

Mel Baleson and Glen Grissilo after 73 hours. Photo by Ken Smith.



Tennis marathon record:

73 hours

night. It really helped us to have someone to talk to." He was referring to five girls who accompanied them through the long, cold nights. There was also music donated by Nye Hall residents.

Their meals consisted mostly of donated sandwiches and soft drinks. They ate mostly during their breaks with an occasional banana or candy bar between sets.

Grissilo and Baleson took 10-minute breaks every four hours. During breaks they would go inside Nye Hall where they would take short showers and get a bit of rest.

PERHAPS THEIR toughest hours were Saturday morning. Grissilo said, "I was very stiff, everything hurt, but then this guy gave me a massage during the break. It completely revived me. I really needed that rest."

Their hands were blistered and their eyes were bloodshot, but they were in good physical condition. Dr. Jack Kelly examined them and gave them a go ahead near the halfway mark.

The marathon's purpose was to raise money for tennis team scholarships. Baleson and Grissilo hope to have raised enough money to bring three new tennis players to Nevada. Baleson said, "I have three good friends that I think will come if we can get enough money for the scholarships. They are two South Africans and an Australian."

ALTHOUGH THE exact amount of contributions are not yet known, they may be near \$4,000. Two single donors donated \$2,285 between them. Del Chemical Corporation donated \$15 per hour and an anonymous donor gave \$1,205. Volunteers passed the hat and received considerable amounts.

After their ordeal the two South African players were overwhelmed by the crowd as they staged a brief champagne celebration.

They proceeded into Nye Hall to begin a new marathon—continuous sleep.

by CARLOS CASUSO

"How about this sun, huh, this is the only way to live." You might expect those were the words of UNR's tennis star Mel Baleson in his 71st hour of tennis playing.

Baleson and his South African cousin, Glen Grissilo, set a new world record for continuous playing of approximately 73 hours at the Nye Hall parking lot this weekend.

THE SOUTH African pair started playing tennis with an exhibition match at 11:30 last Thursday and didn't let up until 1:30 Sunday afternoon. Grissilo and Baleson played most of the 73 hours in punishing cold rain and wind, but appropriately enough the sun broke through the clouds early Sunday to aid them to their goal.

Most of the 1000-plus spectators present at the end expected to see the two athletes in near exhaustion, but what they saw was an amazing show of tennis skills and tremendous energy.

Grissilo and Baleson (who will be battling each other next Sunday for the WCAC championships) looked as if they were playing each other for the WCAC singles championships. After three sleepless days of tennis playing, the two players showed a final burst of energy the last three hours. They returned slam shots and reached incredible shots. They played as if the marathon was beginning.

THE ORIGINAL plan was to play 72 hours, but an anonymous doner pledged an extra \$730 if they played the extra hour.

The prior record was forty hours established by four Englishmen. The new record came at 5 a.m. Saturday and was welcomed by a sparse cheering crowd.

At 11 p.m. Thursday, they began what could very well be the longest set in history. It took them six hours to complete. They played 203 games before Baleson finally won it 103-101 at 5 a.m. Friday. They played 1,124 games or approximately 120 sets. The results were about even.

ALTHOUGH MANY people doubted whether they would reach their goal, the two South Africans were confident they would make it. During their 20th hour, Grissilo said, "We feel we can make it—my wrist is beginning to get sore, but I think that we'll make it."

There was speculation on what was going to bother them the most. Grissilo felt the wrist would be the first to go, but Baleson thought his legs would falter first. By the second day Grissilo was holding his racket with both hands and Baleson's feet were severely blistered at the halfway point.

Friday afternoon the two players began to get irritable and were occasionally mad with each other. But they soon regained their poise and returned to their clowning ways.

Most of the time there were from 50 to 100 spectators cheering them on, but the number thinned out during the early hours of the morning.

GRISSILO SAID, "The people are just great. Their support has really helped us pull through. We didn't expect anybody to stay up with us during the

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Promotion denial to be discussed

Faculty Senate will meet this week to discuss the promotion denied to James Richardson.

Richardson, sociology professor, has been denied a promotion from assistant to associate professor twice by the Board of Regents. He has not been told why.

Faculty Senate Chairman Edmund Barmettler is concerned about the matter. He said the faculty senate meeting will be an "informal process to see where we are and what we're going to do about it.

"I FEEL that the faculty senate should be heard on this. A faculty member who has been turned down for a promotion ought to be informed of the reasons why.

"The matter of his promotion has gone before the Board of Regents twice and it has not been honored. The Board of Regents is perfectly within their right to turn down any person for promotion, but any man or woman that this happens to ought to be given reason why," he said.

What's happening

TODAY

Governor's Day
 11 a.m.—Honors Convocation. Gym.
 Noon—Barbeque. Quad.
 12:30-3 p.m.—Student Affairs counseling. Truckee.
 3:30-5:30 p.m.—Residence Hall Directors. Hardy.
 4-5 p.m.—Graduate Committee. Sierra.
 4-6 p.m.—WRA. Las Vegas.
 4-6:30 p.m.—ASUN Activities Board. Ingersoll.
 5:30-7:30 p.m.—Spurs. Hardy.
 6-7:30 p.m.—Sagens. East-West.
 7-10 p.m.—Black Student Union. Sierra.
 7-8:30 p.m.—International Club. Ingersoll.
 8-10 p.m.—Tau Beta Sigma. East-West.

other editors

As others see us: a party school

(Editor's note: The following article appeared in the last edition of the "Insider's Guide to the Colleges," published by the Yale News.)

What's California's favorite party school?

You probably aren't far wrong if you named Stanford or any of several UCal campuses. But our pick is the University of Nevada.

NEVADA HAS long had a public image as a school for Californians. Half the student body hails from Ronnie Raygun Land, and the rich, ultrasophisticated swingers who have given Nevada its sizable reputation as a party school all come from the land of the Golden Buck. The kind of Californian who comes to Nevada, of course, probably couldn't make it into Berkeley, Stanford, or even La Jolla. But in Nevada he's in his element—or has been.

The school's partying image is declining, and some people are even trying to inject academics

WEDNESDAY

Final date for filing graduate examining committee reports.
 11 a.m.-noon—Graduate Committee. Ingersoll.
 Noon—Jazz rock band, sponsored by Experimental College. Travis Lounge.
 12:30-3 p.m.—Student Affairs counseling. Truckee.
 3 p.m.—Foreign language department awards ceremony. Travis Lounge.
 3-4:30—Human Relations Commission. Hardy.
 3-7 p.m.—ASUN Finance Control Board. Ingersoll.
 4-6 p.m.—Pi Delta Phi initiation. East-West.
 6-8 p.m.—AWS. East-West.

7-10 p.m.—Black Student Union. Ingersoll.
 7-10 p.m.—ASUN Senate. Travis Lounge.

THURSDAY

All day: Off-Campus Independents Association-sponsored outdoor crafts fair; free concert featuring Cold Duck starts at noon. Manzanita Bowl.
 12:30-3 p.m.—Student Affairs counseling. Truckee.
 3-5 p.m.—Teacher Education Board. Las Vegas.
 7 p.m.—Foreign film: "Orpheus" (France). SEM, Room 101.
 7-9 p.m.—Mackay Day Committee. Las Vegas.
 7:30-10 p.m.—Delta Sigma Pi. East-West.
 8-10 p.m.—Students International Meditation Society. Hardy.

Announcements

Graduation announcements have arrived and may be picked up in the ASUN Bookstore.

Caps and gowns may also be purchased in the bookstore for \$5.25 plus tax. The garb then becomes the property of the graduate, according to Bill Cobb, senior class president.

Graduation ceremonies will be held June 5, Saturday, at 10 a.m. in the Quad.

ment parties, dances, and fraternity and sorority activities. The frats are somewhat on the decline, but the sororities are picking up in size and power.

HEAVEN KNOWS, most of the Nevada students didn't go to college to study. Few at the school feel a financial pinch, and most are children of ostentatious affluence whose prime concern is making a bigger social splash. In case anyone should decide to pursue some learning, the engineering and agriculture departments are good (what else would you expect at a state university?) and there are scattered good teachers in other fields. But everyone, even the faculty, treats academics as an amusing, even antiquated curio, and work is at a minimum. A few young firebrands are trying to change the lethargy about learning, but they have found no ground swell of support.

Nevada does offer one academic advantage, more or less by accident. With its small enrollment, student-teacher relations are warm, if not stimulating or intense, and the degree of communication is good.

THE MOST surprising aspect of Nevada is that it is not, repeat not, a big jock school. But this deficiency is not so much a matter of mature taste as of limited size. The football team, with a relatively small pool to draw from, cannot compete with Western Athletic Conference Schools. What's more, most students don't care. With Reno at hand, who needs touchdowns?

As a matter of fact, with Reno at hand, who needs anything? That's why the University of Nevada is a Californian's playground. And why, despite anyone's best intentions, it will probably stay that way.

Readers write on

Looking ahead

Editor:

Nevada Technical Institute (NTI) is looking ahead to the fall semester. NTI student body officers are currently formulating a new morale situation around the Stead campus for the fall semester. We plan to initiate some intermural sports for the entire Stead student body, in hopes that all of you will participate.

Good times for all will open this fall semester. This is your school—get involved. Have a good summer and see you next year!!!

TONY ARMSTRONG
 Vice president, NTI

Rap on, Strom

Rap on, Strom:

From South Carolina you came,
 Nixonite politics was your game.
 You left and we were not the same,
 Perhaps it is your claim to fame.

You were careful not to be misquoted
 From a paper you read—we noted.
 And about our boys—they hadn't voted,
 Sent away—given guns to be toted.

As ya'll say... "Our country right or wrong,"
 Bring back the dead to sing your song.
 There'll be many more before too long,
 Their ghosts will haunt you by the throng.

Coming next year will be '72.
 You and Spiro and Dicky too
 Will be lucky to make it through.
 If ya'll do—we get the screw!

S. PAGANO

Join committees

Editor:

I would like to inform those that care that all committees are open for appointment. Applications and a list of the committees are available in the ASUN Office in Jot Travis. I encourage anyone who is interested to find a committee he is interested in and apply.

I especially encourage lower classmen to get on committees and get involved in their school government. The more people that get involved, the more representative the ASUN will be.

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Workshop: female editor, male expert

A female editor and a male expert on self defense for women will highlight a workshop at UNR.

The workshop, sponsored by Associated Women Students (AWS) to stimulate interest in their organization, will be conducted Thursday in Travis Lounge starting at 3 p.m.

MARIAN ASH, publisher-editor of a California legislative newsletter for women known as "Skirting the Capitol," will speak at 4 p.m.

A vigorous crusader for equal rights and responsibilities for women and for greater involvement by women in political and governmental affairs, Ash was a special assistant to former Gov. Edmund Brown. She also has served as a legislative aide and filled

a number of other government positions, including the executive directorship of the California Advisory Commission on the Status of Women.

THE DEFENSE expert is Frederic Storaska, who has researched thousands of assault cases and developed programs to educate women on the prevention of assaults. His lectures to students at more than 200 colleges are said to have saved the lives of at least four girls and to have prevented assaults on countless hundreds of others.

The public is invited to both lectures and to a series of student seminars during the afternoon and evening on such topics as women's rights, community service, women's athletics and abortion.

Pack wins over St. Mary's

The UNR baseball team closed out the season with a win over WCAC for St. Mary's College.

The Gaels won the three game series by taking the opener Friday 10-8 and the first game of Saturday's doubleheader 5-2.

Friday's affair saw the Pack's sloppy playing force them to relinquish a 7-6 lead

they had going into the eighth inning. The Pack had twelve hits in that contest with three each by Tom Duncan, Bill Penaluna and Craig Lusiani. Reliever Pete Wisecarver was tagged with the loss.

In the opener of Saturday's doubleheader the Pack's hitters were limited to five hits, two doubles by Craig Lusiani, while the visitors touched loser Gary Powers for five runs.

In the second tilt, Pack hurler Tim Truex scattered six singles and was nearly perfect except for a two-run homer by Greg Dun to pick up his third win of the campaign. First baseman Marc Simoncini provided the power for the Wolves with a two run blast in the fifth inning.

The Wolf Pack finished up the season with a 8-21-1 record and a 2-16 mark in the WCAC.

22.5 miles and 4 pair of socks

(Editor's note: Linda Nagy, a Sagebrush reporter, was one of the hardy souls to attempt the 27-mile march to Carson City on behalf of Walk for Development. The Sagebrush sponsored Linda for \$1.25 a mile. The money will help to feed hungry people in the world. Below is her report of the march. She also reported seeing President N. Edd Miller, Dean of Students Roberta Barnes and Dean of Women Cecilia St. John striding along the route quite diligently.)

by LINDA NAGY

Saturday, along with about 1,500 others, I marched in the Walk for Development.

I arrived at the Centennial Coliseum with four pair of socks and a can of Dr. Scholl's foot powder, and soon the long trek began.

I WALKED several miles with Dean (of Community Relations) Sam Basta. We visited about the walk, the university, the Sagebrush, his job, people we both knew, and he told me about World War II and what it's like to be in the Navy.

I left Basta at the first checkpoint and continued on. The bright sun soon went behind a cloud and it began to rain. The rain was soothing, but it didn't last too long.

The third checkpoint was identified on the walk card as "Road By Farm." Lots of roads are by farms and there are several farms between Reno and Carson. I finally reached the point but I saw

nothing resembling a farm.

MY FEET felt great so I decided to change my socks and give them another shot of foot powder to keep them in good condition. This proved to be my biggest mistake because my feet never felt as good after I changed my socks the first time.

Volunteers drove past in cars marked "Droop Coup," "Toes Tank," "Blister Bus" and "Poop-out pickup," waiting to rescue those who were too bushed to go on.

But each time I considered giving up, I would think of the two tennis players making a world's record and I would push on.

ANOTHER REASON I walked on was because I hadn't eaten all day and I was starved. I just thought how it would feel to be hungry all the time as are some of the people I was marching for.

Word was passed that peanut butter and jelly sandwiches were at the next checkpoint. I have never been much of a peanut butter and jelly sandwich fan, but two kinds of starvation had set in and I had to go on. One was for my fellow man and the other was my churning stomach.

WHEN I arrived at point four, licking my chops for that delicious sandwich, to my dismay I discovered the sandwiches were all gone. But I was told that fried chicken would be waiting for me at Bower's Mansion, the next point.

So I changed my socks, sniffed the air trying to detect the shortest distance to the chicken, and continued.

When I got to Bower's Mansion my card was stamped and I eagerly walked up the grassy knoll to receive my reward for walking 16.4 miles. Alas, the chicken was gone. All I saw was one bone.

So I walked on with a new group of people.

TO PASS the time as we walked, we sang to cows grazing on the side of the road. They gave a look as if to ask, "What are you crazy people doing walking along the road singing to cows?" Not crazy, I thought. Just hungry.

About 2 p.m. someone drove up with chicken. "Whose chicken is that?" I eagerly asked. "It's yours now," the lady said. So my new companions and I ate for the first time all day.

But even though I felt somewhat refreshed, I was tired beyond belief. Those who walked know that there are no words to describe how one feels.

BY THE time I reached the seventh checkpoint, I was absolutely the last person in the walk. I was going so slow all my companions left me and I really felt dead.

My sister came along and as much as I wanted to go on, I crawled to her car and got in.

I earned about \$60 and I walked about 22.5 miles. When I think of how close I was to finishing, I gnash my teeth.

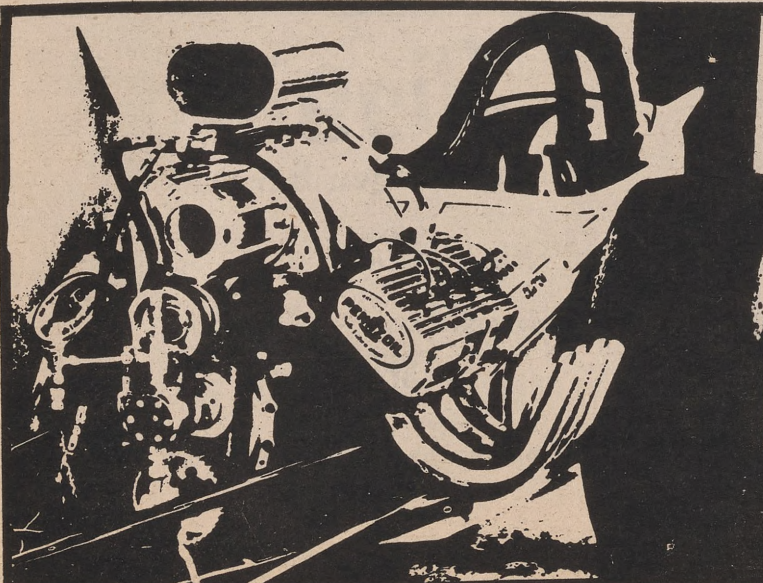
But I'm not completely discouraged. I can hardly wait until next year so I can walk again. Next time I'll walk all the way or die trying.

Award ceremony

The department of foreign languages and literatures will have its annual awards ceremony tomorrow at 4 p.m. in Travis Lounge.

Three outstanding students will be honored—one in French, German and Spanish.

The event will be in cooperation with the university woodwind ensemble. Refreshments will be served and everyone is cordially invited.



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'Listen to my cry for help...please respond'

by KATHLEEN KELLY

"Listen to my cry for help; and if you care, please respond!" This is an urgent plea to save a life. Unless it is heard and heeded, a needless and untimely death may result.

Can this plea be ignored? Not easily, for 75 per cent of all people committing suicide have already attempted or threatened it previously. Such a cry for help must be taken seriously—and answered.

This is just what the Suicide Prevention and Crisis Call Center, since its establishment in March 1966, has been doing. The center offers a 24-hour telephone counseling service for persons under crisis. One need only call 323-6111, day or night.

COLLEEN STOTLER, center coordinator, said the center receives about 300 calls a month and 20 per cent of these calls deal with some aspect of suicide. We also have a referral telephone service for such crises as abortion problems, alcoholic problems, emotional problems, transit families, housing and a number of other widespread calls.

The center was originally organized as a result of citizen concern regarding the suicide rate in Nevada, which at 26.8 per 100,000 is the highest in the nation.

In eight industrialized nations studied, suicide is the third frequent cause of death. In the United States it is fourth. There is an alarming increase in suicide among young Americans. For college students, suicide now is the second most frequent cause of death after accidental fatalities.

THE CENTER is affiliated with UNR and functions primarily with non-professional volunteers backed by professional volunteers. The use of non-professional volunteers is a recent trend which is characteristic of suicide and mental health centers across the country.

Almost 50 per cent of the non-professional volunteers are students even though a substantial number of non-professional volunteers are people working in the community.

Dr. James Mikawa, director of Crisis Call, said, "There is a great need for more volunteers."

THE CENTER now has 34 non-professional volunteers and nine professional consultants. There are no age or educational requirements explicitly defined for people wishing to become volunteers.

Each volunteer receives 30-40 hours of training prior to taking calls on the line and also attends monthly in-service training sessions.

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Stotler said "there is always a need for volunteers because a great majority of the non-professional volunteers are students who will be graduating and we need volunteers to take their place."

The center serves a population of about 125,000 in Washoe County, although calls are received from neighboring counties as well as occasional calls from different areas of the United States. During a 12-month period (November 1969-October 1970) the center processed 1,951 cases.

IN NEVADA, suicide ranks as the sixth major cause of death within the state. More than three out of every 100 Nevada deaths are due to suicide.

Because of the distressing Nevada suicide rate (which becomes even more alarming when one realizes that eight or more people attempt suicide for every person who completes it), the Northern Nevada Association for Mental Health took the steps in establishing a suicide prevention program.

General financial support is provided by grant monies and funds from UNR and partial support will be provided by the United Fund of Washoe County.

Governor's Day changed

Governor's Day 1971—a new experience for the campus—is today. The focus of the event has been changed from a military review to a university-wide function.

Mike O'Callaghan will present awards to a number of outstanding students and more than 800 students will be honored for scholastic excellence.

The ceremonies will begin at 11 a.m. in the gym. Classes will be dismissed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. After the awards students, faculty, administrators and the governor will adjourn to the Mackay Quad for an outdoor barbecue.

THE MAJOR awards to be presented are: Phi Kappa Phi award—for excellence in scholarship;

Thornton Peace Prize—to an individual from the university community who has done the most in the last year to further the cause of

peace;

The Governor's Medal—to an outstanding senior ROTC cadet;

Athlete of the Year—to the outstanding UNR athlete;

Henry Albert Senior Public Service Award—to students who have provided outstanding service to the university;

Wisham Award—to an outstanding senior ROTC cadet. This award has been donated by the Wisham family in honor of their son, a Nevada ROTC graduate, killed in Vietnam; and

The Outstanding Senior Award.

THERE WILL also be a presentation of honor students by President N. Edd Miller and Dan Klaich, ASUN president.

The traditional military review has been cancelled. The military awards ceremony will be held next week during a regular drill period.

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