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Casinos, that's
close enough

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Editorial

Reckless Reno casino growth should pause

We commend Reno City Council members for action taken Friday, asking Washoe County and Sparks to participate in a year-long moratorium on hotel-casino development.

We urge the council to proceed with the development halt, even if a skeptical Sparks council refuses to join in the plan. It is the wild, uprooting growth in the Reno community these past months we are most concerned about.

Currently in progress are eleven gambling-related projects in Reno. Under construction now, for completion by 1978, are the MGM Grand, the Sahara Reno, the Colonial Inn, the Florentine, the Comstock and Circus Circus. The projected growth for the Reno area by 1980 is 30,000, while housing will increase by 3,000.

We are most concerned about the casino-hotel industry that begins to enslave the university campus.

Circus Circus is currently under construction in the old Grey Reid Department Store lot, located on the 5th St. block of Virginia. The Bonanza Casino was completed last year, only a mile and a half north of university grounds.

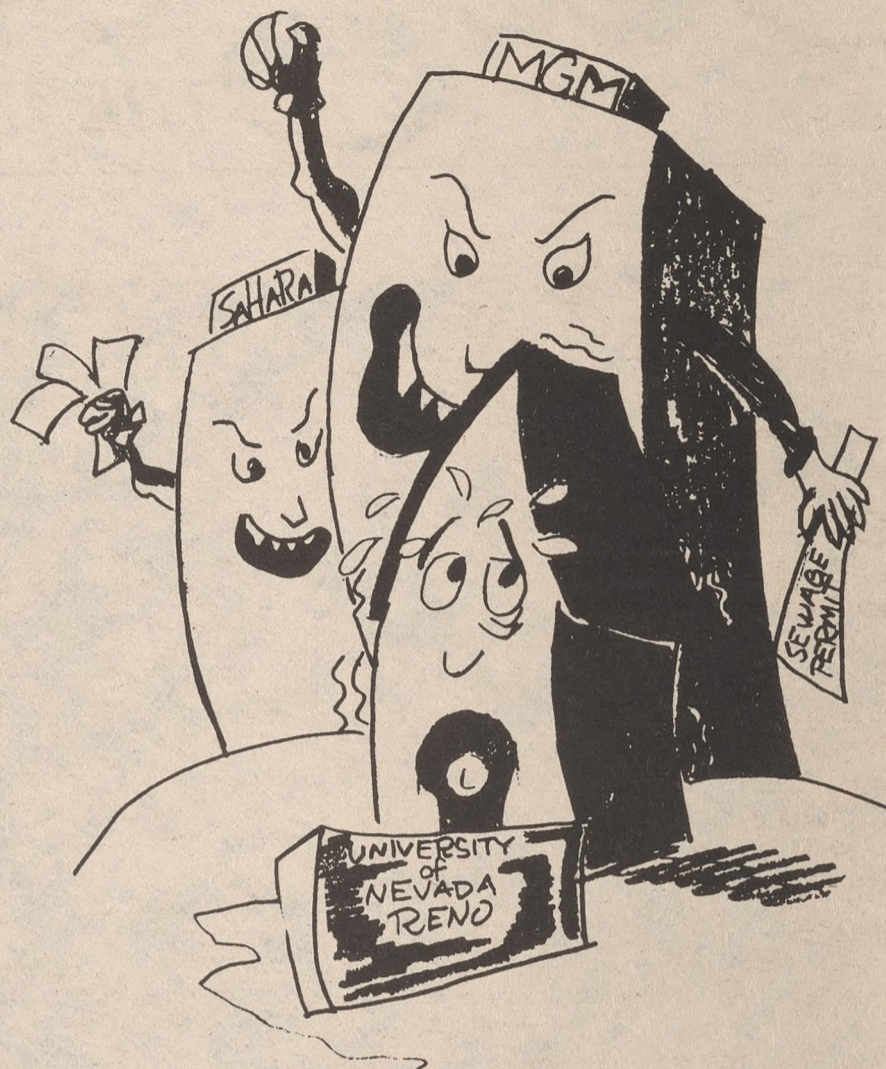
Harrah's Hotel and Casino owns land near UNR between Lake and Center streets, plans to bridge Center with a casino in the near future. Jackpot Motel owner Robert Douglass is leasing the deck above Highway 80 in hopes of building a casino-hotel (see story, next page).

The way it exists now, UNR students and staff are not provided with sufficient room to park. Over 7,000 parking stickers were issued this fall for 3,000 available spaces, by the University Police Department. Most students, frustrated in their search for a space, will park illegally and chance a ticket. Area residents complain that university vehicles block driveways, use their street parking in front of houses.

And the UNR Housing Service this fall was unable to provide private rooms for students who requested them. The Reno housing crunch has made it almost impossible for students to locate low-income, off-campus housing within walking distance to school. With the current renovation of Juniper Hall's first floor into office space, and the accelerated pace of community housing demand, the Housing Office certainly has its headaches ahead.

We feel the peaceful and restful atmosphere, so necessary to an academic environment, under past city policy, is headed for a transition likely to disintegrate the university community. UNR has not traditionally been a commuter school.

We are concerned that the water-saving efforts, initiated by ASUN last fall with the water-bottle distribution project, will merely create sewage capacity for gambling development. The Reno-Sparks area currently suffers from serious traffic problems, air and water pollution.



A one-year halt to casino growth would give city officials and county commissioners an evaluation period, a time to analyze rapid growth problems and come up with viable solutions.

A year's grace period in this matter can not be too much to ask for the planning of our future.

To the Editor

One of the best

Re: Vol. 84, No. 7, Sept. 20, 1977

This is one of the best issues of *Sagebrush* I've ever seen. Not for any particular reason. It's just a good strong issue with a good news "mix." I look forward to watching your work for the rest of the year.

Tom Wixon
Sagebrush editor 1969

Let's get together

I am writing this letter to commend the Wildland Recreation Management Club for its community interest. Included in their budget request put before the Finance Control Board was a monetary request for a Community Service project. This is a precedent among clubs which have approached this year's FCB for funding.

The Wildland Recreation Club will be taking 24 children from the Carson City Orphanage on three nature hikes which are intended to promote the children's ecological awareness. This activity is not only commendable, but it brings favorable publicity to the club, promotes the image of the College of Agriculture, while also improving relations between the community and UNR.

I would hope that other clubs, particularly those in the College of Agriculture, would follow suit and also include in their operating budgets some Community Service projects.

There is another point of discussion here. Community Service projects may be a way to involve some of the apathetic student population in our student organizations. In the College of Agriculture we are having definite club membership problems. The clubs are active but memberships are declining. Students I have spoken with admit to the problem of student apathy, say they desire a solution, yet there seems to be no organized movement to resolve it.

There are numerous ideas on how to involve students, so I ask: "Why the hell are we sitting on our hands?" Let's get together and do something besides complain!

Don Kennedy
Agriculture Senator

Who is Christian?

Your position on free and fair discussion of the creation issue is just right. I want to add my own protest concerning the use of the term "Christian" by the Creationists. There are many religious views concerning creation and evolution including many Christian ones, as well as several non-religious ones. I am personally convinced that evolution is the method whereby the divine element brings forth spirit out of matter, but this is a controversial question and I respect other views. I also consider myself a Christian, although I care too much about the sensitivities of others and am too unsure of my own rightness or goodness to make a public claim about my faith. I certainly would not claim that my variety of Christianity is the only "true" one.

The conception spread abroad by the group sponsoring the "Creationist" viewpoint that theirs is the Christian view is both false and productive of religious intolerance. Anyone sensitive to the dreadful violence in Northern Ireland between groups—each of which believes they have the only true Christianity—should be deeply conscience-stricken over promoting their own views, no matter how firmly held, as the only and absolute truth.

The United States was founded in an era of reaction to religious intolerance and has wisely adopted a constitutional separation of church and state. The proposal to require the teaching of the fundamentalist view of creation along with the widely-accepted scientific view would be clearly unconstitutional, because it would introduce only one kind of religious viewpoint. There are Teilhardian and other Catholic views, Protestant views of Tillich, the Niebuhr brothers and many other theologians, Quaker and Unitarian and Baha'i views, and so on.

I hope the Tuesday evening debate will carefully avoid the implication that only the Creationists are Christian, and that insofar as a particular faith underlies the Creationist view, this fact will be honestly and clearly stated.

William T. Scott

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Vacant freeway deck provokes suit

DENNIS MYERS

Did you ever wonder why there's a big, green, block-long roof over a section of the interstate freeway which runs through Reno?

This roof, which creates a short tunnel on the interstate, is surrounded by a fence to prevent public access and is marked by steel girders rising from its surface. It is located between Virginia and Center Streets a block south of the campus.

This structure is the site of that familiar Reno animal—an abandoned casino project.

Several years ago, a Pennsylvania company called Valley Forge took a lease on the airspace over the freeway where the deck is now located, and also acquired the use of some adjoining property. The plan called for construction of a casino-hotel and a parking garage, but the deck now located at the site is the only part of the project ever completed.

According to Nevada Highway Department sources, the project's downfall came while administrative procedures (arranging for financing, securing permits and so on) were being completed. At the same time, Valley Forge was seriously overextending its assets through "acquisition of real property" elsewhere, including some investments in Georgia. As a result, Valley Forge's parent corporation, Certaintede—a wallboard manufacturing firm—decided to throw the smaller company into bankruptcy. This, in turn, aborted the deck casino project in Reno.

Today, county taxes are delinquent on the project. Originally billed for taxes on both the deck and the airspace by Washoe County, Valley Forge appealed that ruling and the Nevada Board of Equalization ultimately

upheld the company, ruling that the county could tax only the structure.

Last week, the Washoe County Commission approved a lawsuit against Valley Forge. The purpose of the suit—termed a "friendly" lawsuit by the district attorney's office—is to give the county treasurer a legal basis for accepting less than the original amount of taxes (that is, the original taxes minus the airspace fees). A court

Meanwhile, the lease payments on the deck are being kept current by Reno businessman Robert P. Douglass, who owns the Jackpot Motel, located across the street from the deck. Douglass also owns the Bonanza Square Casino north of Reno.

It was Douglass who originally negotiated the lease agreement on the airspace, and joined with Valley Forge (under the name Virginia-Interstate Eighty Prop-

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judgment will also permit the trustee in bankruptcy in Pennsylvania to pay the judgment. Presently, that officer is prohibited from doing so by a federal court.

The original amount of taxes was \$164,615; the amount finally authorized by the state board of equalization and agreed on by both sides is \$135,905. The difference of \$28,710 is the amount of the disputed airspace taxes.

erties) in the deck casino-hotel project, which was to have been called the Sundance.

Now that Valley Forge is out of the project, Douglass is paying the \$35,000-a-year lease payments. The future of the project is uncertain. "We just don't know what we're going to do," Douglass says, adding, "I've still got a lot of faith in the project."



Freeway airspace, shown looking east along Highway 80 in this aerial photograph of Reno, may someday be the sight of a casino-hotel. The university campus is located to the upper left in the picture.

photo by Opitz

Periphery

Malt from Heaven



A Reno pilot may be one of few people ever charged with littering from an airplane.

Rick Rinabarger, 29, dropped two cases of beer, packed in flotation containers, over the wrong camping party and into the wrong lake.

"Unfortunately," said Rinabarger, "the recipients of the 'gift from the sky' happened to be a church group on a holiday outing."

Apparently the "church group" was neither impressed nor amused by the miscalculation. A complaint against Rinabarger for littering was filed in the Plumas County sheriff's office.

Rinabarger had agreed to make the drop for some friends who had planned a backpacking trip to a mountain lake about two miles above Graeagle. He said that he checked into federal aviation regulations and found that it was perfectly legal, provided he didn't fly within 500 feet of people or structures, and as long as he exercised due caution.

"Since my friends had no objections to swimming after it," said Rinabarger,

"I figured I would just drop the stuff into the lake."

Rinabarger said that after locating what he thought was the right lake, he circled once. A group of people appeared, waving frantically, and, certain that he had found his party, he made the drop.

"I circled around to take a last look and saw that the first bag had broken and there were cans all over in the water in about a 10-yard radius. I figured those guys would have to swim a little longer to get the goods," Rinabarger said.

He was informed two days later that his friends had not received the beer, so he flew back to see if someone got it and to clean up the mess. "But the lake was clean," insisted Rinabarger. "Whoever it was that dragged themselves from their sleeping bags on that early morn just to wave at me was duly rewarded."

The Federal Aviation Administration contacted Rinabarger three weeks later and informed him of the littering complaint.

Go continental

An unlimited number of UNR students could spend next year studying in England, France, Spain or Austria, although only five are there this year.

The exchange program, affiliated with the Institute of European Studies (IES) offers classes in the native language of each country except Austria, where courses are offered in English.

The IES curriculum is fully accredited. It includes courses in language, literature, political science, geography and history. These areas of study are relevant for economics, political science and business majors, not just for foreign language majors.

Applicants to IES should have junior or senior standing, completion of four college semesters of a foreign language and an overall grade point average above 3.0.

Pam Driggs, a UNR Spanish major who recently returned from a year of study in Madrid, said, "I learned a lot more than you could ever learn by being in class over here. I'm very confident about my fluency now."

Beth W. Carney, the new UNR coordinator for IES, said that "foreign exchange students have been tremendously broadened in a sense that they have a much more acute sense of the world.

"The student will experience an onslaught of culture shock, which is inevitable," she said. However, Carney could recall only one case in which a student quit and came home early.

Further information is available in the IES office, Fransden Humanities, Room 209.

Another ASUN line

ASUN has installed a new information line, telephone number 784-4000. Anyone calling this number will receive a tape-recorded message of all university activities, dates, times and places. The recording will operate 24 hours a day.

Public service

A graduate program has been initiated this semester at UNR for public employees and young people contemplating careers in public service.

A program leading to a Master of Public Administration (MPA) is offered by the Political Science Department. The two-year curriculum is intended to improve managerial competence of public servants. Through the study of administrative processes and problems, the program should foster increased understanding of political factors, policy issues and research skills.

"There are 14 majors in the MPA program," said department chairman Joseph Crowley, "and five of these are women. We eventually expect 40 to 50 majors.

"In response to demand within the community, the university has joined the 300 schools around the country offering the MPA degree," he said. "It is a field that has just developed in the past 10 years."

The program consists of at least 36 units in public administration, public policy and a third field selected by the student. Admission is more selective than

the minimal standards for the graduate school, Crowley said.

Applicants must take the Graduate Record Examination and have at least 18 undergraduate credits relevant to the degree.

A thesis is optional, and internships are available for students without administrative experience. Students may apply for financial assistance.

"The bulk of our enrollees attend classes on a part-time basis," Crowley stated. Night classes are conducted on the Reno campus and at the State Education Building in Carson City.

Male manifest

With the changing roles, functions, pace and directions in today's society, many men seem to be asking what it means to be a male. Aided by advances in the women's movement, many more individuals have become more aware of their sex roles, freedoms and limitations.

Starting Oct. 20, UNR's Counseling and Testing Services will conduct six group sessions focusing on the ramifications and problems of being a male

in today's society. Although the groups are fairly self-directed, topics may include male roles and responsibilities, male sexuality, career and home life, societal and role expectations, myths and realities, relationships with women and changing and growing.

The groups will be led by counseling staff members Dr. Jack Clarke and Dr. Tom Kubistant. They should be contacted at the Counseling and Testing Center (784-6810) before Oct. 17.

Floating home

The ASUN and Alumni Association Homecoming Committees encourage all organizations to participate in the 1977 Homecoming Week by building a float for the Homecoming Parade. The parade is scheduled for the morning of Oct. 15.

For details, call Dorothy Hodges at 826-4488, afternoons only.

Laws a maybe

Representatives from nine western law schools will be at UNR at 10:30 p.m. Oct. 6 in the Ross Business Administration Building Executive Suite.

Speakers from McGeorge, Golden Gate, Loyola, Lewis and Clark, Pepperdine, Southwestern, University of Puget Sound, University of California at San Francisco and Willamette will participate in the 1977 UNR Pre-Law Conference.

Students weren't joking

Students at UNR weren't joking when they requested longer operating hours at the library. And they've proven themselves serious by making good use of the 10 p.m. to midnight study hours which began Sept. 18.

As many as 80 persons at a time have been studying in the ground floor reading room, taking advantage of the extended hours. A head count last week indicated that attendance was heaviest from 10-10:30 p.m., with an average of 74 students. At 11 p.m., the average was 26, with the number declining toward midnight.

According to Harold G. Morehouse, director of libraries, student response has been positive, with many expressions of thanks to the staff. A few complaints, however, cited the noise level, which is higher on the ground floor than elsewhere in the library because renovations are under way.

Morehouse approved the extended hours to begin early in the semester, rather than waiting for all improvements to be made. "We know there's work to be done, but we're asking students to be patient about the clutter so we can provide this extended service now," he said.

Conference half attended

Senate meets itself at Tahoe retreat

DON LaPLANTE

The agenda was generally not followed, but the ASUN leadership conference over the weekend seemed to go well anyway. Only a little more than half the senators made it to Lake Tahoe for the conference, but that didn't seem to detract from the event.

The purpose of the meeting was for members of the ASUN Senate, ASUN executive officers and UNR officials to talk about problems of common interest and for the student government officers to get to know one another better.

A main item of business was for each ASUN board and committee to meet separately in a relaxed atmosphere. However, this was abandoned because the main group discussion appeared to be progressing well and not enough members of most sub-groups were present.

alumni relations and development; and his assistant, Gene Brandt.

Gianneschi encouraged senators to set up a better working relationship with the alumni association and to help coordinate university fund-raising activities.

Various questions were fired at Milam, ranging from the clean-up of Manzanita Lake ("work is getting underway and should be done in a few months") to the showing of X-rated movies on campus ("forget it").

During a review session Sunday, most senators said they felt the program had helped them understand each other and especially the university administrators. They suggested that future conferences take place earlier in the senators' terms and that more than one might be held during the year.

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Among topics discussed by senators and executive officers were problems facing campus publications. For the benefit of those senators not on the Publications Board, discussion focused on what the problems were rather than on what solutions might be possible.

In the area of activities, the group discussed the selection process for lecturers and movies, the possible rental of a videotape system to show tapes of concerts and sports events and the handling of concerts in the gym and the Centennial Coliseum.

Nick Rossi, vice-president for finance and publications, explained to senators how this year's budgeting policies of the Finance Control Board had been developed. (The board appropriates money to help clubs and organizations fund their activities.)

Rossi said that organizations which had received funding last year and applied for funding last spring received 15 per cent increases over their previous year's budgets. Organizations which had not previously been funded received 85 per cent of what they requested this year.

Rossi said he expected the board to examine more carefully the requests of new organizations, but that all groups requesting funds were being required to justify their requests.

Most discussion among senators took place during sessions on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

During the Saturday afternoon session, a number of campus administrators came to discuss their areas of responsibility and to answer questions.

Those present included UNR President Max Milam; Ed Pine, vice-president for business affairs; Jim Richardson, former chairman of the Faculty Senate; Terri Nault, acting director of information; Harry Gianneschi, director of

Lecture discusses police role in school violence

The role of police in school violence is being discussed this week in a lecture series at UNR.

The short course met last evening, and will continue to meet from 7-10 p.m. in Room 3 of the Chemistry Lecture Building through Friday.

One speaker will be Dr. John Angell of the University of Alaska, an author and a top theorist on police of the future.

The problem of disorderly youth will be analyzed by Dr. Judith Gerson, an expert on school violence, stress reduction and communications.

The lectures are designed for school teachers, counselors, administrators and employees in the law enforcement field.

The course is sponsored by the UNR College of Education, the Reno Chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

Advance registration will be taken through Oct. 1 by Dr. Frank Krajewski, College of Education, UNR, Reno, NV 89507. Telephone: 784-6903. Persons may also register at the door.

Qualified students may earn one unit of credit by paying a \$22 fee. There is no charge for non-credit registrants who attend one or all of the lectures.

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Lamaze birth method

The following parallel accounts of a child's delivery, written by the parents, are not intended to represent typical experiences in use of the Lamaze Method. This method of exercise, breathing and relaxation techniques practiced during pregnancy and applied during labor and delivery was developed by the late Ferdinand Lamaze, a French obstetrician.

Through Extended Programs and Continuing Education (EPCE), UNR offers evening classes in the Lamaze method for couples. The six-week program should be started at least ten months before expected delivery. Class size is limited, and the fee is \$40 per couple. For further information one may telephone EPCE at 972-0781.

—Editor

KEN WILTZE

It was 6 a.m. when my wife woke me up and said that she'd been having regular contractions for two hours. Slowly coming out of my dream world, I realized the day had finally arrived for our child to make his grand appearance.

For several months I had watched the physical changes in my wife, but the reality of it was hard for me to fully comprehend. She was the one with a growing human baby in her stomach. Little had changed for me.

"They're coming about every five minutes," she said. This really brought me to my senses. Thinking back to my Lamaze classes, I knew we should be getting ready for the journey to the hospital. The contractions seemed mild compared to what I'd read about. But before the day would end, I would be aware what this intensity meant.

MELEVA WILTZE

It started early in the morning. How trite, I thought. All babies are born early in the morning. Yet, this was my first and, therefore, not so trite. I lay luxuriating in early labor, selfishly keeping to myself the sense of power, of difference, that my husband could not experience, unless through me. Little did I realize in those early hours of conceit how much the success of my Lamaze delivery would depend upon my husband. Finally I felt I could begrudge him the knowledge at least, that it was time. Such ominous words.

We had spent so much time preparing for this day that everything seemed like a grade-school fire drill.

"Hey, Ken. Guess what?"

(Sleepy silence.)

"Okay, what?"

(Pregnant silence.)

"Now?" he asked, bleary eyed. And then in his most obstetrician-type tone, "How far apart and how long?"

"Just a little over five minutes," I smugly replied, still obnoxiously aware of myself. We then went through our time-killing routine before leaving for the hospital. Take a bath. Contraction. Count. Breathe. Exhale. Put on some makeup. (What the heck?) Contraction. Breathe. Shallow pant. Exhale. Ken constantly checked to make sure of complete relaxation. Contraction. Count. Breathe. Exhale. My conceit began to melt as I became aware that not only was I losing my ability to relax my legs, but this work was getting hard to do. We hadn't even been going for five hours yet and both knew that this was only the beginning.

It was time. (Again those ominous words), to go to the hospital. Hospitals have this strange perversion. When a husband and wife, or whatever, come in and one of the party seems to be in labor, the staff feels that these people should be separated. Immediately.

And forever after that until the baby is born, the party in labor will never see a nurse or doctor who does not have one of those damned plastic gloves on and he will be saying, "This will only take a minute."

To all of you budding nurses and doctors out there—I'm sorry for my attitude. I was finally taken to a labor

room. Panting and breathing the whole time. But I finally lost control when the head-honcho-type nurse brought in three other little nurses and a razor. The three were new. They all got to take turns with the razor for practice. (?) Afterall I was only a pelvis. Supposedly women in labor do not have minds, or for that matter, bodies above their hips. That's why most gynecologists do not recognize their patients in restaurants.

I am not a pleasant patient under such circumstances. I became absolutely foul, though, when they brought in this rubber bag full of hot water. By becoming so obstinate I completely forgot about my breathing and suddenly realized just what labor was. And then I was lost, disoriented, and pissed-off.

I am glad to say that I did win the debate of the water bottle. Finally the face I had pushed out of my plans early in the morning appeared in the door. I was almost angry at how calmly he assessed the damage to my pride and control. Within about an hour we were finally working together, Ken holding my hands. Forcing me to count. Contraction. Count. Breathe. Exhale. Relax.

I never did regain control of my legs. We had been at this merciless rhythm for eight hours and I had made barely any progress. Between my knowing this, and the little fat nurse stomping through, pausing to tell me I was going to hyperventilate if I didn't slow down, I was upset. I was given a tranquilizer and they put a monitor around me.

And then I hyperventilated. Damn her. Two more hours. The doctor came in and turned the baby, who was posterior thus slowing me down. I got so I could tell if a plastic glove was coming into my room by the way it walked down the hall.

Finally, something I could recognize. The urge to push. This was nothing like the chocolate chip cookie craze I have been known to suffer from. This was a thousand times stronger—the sort of urge you have to yell for help with. Pant. Blow. Exhale.

"I have to push."

"You can't," came the calm answer. The classic

response.

"What do you mean I can't?"

"You're not ready." The plastic glove smugly replied.

"Well, tell him that!" I bellowed, pointing at my gigantic abdomen. Contraction. Pant. Blow. (It's very hard to argue during a contraction.) To appease my tantrum, the plastic gloves decided to let me try pushing during a contraction. I tried my best. They all shook their heads and said,

"No, you didn't do that right, so you can't push."

Pant. Blow. Pant. Blow. By now I was frantic, furious, excited. I knew it wouldn't be much longer. The doctor came in, took one look at me and smiling, said "Let her push." (I guess he could have said let her rip, but . . .)

Being able to fight back was fantastic. People were running everywhere. Ken was putting on this funny green suit without plastic gloves. To my horror, the same little fat nurse was in the delivery room, badgering me about how I pushed. I hated her. For the rest of my stay in the hospital, I waited to see her so I could strangle her with a plastic glove.

I was so busy that I didn't have time to find the delivery room intimidating. Another contraction. Push two, three, four. So busy I didn't feel or even see the forceps. Push two, three, four. I was strong. And I was in control and I knew it. The knowledge gave me stamina. I was not a pelvis. I was a human being working with my husband, as a team, to have our baby.

A boy. He was raised up in the air. A mottled bluish baby boy. He was laid on my stomach. I stared in wonder and laughed at my husband behind the mask.

And then he was wrapped and warm and I held him while he made snuffling sounds and moved little fingers (all ten I noted) in the air. It was over.

No, it was just the beginning. Today I put my house and it's plants in the most severe jeopardy by sitting down to write this while Travis is loose. Now his bright blue eyes and single tooth peer innocently from behind the sofa.

But is that my favorite philodendron in his grimy little fist?

Meleva seemed almost bewildered by the sudden change. It became necessary to start the slow pant breathing. The nurses told us she was dilated at two centimeters. From our classes we knew that she was still in the latent phase of labor.

She had decided to use a small Buddhist object as her focal point, on which she concentrated during a contraction. During the later stages of labor, I would hold her hands and help her count as she followed her breathing exercises.

While the contractions continued every two or three minutes, Meleva made no progress until 6 p.m. Then everything started moving pretty fast. By 9 p.m., the doctor was in to check her, and he decided to move her into the delivery room.

I was given a gown, face mask, hat and paper slippers, and started changing my clothes while the nurses wheeled Meleva to the delivery room. By now, the tension and physical work of the all-day struggle were but fleeting memories. Everyone seemed to have gotten a second wind. Meleva changed totally once she reached the point where she could push. Now she could really fight back against the pain of the contractions. Almost immediately, her face became relaxed.

The bright lights of the delivery room; the nurses and doctor preparing for a life to manifest itself; Meleva, straining and mumbling and smiling—these are but fading memories now.

The one vivid memory is watching a blueish-gray head emerge, then a neck and a chest. Was it a boy or a girl? And then the doctor was holding this funny-looking little creature and congratulating us on having a son. These memories will last the rest of my life.

A story twice told

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Blithe Spirit is long, but light

ALICE McMORRIS

Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit*, now playing at Sparks Civic Theatre, could be renamed "Who's Afraid of Your Former Wife?"

The arena-stage production is a comic spoof, making hilarious fun of psychic phenomena—and making us wonder if life is really easier on "the other side."

An English writer named Charles, somewhat woddonly depicted by Dennis Hinze, somewhat wood-ly exposed the psychic Madame Arcati as a fake.

Charles and his second wife Ruth (well played by Marianne Lemaire) invite Madame Arcati and another couple to dinner. In a somewhat exaggerated but lively manner, Julie Lemaire as the Madame holds a seance and "materializes" Charles' first wife Elvira.

The audience has been told to "be dead serious about the unseen." But when the ethereal Elvira, adorned in flowing white ectoplasma, begins to nag Charles, the fun begins.

The high-spirited Elvira has interrupted her backgammon game with Genghis Khan to come back. "I had to

fill out forms and stand in line to get on the waiting list for a return visit," the apparition says.

As if to prove "there is no guarantee that the after-life is anymore agreeable than this one," Elvira soon drives a wedge between Charles, the "astral bigamist," and his granite-willed wife.

The triangle is doomed to fail and Ruth becomes the next casualty to "pass over." Charles doesn't have a ghost of a chance with two ex-wives haunting him.

In an effective final scene, Charles (Hinze becoming stronger as an actor) frees himself of a lifelong pattern of dominating women. The spirits vanish.

Blithe Spirit is long (three hours) and drags a bit in the second act, but overall it makes an enjoyable experience. Performances continue Oct. 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 8:30 p.m. Student tickets are \$2.50. Since seating is limited, it is best to call 359-1448 for reservations—and directions to the theatre, located near McCarran Blvd. in Sparks.

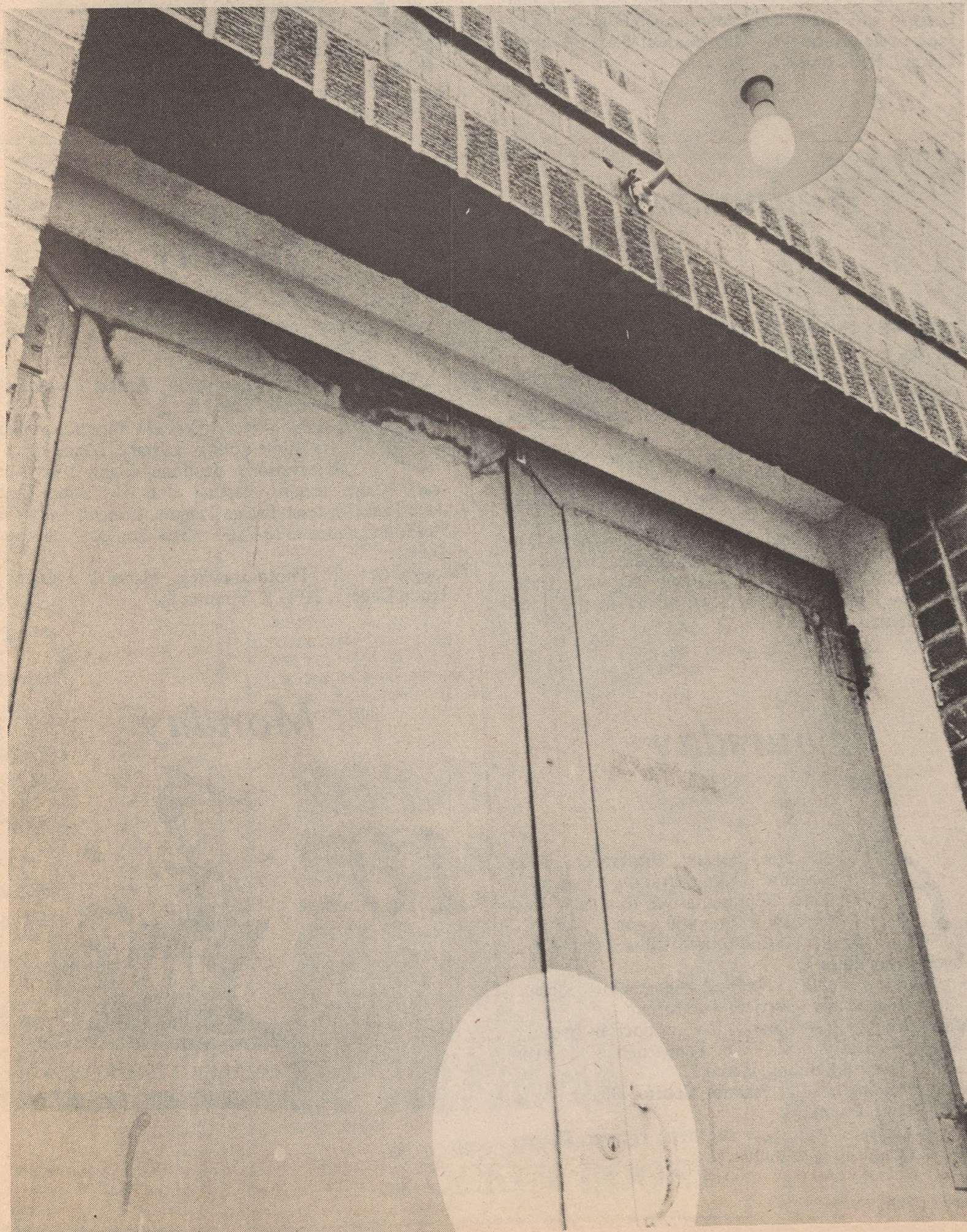


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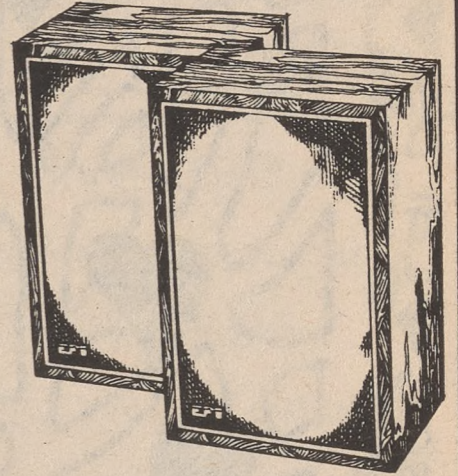
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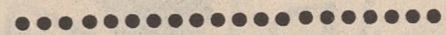
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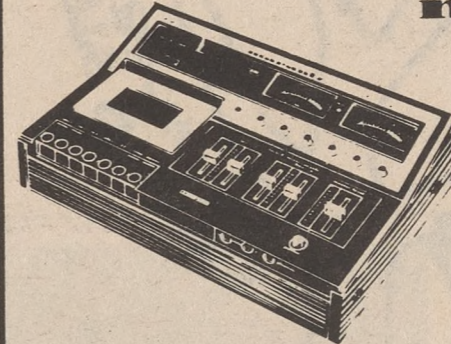
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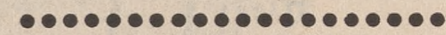


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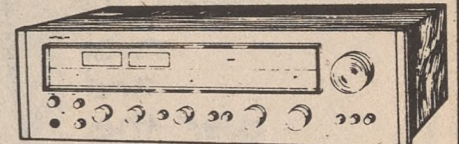
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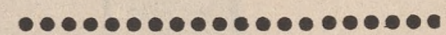
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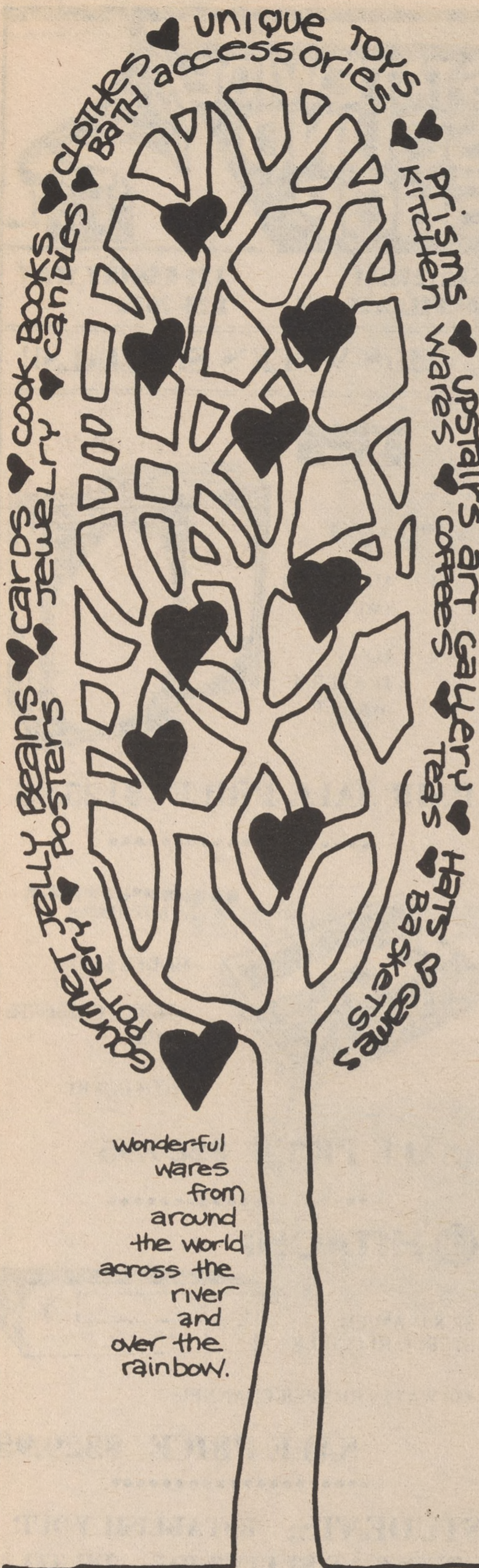
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Oct.

Tuesday

- 4** Noon—Film, *Gatecliff*, National Geographic Society; Thompson Student Services Auditorium.
 3 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Publications Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
 4 p.m.—Meeting, Law Club; Frankie Sue del Papa and ASUN attorneys to discuss upcoming events and judicial library tour; Mobley Room, Union.
 5:30 p.m.—Dinner, Phi Sigma Kappa Little Sisters; 1075 N. Sierra. All women invited to attend.
 7:30 p.m.—Folk dancing; Old gym. Beginners welcome. Please wear soft-soled shoes.
 7:30 p.m.—Debate, Evolution vs. Creation; Sponsored by Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and ASUN; Old gym. Drs. Michael Kendall, Duane Gish, Henry Morris.
 Through end of October—Oils and watercolors by Linda Genario and Roberta Townsend, paintings by Larry Jacox; tole paintings by Tink Daniels; Washoe County Library, Reno branch.

Wednesday

- 5** Noon—ASUN Publications Board agenda deadline.
 5 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Activities Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
 7 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Senate; Travis Lounge, Union.
 7 p.m.—Art Department Film, *Sayonara*, Scrumham Engineering-Mines Auditorium.
 7 p.m.—Film festival, Jean Renoir's *Grand Illusion*; Cobblestone at Tahoe City.
 9 p.m.—Bowling, sponsored by Phi Sigma Kappa Little Sisters; 1075 N. Sierra. All women invited to attend.
 Through Oct. 26—Paintings by Craig Sheppard; Sculptures by Yolande Jacobson; Stremmel Galleries, 1460 S. Virginia.

Thursday

- 6** 10:30 a.m.—Pre-law conference; Ross Business Administration, Executive Suite. Representatives from nine western law schools will speak.
 Noon—ASUN Activities Board and Senate agenda deadlines.
 Noon—Film, *Gatecliff*, National Geographic Society; Thompson Student Services Auditorium.
 4 p.m.—Chemistry seminar, "The production of polyesters and fatty acids," Dr. Pappachan E. Kolattukudy; Lecture Building, Room 1.
 5 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Finance Control Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
 8 p.m.—Lecture, Dr. Joyce Brothers; Pioneer Theatre Auditorium. Free to public.

Friday

- 7** Noon—ASUN Finance Control Board agenda deadline.
 2 p.m.—Chemistry seminar, "Polyesters and fatty acids," concluding half of Kolattukudy's lecture; Lecture Building, Room 1.
 3 p.m.—Annual Fall Bash of the John Mackay Club; Idlewild Park. Admission \$2.50.
 7 p.m.—Teen entertainment show, Washoe County Library, Sparks branch.
 8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Blithe Spirit*; Sparks Civic Theatre. Reservations: 359-1448.
 Through Oct. 28—Alumni photography exhibit; Church Fine Arts Gallery.

Saturday

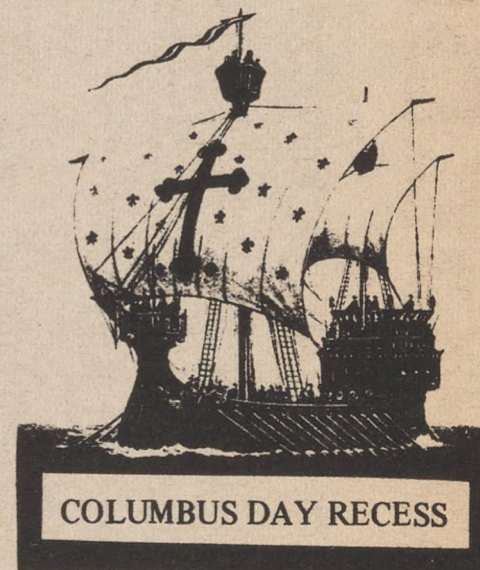
- 8** 9 a.m.—4 p.m.—Bake sale, rummage sale; Westminster United Presbyterian Church, 2655 N. Rock Blvd., Sparks.
 7:30 p.m.—Football, UNR vs. Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo (away).
 8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Blithe Spirit*; Sparks Civic Theatre. Reservations: 359-1448.

Sunday

- 9** 1-4 p.m.—Reception, Artists Co-op Gallery, 627 Mill St.
 2 p.m.—Concert, Nevada Repertoire Club; Washoe County Library, Reno branch.
 Reservations deadline—Eight free contract bridge lessons starting Oct. 13; Reno Unit, American Contract Bridge League. Contact Sally DePaoli, telephone 323-7589. Class limited to 50 students.
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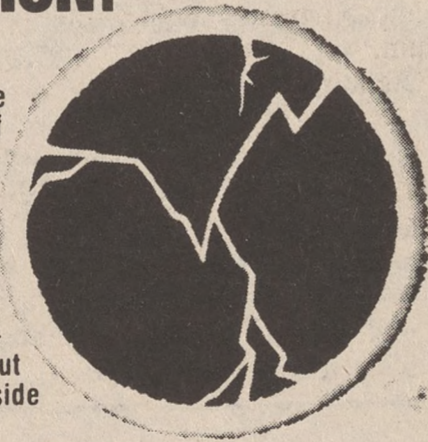
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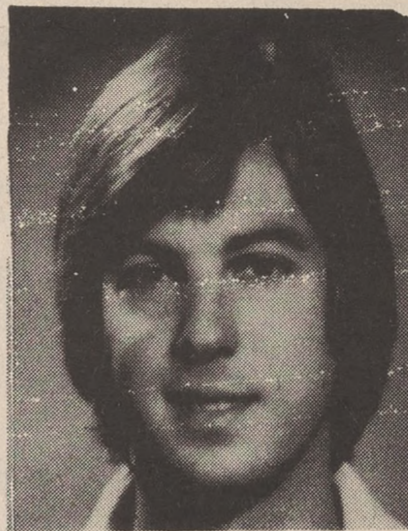


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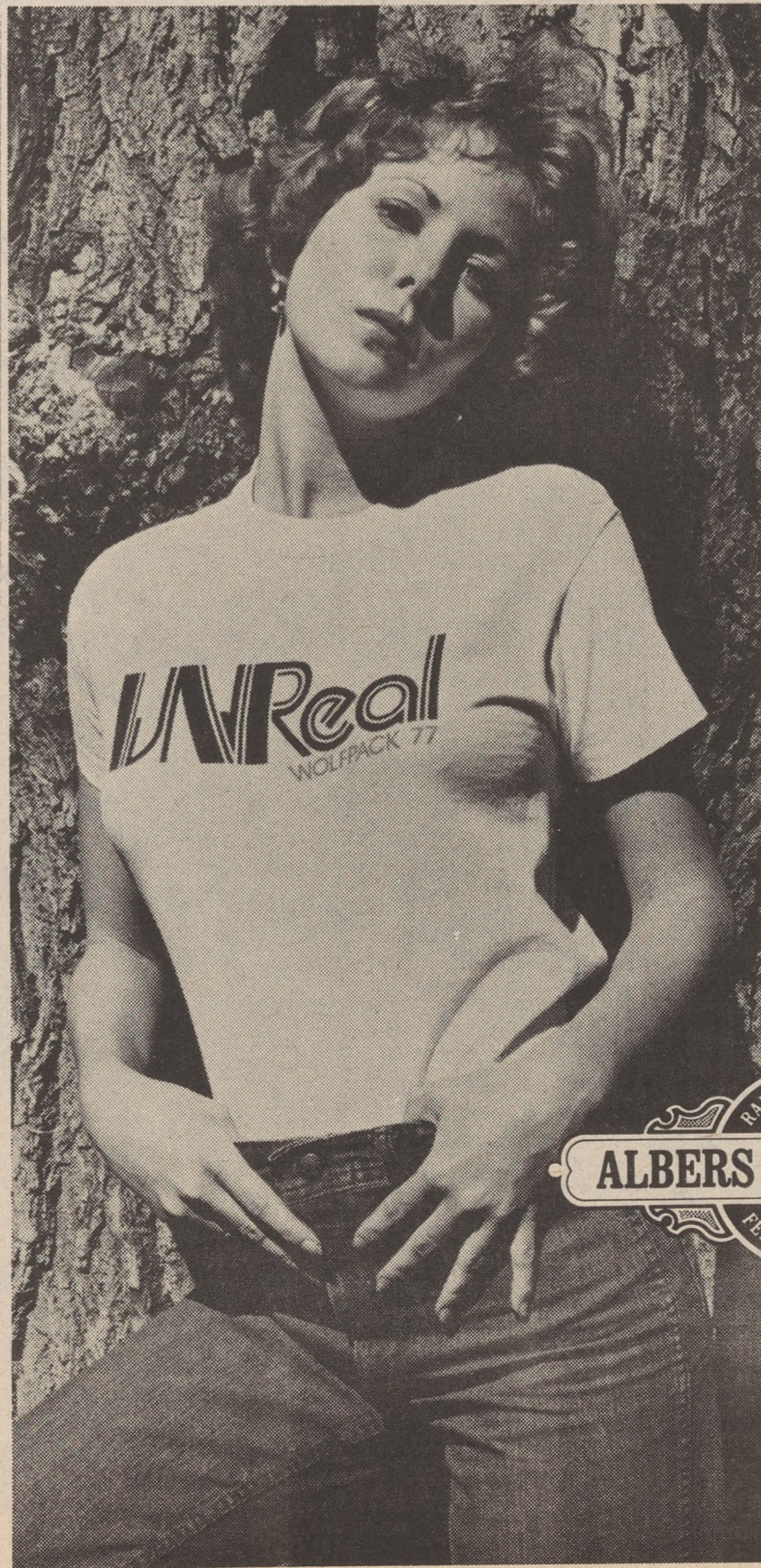
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STEVE MARTARANO

Football is a unique sport in that there are usually six full days between contests. After a win, the week goes quickly in anticipation of the next foe. But following a loss, there are six unbearably long days in which to hash and rehash every detail which led to the defeat.

Such was the status of the UNR football team Saturday in San Francisco. The Wolf Pack was still stinging from a 22-19 setback at the hands of Northridge State. Its opponents were the San Francisco State Gators, a team comparable to Northridge.

With the fear motive in effect (lose another game and oh boy will your ass be in a sling), UNR crunched San Francisco 47-7. The win boosts the Pack record to 3-1.

The Pack took no time at all to prove its superiority. On the second play of the game, quarterback Jeff Tisdell connected with Steve Senini for 79 yards and a touchdown. The play was the Pack's longest of the year.

From there, the outcome was never in doubt. UNR totaled 586 yards, the team's best output of 1977. Tisdell had been having his troubles in earlier games, but that was erased. He threw for three touchdowns while compiling 235 yards

with 14 completions.

The entire Pack offense acted as if it were running plays against an empty field. Running backs Wayne Ferguson and Frank Hawkins each rushed for close to 100 yards, while Steve Senini grabbed five passes for 149 yards and a touchdown.

It was a perfect game all-around for the Pack, with the defense doing more than its share. Two times UNR fumbled in its own territory early in the game. But both times San Francisco was stopped. In addition, the Gators could manage only seven first downs and were limited to a paltry 83 total yards.

San Francisco's lone touchdown came on a 30-yard fumble return.

The Pack built a 14-0 lead before the Gator offense even touched the ball. Tom Duddy recovered a fumble on the kickoff after the Senini touchdown and then Tisdell took it in from the two.

UNR went into the game with a definite intent to kill, to make up for its poor showing a week earlier. That task was accomplished.

Next week, UNR is on the road again, this time at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo. Then it will be home again for Homecoming—and Boise State.



San Francisco center Robert Parrish manages to out-manuever Laker's Kareem Abdul Jabbar for this stuff in Saturday's NBA exhibition action at the Centennial Coliseum —Los Angeles ended with a 100-93 victory.

On the sidelines

New intramurals offered

Two new intramural activities—skateboarding and indoor soccer—will soon get underway.

The skateboard tourney is scheduled for 3 p.m. Thursday on the cement area outside the Lombardi Recreation Building. There will be three categories in which to compete: high jump, slalom and freestyle. In addition to a champion for each event, an overall winner will be determined. No signups are necessary—just show up.

Entries for the indoor soccer division are due Thursday at 5 p.m. in Lombardi Recreation Room 100, with league play beginning Oct. 12. Both men's and women's leagues will be offered with a minimum of six players needed for each team.

The rules for indoor soccer are similar to those for regular soccer, except that there is no out-of-bounds, and play is continuous.

Gymnastics to begin

Anyone interested in competing for the UNR gymnastics team this year should come to the workout sessions held Monday through Friday from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Lombardi Recreation gym.

Boise a blast

This year's UNR Homecoming game is shaping up to be a real doozy.

The opponent is Boise State, 26-8 victors over the Pack last season. And this year, Boise is already proving itself again a formidable opponent.

Boise is 3-1, but that tells only half the story. Two weeks ago, it knocked off UNR's rival, Las Vegas, 42-14. Then, to prove that the game was no fluke, Boise shut out Montana State Saturday, 26-0. Montana is the defending Division II champion and was in possession of the top spot before meeting Boise.

The largest crowd in Wolf Pack history is expected.

Wysocki scoots again

DAVE YEARY

The UNR cross-country team extended its bid for the NCAA playoffs last weekend by finishing second behind the Fresno Pacific Track Club at the Fresno St. Invitational. UNR's Tom Wysocki was the individual winner with a time of 29:52, eighth fastest ever for the hilly six mile course.

"It was our best race of the year outside of the dual meet with Irvine," said coach Jack Cook. "The kids really wanted to win this one after the disappointment at Las Vegas last week. Wysocki ran his best race ever."

UNR was the top finishing college team, beating host Fresno St. by 17 points. Fresno finished second last week at Vegas, and was a favorite, along with Stanford and Cal-Poly-SLO, to win this week's tourney. "We had

doubts about beating Fresno and Stanford and Cal-Poly were supposed to have their best teams ever," said Cook. "But we beat them all rather handily."

Gary Romesser of the Fresno Pacific Club was second individually, finishing nine seconds behind Wysocki. Dave Murphy of the Pack was third at 30:18. Rudy Munoz was the only other UNR runner in the top ten with a tenth place time of 30:55.

UNR will travel to the Oregon Invitational next week and then to the Stanford Invitational. That meet will decide which teams will go to the finals. According to Cook, Washington, UNR, San Diego St., and Irvine are the teams in contention for the two remaining spots.



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- 5) Name the man who made the last out in Don Lrason's 1956 World Series perfect game.