was this year's art director. Approximately half the artists were professional. The art was sold at an auction Sunday, grossing about \$6,100. Fahnestalk added that

this was about \$800 better than last year. "We do proportionally better than anyone I know," said Fahnestalk. Gustafson agrees. "We probably had the best art show on the west coast," he said.

Sunday was also the presentation of the Lensman Awards, named for a series of books by E.E. "Doc" Smith, to whom the MosCon conventions are dedicated. Smith is a UI alumnus and science fiction writer.

The awards themselves are given to outstanding science fiction and fantasy authors and artists who are chosen from a list of nominees that is sent to other professionals and voted upon.

Conventions as a whole do have their faults, but MosCon has thus far escaped one major problem. "They're too big," said Sohl. "Most are so big you get lost in the shuffle. But this one is small enough that you can meet everyone and be on a first-name basis."

Tompkins, who has a great deal of experience at being a fan, explained further.

Conventions used to be relatively small, Tompkins said. The first world convention, or WorldCon, she attended, was in New York City in 1967. There were 1,500 people.

"But all of a sudden, the numbers went up," she said. This was due in part to the emergence of fantasy as a popular genre. As a result, there have been suggestions that fantasy and science fiction be split into two separate groups for conventions. "But no one

wants to take a first step," Tompkins said.

Conventions have also gotten larger because the number of female fans has increased. Science fiction was "really a male-dominated field," in the sixties, according to Kirk.

Now that the size of conventions is increasing, "everything is getting much more expensive," said Tompkins. Other suggestions to cut down the size of conventions have been to bar the "fringe fans," or fans who are dedicated to just one facet of science fiction; for instance, the Star Trek fans. Also, it has been suggested that conventions cut down the number of huxters, since "a real commercial element is getting into it," Tompkins said.

Forty proved his credentials for becoming fan guest by demonstrating the Vancouver Welcome, his method of greeting guests to V-Con, Vancouver's convention. It's a gigantic bear hug. A lot of science fiction fans were following his example. "Fandom, to me," said Forty, "is the only place I can go and make instant friends." Fandom is a "network of friends...an entire subculture," said fellow Canadian Reid.

That, in a way, seems to be the worst problem with any science fiction convention.

"You meet some neat people, real friends, and then you never get to see them," said Fahnestalk. Except once or twice a year, when the next con rolls around.



Harvest feast

Autumn is fair and festival time in the Palouse, and St. Augustine's community is right in step with this tradition with its annual Harvest Feast.

The feast will be held at St. Augustine's Center, across from the SUB, on Sunday, from 3-8:30 p.m. The meal includes barbecued chicken, salad, homemade breads and pies, wine and beverages.

Tickets for the feast are \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children ages 6-12, and family tickets are available for \$15.

events

Friday, Oct. 2

...An international potluck and folk dance will be sponsored by the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. The potluck begins at 6 p.m. in the 4-H Building. The dance will follow at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Everyone is welcome, but bring a potluck dish.

...The Chinese Students Association will show a Chinese movie at 7 p.m. in the SUB Gold Room. The film, which is English subtitled, is free and open to the public.

Saturday, Oct. 3

...A square dance will be sponsored by the Palouse Promenaders at 8 p.m. in the Moscow Jr. High School. All square dancers are welcome. Dances are scheduled for the first and

fourth Saturday of each month.

Upcoming

...A new group is forming to help divorced or separated people cope with the stress and confusion of leaving a partnership and becoming single again. Anyone interested in joining can see Dr. Jim Morris at the Student Counseling Center, or call 885-6716 for an appointment.

...The Block and Bridle Club will be sponsoring the Little International Collegiate Fair Oct. 30. Any student can show animals in the fair, but must sign up before Oct. 7. For more information, and for registration, go to Room 205 in the Agriculture Science Building, or call 882-6423.

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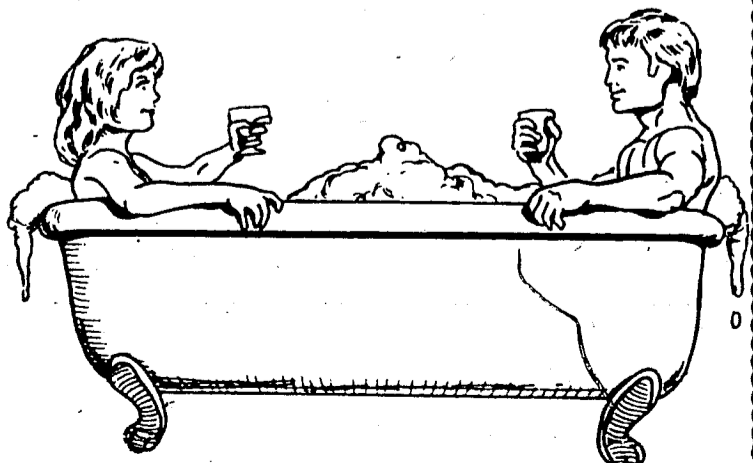
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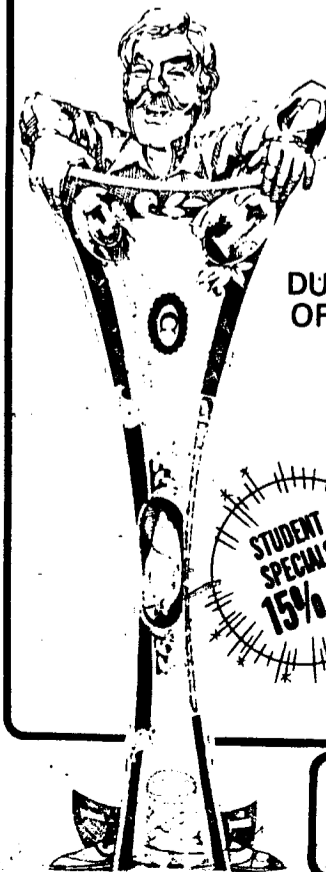
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Meg Christian

by Carolyn Caster and Alicia Gallagher

Meg Christian can't seem to lose—*Turning It Over*, her latest release, is as much a compliment to her first two albums as it is a "renewal of the spirit and a homecoming of the heart."

Meg, a southern-born guitarist/vocalist/songwriter, has been recording and performing for the last nine years and was one of the founders of *Olivia Records*, a women-owned and operated recording company for women's music—music that "speaks honestly and realistically to women about their lives: their needs, their strengths, their relationships with each other, their anger, their love."

In a light-hearted vein, Meg's "Gym II" reflects the rising interest of women in "working out" and the changes in attitude, from a mother's concern that "biceps do not go well with white gloves and feminine charms" to the woman who "feels a little safer, walks a little stronger" for having developed her own strengths.

Meg's growth as a musician as well as her personal growth are reflected in "Southern Home," a song which tells of her disdain at growing up in the South of the 1950's and subsequent acceptance of her southern roots:

*My southern home
No longer to blame
For the pain that I could have found anywhere
My southern home
Though I may not return
I reclaim your soft beauty as my own ...*

Her smooth guitar style, usually blended with the richness of her voice, is showcased in "Moving Right Along" and "Window Paynes", the album's two instrumental cuts.

On *Turning It Over*, Meg encompasses a wealth of experiences, from self realizations in "There's A Light" to the changes in feelings when a friend becomes a lover in "Old Friends". Her sound—a warm combination of folk, classical, bluegrass and contemporary music—can be heard Saturday night at the Cowles Auditorium at Whitworth College in Spokane. Tickets for the 8 p.m. concert can be purchased at the door for \$7.50.

Chris Cross concert — boring

by John Sullivan

After a long dry spell, this territory was definitely ready for some big-name entertainment. Christopher Cross isn't exactly the Stones, but I figured he's a pro; he has to have some standards, right? Well, he turned out to be a heavy "Cross" to bear.

For those who haven't heard of Cross, he's the guy the morning AM disc jockeys play to gently prod you from unconscious to semi-conscious. After being involuntarily exposed to his album for the past year, I was prepared for a calm evening. You want mellow? Most of the 5,702 ticketholders didn't even bother to show up until around 8:15 Monday night. Nobody was worried about fights breaking out with the folding chairs, that's for sure.

The warm-up act, Lisa Nemzo, turned out to be a pleasant surprise. Alone on the stage, her original tunes and hot 12-string guitar playing had the initially restless crowd eating out of her hand by the end of the set. She did some stunts on the guitar harmonics that sounded like magic. Nemzo got the evening off to an upbeat start, and she was worth a longer listen.

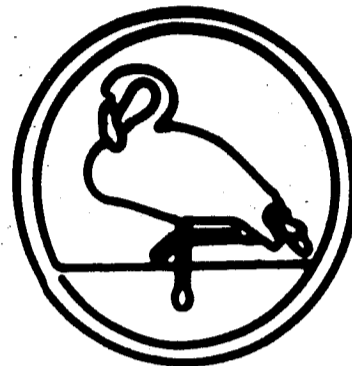
After a long intermission, Cross and his five-piece backup band wandered on stage well after 9 p.m. The show was totally predictable—and boring—from beginning to end. He played all of his hits, naturally, and the audience thunderously applauded itself for recognizing each one.

Cross has a strong, if emotionless, voice and his lead guitar playing hinted at secret aspirations to genuine rock and roll. His solos invariably picked up the songs until he finished and had to return to the next verse. It always seemed like a big letdown.

The band, while competent, looked as bored as anybody. I was thinking about sneaking behind the stage to look for cords running from the backs of their heads. Cross could have saved some bucks by renting a wax band from some

museum. Maybe they just weren't really pumped to play Pullburg, Wash.

The big problem is the musical Valium Cross calls songs. The set pretty much sounded like one very long tune. I'm not even sure he ever changed keys during the hour and a half he played. For a while, I thought one possible application of his material might be background music for making out on the couch, but who wants to fall asleep doing that?



I will admit the closer *Ride Like the Wind* really cooked. It would have sounded like a ballad at any other concert, but by the end of this night it came off like punk rock. Cross' guitar solo here was truly dynamite and some of the band members actually started moving their heads and tapping their feet. Unfortunately, it was the last tune before the encore, which was a return to the slush.

I went to this concert like any other, hoping to be wowed, but it was strictly routine. There were slides to look at when the going got tough, and the giant French windows on either side of the stage gave the whole thing an in-your-living-room look.

Don't get me wrong. I like good mellow music as much as the next person, and the musicians' performances were up to par. There's just nothing behind the stuff they played. The only person in the place that night who seemed to care at all was Lisa Nemzo, who was far too fleeting. Maybe next year Cross will warm up for her.

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Audlan—*So Fine* (PG) ... 7 and 9 p.m., through Saturday. *An Eye For An Eye* (R) ... 7 and 9 p.m., Sunday through Oct. 10.

workshops

Dream Analysis is the theme of the *Basic Dream Workshop* to be held Saturday at the Koinonia House, NE 720 Thatuna, on the Washington State University campus. Jeremy Taylor, a dreamworker from San Francisco, will conduct the six-hour workshop which will help participants understand their dreams. The workshop will run from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fees are \$25 for advanced registration or \$30 at the door. For more information and registration, call Harold Rosen at 882-4328 in Moscow, or Mark Hammer at 332-7085 in Pullman.

dance

Houston Ballet Company will be in concert at the Spokane Opera House Wednesday at 8 p.m. The company consists of 40 dancers and a 25 piece orchestra. General admission prices are \$15, \$12 and \$8. Student and senior citizen prices are \$9, \$7.50 and \$5.

exhibits

Arts of Kenya is the featured exhibit at the WSU Museum of Art through Oct. 11. A free program, *The Music of Africa*, will be presented by Paul Berliner, a Northwest University Ethnomusicologist as part of the exhibit. The program starts at 2 p.m.

Prints and drawings by Gregory Pfarr of Corvallis, Ore. will be on display at the University Gallery through Oct. 9. The drawings deal with fundamentals of pictorial organization, color integration, perception and traditional and contemporary media.

Moscow Health Fair will be held Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Palouse Empire Mall. Various health care organizations will be offering information, education, materials and screening.

concerts

Guitar music representing several periods in music will be featured in a faculty concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Music Building Recital Hall. James Reid, assistant professor of music, will direct the program, which is free and open to the public.

The Moody Blues will be featured in concert at the WSU Performing Arts Coliseum Oct. 18. Tickets are \$9 and \$10 and are available now at the Coliseum, Process Inc. and Budget Tapes and Records.

George Thorogood and the Destroyers will appear at the WSU performing Arts Coliseum Oct. 26. Tickets are now available at the Coliseum, Process Inc. and Budget Tapes and Records.

music

ASUI Coffeehouse—open mike ... 8 p.m.; Bob McAllister ... 9 p.m.; Geidy Campbell ... 10 p.m. (Saturday).

Cafe Libre—Kate Painter ... piano (Friday, noon); Judy Marti ... folk and Irish (Saturday).

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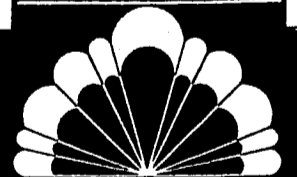


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Opposition causes jogging path proposal to lose steam

Inclines made just for crawling, safety for joggers, lack of volunteer labor, location and vague cost estimates were among student concerns voiced early this week at the jogging path seminar sponsored by the ASUI Senate.

Due to these concerns and a strong stance by Arboretum Association President Marlene Johnston for future projects in-

cluded in an arboretum "master plan", Scott Biggs, originator of the proposal ended the evening with: "so now it comes to a dead end and we're back to the drawing board."

David McKinney, financial vice-president, had originally given the okay to proceed with the project. The \$15,000 he agreed to dedicate to the project would have come out of the

university's student recreational repair and replacement fund. He said yesterday that if there would have been enough student support he would have gotten the required state Board of Education approval for the money. However, McKinney said since the project probably wouldn't be implemented this fall, the money will obviously go toward other projects.

The ASUI Senate failed a resolution supporting the path last week since many senators said there wasn't sufficient input.

"Indecision is a decision and the decision has been made," Stoddard said.

The senate approved a resolution Wednesday night requesting that McKinney direct the necessary committee to review and propose an appropriate plan for a jogging path more suitable to the university committee.

ASUI President Eric Stoddard said at the seminar he thought the senate's lack of action on the matter resulted in the eventual burial of the project.

Rainstorm causes temporary dome closure

The heavy rainstorm last weekend may not have harmed the newly-laid plywood covering on the ASUI Kibbie Dome roof but it certainly didn't make the UI Physical Plant's repair job any easier.

The Dome has been closed to casual use since last Sunday and will remain closed until the ceiling has been thoroughly checked for damaged acoustic tile.

Ed Chavez, Dome manager, said some of the tile, specifically the lining over the south bleachers, was damaged when rain leaked through gaps between plywood sheets that had not been sealed yet.

While the Dome is closed to all purposes except Vandal football practice, workers will be checking the tile to decide whether or not it creates a hazard.

Chavez said a great deal of water was in the building but believed damage was minimal since the athletic field and bleachers were part of the original outdoor facility anyway and are not subject to water damage.

A large vacuum cleaner was used to suck up the water from the turf and surrounding areas. Chavez said the turf is still wet but not damaged or hazardous.

Also, according to Chavez, the water might have caused problems if there had been a Vandal game Saturday and problems could still arise if another heavy rain falls before the Oct. 10 game. But, he said, "I don't foresee any great problems. Closing the Dome for now is just a precaution." He added, "while workers are placing and checking the ceiling tiles, only a small danger exists."

but if one should fall it could hurt someone," he continued. "We wouldn't let a large crowd of people in here for anything as long as any hint of danger existed."

The tile should be replaced in two to three weeks time, weather permitting. Until otherwise posted, the Dome will be closed to informal recreation.

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Violence is forum topic

Continually rising violence in professional sports will be the topic of the second ASUI Issues and Forums program, Tuesday, October 6.

Attorney Richard Horrow, chairman of the American Bar Association Task Force on Sports Violence, will be presenting the program in the SUB Ballroom in conjunction with Epstein-Winthrop International (EMI), Ltd., of New York.

The forum will focus on the problem in sports, and will feature "explosive film footage of brutal scenes from professional sports."

A statement from EMI said, "Excessive physical violence in sports is defined as force that has no reasonable relationship to the competitive goals of the sport"

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Resource institute and sports committees named

A council and a committee have been formed by University of Idaho President Richard Gibb to study such diverse subjects as student athletes and resource management, Gibb said at a press conference here this

week. The committee on UI sports will be charged with making recommendations on the future of UI athletics, while keeping these facts in mind: funding for UI athletics comes from three

sources (appropriations from the legislature, gate receipts and booster fees, and student fees).

The women's sports program is expanding and the committee will have to look at conference affiliation for them, Gibb said.

The committee will also study the athletes who come here, where they're from and how well they do academically.

The committee, whom Gibb characterized as a good cross section of the campus because it contains four faculty, three alumni and four students, will have many other topics to study.

The athletics committee includes:

—Gilbert Hough, treasurer of the Latah County chapter of the Vandal Boosters.

—Hal Godwin, faculty representative to the UI Alumni Board of Directors, the Big Sky Conference and the NCAA.

—Flip Kleffner, UI Director of Alumni Relations.

—Richard Heimsch, chairman of the UI Faculty Council.

—Bill Belknap, director of UI athletics.

—Craig Storti, member of the Alumni Board of directors.

—Dolores Rogers, former president of the UI Parents' Association.

—Lori Stone, Caroline Nilsson, Chris Miller and Sue Martin, all UI students.

Also named at the same press conference was an eight-member advisory council for the Resource Management Institute, initiated by actor-director Robert Redford.

The committee, which includes three Idaho legislators, three persons who work with resources in the state, an environmental consultant and a retired professor, will probably advise the institute on resource management issues, suggest changes in curriculum and rate the quality of the program's graduates.

"talize" people and that "developers could be preservationists on some issues and preservationists could be pro-development or others."

Advisory council members include:

—Jack Pierce, a rancher from Malta.

—Tom Richards of Idaho Forest Industries, Inc., in Coeur d'Alene.

—Representative Kitty Gurnsey, R-Boise.

—Senator Kermit Keibert, D-Hope.

—Representative Rich Orme, R-St. Anthony

—Morlan Nelson, a falconer and an environmental consultant of Boise.

—Phil Soulen, rancher from Weiser.

—William F. Boyd, of Brown, Peacock, Keane and Boyed Attorneys-at-Law, Kellogg.

—Don J. Obee, retired head of the biological sciences department at Boise State University, Boise.

The institute was scheduled to accept its first 20 students Sept. 1. However, funding problems have delayed the institute's opening and it is now scheduled to open in January, pending receipt of funding. The money is to be raised from a variety of sources, either by Redford himself or by a fundraising firm which he has designated. Each of the 20 students will receive a \$10,000 annual stipend to attend the institute which is an interdisciplinary master's degree program.

While the institute is based here and at Washington State University, the council will only advise the UI component.

Gibb said that in choosing members for the committee, he looked for persons who were not extreme in their views and who would represent a cross section of views from the state. He also said there's too much of a tendency to "compartment-

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Seminar: off-campus student input needed

An off-campus seminar will be held Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the Vandal Lounge at the SUB where the proposed street modifications will be discussed, according to Kevin Grundy, ASUI senate pro tempore.

Bill McLaughlin, former

chairman of the Campus Planning Committee and now in charge of the proposal, will be available to answer questions, Grundy said.

"Since off-campus students make up over half of the campus population, I think it's time we got their input," he said.

Deskiewicz withdraws

Al Deskiewicz, who announced his candidacy for mayor two weeks ago, has withdrawn from the race. City Council president Dee Hager is now the only candidate in Moscow's mayoral race.

Deskiewicz cited events affecting his personal and professional commitments as the reason for his withdrawal. Deskiewicz has been the manager of SUB food services for two and a half years.

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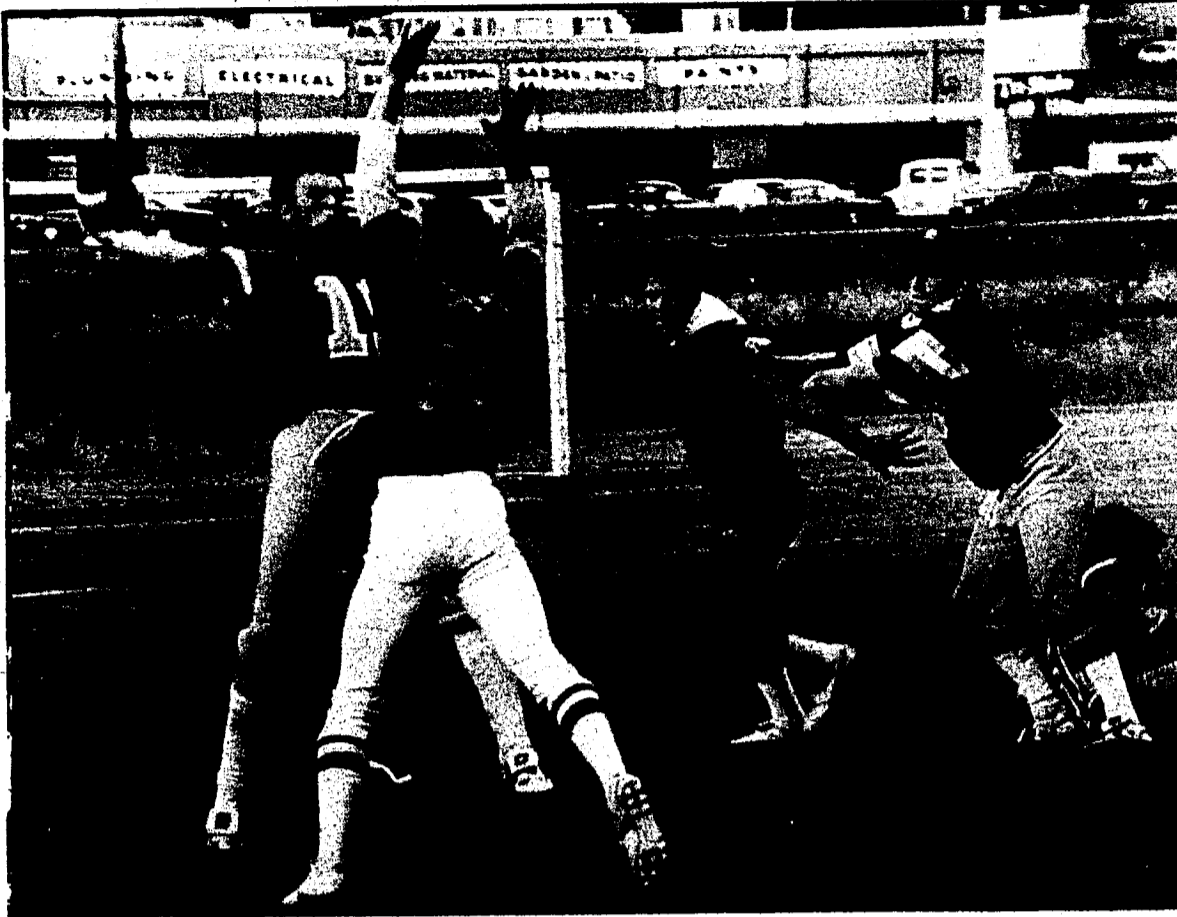
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SPORTS FRIDAY

Volleyball team enters Div. I play at Montana



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It wasn't Philadelphia and the Commander-in-Chief wasn't there, but the intensity was great in last Tuesday's Army-Navy game on the UI Intramural Fields. For the second year in a row, the Midshipmen defeated their Cadet counterparts. Navy won a defensive struggle 6-0. In action above, Army quarterback Chris Brockman finds the going tough with a big rush from Scott Fuller and Herman Giles, who has fought off the block of Kerrick McMillen.

A busy week on the road faces the Idaho women's volleyball team as they take an 11-3 record into the opening of league play in the Montana Invitational Tournament at Missoula, Mont. today and Saturday.

The Vandals enter the tournament on a winning note after losing only one game in eight matches at the Whitworth Invitational in Spokane last weekend. Idaho played Gonzaga in a league game yesterday, but results were not available at press time.

The Vandals enter the tour-

INTRAMURAL CORNER

- Co-Rec Racketball—Entries are due on Tuesday, Oct. 6. You don't have much time left to go to the IM Office and sign up!
- Co-Rec Water Polo games—will be played on Thursdays. The first games are scheduled for Oct. 8. Each team manager will receive a schedule in the mail.
- Co-Rec Softball—Last Sunday's games have been rescheduled to this Sunday. Games are at the same time on the same fields. Playoffs will start the following Sunday, Oct. 11.
- Women's Volleyball—Entries are due on Tuesday, Oct. 6.
- Intramural Managers' Meeting—(Men) Meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. in room 400 Memorial Gym. (Women) Meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. in room 200 PEB.
- Intramural Volleyball Officials' Clinic—Anyone interested in officiating some volleyball games must attend the clinic on Thursday, Oct. 1 and Monday, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. in room 400 Memorial Gym.
- Women's Tennis Singles—Congratulations to Ellen Lallman of McCoy Hall for winning the women's intramural tennis singles.
- Women's Tennis Doubles—Congratulations to Pat Dobratz & Sue Sheeley OC3 for winning the women's intramural tennis doubles.

Change of pace: Vandals visit Portland

The Idaho Vandals conclude non-conference football action Saturday night at Portland State, where kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. KRPL (1400) will begin broadcasting the game at 6:40 p.m.

The 2-2 Vandals will face a winless Viking team that dropped from Div. I-AA to Div. II this year and lost a head coach and

record-setting quarterback.

Although Neil Lomax is gone, Portland State (0-4) still relies on a passing attack. However, with two of their leading receivers down with injuries, the threat to Idaho's defense seems minimal.

The Vandals, coming off a 21-6 loss at Hawaii last week, are not without injuries them-

selves. Defensively, nose guard Paul Griffin is suffering from a broken bone in his hand, while cornerback Greg Jennings will watch with a sprained ankle.

Offensively, Coach Jerry Davitch will be without the services of running back Wally Jones and back-up quarterback Mark Vigil

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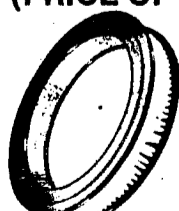
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