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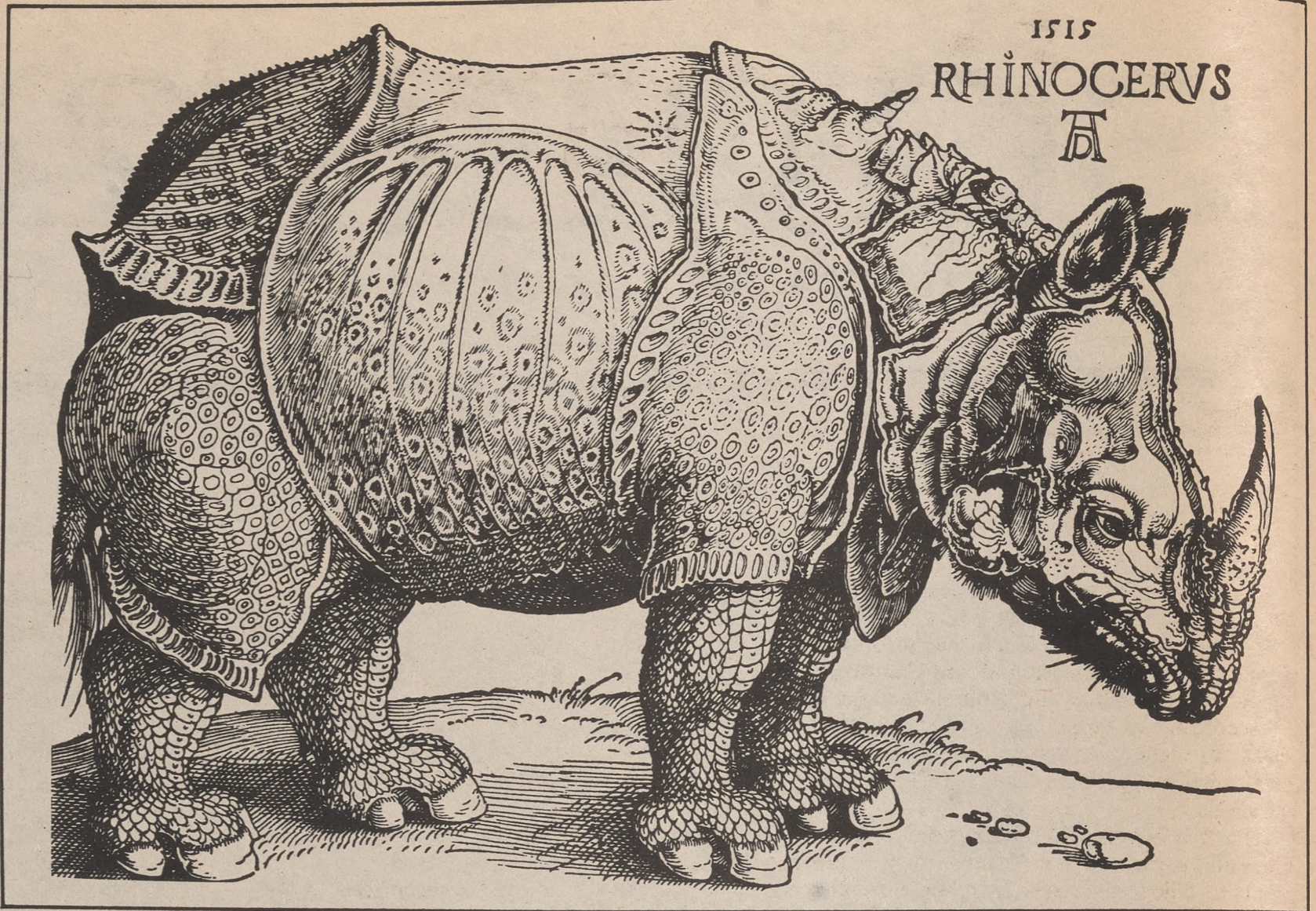
The new **Sagebrush** editor has been in office less than 40 hours. Few would consider that sufficient time to produce and polish a **Sagebrush** issue.

The immediacy of next week's ASUN primary election, however, makes it imperative that candidates for office and their voting constituents are clear regarding **Sagebrush** election coverage and endorsement policy.

In Tuesday's issue, **Sagebrush** will print position statements of each candidate, providing all with the equal opportunity to present their political objectives and qualifications.

Sagebrush will editorially endorse candidates for the general election the following Friday. They, as well as the student body, will have the opportunity to submit a response, to be published prior to the final election March 16-17.

As the lone, ambitious newspaper of the UNR campus, **Sagebrush** will provide a forum that can accurately reflect student sentiment and simultaneously guide opinion in the manner we view as beneficial to the campus community.



You need a thick skin to make it in this world

Letters

Brushfire motives

Editor:

Jim Stone of the ASUN suggests that Katrina Everett had motives other than censorship for resigning as editor of **Brushfire**. In particular, he's inferred that she was unable to meet deadlines. Mr. Stone should remember that Jim McCormick and I, respectively the art and literary advisors to the magazine, supported her decision. Jim and I felt we could not be responsible for material subjected to judgment beyond the editor prior to publication. As professional artists we found the bylaw illogical, impractical, unconstitutional and repugnant.

When Ms. Everett first informed Jim and I that the Publications Board was attempting to pass an "access to material" bylaw, she told us that she would resign if the bylaw were passed. This decision, a *conditional one*, was made after most of the material for **Brushfire** was in hand, weeks ahead of schedule.

An optional proposal for sponsorship was offered by the Department of Art, and we accepted in order to work without threat of censorship. There were no other motives whatsoever for Ms. Everett's resignation or the change in sponsorship. Mr Stone was not present at any of the Publication Board meetings I attended. If he had been, perhaps he would understand how clear the censorship issue is to us.

William L. Fox
West Coast Poetry Review

Cleared up, almost

Editor:

We would like to clear up some misinterpretations of the facts which were presented in an article called "Right on, almost" which appeared in the short shorts column on Feb. 15, 1977 (Vol. 83, No. 38).

This article concerned The Right Place, a peer-counseling information and referral service.

The tiny room located between Juniper and Manzanita Halls is not The Right Place itself, but the office for the center's secretary, Ronnie Crane. Her office is open from 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The actual center is located in Suite 2-C in Juniper Hall, just behind the secretary's office. When the drop-in center is completely furnished, it will be open from 6-10 p.m. nightly.

Ten volunteers, including student coordinator Tim Wilson, have services available on a part-time basis until The Right Place opens. You are welcome to visit or call at 784-4849.

There is already a need for more volunteers. A series of training sessions which prepare volunteers for peer

counseling are being held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in The Right Place. For more information, contact Ronnie Crane at 784-4849.

Leslie Judd
Right Place counselor

Good jokes, bad taste

Editor:

Concerning the letter to the editor, that appeared in the March 1 **Sagebrush**, from "name withheld by request," entitled "Two good jokes": I feel that it was not only in bad taste, but was unfair to Nick Rossi, a candidate for Vice-president of Finance and Publications.

First of all, I believe that if a person is going to attack an individual with a derogatory comment, he should have the courtesy and fortitude to sign his name.

Secondly, I feel this malicious attack was poorly timed. The intent of the author of this letter is purely political, since it was intended to sway votes and degrade Nick Rossi.

John McCaskill
ASUN student

Dual duties

Editor:

To those who may not have understood my letter of March 1, 1977:

The charges for which Gary Jesch was eventually fired concerned neither his journalistic ability nor the integrity of his conduct as a journalist. The charges concerned his conduct in the performance of those duties which may be considered the business aspects of the editor's job. When Mr. Jesch reimbursed a reporter for expenses incurred while covering a story, he was the employer, and the reporter the employee. The employer/employee relationship is a business relationship.

Most journalism students will work for newspapers considerably larger than **Sagebrush**. Those newspapers will have a payroll department whose duties will be separate from the duties of reporters and editors. Unfortunately, in the case of **Sagebrush**, the duties of the "payroll department" must be assumed by the editor. The editor of the **Sagebrush** should be able and willing to perform both functions.

Amanda Snedaker
Economics student

Down to business

Editor:

Last year the accreditation of the College of Business was questioned. The accrediting agency addressed itself to various deficiencies. Under the threat of being put on

probation, the administration took some stop-gap measures to bring the college up to the necessary standards. Issues dealt with were: the minimum GPA required of entering freshmen, the lack of a consolidating course in some of the programs and the insufficient number of accounting professors with doctoral degrees.

Though the college definitely has problems in these areas, the most important problem was not confronted. The College of Business has one of the highest student/teacher ratios in the entire university. Every year enrollment increases, yet no new faculty positions have been created. Without the addition of new faculty, the only answer lies in increasing the size of sections and eliminating specialty courses not necessary to fulfill core requirements. This only serves to decrease the quality of the student's education and increase the disinterest of the student and the professor.

The new dean for the College of Business [Prof. Richard Earl Hughes of New York University] will take office in July. He will bring a fresh outlook on the situation. This presents a great opportunity to improve the condition of the college. He needs *your* input, though.

On March 6, the new dean will be receiving students in the Executive Suite of Ross Business from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Go and make your voice heard.

Cindy Thomas
College of Business

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Primary elections

Candidate reception scheduled

early next week

Harry Hart

Three receptions for candidates in ASUN primary elections are scheduled next week to give students a chance to see who their next representatives may be.

The ASUN Election Board has set its reception for Monday night at 8 in Thompson Student Services. Election Board Chairman Paul Hollis will direct that meeting, and all candidates in primary and general elections are urged to attend.

According to Peggy Martin, ASUN secretary, presidential candidates will be allowed to speak for eight minutes and vice-presidential candidates for five minutes. Senatorial candidates will not give speeches but they will be introduced by Hollis and might answer some questions.

The ASUN reception follows on the heels of several consecutive meetings in the fraternities and sororities that Monday night. Some candidates have already made early appointments to talk to the Greek living groups so that they will have time to go to the reception.

The GDI Party is holding a rally for its candidates at noon Monday in front of the Jot Travis Student Union. GDI candidates will give their presentations, answer questions, and meet students. Live music is also planned for the affair and copies of the GDI platform will be distributed.

On Tuesday before the primaries, candidates will get a chance to take their views to the dorms when students of Manzanita Hall, Nye Hall, and Juniper Hall meet at the Nye Hall Lounge for Dormitory Night at 6 p.m.

Caesar Martinez, Nye Hall president, had originally scheduled this affair on Monday night at 7:30 in conflict with the ASUN reception. But the plans were changed to move the affair to Tuesday and to join with the other halls to get more dorm students to attend. Martinez said the informal format will allow students to question candidates on issues such as tuition, fee increases and student publications. "I expect there will be a wide variety of questions for all the candidates," he said.

Nye Hall has a debate meeting scheduled tentatively on March 15 at 6 p.m., before the general election. Martinez said, "In the past, traditionally, there has been a really good turnout for these in the dorms."

In addition to making presentations, candidates will be on the campaign trail until the general elections on March 16 and 17 are over. This includes following the rules of the election as established by the ASUN Senate and enforced by the Election Board, putting up posters and signs and asking students to get involved by voting for the candidates of their choice in both the primary and general elections.

Voting will take place in the Jot Travis Student Union by colleges for senatorial candidates. The primary election is March 9 and 10, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for executive offices and College of Business Administration candidates.

Seven executive candidates have Greek affiliation

Although they have listed no sponsorship, seven candidates for executive offices in the upcoming ASUN primary elections are members of fraternities or sororities.

In the presidential race, Steve Scheerer a junior from the College of Business Administration, is the only independent. He is opposed by John McCaskill, a Sigma Nu who is majoring in political science and wants to run as a GDI candidate, and Mark Quinlan, an Alpha Tau Omega who is majoring in history. Quinlan is unsponsored and is a senior. McCaskill is also a junior.

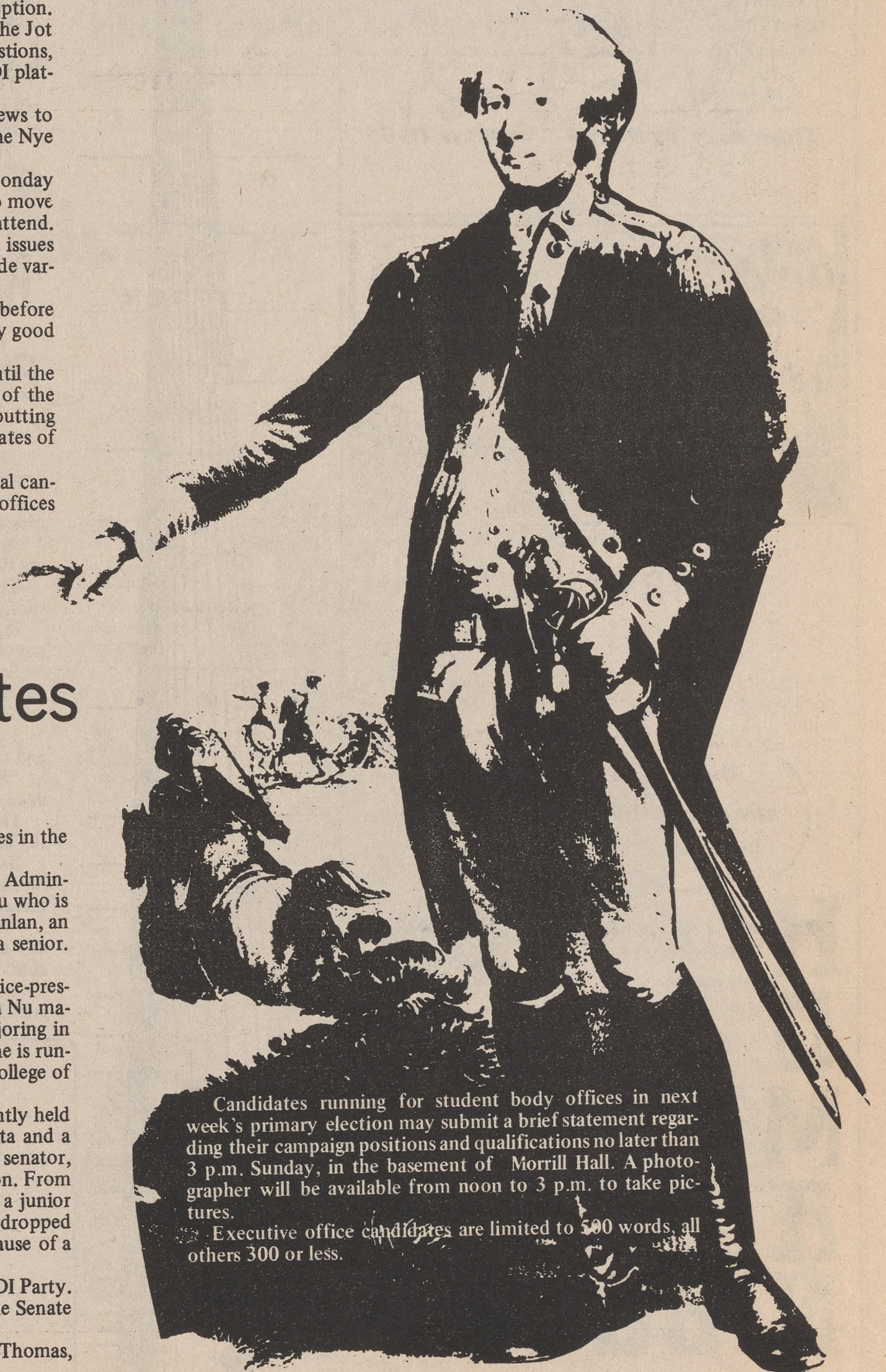
Nick Rossi, Paul Etchegoyen and Beth Morgan are running for the office of vice-president of finance and publications. Rossi, an Arts and Science senator, is a Sigma Nu majoring in political science. He is a junior this year. Etchegoyen is a junior majoring in accounting. He is a senator this year also and is an Alpha Tau Omega, although he is running unsponsored. Morgan, an independent, is a senior in journalism from the College of Arts and Science.

Two ASUN senators are running for the vice-president of activities job currently held by Marie Pecorilla. Ross Chichester, a business senator who is a Phi Delta Theta and a junior in accounting filed for the office against Sheri Skidmore, the education senator, and Kim Rowe. Skidmore, a Pi Beta Phi, is a senior majoring in special education. From the College of Business Administration, Kim Rowe, a Sigma Alpha Epsilon, is a junior majoring in economics. Two other incumbent senators filed for the position but dropped out. Phil Ulibarri withdrew his candidacy and David Ritch was disqualified because of a lack of total credits. He refiled as a senatorial candidate.

Thirteen candidates for senate seats listed themselves as sponsored by the GDI Party. Since most of the colleges only ran a few candidates, only the persons seeking the Senate seats from the College of Business Administration will run in the primary.

These candidates are Mark Elston, Steve Mack, Gregory Neuweiler, Cindy Thomas, John Youmans, Bob Parsons and Brad Schulz.

Voting will take place in the Jot Travis Student Union by colleges for senatorial candidates.



Candidates running for student body offices in next week's primary election may submit a brief statement regarding their campaign positions and qualifications no later than 3 p.m. Sunday, in the basement of Morrill Hall. A photographer will be available from noon to 3 p.m. to take pictures.

Executive office candidates are limited to 500 words, all others 300 or less.

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Editor approved, again

The first female Sagebrush editor in seven years and the eighth in the publication's 83-year history was approved unanimously by the ASUN Student Senate Wednesday night.

Laura Hinton is the third editor of the publication this semester. Hinton replaced Bill Becker who was appointed interim editor following the firing of Gary Jesch three weeks ago.

The fourth Sagebrush business manager this year was also approved at the Wednesday night senate meeting. Gary Slagowski has been interim business manager following the resignation of John Battles three weeks ago. Slagowski is a junior majoring in business. He has been a member of the Sagebrush staff all year.

Hinton is a senior in journalism and Spanish and was a staff writer and feature editor for the Sagebrush during the editorship of Gary Jesch. She had also been on the staff at various times during the previous two years.

Gary Jesch applied for the position, along with four other applicants. He filed for editor two minutes before the application deadline. In discussing the Publications Board's decision to recommend Hinton, Jesch said, "I thought it was a good choice."

"I have asked for a second chance from the beginning and I went back to the Publications Board to see if I could have that chance. I can't play their political games, but that doesn't mean I can't serve as a capable and ethical journalist. Besides, it was a good laugh," explained Jesch.

Discussing the future of the student publication, Hinton said, "I want to reshape and balance the staff and maintain the stability that had been established before the firing of Gary Jesch. From that base, I hope to see the paper grow."

"Because the Sagebrush is a semi-weekly paper, the emphasis should be placed on in-depth essay and feature material as well as a broad news base," Hinton explained.

Besides Hinton and Jesch, there were three other applicants for the editorship of the Sagebrush. They were Daniel Conant, a sophomore in journalism and production manager of Sagebrush, Jim Liston, a junior in journalism who withdrew from consideration before the Publications Board met, and Shirley Sneve, a junior in journalism who is an exchange student for one semester from South Dakota and a writer for the Sagebrush.

During the discussion by the Publications Board following interviews with the applicants, most members cited Hinton's experience in all phases of the newspaper's operation as the reason for their preference for her.

The Publications Board also voted to commend Bill Becker for his work as editor during the three weeks he held the post. Becker is a graduate student in journalism who stepped in to insure that the paper continued to be published during the recent controversy.

Mine school fears accreditation loss

Steve Wilson

The Mackay School of Mines has requested an inspection which could result in a loss of accreditation.

If a request isn't made by a certain date, accreditation is automatically lost, according to Dean Arthur Baker.

An obsolete building, limited staff and equipment, and the lack of necessary courses are the deficiencies which may cost undergraduate programs their accreditation.

The school was inspected in November and the report is expected to be available soon.

It has 390 students, twice as many as it had 11 years ago. Enrollment has increased, but the facilities have remained virtually the same, said Baker.

Schools aren't required to have accreditation to have successful programs, according to the dean, adding that Stanford's School of Mines is not accredited. He said that accreditation is like a "gold star," and if it is lost, diplomas become second-rate degrees.

The school's building is considered to be the major deficiency. It was built in 1908 and much of the equipment is at least 50 years old, according to Baker.

"How many buildings do you see with bare brick walls—bare masonry?" asked the dean, pointing to exposed pipes which run through the building.

The school's library will be moved from the mining building to a new addition of the university library and the vacated space will be converted into offices.

Baker said the school is on the Board of Regents' list for new buildings, but it is a secondary list and provides no appropriated money. He said it allows the school to seek private funds.

"It would take two or three years to collect enough money from private sources, and that's if you start with big money," he said, adding that no federal money is available.

Recent improvements to the building include the painting of some of the rooms and the conversion of one large office into three small offices, said Baker.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

1 p.m.—GSA, Hardy Room, Union.

1 p.m.—InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, Tahoe Room, Union.

2 p.m.—Persian Students Organization, East-West Room, Union.

4 p.m.—Chemistry Seminar, LB 3.

7:30 p.m.—High School AAA Basketball Tournament, Gym.

8 p.m.—"Cabaret," Church Fine Arts Theatre.

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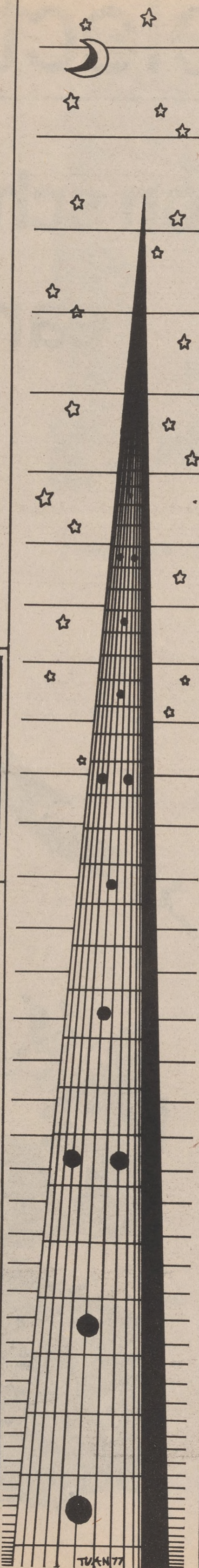
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SUNDAY, MARCH 6

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8 p.m.—"Cabaret," Church Fine Arts Theatre.



'More for your money'

Library addition open for study

Linda Donalson

The library expanded its usable space yesterday with the removal of the temporary plasterboard wall between the serials department and the completed addition.

The plasterboard was torn down Wednesday night after hours, and the move into the new serials department area started Thursday morning.

UNR Director of Libraries Harold Morehouse said this is the first phase in the long-term move.

The majority of the newly-opened floor is a large, carpeted, open-spaced student study area, complete with comfortable furniture and plants.

"We wanted to open the public use space first," said Morehouse, "because the student areas are crowded. This should be more comfortable because of the excellent heating, cooling and ventilating system," he said. "The temperature will be more controllable than in the old [study areas]."

According to Morehouse, the library addition cost about \$3 million including furnishings. "I don't think you can find a better one [library] any place for the money," he said. "The per cent [82 per cent] of usable square feet is much higher than most buildings because of the modular structure and the open space. It's like getting more for your money," he explained.

Joyce Ball, head of public services at the library, said that the two lower stack floors should be ready after March 21. She said it will take several months before the rest of the addition is usable. Movement of the books from the Dewey Collection on the ground floor will take place during Easter break, said Morehouse.

There will be no smoking in the new portion of the library because of the floor covering and fire protection. Morehouse hopes students will cooperate in keeping the addition looking nice. "It's for their use and enjoyment," he concluded.

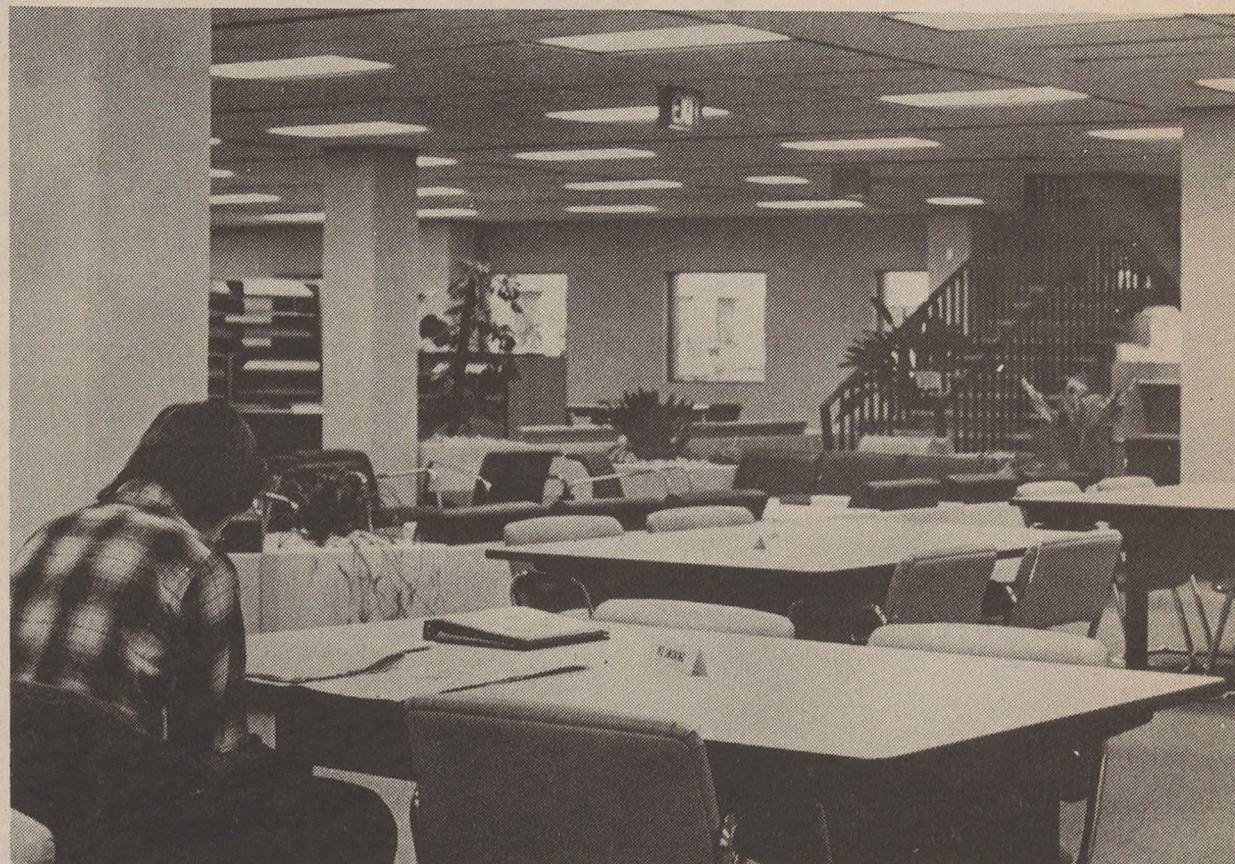


Photo by Donalson

ALL ALONE—But not for long. This student was one of the first to take advantage of the \$3 million addition to the Getchell Library, which offers quiet study areas, plants and carpets.

Get behind the picture

This old dude with the camera is here for a purpose. Namely, to inform you about the Sierrasilver-77.

Sierrasilver-77 is a UNR student photo competition/exhibition sponsored by the ASUN and the Department of Art.

Competition is open to all UNR students. Entrants are limited to three works of any size. They must use the photographic process "as the principal means of expression." Slides and other projection materials will not be accepted.

Entry forms, available for \$1 each at the Church Fine Arts Theatre and the Jot Travis Student Union, must be attached to each work. All works must be ready for exhibition—matted, glazed, framed, etc.

Deadline for all entries is Friday, March 25 at 4 p.m.; they should be turned in to Room 132 of the Church Fine Arts Theatre.

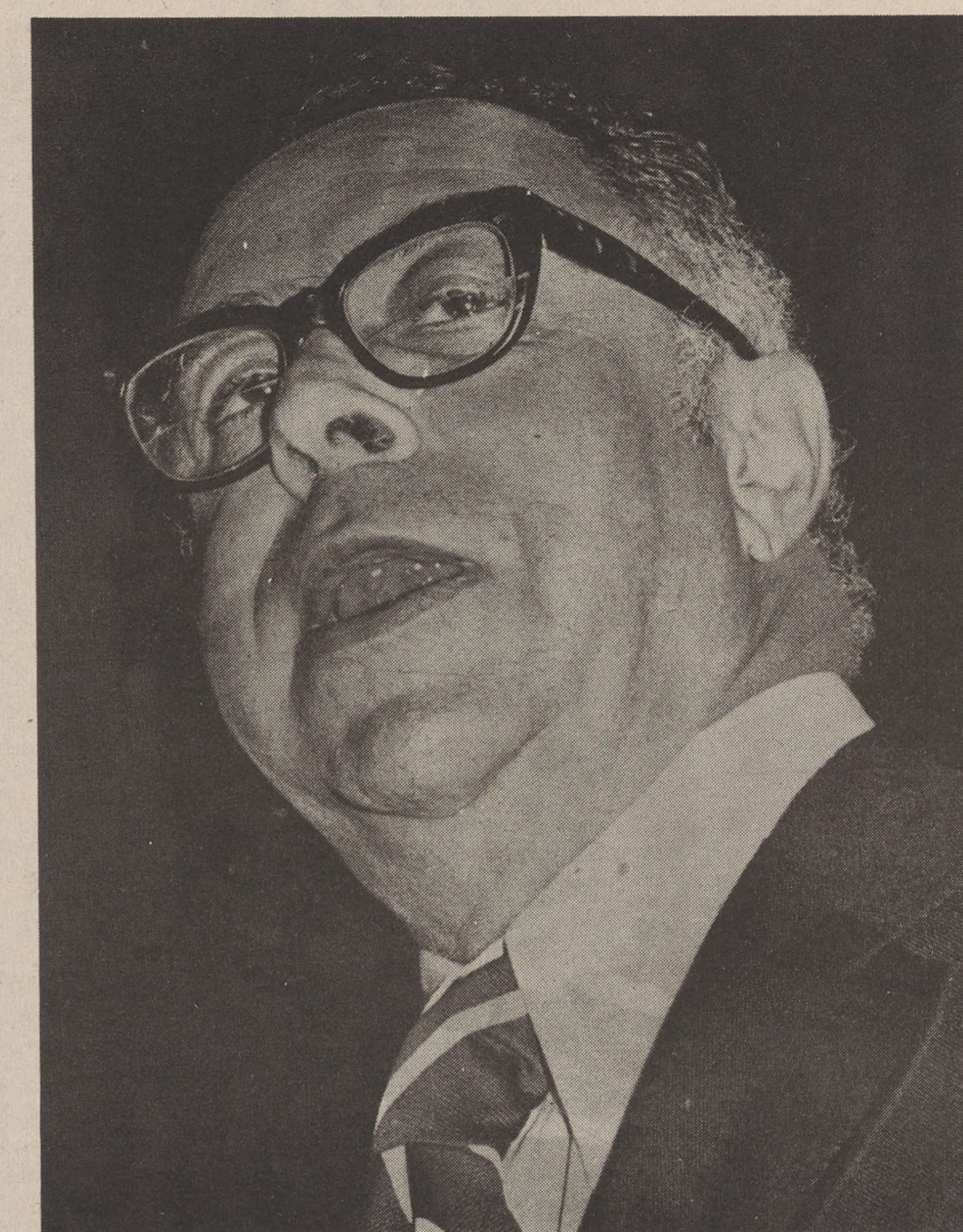
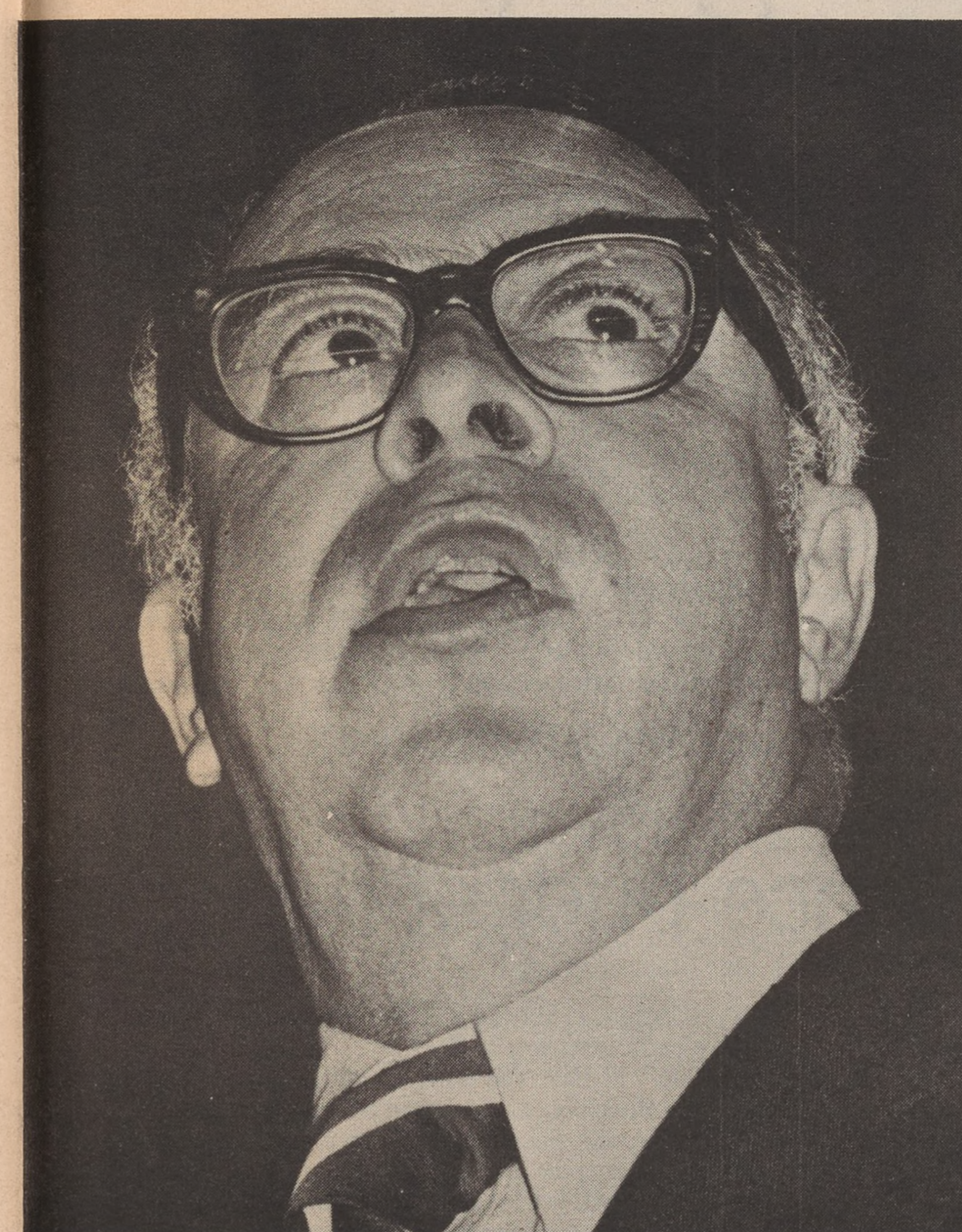
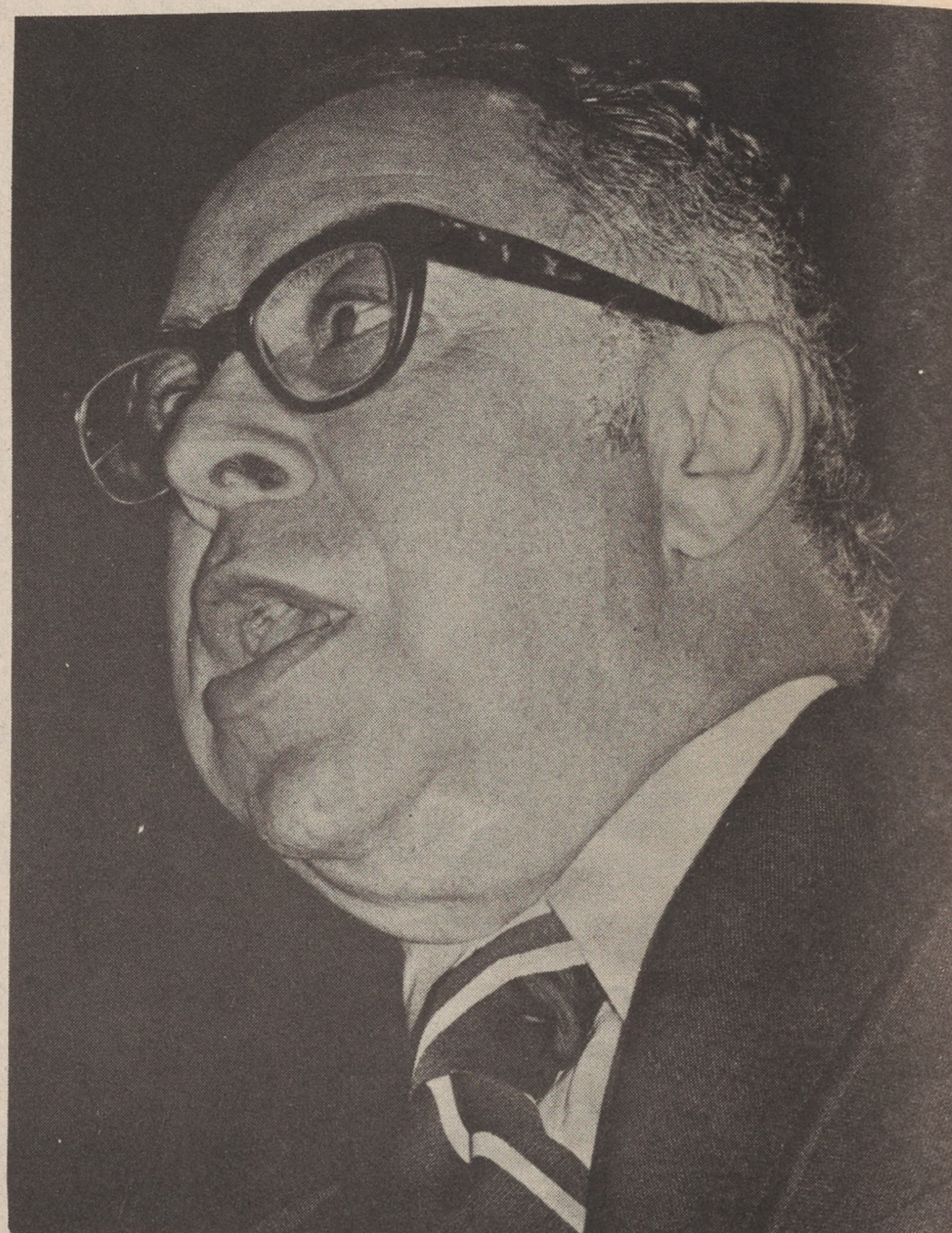
Winning photos are automatically purchased by the judges and cash prizes awarded to the winning artists. First place is \$150, second is \$100 and \$50 will go to each of the next seven winners.

Prof. Thomas Knight, head of the Photography Department at Humboldt State University, and T.J. "Doc" Kaminski of Studio Kaminski in Reno will judge the event.

Winning works and other selections will be exhibited in April at the Student Union...Snap!



Art Buchwald



Photos by Bass

John Schafer/Lori Kinnear Briggs

Draped in black leather overcoat, oversized cigar planted firmly in mouth and stuffed vinyl briefcase in hand, the stocky, middle-aged man greeted the waiting crowd at the airport. With a perfunctory nod and a handshake, one of the nation's leading syndicated columnists introduced himself to reporters. "Hi; Art Buchwald."

His thick Eastern accent cut through the drone of airplanes outside as he answered questions in front of television cameras and tape recorders. He had an answer for everything and an opinion about every situation—including the weather.

"For a while it was winter and now it is drought," Buchwald quipped. "I have a feeling what we did was we took those two rocks off the moon and destroyed our weather. If we are ever going to get things equal again we have got to take those rocks back to the moon."

After the interview was over, the autographs signed, Buchwald made his way to the coffeshop, ordered a French-dip with coleslaw and started chattering.

The recent change of presidents provides Buchwald with a wealth of column material. He says the Carter family attracts enough national attention just by being themselves.

"At the moment, there is a fascination with them," he said. To exemplify this he told a story.

"Let's say I went to a television producer with a script. I said, 'Okay, here it is. It's about a peanut farmer who becomes a millionaire and is elected President.'

"He has a daughter who reads while at state dinners and a mother who's 68 and has worked for the Peace Corps. He's got a sister who rides a motorcycle and a brother who smokes six packs of cigarettes and drinks 10 six-packs of beer a day and owns a gas station. And he's got another sister who's a faith healer."

"Do you know what he'd say to me? He'd say, 'We'll take it all, but the faith healer's gotta go.'"

Buchwald also feels that Washington, D.C. has its rather boring moments as well.

"The Idi Amin thing got boring after a while—when he kept postponing the meetings," he said. "But that was a media happening, you know. That was sort of like a hostage story where you keep the hostage and make all these demands and everybody says, 'Oh, you're a nice guy,' because he doesn't kill the Americans."

"He [Amin] is absolutely *bonkers*. I don't know if Idi Amin would have done that if he didn't think he'd get the attention he did."

As he chomped away at his sandwich, he talked seriously and critically of the way the news media handles various events.

"The news media can't handle anything right. Let's say the newspapers decided to kind of cool it; then the TV played it up. The newspapers would be obligated to [play it up as well] because the people would say, 'How come I buy a newspaper and it doesn't show me what I saw on television?'"

"So, we're all victims of each other," he said. "There is this competitiveness for news, making us victims of our own monster."

"The real problem is reality," he said. "In a newspaper you read a story and have a sense of reality. On television you can see the most horrible train wreck or something and the next minute they go to a deodorant commercial. And how do you maintain reality?"

"Like *Roots*. I was a big fan of *Roots*. And every time they went to a commercial they took the reality of the story away from this terrible thing . . ."

To exemplify this, Buchwald noted that a heating-rub commercial was juxtaposed with a scene in *Roots* where someone had been whipped.

Again he stressed, "The problem is separating reality from fantasy."

Buchwald also shows concern for today's youth. He is definitely in favor of the decriminalization of marijuana and is worried about the number of young alcoholics.

"I find that kids aren't that interested any more in national affairs. The college kid isn't reading the newspaper."

Buchwald went to the University of Southern California, majoring in "messing around." In the summer of 1947 he made his way up to Tahoe to find a job.

"The place I finally wound up at was Tahoe Village, about a mile from Stateline. I said to the guy, 'Have you got a job?' and he said, 'No.' So I said, 'Well look—everybody's shoes are very dusty up here. How about me being a shoe-shine boy?'"

The owner said "Yes." Buchwald would get room and board.

"So I came down here to Reno, went into a barber shop and saw a black guy and asked him what I needed to be a shoe-shine boy."

"You got to buy a chair."

"So, I got the chair. About two weeks I'm shining the shoes of one of the owners and I said, 'You know, you have lousy public relations up here.'"

The owner asked Buchwald what he knew about public relations and what he (Buchwald) would do if he were a P.R. man.

"So I said, 'Well, you're a new place (business) and nobody knows you're here. Why don't you give free breakfasts on Sunday morning?'"

After two Sundays Buchwald was given the title of Public Relations Man and a salary of \$100 a week.

"Then I got more and more responsibility. They liked me. When the boss was gone they left me in charge of the place."

"One day I was in the office and a guy comes in and says, 'Hey, you better go into the kitchen—the maitre d'hotel and the chef are having a fight!' So I go into the kitchen and the chef has a knife and the maitre d'hotel is swinging a chair and screaming. So I yell, 'Okay you guys, knock it off!'"

"The maitre d'hotel turns and says to me: 'What's going on around here? One day you're shingling my shoes and the next day you're telling me to knock it off.'"

Buchwald was asked to stay with the club, but says, "I had enough sense."

He went to the American School in Paris on the G.I. Bill. He landed a job on the *Paris Herald-Tribune* (European counterpart of the *New York Herald-Tribune*) writing a nightclub column.

"I did that for three or four years and then I started doing a feature column."

The column grew in popularity and was syndicated in 1952.

"In 1962 I decided I'd had enough with Europe and that I wanted a change." Buchwald made his way to Washington, D.C. where he developed his political-satire column.

"I had no problem (in Washington). The reader knew me as a European *bon vivant*-type of writer and they were all predicting my downfall. (They said) I was a big man in Paris, but Washington was different."

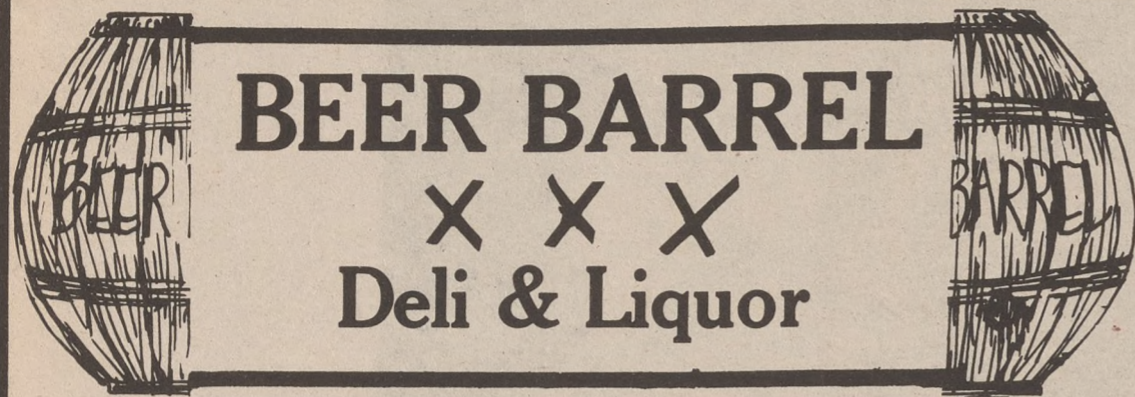
Was it different, tougher?

"It wasn't for me," Buchwald smirked. "It was for the reader."

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\$100,000 face-lift approved for dorms

Shirley Sneve

The regents approved \$100,000 for renovating UNR residence halls at their February 18 meeting.

ASUN President Jim Stone said the regents' action came out of a meeting with Chancellor Neil Humphrey three weeks ago. With President Max Milam, Dean Roberta Barnes and Vada Trimble, housing coordinator, they toured the residence halls.

Stone said the group was surprised at the condition of the halls. The regents appropriated \$25,000 for renovation two years ago, but Stone said this took care of only two floors of Nye Hall.

In a period of five days, Humphrey was able to present a renovation plan to the regents. Stone said the repairs were necessary, but that the group had a hard time convincing the board of their immediate need.

Barnes said approximately \$60,000 will be used for carpeting in Nye Hall. She said six floors of the seven-story building are in bad shape.

The carpet is out for bid now, and Barnes hopes that the regents will approve a bid at the April meeting. Plans are to install it during the summer. Stone and Barnes said the rest of the money is not yet allocated, but some possibilities are new lounge furniture, mattresses, painting and plumbing.

Barnes said input is wanted from staff and students.

Med Science budget heard

Don LaPlante

The budget request for the UNR Medical Sciences School will be heard by the budget committees of both houses of the legislature early next week.

The Assembly Ways and Means committee will hear the budget request beginning at 9 a.m. Monday in Room 234 of the Legislative Building. The committee will also consider Assembly Concurrent Resolution 18, which requests the Board of Regents to extend the medical school to a four-year degree granting institution.

The sentiment in the Assembly appears to strongly favor the establishment of the four-year medical school, with 36 of the 40 members of the Assembly being co-authors of the resolution.

The Senate Finance committee is scheduled to consider the medical school budget on Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

At this time, no further hearings have been scheduled on other sections of the university's budget requests.

In another matter that might be of interest to students, the Senate and Assembly Judiciary committees will hold a joint (no pun intended) hearing on Monday at 8 a.m. to consider two bills proposing to soften the state's marijuana possession laws.

The first bill is AB 253, introduced by Assemblyman Jim Kosinski, (D-Reno). It would make possession of one ounce or less of marijuana a misdemeanor punishable by no more than a \$100 fine on the first or second offense. Persons would no longer be arrested for possession of one ounce or less, but would be issued a citation similar to a traffic ticket.

The other bill, AB 280, introduced by democratic assemblymen Dale Goodman and Nancy Gomes of Reno, would decriminalize marijuana and provide that it be treated on the same basis as tobacco.

The second bill is given little chance of passing, but the bill providing for tickets for possession is thought to have a fair chance of passing.

RNR may be cut back

Ken Julian

UNR has the potential for having one of the finest renewable resource programs in the West, according to Dr. Elwood Miller, chairman of the Renewable Natural Resources Division. It has been unique because of its proximity to forest, range land, recreation, wildlife and water problems. Now this potential is being threatened, he said.

According to Miller, lack of money and instructors is forcing a program adjustment. There are eight instructors, but they make up only 3.67 full-time equivalent (FTE) teachers. The rest of their time is spent on research under contracts with the College of Agriculture. They have been instructing 30 formal classes each year, and this teaching overload has caused them to sacrifice personal time for their research, Miller said.

Miller indicated that cutbacks have been considered, among them dropping options (wildlife or forestry, for example). However, the most likely change will be in the number of courses offered in the division. Eight or nine probably will be dropped he said, and a substantial increase in teaching staff and financial support will be needed to keep these classes and retain and improve the quality of education.

Miller maintained that this is not a new problem. In the 1975 fall semester the division reluctantly cut field trips an average of 40 per cent, reducing the location value considerably. A controlled enrollment plan was also devised to keep class sizes down.

Last fall, RNR students sent a petition to Robert Gorrell, vice-president for academic affairs. The petition stated that if UNR could not pay for their field trips, they would agree to pay increased lab fees for the trips.

Some of these students met with the Board of Regents Feb. 18 to find out why Dr. Gorrell had neither informed President Max Milam nor the Board of Regents of this petition.

The regents promised that something would be worked out, but with one-third of the semester gone, students are still concerned.

Wayne Nelson, president of the Wildlife Club, said that the regents have taken a step in the right direction, but the 1976-77 RNR budget is lower than similar budgets in western universities in 1972. RNR has a \$29.64 budget per FTE student in 1976-77. The western regional average in 1972 was \$151.12 while the national average for resource schools the

short

Two balls and a shot

Copies of *The Whole College Catalog About Drinking* have been received by UNR resident hall directors and assistants.

The book presents the idea that responsible drinking is based on accurate knowledge of yourself and alcohol.

The President's Task Force on Substance Abuse distributed the book, which was written by health professionals and university students from around the country, to dormitories, sororities and fraternities.

Margy Rockenbock, a counselor from the Counseling and Testing Office, and John Chappel, professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, conducted discussions and informed the groups. Counseling is available from 1-5 p.m. weekdays in The Right Place, located between Juniper and Manzanita dormitories.

—Jodi Gruber

"Howdy, pard"

The UNR rodeo team will compete March 12-13 with 20 teams from California and Arizona in the annual Fresno State University Rodeo.

Seven men and four women will represent UNR in competition for individual event awards of cash and belt buckles. The all-round winners—those with the most points in two or more events—will receive saddles.

UNR members will finance the trip themselves, though gasoline will be paid for by the university.

Bill O'Driscoll

Right on, students

Robert G. Kinney will present the forum, "Student Rights on Campus," Monday, March 7 at 4 p.m. at The Center for Religion and Life, 1101 N. Virginia St.

Dr. Kinney will discuss the university disciplinary process, academic rights of students and their rights as consumers. Procedures for exercising these rights will also be covered. Time will be available for questions and answers.

Dr. Kinney is the associate dean of students at UNR. He has 10 years experience in university disciplinary proceedings and is conversant with the law affecting this area.

The forum is free and open to the public.

Eat tuna fish

The Lenten season will be observed at UNR's dining commons by serving fish or a non-meat item every Friday because of students' requests.

Ed Niethold, director of food services, said the dining commons began the religious season Ash Wednesday by serving fish sticks and french fries.

The prices of meal plans for next fall will be discussed Monday at 7 p.m. during the Food Advisory Committee meeting in Lincoln Hall.

Representatives from each dorm will attend along with any other interested students.

Suzanne Luce

"Mom, I'm a doctor!"

Hearings will be held before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee on March 7 and 8 on a resolution to extend the UNR Medical School to a four-year school.

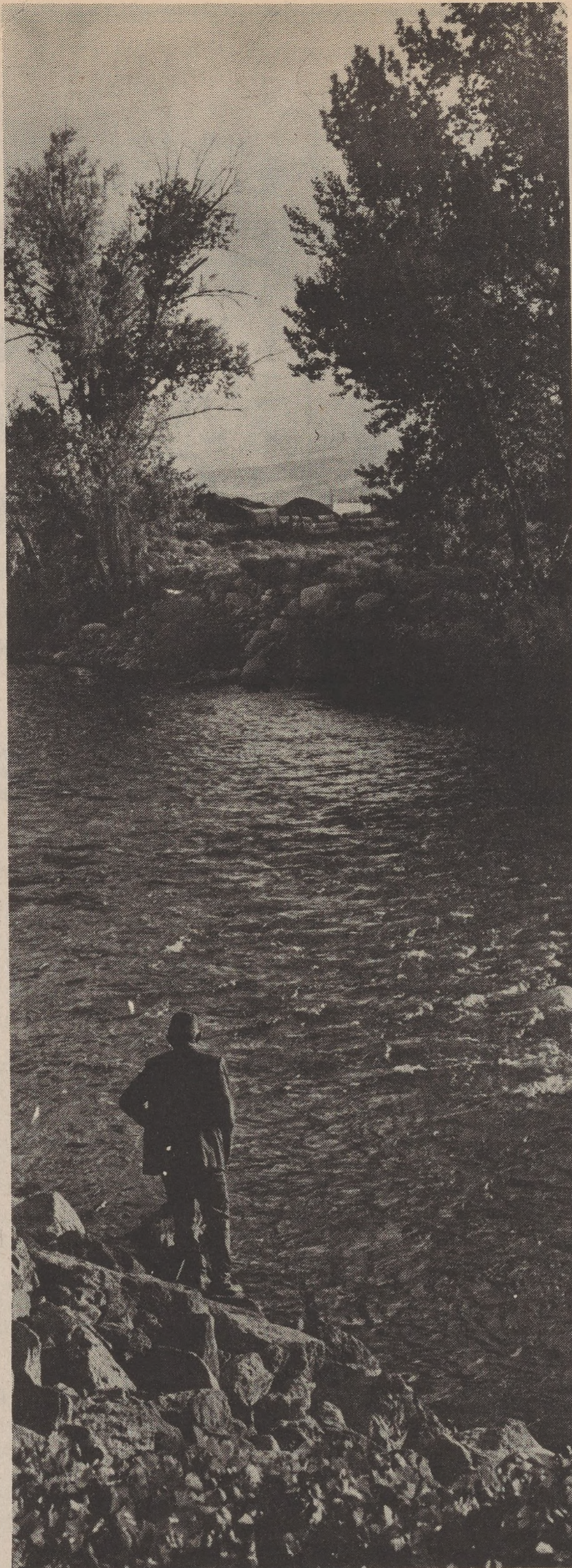
The resolution was introduced in the assembly by 36 of the 40 assemblymen and was recommended by Gov. O'Callaghan in his budget. If the resolution is passed and funding approved, the first third-year medical school class will begin in February, 1978.

Judy Drews

"Study-who, me?"

For those students who need a tutor, the use of a typewriter or a place to study, Room 207 in the Thompson Student Services Center is available. It is open to students Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Friday from 8 a.m.-5 a.m.; and Sunday from 5 p.m.-10 p.m.

Kathy Goodwin



A CLASSIC SCENE. The trees were losing their leaves last fall when this view of the Truckee River, east of Reno, was photographed. It is a scene no more with the high-rise MGM Grand Hotel now looming in the distance.

Photo by Terrebonne

Which is WICHE?

Tuition may increase for UNR students participating in the Western Interstate Compact for Higher Education (WICHE) depending on the results of hearings on March 7 and 8 before a legislative committee.

Gov. Mike O'Callaghan recommended the increase in his budget.

The WICHE program supports Nevada students who are attending professional schools in other states. When a student is accepted by one of the schools in the 11 Western states in the compact, Nevada pays that school a specific amount toward the cost of instruction.

Due to increased tuition and other educational expenses, the total stipend paid by the state on behalf of the students is soaring from \$695,000 to \$1,009,000 per year. In the past, the state has paid 100 per cent of this amount, and O'Callaghan is recommending that the state fund 75 per cent this year and the student be responsible for 25 per cent.

The programs and stipends are as follows: dental hygiene, \$4,200; dentistry, \$9,000; law, \$2,600; medicine, \$12,000; optometry, \$4,200; physical therapy, \$3,400 and veterinary medicine \$9,000.

There are 204 students involved in the Nevada WICHE program who would be affected by the proposal. The program has been operating in Nevada for 24 years and has headquarters in Boulder, Colorado.

Judy Drews

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Students get shafted

Out-of-state and foreign students may face a \$150 increase in fees next semester. The Board of Regents approved the tuition increase, but the legislature has a chance to change it, ASUN President Jim Stone said.

"I'm not going to let this thing die," said Stone. He is asking all students who would be affected by the increase if they will be returning to UNR in view of the tuition increase.

Stone said he wants out-of-state students to stop by the Jot Travis Student Union ASUN office and let them know their answer. He said he feels the school will lose money by raising the tuition.

Forty days and lunch

A retreat for college students sponsored by the Center for Religion and Life is planned for March 25-27 at Camp Galilee, Glenbrook, Lake Tahoe.

The theme of the weekend retreat is "Choices: Life Planning From a Faith Perspective."

The retreat begins Friday evening at 5:30 with a buffet supper. Workshops on vocational issues will be offered Saturday. On Sunday participants will attend St. John's Church. The retreat ends Sunday at 1 p.m. after lunch.

Cost per person is \$15, which includes a \$5 non-refundable registration fee. Registration forms can be obtained at the Center, 1101 N. Virginia St. Deadline is March 19.

Sandra Macias

"Como est what?"

Recognition for proficiency in a foreign language will bring nearly 800 Nevada middle and high school students to UNR to compete in nationally-held exams this spring.

The exams are prepared by a national foreign languages board and will be given in five levels for each language. Prizes range from medals to trips abroad.

Nevadans have a greater chance of winning since finalists are selected from the top 90th percentile of each state, according to Dr. Gerald Petersen of the Foreign Languages Department at UNR.

An award ceremony for winners will be at UNR in early May.

Atoms and molecules

Chemical reactions involving atoms and molecules containing large amounts of energy will be discussed today at UNR.

Dr. Leonard D. Spicer, a University of Utah chemistry professor, will present a public seminar on "Chemical Dynamics of Hot Reaction Systems." It will begin at 4 p.m. in Room 3 of the Chemistry Lecture Building.

Researchers find such analysis helpful in explaining reaction mechanisms, particularly those taking place in gases at high temperatures.

—Bonnie Reed

Sing it, Sparky

The creator of the first musical record album about Nevada, J.D. Sparkman, will be a guest this afternoon at 4 p.m. on "Life's Other Side," the KUNR-FM American folk music program.

Sparkman, a speech therapist for the Reno-Sparks Easter Seal Treatment Center, wrote and arranged the album, which includes such songs as "Tonapah Gambler," "Verdi Opera" and "Nevada Oh Yea." He also sings lead vocal and plays the acoustic 12-string guitar.

Bonnie Reed

Aggie defends paper

A graduate student in agricultural economics, Marie Ewald, will take her final oral examination Monday at 3 p.m.

She will defend her professional paper, "Feasibility of Utilizing Multi-Line Corridors for Power Transmission," in room 224 of Fleischmann Agriculture Building. The public is invited to attend.

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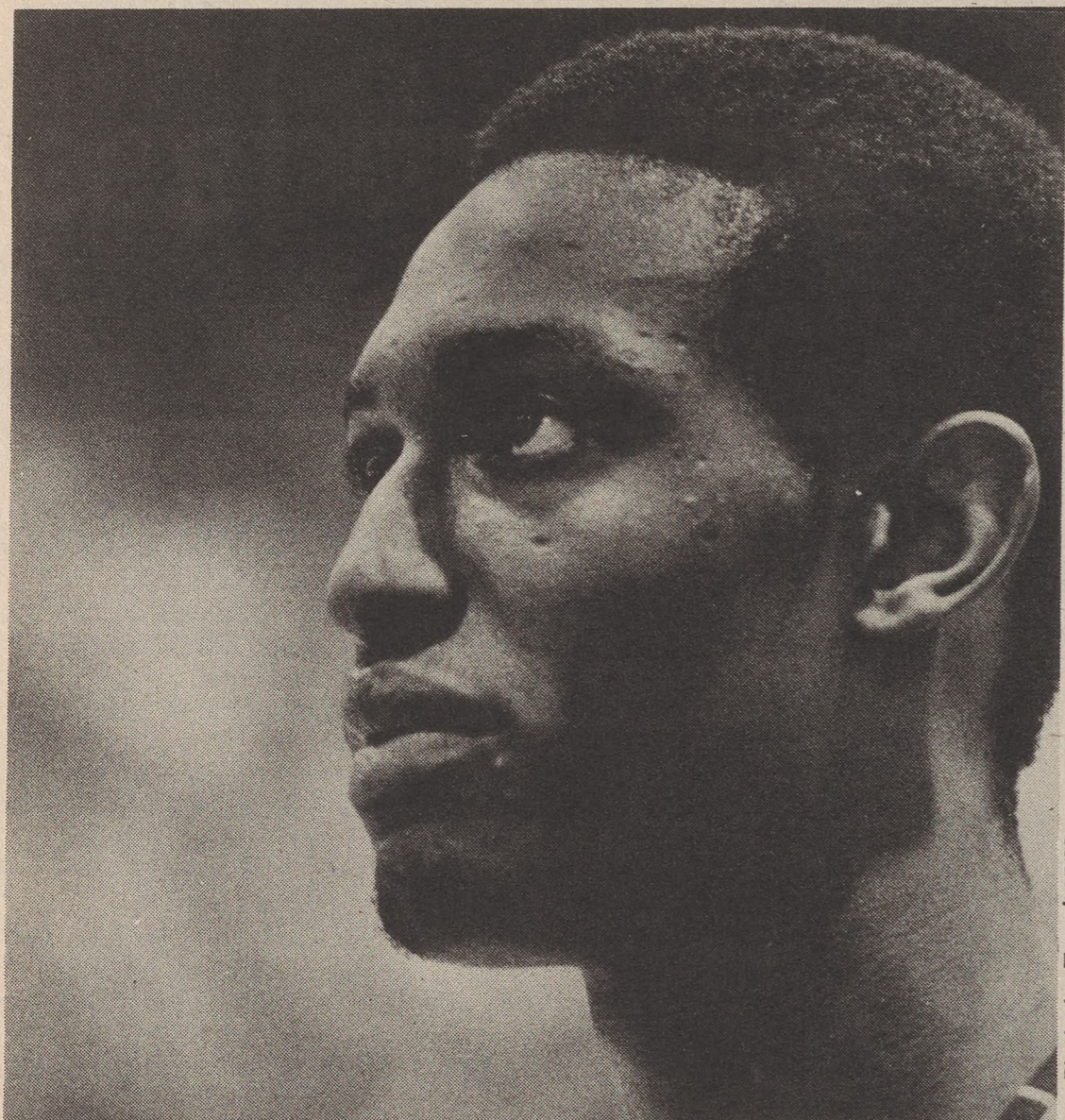


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A THOUGHTFUL Edgar Jones was UNR's only bright spot in Thursday night's basketball loss to the Seattle Chieftains, 93-84, in Seattle. However, it was closer than the score indicates—until the last few minutes. Jones bucketed 39 points for his highest scoring game of the season which ends Saturday in Portland.

Psyched for tough one

Tom McQueen

The UNR men's tennis team will play host to the tenth-ranked University of California-Berkeley at 2 p.m. today, and according to coach Bob Fairman, "The boys are all psyched up." He added that Cal-Berkeley has some of the top junior tennis players in the country.

Nevada, 2-0 in team competition, is unranked but could prove to be a strong competitor for the nationally-ranked Golden Bears. The Fairman-coached men's tennis teams at UNR have a long tradition of being the most successful on campus. Last year's squad compiled an admirable 24-3 record.

Today's competition will be the beginning of major team competition for the Pack, which will play five teams in a crowded weekend schedule starting next Friday.

UNR owns title

Shirley Sneve

The Northern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference's Division II women's basketball title belongs to UNR after the season's finish win against Berkeley last weekend, 62-58.

"It was a nice way to win the league," coach Kaprice Rupp said. Berkeley was the only conference team to get by the Pack, earlier in the season, 54-50. The women finished their conference 10-1, and 12-3 overall. The Pack was scheduled to play CSC-Sonoma and the University of San Francisco Saturday, but both games were canceled.

Bridget Galvin led Pack scoring with 17 points. Cindy Rock and Ellen Townsend had 12 points and Lynn Barkley had nine.

The Wolf Pack is in Davis for the NCIAC championships through Saturday and goes to Fullerton March 10-12 for the WIAAW regionals. There's a good chance the women will go on to the small college nationals at Pomona March 24-26.

Softball needs players

Ann Dick

Women are still welcome to participate on the UNR softball team even though practices began Feb. 1. New players will be at a slight disadvantage but the team is short on numbers, according to coach Olena Plummer.

The first game is scheduled March 22 against California State University-Sacramento at Idlewild Park.

Before the season opens, there will be two clinics for those interested in softball. The first will be held Saturday at Mackay Stadium for those primarily interested in pitching and catching. It will be given by Bonnie Johnson and Murrabeth Carlson, both members of the San Jose Sunbirds, a professional softball team.

The second is a general clinic to be held March 19.



Grandstand View

by Steve Martarano

Column hits harder than baseball team

Steve Martarano

The weather has suddenly turned lousy again and that can mean one thing; it's baseball season.

Although coach Barry McKinnon was jubilant over the abundance of clear, balmy weather his team enjoyed through January and early February, the results of the Pack's first 12 games would indicate that the field was covered with five feet of snow all along.

The baseball team finally did something last Tuesday and swept a doubleheader from Chico State. But their overall record is still a pathetic 3-9 and that is hardly a mark to write home about.

When asked what his team's biggest problem was, McKinnon simply said, "hitting," and that ain't no lie. Through 12 games, the team is hitting only .220. They have dropped doubleheader losses to Davis, Stanislaus State, San Jose State and Fresno State.

McKinnon termed Fresno as one of the best teams in the country but said that Stanislaus State was "the worst team we've played."

While hitting has been a major problem, the club's pitching has been spotty at best. Only Rich Jameson is not under .500, sporting a 2-2 win/loss record. Former Pack basketball stalwart Pete Padgett turned down a professional baseball offer to hurl for the Pack.

Padgett has yet to win a game, as he is 0-3.

The only people doing any hitting for the Pack are Ronnie Ball, Paul Loveseth and Rod Murphy. Ball is leading the team hitting .353 overall.

It's going to be a long, hard season for McKinnon's young team. The Pack has dropped out of the WCAC for baseball and is in the Western Athletic Conference, which is tougher. There will be few skates on the remainder of the 58-game schedule.

The Pack has yet to play a home game and its first is scheduled for today against St. Mary's. The Gaels are 14-2 and 8-1 in conference, so there appears to be no letup in what could be one of the most disastrous seasons in Pack baseball history. Game time is 2:30 p.m. The doubleheader Saturday is scheduled to start at noon.

Football is coming into the limelight again with the start of spring practice March 16.

It was during the alumni game last year that new head coach Chris Ault showed the start of a football turnaround. The Pack smeared the alumni and the team was on its way.

Last year was considered to be an excellent recruiting one but according to Ault, this season has been much better.

In addition to nine freshmen already signed, Ault picked up 20 junior college and four-year transfers who, he states, "can step in and start right away."

Of the nine inked freshmen, seven are from Nevada and they include the state's best talent. From Reno High School, Ault got Allan Gray, Mike Bingham and Jim Warner. Joe McDonnell signed from Wooster and Jeff Goings is of Fallon.

Spring practice will run 20 workout days and will finish with the alumni game April 30. The team will work out every Monday, Wednesday and Friday with scrimmages on Saturday morning. Ault says he will be stressing defense in the 20 sessions that are well-known for their intense contact.

The highest any UNR basketball player could get on the recently-released 1977 UPI All-Coast basketball rating was honorable mention.

It was probably a disappointment to some people, but that was the best Edgar Jones could do.

Jones' sophomore rival from USF, Bill Cartwright, received first team center honors while David Greenwood of UCLA was chosen for second team.

Also on that first team were Greg Ballard from Oregon, Marques Johnson of UCLA, Freeman Williams of Portland State and James Edwards from Washington.

Winford Boynes and James Hardy, both of USF, were also named to the second team.

A final note concerning the baseball team:

In the Pack's second game doubleheader loss to San Jose State Feb. 19, the winning pitcher for San Jose was Jeff Nowotny, a Reno High School 1974 graduate.

Nowotny was 0-3 going into the game and was to face two former teammates, Mike Zunini and Bill Wallace.

UNR could only manage two hits as Zunini and Wallace combined for a 0-7 day at the plate. According to McKinnon, the team was ripping Nowotny, but nothing would drop in.

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