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## Happy Labor Day



Workers of the World Pause and Rejoice.

## Editorial=

#### The Only Right Left

DAVID MONTGOMERY

Why should a conservative write for this paper? That is a question I have asked myself the last week or so. Quite frankly, I hope I do not simply exist as a whipping boy. In any case, I am attempting to articulate a conservative response to current issues which I believe are of importance.

I believe a large number of people on campus are conservatives and it is important for our ideas to be expressed. I do not expect my voice to be completely representative. This week's essay is of a general nature. It will largely explain my own conservative philosophy and the course of the conservative movement as I see it. Future essays will deal with the more specific issues as they arise.

During the twentieth century conservatives have most generally been associated with the Republican Party. New Deal liberalism of the Democratic Party, the dominating ideology of that party since 1932, has intensified this association between conservativism and the Republican Party.

Of course, there has always existed a conservativewing in the Democratic party as exemplified by many Southern Democrats. A few liberals, such as Nelson Rockefeller, have declared allegiance to the G. O. P. This in itself is a curious situation which generally tends to confuse issues.

While it is virtually impossible to say one party is clearly liberal and the other conservative, old labels continue to linger. Is it possible that the pervading and lasting influence of the New Deal has made the traditional party labels meaningless?

A case in point. Every Democratic president since Roosevelt has, to a substantial degree, perpetuated the most basic precept of New Deal liberalism, i. e. the government should spend huge sums of money and actively intervene in areas which had traditionally been left to local jurisdiction or to private enterprise. Social welfare and federal tinkering with the economy are the most conspicuous examples on the national level. On the local level, the federal government has an intolerable amount of influence upon some of the most intimate of our affairs, such as education and municipal government.

The incredible tax burden placed upon the middleclass is the root cause. We are, essentially, paying the federal government to interfere in our lives. Republican presidents of the post-World War II era have also been carried along in this tide in practice, even if opposed to

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it philosophically. Gerald Ford's record as president is certainly indicative of that.

It would seem his basic liberal ideology has a life of its own, that it is self-perpetuating even when many of its most outstanding advocates have left the political scene. Very few New Dealers are still alive, yet the philosophy of the New Deal lives. This is discussed in depth by Arthur A. Ekirch, Jr. in *Ideologies and Utopias*. For the very reason of its pervasiveness, a pervasiveness which has no clear focal area, post-War liberalism can encompass within its bounds many who would otherwise consider themselves conservative.

A kind of ideological haziness, therefore, exists among contemporary liberals which has diffused potential opposition to their ruinous overspending. Ekirch maintains that the most important legacy of the New Deal is the change it has wrought ideologically and philosophically. That is, people have become more willing to surrender personal initiative and their rights to institutions such as the State, unions and corporations.

In essence, then, the United States is no longer a republic comprising individual states or individual people. It is an institutional collective. The United Mine Workers, Teamsters Union, General Motors, Lockheed, etc... the basic units which count for anything. Individuals who attempt to exist independent of these institutions

count for nothing. Historically, this country has probably always been a collective of institutions. But in the past they have generally lacked the power over the individual which they possess today. This may, to some extent at least, explain why both major parties are so diverse ideologically. They must appeal to many institutions rather than a constituency of individuals.

The cover story of *U. S. News and World Report* this week suggests the Republican Party may be dying. Reasons for this decline have already been suggested in this essay. But, significantly, the conservative element of G. O. P. still exhibits a vitality which can serve as a rallying point for conservatives of all political persuasions. In *U. S. News* interviews, Sen. Baker and Governors Connally and Reagan all agree the Republican Party is the natural vehicle for conservative opposition to federal interference in almost every aspect of American social and economic life. But is it necessary for conservatives to cling to the G. O. P.?

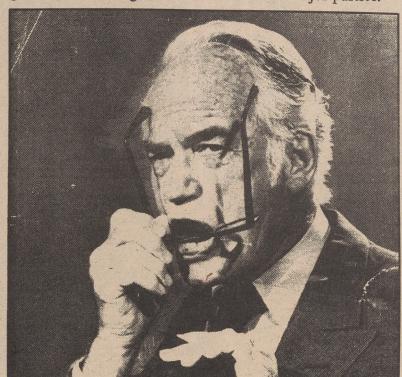
If the Republican Party is to regain its strength and become a more effective opposition party, it must significantly alter itself. A pragmatic exercise of power in Congress has been successful in the past, and more concerted organization on a bi-partisan level can be even more effective. The battle in the Senate over the Panama Canal treaty could prove to be a decisive test of conservative unity and organization.

On the organizational and ideological levels, Republicans must be more explicit and emphatic. Gov. Reagan's primary campaigns were most effective in these two particular areas, and should serve as a model for future elections. With a more clearly stated conservative position, the G. O. P. could attract a large number of disenchanted Democrats and Independents.

A conservative trend does seem to be gaining momentum among the electorate as people begin to increasingly realize that liberal spending has accomplished very little. It has become obvious that there is not a necessary correlation between the expenditure of money and socioeconomic progress. If anything, the reverse is true. The current welfare system has encouraged people to give up trying to improve themselves. It is so much easier to sit on the front porch and wait for a welfare check. The Republican Party must capitalize upon this realization if it is to succeed in reversing post-War liberal policies.

It may, however, be impossible for the Republican Party to sufficiently alter itself. A second contingency for conservatives, which prominent conservatives such as Ronald Reagan and James Buckley have already at least considered, is the formation of a new political party firmly rooted in conservative principles.

The formation of such a party could possibly cause a major political realignment in this country, if the conservative wing leaves the Democratic ranks. It probably would also entail the demise of the G. O. P. Such a move, however unlikely at the present, remains a possibility as long as Gov. Reagan maintains the strong support he has among conservatives of both major parties.



# The Republican future:

A new wave of conservatism

# Coffeehouse does the most for less

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A six-member advisory board of students, alumni and Center staff has been formed to help fund and operate the coffeehouse. It will help bridge staff transitions during semester breaks, and it will seek financial assistance from sources in and near the university community.

This week the board will ask the ASUN Activities Board for \$1,475 to cover management and publicity costs this semester.

They won't accept much less. They shouldn't have to.

Each year, over a period of 62 evenings, the Blue Mailbox serves 4,500 students—10 times the average attendance at a single ASUN lecture costing students about \$2,000 plus expenses.

We wish the Blue Mailbox a great re-opening night. And we urge the Activities Board and ASUN Senate to adequately fund this campus nightspot of continuing importance.

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#### Sagebrush interview

# Donnelly likes new job in rural Michigan area

DON LAPLANTE

Charles Donnelly, who was fired in June as president of the Community College Division of the University of Nevada, has become president of Alpena Community College in Michigan.

Donnelly was hired in Michigan on Aug. 9, and Thursday was his first official

day on the job.

Donnelly said in a telephone interview that he liked his new job and was very pleased and lucky to get a new post so quickly.

"The school has about 2,000 students and is in a rural area. In a way, that's ironic since [John] Tom Ross [a regent from Carson City] said I didn't do enough for the rural areas," he said.

Alpena Community College has a 600-acre campus with special programs in forestry and fisheries. The school serves an area of about 100,000 people.

Although he was fired in June, Donnelly said he had begun looking for a new

job in March or April.

"I knew there was some dissatisfaction with me. I was also disgusted with the governor's budget. However, I was a little shocked at the suddenness with it coming just 12 days before the end of the fiscal year," he said.

Donnelly said the budget for the Nevada community colleges comes to about \$1,500 per student whereas at Alpena it

is almost double that.

"They [Nevada community colleges] are getting less from the state per student this year than last. It just doesn't make any sense. And I said so. I guess that was

part of the problem. They didn't like that I was critical of the governor," he said.

The regents are proposing to cut out Donnelly's former position as president of the community college division and have the chief officers at each campus be presidents.

Donnelly said the budget had destroyed the administrative setup that had taken

seven years to establish.

"I think it would be a mistake to change the system after setting it up like it is. To go that way under a university system wouldn't be good. If they want to go that way they should separate the community colleges from the board of regents and give each campus its own board. However, I think it would be more effective to stay with the present system," Donnelly said.

He found it interesting how he was fired. He said he was told that the board had voted to abolish the position and that it was nothing against him. Then when the attorney general ruled the board had to abolish the job in an open meeting, it came out that the regents had fired him.

He said a vote at the July meeting showed it had been a 5-4 vote in June. He said he was surprised John Buchanan and Molly Knutdsen had voted against him, but he knew that James Buchanan, John Tom Ross and Chris Karamanos were against him.

"In fact, I was really surprised with John Buchanan. He was really friendly towards me and seemed to be supportive," Donnelly said.

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# Renovated dorms popular with fall housing crunch

BILL O'DRISCOLL

The third- and sixth-floor lounges in Nye Hal! will soon boast new furniture to compliment some \$46,000 in shag carpeting installed in the dorm this summer.

According to Shirley Morgan, UNR director of housing services, the furniture, which is "just gorgeous," and the carpeting of pale blues and greens will "add life and color" to the university's largest dorm. She added that this summer's installment covers floors one through six (floors seven and eight were carpeted a year ago).

In Manzanita Hall, worn metal shower stalls on the second and third floors have been replaced with ceramic tile, which would eliminate painting and other repairs, Morgan explained.

And in Juniper Hall, the ground-floor rooms have given way to construction of the new UNR Student Health Service. This loss of space, along with the housing crunch in Reno, contributes to the bedto-bed traffic currently stalled on the campus.

The luxuries of a private dorm room are unavailable, at least for this semester. According to Morgan, there was a waiting list of 37 students last Friday. However, she said, "We'll be able to take care of these people."

Student preference for rooms is honored on a first-come, first-served basis. Returning students have preference for a particular room, as they may fill out contracts at the completion of the preceding semester. Morgan noted, "On paper, we have more students than last year." However, whether they arrive is another matter. She explained that many students who reserve rooms never show up. Or, if they do show up, many leave later for academic, financial or personal reasons.

# Board of Regents appoint chancellor today in Vegas

The Board of Regents met this morning in a special session in Las Vegas to pick an acting chancellor for the University of Nevada System.

The acting chancellor will replace Neil Humphrey, who is resigning to become president of the University of Alaska.

Following the special meeting, the Investment Advisory Committee of the board was scheduled to meet to discuss the sale of more than \$14 million worth of stock and securities owned by the university.

The board will hold its regular meeting Sept. 16 in Las Vegas.



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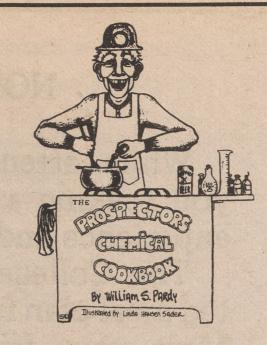
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# Neil Humphrey: Desire for a new challenge

Neil Humphrey is probably one of few persons ever to serve as the chief executive officer of two state universities at the same time.

Although Humphrey is still officially the chancellor of the University of Nevada System, and will be until sometime in late September, he became the president of the University of Alaska on Aug. 26.

"It had something to do with a legal technicality about there always having to be a sitting president," Humphrey said in an interview earlier this week.

Humphrey is leaving the post he assumed 10 years ago to tackle a new challenge. In leaving Nevada he said he finds many satisfactions and few disappointments.

"The challenge and main satisfaction of the job was establishing the system. The initial challenge was working with everybody to establish a system without any discrimination for or against any area of the state. The challenge was to make it a viable system of higher education. It was established through the efforts and good will of hundreds of people," he said.

Although the University of Alaska has fewer students, there are many more campuses. In Alaska, there are three universities, 10 community colleges and

Fairbanks. (Although Humphrey is officially president of the University of Alaska, he won't go on the payroll until he leaves the Nevada position.)

Humphrey emphasized that salary was not a reason he was leaving and that he felt the regents had always treated him fairly. He did say though that the relatively low salary might hinder the search for a successor.

"The salary is not truly competitive. We are at the bottom of the comparison group. The increase [to \$47,500 in 1979] will help. I do think competent people can overcome the difficulty of the salary," he said

Humphrey said he is being careful not to leave advice behind him, especially on who should replace him.

"I didn't hesitate to give advice when I would be there to carry out the decisions. I feel an obligation not to try to impose myself," he said.

So after 10 years, Humphrey leaves behind him a system that didn't exist when he started, and for a few weeks he has the distinction of running two state university systems.

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## "The challenge and main satisfaction was establishing the system."

many extension centers. Humphrey said the size of the state and number of campuses should be a major challenge in his new job.

"It should be a challenging and interesting job. There are more campuses and thus more administrative units to coordinate. The university had also gone through financial and organizational problems this past year. Bringing that back to a normal balance will be interesting," Humphrey said.

Another challenge he cited will be working to provide higher education to the sizeable native population and to try to understand the many cultural differences in the state.

Humphrey said he found no special frustrations in his post as chancellor as he leaves, nor were there any problems that caused him to leave—just the desire for a new challenge.

He did say that he was disappointed that the university budget for this biennium (1977-1979) had been cut back by the governor and the legislature.

"We encountered a situation where Gov. [Mike] O'Callaghan was trying to meet needs in other agencies such as prisons. His agenda was just different than ours. Hopefully, the university will be able to do better in the future," Humphrey said.

Although an interim replacement is being selected for Humphrey by the Board of Regents at a special meeting today in Las Vegas, finding a permanent chancel-lor may be harder.

As chancellor in Nevada, Humphrey made \$38,000. When he takes over in Alaska he will be making about \$63,000 and will have the use of a residence in

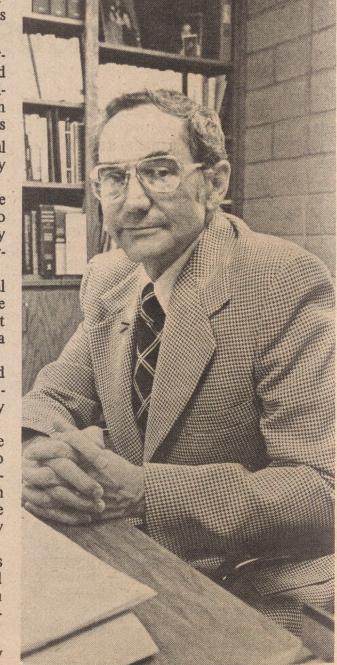


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Chancellor Humphrey departs this month.

#### Students make improvements

# Married housing still inadequate

TIFFANAE CHADWICK

Housing for married students on the UNR campus appears to be in sharp demand and short supply, according to statistics provided by student housing director Shirley Morgan.

The forty one-bedroom units, located behind the Lombardi Recreation Building, are always occupied, said Morgan. She added that there is a year-round waiting list,

of 40 to 50 families.

In recent years the married student complex, named "University Village," has been little more than ticky-tacky pre-fabs surrounded by tumbleweeds, sagebrush, dirt and refuse thrown over the fence by baseball players. The small plots of grass in the front yards are overrun by weeds and the children's playground is mostly dirt,

weeds and broken swings.

There isn't a lot that can be done about thin walls except to hope for courteous neighbors. And for only \$85 a month most students won't complain about bare tile floors, little storage space, and porthole-sized windows in the bedroom. According to Larry Ward, the new student manager of the complex, at \$85 "the apartments are really a gift for most students."

Although proximity to classes and cheap rent may be a gift for some couples on the UNR campus, the sixty-five units at Stead leave more to be desired. Russ Callahan, a former tenant of the Stead facility, said that even economical rent failed to make up for many inconveniences endured by married students and their families.

Callahan said that "although the price [\$125 a month] was very nice, that in itself didn't make up for garbage cans that were always overflowing, no storage space, sprinklers left on all day—preventing the children from playing in the yards—and just minimal maintenance all around."

Callahan said the complexes look even worse today than when he moved out in 1975, adding that getting cooperation from Stead Buildings and Grounds "was al-

ways difficult."

Perhaps the current tenants at Stead should look to their counterparts at University Village. Since Ward became manager in June of this year, a committee has been formed comprising eight residents of University Village. These residents meet approximately once a month and decide what renovating project to tackle next.

The committee is funded through the housing director's office. Morgan allows the committee \$100 a month. She considers requests submitted to her by Ward for equipment, paint, building materials or whatever the residents may need. Currently, Village residents are building bike racks in the laundry room. They're doing the labor, so all the money will go for materials and equipment.

One person stands out dramatically in this battle of tenant bureaucracy. Milton E. Fuller has lived at University Village with his wife and daugher since 1973. A graduate student, Fuller said that when he first moved to the Village, "the front and back yards were all trash and weeds, there was virtually no play area for the children, no one spoke to anyone else and no one really cared enough to try to do anything about it."

In the summer of 1974, Fuller tried to get some cooperation from Buildings and Grounds, but was unsuccessful. Consequently, he spent that summer cleaning up the yards and children's play area. From his own funds he purchased electric weed cutters, chemicals and fertilizers, and other garden tools. He has continued to do so every year.

Fuller, who grows his own small truck garden adjacent to his apartment, is now involved in clearing the weeds and rocks from behind all the other units. After doing this he outlines small plots for other residents and readies the soil for planting. When asked why he has donated so much of his own time and money he replied, "If we can get the place looking better, we know through human nature, the apartments will attract a higher quality of residents."

Although Fuller is a member of the Housing Committee, he still plans to continue with his personal renovating projects. He said that since this summer he has been getting more "advice, help and encouragement from

Buildings and Grounds."

Relatively inadequate though it may be, married student housing definitely serves for student families at UNR. Based on the supposition that students with families find it more financially difficult to attend school,



photo by Siri

Milton Fuller stands out dramatically in the battle of tenant bureaucracy.

most institutions of higher learning provide inexpensive housing for their married students. The results of a 1971 questionnaire sent by UNR to western-state colleges and universities, show that the typical school provided facilities for 35 per cent of its married students. UNR now accommodates approximately seven per cent of its married students.

Although, according to Morgan, the state made a special appropriation of \$100,000 this year to renovate the university residence halls, she knows of no money forthcoming for additional married student housing.

In 1967, Ed Pine, then director of the physical plant, initiated a plan for additional married student housing.

The plan, based on the 10-year self-liquidating capital improvement program, was removed when federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) became unavailable in the early 1970s.

Even though Fuller feels "we may be able to attract more interest from federal and state funding if the places look better and we show a willingness to maintain them," no such financial windfall seems in sight.

But Pine, currently UNR Vice-President of Business, said last Friday, "We're trying to get funding through the federal government. With taxes so high, there is no way we can build additional facilities without federal funding."

#### At 22 cents an ounce

# Snack bar opens sandwich bar

BILL O'DRISCOLL

A make-your-own-sandwich table, offering breads from pumpernickel to rye and fillings from roast beef to tomatoes, opened this week in the UNR snack bar.

Customers can choose as much or as little as they want, depending on their appetities and wallets.

The price of the sandwiches -22 cents an ounce-dismays some students, but UNR Food Services Director Dick Carr defended the price, noting that "twice as many sandwiches were sold on the second day than on the first."

Two slices of bread were weighed at roughly two ounces, or about 44 cents. But one snack bar employe explained that the price of the filling would balance the total cost

Carr said the average price of a sandwich is going down. He attributed this to the customers "becoming better shoppers."

On sandwich size, Carr added, "Customers can always

take less meat. When they add four ounces of meat, it's going to cost some money."

Carr said the goal of the sandwich line is to direct the "glut of movement" away from the snack bar's mainstream. He also stressed quickness between getting food and buying it.

At least one customer, UNR assistant basketball coach Bob Emeshiser, found the time factor to be more important than the prices. "For me, it's advantageous to get food quickly. Other than the 22 cents an ounce, it's a hell of a deal."

Carr compared the sandwich table prices with those of the pre-wrapped sandwiches available inside the snack bar turnstile. The make-your-own-sandwich price, according to Carr, is no more, if not less, than the pre-wrapped. "In terms of the value received, I think it's a pretty good deal," he said.

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#### Harry's helper

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#### **MCAT** deadline

Students wishing to retake the Medical College Admissions Test are reminded that only a student's *latest* score counts, not his highest. Also, MCATs taken in April 1978 would be too late for 1978 admission to medical schools.

Registration packets for the October MCATs must be postmarked today. For further information, students may contact Gloria Dotson at 784.4939.

#### Laura gets raise

The ASUN Publications Board voted Tuesday to increase the salary of the Sagebrush editor from \$65 a week to \$85 a week.

The increase was requested by Laura Hinton, Sagebrush editor. She stated in a letter to the board that the salary had not been raised since 1973, since which time the cost of living has increased 37 per cent. In 1973, the increase was from \$62.50 to \$65.

The board also voted to open bids for new typesetting equipment for the Sagebrush. The paper is seeking a direct-input photocomposition device to replace the current IBM Selectric composition system.

#### More judges

"The total number of judges attending the National College of the State Judiciary during the first eight months of the year is higher in 1977 than any time during the 14-year history of the college," according to Judge Ernst John Watts, dean of the college.

With the conclusion of the summer semester, ending Aug. 12, the National College had issued 672 Certificates of Completion to judges who attended a resident session during the spring or summer semester this year. This brings the total number of certificates issued by the college since its inception in 1964 to 6,955.

#### **Don't miss Mission**

Last year ASUN wanted to initiate its concert season with Mission Mountain Wood Band but missed out. However, the band is back in Reno and students can see it.

The five-member bluegrass and country-rock group will perform solo in the UNR gymnasium, Sunday, Sept. 11 at 8 p.m. The evening is a combination dance/concert for both students and non-students. Admission for UNR students is free but I. D. cards must be shown at the door.

Five hundred tickets at \$4 apiece are available for purchase by non-students at least age 16. The only ticket outlet will be the Activities Office in the Jot Travis Union on campus.

Mission Mountain Wood Band has performed a number of times on the UNR campus in recent years. Originally from Montana, it is remembered here for its rompin', stompin', barn burnin', hoedown style which leaves the audience as exhausted as the band.

#### Women academic majority

The number of women attending colleges and universities continued to climb last fall, increasing by about 7.2 per cent in a year and reaching a record high of 47 per cent of the total, according to new statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau. In the same period, the number of male students declined about 2.1 per cent. Of an overall enrollment that the agency placed at 11,139,000, there were nearly 5.3 million in the 14-to-34 age group and 489,000 aged 35 or over. The Census Bureau said women now constituted the majority among students 14 to 21 years old-52 per cent of that "traditional" college age group and outnumbering men by 200,000.

The report said that freshman enrollments had declined about nine per cent, following increases of about 12 per cent in each of the two previous years. The junior-year enrollment increased about 256,000, offsetting the drop among freshmen.

The number of black students showed no significant 12-month change. However, their 10.7-per cent share of the total enrollment compared with 4.6 per cent a decade earlier. College attendance by persons at least 35 years old remained fairly stable—at about 1.2 million—following a 50 per cent increase from 1973 to 1975.

-Chronicle of Higher Education

#### Free cervical cancer clinic

A cervical cancer screening program is being offered by the Washoe County District Health Department to women 16 years of age and older who have not had a recent cervical or breast examination.

The program is conducted by registered nurses trained in cancer screening. Funded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI), the program's objective is to encourage early cancer detection and to make health services more accessible to women in the community.

The cancer screening program includes free PAP smears, breast examinations, instructions by registered nurses on how to conduct breast self-examinations, and referrals for other health problems.

Cervical cancer check-ups are necessary once a year and breast self-examinations should be done once a month to detect abnormalities.

Each year, 89,000 breast cancers are discovered in American women, most of them by the women themselves, and 85% of these can be cured if discovered early. Uterine cancer is 100% curable if detected early.

Clinics are currently being held every Saturday at the Health Department Building, 10 Kirman Ave., Reno, through September, 1977, in addition to other regular weekly clinics.

Appointments can be made by calling 785-4920. For the convenience of those living near Stead, appointments can be obtained by calling the Stead Health Center, 12351 Rocky Mountain Street, 972-6785.

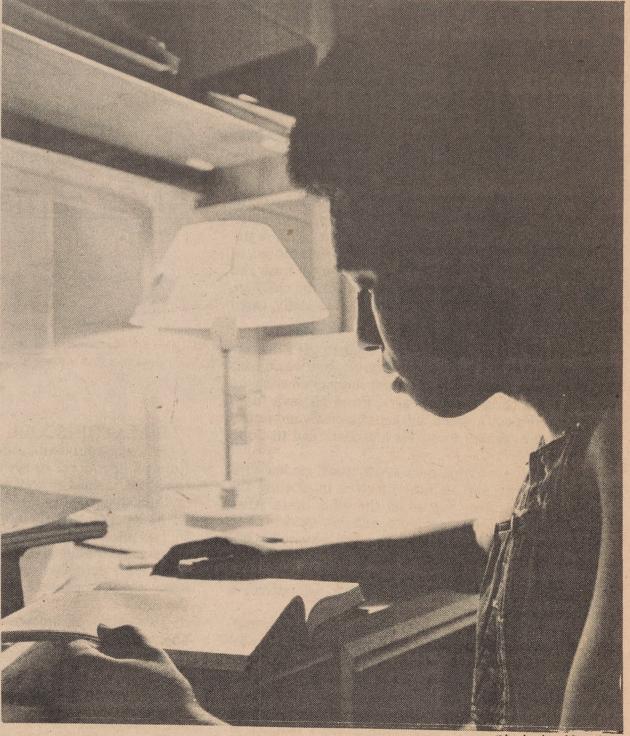


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Hitting the books this week was student James Long in his Nye Hall room.

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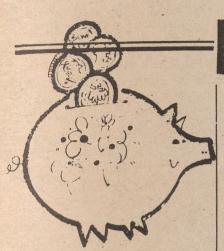
9 a.m.-Football, UNR pre-season scrimmage, Mackay

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## Three Sport Hustle; Who'll end up winner?

STEVE MARTARANO

There's a push for three sports and only one opening up in the UNR athletic department this year.

Boxing and skiing, both intercollegiate sports at Nevada for a long time, seem to be on their way out, or at least toward reduction to club status. Wrestling, meanwhile, has slowly been pressuring its way back into the athletic scene that dropped it as a sport almost eight years

Major action occurred last April during the final Intercollegiate Athletic Board meeting. The board, which makes recommendations to UNR President Max Milam, voted to consider making wrestling an intercollegiate sport and consider reducing men's skiing to a club sport. The board also voted that the university shift boxing from intercollegiate to club status.

Right now, the situation is as follows: wrestling is still on the outside trying to muscle its way in. Boxing officially has undergone no changes, but no new grants or scholarships were awarded for the upcoming year. Skiing is still the same except for a cutback of one scholarship from last year.

Boxing has been a dying intercollegiate sport for some time and UNR has seemed to hang onto it mainly for traditional reasons. The NCAA hd ceased to sponsor the sport after a student was killed in the early 1960s and one by one colleges dropped the sport.

The 1975-76 UNR Intercollegiate Athletic Board recommended that incoming boards watch whether the status of boxing would change. And as of the spring of 1977, no new schools had added it.

What is happening is this: there is in this state a fine high school wrestling program that has nowhere to send its athletes. There is a whole new wrestling climate at this university compared to what it was eight years ago.

Back then, there was no local high school program, only the crowded old gym as a practice facility, no coaches and no money. But even thought he sport was canned, UNR Athletic Director Dick Trachok made a "gentleman's agreement" that the first sport reinstated here would be wrestling.

My feelings have always been that there definitely is a place here for wrestling. The new Lombardi Recreation Building has been built; coaches would be plentiful.

And with the rising number of universities dropping boxing, there seems to be no justification in keeping it here, especially if it keeps a sport as vital as wrestling on the outside.

So the vote by the athletic board is a good sign. According to Trachok, boxing may be more profitable with club status. As a club, it would be ASUN-funded and any net income would go directly to boxing. All profits made at a gate would be kept instead of going through the athletic department.

The skiing situation is much the same as boxing's. With only three other four-year schools in the northwest offering skiing, lack of competition is a major problem. Also, most ski teams do not have the funds to travel, and playing a quality schedule is tough.

No real action has been taken yet, but the ski team does feel the pressure. As one team member told me, "We realize that we are on probation. What we have to do is promote ourselves and insure a winning season."

According to Trachok, studies show that to put together a quality ski team, the department needs approximately \$30,000, far more than skiing is allotted now.

With the advent of women's sports, if a sport gets dropped then it might never be reinstated. In addition to the scholarship cutbacks in boxing and skiing, schol -arships were also reduced in baseball, cross-country and basketball. Those funds were switched to women's sports.

The final decision on boxing, wrestling and skiing will rest on President Milam's shoulders and he said that he has not acted yet.

If wrestling somehow becomes intercollegiate at UNR, then something would have to give. It's an unfortunate situation, but all three could never stay on and two would probably go.

The power push is on.



### Tennis seeking big year.

DAVE YEARY

Tennis season is six months away, but don't tell the UNR tennis team. Practices are already beginning for the upcoming season. Head coach Bob Fairman has five returning lettermen from last year and 12 new players trying out. Last year the Pack had a 19-5 record.

The team will practice at the Plumas Street municipal courts until resurfacing is completed at UNR. The Pack plays all its home matches at the university courts.

Veterans Trebor Allen, John Conway, Brian Carolo, John Knorp and Carlos Ferguson will be joined by out-of-state recruits Barry Joannides of England, Dave Williams of Clearwater, Fla., Gary Kittay of Baltimore, Md., and Brian McQuown of Burbank, Calif. Local newcomers are Ted Martin, Mark Humes, Gordon Chism, Bob Kuhn, Scott Steveson and Edwin Fernando.

"The team had a good year last season and we should better our record this year," said Fairman. "Our schedule will be tougher this year, but that comes from being a better team. Last year we played three teams ranked in the top ten in the nation and we played them all well. I was very happy with the team's effort."

The team has a history of winning.

Since UNR started playing tennis the overall team record is 123-23, making it the winningest sports team on campus.

Why does the team start practicing now for a season that doesn't begin until February?

"We start so early so that we will be in good condition for the upcoming season," said Fairman. "We'll play a lot of challenge matches and spend a lot of time practicing. We will know who our top players are and work from there when the season comes.

"We play indoors when the weather is bad. The gym is set up so that we can put up a net and play inside. We have played some matches inside. We are undefeated under a roof.

"Fans have been coming out more in the last few years. We would like to see even more fans at the matches. There's a lot of good tennis played out there, and the guys are really good athletes," he said.

And the women's program has grown over the last few years. "Girl's tennis has really grown lately. It used to be that a tournament had about 40 girls; now 200 are not uncommon. Our men's and women's teams practice right together," Fairman said.

#### Courts finally resurfaced

Resurfacing of the UNR tennis courts, begun Aug. 17, will be completed Oct. 8, according to physical plant director Whalen. The surface, made of Lay-Kold asphalt material, will cost \$50,000. Money for the project came from the state capital improvement fund.

The courts were first installed 12 years ago and have never been resurfaced. Nevada Paving of Sparks will lay the foundation, while a San Francisco company specializing in tennis court surfaces is doing

the top. The same company installed the Mackay Stadium track.

"Our official completion date is Oct. 8," said Whalen, "but the actual work should be completed the last week of September. This is the first time the courts have been resurfaced, although they have been patched several times."

UNR tennis classes, the Wolf Pack tennis teams, and other students use the facilities

