



SUMMER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ABOUND

Life Science building nearly finished

WES RIMEL

REPORTER

Summer construction is alive and well on the University of Idaho campus this summer. The costliest of these projects is near completion. The Life Science South Building has been undergoing an exterior renovation, a mechanical systems upgrade, and lab renovations.

The stone exterior of the building and entrance steps were repaired, and new gutters, down spouts and windows are being installed. Construction on the exterior of the building should be completed very shortly.

Inside the building, eight laboratories on the first and second floor are being renovated and upgraded heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems installed. The interior work is slated to be completed by the end of July.

Ray Pankopf, associate director for Architectural and Engineering Services said the Life Science South project cost about \$2 million of mostly state funds. Pankopf said there is annually about \$27 million in the Idaho state permanent building fund, which also goes to other public institutions of higher learning around the state. Pankopf said, "Compare that to WSU (Washington State University), who gets \$40-\$50 million a year."

Construction work includes new roofs for the Continuing Education Building, Human Resource Services and Procurement, the Arboretum Barn, Art and Architecture North and the Music Building. Pankopf estimates the roofing project at Continuing Education will cost about \$135,000, while the Music Building roof will run \$165,000.

Possibly the most troublesome project will be the \$50,000 in street repairs set to begin July 7 and last through August 11. According to Jeff Olson, associate director of University

Communications, the intersection of Blake and Campus Drive will likely take the longest.

Olson said this is due to the fact that some of the road is asphalt and some of it is concrete. "It takes three weeks to cure concrete," he said. Olson also said access to the Administration Building will be, "Up University Avenue into the back end of the Administration parking lot."

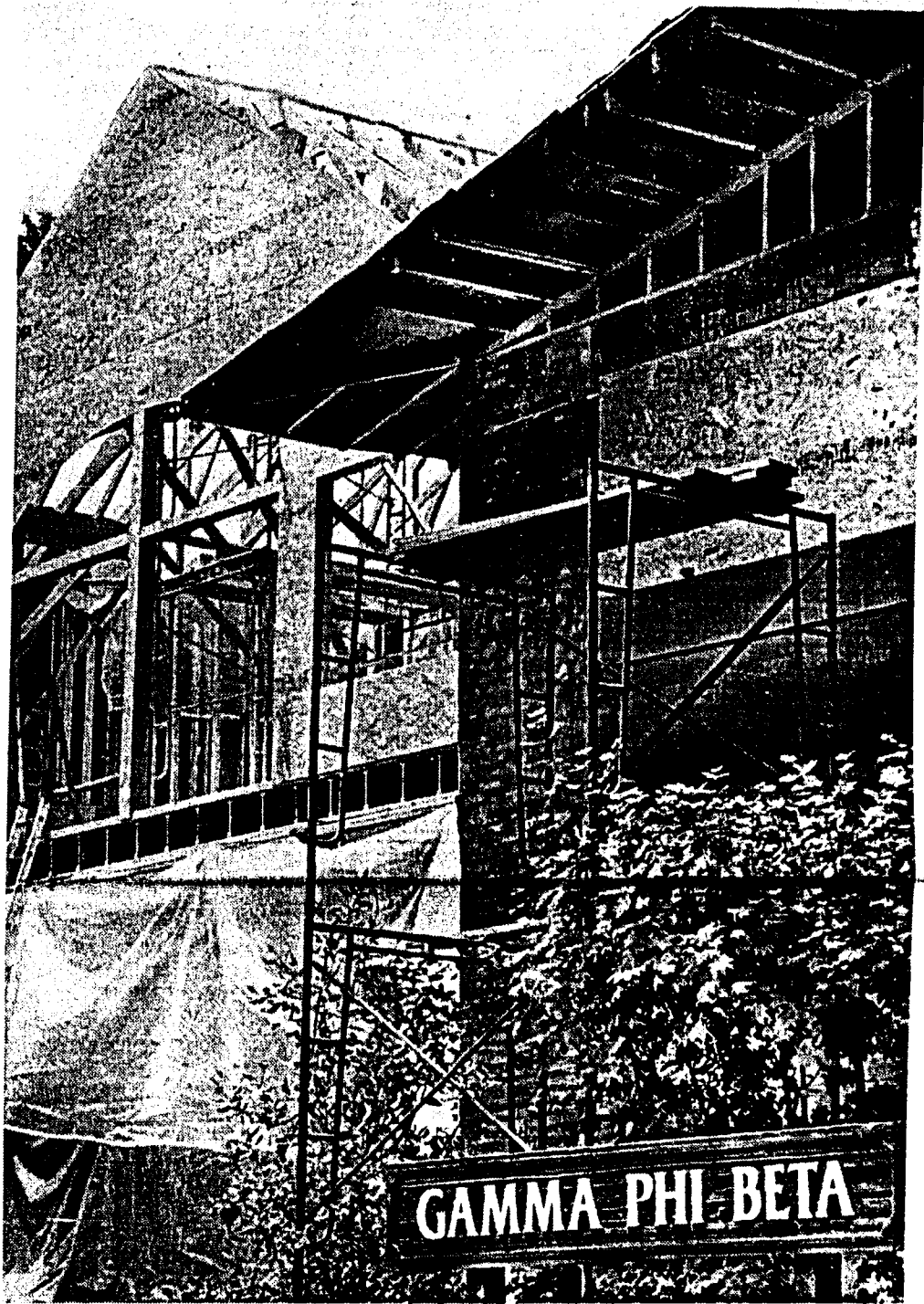
Historical outdoor lighting fixtures and further road construction is also scheduled to take place throughout the campus. Outdoor lighting projects have begun in the Theophilus Tower plaza neighboring parking lot.

Additional lighting will be installed around McConnell and Gault-Upham Halls. Historical outdoor lighting fixtures will be installed on University Avenue in front of the Life Science South Building, an area identified by the ASUI Safety Committee as their number one priority for outdoor lighting.

In addition, the library plaza will receive widened sidewalks and additional curved seat walls near Renfrew Hall. Pankopf estimates costs of upgrading the library plaza will run about \$50,000.

An upgrade of Renfrew Hall is also in the works, centering on space vacated by the Physics Department. Two new analytical chemistry laboratories will be constructed on the ground floor as part of Phase I of the project, scheduled to begin later this summer.

There are also a couple of projects that are being financed by the Greek system. Gamma Phi Beta is undergoing a facelift, while next year fraternities and sororities hope to be connected to the UI computer network.



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Gamma Phi Beta sorority is one of the buildings under construction this summer.

UI / ISU form cooperative campus

LAURA LAFRANCE

REPORTER

University of Idaho President Robert Hoover and Idaho State University President Richard Bowen have signed an agreement so that the two colleges can work together to better meet the needs of students in Idaho Falls.

For many years there have been UI and ISU activities there. The college extensions are next door to one other. ISU offers most of the undergraduate degrees and UI offers mostly graduate degrees.

Students who needed courses at both colleges had to register separately, fill out two financial aid forms, check in with two advisers, and pay tuition fees to both colleges. However, this is no longer the case.

The Idaho Board of Education approved the proposal last week for the cooperative campus. The colleges are already busy combining admissions, financial aid, registration, advisement offices and many more of their services.

Director of Idaho Falls, Fred Gunnerson, said, "The official name for the college is 'The ISU/UI Center for Higher Education at University Place in Idaho Falls.' Could you imagine the acronym for that?"

Though the name is long, the goal is to utilize both institution's resources to create a campus that UI and ISU can operate together in Idaho Falls. This way there is less hassle for the students and the colleges.

While they do not see building student housing in the future, plans for a Student Union are already in effect. Classes have been merged to give students more options.

Gunnerson believes these options will draw more people to the college seeking technical degrees like engineering. Between the two schools they have 2500 students. By the year 2001 they anticipate 5000 students.

President Hoover said UI's population will not be affected by this cooperative campus. The college mostly serves people in eastern Idaho who are older, have families, and work

full time. The average age of UI students in Moscow is 26, while in Idaho Falls it's 36.

"We would like to manage UI and ISU activities as if they were one institution to provide better user friendly education services for the community in eastern Idaho," Hoover said. He felt that it was important to reduce education barriers and make credits transferable.

Although this cooperative campus is new, the UI extension has been in Idaho Falls for forty-three years. ISU's extension made its home there about twenty years ago. The two became neighbors in the 1970s and were referred to as The University Place.

Gunnerson attributes the work to "the vision and leadership of our two presidents. This should have been done years ago." He added, "What were doing is fun, exciting, challenging, and it will be a benefit for both universities, the students, and the community."

Announcements

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

• Local jazz quintet Crosscurrent will perform in the Brown Bag Noon Concert Series. This band has just released their debut CD and will perform original and standard jazz tunes. There is a free concert each Wednesday on the UI Administration Building lawn, from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in this ongoing event.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

• There will be a "Fresh Aire" Concert in East City Park. The Moscow Arts Commission Community Band will perform from 6:30-7:30 p.m., and the event is free to the community.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

• The UI Bookstore is closed for inventory.
• The Vandal Golf Scramble will take place at the Coeur d'Alene Resort. The event begins at 1 p.m. For more information contact (208) 667-2588.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

• The Moscow Farmers' Market will take place at Friendship Square downtown. For more information call 883-7036.
• The UI Bookstore is closed for inventory.

MONDAY, JUNE 30

• Ghormley Park Pool's tentative opening is today. Moscow Parks and Recreation has been repairing cracks in the structure. Discounted pool passes are available at the Parks and Rec Office, 1515 East D

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TUESDAY, JULY 1

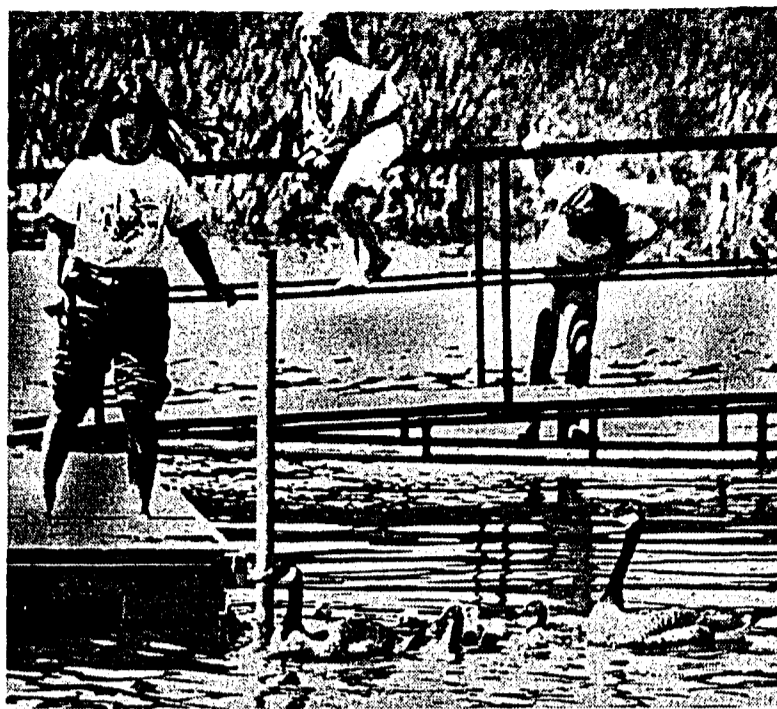
• Campus Recreation will host another family barbecue. The menu this week is chicken. All barbecues begin at 6 p.m. in the arboretum. Tickets must be purchased in advance from the Campus Recreation Office in 204 Memorial Gym. Ticket prices range from \$3 to \$4 for children and \$3.50 to \$4.50 for adults.

ONGOING

• Skyhawks Sports Academy and Moscow Parks and Recreation are hosting youth day-camps this summer. There will be a baseball/softball camp running July 14-18, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. From August 4-8, also between 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., there will be a soccer camp. For age and fee requirements, contact Moscow Parks and Recreation at 883-7085.

• The Humane Society of the Palouse is hosting a pet photography contest. The winner's pictures will be featured in the 1998 Palouse Paws Calendar. For more information contact Donna Robinson during the evenings at 332-5243.

• The International Library of Famous Poets is sponsoring a poetry contest. There is no entry fee, and anyone can enter. The deadline for the contest is July 30. Send your poem, 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 421 N. Rodeo Dr., Suite 15-544, Beverly Hills, CA 90210.



Amanda Cayler, 7, KD Oates, 5, and Elizabeth Oates, 8, chase away a family of Canadian geese at the Spring Valley Reservoir. The geese were on the dock trying to steal food from a cooler.

Craig opposes making treaty mandatory

WES RIMEL
REPORTER

On June 12, Idaho Senator Larry Craig warned the Clinton Administration against pursuing mandatory compliance of an international treaty on global warming.

Craig said imposing this regulation would have a devastating effect on the American economy. Craig argued that mandatory compliance would require American consumers and companies to spend large amounts of money and would likely not make a difference anyway.

Under the new plan, the United States Framework Convention on Climate Change would impose greenhouse gas reduction targets that would have to be reached by specific dates. President Bush signed the treaty five years ago and since then the greenhouse gas reduction targets have been voluntary for companies, but the Clinton Administration would like to make them mandatory.

Craig was joined on the Senate floor by Sen. Robert Byrd in pushing for a bipartisan resolution that would not harm American workers or companies. Craig believes the administration should be more open about the specifics of the plan and their economic studies. Craig said, "The Administration's

negotiators have refused to release any of their internal economic studies expected to show huge decimation in the industrial sector of our economy. This kind of secret planning and hidden agenda is contrary to our democracy. It is wrong."

Mike Tracy, director of Communications for Sen. Craig said there are two major problems with the new proposal: the terms on which the White House is gathering and releasing their data, and questions about their conclusions.

According to Tracy, the U.S. has plenty of laws and regulations on companies enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). "I don't think we need international treaties to be driving domestic policy," he said.

Senators are also upset because the White House was supposed to send results of their studies on the issue last fall. "The Administration is not giving the Senate information to review the treaty and there has been no public opinion on the issue," Tracy said.

Tracy also noted that the same information the White House is basing the mandatory treaty on is "the same evidence scientists used in the 1960s when they said we were headed into another ice age."

Because of this, Craig and other senators feel the White House has drawn "inaccurate conclusions" based on the evidence.

The world's scientists are still debating the extent, if any, to which human emissions of carbon dioxide—rather than natural causes—are increasing the world temperatures. The earth has warmed slightly since the "Little Ice Age" in the early 1600s. All but a tiny amount of that increase occurred prior to World War II, before any significant increase in carbon dioxide can be attributed to human activity.

Tracy said, "The bottom line is, do we make them (greenhouse gas laws) stricter here and ignore developing nations? It doesn't make sense. Even if we signed on to the treaty China won't accept it. They have such a huge part of the world's population, what would be the point for us to sign on when we have some of the strictest regulations in the world?"

Opponents of the issue feel the White House seems intent on using its \$1 billion budget for this research to discredit any studies that may raise questions on the administration's position on global warming.

UI on-campus employment opportunities

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Japanese students experience Moscow

Japanese students from Sendai, Japan will sing at their Welcome Dinner. The students participating in Moscow's Home Stay program will be here through Sunday.

LAURA LAFRANCE
REPORTER

With freedom there is also responsibility. This is one of the lessons teenage boys from Sendai, Japan learn here in Moscow.

The boys arrived late Thursday night to participate in the Japanese Home Stay program.

The program allows the teens to stay in local homes and learn about American culture. On weekdays, they attend English as a Second Language class at the University of Idaho. This class teaches the students more about English as well as information they can use, like how to order food at a restaurant.

Almost every day the Japanese students go on a field trip. They receive lessons about the places they go in their course.

Before visiting a local farm, the boys are introduced to peas and lentil beans. At the farm they are given the opportunity to ride on tractors and are introduced to American agriculture.

The boys were a little afraid when they arrived, according to George Canney, Department of Education professor and a participant in the Home Stay program. They don't know English well, and for many of them it is their first time out of the city.

Maynard Yutzy, a professor at the boys' school in Sendai, is a past UI professor. He comes back every year with his students. Jaynie Yutzy, his wife, is dean of an international school there.

The schools were started by Michio Igarashi. He saw a need for a private school

that allowed students who did not pass 8th grade exams to get into public high schools.

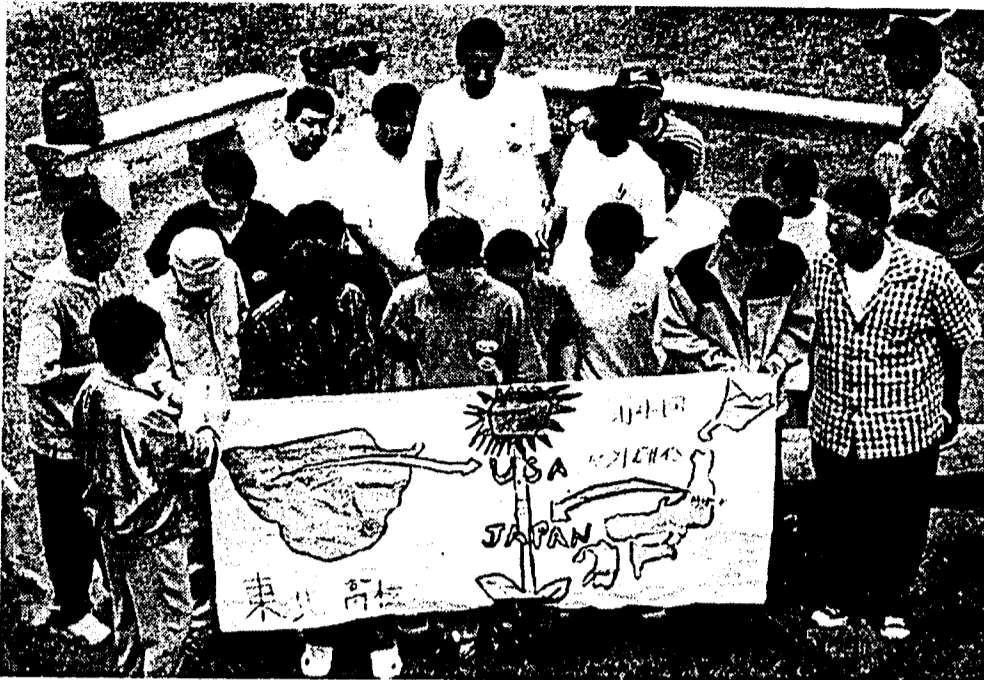
Without a high school education the students could not get work anywhere. Parents send their children to Igarashi's private schools in hopes that they may still have the chance to academically succeed.

As a reward for doing well in their studies, the students get to come to the U.S. for ten days during their junior year. It is a chance to put their English to use and to encourage future academic ventures. Canney said after high school some of the students will come to America for college.

Caroline Canney, an organizer for the program, believes "It exposes [the boys] to another culture." The host families enjoy the experience too. One of the families told her that they had never laughed so much trying to break the language barrier. She said the program "helps both cultures understand each other."

In addition, Caroline Canney believes it is important for the boys to receive some experience with women in what they believe are men's roles, and the host program dishes out equal responsibilities to males and females. In the U.S. women are equal to men and it is a new experience for the Japanese students.

George Canney said, "What the boys discover when they're here is that they are enjoyed for the person they are and not the



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academic status of their families, but this leads to some very interesting conflicts." When the students are comfortable in their host families they sometimes expect women to wait on them. They do not understand the shared responsibility in American households.

"Also, they never ask for anything. They think it's rude and so they wait. The host families have to tell them from the beginning that they can get things out of the refrigerator."

There are other adjustments too. One of the most astonishing parts of Moscow to the boys is the supermarkets. They are used to small specialty grocers with limited selections.

Another astonishing and new experience is river rafting. The boys are going down by Granite Point this week. George Canney plans on videotaping their rafting experi-

ence. In the past years they watched the tape on the bus ride home and talked excitedly about the trip.

The host families have a great time too, and close relationships develop. George Canney said, "The teachers, my wife, and the folks from Sendai are developing a more personal relationship. [The program] shows a goodness of heart and that's something I like to be involved with."

The students will be leaving to go home on Sunday. Caroline Canney said, "When they leave they take a part of us with them and leave a part of them with us. I think that is the key for them because the kids have grown."

The Japanese students experience America and take home with them a broadened perspective about another culture, and the host families learn about the Japanese culture without ever having to leave town.

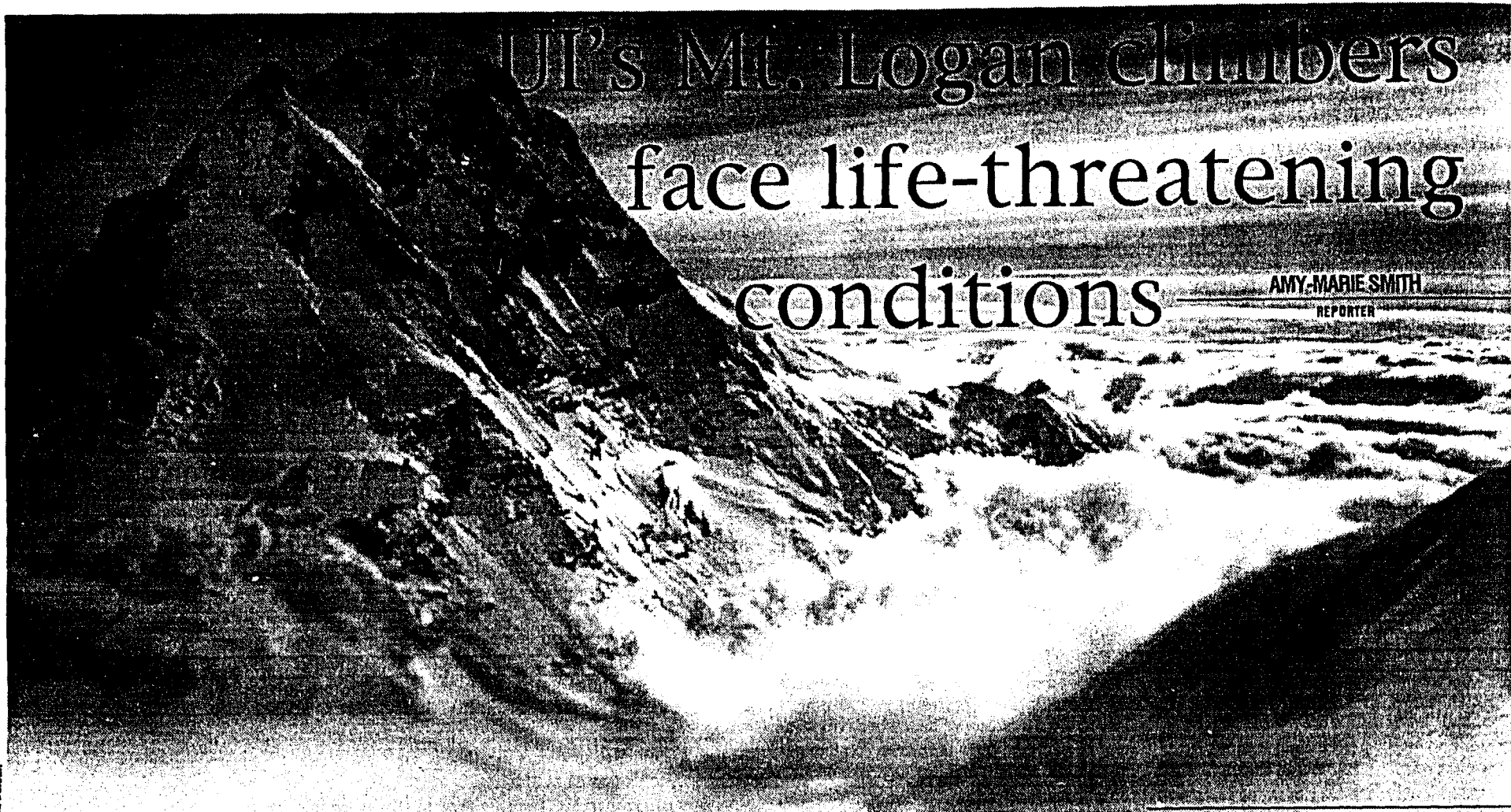
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MIKE BEISER

UI's Mt. Logan climbers face life-threatening conditions

AMY-MARIE SMITH
REPORTER

King's Peak, on Mt. Logan, is approximately 15,000 feet high.

Mount Logan, the second highest peak in North America, was recently challenged by ten brave individuals who, through the Associated Students of the University of Idaho's Outdoor Program, accomplished the expedition after extensive planning and hard work.

Mount Logan, peaking at 19,850 feet, is located in Canada. The popular climbing spot is the largest in the St. Elias range, and a mere 300 miles south of the Arctic Circle. The 22-day trip saw a low temperature of 40 degrees below zero, and only four days during the trip was the temperature a positive number.

Mike Beiser, UI Outdoor Program coordinator and instructor for the Physical Education Department, served as the main organizer and leader for the group. Beiser has been doing these types of expeditions with the Outdoors Program for many years. The last three such trips have ventured to Mount McKinley, the highest peak in North America, at 20,300 feet.

The purpose of the trip was not only for the mountain climbing and outdoor aspect. "The important thing isn't making the summit, it's the preparation, and months of planning. It's a sacrifice and commitment," Beiser said.

Due to bad weather, the group didn't make the summit. They peaked at 17,500 feet. "We almost made it to the summit when a two day storm hit," said Phil Druker, expedition participant and English Department instructor.

He added that he had to go out into the storm every three or four hours to shovel the snow away from the tent.

Nevertheless, Druker said, "I feel great. It was a wonderful experience."

Another participant, Brian Keller, also enjoyed the expedition. He said, "Things got kind of tense near the top

well. If each individual doesn't eat approximately 5,000 calories per day, their bodies won't be able to produce enough heat for them to survive in such a cold environment. Also, every individual must adjust to the change in elevation. Everyone's body acclimates differently, and there is only one-third of the available oxygen at Mount Logan's altitude as there is in Moscow. These mountain climbers must force themselves to breath to get enough oxygen into their lungs.

Druker, the eldest of the group, celebrated his 50th birthday while on the mountain. He was the only other faculty member on the expedition. Keller is a Ph.D. student researching laser induced fluorescence.

The others attending the climb included UI students Rett and T-Jay Clevenger, brothers hailing from north Idaho. Drew Grimes, a Resource Recreation and Tourism major at UI, whose goal is to become a professional tour guide, has climbed the Himalaya in Nepal twice. Chris Haagen, the youngest of the group at 19, has extensive outdoors experience in canoeing, mountain and rock climbing, as well as skiing. W. Lance Roth is a UI Geology major. Shahram Yassemi, a native of Iran, is a Ph.D. candidate in Agroforestry at UI. Erika Van Meter, the only woman in the group, is a recent graduate of Washington State University in International Business.

The group came back having made the trip a success. This kind of undertaking is "the ultimate group project, without grades and without credit," Beiser said. "If it was graded, I'd give everybody and 'A+'."

"The ultimate group project, without grades and without credit"

—Mike Beiser

UI Outdoor Program Coordinator

of the climb. We nearly ran out of food."

"If you come back with all your fingers and toes and you're alive, it's a success," Beiser said.

Mountain climbing is a very involved sport. Many precautions and extensive planning are needed to make such a trip successful. The group met numerous times in the months preceding the trip for a total of 15 hours. Fundraising and educational preparation proved to be time consuming for those preparing for the expedition.

There are many physical dangers involved in such a trip as

Go out and get some "FreshAire"

This summer, for those of you who cannot take advantage of the great music available at Moscow bars, as well as those who can, the Moscow Arts Commission brings us a series of music all summer long, for our entertainment enjoyment.

The concerts will be weekly, every Thursday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at East City Park. The concerts are free, and everyone is encouraged to bring a blanket, a picnic dinner, or buy dinner at the park.

For more information on this series of concerts, contact Mary Blyth with the Moscow Arts Commission at 883-7036 for more information.

The remaining scheduled concerts

are as follows:

June 26: Moscow Arts Commission (Community Band)

July 3: Moscow Arts Commission (Community Band)

Community sing-along Ice Cream Social

July 10: Makin' Island Music — Hawaiian

July 17: The Equinox — Jazz quintet

July 24: James Ried — Classical guitar

July 31: Potato Head — Celtic Trio

August 7: UI Big Band

August 14: Dan Maher — Folk singer

August 21: Dozier-Jarvis — Jazz

August 28: Bill Perconti — Classical Sax

Idaho Repertory Theatre

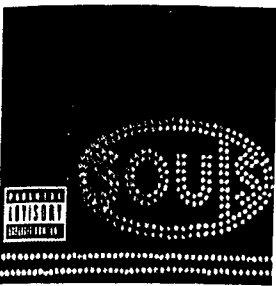
The Idaho Repertory Theatre will soon be here. Alvin W. Berg, Bryan Cole, Sal Sabella, and Jeff Pierce practice for *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The Repertory Theatre's season kicks off July 1.



LAURA LAFRANCE

Worthless *soul* searching

KEVIN MURPHY
REPORTER



There aren't many Sweden-born bands alive and kicking in mainstream music today (if you omit Betty Serveert and from the list), but Souls is attempting to make its mark.

On their second try at a second album, Souls returned to the studio to record *Bird Fish or Inbetween*, a relatively juvenile, unsophisticated album. Sure, the first two tracks were recorded by

Steve Albini—commonly known for the sound he introduced on Nirvana's *In Utero* and recreated on Bush's *Razorblade Suitcase*—but that isn't what makes a good band good. The band itself isn't terribly terrible at making music; unlike Bush, Souls average four chord changes per song rather than three, and like Nirvana, they are definitely a "verse, chorus, verse" band.

Souls could easily get by with a single or two; there are a few songs on the album worthy of being released as singles. "Sonic Sorehead," and "Simplicity" could both easily become MTV or radio favorites as they were both under Albini's direction, and the fact they both sound like missing cuts from Bush's new album; Gavin Rossdale is even one of the A&R men for *Bird Fish or Inbetween*.

Another song worth listening to is "Cello (where you were)," which actually sounds a lot like Betty Serveert—if you gave them noisier instruments to play with. They may as well release the first three songs from the album on an EP and title it "*Bush, Nirvana or Inbetween*."

The rest of the album is cluttered with a wide array of music arrangements by guitarist Andreas Grevsten-Danielsson, Bassist Johan Freiholtz, and drummer Lars-Erik Grimelund.

Most of the songs are purely noise meshed with singer Cecillia Norlund's (note the female-male ratio similarities between Souls and Betty Serveert!) screaming during the choruses, though a few are actually music and singing combined. One shining song on the album is "Shuffle," a jazzy little tune with a semi-obnoxious chorus. One shining *moment* enters near the end of the album's final song, "F***monkey", where a dark drumbeat and the quiet murmur of a vibraphone play for Norlund's quiet chanting of the song's title.

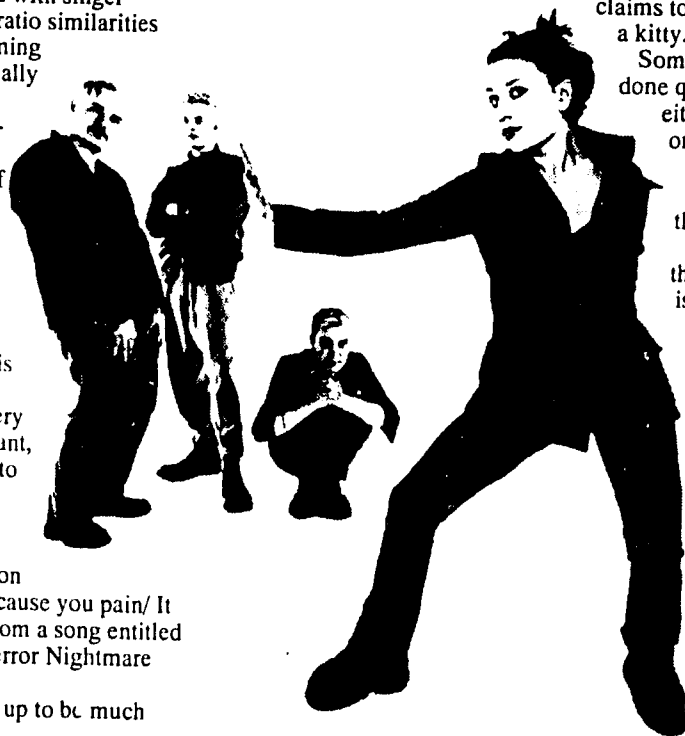
Actually, the music itself isn't nearly as awful as it sounds, but there is something missing in the lyric department. The band is touted as "fearless" and "explosive", and singer Norlund herself admits to being "Very honest, like [the] band. We say what we want, we're not afraid." But, it's hard to live up to such appointments with timid lyrics like: "I've done some grim things/ I've done some really bad things," and the equally ferocious phrase: "You've put the bad eye on me/ With painted claws you kill/ I too can cause you pain/ It would be hard on you." The latter comes from a song entitled "T.N.C.Q", which stands for the poetic "Terror Nightmare Champion Queen."

Souls' audacity and fearlessness are built up to be much

more than they actually are; the musicians need a bit more fine tuning before they conquer the world, and Norlund sounds less like the tiger she

claims to be, and more like a kitty.

Some bands have done quite well on either good music or thoughtful lyrics, Souls just isn't one of them, they'll need both. It must be said that "P.M. Satan" is by far the best song on the album—four seconds of silence. "It's the best song we've ever written," says Norlund of "Satan." Maybe it's because the band, as a whole, decided to shut the hell up.



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AMY-MARIE SMITH
REPORTER



I remember when e-mail was new. The concept of such instant (and free to us students) communication was quite a concept. As with any genre in life comes technology, which always one-ups itself. Now you can send virtually anything over the net, you just have to know where to look.

Last semester I learned of virtual flowers. I even received some recently. You can send virtual flowers over the net for free. And, if on a college budget, that's quite a nice option to the original method of shelling out all your hard-earned cash.

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On the other end of the spectrum, however, you'll find a humorous option in the virtual greeting. At <<http://www.cityearth.com/hategrams/index.shtml>> you'll be greeted by the ever-loved Beavis and Butt-head. *These two have graciously provided the opportunity to send "hate-grams."* As a joke, or otherwise, greetings such as "You suck" can be sent to whomever you choose.

There are endless options when doing a net-search on virtual gifts. I've barely scratched the surface with the ones I've just told you about. They say it's the thought that counts. If that's really true, we college students can now really make up for lost time of not sending cards and buying presents when we really should have. Go ahead, give your sister a new car, your grandmother some flowers, or send your parents a new living-room set. It's the least you can do, the very least.



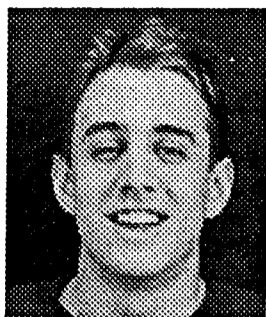
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Opinion

Is affirmative action still necessary?



WES RIMEL
REPORTER

On June 14 President Bill Clinton again brought affirmative action to the national forefront. Clinton made a speech in California, the state that just voted on a bill last November to end affirmative action. Proposition 209, which passed with 54 percent in favor, was against "discrimination or preferential treatment by state and other public entities." Interestingly, exit polls showed that 27 percent of voters who voted yes, also said they favor affirmative action. Since then, black enrollment in law and graduate schools at University of California Berkeley has dropped 81 percent and Hispanic enrollment 50 percent. UCLA has experienced similar setbacks.

Though Clinton's speech was a nice commentary about equal rights for minorities it was certainly a far cry from Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. In fact, all he proposed to do was "study" the problem and have a few "town meetings" to discuss issues. Not exactly bold leadership, but Clinton did say, "Enrollments in law school and other graduate programs are plummeting for the first time in decades. Call it what you want, but I call it resegregation."

I don't agree that resegregation is the right term for banning affirmative action, but I do agree with the fact that ending affirmative action is wrong.

Affirmative action has long been hailed as equal justice for minorities by liberals. It has also been bemoaned by conservatives who think affirmative action simply gives minorities in this country special rights and privileges. Conservatives believe one should earn their position in society, whether it be in education, the job market, or the justice system. Liberals believe most minorities have less opportunity to begin with because of their generally lower economic and social class, so therefore they need a boost.

Examples of this lower standing is all too present. A higher percentage of Africans and Hispanics are pulled over by police, a higher percentage are prosecuted, and a

higher percentage receive stiffer sentencing when guilty. However, to me that still misses the issue completely.

I don't think of affirmative action as us against them, white against black, or any of the other nonsense. I think of it in very simple terms. We are all Americans, we are all one nation. Public policy should be based on what is best for our country. Obviously, everyone has a different opinion on what is best for our country.

Maybe my view of things is too idealistic. I think the best thing for our country is to help people that need it. I believe America should be about people helping people. If I was

down I would want others to help me up. I think conservatives should believe strongly in affirmative action because of the golden rule—treat others the way you would like to be treated. Honestly, for many minority students affirmative action means the difference

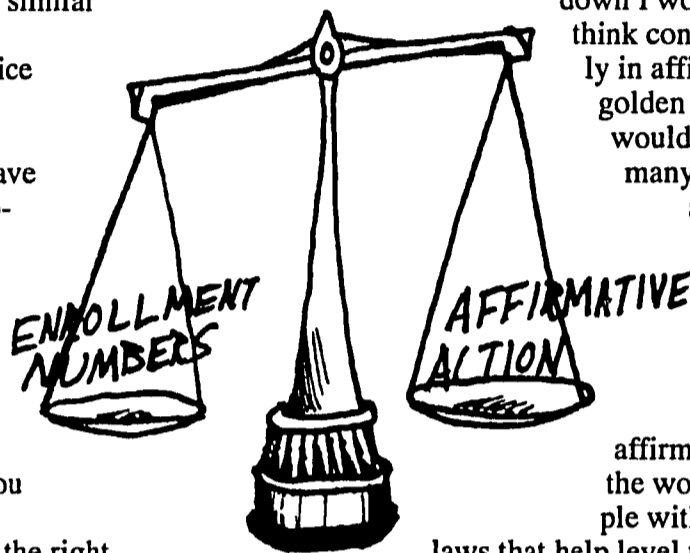
between being able to attend college and flipping burgers for a living. In addition, it helps our government right some of its history of wrongs.

What puzzles me is that I see affirmative action as being a lot like the women's rights and rights for people with disabilities. Why get rid of

laws that help level the playing field? I simply do not understand that.

On a team, the star player helps teach the rookies—it is more or less an obligation. In America the very rich think they shouldn't pay taxes at any higher rate than anyone else. Few think of it as an obligation. They take advantage of every tax break in the book and urge Congress for more. I know this isn't true of everyone. I used to live in Boise, Idaho, where we were good friends with one very wealthy family who never tried to decrease their tax bill. They felt very lucky to be able to live so well and thought of it as giving something back.

If our country had more citizens more concerned about others and less concerned about themselves, America would be a better place. And maybe affirmative action would never have been an issue to begin with.



Wes Rimel's column on China (June 18) was right on target in pointing out how the corporate media prevents discussion of any significant response to China's well-documented violations of human rights.

The vast majority of our media sources are owned by a relative handful of multinational corporations, which are linked, directly or indirectly, to just about every major industry. These corporations filter opinions to suppress dissenting views.

The result is an effective propaganda machine. While far more subtle than a Soviet-style state media, it is just as far from a free press.

However, if we are to complain about failure to fully cover human rights abuses, let's not be hypocrites about it. We don't need to look as far as China. As a man far wiser than myself once said, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone."

The United States does not have the squeaky-clean record

we would like to believe. The Activist Resource Center of Berkeley, CA lists nearly one hundred political prisoners in the U.S. Its list is drawn primarily from African American, Puerto Rican and Native American liberation movements, and does not include prisoners from the ecological movement, various socialist

and workers' parties, and possibly others.

And there's more than just political prisoners. The Black Panthers and the American Indian

Movement, amongst others, were targeted by the government for "neutralization" in the sixties and seventies. This "neutralization" included tactics ranging from misinformation to outright murder. This repression continued into the eighties, targeted at the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador, and today is targeted at Earth First!, Food Not Bombs, various anarchist groups, and people who try to organize the working class and the so-called "underclass." Of course, in some communities, this repression

hasn't stopped since slavery days.

Rimel attacks China for buying arms from Iran and Iraq. But let's not forget who sold them those arms to start with. In fact, during the eighties, the U.S. armed both sides in the Iran-Iraq war, cynically destabilizing the region to maintain access to cheap oil.

U.S. foreign policy violates human rights around the world. The sanctions against Iraq may be responsible for hundreds of thousands of deaths since 1990, according to former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark. Our embargo against Cuba has caused untold suffering and dismal poverty. And our fifty-year embargo against North Korea has brought an entire nation to the brink of starvation. Food supplies may run out as soon as the end of this month, and then we will reap our harvest of murder.

By no means should we ignore the human rights abuses in China. But a nation truly concerned about human rights should start by cleaning up its own backyard. The ideals of freedom and equality have never been achieved in this country. We bear far too much sin to cast any stones.

—Guest Column—

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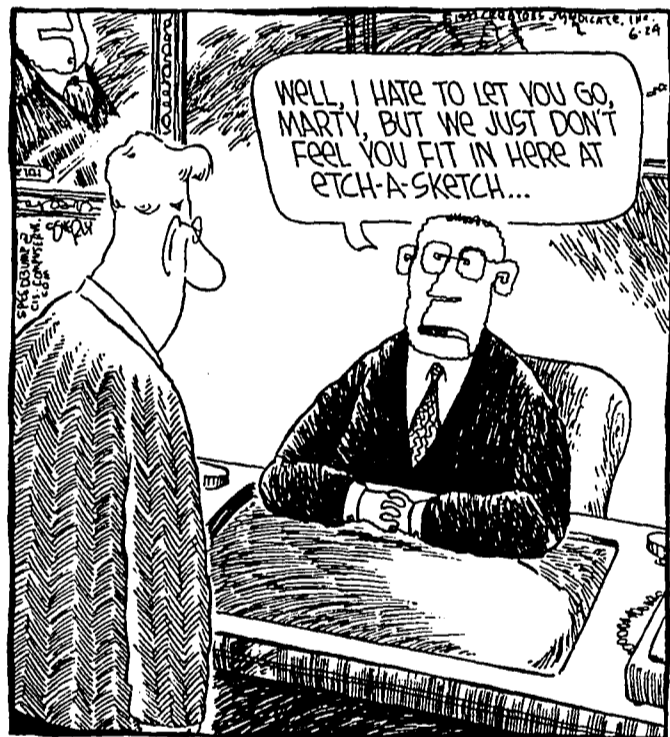


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