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## Final results of watermelon-eating test

A recent scientific test reveals that students produce more white watermelon rinds than faculty members.

At a campus watermelon feed, held in the Student Union patio on the evening of July 20, a faculty-student watermelon-eating test was held which proved conclusively that students are unsurpassed by their leading competitors in producing more white-meat rinds.

"The student watermelon rinds definitely have less red meat than the faculty rinds," said Chancellor N. Edd Miller, chief judge of the experiment.

The test was devised by Richard Dankworth, director of the University's summer session program.

Assisting Judge Miller was Dr. Calvin H. Reed of the Education Department.

Laboratory conditions devised

by Director Dankworth included coaches and trainers for the two five-man teams, and an enzyme-producing environment provided by the Dave Hesskit Folk Singers.

The test was observed by 150 qualified witnesses who had just tested their own abilities to produce rinds in a preliminary experiment.

Findings of the test were based upon techniques of production, as well as quantity and quality of the products, said Judge Miller.

The two teams were closely examined for ability to hold the melon for fastest consumption, for the size and method of bite which allowed greatest efficiency, for the most efficient seed-disposal method, and for the number and length of pauses for air which gave the best and fastest results.

Although the products were

judged according to the greatest number of rinds produced by each team, quality was the determining factor, said Judge Miller.

"Quantity must always be accompanied by quality," he said. "Although the student team nosed out the faculty team by only a small number of rinds, the student-team rinds were whiter than the faculty-team rinds, proving that student rinds are cleaner rinds than those of their competitors," Dr. Miller concluded.

Summer Session Director Dankworth said that he was satisfied with the results of the experiment, but in this day of high competition, better methods and products are being produced daily, and it may be necessary to repeat the experiment next summer.

The student clean-up crew was not available for comment.

## New men named To two key posts

By Gregg Zive

Two key posts on the Nevada campus were filled this summer when Michael Laine and David McMurray assumed the posts of director of the student union and assistant dean of men, respectively.

Both men took over their new positions on July 1.

Laine came from the University of New Mexico where he had been the director of alumni relations since Feb. 1, 1965.

He has had six years experience in student union work. He was program advisor for the student union building at the University of Massachusetts for two years. He then moved back to New Mexico for four years as the director of the student union at New Mexico State University.

The new student union director graduated from the University of New Mexico in 1958. While an undergraduate he was active in student affairs and was chairman of the New Mexico Union Board, chairman of the Union Program Directorate, and president of his fraternity, Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Laine was also a member of the student standards committee and was listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

He served in the U. S. Army as an enlisted man and an officer. He is currently active in the Reserve as a First Lieutenant assigned to Army Intelligence.

He and his wife Philline have two daughters, Kim, 4, and Judy, 2½.

McMurray, 26, is a 1963 graduate of the Oregon College of Education. Following his graduation he taught for two years at a junior high school in the Oregon school program.

He went back for his Masters and received it in June, 1967, from Central Washington State College in psychology.

While at Central Washington he was head counselor of a large men's dormitory.

Presently he is concentrating on the men's residence halls programs. His job is to organize the social, cultural, athletic, and other activities of dorm life for the residents.

McMurray said he wants to set up each floor as a social unit. Each of the eight floors in Nye Hall will be named for a mining district in Nye County. He said that this approach has "all sorts of possibilities."

He explained, "A floor is almost an ideal social unit. (Each floor will have 70 residents.) This means that if a floor of a women's dorm wants to have an activity they can do it with a floor of Nye Hall men. Or if a sorority wants to have a function they can do it with 70 men rather than 560."

The new assistant dean of men said that all projects would have to be student initiated and run.

McMurray plans on having a centralized dorm government with



MICHAEL LAINE

one president and eight vice-presidents—one from each floor.

Dean of Men James Hathhorn said McMurray was selected from six final applicants for the job. Hathhorn said he was chosen because of his active life in student affairs as an undergrad and his work in the dorm program at Central Washington.

Hathhorn also noted that McMurray had other intangible points in his favor.

He said that McMurray is concentrating on housing at the present time but that he was not hired specifically for that purpose. Hathhorn said McMurray will become familiar with all the responsibilities the dean of men has.

McMurray and his wife, Sue Ellen, have no children.

## 1,200 attend ASAS meeting

The largest single conference ever held on the University of Nevada campus came to a close yesterday when the 59th annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science wrapped up four days of meeting sessions and discussions.

Approximately 1,200 scientists from around the United States attended the yearly function. Dr. Verle R. Bohman, chairman of the Animal Science Division on the Nevada campus, said the meeting is the largest of its type ever hosted by the university.

The conference officially opened Monday morning with a welcoming address from University of Nevada President Charles J. Armstrong.

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200,000 could do it . . .

## Political 'flower power' in Nevada?

By Jan Webb

A long-haired mayor of Reno and a governor who calls the state guard out once a month to protest the war. Senators with such imagination it would shock the lawmakers in Washington and a congressman who would vote consistently for a "trip-out" park in White Pine County.

The "Hip-Ticket" would bring other local changes. Policemen and their chief would have to advocate psychedelic dances at the coliseum in order to "keep the faith" with their superiors.

"Nevada is a ripe land for a

hippy invasion," says Charles McCabe, San Francisco Chronicle columnist. He looks upon their possible invasion of the state "with the greatest of interest."

A manifesto printed in the Berkeley Barb, a liberal weekly, called on hippies from across the nation to "activate" and take over the state.

### Hippy Take-over

Nevada draws about 90,000 voters in an average election. With a voting block of 100,000 or 200,000 hipsters, the groovy new subculture could take over the state-hippie councilman, tripin' assemblyman and a capitol build-

ing where "straight" lawmakers would not have a chance.

Although many sociologists and psychiatrists have dismissed the hippie for his way of life, some think he may be a special breed.

California's Bishop Pike says, "There is something about the temper and the quality of these people, a gentleness, a quietness, an interest—something good."

The Nevada invasion is possible, because "flower power" is approximately 300,000 strong. Indications show that the hippie has sprite when his cause is activated.

The new group is just as en-

thusiastic when protesting New York city leash laws for dogs as when they turn out 50,000 strong for a peace march.

If this type of enthusiasm is incorporated the Nevada establishment may be divided into a two party system—the "straight ticket" and the "hip ticket."

### Virginia City Fuss

Remember the fuss made over a few touring Hippies in Virginia City a few summers ago?

But Congressman Walter Baring once said, though probably unaware at the time of a hippie contender for his office, that Nevadans still possess their old pi-

oneer spirit. With a coalition of the new generation and native Nevadan sympathizers, the state could become a place where the inhabitants would toss in their middle-class values and hang-ups for a chance to "tune in, tune on, and drop out."

There would be lots of parades, maybe the biggest little "Be-in" in the world, including hippies with signs saying "Make love, not money."

Everything would be exemptive of what Timothy Leary, Harvard professor turned-hip, describes as the movement of to-

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Editorial . . .

# Protest vital To democracy

Freedom of thought, word, discussion and expression is the "sticky stuff" which holds Democracy together. To take these away it becomes a mere word.

Criticism of government is also a right of the people. But when this criticism is executed by a minority group, some protectors of freedom distort what seems unconventional to them. They in turn, make protest look dirty and evil.

People who love Democracy and want the right to be heard, should not only protect this right—they should exercise it. It is like the human body when it is inactive — it will degenerate.

The John Birch Society vows to save America by cleaning out all enemies of the country. Again they point the finger at those with unconventional thoughts.

Although they play the role of protectors they locally support a man for the presidency (George Wallace) whose philosophy will hamper every civil liberty advance that has been made in the last six years.

Leslie Fry, National Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, has publicly announced his support of the Subversive Activities Control Board. He said it is the only agency in the executive branch of the government which can identify Communists and subversive groups working for the destruction of our government.

This is reminiscent of the last decade when people forgot how to think because unconventional thoughts ran parallel to communism.

Fry recently said re-education of the country's youth is a necessity if the country is to survive. He said the anti-war protests have to be stopped.

This could very well mean another era of silence. And a halt to the right of peaceful disagreement with government policy. Unconventional and new approaches will be forgotten, for without exercise they will die.

## Nevada hosts 22 Samoan teachers

A group of 22 Samoan teachers and school officials were guests of the University for five days last month. But they were not studying teaching methods. They were getting first-time experiences with such stateside phenomena as deserts, rivers, lakes

and snow.

Although they had read and taught about such things, these phenomena do not exist in Samoa.

"Nevadans take these sites for granted," said Dr. Davis, "but the Samoans were delighted to see things that, until now, they had

only read about. And, fortunately, because of the late summer, even snow was available in the Tahoe area."

The Samoans also visited some typical Nevadan man-made phenomena in Reno, Tahoe and Virginia City.

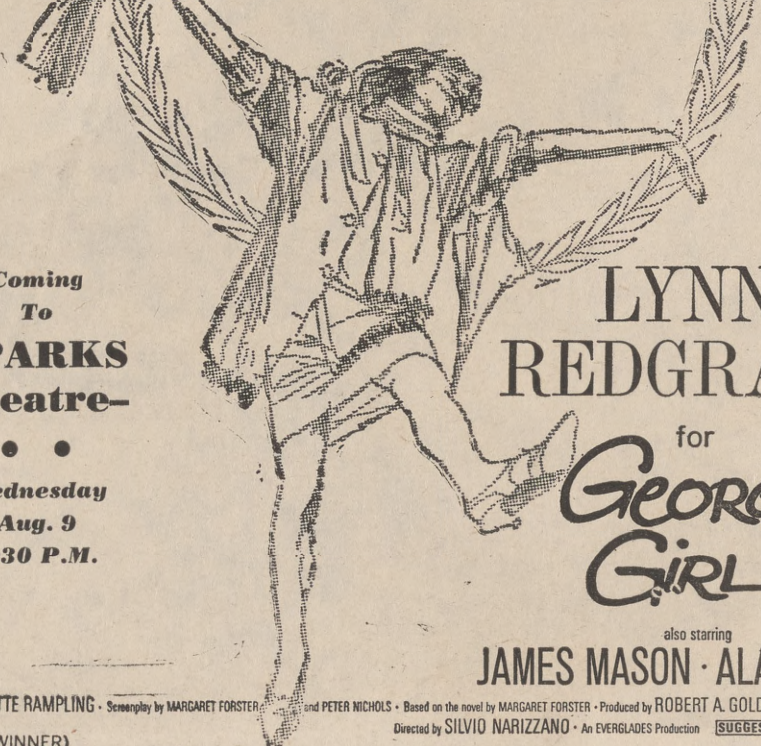
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# Douglass leads Basque study program



The University of Nevada's Desert Research Institute has inaugurated a Basque Studies Program with the appointment of Dr. William A. Douglass as coordinator.

Dr. Douglass, who won his Ph.D. in anthropology at the University of Chicago after two years of field work in the Basque country, will start the program by reconstructing the Basque role in Nevada history.

The studies will be extended to Idaho, Oregon, Utah and California as funds become available.

Nevada's governor, Paul Laxalt, is of Basque origin and his brother, Robert, is a widely known author, many of whose works have been based upon the Basque people and their history.

Prof. Wendell A. Mordy, director of the Desert Research Institute, said the appointment of Dr. Douglass and the acquisition of the private library of the late Phillippe Veyrin will establish the University of Nevada as the outstanding center in the United States for Basque studies. Veyrin was a noted European scholar and author who specialized in Basque studies.

Dr. Douglass will begin his investigations by interviewing Nevada Basques, searching state and municipal records and gathering personal documents.

It is anticipated the research conducted in his program will lead to the offering of university courses on the Basque culture and language.

## Vandalism

# New program to reduce dorm damage

Officials at the University of Nevada are trying to make Nye Hall more than just a place for students to sleep and store their belongings. They feel dormitory vandalism can be curtailed by instilling a sense of responsibility in male students.

Concern over the amount of damage done to Nye Hall in its first semester of use, prompted the formation of a program to keep future damage at a minimum. David McMurray, the new assistant dean of men, feels "we have come up with some pretty positive programs."

A program to promote student interest and increase identity with the dormitory is based primarily on a new centralized form of government. Each floor will be a separate social unit, named for a Nye County mining district and will participate in social activities with other groups.

"For example" McMurray said, "often a sorority will want to have an exchange lecture or dance with a men's dorm. With 70 men on each floor there will be an ideal social unit for something like this."

### Dorm Staff

According to Robert Kersey, auxiliary enterprises director, part of last year's problem was caused by the loose government of the eight-story facility. To correct this McMurray has hired a full time staff resident who will be under a professional contract with the university.

He will be assisted by eight graduate and undergraduate students who will counsel students. Each floor will be represented by a student manager.

McMurray is planning to hold a workshop for all dormitory staff members before the fall semester to acquaint them with the university and its facilities. The staff will also meet with the deans to learn where to send students for information and professional counseling.

### Increased Security

Students blamed much of the last semester's vandalism on visitors and guests. Dean Sam Basta complained last April about the heavy student traffic on "no one knowing anyone else." To combat this officials have decided to increase security at the facility. The main hall desk will be manned 24 hours a day, and students will be given keys so the doors can be locked. Officials hope this will prevent non-university students from entering the facility and causing damage.

Another plan to improve morale is to bring students, professors, and businessmen together for casual discussions in the dormitory. McMurray feels the need for a good dormitory program is essential because people expect a university to produce a more rounded individual. He feels, "professors are educated people who can help students by expressing what the kids really feel but can't put into words."

## Laxalt sees DRI

Nevada's Gov. Paul Laxalt recently spent more than three hours with officials and scientists of Desert Research Institute at the University of Nevada.

After the visit he said he was greatly impressed. "I only wish every Nevadan could have had the experience I had this afternoon," the governor said.

## Convocation slated for August

"Is the Supreme Court soft on crime?"

William A. Grimes, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, will give his views in a lecture to be presented in the Jot Travis Student Union Aug. 13 at 8 p.m.

Justice Grimes will attend the four week session of the National College of State Trial Judges.

A social philosopher from New York University will present a special convocation on the causative factors and the far reaching effects of current racial violence.

The presentation is scheduled for Aug. 7 at 8 p.m. in the Jot Travis Student Union.

Dr. Ernest van der Haag has been called "one of America's brilliant social thinkers." The lecture is titled "Riots 67."

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# Judges come to Nevada for judicial classes



Trial judges attend one of many summer classes

Judges representing every state will converge on the University of Nevada campus Sunday to begin four weeks of judicial classes at the National College of State Trial Judges.

The nationwide college has its headquarters at the University of Nevada. The theme of the school is to acquaint relatively new state judges of general jurisdiction with the techniques of trial procedures and court administrative development in like courts throughout the United States.

The College originated at the University of Colorado in 1964. The efforts of Washoe District Judge Thomas O. Craven, brought the college headquarters to Reno in 1966. The first session was held last summer.

Many of the 150 attending judges will forfeit their vacations to attend classes. Subjects will range from "proceedings before trial to sentencing and probation."

Although the judges attend classes for eight hours a day—five days a week—the program is not all work. The college has planned many social events.

The events will include steak and fish fries, trips to Lake Tahoe and San Francisco, and a fashion show for the judges' wives.

Many judges bring their families. They will be housed in White Pine and Nye dormitories.

Laurance M. Hyde, dean of the college, predicts that by the summer of 1969 more than one-third of the 3,600 general jurisdiction trial judges in the United States will have attended the college.

"From the onset, the college has had high goals of making a real contribution to the improvement of our American system of justice," Hyde says.

Judge Hyde has served on the Missouri Circuit Court. He is also a member of the American Law Institute, past chairman of the Missouri Journal Committee and of the St. Louis Bar Association Administrative Law Committee.

Hyde resigned his seat on the circuit court in 1965 to take the deanship of the college.

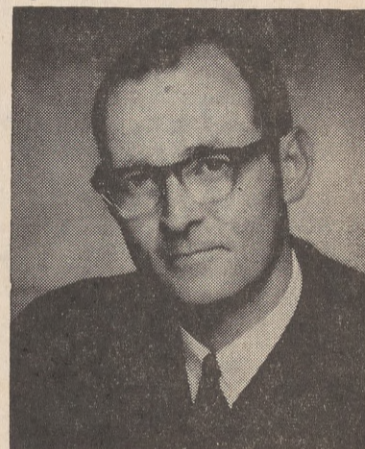
During the four week session, the trial judges are taught by experienced judges who have special interests in this phase of law.

Many of the classes are informal. Judges discuss problems they have had in trial jurisdiction. Some of the main topics of discussion will be the use of evidence, criminal law, community relations and the sentencing and probation of the convicted criminal.

Judge Craven says the primary purpose of establishing the national college is a matter of human rights.

"A trial judge . . . cannot merely go along being contented, complacent and adequately discharge his duties with one foot in the past and one in the present," Craven says.

The college, in Judge Craven's view, "will become the center for the development into more insights for the courts."



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A majority of the judges are reimbursed the expense of attending the college from state and local funds. Dean Hyde predicts more states will pay the judges way in the future.

The opening banquet will be held Monday, Aug. 7, in the Jot Travis Student Union building. The featured speaker will be Nevada Gov. Paul Laxalt.

## Man versus machine

## White Pine teachers study teaching methods

Twenty teachers from White Pine County are attending classes at the University of Nevada in an attempt to find the most effective means to combine man and machine for classroom purposes.

The teachers are sponsored by federal grant. Instruction is being conducted in the College of Education.

The project is intended to show teachers the wide variety of new

teaching devices and how to select the appropriate technique for the specific teaching media.

The summer project has been tailor made for the group, says Donald R. Woelfle, workshop coordinator.

"This is not a regular course at the university. It has been put together for us in order to bring us up to date on new teaching methods and how they apply in

this area," Woelfle said.

He said teachers are not turning into robots even with the increased use of electronic equipment.

The aids can never replace the teachers, Woelfle said. "The value of new machines is how the teachers use them. All this can lead to more individual instruction and leaves the teachers with more time to teach."

## Hippies suggest new utopia

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day. "The psychedelic seeker movement, or whatever you want to call it, expresses itself with beads and acts of beauty and harmony . . . sweeping the streets."

The flower children are gentle and preach love as the answer to society's dilemmas. Their religion is simple—love and the idea that all men are equal in the sight of God. This is an idea nearly ignored today.

A utopia of this sort would be a magnanimous experiment—a totally new way of looking at things. It would be an existential experiment possibly providing answers to some of the problems of Christianity (God is Dead). Psychedelia may be what is needed

for the lack in society today.

Whatever the results would be, it is safe to say that a completely hippie way of life would offer some original ideas for the "pepsi degeneration."

For example, Alan Watts offers a new solution to the Vietnam War. "It would cost us less to bribe the whole of Asia than to fight any wars there."

Hippies have some opinions on mass movements too. Says Timothy Leary, "Mass movements make no sense to me, and I want no part of mass movements. I think this is the error that the leftist activities are making. I see them as young men with menopausal minds."

If this statement can be applied to an invasion, then a hippie haven in Nevada seems unlikely. Even if the Hippies come to Nevada, city officials, politicians and the establishment need not suffer from middle-class anxieties or fears; politics are square and Hippies don't vote.

In fact, they may already be here. But no one will know for sure until the heavy tourist season is over.

## Big conclave finishes work

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Presiding over the conference was ASAS President J. E. Oldfield of Oregon State University.

The Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture and the university were the official hosts for the national conclave.

Bohman said the conference serves "as a vehicle for scientists to broaden their knowledge, exchange data, and bring themselves up to date on the latest happenings in the field."

The scientists participated in general sessions and in various sub-sections. The sub-sections included animal nutrition, physiology, meats, endocrinology, genetics, extension teaching, breeding, and undergraduate teaching animal science.

In addition about 340 scientific papers were presented during the four-day meeting dealing with animal science topics.

One of the highlights of the conference was the annual banquet at which approximately \$10,000 was presented in cash awards to scientists who have made outstanding contributions in the field of animal science.

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## Reno travel library to be discussed during convention

A travel research library at the University of Nevada will be considered by the Western Council for Travel Research during an August conference in Reno.

A spokesman for the group said they have been working with Robert Weems, Dean of the College of Business, for more than two years in an attempt to arrange such a library.

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