# Crazy bird troubles many students

By Jan Webb

A red-winged blackbird is becoming a menace to the students at the University of Nevada.

"Crazy Ezra," also known as the "Black Max," patrols the patio area near the book store entrance of the student union building. His characteristic behavior seems to be that of flying down on anyone who passes by a fir tree, which at the pres-

ent appears to be his own private | explained that this is a very com- ion employee who has been at | aware of this menace to health and domain.

Erza may be identified as a small-bodied, shiny blackbird with a red and yellow patch on each

George Ritz, student union custodian, said, "He's a pretty smart bird. He catches you when you're off-guard."

Dr. Fred A. Ryser, an ornithologist at the University of Nevada, said Clark Petersen, a student un-

mon form of behavior.

"This is known as territorial behavior, and is very common among blackbirds. They will set up and defend an area during mating season, and they will attack any animal or man who comes near that territory," Ryser said.

"Frankly, if I had wings, I'd show that bird who's territory is who's,"

tacked by Crazy Ezra.

Ron Gomes, resident manager of the student union building says that he has been harassed by Ezra "more than 20 times"

"The only thing I can say is that he is openly aggressive," Gomes

Many students say the bird should be incarcerated or killed. "The university police should be becomes a blackbird pie.

public safety," Gomes said.

Jim Stathos, a 1967 gl-aduate, reported that Ezra actually hit him. "I was walking near the wam, and he hit my arm. He always strikes from the back, and he scared me so that I dropped all of my books."

Whatever is Ezra's hang-up, it is hoped that he either mends his ways or his mate produces some off-spring before the "Black Max"



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## Summer news workshop creates student enthusias

By Gregg Zive

Take 18 students, most of them experienced teachers, and put them in a workshop for two weeks. Use one experienced Newspaper Fund workshop professor. Add two other university journalism instructors. Put them together—using qualified guest lecturers for spice—and work them hard for 10 days.

Those are the needed ingredients for a Newspaper Fund journalism workshop. The purpose of the workshop is to give the high school teachers instruction in journalism, experience in putting out a newspaper, and to build enthusiasm for journalism so that when they go back to their schools they will be able to transfer this knowledge, experience, and enthusiasm to their

The workshop started at the University of Nevada on June 12 under the direction of professor William Ward. Two other Nevada journalism professors, LaRue Gilleland and department chairman Ted Conover, also worked with the work-

The fund's executive director, Paul Swensson, lectured the group individually on the second day of the project.

The second week was marked by the appearance of Sam Feldman who is an experienced journalism teacher, sportswriter, reporter, and has spent considerable time as a journalism student himself. He lec-

#### Nevada vulnerable to hippie invasion

Hippies are coming to Nevada? The University of California's "Berkeley Barb" recently published a Wisconsin hippie manifesto which stated that Nevada is a ripe land for a hippie invasion.

The manifesto stated that a voting block of 100,000 or 200,000 hippies could override the approximately 90,000 Nevada votes.

The legislature and the offices of the senate and congress could also be "hip" in no more than six month's time.

Presently, Nevada requires only a six month's time for residency and voting rights.

The manifesto stated that after the hippies were in power, Nevada summer. could become a Utopia with no "idiot" politicians, or draft boards, be free.

tured on the role of public relations in the high school.

The first week was crammed with lectures on the functional parts of journalism. Conover gave instruction on advertising and public relations while Gilleland concentrated on broadcast news.

Both had labs — Conover on make-up and typography and Gilleland on broadcasting.

Ward carried the biggest burden. He lectured on covering the school news, photojournalism, basic reporting and interviewing, and creative writing in journalism. He is an expert in all those fields and just published a textbook on creative writing.

Classroom lectures are necessary and journalistic theories are important but nothing takes the place of practical experience

and doing and seeing what has been discussed. And these people are doing and seeing.

The first field trip was to Virginia City to see the famous Territorial Enterprise. The second field trip opened the second week's work —a trip to Carson City to the state printing office, the Nevada Appeal, and a reception with Gov. Paul Laxalt.

The workshop participants are picking up the practical training by turning out a workshop newspaper. Each student has been assigned a particular job on the paper. The class was broken down into three staffs so that there was plenty of work for everyone.

Evaluation of the workshop is easy. The students are enthusiastic and receptive, the instructors are (Continued on Page 2)

Mad poppa bird gives the word to those who come near;

Stay away, says he from this here tree my family's living here.



#### Summer school growing

### Summer enrollment totals 1838; workshops, clinics still to come

Enrollment for the first summer session is already above last year's cent increase, due to returning sessions has been increased this figures and totals for this session school teachers. and interviewed each of the pupils have not been completed yet, Mr. Richard Dankworth, Director of Summer Session, said.



Richard Dankworth

surpass registration for last year during the first term," he said.

programs is 1838 students. This is compared to a total of 1833 students during the first term last nalism.

this year with five to go this term, or cops, and state abortions would as well as one clinic," Dankworth tions between teacher and pupil is

Advances in education have caused teachers to return in order to keep abreast with current knowledge. Continuing students are attending summer classes to complete their education early.

The publicity encouraging high indication the summer increase tinuing education.

There has been a steady 8-9 per school graduates to attend summer will lead to quarter or tri-semester year. The summer school office will study the results of this and the percentage of increase of students related to the increase of students attending summer sessions.

plans at the university.

"The two term plan with summer sessions meets our needs at the present time and there is no anticipated change," says Dankworth.

In addition to credit instructions, the University is co-ordinating 'Up-At the present time there is no ward Bound' and programs for con-

#### 'Upward Bound' give kids a taste of college life

Upward Bound is giving 75 students this chance.

"The emphasis is on the underachiever who has academic potential but has not utilized it," explained Arthur Hames, director of the program. "It is not all fun and games.'

Classes are taught by certified "It appears that registration will teachers and university professors. Students attend classes from 8

A. M. to 4 P. M. and are required To date, registration for credit to take mathematics, English and sociology, with elective studies in art, drama, psychology and jour-

Classrooms are arranged for dis-"There are still more workshops cussion between students and instructor and direct communicaencouraged.

A summer program to give un- Students are evaluated heavily ends in August, but continues with derprivileged students with poten- on class participation. It is not postial a taste of college life is in pro- sible to "flunk-out" of the progress at the University of Nevada. gram. Students are counseled as well as instructed in course stud-

Hames said grade and grammar school habits are changeable and believes many factors are involved in dealing with students who lack motivation.

The 75 students live like entering freshmen. They are housed in a university dormitory and eat in the dining commons. They abide by all university regulations, which include dormitory hours.

All are expected to put in three hours of daily study and are monitored by university students who live in the resident hall.

Students are given \$8 a week for extra expenses.

dents from all parts of the state,

home tutoring during the winter.

#### Higginbotham dies of cancer this morning ending a long illness

Alfred Leslie Higginbotham died of cancer this morning at St. Mary's Hospital in Reno. Higginbotham was 71.

A journalism teacher at the University of Nevada for over 40 years, Higginbotham had the distinction of having the Alfred L. Higginbotham Department of Journalism named after him. He was named Professor Emeritus by the Board of Regents upon his retirement in

"Prof," or "Higgy" as he was called by his students, developed The program, which includes stu- the entire journalism department (Continued on Page 2)

Editoria ...

# Higher education demands more money; Nevada fails to meet A.A.U.P. average

bility in our society receive so little in return?

This is a leading question of educators throughout the slicing, which will affect education. United States. The answer will be demanded in the near

others are entering a field of low salaries.

The American Association of University Professors recently found the average professor was grossing \$10,387 a year. This is a fair wage when compared to certain fields, but after considering educational investment, responsibility, and the years of preparation, the figure diminishes to an unrealistic wage.

The Reno chapter of the AAUP did not meet the average wage scale—Nevada professors averaged only \$9,840 annually. The low, according to 1965 computations was \$7,122 and the ceiling was \$13,574.

In response to the emaciated pay scale, professors became angered at the hold-the-line policy announced by the new Republican administration. With the anticipation of another stagnant promise, some professors threatened a mass

An approved 8.9 per cent wage increase for professors was enough to hold some, but many top-notch educators could not resist the offers of other universities and private parture of the majority of its sociology department.

out, will set the educational level at Nevada back many years.

Where can the blame be laid?

The Johnson administration has to cut the budget some not be forged from a cast that is too small.

Why should those who assume the greatest responsi- where. Although 1968-69 figures are not yet available, it can be assumed the 'Great Society' will realize large domestic

Blame, within the state, can be attributed to many years of educational neglect. This year an increase in the sales taxes, It is frightening to note that educators, who spent as to be used mainly for education, may be too late. A hold-themuch as half their lives preparing to transfer knowledge to line-policy has been a political gimmic for too many years and it is beginning to effect education, which cannot holdthe-line and still remain apace with the world.

> Senatorial threats to cut the university budget cannot be tolerated as was the case in the last session of the legislature. The university will starve to death receiving the food for a "good, small college." It must be remembered the university is a complex of "good, small colleges" - hopefull it will stay that way.

> If a state income tax is required to finance education in Nevada, then it should be adopted. Education is a secure, long-term investment, with guaranteed returns to the taxpayers of the leading average income state in the west.

> Education affects all. Present students could be denied a top-notch education. Graduates are cheated of the prestige which accompanies a reputable university and the youth of the state are denied the right of a high-quality home-state

No, there can be no hold-the-line policy in this field. industry. The university suffered a great loss with the de- Senators cannot tinker with learning by threatening resolutions of confinement and above all the main component Other departmental losses, along with the major walk- of a good university cannot be forced out because of poor

Those who are against the cost of education should We could start at the top a cite a costly war in Vietnam. realize the key which opens the door to understanding can-

#### Peace group tells Vietnam war story at summer meeting

The Peace in Vietnam Committee held its first summer meeting June 13 in the Jot Travis Student Union building.

The group discussed the background of the Vietnam war.

During the suring semester the group was active on campus. It heard speakers including M. S. Aroni, editor of the Minority of

The group first appeared last February when it set up a table in the student union luncheon area in protest of the Dow Chemical Company recruitment program.

Members said at the time they were not protesting free enterprise or the company, but they were against what the company pro-

Dow is a major supplier of napalm used in explosives.

Since February the committee has been actively protesting the Asian conflict.

A recent news letter says the group is composed of concerned students who are against the war in Vietnam and are interested in informing students about the war and academic freedom.

# Great search in progress

The greatest search in history for traces of Nevada's prehistoric inhabitants will take place this summer under the direction of University of Nevada scientists.

The Nevada Archeological Survey, a unit of the Desert Research Institute, will have 10 crews of experts and their helpers in the field all the way from Northern Washoe county to Lincoln county.

Several of the projects will be conducted in cooperation with the Nevada State Museum, the Peabody Museum of Harvard University and the Atomic Energy Com-

Coordinator of the survey is Dr.

veteran in archeological salvage for the Smithsonian Institution who eagerly looks upon Nevada as being virtually virgin territory for archeologists. Stephenson came here last fall as a research professor and coordinator of NAS.

He will lead one of the field crews himself this summer on a search for Indian campsites between Winnemucca and Battle Mountain.

His expedition will be an experimental first in another way. It will include four high school age youths from the Nevada Youth Training Center at Elko.

This phase of the program is de-

Robert L. Stephenson, a 20-year | signed to be of educational value to the youngsters as well as of practical help to the survey.

> "Nevada has a long history of human occupation beginning at least 10 or 15 thousand years ago and maybe twice that far back,' said Stephenson.

"The places where prehistoric Indians have lived may be unearthed in any backyard, along any stream, in any field," he added. "What we want to do is begin a systematic field investigation of all potential archeological sites in the state."

Stephenson says he has discovered thousands of Nevadans love to collect artifacts and other relics, but many unknowingly damage archeological sites in their search.

To combat this, he has been instrumental in forming an association of amateur archeologists known as Am-Arcs. This group, which has grown to 150 members in just a few months, meets the second Thursday evening of every month at the Survey's headquarters on the Stead campus.

There they learn proper excavation procedures and how to interpret and preserve their finds in addition to having study access to the Survey's many exhibits and findings.

#### News workshop covers many areas The only problem I can see is

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enthusiastic and challenging, and the material is abundant.

Most of the students are listening intently and then asking questions to find out how they can put theories to work at their school. The questions bring the discussions from the realm of academics to the world in which they must be

#### that of getting across the essence of the instruction and making sure the students realize they are not being taught high, unobtainable ideals but real journalism that can be and must be used in the high The time of the hack is coming

to a rapid close. The educated journalist is the rule-not the exception. Journalism is changing and like all changes it must have a starting place and for journalism that origin is the high school and the high school publication.

In spite of the problem of impressing these people they are being taught the practical and not just theory—this workshop is a success. They are realizing the potential of journalism and that it is not a trade, but a profession with professional standards.

The students are interested and they are absorbing. They are working hard and seem to enjoy it.

#### Shane wins award

Ronald Lance Shane, a university of Nevada junior, has been awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Purina company.

The Fallon man was cited for outstanding leadership, character and ambition in argriculture.

The scholarship is awarded to an outstanding junior or senior in each of the 50 states.

## National survey rates Nevada

The University of Nevada has placed above average in a recent survey of colleges and universities in the United States.

Out of the possible 800 points. the university scored 409. The average score was 390.

In the same survey, which was conducted by the Committee For Continuing Education, Inc., Nevada Southern received 367 points.

Only seven colleges scored over 700. They were: Princeton, 772; Harvard, 770; Yale, 762; University of Michigan, 749; Columbia, 744; University of Chicago, 743; Cornell, 742; Notre Dame, 741; Stanford, 726; Dartmouth, 722; University of Pennsylvania, 709.

Ratings were based on quality of administration, instructional staffs, staff moral and the character and extent of instructional programs.

The survey was conducted by Professor Jack Gourman of San Fernando Valley College, who said he used "emperical and scientific reasearch methods."

Gourman also said he tried to learn the quality of the school's leadership, the attitude of the community toward research, the quality of research conducted and methods of instruction.

The professor said he was critical of American college trustees and gave superior ratings to only three college boards in the coun-

"It is the failure of the boards to perform the functions which they were originally created," he

"Most boards," Gourman said, "have relinquished their prerogatives and duties to their school administrators Too few trustees do their homework."

"They fail to brief themselves on the school's needs and problems. They seldom, if ever, visit classes, know their faculty, or any of the students . . . and they fail to keep abreast of national trends," Gourman said.

#### Journalism prof headed department for forty years

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from a single class that was under the auspices of the English department 40 years ago.

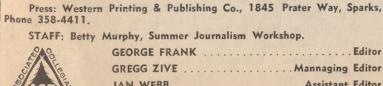
Higginbotham has taught such people as E. W. (Ted) Scripps of the Scripps-Howard chain: Rollin Melton, publisher of the Reno Evening Gazette and Nevada State Journal; and Pulitzer Prize winner Ed Montgomery of the San Francisco Examiner.

Others listed among Higginbotham's students are Frank Mc-Culloch, Time Magazine; Bob Miller, war correspondent for United Press International; and Paul Finch, Mexico City Bureau Chief of the Associated Press.

Professor La Rue Gilleland, a long-time member of the journalism department staff, said, "He certainly lived a full and fruitful life. It is a shame he didn't get to enjoy his retirement longer."

Higginbotham became ill in France this spring while on a world tour. He and his wife returned to Reno, where he suffered a relapse in mid-May.

Higginbotham was a victim of multiple sclerosis most of his life. According to his wishes, there will be no funeral. His body will be sent to the University of Utah for multiple sclerosis research.



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# Nun catches 'Sin City' by surprise

Ву

Sister Maureen Patrice Lane

On Saturday, June 11, I arrived in the "City of Sin." To a nun from the Mid-west, the first sight of glittering downtown Reno was a revelation indeed! From my observations, and the looks I drew, Nevada is about as accustomed to nuns as nuns are to it!

Since I was early and the dorm wasn't yet ready, the University provided me with accommodations in a nearby motel. With several hours to kill, and being a total stranger to Nevada, I decided to go sight seeing and "bird watching."

The Silver Dollar Club first caught my eye. Never had I seen anything like it! I wandered through the aisles feeling like a Dalmation amid Doberman Pincers. I was aware of the second glances I was drawing, but this was too good to miss! After watching several people feeding the machines with bored monotony, I thought to myself, "What kick do they get out of that? What a waste of money!"

The clang of bells drew my attention to another slot machine. One old duffer, obviously not a tourist, was playing the 50 cent machine (most others were hovering around 5 cent and 10 cent slots). I moved closer to the big spender. During the 15 minutes I watched him, he hit the Jackpot five times! I found myself growing more and more excited each time the bells clanged and the half dollars rolled into the recepticle. (Back in Michigan, half dollars are a real rarity. Now I know where they went!)

By this time the old gent had drawn quite a crowd, all as excited as I. My impulse was to get some change and try my luck! Now I knew the answer to my query, "What kick do they get out of it?"

My new question is, "Why aren't more states like Nevada?!"

However, I guess I'm not the stuff of which gamblers are made. I couldn't afford to drop ten or twenty dollars on the CHANCE that I MIGHT double it. Also "what would people think?" (an occupational hazard).

So I patrolled the rest of Virginia Street, and wished I had the nerve to go in to one of the Casinos. But, alas, I was alone. My problem was not just "nun fun", but "one fun." I realized for the first time, as I watched the carefree tourists come and go, that it is a "couples world," and I felt a lond of sympathy for all the loners in the world—the widows, divorcees, and singles (although I admit my situation is unique from theirs).

#### ROTC under study

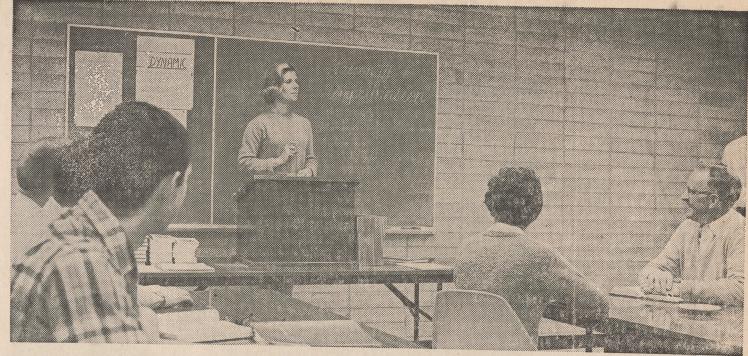
Military training at the University of Nevada may become voluntary in the near future.

A faculty proposal to abolish compulsory ROTC is now being studied by the Board of Regents.

According to the faculty report, voluntary programs "are run more efficiently and economically, gain greater faculty support virtually eliminate student discontent and inhance students morale and motivation."

A proposal by the University Associated Student Senate also advocated voluntary ROTC.

Col. Earl W. Ralf, chairman of the Military Science Department said that a voluntary program would not be fair to the army and that student welfare would be adversely affected.



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labels Day	300	4000	219	1220
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Supreme Court Ceremony—Nevada Sen. Howard W. Cannon, left, congratulates Clark County Public Defender Richard Bryan on the latter's admission to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court. Cannon sponsored Bryan for admission to the High Court while Bryan was in Washington to attend a national conference of public defenders. Bryan is a graduate of the University of Nevada and served as its student body president in 1958-59

# · Constructive nuclear energy will changesea, concrete and fashion

tion and serving it to front-line fighting troops months later-still perfectly fresh?

Or how about suits and dresses that never need pressing or dripdrying?

Or concrete sidewalks, buildings and roadways that would never

These are only some of the minor benefits of nuclear enegry that awesome force so frequently considered only to be destructive.

The giant strides scientists have made in discovering peaceful uses of radiation were outlined at the University of Nevada recently by three top men in the field.

In a week-long course for scientists, Dr. Arthur A. Armstrong Jr. of the University of New Mexico, Meyer Steinberg of the Atomic Energy Commission's Brookhaven Laboratory in New York and Dr. Bruce W. Wilkinson of Michigan State University appeared as lec-

In later interviews, Dr. Armstrong and Steinberg explained that meat and other food products exposed to the proper level of radiation can be preserved for years without refrigeration.

There is no radiation danger to the consumer because the radiation merely passes through the food, sterilizing it.

Likewise, certain types of fab-

#### Diplomas--

ed 365 degrees, including 21 masters degrees and four doctorates. This was the largest number of degrees awarded in the history of the university

Frank W. McCulloch Jr., who is senior Asian correspondent for Time - Life, was commencement

Mr. McCulloch received an honorary doctorate at the June 3 grad-

McCulloch, a native of Fernley, Nev., gained experience on the Reno Evening Gazette before joining Time-Life.

Mrs. Karen Anderson Smith received the R. Herz and Bros. Gold Medal for outstanding scholarship.

Marvis Cooper, Sherrill Locke, Dave Russell and Craig Russell received the Henry Albert, Sr. Public Service Awards.

Can you imagine shipping fresh | rics exposed to radiation acquire | from nuclear plants. Twenty-four meat overseas without refrigera- a permanent press and provide no such installations have been built hazard to the wearer.

> The strength of concrete can be doubled to the point where it would not crack under alternate peace and save the world," declarfreezing and thawing weather con- ed Steinberg. ditions. And soft pine can be turned into hard wood when, like the concrete, it is impregnated with plastic through radiation processes.

"Of course, there still are economic and production barriers to overcome," said Steinberg, "but progress is being made in that

almost one-half of the total power | uinversity's continuing education production in the U.S. will come program.

or are in the planning stages by the nation's utilities at this time.

"Nuclear power will save the

He said reactor radiation can remove salt from ocean water, turn vast arid deserts into productive and habitable areas.

The course on radiation chemical processing was sponsored by the College of Engineering's nuclear department, headed by Dr. David E. Dickinson, and the Office of He predicted that within 10 years | Technical Services as part of the

#### Regents may exclude president

be without a president.

Procter Hug Jr., a Reno member of the Board of Regents, proposed a university system without a president. The proposal, which was made less than a week after President Armstrong's resignation, is now being studied by a committee appointed by the regents.

The study committee is made up of Armstrong, Chancellors N. Edd Miller of the Reno campus and Donald Moyer of Nevada Southern; Wendell Mordy, director of the Desert Research Institute and Neil Humphrey, Vice-president of fi-

A similar recommendation was made at Nevada Southern University at a meeting of the faculty association.

Dr. Christopher Dolin, president of the NSU chapter of the American Association of University Professors, said that abolishing the

#### Water color exhibit presented by prof

An art exhibit of water colors by Prof. Doug Denniston is being presented at the Church Fine Arts building during the six-week summer session, says Dr. C. W. Ross, chairman of the Art Department.

Denniston is a visiting professor of art from the University of Arizona at Tucson. He is teaching art and painting during the summer

The University of Nevada may presidential office would mean more autonomy for both campuses and a financial savings.

> The proposed structure would give each chancellor sole responsibility over his campus. The two chancellors would be responsible to the regents.

> Chancellor Miller said Tuesday the study committee has not yet

#### Eighth music camp scheduled July 24 at Lake Tahoe

The Eighth Annual Lake Tahoe Music Camp will be held July 24-28 at the Reno campus, says Dr. John Carrico, music camp director.

The music camp will include marching and drum major workshops which are designed for band leaders and drill team instructors.

The school also offers instruction in band, drill and drum and bugle corps.

John P. Terry, director of the El Dorado High School band, Placerville, California; Charles Bickhart, director of bands at Yerington and show designer for University of Nevada bands and Bob Barnes, arranger for professional football bands, will be the three outstanding instructors for the mu-

### Writing is life

By Linda Hannah

"Writing is not separate from one's life or being," said author Walter Van Tilberg Clark.

Clark, now at the University of Nevada teaching summer classes, came from a scholarly family. His father was president of the University of Nevada.

Clark said that to write the author must have something to tell. He cannot be thinking about the money or if the article will be printed. He must write because he has a need to express himself.

Clark said, "Expository writing will help students to write better." However, most feel that what they know is of no importance.

Clark finds that for true creative writing, a student should get off by himself, away from the mental influence of the instructor. He suggested writing during the summer while away from school. Otherwise, the student will find himself writing for the teacher and what he likes to see in a paper.

Clark siad that researching facts for fictional stories should be only for terminology or technical information so that the article is con-

He researched mining operations for the OX-BOW INCIDENT in this manner. Clark's best advice for this is "If it is not fit for fiction, it is still informational?

He says the writer must live with his information until it becomes natural and doesn't read like information.

Presently Clark is editing the personal journal and papers of Alfred Doten. He has been working on the project for five years trying to cut the information while keeping a central theme.

Doten kept a diary for 54 years from March 18, 1849, to the night he died, November 11, 1903. He was a Nevada newsman during the boom period. He worked on various papers throughout the west and was Mark Twain's direct successor to the Territorial Entreprise.

#### Reno newspaper publisher addresses members of summer news workshop

What makes a successful newspaperman?

Ask Rollan Melton who spoke at the summer journalism workshop Wednesday. He was selected as publisher of Reno Newspapers, Inc., last January. Melton was previously managing editor of the Reno "Evening Gazette" for three years and has worked at the telegraph desk, sports desk, as promotion manager, and head of the newsroom prior to becoming editor.

Melton, 35, felt his first break



came at the age of 15 when he expressed interest in a linotype mathe "FALLON STANDARD" newspaper offices. The editor, Claude Smith, offered him a part-time job at the rate of 50 cents per hour. He took the job and stayed on for the next six years working after school and summers through high school and college.

As a boy, Melton held an everchanging series of jobs as dish washer, pin setter in a bowling alley, potato picker, bottling soda pop, delivery boy and berry picker.

He attributes much of his success to rubbing shoulders with some of Nevada's finest newspaper people. Melton feels he was fortunate to have worked for Claude and Ethel Smith, publishers of the "STANDARD," then known as "Nevada's Foremost Weekly".

Melton studied journalism at the University of Nevada under a Harold's Club scholarship. He learned early to profit by the mistakes of others as well as be guided by their strengths. He found early in life there was no substitute for hard work and perseverance. Through the years he has found his most sincere friends are his critics those who admire him as a newsman, not for his position. He feels fortunate to have been in the right place at the right time and thinks many of his opportunities have been a result of this.

#### Washington grant received by Nevada

The University of Nevada will receive a \$23,000 grant for comprehensive construction planning.

News of the grant, which received federal approval this week, was announced by Senator Alan Bible.

Bible said the funds are made available under the Higher Education Facilities Act on a state and regional basis through the U.S. Office of Education.

The grant will be directed toward building needs at both the Reno and Las Vegas campuses.

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#### Nation's leading coaches give winning sports tips at summer coaching clinic

Nevada summer coaching clinic will come to a close Friday afternoon following five days of instruction in basketball, football, track, Daniel all Nevada coaches. and sports medicine.

Five of the country's most successful coaches lectured at the week-long clinic.

Tom Landry, head coach of the National Football League's Dallas Cowboys, and University of Southern California football coach John McKay handled the pigskin chores.

Brigham Young University's head track coach Clarence Robinson was the featured track lec-

Basketball was covered by Jack Gardner of the University of Utah and Providence College's Joe Mul-

As of Wednesday afternoon 285 coaches had registered at the clinic. The department has not received the class cards from all the coaches so the figure could climb above the 310 enrollment figure of a year ago.

McKay and Mullaney shared the podium for the fist two days of the clinic. All five instructors lectured on Wednesday and Landry and Gardner were featured today. L. F. Diehm, head athletic trainer at the University of New Mexico, also gave instruction today.

Sports medicine will be covered Friday by Dr. William D. Paul and Donald B. Slocum.

The clinic committee consisted physical education, health and recreation department chairman, and tries.

The 13th annual University of | Glenn "Jake" Lawlor, director of athletics. Committee members were Dick Dankworth, Bill Ireland, Dick Trachok, Jack Spencer, and Bill

> The first Nevada sports clinic was held in 1954 and featured Jim Tatum, football coach at Maryland and basketball's Fog Allen of Kan-

All of this year's instructors have impressive records. Landry coached the Cowboy's to the NFL Eastern Division championship and has had a contract with the Dallas club which will extend through 1974.

McKay has been at U.S.C. for six years and has compiled a record of 40 wins, 19 losses, and two ties. His Trojans won the NCAA national championship in 1962 and defeated Wisconsin in the Rose Bowl, 42-37, that year. He was named the college football coach of the year following the 1962 sea-

Robinson has a phenomenal record at BYU. The Cougars took eight straight conference championships from 1955-1963 and in 13 years have never finished lower than second. BYU took third place in the NCAA finals in 1965 and second in 1966.

Utah's basketball coach, Jack Gardner, has led the Utes to 261 victories since 1953.

Mullaney coached Providence to the number one position in the East in 1963. His collegiate record is 243 wins and 68 losses. The of co-chairman Dr. G. A. Broten, Friars have won the National Invitational Tournament twice in five



Nevada track coach Dick Dankworth (left) discusses the 13th annual University of Nevada summer coaches clinic with Providence College's head basketball coach Joe Mullaney. The clinic opened Monday and will end Friday afternoon. Jack Gardner of Utah also handled the basketball instruction with Mullaney while Tom Landry of the Dallas Cowboys and Southern California's John McKay gave football instruction. Clarence Robinson of Brigham Young University was the featured track lecturer.

Letters from Vietnam

# War realities reported by Nevada student

Editors note: There seems to be an impersonal air in the reports from the battlefields of Vietnam. They remain remote -somewhere across the ocean. This could be the fault of journalist's covering the war. The urge for sensationalism overpowers the importance of facts.

Following are excerpts from 12 letters written by Calvin H. Reed Jr., who attended the University of Nevada. His eye-witness reports tell how one man sees the war.

During March and April he was stationed in the Ai Dong-Dia-Loc area, 14 miles southwest of DaNang.

Things are going well on hill 55. We live in 15 x 30' huts called "hooches". The hill is complete with chow hall of sorts; although the food is very poor, it is at least warm. Our showers are a little crude, but cool water is very refreshing. Unfortunately, a 105 howitzer battery is also located here and they insist on firing a few rounds each night.

According to some marines, who have been here 8-10 months, there have been very few shooting incidents on the defense perimeter, but as evidence of the rocket attack on DaNang a few days ago, no area in the republic of Vietnam is 100 per cent secure.

Hill 55 stands in the middle of a large valley and is surrounded by low grassland dotted with trees. The only Vietnamese I have come in contact with are the 'gooks' who sell the 'junk' (i. e. footlockers \$5.00, paint brushes 50 cents, authentic dresses-Ha!, 10 cents each). I think the best method of pacification over here would be for us to give them all our money and valuables, and then they might be our friends.

In Reed's next series of letters his position was changed to 5 miles South-West of Hill 55. He was in the village of Ai Dong.

The mission of a Combined Ac-

tion Company (CAC) is first, supply security for the villagers, enabling them to live a life free of Viet Cong influence. Secondly, we try and supply materials for new homes and also try to develop habits of sanitation and hygiene.

There are 18 marines here and a platoon of Vietnamese Popular

We sleep fully clothed and each night each marine draws some sort of duty, be it radio watch or on the perimeter.

C-rations provide the menu for every meal, with the exception of an invitation to dine with one of

Reed had some comments about the Popular Forces (PF) and the people of Vietnam.

These people have been fighting for so long that they almost view the war as an inherited part of their lives rather than an inconvenience. It is going to take a long time for them to realize that we are here to win and not here to provide eternal protection.

We are not only equipping them, but we are also supplying them with courage and initiative for them to fight. They realize that we insure their safety and they, in turn, are motivated enough to want to search out the Viet Cong before he becomes settled in the population. Before they can help themselves, they will have to realize that the war can be won once infiltration stops. The key word is incentive.

had little effect upon these people. They seal their walls of their grass huts with buffalo waste; their drinking water is usually unfit; they chew a type of 'beetle nut' which only makes them a little 'high,' but also turns their teeth black. Many children have open sores from infected cuts and scratches. They could easily claim the fly their nation's bird. Iife for them goes on from day to day meal to meal. I would have never known how these people live had I not come here; it seems strange one correspondent hasn't relayed the message home. At any rate, I have come to the conclusion that God likes clean, healthy, normal people, because we are much happier than these 'primitive' Vietnamese. I will keep you informed as to the progress of the 'great So-

Reed writes about the great society. When out on a patrol Reed and other men came across a sign that had Viet Cong propaganda written on it. The platoon sergeant wanted it re-

Gy/Sgt Brockway, our platoon commander, is tempted to replace the sign with one of his own, but Lady Bird, I am sure, would object on the grounds that signs of this type only clutter up the countryside. We must all do our part to help beautify America and Viet-

The artillery battery on hill 55 has erected a sign at the intersection of two roads, desinatging one as "Lyndon Lane" and the other as "Lady Bird Blvd." Below the latter, a third sign read, "help beautify Vietnam". I wonder if

The 'great society' has indeed | for Vietnam as a way to end the | two marines, and the one Vietnadissention over American involvement?

> I don't think we will be able to make any real evaluation of our impact on the people in this area until we actually start helping them build houses, for then we will be able to note any improvements in their standard of living, if they have such a thing.

I think we will know the answer long after the war is over, and, of course, can be nothing but optimistic when we consider the success of the 'great society' or is the 'great big society.'

Reed had some comments about military procedures. During the interim Reed was to be transferred from the 26 to the 9th Marines. After a full week of running around they left him stay in the same outfit.

All of this led me to one conclusion, however, and given me much insight into U.S. involvement in this or any war. I am confident that it is impossible for us to lose any conflict, for the simple reason that it is impossible for the enemy to destroy the confusion in the rear. How do you bomb or overrun chaos? The job would be comparable to messing up a garbage dump; when you are finished, you are left with the same mess as when you started.

Reed comments on action he saw during the time the letters were sent.

The day before yesterday a security patrol was sent out, consisting of two marines and ten Popular Forces. About 10:00 a.m., the patrol was ambushed by a squad of V.C. In the following exchange of fire, all but one of the South Viet-Johnson has considered statehood namese broke and ran, leaving the widow, explaining our sympathy.

mese to fight, but luckily, V. C. moved out and did not capitalize on this predicament. As a result there were only two casualties-a civilian who later was discovered to be deaf and dumb, was seriously wounded, and one Vietnamese, who chose to run, was killed. There were no confirmed V. C. casualties, but we did find trails of blood

leading away from the ambush.

This being our first real encounter with the V. C. here, there is now much doubt as to the value of the Popular Forces. Our security patrols now have been strengthened o to include six marines, and we have reduced the number of Popular Forces to six in the hope they will not be as likely to run, should enemy contact become eminent. Today I carried the radio on such a

In another skirmish with the V. C. Reed summarizes the incident by staying:

We carried the two wounded villagers and the body of the third back to our position, where the wounded were taken care of. The body was left here until late this afternoon, when the family and friends of the dead villager returned with a casket. The hardest part of the day for me was witnessing the grief of the widow and her three children. Human emotions must run the same every-

A collection which yielded nearly \$70.00 has been taken among the 18 marines here, and given to the family of the Vietnamese killed the day before yesterday. I was appointed to write a letter to the