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ASUI Senate hands wallet over to committee

JENNIFER KARINEN

STAFF

ASUI President Jim Dalton thinks it was the most controversial bill all year. When the Senate passed it unanimously with little more than a bored glance he covered his mouth to keep from smiling.

"I was shocked," he said about the bill's untroubled passage through the same Senate that spent more than a month finagling semantics finalizing separation from the Graduate Student Association.

Senate Bill F97-50 created the Associated Student Fee Committee. In passing the bill they handed over their power to dole out student money.

The ASFC will allocate funds to ASUI, GSA, SBA and Student Media. It will have 13 members, seven undergraduates, four graduates and two professional law students.

The committee will be the first formal voice for all students at University of Idaho fee hearings held each spring. As of now, when the administration wants to raise student fees they don't have to explain why to students. They do make formal presentations to other groups. If recognized by administrators this committee would request oral and written presentations. It would evaluate the impact and needs and desires of the students and present student opinion at the hearings.

"I like the fact that for really the first time we will have a voice on appropriations for the band, athletics, etc.," said Senator Adam Browning, one of the bill's sponsors. In-state full-time students pay \$971 a semester. The associated students get \$39.75. This is a dedicated activity fee.

The other fees are under administrators' control. Other activity fees include \$3 for fine arts, \$65 for athletics, \$19 for intramurals, \$4 for the marching band, \$8 for Student Advisory Services and \$36.75 for the Student Health.

Students have little to no say in these fees. Facilities fees are where some of the money goes. To name a few, students pay \$28 for student computing, \$75 for the new commons, \$12 for rec center planning, another \$10 to existing recreational facilities and \$5 for the Wallace Complex.

The largest chunk of money, \$499, goes to the matriculation fee defined by the Idaho Board of Education as, "a fee charged for maintenance and operation of physical plant, student services and institutional support for full-time students." Where this fee goes is not described on student fee schedules.

Idaho's constitution makes it illegal to charge tuition to Idaho students. Student fees are legal as long as they don't go directly towards academics. Many hope the new committee will watchdog this.

The committee is also a baby step toward setting the Student Media

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'Don
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apparel'

Joe Vandal looks simply dashing in his holiday attire. This season he's sporting a lovely faux fur collar, red skirt, silver leg warmers and matching gold accessories. This holiday display can be seen on the first floor of the Student Union Building.

Survey says: more summer courses

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A preliminary schedule for the upcoming Summer Session does not reflect University of Idaho students' recent requests for more courses.

A small survey conducted in September by the UI branch of the American Marketing Association indicated a demand for more upper division courses during the summer session.

"It is disappointing," said Sid Eder, director of UI Summer Programs and Extended Learning, who used the results to try to get more interest from the department directors to increase summer classes.

"The good news is a few responded," Eder said. "For example, there will be more classes offered in the computer sciences. The English department continues to do a good job. The education and art

departments are still offering a number of courses."

The latest brochure for Summer Session 1998 shows a slight increase in the number of courses offered. It indicates that computer science will offer about three additional classes in comparison to summer 1997's catalog. The listing of 1998 courses, however, are not final. It is possible that more classes could be added before the spring semester.

Eder believes in strengthening the summer session because of the enrollment increases in the past few years. Last summer the enrollment figures on the UI campus were at their highest. There were 3,326 students who attended the summer classes and 2,659 students who attended off-campus classes. UI's off-campus courses are offered at several locations including Boise, Coeur d'Alene and McCall.

"We had a record number of

students interested in summer school," Eder said. "Many of the students are using summer sessions as (a way of) getting to the finish line."

The problem is getting the department directors to recognize the demand. The unavailability of tenured faculty is one major reason for the lack of interest. Many professors take time off to research, be with family, travel, write and some just don't want to teach in the summer.

"I respect their (professors') needs but there are ways to provide for both," Eder said. "We can be doing a better job to also respect the students' needs."

In September, Eder suggested using visiting faculty from other universities and the use of cooperative arrangements with Washington State University. There were no responses from department directors on these suggestions.

First woman Supreme Court Justice to visit UI Law School

JUSTIN OLIVER RUEN

STAFF

The first woman justice of the United States Supreme Court, Sandra Day O'Connor, will lecture at the University of Idaho College of Law on Feb. 10.

Justice O'Connor will deliver the law school's second Bellwood Lecture, although the topic of her presentation and other details have not yet been released.

"We are delighted to bring Justice O'Connor to our students and to the community," said Jack Miller, dean of the UI College of Law in a prepared statement.

"This is an excellent illustration of how our newly-endowed Bellwood Lecture series is adding a new dimension to the legal education we are able to offer at Idaho. From the fall of 1997 onward, we will regularly present in person some of the most influential legal thinkers in the world."

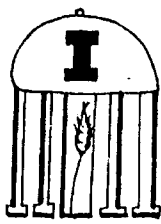
O'Connor was nominated to the Supreme Court by President Ronald Reagan in 1981, and confirmed by the Senate as the first female justice of the

court. Since her confirmation, O'Connor has become one of the world's most prominent jurists.

"Justice O'Connor is widely regarded as the swing vote on many crucial issues, such as affirmative action and abortion, now coming before the Supreme Court," Miller said. "For that reason, many advocates before the Supreme Court address their arguments specifically to her. She is a central figure in modern American jurisprudence."

Linda Copple Trout, the first woman chief justice of the Idaho Supreme Court, described O'Connor as "a tremendous role model to women attorneys and particularly judges, and for that reason I am especially thrilled to have her come to the law school."

The Bellwood Lecture is the largest endowed lectureship at the University of Idaho, named for UI graduate and former Idaho district judge Sherman J. Bellwood. According to Bellwood's will, the \$1 million endowment is to "enable the College of Law to invite and present persons learned in the law to lecture on legal subjects from time to time."



Local News

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Father to be arraigned on murder charge in death of daughter

MOSCOW — A former University of Idaho student accused of violently shaking his infant daughter will be arraigned on a first-degree murder charge.

David Craig Pettit, 24, was bound over Thursday to 2nd District Court. Magistrate William Hamlett scheduled his arraignment for next Wednesday.

Pettit is accused of shaking his 15-week-old daughter, Rebekkah, on Oct. 2, causing bleeding and swelling of the brain.

Pettit, according to court records, told authorities he shook the child in an attempt to revive her after she fell from a chair and struck her head on a coffee table.

Hamlett said the evidence presented at the three-day preliminary hearing showed the child was in good health until the time she was left alone with her father.

"And then suddenly on Oct. 2, the baby is in extreme distress," Hamlett said.

Anyone who fatally batters a child under the age of 12 can be charged with first-degree murder, according to the law.



State News

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Promoter not responsible to defend lawsuit, court says

BOISE — A promoter of the Caldwell Night Rodeo is not responsible to defend a lawsuit filed over a child's death, the Idaho Court of Appeals says.

The court on Friday unanimously upheld a lower court decision in favor of Salvador Alfaro and against the city of Caldwell.

Manual Navarrete Jr. died in 1994 when he fell through the bleachers at a rodeo stadium in Caldwell.

The child's parents sued Alfaro, as the promoter, and the city of Caldwell because it owned the property involved.

Under a sublease, Alfaro was obliged to obtain liability insurance naming the city as an additional insured party. When the city turned the Navarrete lawsuit over to the insurance company, it refused to provide a defense or to indemnify the city.

The city filed a cross-claim against Alfaro, but the promoter won summary judgment from District Judge Stephen Drescher. The Court of Appeals upheld that decision on Friday.

Seasonal decline in workers pushes jobless rate down

BOISE — A normal contraction in the labor force pushed Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate back under 5 percent in November in what analysts see as another sign of economic health.

The Department of Labor on Friday forecast the jobless rate at 4.8 percent for November, down two tenths of a point from October to match May and June for the lowest months of 1997.

The last time the state's unemployment rate was lower was in 1978. The jobless rate a year earlier was 5.3 percent.

"The low rate is a result of the overall stability of the Idaho economy," department analysts said.

The improvement helped closed the gap with the national unemployment rate, which dropped another tenth of a point to a 24-year low of 4.6 percent last month. Employers across the country added over 400,000 workers to payrolls — a third more than analysts had been expecting.

A seasonal employment decline in construction, recreation and agriculture reduced the overall labor force by 3,900 from October's record of just over 643,000. Total employment stood at just under 609,000, nearly 14,000 more than in November 1996, and the number of workers off the job dropped to 30,500, the lowest in more than two years.

And analysts predicted that employment opportunities should pick up again this month as winter recreation shifts into gear.

Announcements

Today

• Cooperative Education is holding an orientation from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. in Education Room 103. For more information contact Cooperative Education at 885-5822.

Wednesday

• Mary Blew's intermediate fiction class and Lance Olsen's graduate class will give a marathon reading of their work at 7 p.m. at the Vox. The reading is free to the public.

• A brown bag program "A feeling for the Organism? A Study of Gender Differences in Research by Animal Behaviorists," will be at 12:30 p.m. in the Women's Center. The program is free.

Thursday

• There will be a SUB Swap at 10 a.m. in the Student Union Lounge.

Friday

• All students must check out of their Kibbie Dome lockers by Friday. Students who fail to properly check out by Friday will be assessed a service fee which will be directly applied to their student account. Students need to return both their towel and lock to the attendant's office. Students should direct any questions they may have to the attendant's office at 885-6394. Lockers will be available for the spring semester on Jan. 12, 8 a.m. until noon, and 12:30 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Opportunities

• Design the logo for the Division of Statistics at UI to be used on their homepage and win a \$100 cash prize. The competition is open to UI

students and former graduates of the division. Designs must be submitted to Brink Hall Room 415A by 3 p.m. Jan. 8. The winner will be notified Jan. 19. Be sure to include your name, student ID, and phone number.

• Ever wanted to rant like a true philosopher? ORG, the UI undergraduate philosophy organization, is taking submissions for their annual journal *The Hemlock Papers*. Submissions are due Jan. 1 to the ORG c/o the philosophy department, Morrill Hall Room 408.

• The Truman Scholarship program is inviting inquiries from juniors who wish to pursue a career in public service. Fellowships include a \$3,000 scholarship for senior year and \$27,000 for two- to three-year graduate programs. Contact Tom Bitterwolf at 885-6426 or by e-mail at bitterte@uidaho.edu.

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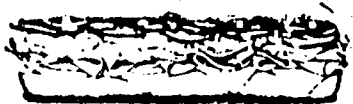
• The UI will provide low-cost bus service to southern Idaho during the Christmas holiday. The bus will leave Moscow the evening of Dec. 19 and return Jan. 11. Reservations can be made through the Office of Student Advisory Services in Room 241 of UCC. For more information, call 885-6765.

• Student Support Services is offering a \$100 Merit Scholarship for the spring semester. For more information, call 885-6746 or go to CEB 106.

Holiday Ideas

• Order a "Celebration" tote bag from the UI Women's Center. Zippered bags are \$12.60, zipless are \$10.50. Stop by the Women's Center or order by phone, 885-6616.

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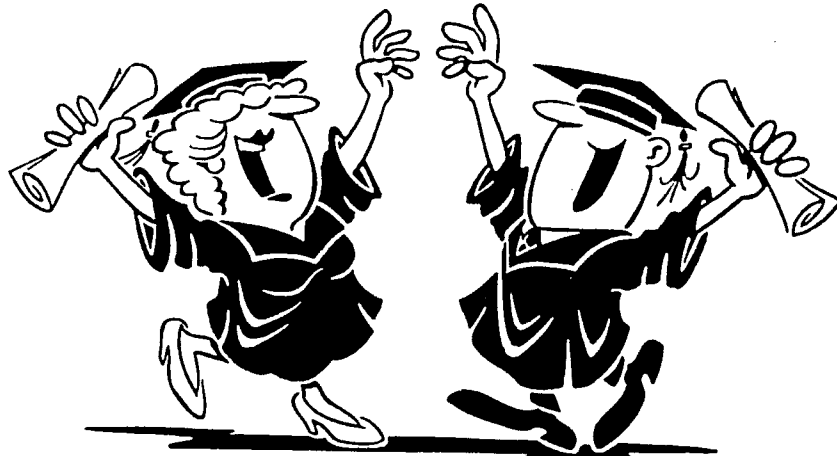
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Engineering honor society feeds 17 families

LISA LANNIGAN
NEWS EDITOR

The plan was to raise enough money to provide five Moscow families with turkey dinners this Thanksgiving. But when the officers of the Tau Beta Phi national engineering honor society opened the donation box, they found enough money to feed 17 families.

Todd Bermensolo, president of Tau Beta Phi at UI and a junior in engineering, said their goal was to raise \$250. They made over \$900.

Deanna Fredricks, recording secretary for Tau Beta Phi and a senior in engineering, came up with the idea to raise money for five turkey dinners for needy families in Moscow. She contacted the Health District, who took them up on the offer.

Members of the honor society approached their friends, family members and professors for donations. The names of the members and the donors went into a raffle for a dinner at Treaty Grounds.

Each member was to get three donations. Some got a lot more.

At first, the officers didn't think they were doing so well.

"The box was big, so when we'd shake it, it sounded empty," Bermensolo said.

But when they opened the donation box the Friday before Thanksgiving break, they were surprised to see three times as much money as they had hoped for.

"We took all the money, tallied it up and went shopping," Bermensolo said. "I think we filled up eight shopping carts."

The Health District was pretty overwhelmed, with enough food for 17 families, Bermensolo said.



Selu Gupta, corresponding secretary for the honor society and a junior in engineering, said the Health District delivered the food to the families.

"I hear a few of them were in tears," she said.

ASUI President Jim Dalton was one of the members who participated in getting donations. Bermensolo said Dalton wrote e-mail to several people, offering to be their personal slave for a day for the one who donated the most money.

"I guess he's raking someone's lawn today (Saturday)," Bermensolo said.

Professors and staff members helped to get donations as well. "It really expanded to more than the engineering students — it was campus wide," Bermensolo said.

Food enough for 17 Moscow families fills the kitchen, above, as Tau Beta Phi president Todd Bermensolo, right, proudly shows off the culinary delights.

Photos courtesy of Tau Beta Phi



Gupta said, "We weren't expecting such a good reaction from everyone."

"When (we) told them it was for people in Moscow, they didn't know there were needy people in Moscow," she said.

Bermensolo said he thinks their success was due to all the people who helped to collect donations, and all those people who gave even a little. "When it's a small amount,

it's not such a hardship," he said.

Gupta agreed. "Even a student can manage a dollar," she said. "We're hoping to do this again for Easter."

Though they say a drive for donations twice in one year may be too much, Gupta and Bermensolo hope to at least do the same for next Thanksgiving.

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free from Senate control. It no longer has the power to dictate how much money Student Media will receive. The media will present their budget to the Media Board, who will present to the ASFC.

The Senate still has control to change line-item expenditures such as salaries and office supplies but it cannot take money from the media and transfer it to another area. The Senate still has the power to approve the appointments of the editor-in-chiefs of the Argonaut and GEM, and the advertising and KUOI station managers.

"It's about time," said Michelle Kalbeitzer, Argonaut editor in chief. "It's in the best interest of the ASUI, especially the Student Media to get out from under the position of the Senate having control of funds." Behind her statement is the problem the Argonaut has faced for a century now of covering the Senate objectively one week and asking them for money the next.

This dependent situation has led to accusations that the Argonaut is controlled by the Senate, "When was the last time you felt the Argonaut was representative of your voice? Think this has anything to do with decisions made by the ASUI Senate committees and subcommittees?" asked the independent student newsletter Guerrilla in October.

The Senate has a stormy past with Student Media littered with Senate rejections of editors and rearranging of media departments. In 1980 the Senate voted on a bill to abolish the GEM of the Mountains yearbook. The reasoning was finances and lack of student interest, and

not because the GEM contained nude photographs that year. The GEM wasn't killed but the ASUI Photography Bureau was. This semester the Senate and Media Board are clashing over how many people are going to be allowed on the board.

Presidents of ASUI, SBA and GSA will be voting members of the ASFC. Senators can be appointed to the committee. Dalton hopes to see more general students on the committee than senators. The Senate will approve the president's appointments to the ASFC.

The committee was formed because of the split between the ASUI and the GSA. "The need was not there so much in the past because all student government funds were distributed through the one ASUI fee," explained Browning. "The law students broke away and the two fees were established and with the recent break away of the GSA, we have finally realized the need for a new way of assessing the fees."

Browning sees many good changes coming with the committee. Students will be able to communicate their needs as a united student body. Organizations will be scrutinizing each other's budget. The budget process will be removed from the Senate and put in the hands of independent students who will hopefully have talent or qualifications in the areas of finance, accounting or economics.

"It's another level of bureaucracy," Dalton said adding that it was worth it because it would help make student government accountable in a new way.

Setting the scene



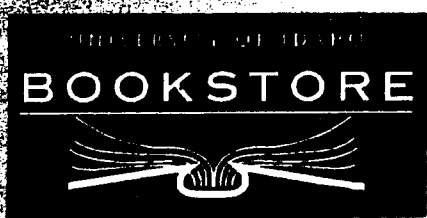
The table is set, the candles lit, and the mood made merry for the lords and ladies attending UI's third-annual Madrigal Feast Friday at CJ's.

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Service club collects toys, food for Moscow families

YVONNE WINGETT

STAFF

This year, Santa is getting a little extra help. A University of Idaho service group, which does not have a club name yet, is sponsoring a Giving Tree and a food drive to help provide a happier Christmas for less fortunate families in the Moscow community.

Allyson Lee, a junior Alpha Gamma Delta majoring in psychology and biology, noticed in the last couple of years that the university doesn't do any concerted effort toward the community for the holidays, so they decided to implement the Giving Tree. They contacted the organization Christmas for Kids, a Moscow community organization that has been helping local disadvantaged children for over 15 years, and everything fell into place.

The Giving Tree, located on the first floor of the Student Union Building, has "gift tags" for ornaments. Each tag states a specific gift along with a child's name and age. Students and organizations can pluck a tag from the tree from now until Friday. Christmas for Kids will deliver the presents to the families homes on Saturday.

The gifts that students buy will go to two families in the local area, each having three children ranging in ages from 18 months to 16 years. Kristine L. Day, coordinator of Student Activities for UI says that this service project has been a huge success.

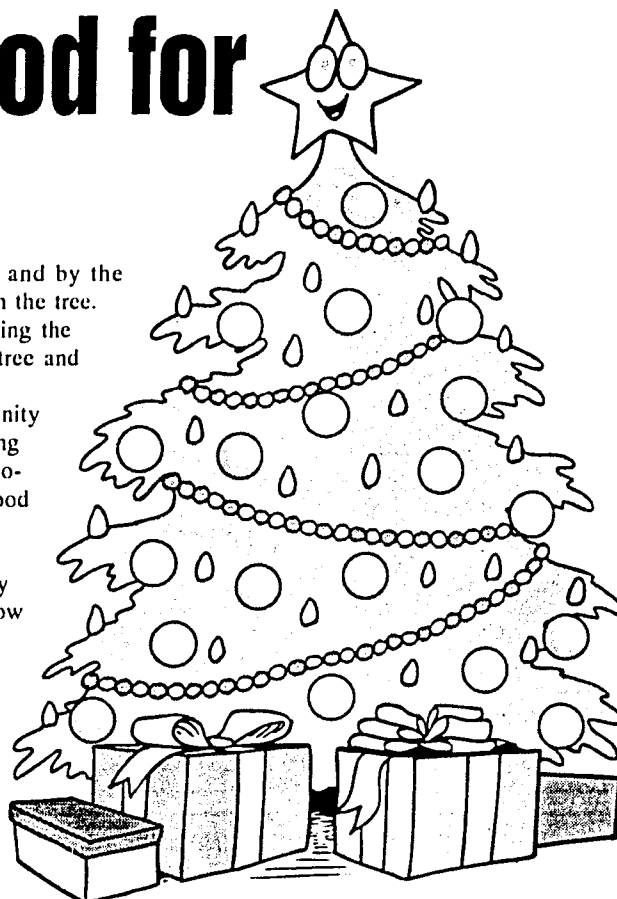
The Giving Tree was put up on Dec. 2, and by the following Friday, 50 tags had been taken from the tree. The student response has been so overwhelming the group decided to add another 30 tags to the tree and adopt an additional Moscow family.

The UI service group is hosting a community food drive on Saturday as well. They are asking residents to volunteer their time to go door-to-door in Moscow neighborhoods asking for food donations.

A box is also placed next to the Giving Tree in the SUB for students and community members to donate canned food items from now until Friday.

The collected food items will be donated to the "Sojourners Alliance, Troy Food Bank," another community service organization. According to Day, "they are in a dire need of food right now, so we're really hoping to collect a lot."

Students who wish to get involved in the new UI group can contact Kris Day at 885-2237 or Allyson Lee at 885-6668.



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When your landlord turns sour



WES RIMEL
OPINION EDITOR

So, you have a problem with your landlord. You want to do something about it. What is the next step?

First of all, if you ever start having problems with your landlord, save all your receipts and take pictures of anything that may help your case. It is unlikely that a judge will award damages if there is no receipt, and pictures of the problem you are complaining about will certainly strengthen your case. We took pictures of the mushrooms and the rest of our apartment when we moved out to show we left it clean — this can help you avoid being swindled out of your cleaning deposit.

The next thing that should be done is to find somebody that can

answer legal questions. Whether it's an uncle who is an attorney or a law student who is a good friend, *find somebody*. Doing this can keep you from committing some technicality or mistake that could let the landlord off of the hook.

Let's assume you don't know anybody who is familiar enough with Idaho law to answer your questions, like the vast majority of people. The next step should be turning to Legal Aid. They are listed in the phone book. The Legal Aid service in Moscow provides service via University of Idaho law students. There is also a Legal Aid office in Lewiston which provides service for several of the outlying counties.

To qualify for services from Legal Aid, your income must be under a certain level. Considering many or most college students pay their way through school and work on the side at minimum wage jobs nearly all students, couples, or roommates should be able to qualify for some kind of legal counsel.

However, don't fall into the mindset that once you obtain legal help everything will be easy and "the attorney will take care of it." In fact, during our problems the legal counsel had to drop our case

because he had too many cases — so he had to put the most urgent cases first.

The attorney that represented us for a short time was from the Legal Aid office in Lewiston. Once we had mushrooms growing in our apartment he told us to send a certified letter to our landlord manager. He told us if our landlord did not fix the problems within 72 hours upon receiving our letter that we could *legally* get out of our lease. Of course, in the letter we had to tell them we were giving them 72 hours to fix the problems or we would take legal action. The post office will send you back a receipt after your landlord has received the letter if you ask for the service.

In our case our landlord actually refused our certified letter. I cannot be positive why, but I think it is because they know certified letters can carry legal implications with them. Why? Because they cannot deny that the letter got lost in the mail, or they never received it because they have to *sign for it*.

After this, if problems still are not resolved, I would recommend going to the courthouse and filing a small claims lawsuit. It cost us about \$65 to file. If you win, the judge will award you the \$65 back.

A small claims suit in Idaho cannot be for over \$3,000. However, the \$3,000 limit should cover almost any tenant-landlord dispute.

Also, from what I know, you may file where the dispute took place or where the landlord's company headquarters is. Our landlord's main office is in Pullman, but the dispute took place in Moscow, so we had our choice. We chose to sue in Latah County.

Be careful about where you file the lawsuit! I'm not sure how Washington collects fees, but in Idaho the best way to guarantee the winning side the money is to "seize" the loser's bank account. However, if they *do not make deposits in Idaho* you cannot be assured of money — unless they "seize" something like a car, which is much more troublesome. This is a perfect time to ask your legal help about this — to avoid making a costly mistake.

Our landlord's account was through a bank that until recently was not in the state of Idaho, therefore no deposits could be made



through an Idaho branch. We nearly made a big mistake by suing in Idaho!

By taking legal action realize you are sticking your neck out. Your landlord likely has a lawyer trying to pull all kinds of legal stunts to discourage you. And keep in mind that an attorney cannot be at the first small claims trial, but may be at an appeal trial. But don't be intimidated — our landlord had an attorney on our case and at the appeal trial and we still won.

Editor's note: This is part two of a three part series about bad landlords and what college students can do about them.

Argonaut pay has never been good

BRANDON NOLTA
1994-95 ARGONAUT OPINION EDITOR

It's been over two years since I left the hallowed halls of the University of Idaho, but I see that business has gone as usual since I went from student to alumnus (and gained favor in the money-hungry eyes of the same institution, but that's another story).

In town for the holiday weekend, I read Wes Rimel's article on the financial woes of Student Media (11/21/97) with great interest. Ah, the memories...

When I stepped up to the opinion editor position in May 1994, I was offered the princely sum of \$45 per pay period plus whatever money I could squeeze out of my columns at \$0.65 per column inch. If you do the math, you'll quickly find that I needed another job or three. When the school year kicked in, things improved, but only because we ran two issues a week instead of one.

It was quite a deal — I wrote at least one column per week, in addition to at least one main opinion and any gaps in the other pages that I could fill. This was on top of the actual editing of other pieces, editing the letters to the editor, working out the page structures with the layout folks, attending the requisite meetings, talking to visitors and callers and writing up the occasional office policy here and there.

After several months of hard lobbying by the Argonaut's then-editor in chief and a couple of appeals to the court of public opinion, the ASUI Senate did grant us an across the board raise about midway through the school year. Net effect? It raised most of the editorial staff to minimum wage or close to it. Apparently, judging from Mr. Rimel's disclosure of his pay, things have gone downhill from there.

There are several instances of irony surrounding this particular situation.

The Argonaut appears twice a week — Idaho's other major collegiate papers only print once a week. During the '94-'95 school year, the average press run per issue hovered around

8,000 copies, whereas the ISU *Bengal* and BSU *Arbiter* usually clocked in around 5,000 — I'm pretty sure those numbers have since increased. On top of all that, the Argonaut tended to be (and still is, as far as I can tell) at least 5-10 pages longer per issue than her competitors. Yet, the editorial staff of the Argonaut was the lowest paid in the state, and apparently still is. How shameful.

In Rimel's column, he states, "That makes one thing clear — we are not in it for the money." I'll say. That statement was just as true when I had his job as it is now.

I would bet that the present staff of the Argonaut does the fine job they do for the same reason my colleagues and I did it: as a labor of love. The money was negligible, and the experience for many of us, while valuable, was not necessarily useful. Most of the Argonaut's staff was in majors only peripherally related to journalism if related at all. Both the editor in chief and news editors at the time were English majors; I was a math major. Out of approximately 40 employees, I would guess that maybe 15 percent were doing something directly related to their major. I doubt that figure has changed very much.

Despite what some may think of the whole journalistic process, putting together a newspaper is not easy. It takes a willingness to place your writing skills and opinions in full view of the public, where the masses can sit in anonymity and

cast judgments upon the writer. It takes an eye for detail, a talent for language and a skin capable of withstanding critical input ranging from mild disagreements to late-night anonymous threats (it does happen, let me tell you).

Most importantly, it takes someone with a desire to communicate to people who they may never meet, in the hopes that somebody, somewhere will come away from the experience with something positive. People like this deserve better than to sacrifice a labor of love to flipping burgers just because it pays better. As readers and fellow travelers into the great unknown, we deserve better as well.

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Hoover needs to rethink his priorities

JAMIE WAGGONER
GEM EDITOR

I am the editor of the GEM of the Mountains yearbook. This is my second year as editor of the GEM. I love working in the University of Idaho student media because it remains such a diverse and dynamic place. As editor, I am responsible for coordinating and publishing the yearbook. Of course, my position involves many other tasks as well. I attend student media board meetings, train and manage a staff, sell yearbooks and work toward improving campus awareness of the book.

I also meet with university officials and administrators. Let me tell about my Dec. 4, 1997 meeting with President Hoover.

I had been trying since January to schedule an appointment with the president. I was told his agenda was too laden with meetings to work in time for a student — until our 1997 GEM won a national award — then I received an invitation to see him.

Yearbook in hand, I marched from my office in the Student Union Building up to the Administration Building. Visions of discussing media budgets, boasting of improvements and eliciting more support from the administration

danced in my head. Hoover's secretary met me at the door, seating me in a reception area. She told me, "We're waiting for the photographer." I thought to myself, "A photographer? Whatever for?"

The photographer showed up and I was ushered into the president's office.

Hoover was very congenial. He accepted the complimentary award-winning book and smiled for the camera. He told me he would forward some pictures to my office and gave me a stale quote from his power-point presentation for a future yearbook. Then the president wished me luck, whisking me out of the office.

My appointment took a total of five minutes. I stood in the hall outside his office wondering what had just happened. I felt like I had been used. I felt like Hoover's promotional tool.

In my mind a university president is a servant of the students. I envision the president out among the student body, anxious to hear about their ideas and achievements. My five minutes was the most I saw of Hoover all year. Does he care? Does he realize how much we, as students, invest ourselves for the better of the university?

I appreciate Hoover's ideals. But I challenge our beloved president to be more than just the figurehead of the University of Idaho.

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Generation X? Generation Why!



WADE GRUHL
COLUMNIST

"Our suicidal poets spent too much of their lives inside rooms and classrooms when they should have been trudging up mountains, slogging through swamps, rowing down rivers. The indoor life is the next best thing to premature burial"—Ed Abbey.

Before beginning the five mile hike to a tingling morsel of a hot spring in the delectable Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, my friend said, "Sometimes I resent not being exposed to the kinds of stimulus I prefer." I feel similarly. I

understand and conditionally support my decision to be formally educated, but it means sacrificing much of what is important to me.

Arriving at the hot spring about the time on Friday that I would typically be in class, we found four moose enjoying the natural paradise. The entire experience was rejuvenating, but it was also a tease. It was my intention to write about being burnt out on school, but everyone knows about that.

I was trying to study, but it just wasn't happening. My head slumped slumbering into my book, written by a well respected, or infamous, individual named Ed Abbey. I awoke in a state of enlightened confusion, vividly recalling my real or imagined interactions with Ed.

"The best thing about graduating from the university was that I finally had time to sit on a log and read a good book," said Ed.

"Why is that?" I thought. It's so true, but why? Why does formal education, or making a living, bog us down to the point where we don't have time for life's simple

pleasures?

Reading my mind, Ed said "A formal education can sometimes be broadening but more often serves to flatten."

I had to agree, since my own return to formal education was the result of my admission of defeat. I hadn't figured out a way to earn a decent living. Why is that? Why did I have such extreme resentment toward formal education? Learning should be enjoyable, and I am not a slacker. Why did I resist returning to school?

Ed replied: "In social institutions, the whole is always less than the sum of its parts. There will never be a state as good as its people, or a church worthy of its congregation, or a university equal to its faculty and students." And then he vanished.

Maybe that is why. I once held the idealist attitude that I would only return to school to learn, not to make money. I swallowed my pride, and returned to the university to learn skills that will enable me to earn a living wage. Maybe the reason why I resent formal

education is because we have to work jobs and take on debt, in addition to being students.

Maybe the reason why is because there are so many other causes that deserve my, and indeed your, attention more than positioning oneself to enter the world of "real jobs." For example, Disney executive Michael Eisner made \$538 million from the sale of stocks one day last week — yet Disney workers in Haiti make a reported 22 cents per hour. Why does society value this man so much? Why would anyone be so arrogant as to accept so much when others have so little?

Some call us Generation X. I say Generation Why! Why has Idaho's budget for prisons more than quadrupled from 1987 to 1998? Why do we spend more each year for prisons, while education budgets are being slashed? Why? Industrial hemp is still illegal. Why? A World War II-era US government propaganda video called "Hemp for Victory" succinctly states that, "Prior to about 1850 all the ships that sailed the western seas were

rigged with hempen rope and sails." Not so coincidentally, the parachute that saved the life of George Bush was made of hemp.

Why is it illegal? I don't favor the prohibition of hemp flowers, either. Billions are spent harassing and prosecuting users of these flowers, who mostly are otherwise law abiding citizens. Why?

Why are people so afraid of grizzly bears? In Glacier National Park, with the most grizzlies in the lower 48 states, more people are killed in auto accidents than by bears. But people aren't afraid of cars. Why? Why? Why?

Ed reappeared, and explained that he had the answer to most of my questions. He said "One thing more dangerous than getting between a grizzly sow and her cub is getting between a businessman and a dollar bill."

Well put, Ed. We've less than two weeks left in this round to chase our tails and jump through hoops. Hang in there, and realize how fortunate we are to get three weeks off!

The Montana Highway Patrol should have seen it coming

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Recently, the patrol bemoaned an 18-officer shortage on the force. Col. Craig Reap, chief of the patrol, said that fewer officers will be on the highways and they may not be able to react to accidents as quickly as possible.

Attorney General Joe Mazurek said, "The highways are less safe now because there are fewer officers out there to respond to accidents and remind people to drive carefully."

This comes in a year when pressures on the patrol have increased.

Officers are tied up in court arguing the state's reasonable and prudent speed limit, and fatalities are up this year. Highway patrolmen are often the first to respond to accidents. Their prompt action can save lives both by preventing accidents and offering speedy care.

And the patrol is facing that increased work load with 18 fewer officers.

What makes this shortage onerous is a patrol decision to reschedule the fall training course for officers to next spring. Another difficulty is that patrol officers don't go to the state



law enforcement academy with other officers. They have their own specialized training.

Now the patrol is wringing its hands about the manpower shortage. That's not good enough.

It is essential that the patrol is adequately manned, especially this year. Fatalities are already up more than 30 percent over last year, and the month of holiday cheer and bad roads is just upon us. If the patrol isn't manned adequately to meet the increased judicial demands of the reasonable and prudent speed limit, officers could begin to look the other way.

The patrol should consider hiring officers and running them through the law enforcement academy. More specialized accident investigation classes could be offered later. Another possibility is putting out a call to law enforcement officers out of state. That requires only a two-week refresher course on Montana law. Perhaps a temporary agreement can be worked out with county law enforcement departments.

The patrol has problems, including inadequate pay, that need to be addressed. But the primary goal now must be to put a full cadre of officers on the road. For safety's sake.

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Local photographer likes to use left side of brain

AMY SANDERSON
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The office is no different than one expects from a professor of mathematics.

Tight space allows just enough room for two people to sit down and I nearly knock over his computer with my gargantuan book bag. Loose papers sketched with foreign symbols lay out on the desk and others stick out from textbooks stacked in all corners of the small room. Looking around at this library of various mathematical theories and practices, I become intrigued. Here is the same person who has created the series of emotional black and white photographs gracing the wall outside the SUB Gallery.

While peacefully sitting by his office window, Bill Voxman explains his interest in two very different right brain and left brain activities. Besides photography, there have been other artistic ventures along with his career as a mathematician.

Growing up in Iowa, he was exposed to music by his parents. Voxman learned to play clarinet, a hobby that he still enjoys today. For a few years he even played with the Washington Idaho Symphony.

Voxman explained that there are parallels between the creative process found in photography, music and mathematics. The ability of problem solving, for instance, is one thing shared by all three disciplines.

"Here's a problem — now find the solution. When you're not told the answer and have to find the solution, you have to be creative," Voxman said. "Like research done

in any area where there is a problem out there that no one has solved and you solve it; it is a very satisfying experience."

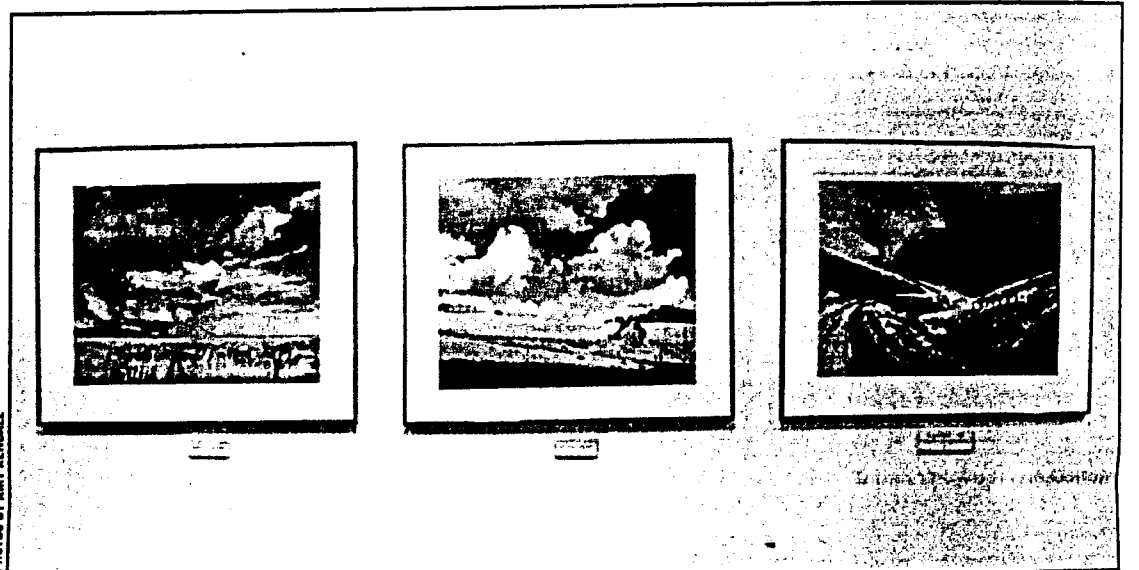
In his series of photographs, *Water and Sky*, Voxman explores the landscapes of the Northwest with several images of the Pacific coast. The images show a fondness for dramatic contrast, rich blacks, and stormy skies. Included in the display are images of the canals and gondolas of Venice, just one of many places Voxman has visited.

Last year photographs taken while in Spain caught the attention of passersby wandering through the SUB. The photographs, now displayed at the Northwest Showcase in downtown Moscow, show Voxman's interest in a wide range of subjects and include the people, architecture and landscape of Spain.

"I've spent four years in Latin America so the language is not a problem and I enjoy Latin culture," said Voxman, who now hopes to visit and photograph Mexico.

Voxman has spent most of his career teaching and has been with the UI since 1970. A self-taught photographer, he began selling his photographs professionally only a few years ago. Along with teaching courses like Algebra or the Cultural History of Mathematics and a course last spring discussing issues like the tie between the arts and mathematics, Voxman provides photographs which are sold in galleries all over the Northwest.

"I enjoy mathematics, and of course it is a lot easier to make a living as a mathematician than it is a musician or a photographer, so it is a nice compliment," Voxman said.



PHOTOS BY AMY SANDERSON

Rubberneck bounces into the Moscow Social Club



HEATHER FRYE
STAFF

We are lucky here in Moscow. Small towns that can boast a music scene as diverse and expansive as ours are few and far between. Even with the volumes of great talent that pass through our tiny city, it is still a treat to find a band that stands out among the masses and moves your feet with original and inspired grooves that leave one yearning for more.

Rubberneck, a six-member funk group from Portland, is just such a band. Rubberneck features Ricardo Ojeda on lead guitar and vocals. His younger brother, Pablo Ojeda, plays bass and assists Ricardo in writing lyrics and composing the band's original tunes. The band's original drummer, James Travers, was recently replaced by funk drumming prodigy Brian Foxworth who also assists with vocals. Joey Porter supplies keyboards and vocals while John Morrow (saxophone) and Mike Barber (trumpet) make up the band's absolutely incredible brass section.

On Friday, Dec. 12, Rubberneck will play an all-ages show at the Moscow Social Club (located in the same building as CJ's). Admission is speculated to be between five and six dollars.

Rubberneck's sound is a wonderfully hard-to-pin-down blend of true funk, jazz, and blues tinted with a twist of Latin jams that are guaranteed to satisfy everyone from hard-core funk fans to Phish heads. They take their influence from such blues and early funk greats as John P.

Coltrane and James Brown but have added Latin rhythms and jam band vibes that give them a sound of their very own.

The future is indeed looking bright for this premiere Northwest funk band. Their first album, *Nosotros* (1995), was very successful and still continues to sell well today.

"We still make the charts on some Northwest stations," Ricardo Ojeda said. Their second album, as yet still untitled, is due for release in January.

"We are going with a little more Latin influence on this album," Ricardo said. Rubberneck will receive a little help from veteran rock band Santana on the upcoming album but will still be staying true to their unique funk sound. The band hopes to increase their touring in the future and may even be going to Thailand to do a stint at a club in Bangkok.

In the past they have served as the house band at a club in Malaga, Spain but had to return to the United States to complete their first album. The band already plays extensively in the Oregon, Washington, and Idaho clubs. These include gigs at Bruce Willis' club, The Mint, in Hailey, Idaho and have been known to tour as far south as Arizona and Los Angeles. They have developed quite a following here in Moscow and should draw a crowd at Friday night's show.

This is an absolute must-see show and there is no better way to get your dose of well-deserved fun before a tough week of exams. For more information call the Moscow Social Club at 883-3147.

Rubberneck

The Caffeinated Rants of

T. Scott Carpenter

Eddie Vedder is a nice guy, but...

There is a common misconception that grunge music is, for the most part, dead. I would like to clear this matter up. You see, although grunge is in the critical condition ward of Trend Hospital, it can never truly die until Eddie Vedder has met his (untimely?) demise.

Eddie Vedder is grunge. The embodiment of all that is grunge courses through his veins. His brain is grungy. His heart is grungy. Even his stomach secretes a grungy substance in place of bile. Grunge will not die until this man's grungy blood is splattered all over the sidewalk.

Don't get me wrong, I love Eddie like I love Velcro. I even own two of his CDs: Pearl Jam's albums *Ten* and *Vs.* *Ten* was wonderful in its day and signified the peak of American grunginess. It even came with a gift certificate good for any flannel shirt from your friendly neighborhood Salvation Army. *Vs.* never really grabbed my attention. *Vitalogy* was a cry for help, so I never bought it. *No Code* wasn't too bad and although I bought it twice as gifts for other people I never actually acquired my own copy.

So grunge still lives on, albeit less noticeably. It dwells in the crisper drawer of every American's refrigerator, where it is sure to not be seen. It is frequently found hiding in that area behind the toilet that never gets cleaned.

Eddie is out there somewhere,

and his total annihilation is the last step needed for this country to move on. We need to put the past in the past, and focus on the future.

Everybody loves irony, and so the death of Mr. Vedder must be more aesthetically pleasing than a simple slip in the tub or sticking a butter knife in the toaster. These deaths would be more appropriate for the likes of Evel Kneivel. No, Eddie's death must serve as a symbol of progress.

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Perhaps since the spotlight is more on ska nowadays, it would be appropriate for Eddie to be struck down by a bus full of Bosstones. Or perhaps in an attempt to become accepted once again, he could tour with Reel Big Fish. Their plane could crash in the Himalayas, and fearing starvation, the ska band could quickly devour Eddie on the

spot, only to be rescued later that night.

Or maybe after making a lewd comment to Gwen Stefani, her bindi could shoot off her forehead with tremendous velocity, lodging itself in Eddie's left temple. Death would come quickly for the fallen star.

Apparently Eddie knows of the plot to have himself eliminated, since no one has actually seen him in quite a while. Some sources place him in Iowa flipping burgers with Vanilla Ice while others insist he is cleaning the monkey cage at the Chicago Zoo.

As long as we are talking about well-known musicians that should be exterminated, I feel it would only be appropriate to mention a little band called Aqua. Among their "numerous hits" they are best known for their single entitled "I'm a Barbie Girl." This very annoying song is played every five minutes on radio and TV. I was humming a tune a couple days ago, and realized that it was this song. I was very distraught by this fact and attempted to program myself to never sing it again by tweezing a nose hair every time I realized I was doing it. Eventually I ran out of nose hairs and passed out. For this, I want the heads of Aqua on a silver platter.

As for Eddie, I'm sure he will come around sooner or later and realize that turning himself in is the best thing he could do for our country.

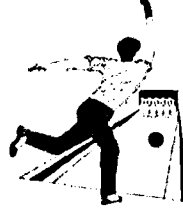


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Magical Madrigal Night

Tim McGreevey, left, and Mary Blythe, right, start off the Madrigal Feast last Friday night. It was a night of beautiful music, delicious food, and jolly laughs.

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Vandals lose game one of three-game test

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"We're a young basketball team not only in maturity and age, but we're also young as the year goes," coach Dave Farrar said before playing the first of a tough three-game stretch. "The next three games, all happening within a week, can determine a lot about how quickly we grow and how much we grow."

If Saturday's 76-60 loss to Gonzaga, among 3,762 fans at the Martin Center in Spokane was any indication of the team's growth, then many things are still undecided and left to be seen.

Although Idaho did struggle against a very tired Gonzaga team who just returned home after games against Chicago State and their loss to Washington State, there were many signs of improvement and potential for a Idaho team — an Idaho team which is hanging on with a 2-2 early season record.

After being tied up 19-19 half-way through the first half, Idaho would falter and the Bulldogs would take advantage of the situation. Gonzaga then went on a 17-2 run that would put the Vandals down 36-21 late in the first half — a lead that Gonzaga would never lose.

Gonzaga was led by Bakari Hendrix. The 6-foot-8 senior led all players with 21 points, 12 of which came during the decisive first half of play. Hendrix's effort triggered the uncontrollable run for the Bulldogs.

"I'm getting to the point where I half expect [to be the target of the defense]," Hendrix said. "I just have to be patient and take the shots as they come."

With the help of Hendrix, Gonzaga would force Idaho to come out of the locker down at the half down 13, and without their coach. After disputing an unbalanced foul scenario — Idaho having 11 fouls to the Bulldogs five — Coach Farrar received two technicals with 3:40 left in the first half and was ejected. He would have to watch his team finish the second half from a closed circuit television in the Vandal locker room.

"They had a chance to be

distracted by me, but they showed poise and hung in there," Farrar said. "We had a chance to get to nine a couple of times and make a nice game of it, but we couldn't."

In Idaho's first three games, and even in the first two exhibitions games of the year, the second half has always been when the team let up on defense, and have been outscored by a margin of 112-86, this after traditionally outscoring opponents 103-64 in the first half.

Whether it is good or bad, the Vandals turned that around Saturday, being outscored in the first 20 minutes but coming out strong in the second half.

With a display of discipline and pride, Idaho played tough for each of the 20 minutes of the second half, and never allowed Gonzaga the comfort of knowing they had the game in the bag.

The Vandals were outscored by just three points in the second half, breaking their traditionally lackluster second-half performances, but the early first half lead of the Bulldogs was just too much for the young Vandal team.

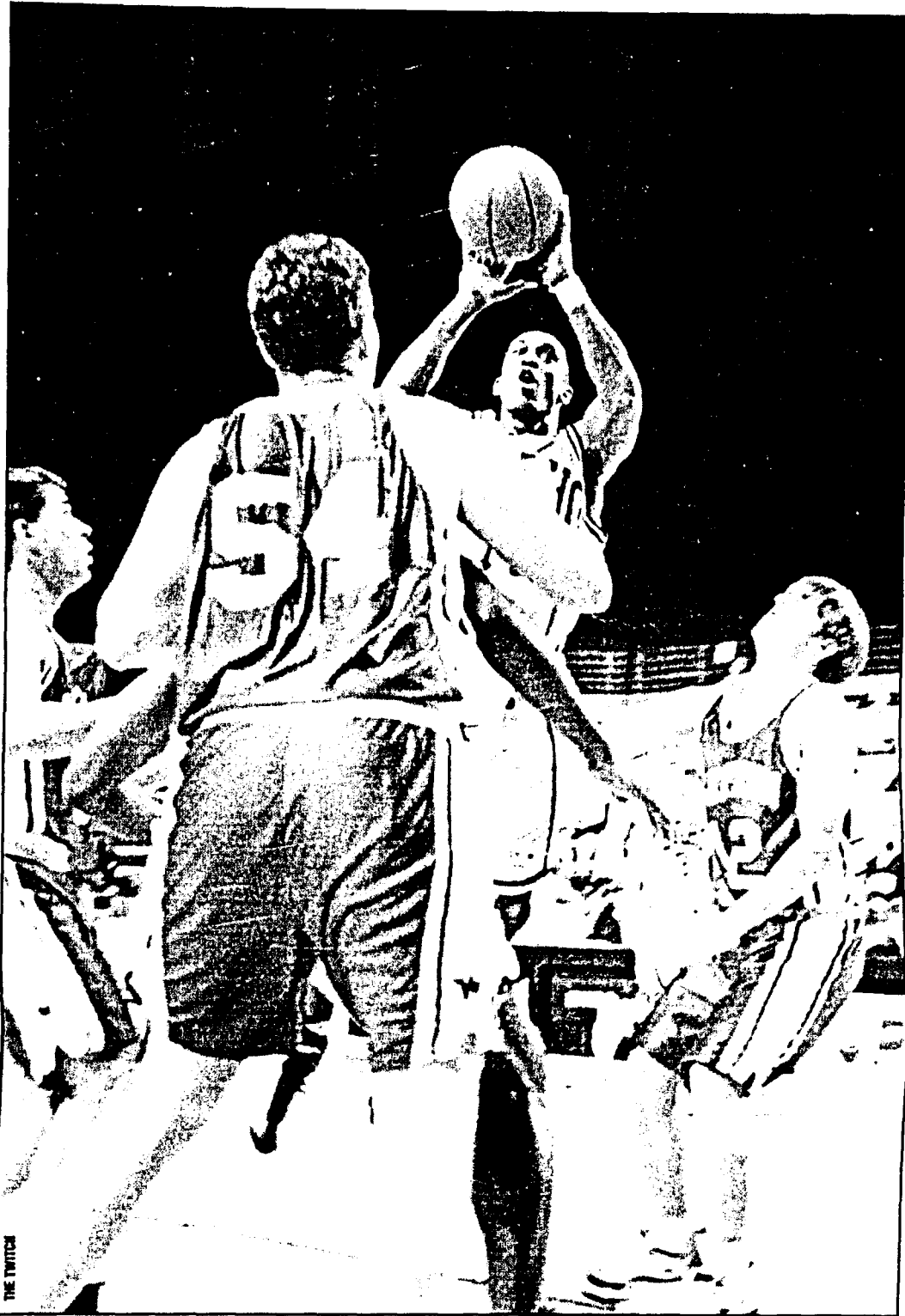
The Vandal effort was led by Florida State transfer Avery Curry who scored a season high 16 points. His effort was assisted by the play of Clifford Gray and Kris Baumann who had 14 and 12 respectively.

We had more fluidness, if that's the correct word, offensively. We had a little more flow against Gonzaga and we moved better. We didn't settle as often to take shots and that's something that's important to us, Farrar said.

Idaho will face Washington State in Pullman tomorrow night, before heading back for their Friday night match-up with Southwest Missouri State which will be broadcasted live on ESPN2.

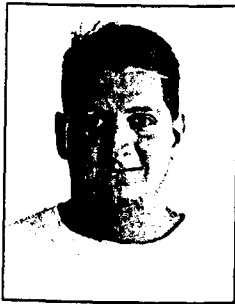
The Washington State Cougars are off to a 4-2 start on the year and boast a win over Gonzaga. The Bulldogs dropped to WSU at home 85-70.

Washington State is a particularly interesting opponent for a number of reasons. The obvious is, it's a nice, healthy rivalry. Our schools are, besides being close in proximity, close in many other ways. I'm particularly attracted to the way they handle themselves.



Junior guard Avery Curry takes his jumper to new heights. Curry scored a team high 16 points against Gonzaga.

Sprewell offers no apologies for attack



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STAFF

As you and I are bombarded every day with violence on television, in the news and in just about every corner of life, we sometimes become desensitized to its effect. In that sense, we can watch professional sports without quivering after a devastating block or vicious tackle. After all, those two elements of football are indeed violent.

However, there comes a time when a situation arises in which people stand up and are affected by senseless violence, and overt brutality — case in point, Mike Tyson biting the ear of an opponent

in a "high-stakes" championship bout. Still, many people have already forgotten about that matchup. I doubt that those same people will forget about the latest incident in violence as quickly.

You see, when you lose control of your emotions and temper in the "real world" and physically attack your boss not once but twice, drastic measures must be taken to see that this kind of thing does not happen again.

Golden State's Latrell Sprewell, an NBA all-star guard/forward, lost control of his temper in a practice held approximately a week ago and choked out his coach, P.J. Carlesimo, twice. Now, this was an isolated incident as most coach/player relationships in the NBA, or other professional sports leagues for that matter, are handled in a much more positive business-like manner.

This much is known about the incident. Everybody knows that Sprewell's actions were wrong and quite barbaric. The player should be and was suspended without pay by his team and the NBA. He lost several endorsement sponsors and basically will be viewed by the public in a truly negative light.

In the most recent interviews with Sprewell, the player apologized for his actions to the fans, the NBA, and his family — but not his coach. The key here is that Sprewell offers zero apology to Carlesimo. Sprewell has made commercials endorsing positive ways to solve disputes over violence. Why would a player who does not condone violence offer no sympathy for the victim in this case?

In the player's mind, as is apparent from watching the early interviews after the incident, it appeared as if he held a grudge against Carlesimo.

Now, don't get me wrong, if you do something as horribly wrong as attacking your boss because you have a grudge, for your own sake, please make all of the necessary apologies. That was Latrell's second biggest mistake.

But let's look at the victim here as well. Carlesimo has had a history of being extremely tough on his players. Remember when he was in Portland? The coach had numerous problems with team morale, especially with younger players like Kenny Anderson and Isiah Rider.

It is doubtful that Sprewell

attacked the coach because he did not have his "cornflakes" in the morning. There had to be some provocation to the situation. How many problems has Sprewell had in the past? There could have been some verbal harassment and quite possibly a little one-up-manship between the two.

I do not condone Sprewell's actions in the least. If you have some disagreements with your coach or, let's take it a step further, he consistently attacks your character, walking away or discussing it with another party is the right way to handle the problem. In this society, there should be no tolerance for those who use physical force to attain solutions to their problems.

On the other hand, there should not be any room in this society for people who verbally harass others in a malicious sense or as a way to motivate.

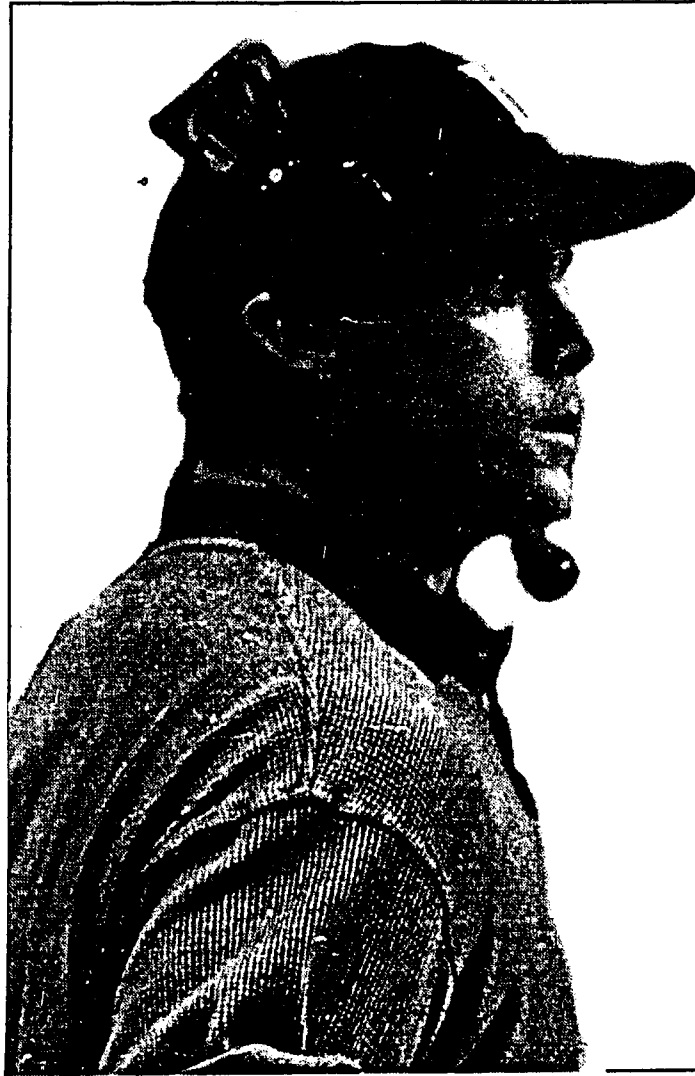
Will we have a true champ after games?

The road to the national championship is paved for several teams. The first stop is Pasadena,

Calif., where the number one-ranked Michigan Wolverines have a stiff test in Washington State. The scenario is simple for Michigan. Win and stay number one. Most likely a win will give the title to the Wolverines. But, how about that team from Nebraska? After a 51-15 win over Texas A&M in the Big 12 championship game, the Cornhuskers are right in line for an Orange Bowl berth against Florida State. The Huskers are without a loss and have a rightful claim to the national title as well.

What if the Wolverines and Huskers both fall in their bowl games? Then you have to start looking at teams such as Florida State, Tennessee, which won the SEC title game, and, quite possibly, Washington State. You can't forget about UCLA, which could be the best team in the country right now.

Basically, I discuss these options due to the fact that a college football playoff would give all of these teams a shot at the title. And, in a season where we could have arguments both ways about why Michigan or Nebraska should win the national title, a playoff like in Division I-AA, II, III and in the NAIA is the most sensible choice.



UI's Holt accepts D-Line position at Louisville

Courtesy of Idaho Media Relations

University of Idaho defensive coordinator Nick Holt has accepted a position as defensive line coach at Louisville, where he will be reunited with former Vandal coach John L. Smith.

"It's a great opportunity for me," Holt said. "I'm excited about it. It's hard to leave, but it's time. I feel good about it."

Holt, 35, joined the Idaho staff in 1990 as defensive line coach. In 1994, he was elevated to defensive coordinator while retaining the responsibility of defensive line coach. In 1995, he moved from the defensive line to linebackers coach.

His teams have consistently

rated high in league standings, particularly in defense against the rush. The Vandals were second in total defense (380.3 yards per game) and second against the run (128.6 yards per game) in the Big West this past season. In 1994, his defense was ranked No. 1 against the rush in Division I-AA.

"Nick has done a great job for us here at Idaho," Idaho head coach Chris Tormey said. "This is a great opportunity for him. He's a fine person and a great coach. We wish him all the best."

A search for Holt's replacement is underway.

Holt is married to University of Idaho women's basketball coach Julie Holt, who said she will make her decision at the end of the basketball season. They have two children, Nick and Ben.

Prior to joining the staff at Idaho, Nick Holt was an assistant at UNLV for three seasons after serving as a graduate assistant for the Rebels for one season.

Having spent the majority of his career in Idaho makes the move an emotional one.

"I've been here almost nine years," he said. "It's been the best nine years of my career. My fondest memories are of the kids. The kids make this place special. They make it fun to coach."

On the field, many of Holt's memories were built around the Idaho-Boise State rivalry.

"Every Boise game has definite memory," he said. "No matter where I am, the hair on my back of my neck will stand up the third week of November when the Vandals play Boise."

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The Vandals will be in action Friday night in the Kibbie Dome. The game against Southwest Missouri will be broadcast live on ESPN2.



Vandal News and Notes

Women's Basketball

The Lady Vandals host Washington State tonight in Memorial Gym. Tipoff is at 7 p.m. Idaho is coming off a 67-58 victory against the Gonzaga Bulldogs last Thursday night and is now 2-5 overall.

Golf

Lindzee Frei, a standout junior golfer from East Wenatchee High School has signed a letter-of-intent to play for UI. The daughter of a golf professional, Idaho coach Don Rasmussen believes Frei will be able to help elevate the Idaho program. Frei finished tied for second last year in the Washington AA state tourney and qualified for the 1997 Junior World competition last summer.

Idaho Club Hockey

The Vandal hockey club traveled to Bellingham, Wash., this weekend in a two-game match-up against Western Washington University.

In Friday's game, the Viking goalie was hot, turning away all but one of Idaho's shots, that of a lone goal by Sean Landers.

Sunday morning was a much different story for the UI team. Playing a much tighter game, the Vandals easily shut down WWU 5-0. Goalie Brett Wilponen racked up his second shutout against Western Washington while Landers, Scott Squires, Kevin Dunn and Jon Render slapped in goals in the victory.

Men's Basketball

The Idaho men are in action Friday night in a live ESPN2 broadcast against Southwest Missouri State. Tipoff in the Kibbie Dome is 9 p.m. Free pizza will be given out while it lasts starting at 8 p.m. when the doors open. The group with the best banner for the game will receive \$50, get VIP seating and free pizza during the game.

Deon Cash, a transfer guard/forward from Western Nebraska Community College, will be redshirted this season because of an elbow injury.

Intramural Update

All those students interested in playing basketball in Idaho's intramural program, the time is near. Sign-ups will begin Jan. 13 with the entry deadline on Jan. 20. Anyone interested in being an official, there is a clinic Jan. 21. New requirements will be made of living groups by way of a participation list. More details to come.

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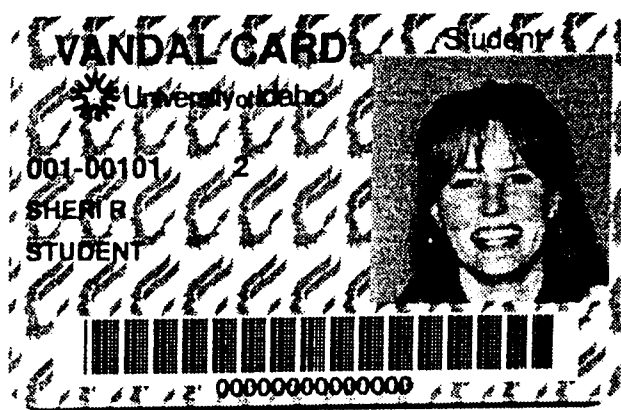
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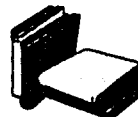




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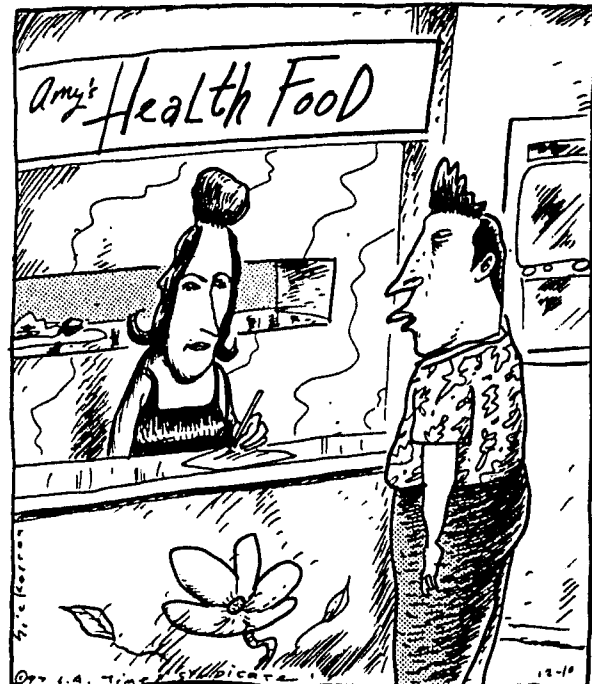
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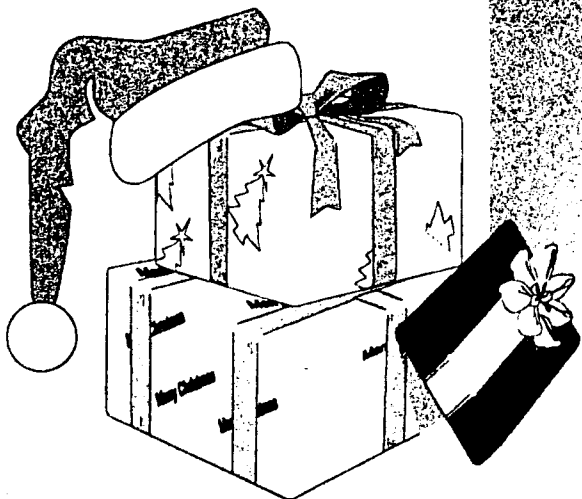
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