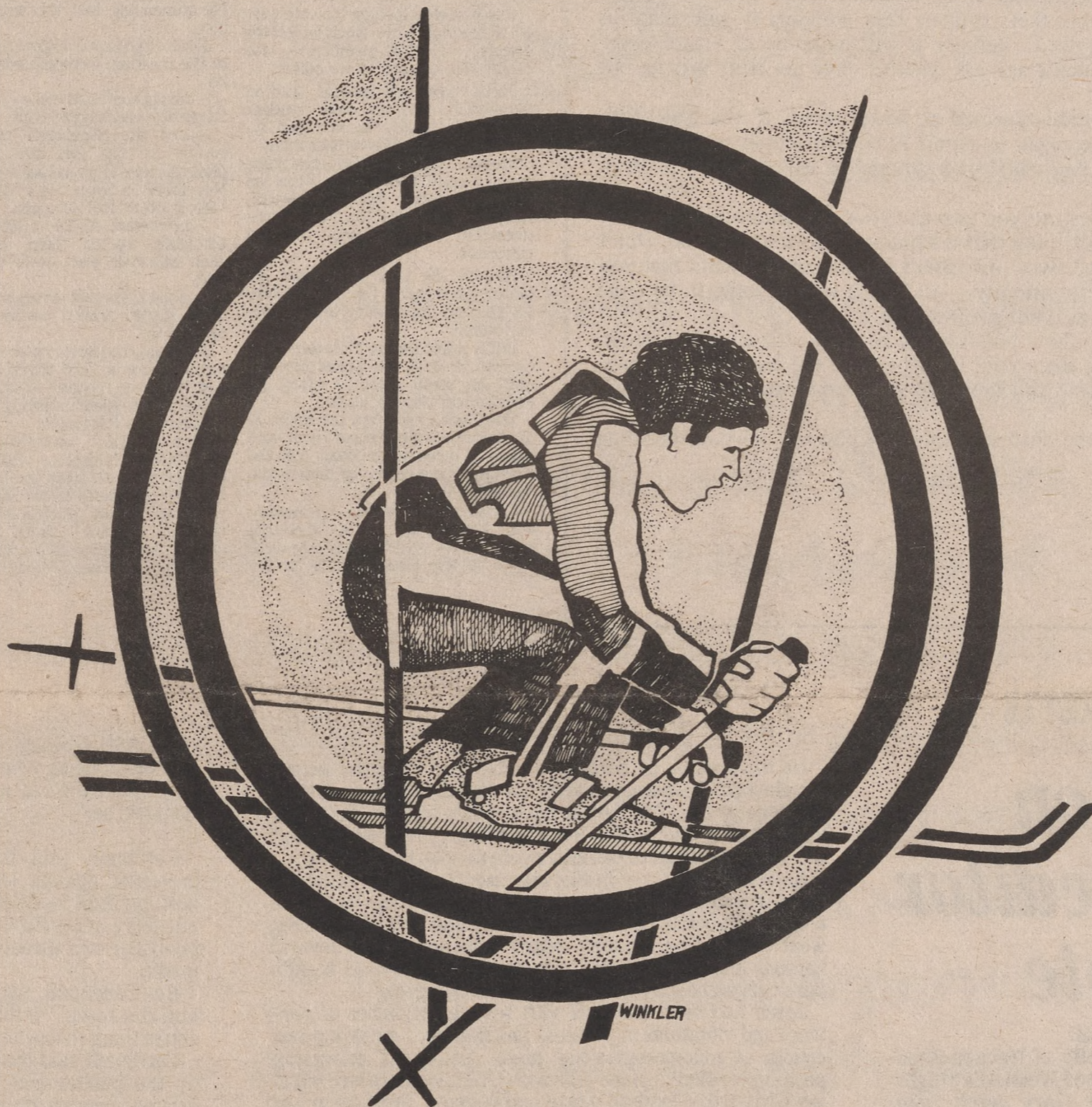


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Editorial

As you have no doubt noticed today's Sagebrush is a good deal slimmer than usual. Frankly, we don't consider this to be our usual measure of service to our readers. We feel they deserve better for their money. Unfortunately, circumstances beyond our control (as reported on this page by Pat O'Driscoll of the Nevada State Journal/Reno Evening Gazette) have nearly paralyzed our operations for the past several days and you hold in your hand the result.

It is a unique and highly uncomfortable situation when a newspaper stops reporting the news and starts becoming part of it. It is not a role we take on with any degree of relish, but again, we have been thrust unwilling into the spotlight.

Perhaps it's a good thing.

Perhaps it will make our readers think more carefully about what they want from the paper they support with their student fees. Perhaps it will make us respond more carefully to those needs. Perhaps it will make us all examine the institutions that govern us as students and ask whether they are truly serving our needs.

Maybe they are. Maybe the students would be better served if the Sagebrush became an arm of ASUN, a house organ to report in copious detail on pep rallies and weenie roasts. We'd like not to think so, but you see, it isn't really up to us to decide.

It's for you to decide. And, it's up to you to make your decision clear both to us and to your elected officers. Don't think that it's not an important decision. Don't think that if you ignore it, it will go away. And don't for one minute think that you don't have the power—or the responsibility—to decide what's going to be done with your money, your publications, your government.

Let your student officers know how you feel. Go to their offices and tell them. Or write them. And if you want to share your thoughts with the rest of the campus, write us. Make your decision known. And above all, make your decision.

Because if you don't you can be dead sure someone else will do your deciding for you.

Nevada State Journal

A Spaldel Newspaper

UNR Student Senate Votes Not To Fire Newspaper Editor

By PAT O'DRISCOLL

After five hours of discussion, debate and hearing of testimony, the Student Senate of the University of Nevada-Reno voted this morning not to fire Sagebrush editor Gary Jesch.

The decision came shortly before 12:30 a.m. with Jesch bursting through the doors from the closed session and shouting, "They did it! They voted down the motion."

Jesch said he thought the vote went 9-5 to fire him. A two-thirds vote of the senate — 12 of 18 members — was required in order to fire the editor.

Jesch also told several waiting Sagebrush staffers that student government plans an in depth investigation of Sagebrush operations.

Student Body President Jim Stone refused comment, saying, "I'm too angry to talk." Marc Cardinalli, finance and publications vice president, also angrily refused comment.

Despite the plea of Jesch's attorney, Gary Bullis, the Senate voted, 9-8, to close the meeting to the press and public.

Bullis asked Senate President John Gezelin to delay the closed meeting until he could obtain a court injunction, but Gezelin refused.

Then, news reporters and about 50 students and supporters of Jesch were asked to leave on the basis that the meeting was a personnel matter and confidential.

Complicating matters Wednesday was the threat of a wholesale resignation by Jesch's staff if he were fired by the Senate, which is the

legislative arm of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN).

Earlier Wednesday, Jesch answered the publications board charges and claimed there is a deliberate movement within ASUN "to get me out."

Jesch was asked to resign by the ASUN Publications Board in a marathon six-hour-long closed personnel session Tuesday night, but refused. A 5-2 vote followed, recommending that the senate fire him.

Jesch cited four charges brought up at the meeting, including allegations he:

—misappropriated money from the Sagebrush checking account;

—used the Sagebrush name to solicit a trip for him and a photographer to go to Las Vegas last November to cover the UNR-UNLV "Silver Bowl" football game;

—threatened ASUN officers with editorials against them, although such editorials were never printed; and,

—failed to correct errors of fact in news stories printed earlier in the school year.

Jesch said the fund matter involved expenses for a \$7.50 check register and \$80 for a reporter to attend the university regents' meeting in Las Vegas earlier this month.

"Early last semester, we (Sagebrush) bought a \$7.50 check register from the bank and the bank charged it directly to the Sagebrush checking account, which is our salary checking account," Jesch said in explanation. "After that occurred, I was warned by Gary Brown (business

manager for ASUN) not to use our account for anything besides salaries."

The \$80 covered reimbursement for a Sagebrush staffer who paid his own expenses on the regents' meeting trip. Jesch said ASUN President Stone had told him earlier this month that former university regent Helen Thompson would pay for a Sagebrush staffer to attend the meeting. He said Stone added that, if that didn't pan out, the expense would be paid from Stone's discretionary fund.

Jesch reimbursed the reporter Jan. 17 from the salary account, and was confronted with the charge of misappropriation by Brown and ASUN Vice-President of Finance and Publications Cardinalli a week later. Later the same day, Jesch said, UNR President Max Milam told him in a letter that Miss Thompson had deposited \$367 to be used for the Las Vegas trips, and to see Brown about it. The matter apparently was taken care of with a fund transfer by Brown, Jesch added Wednesday.

Jesch admitted soliciting two free airplane seats on the boosters' club flight to the Las Vegas football game. He said it was for himself and a photographer to cover the game. "Looking back, it was an error on my part. I'm admitting my mistake, and I have to live up to it."

"It was a mistake in judgment. All I'm asking for is a second chance on that."

Regarding the alleged threats of editorials, Jesch said there was a specific incident involving Cardinalli, "something said in the heat of discussion, but I cooled down in going back to my typewriter."

RENO EVENING GAZETTE

A Spaldel Newspaper

Investigation continues, editor survives vote

By PAT O'DRISCOLL

Student government at the University of Nevada-Reno will investigate further allegations raised Wednesday night against Sagebrush newspaper editor Gary Jesch, who survived a late-night vote to oust him.

The senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) voted 9-5 this morning shortly after midnight not to fire Jesch, whose firing had been requested by the ASUN Publications Board Tuesday night.

ASUN President Jim Stone and ASUN Vice-President of Finance and Publications Marc Cardinalli both expressed disappointment today at the senate's action, which came after more than five hours of deliberation in a closed personnel session.

Jesch, meanwhile, could not be reached this morning for comment. But his jubilation was apparent early this morning when he burst through the doors from the closed senate meeting and yelled to several waiting Sagebrush staffers, "They did it! They voted down the motion."

A two-thirds vote of the senate — 12 of its 18 members — was required to fire the campus newspaper editor. The final vote was nine against firing, five for firing and three abstaining. Senate President John Gezelin cannot vote except to break a tie.

He did break a tie early in the evening when the senate deadlocked on whether to keep the meeting open or closed. But senator Ross Chichester changed his abstention in that vote, tipping the scales 9-8 for closing the session and thereby canceling out Gezelin's vote to open the hearing.

Reno attorney Gary Bullis, representing Jesch, objected to the closed meeting and asked for a delay while he sought a court injunction. But the senate refused and the meeting went ahead. The senators heard testimony from several persons and reviewed the minutes of the previous night's publications board meeting before finally voting.

Jesch had been charged with several breaches of contract and violations of "ethical journalism," including two counts of misappropriating funds, using his editorship position to solicit a plane ride with UNR boosters last fall to the UNR-INLV football game and regents' meeting in Las Vegas, and threatening Cardinalli with an editorial campaign against him. A fourth charge of refusing to correct errors of fact in news stories was dropped Wednesday night. Jesch admitted to the charges, but claimed he had made mistakes in judgment and wanted a second chance.

"I was very disappointed in the actions of the senate," president Stone said this morning. "I felt that they had enough information to base a decision upon last night. Further investigation can only hurt Gary Jesch and the ASUN. And I just don't think we're in the job of character assassination."

Stone denied Jesch's claims Wednesday that student government was out to get him. "I would like to make it known that all of the allegations except one came from sources outside the ASUN."

Stone also defended the ASUN's quick action against Jesch, saying claims of "due process" and time for Jesch to prepare a defense don't apply. "If an employer (in this

case, ASUN, which is publisher of the Sagebrush) thinks you're not doing your job and he wants to fire you, he fires you. That's the way it is in the real world and that's the way it should be."

Cardinalli said the senate didn't act on the facts presented against Jesch. He added that Jesch threatened him again in front of witnesses after the senate hearing, allegedly accusing Cardinalli of abandoning his duties as publisher and threatening to take the matter to the news media.

But Cardinalli, too, denied there is any "war" between him and Jesch. "If this was a war, I would not have held the entire thing so low-key for so long a time."

Cardinalli said the new investigation will be carried out by the publications board, but he had no timetable or ground rules set up as of this morning. He said the board will meet next Tuesday to decide on the scope of the probe.

The senate called for the probe after hearing new charges during testimony Wednesday night. Stone and Cardinalli again refused comment on the personnel session or on the new allegations, saying such matters are confidential.

Jesch, the first journalism student to edit the newspaper since 1973, has had troubles with ASUN — the official Sagebrush publishers — ever since he applied for the job last spring. The publications board picked him for the post in March 1976 but the student senate turned down the board's recommendation. Filing for the post was reopened for another week, with Jesch the only applicant. He again was selected, and the senate confirmed him. But former student president Pat Archer vetoed the decision, saying the outgoing publications board didn't have the right to choose the following year's editor. Once the new publications board took office in April, Jesch's selection was finally approved.

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The sun spreads its wings
 and nature with all its encompassing
 splendor
 envelopes the sun's painting
 But the sun keeps on building
 its blinding color of yellow
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 enrapturing truth of a singular
 beauty, a sparkling product called
 success

Noreen Welch

SNOWBUST

Schedule of Events

MONDAY, JANUARY 31

- 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. King & Queen Voting - Jot Travis
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Ski Movie - Jot Travis
- 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Discount Night - Pub & Sub
- 8:00 - 12:00 p.m. Dance - UNR Gym - "New Era"
Ski Prizes

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. King & Queen Voting - Jot Travis
- 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Winter Carnival Games
Snow Shoe Race - Pyramid
Jot Travis Quad
- 6:00 p.m. - ? Discount Night - Foggy Notion
T-Shirt Contest - Ski Prizes

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. King & Queen Voting - Jot Travis
- 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Winter Carnival Games
Cross Country Race
Tug of War - Snowman Building
Jot Travis Quad
- 7:00 p.m. - ? Discount Night - Black Angus
Ski Prizes

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. Hang Gliding Demo
Jot Travis Quad
- 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. "Steak Night" - Dining Commons
UNR Ski Team Honored
- 7:00 p.m. Ski Movie - "The Man Who Skied
Down Everest"
Thompson Auditorium
- 9:00 p.m. - ? Discount Night - Monte Carlo
Ski Prizes

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 8:00 - 4:00 p.m. Ski Discount - Slide Mt. - \$6.00
- 10:00 a.m. Intercollegiate Races - Slide Mt.
Giant Slalom
- 3:00 p.m. Beer Slalom Race - Slide Mt.
- 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Cheese & Wine Party - Slide Mt.
Night Skiing - Slide Mt. - \$3.00
- 7:00 p.m. Torchlight Parade - Slide Mt.
- 9:00 p.m. - ? Discount Night - Del Mar Station
Ski Prizes

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 7:00 a.m. Breakfast - Slide Mt.
- 8:00 - 4:00 p.m. Ski Discount - Slide Mt. - \$6.00
Hang Gliding Demo - Slide Mt.
- 9:00 a.m. Intercollegiate Races - Slide Mt.
Special Slalom
- 10:00 a.m. Snow Sculpture - Slide Mt.
- 11:00 a.m. Individual Ski Races
Ballet - Hotdog - Duel Slalom
- 1:00 p.m. Intercollegiate Races - Slide Mt.
Cross Country Race
Innertube Races - Slide Mt.
- 3:00 p.m. Snow Sculpture Judging
- 8:00 - 2:00 a.m. Dance - Mt. Rose
"Ophir Prison Marching Band"
Awards Presentation

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 9:00 a.m. Intercollegiate Races - Squaw
Cross Country Race
- 12:30 p.m. Intercollegiate Races - Squaw
Special Jumping
- 8:00 - 4:00 p.m. Ice Skating Discount - Squaw



**More close action?
Tipoff tonight at 8
in the old gym
against St. Mary's**

Basketball's last call

Intramural basketball for men and women will begin Monday with entries due in the Recreation Department office, Room 100 by 5 p.m. today. Games will be played Monday through Thursday from 7-10 p.m. with three games a night scheduled. Only five players are needed to form a team, and the department will furnish the equipment and referees. For more information, call the Recreation Department at 784-4041.

Rodeo trip worthwhile

The UNR Rodeo Club has to be dedicated. Nine of its members traveled for 17 hours in a three-car caravan to Yuma, Ariz., last weekend and paid for their room and board for four days and entry fees of \$25 an event plus a \$5 fee stock charge. ASUN funded their travel expenses.

But it was worth it. Out of 18 schools from Nevada, California and Arizona, UNR placed close to the top. Fresno State took first place honors.

Scoring points for the Nevada women's team was Kathy Filippini in the barrel race. She placed third in one go-round with a time of 18.2 seconds. Her two-day average gave her a fourth place with a total time of 36.8.

Of the seven men who made the trip, four placed in steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding and team roping. John Johnson placed third in both go-rounds of steer wrestling and was second in the average from a field of about 30 competitors.

Roger Richards took fourth in saddle bronc riding out of 35 competitors and Reed Simmons and Gary Pointer placed second in the average for team roping. They competed among approximately 62 teams.

The rodeo was hosted by Arizona Western College.



Grandstand View

by Steve Martarano

The newness of Herb Billups and his New Jersey sidekick seemed to exemplify the fresh, novel approach the UNR basketball program had that Fall of 1975.

The talk was that UNR was turning the corner as a program and the fact that they had recruited two freshmen from as far away as New Jersey seemed to reinforce that.

But somewhere along the line, things didn't quite work out like Billups probably dreamed they would. He was a starter the majority of last season and then started the opening game against Las Vegas this year in Jim Carey's UNR coaching debut.

As the season wore on, he saw less and less action. Meanwhile, Edgar Jones, the guy Billups had traveled West with, was becoming a star in his own right.

Billups realized that his role in the program was lessening day by day. There was talk that the department might not even renew his scholarship for the following season.

So Herb Billups packed up and went home to Plainfield, N. J., as quietly as he could. He met with the coaches and departed just before the team left for a road game in Fresno last week.

Time will go on, the program will continue to flourish, and Herb Billups will be quickly forgotten. Already, he is nothing more than the name OTHERS in the UNR basketball statistics.

It is unfortunate that Billups saw UNR as just a place to play basketball and not an educational institution. "I can't complain," Billups said last year in an interview. "UNR has given me everything they promised; a chance to play basketball and an education." The education never came.

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Boxing season is here again as the team has its first fight this Saturday in Berkeley. Coach Jimmy Olivas is sending seven boxers in the novice meet.

Cal Berkeley is now the only school in the West besides UNR that still has boxing as an intercollegiate sport, and UNR will fight them twice. In addition, the Pack will box the 12th Naval District team twice. Right now, Olivas is working on fights with Syracuse and West Point, both of which, according to Olivas, will be nationally televised. The nationals this year will be held at Annapolis.

The team for this first novice meet consists of Victor Alegria at 139 pounds, Steve Korcheck at 147, Dan Mathews at 147; Carl Mottcoll, 155; Roger Harrington, 165; Doug Paul 165; and Ken Della, 160.

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Bob Kimberlin, the national boxing champ of a year ago at 112 pounds, thought that his boxing career was history after that championship bout.

But now it appears he may receive another shot at retaining his title. UNR is involved in a three-year boxing program and Kimberlin's three years were exhausted last year.

Back East, however, they are on a four-year program and the East will be the site of this year's championships. So Kimberlin will be eligible to participate for that one fight.

There is one hitch. His weight class is not the easiest in which to find fighters and as of right now, there is no one for him to fight.

But he is working out daily, waiting for that final shot.

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The complete 1977 Wolf Pack football schedule has been released.

Trying to take advantage of his 7-0 home record in 1976, Coach Ault has scheduled only three road games. The Pack will take to the road against Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, Santa Clara and UC Davis.

Repeat opponents from 1976 include Idaho State, Boise State, Santa Clara, Sacramento State and UNLV.

Western Montana and Westminster (Utah) appear on the UNR schedule for the first time in history. Old standbys that will meet the Pack after an absence of a couple years include Cal State-Northridge (1974), San Francisco State (1974), Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo (1975), and UC Davis (1973).

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For the second time, former Pack basketball star Pete Padgett has turned down an offer to turn professional in another sport: baseball.

Padgett was drafted out of high school by the Houston Astros but turned down that offer to play basketball at UNR.

Well, last season, his basketball career ended and he was chosen in the *basketball* draft by the Warriors. But he was cut and returned to UNR to finish his education and also to get in a year in baseball.

But this January he was drafted for baseball again! It appears, though, that he has once again turned down that offer and will instead pitch a year for the Wolf Pack.

Will he be drafted again after this year? Four times would have to be some kind of record, for a UNR athlete at least.

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After a non-conference stopover last week in Fresno, the 11-6 Wolf Pack basketball team will resume WCAC action tonight against St. Mary's here.

UNR is second in its conference at 3-1, right behind the No. 1-ranked USF Dons. St. Mary's is 1-3 in conference play and 6-8 overall.

If the Pack keeps up its current trend, then the game should be a close one. Of its last five games, four have been decided in overtime or by three or fewer points.

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Winter Carnival starts Monday!