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Editorial

Reno and Sparks duke it out

One of the funniest things we've seen recently was the slugfest conducted on local television between Mayor Jim Lillard of Sparks and Mayor Bruno Menicucci of Reno over the extension of Greg Street.

Sparks wants Greg Street, in the city's industrial section, extended across the Truckee River to connect with Terminal Way in Reno. Officials didn't figure that was too much to ask for because the extension has been a top priority of the Regional Streets and Highways Commission for years.

Reno wasn't sure, though. The mayor said he would be happier if the money was used to speed the completion of Route 395 through Reno. Actually, the mayor didn't have much choice because a previous administration had signed an agreement with MGM to oppose the extension of the street. Besides, part of Greg Street will have to go through prime development land belonging to MGM and would be likely to cost the city a great deal.

Now, Sparks is threatening to cut off all future funds for Reno streets from the commission. It's possible, however, that Sparks deserves the trouble it's getting from Reno. When Reno wanted to put a moratorium on development for one year, Sparks cried foul. Sparks officials feared that their city would lose new casino-hotel developments. The moratorium died for lack of support. When Reno and Washoe County officials began work on a regional bus plan, Sparks again said no, claiming citizens were more concerned with dogs and garbage.

Two points must be made.

First, everything possible has been done to accomodate the development of the MGM hotel-casino-bowling alley-etc. in Reno. If you have any doubts about the help the company has gotten from area governments, just take a look at the highway being built to its front door. MGM should do its share for the community and dedicate the land needed for Greg Street and get Reno off the hook.

Second, the idea that any one unit of government can go it alone under the present system in this valley is absurd. If ever there was an area where regional government, or at least intergovernmental cooperation, is absolutely necessary, the Truckee Meadows is it. Air pollution,

traffic congestion and sewage problems are difficulties we all share no matter where in the area we live, and attempts to solve them must involve all of us.

The belief that three separate governments, two cities and a county, can exist independently in this valley is as silly as the belief that university and non-university communities are independent. We reject both notions without question.

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To the Editor

ASUN needs hawkers

Why isn't there an ASUN concession stand at UNR sports activities? Specifically, a booth or sideline hawkers selling banners, pennants, horns, bumper stickers, T-shirts, and all other forms of "Wolf Pack of UNR" memorabilia. Given the choice of waving their fists or waving a "Wolf Pack" pennant when a Tisdell throws for six or a Jones stuffs for two, I think that the majority of the loyal would opt for the latter.

It would appear that there is a market here that isn't being tapped. Has this been tried before and if so, with what results? The potential profit as well as the moral boost factor that is there makes me wonder why our money making ASUN hasn't exploited this market. I don't recall that it has been tried this season. Maybe it has been tried and it flopped, if so, scratch one idea. If it hasn't been tried, then why not give it a try? Who knows, it might make money and then "our" bookstore might be able to lower prices just a little without worrying about depleting ASUN's \$70,000 stash. Worth considering???

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USUNS changes get cool reception

DON LaPLANTE

LAS VEGAS—ASUN President John McCaskill's plan to change the organization of the United Students of the University of Nevada System (USUNS) met, at best, with a lukewarm reaction from the delegates to the USUNS conference here over the weekend.

McCaskill's proposal was to junk the quarterly conferences, the executive branch and the committee structure. In its place there would have been an expanded executive council composed of the student body presidents and one other delegate from each of the six schools in the system.

However, when McCaskill presented his plan the only school clearly to support it (besides UNR) was UNLV. There was some support from community college delegates, but the general response was one of opposition to the plan.

After a great deal of discussion, the group voted overwhelmingly to have McCaskill present a written proposal for his changes at the next meeting. He was also asked to get input from other delegates so compromises might be made. However, since even those opposed to the plan voted for the motion, this vote was little more than an attempt to appease McCaskill.

McCaskill said later that he was very disappointed in the USUNS reaction, especially among community college delegates. He said he would work on the plan and present it at the next meeting.

"I'm open to suggestion. I'm willing to give it one more try. So far the money we have been putting into USUNS hasn't been paying off. It [USUNS] hasn't produced one beneficial thing. If people can't see that then they are blind," McCaskill said.

He said that if some form of the proposal is not adopted, he would carry

through on the threat he made at the USUNS meeting and ask UNR to withdraw from the organization.

I think the plan will get the approval of the student senates throughout the state. I'm going to talk to people throughout the state and try to get them to act favorably on the proposal. I think that when they get a chance to look at it and think about it they will approve some form of it," McCaskill said.

McCaskill was also upset that he wasn't allowed to get any true reaction to his plan. When he tried to take a straw vote on his plan, he was ruled out of order by USUNS President John Hunt of UNLV.

However, it is clear that there are not now the 16 votes (a two-thirds majority) necessary to amend the USUNS constitution to make the change. There were probably no more than about a third of the group willing to agree to the plan in the present form. However, with compromises there is a fair chance for adoption.

The plan, as now proposed, would replace the quarterly meetings with an executive council that would meet before the Board of Regents meetings. This plan would increase the number of meetings from four to 10, but decrease the number of delegates from 24 to 12. There would also be no USUNS president, but rather a chairman to run the meetings and act as a spokesman for the organization.

There is currently an executive council—composed of the USUNS president, vice president, and treasurer and the student presidents from each of the six schools in the system—but the group rarely, if ever, meets and so far has done really nothing.

The strongest support for McCaskill's

plan came from Scott Lorenz, student body president at UNLV, who has been involved with USUNS since its founding in July, 1976. He agreed with McCaskill that the problem of USUNS is structural and said that the great turnover in delegates from meeting to meeting was also a problem.

Expressions of support from the community college delegates generally came with qualifiers. Felicia Braxton, Western Nevada Community College (North), said she supported the general idea of the plan, but would like to see at least a couple of the conferences retained.

Most of the objections came from the people who thought that the structure, only a year-and-a-half old, should be given a better chance before it is abolished.

There was also negative response when McCaskill made his implied threat

to withdraw from USUNS a direct one. He told the group that unless some kind of structural reform was made at the next meeting, he would recommend to the ASUN Senate that UNR withdraw, which would severely cripple the organization.

The body obviously tried to appease McCaskill by asking for a presentation in March. In fact, one community college delegate told McCaskill after the vote that maybe this would placate his senate and they might not talk about withdrawing.

However, at this point, a UNR withdrawal from USUNS seems to be a possibility. The ASUN Senate had voted unanimously to back McCaskill's proposal, so there could well be a confrontation at the March meeting unless some compromise is reached or a number of delegates change their minds.

Mold fungus identified

The identification of a mold fungus by UNR biology professor Dr. Donald Cooney has proved valuable for the cheese-making industry and has also netted several million dollars for enzyme companies.

The organism, called *Mucor miehei* is found in decaying plant matter. An enzyme derived from the fungus is used as a milk coagulant, and today over 60 per cent of all cheeses are made with this enzyme.

Traditionally cheese had been made from an enzyme called rennet which came from the stomach of a calf. This calf-rennet was added to milk to sweeten it without acid, resulting in cheese.

Recently calf-rennet has become

scarce and too expensive to use, so enzyme companies started seeking alternatives in a possible microbial rennet.

Researchers from enzyme companies in New York and Copenhagen read of the properties of *Mucor miehei* in a book entitled *Thermophilic Fungi* which Cooney and University of California botany professor Dr. Ralph Emerson had collaborated on years earlier.

The companies requested a culture of the organism from a UNR lab and found that it was effective as a milk-coagulant which could be used in place of calf-rennet.

This microbial substance is also presently being used by the Carolina Biological Co. in cheese-making kits.

Regents narrow list of chancellor hopefuls

DON LaPLANTE

The Board of Regents search committee will meet Dec. 14 in Las Vegas to strike more candidates from the current list of 28 nominees.

Although the list was cut from over 100 at the regents meeting in November, the search committee is still leaving open the possibility that more candidates might be added to the list.

Only three persons from Nevada appear on the list: Gov. Mike O'Callaghan, Acting Chancellor and UNLV President Donald Baepler and UNLV Institutional

and economics at Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio.

David G. Barry, graduate dean at the University of Toledo; Richard E. Bjork, president of Stockton State College, Pomona, N.J.; James Brown, general secretary of the Southern Illinois System Board of Regents; John A. Busseler, health affairs vice president of Texas Tech University.

Robert Collins, graduate dean, University of California, Santa Barbara; Robert H. DeZonia, acting president of South

Lawrence Pettit, commissioner of higher education of the Montana University System; Ross Pritchard, president of Arkansas State University, Jonesboro; Gerald Stairs, agriculture college dean at the University of Arizona.

Herman Sulsona, professor and special adviser to the University of Puerto Rico chancellor; Jerome Wartgow, deputy director of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education; Morton Weir, acting chancellor of the University of Illinois,

Champaign-Urbana, and John Wright, vice chancellor for academic affairs and director for the West Virginia University Board of Regents.

The special screening committee of the board consists of regents John Tom Ross of Carson City (chairman), Molly Knudsen of Austin, and James L. Buchanan and Chris Karamanos, both of Las Vegas.

The Dec. 14 meeting of the committee will be held at 9 a.m. on the seventh floor of the Flora Dungan Humanities Building at UNLV.

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Research and Planning Director Al Knorr. O'Callaghan has said he doesn't want the job.

Baepler had originally said he wanted nothing to do with the permanent position but has changed his view slightly in recent weeks.

He said that if the regents don't come up with a candidate he believes is capable of handling the job, he would accept the permanent position.

Baepler also said, though, that he expects the regents will be able to find a qualified candidate so that he can return to his post as president at the UNLV campus.

The list of candidates still includes the following: Daniel D. Angel, member of the Michigan House of Representatives; Baepler; John Barnes, professor of higher education, Northern Arizona University; Sam Barone, professor of management

Dakota State University; Vergil H. Dykstra, senior consultant with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities; James L. Fisher, president of Towson State University, Maryland.

Don Frank, dean of the C.W. Post College of Long Island University, New York; Carroll Gambrell, academic affairs vice president at Florida Technological University, Orlando; Donald Garrity, academic affairs vice president and provost, San Francisco State University.

Edward B. Jakubauskas, academic affairs vice president at the University of Wyoming; Billy Jones, president of Memphis State University; Stephen J. Kneszevich, dean of the School of Education at the University of Southern California; Knorr; John Lallas, executive dean at the University of Oregon; O'Callaghan.

Tribute to photo prof

RAY SOTERO

An art show, a dinner—"roast," and a demonstration on Italian gourmet hot-plate cooking will be included in this week's UNR tribute to Ron Moroni, photography instructor.

Other events are a 7 p.m. dinner-witchie tonight in the Church Fine Arts sculpture room, and three more special days to pat Moroni on the back, ignore him and say he has lost weight.

The honors, which started Monday, are sponsored by Art Department faculty and students.

"It's to get art students together and improve department spirit," explained Mick Sheldon, undergraduate and chairman of Tribute to Ron Moroni Week. "The theme is 'A Ron Moroni Christmas.'"

Art forms in the show will be related to photography and will be interpretations of Moroni the artist, photographer and instructor, according to Sheldon.

The work will be displayed throughout the Church Fine Arts Building.

The 41-year-old Moroni teaches four of the university's popular and quickly-filled photography classes. The artist's medium is primarily black and white prints, which he has exhibited locally and nationally.

Moroni admits he has not been an active participant for the testimonial bearing his name.

"I'm not sure this'll have any socially redeeming value," he said.

Moroni, a native of San Rafael, Calif., graduated from UNR in 1964 with a B.A. in Art Education. He was arts and crafts teacher at Dilworth Junior High from 1962 to 1969.

After receiving his M.A. from Humboldt State College in 1971, Moroni was curator of education for a year at the Nevada State Museum. The photographer has been teaching at UNR for six years.

Professor sees few changes

ALICE McMORRIS

Students are the same as they were in the 1950s, according to Dr. Eleanore Bushnell, who has taught in the Political Science Department for 20 years.

While there have been differences in the mode of dress and changes in intensity of political interest through the years, students are generally the same, with one exception.

"Students become more grade-conscious when the economy gets tight," Bushnell said. When it becomes harder to get into medical school or law school, students ask, 'Am I going to get an A?' instead of, 'Am I getting good instruction, or is this material worthwhile?'"

The semi-retired professor relishes the peace on campus compared with the turmoil during the Nixon administration, although she did not object to all the protest.

"I admire people who are willing to stand up for what their beliefs are and take a strong position for them," she said.

The slim, gray-haired woman is teaching one class this semester, "The Presidency." While tracing the policies of several chief executives including Washington and Lincoln, the class focuses on the Carter administration.

"On the basis of James Barber's book, *The Presidential Character*, we are analyzing what kind of a president is Jimmy Carter," she said. "We are looking at him from the standpoint of his degree of satisfaction in being president, and whether he is an active or passive president."

Bushnell, who was the first chairman of the Political Science Department when it split from the History Department in 1963, has had a longtime interest and participation in Nevada government.

Her book *The Nevada Constitution—Origin and Growth*, has just gone into its fourth printing, and due to the many recent changes in Nevada government, it is almost a new volume.

"Nevada is a new state in the analysis of its political institutions and how they work," the professor declared.

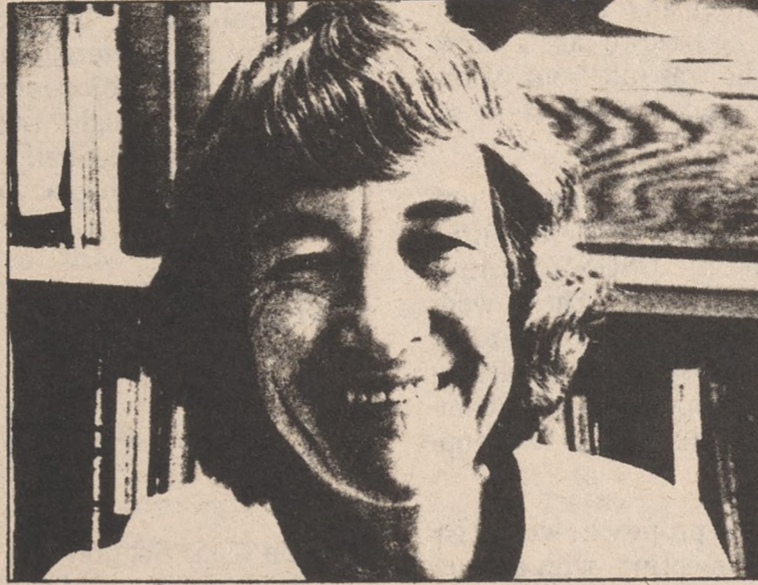
She is particularly interested in the apportionment issue. The Nevada state senate had long been dominated by small counties, as each county had only one vote. Thus, Storey County, with 1,000 persons, had the same senate representation Clark County did with 126,000.

After the U.S. Supreme Court made its "one-man-

one-vote" decision, the state legislature reluctantly reapportioned the voting districts.

Dr. Bushnell's analysis of this issue, along with five other articles on Nevada government in action, is included in *Sagebrush & Neon—Studies in Nevada Politics*, edited by Dr. Bushnell and published by UNR's Bureau of Governmental Research.

The handbook includes selections on "The Black Book," naming persons deemed unsavory by the State Gaming Control Board; voting patterns in Washoe County; lobbying; open housing; and educational fin-



ancing. The purpose of the articles is to show how power works in state politics.

"I am in despair about the cynicism that exists toward government," Bushnell said. Every politician is not a crook." She believes the system is not without flaws, but a citizen can get involved and make a difference.

The professor sparkled with enthusiasm when telling of a project she had been working on even before Nixon's resignation. She is formulating a theory of impeachment which will result in a book.

After reading the trials of all 12 federal impeachments, Bushnell feels the extreme weapon is painfully long and cumbersome. Impeachment is a clumsy device

that has resulted in personal tragedies, sometimes ignited by opposing factions, that could be avoided, she said.

Andrew Johnson's impeachment was probably the most controversial, according to Bushnell. Even a mild peace was anathema to the South after the Civil War, and the antagonistic attitude of Congress finally brought him down.

The only Supreme Court judge to be impeached was Samuel Chase in 1803, and while he was known to have a sweet disposition and a great knowledge of the law, his irascible bench temperament was his undoing.

"What started my interest in this area was the problem of federal judges being appointed for life on 'good behavior'" Bushnell said, adding that "it is hard to remove a judge, even after he is senile or an alcoholic."

The professor pointed out a recent example of this phenomenon, when an 83-year-old jurist on the California Supreme Court was forced out after public humiliation.

Bushnell, whose graduate degree was in political science and public law, has long been concerned about the judicial system in Nevada. She is chairman of the Judicial Discipline Commission, which can remove a judge by less dramatic means than impeachment.

"I am working quite hard to insure that we have a good court system without invading its necessary independence," she stated.

The professor, who has never married, has dedicated her life to teaching and research in government and the law.

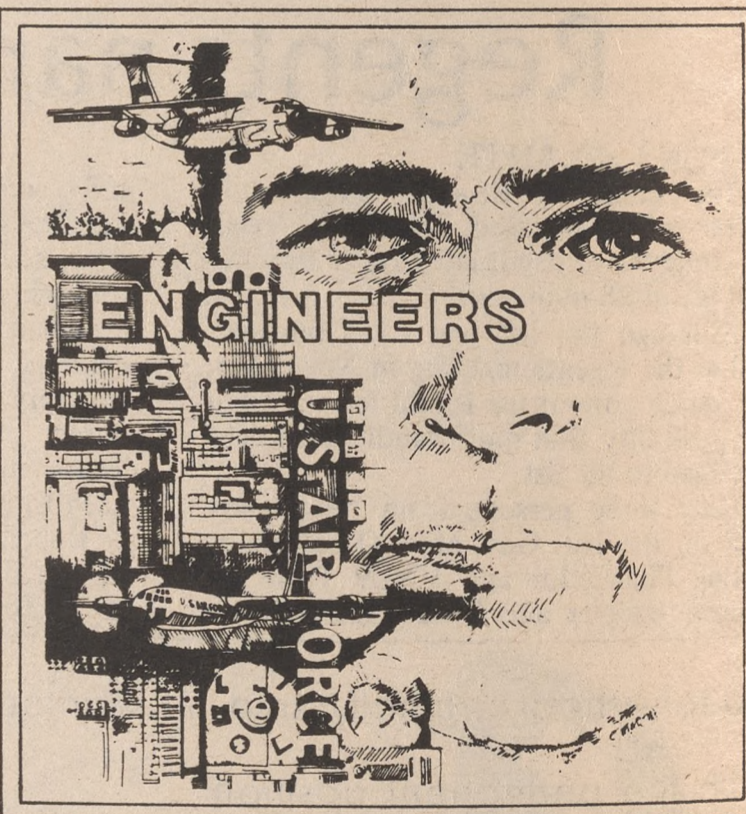
She received the Northern California Political Science Association's "most outstanding teacher" award after her eight-year stint at San Francisco State.

Recognized by the Nevada Bar Association on Law Day this year, she received a plaque for her contributions to Nevada's justice system.

Bushnell has little time for hobbies, but she does play an occasional game of bridge and likes to snorkel. She rushed off to her weekly golf lesson, which "gets me outside and away from the books."

"It's hard to break away, though, when I am so fascinated with my research," she said.

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USUNS delegates adopt student regent principle

DON LaPLANTE

LAS VEGAS—Two policy positions were adopted by the delegates to the United Students of the University of Nevada System (USUNS) conference during a weekend meeting.

The organization endorsed the principle of placing a student member on the Board of Regents, but did not concern themselves at the time with how the proposal could be implemented.

The delegates were unsure what laws might have to be changed, or whether the state constitution might have to be amended, to put the plan into operation. There was also a recommendation whether the student should be elected in some manner or should be appointed.

Some states, including California and New York, have specific student representation on their university board of regents.

The USUNS also endorsed a bill known as the Tax Credit Act of 1977, which would provide \$500 tax credit toward the costs of college tuition. A letter supporting the bill will be sent to the members of Nevada's congressional delegation along with Senators Robert Packwood (R-Oregon) and Daniel Moynihan (D-New York) who are sponsoring the bill in the U.S. Senate.

Introduced at the final session was a motion to impeach the vice president of USUNS, Glenn Powell, who is also the student vice president at Clark County Community College.

The impeachment charge was brought by Jerry Gatch and Peggy Burnham, UNLV delegates. The charges include

non-attendance at USUNS meetings, failure to try to implement the responsibilities of his office and lack of interest in the organization.

Powell was at only the last hour of the October meeting in Elko and failed to attend any of the sessions held this weekend in Las Vegas. This failure to attend was listed as a dereliction of his duties.

Under the USUNS constitution, the action now goes to the USUNS executive board for a hearing.

Unless Powell resigns his office in the meantime, the impeachment charges would be brought before the next USUNS meeting in March in Carson City. At that time a two-thirds vote, or 16 votes, will be required to remove Powell from office.

Also approved at the meeting as an amendment to the USUNS constitution that will require a two-thirds vote of the delegates to repeal or change a previous policy statement.

The amendment came about because, at the October meeting, delegates had changed a USUNS position (on the abolition of the Community College Division Presidency) on a 12-10 vote.

This amendment passed with 15 in favor, 7 opposed and 1 abstaining. There was some constitutional question on how many votes were required to adopt the amendment, but USUNS President John Hunt ruled that the amendment had passed.

Other constitutional amendments will be voted on at the next meeting in Carson City in March.

Student managers helped by business class

A class that helps managerial science students apply their business knowledge is being sponsored by the federal government and the UNR College of Business Administration.

The program, in effect at more than 400 universities, has senior and graduate students giving advice to firms to make them more competitive. UNR handles about five cases each semester and receives \$250 from the Small Business Administration for each study.

"It gives students a chance to use their educational background in the real-world environment," according to Dr. Wilson R. Haig, head of the department of Managerial Sciences.

It also gives businesses the benefit of student knowledge obtained through course work and a lot of problem-solving ideas, Haig said.

"It's a valuable program for both students and business," he emphasized.

A recent national survey showed that nearly one-third of new businesses fail within one year and about half fold in two years.

The program in effect at UNR since 1973 is open to all businesses who can demonstrate need. They are not required to be a loan recipient of the SBA, and they are free to enact any or none of the students' suggestions.

"It's strictly voluntary on their part," Haig explained.

After referral from the SAB, a team of two or three students is assigned to a firm to study its financial problems. Weekly counseling sessions are held with Haig to see what recommendations have been worthwhile. The problem is a semes-

ter project, and a written report is made at the end of the term. Solutions are then submitted to the SBA and the business concerned.

"The students learn the basics of how a business is run," claimed Haig.

Grades are derived from the quality and effectiveness of the report and participation in the weekly counseling sessions.

The class is listed as an independent study course and, as yet, there is no course number.

"We hope to have it listed in the next catalog," Haig said.



State senator endorses plan for student lobby

DON LaPLANTE

LAS VEGAS—State Sen. Richard Bryan (D-Las Vegas) endorsed both the idea of student representation on the Board of Regents and forming a student lobby in a speech Saturday evening. He was addressing a meeting of the United Students of the University of Nevada System (USUNS) delegates.

Bryan told the group he favored the idea of having a student on the board, but was unsure of what legal steps would have to be taken to make the change. He said that depending on the way the constitution was written it might take a constitutional amendment, which would take at least until 1983 to be put into effect.

Bryan said he thought that the state legislature would be receptive to a request by students to be represented on the board, but that there would have to be a united front presented by the students.

Should representatives from different schools favor different methods, Bryan said the legislature would find it very easy to tell the students to come back after making a decision among themselves.

Bryan also advised the students to coordinate their efforts with other groups that may be seeking to change the board setup. He specifically mentioned groups that favor specific community-college representation on the board.

He also told the group he believes that legislative members would listen to a student lobby. If the lobby were well-planned it could be effective, he said.

Bryan warned that the time to set up the lobby was not in January 1979, when the legislature started to meet, but earlier so that input could be made to the Board of Regents when its budget is developed and also to the governor, who has to recommend and approve the budget.

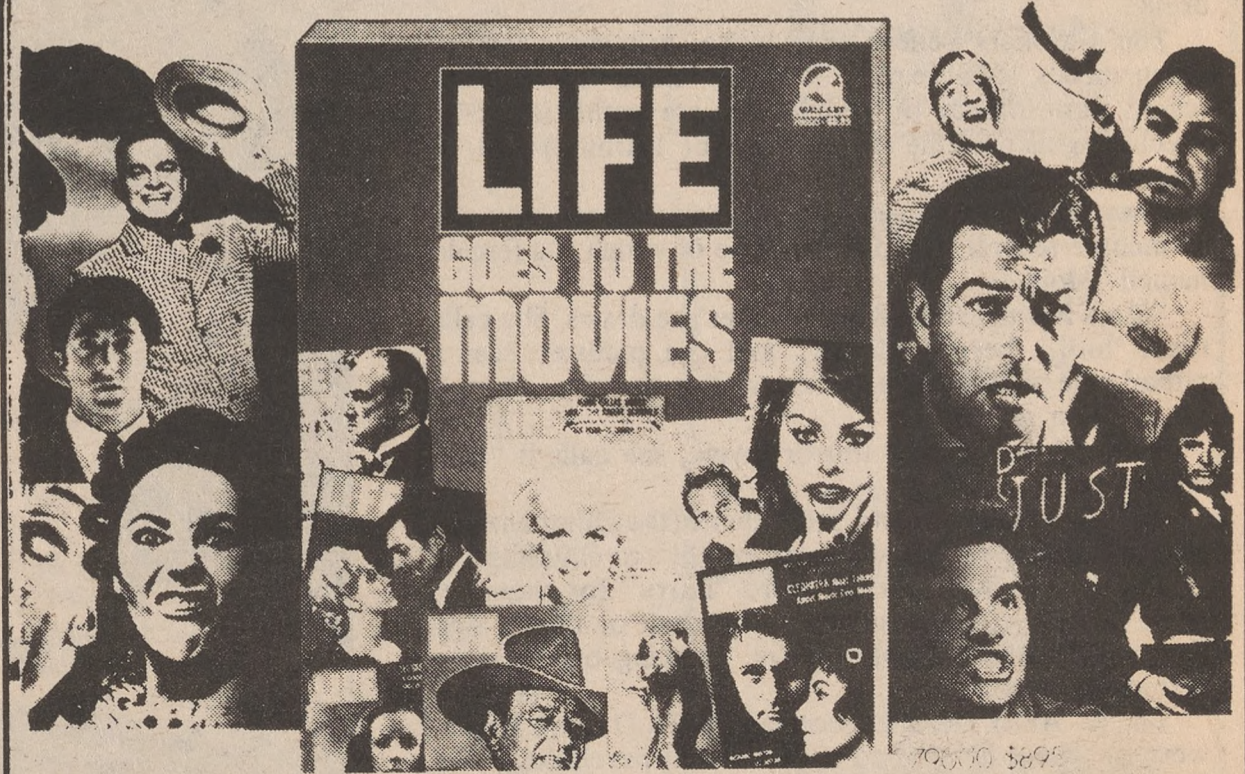
He also advised the students to make sure that the people who approach the legislature are well-versed in the subject matter. He said nothing could hurt the student cause more than a flippant presentation or a lack of fiscal knowledge.

On another matter, Bryan said he personally does not favor a proposal to split the Board of Regents, with one board for the universities and another for the community colleges.

"One Board of Regents a session is enough for me," he said.

Bryan is considered a leading candidate for the Democratic nomination for attorney general next year. He was narrowly defeated for the position in 1974 by Robert List. If not elected to a statewide office in 1978, Bryan still would have two years remaining in his state senate term.

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Rowe offers solution

ROSELYN RICHARDSON WEIR

To criticism regarding the type of concerts ASUN has been booking and the damage done by non-students at a recent concert in the old gym, Kim Rowe, Vice-president of Activities, believes there is an answer.

According to Rowe, one problem in booking concerts was that when agents made an offer, ASUN had only five days to confirm it. But each offer had to be accepted by the activities board and okayed by the senate. Rowe said that since the music industry has grown tremendously (creating a greater supply and demand), this nine-year-old method has become outdated.

"The agents wanted a confirmation right away and we would have to wait a week for the Senate activities meeting. We lost a lot of good acts because it took too long to confirm," Rowe said.

One thing that dissatisfied Rowe with activities last year was the procedure used in booking. "My main concern was why we lost so many concerts last year, and it was this that prompted me to run for V.P. of activities," he explained.

Rowe therefore recently formed a special committee in charge of concerts. "This committee will let the booking agent know within 24 hours after the offer has been made whether we accept or not," said Rowe, who feels this step would greatly increase the type of offers ASUN receives.

According to Rowe, promoters and the activities

board are now drawing up a list of the types of groups ASUN wants. "The only acts they can offer have to be on the list, which has to be approved beforehand by the board and the Senate," Rowe said.

Another complaint leveled against the concerts booked so far this year has been the large non-student attendance. According to Rowe, after the concerts have been approved the promoter takes over. "ASUN buys block tickets, 1200 for the old gym and 1800 for the coliseum, which they offer to students for reduced rates," he explained.

For the last concert in the old gym, in which considerable damage was done to the gym floor, there were 1100 student tickets sold. Rowe feels that student attendance is good and that if students continue coming out for concerts, the activities board will try to get a larger block of tickets.

Rowe apparently feels the critical bite regarding the concerts booked this semester, but said that students have a diversified taste in music. "Promoters will offer groups that the whole Reno area wants so they can make money," he said. "I think it is a concern, and the activities board is trying to handle it, but there is only so much we can do about the type of offers we get," he added.

According to Rowe, the spring concert season looks good. "I'm pleased with the way it is working this semes-

ter, but we'll definitely get better as Reno gets bigger and better facilities are offered for our use," he said. Rowe feels that there may be a possibility of using the MGM facilities and indicated this is being checked out.

Asked whether ASUN competed with Sundowner activities, Rowe said it was hard to compete with them. "They have the Armory booked on all major weekends that I know of. Their activities are usually well-attended so it's hard to compete with them," said Rowe. "I know that at homecoming we decided not to do anything because of the Sundowner activities," he added.

Among his plans as Vice-President of Activities, Rowe mentioned an additional showcase of activities. "These would be smaller, more inexpensive and flexible acts that would really be varied and could run anywhere from singers to hypnotists to mimes," he stated. According to Rowe, these activities would be staged in the afternoons and evenings to offer students more diverse diversion.

Rowe complimented his board for their involvement this year. "We have a really good board that is a mixture of experience, interest and new people," he explained.

Rowe, a member of SAE, ran on the track team for two years before becoming involved with ASUN. A junior majoring in economics, he indicated an interest in either law school or a masters degree in business, but is yet undecided.

Gardners teach animals to 'speak'

TERRIE NAULT

Anyone who has stared into the face of a family pet, wishing that the animal could communicate, will be impressed with the work of Dr. R. Allen Gardner and Dr. Beatrice Gardner.

The Gardners, psychology professors at UNR are world famous for teaching sign language to chimpanzees and they shared their experiences in a free public program Thursday, Dec. 1.

The Gardners began their research in 1966 when they shared their Southwest Reno ranch with an 11-month old female chimp named "Washoe" and succeeded in teaching her Ameslan (American Sign Language).

Washoe learned over 132 signs from simple words to complete sentences in 51 months and eventually was signing to herself, other chimps—even dogs and cats.

"One of the things that had us excited was Washoe's novel use of signs," Dr. Beatrice Gardner said.

"She could make up her own phrases and labels."

Dr. Gardner explained that Washoe's expression for the potty chair for example, was "dirty good."

"To her, this was a place where it was good to be dirty."

Washoe's label for the refrigerator was "open food drink."

The Gardners believe that higher primates, such as chimpanzees, can acquire language skills if they are reared from infancy by people who are sophisticated in psycholinguistics (the technology of learning) and in chimpanzee nature.

They have recently expanded their laboratory work to include several chimpanzees—one of which is a female named "Moja."

"Moja has names for the pictures she draws. She calls them 'bird,' 'berry,' 'flower,' and the pictures bear a remarkable resemblance to the names she gives them," Dr. Gardner said.

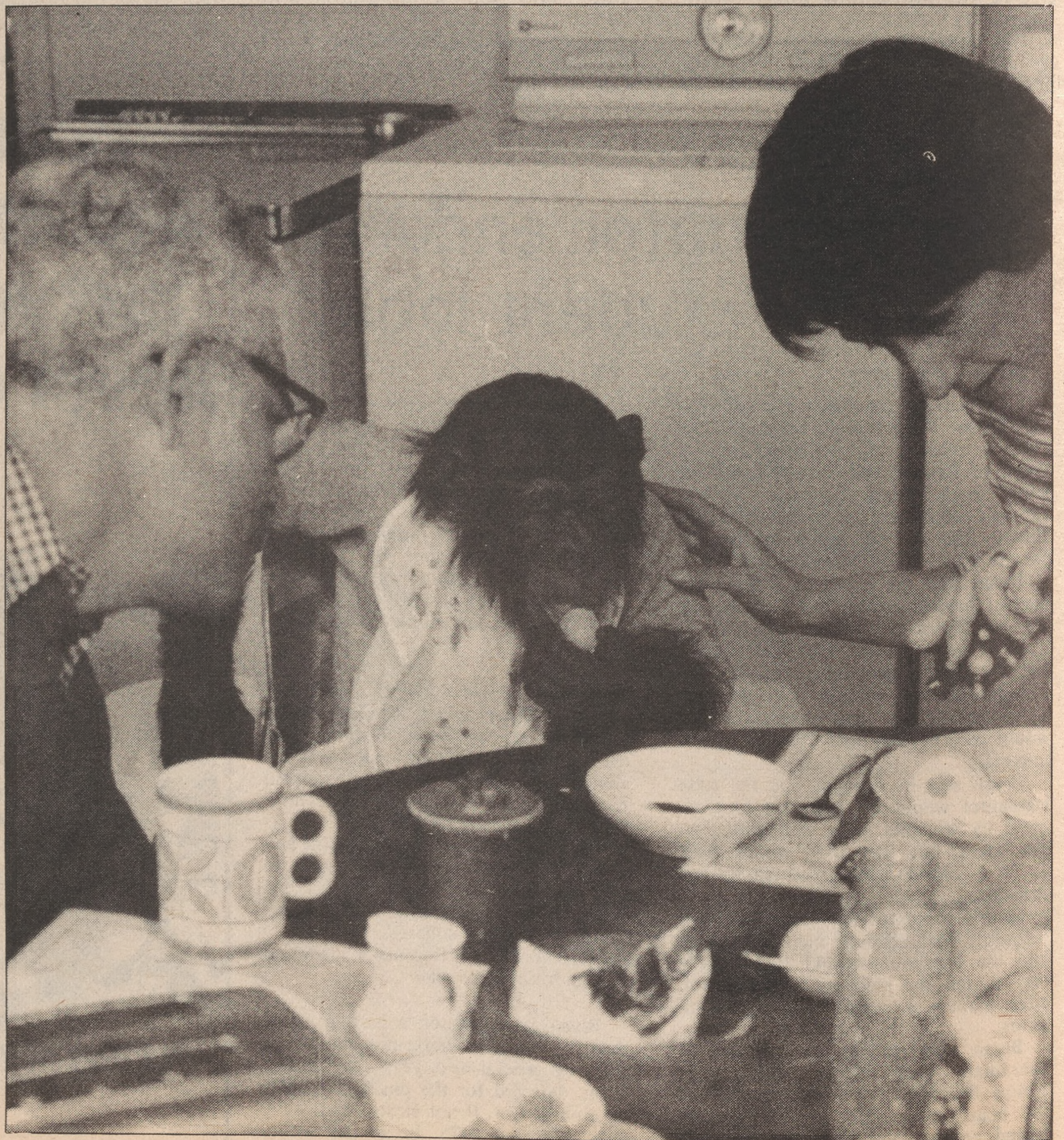
When Moja sees her mirror image, she calls it "that black me."

"It's exciting for us to seem them (the chimpanzees) sign to themselves. It's lovely because it's so childlike."

The chimps will sign the word "hurry" for example, when they're rushing to the potty chair or they'll sign the word "quiet" when they're sneaking off to some forbidden place.

Dr. R. Allen Gardner received his Ph.D from Northwestern where he studied experimental psychology. Dr. Beatrice Gardner received her D.Phil. from Oxford where she studied ethology (the naturalistic study of animal behavior).

Their Dec. 1 program combined discussion, lecture, slides and film making their research easy to follow and understand. It was also interpreted for the deaf.



Drs. Allen and Beatrice Gardner at home with Washoe.

Periphery

Literary pleasures

Ten instructors from the Department of English will be reading passages from their favorite works, Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. in the Center for Religion and Life.

"The Pleasures of Literature" is this year's theme for the annual reading. Master of ceremonies Dr. Susan B. MacDougal and Dr. Ahmed Essa, coordinator of the program, said that this theme was chosen to generate the special enthusiasm of people reading something that gives them great pleasure.

Included in the list of readers are Dr. Richard Brown, Dr. William Wilborn, Dr. Lorena Stookey, Dr. Robert Diamond, and Beth Carney who will present foreign literature.

Catalogue expanded

The addition of 290 drawers to the card catalogue at the UNR library provides a 27 per cent space increase which is "critical" to the cataloguing process, according to Dorothy Rice, technical services librarian.

According to Rice, about 500 cards are added to the catalogue daily. Although the catalogue was expanded in December, 1975, additional drawers were needed to keep pace with the library's rapid development, she said.

Five new cabinets will increase the number of drawers from 1,080 to 1,370, making it easier for cataloguers to file in the previously overcrowded drawers. Faster filing will help keep the catalogue current for researchers, the librarian said.

"We've been needing the extra space for over a year," Rice reported.

She explained that because of the cost, the expansion was carefully planned. All 1,370 drawers must be relabeled, demanding hours of work. The 1975 expansion, she said, cost nearly \$1,000 in labor.

The catalogue has been relocated in a more accessible area adjacent to the reference desk and the side-by-side arrangement provides clear visibility and easier use of the catalogue, she said.



You're ugly, Hollis

Paul Hollis was named winner of the UNR Ugly Man contest at half-time of the Homecoming football game last month. Hollis, representing Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, raised \$69.35 for the March of Dimes. The contest raised a total of \$106.95 for the charity.

In second place was Bill Swindell, Alpha Tau Omega. Bill Orthner was third, and Dean Robert Kinney, representing Spurs, was fourth. The event was sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega.

Travis to be hypnotized

Karnac rivaled

Bengston The Great, Master Hypnotist and chief rival of Karnac the Magnificent will be the featured attraction in a special ASUN Showcase event on Thursday, Dec. 8 at noon in the Jot Travis Lounge.

As VP of Activities Kim Rowe likes to explain: "A clinical hypnotist as well as a stage, night club and campus entertainer, Bengston will perform the hypnosis of volunteer subjects on stage within a two-hour presentation of humor, action and audience participation all rolled into one."

The ASUN showcase event is open to both students and non-students. Admission is free, but ASUN students get in freer than others.



Who's who at UNR

Twenty-one UNR students have been selected for *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for 1977-78*, Robert G. Kinney, associate dean of students, has announced.

A certificate will be presented to each student by President Max Milam during a coffee hour next spring.

This award represents academic achievement, quality of leadership, integrity of character and responsible participation in a wide range of university activities. A point system is established for evaluating the activities, with a minimum of 125 points necessary to apply.

Who's Who students are Mary Glenn, Sharon Gronberg, Cheryl Martinelli, Laura Milam, Kathleen Milbeck, Cynthia Pappas, Cheryl Porter, Nancy Seufferle, Lisa Spatz, Lance Turner, and Sharon Zadra from Reno; Garey Chayra, Dorothy Hathaway and Sara Morgan from Las Vegas; Sheila Cameron and Dianne Winne from Carson City; Suella Elser from Elko; Paul Etchegoyen from Minden; Shauna Amick from Alturas, Calif.; Loryanne Bacioco from Millbrae, Calif.; and Pawl Hollis from Bishop, Calif.

Accountants meet

The Student Accounting Society will hold a meeting for the nomination and election of spring semester officers on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. in RBA, room 106. Accounting students are urged to attend.

Alumni informed

The UNR Alumni Association will soon begin publishing a magazine concerning university and alumni affairs.

The first issue of *Nevada University Magazine* will appear this month. "We're moving from a newspaper format of six issues a year to a magazine format with four quarterly issues," said Harry Gianneschi, director of alumni relations and editor of the new magazine.

The magazine will be sent free to all alumni throughout the nation. It will include six departments: Campus, Focus, Feature, Sports, Review and Wolf Tracks.

The December issue will have a feature on the Morrill Hall restoration and on the UNR Journalism Department. It will also include stories about alumni and what they're doing.

Gianneschi hopes that the magazine, "a major financial investment, will pay off with better communication between alumni and the university." He also hopes that since the alumni will be better informed, they will support the University to a greater degree.

Windy, but mellow

On Thursday, Dec. 8, the 65-piece UNR Symphonic Wind Ensemble will present its fall concert.

The program will be drawn from the essence of wind band repertoire, including selections by Ralph Vaughn-Williams, Robert Jager, Don Gillis, John Barnes Chance, John Philip Sousa, and Dimitri Shostakovich.

Of particular interest will be the wind ensemble's presentation of David Schanke's *Five Mellow Winds*, for solo wind quintet and concert band, "In Memory of Glenn Miller."

The concert, under the direction of music department chairman, Dr. Roscoe M. Booth, will be presented at 8 p.m. in the Church Fine Arts Theatre on campus. There is no admission charge.

Healthy librarian

A librarian with 10 years of experience in Nevada has been named head of the Life and Health Sciences Library at UNR, effective Nov. 15.

Anne Amaral, who worked in reference at the state library and has been interlibrary loan and reference librarian at UNR for five years, succeeds Joan Zenan, who was appointed head of the School of Medical Sciences Library in July.

Amaral earned her Master of Library Science degree at the University of California at Berkeley.

Recently, she completed a comprehensive study of a new federal copyright law and its projected effects on libraries. Her findings were the basis for a workshop at a Nevada Library Association convention this fall.

The new appointee will work closely with Zenan to split the existing life and health sciences collection, in anticipation of the medical library's projected opening next spring.

Amaral also serves on the university's Environmental Studies Board.

Fast food nixed

A request by a review committee in the School of Home Economics for vending machines with nutritious snacks (soups, fruit, milk and sandwiches) was recently disapproved, according to a staff member.

They were told by the university purchasing office that these kinds of machines would be in direct conflict with the dining commons.

Members of the review committee were puzzled because vending machines are presently in operation in the School of Medical Sciences and the Recreation and Physical Education Department.

The home economists feel snacks could be helpful to students and staff attending night classes on a tight schedule.

Many persons now feel uncomfortable about walking around the campus since the Mitchell tragedy near the College of Agriculture, a spokeswoman said.

The review committee will continue to study the snag in getting the vending machines.

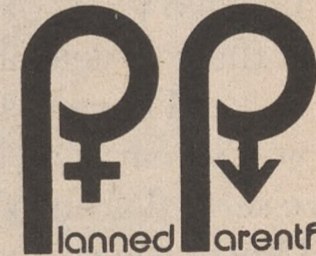
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Events Dec.

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3 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Publications Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
7 p.m.—Old Time Radio Shows, Jack Benny shows and film, *The Great Radio Comedians*; Washoe County

Tuesday

Library, Reno branch.
7:30 p.m.—Folk-dancing; Travis Lounge, Union. Beginners welcome. Please wear soft-soled shoes.
8 p.m.—English Dept. Readings, "The Pleasures of Literature"; The Center for Religion and Life.
Movie—*Star of the Magi*; Fleischmann Atmospherium-Planetarium. Show times are Tuesday through Friday at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday at 1:30, 3 and 8 p.m.

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Noon—ASUN Publications Board agenda deadline.
5 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Activities Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
5 p.m.—Meeting, Associated Women Students; East-West Room, Union.

Wednesday

7 p.m.—Films, *Chinese Art—An Odyssey* and *Ski The Outer Limits*; Thompson Auditorium.
7 p.m.—Art Department Film, *Conrack*; Scrugham Engineering-Mines.
7 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Senate; Mack Social Science, Room 7.
8 p.m.—Holiday On Ice; Centennial Coliseum.
8 p.m.—Trombone Choir Performance; Church Fine Arts Theater. Sponsored by the Music Department.
8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Jessie and the Bandit Queen*; Sparks Civic Theater.

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Noon—ASUN Activities Board and Senate agenda deadline.
Noon—Bengston, Master Hypnotist; Travis Lounge, Union. Free.

Thursday

6 p.m.—Meeting, ASUN Finance Control Board; Ingersoll Room, Union.
7:30 p.m.—Meeting, Historical Society. History of the Nevada Air Guard and techniques of oral history to be discussed; Washoe County Library, Sparks branch. Open to the public.
8 p.m.—Holiday On Ice; Centennial Coliseum.
8 p.m.—Concert Band; Church Fine Arts Theater. Sponsored by the UNR Music Department.
8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Jessie and the Bandit Queen*; Sparks Civic Theater.

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Friday

Noon—ASUN Finance Control Board agenda deadline.
8 p.m.—Holiday On Ice; Centennial Coliseum.
8:15 p.m.—Free Christmas Concert, New Penny Singers; Pioneer Theater Auditorium.
8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Jessie and the Bandit Queen*; Sparks Civic Theater.
Men's Basketball, UNR vs. UNLV, away.

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8 p.m.—Holiday On Ice; Centennial Coliseum.
8 p.m.—Lecture, Hal Lindsey, author of *The Late Great Planet Earth*; Pioneer Theater Auditorium.
8:30 p.m.—Drama, *Jessie and the Bandit Queen*; Sparks Civic Theater.

Saturday

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Sunday

Holiday On Ice; Centennial Coliseum, 1:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m.—Roy Radin's Vaudeville '77, Nevada State Highway Patrol benefit; Pioneer Theater Auditorium.
8 p.m.—ASUN Movie, *Sleeper*; Thompson Student Services Center. ASUN members free.

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6 p.m.—Meeting, Law Club; Ingersoll Room, Union.

Monday

In Exile

Krueger returns

Professor studies fossils; doesn't like work

BRUCE KRUEGER

A major addition to the continuing study of human origins is the new book, *Prehistoric Men: Where are they now?* soon to be published by Mandible Press. The author, Dr. Lionel Crawley, is the noted English anthropologist and adventurer widely recognized in scientific circles as the fellow over there wearing the pith helmet. Crawley spent the last three years examining the fossils beds in East Africa before discovering he didn't like the work much. The book, a journal of his experiences, has great import for modern man, particularly if his first name is Morris and he lives in Port Huron. Critics will agree that it deserves a place alongside Crawley's first classic, *The Neanderthal: God's Edsel*. Selected excerpts follow:

This week's mail brings a letter from the New-York Hominid Society announcing that my grant will expire July next. The news has unsettled all of us, especially Nicholae (Nicholae Tufescu, Crawley's associate, a dissident Rumanian paleontologist who in 1959 defected, inexplicably, to Bulgaria.) He has now taken to playing dirges on his ocarina while circling my tent. Our Somali labourers, perhaps because of the hardships they have always faced, remain impassive. To cheer them up, and focus Nicholae's attention away from my tent, I performed my "Animals of the Bush" routine, a divertisse-

and Curio Store, and decided to entertain the members of the expedition. With the mask tightly over his head, he spent the evening jumping about and singing in high-pitched accents. Our Somali labourers thought this an excellent time to sleep on the other side of the hill, and left. Undaunted, Nicholae continued his jolly dance until he pirouetted into the excavation pit, breaking the sifter, the mask, and somehow not his skull. Nicholae is contrite, of course, and I can do nothing but forgive him. Even the Somalis want to let bygones be bygones, at least after they've given him a brief stoning.

Christmas Eve. A time of joy often engenders sad introspection. Nicholae is despondent; he doubts his professional worth. "I am a failure at science," he told me this afternoon. "I am no paleontologist!" I tried to dissuade him from his harsh self-evaluations, but he would have none of it. "Think of me," he smiled sadly, "not as you would have me, but for what I am—a swan." He's been floating around in the lake since four o'clock. I am perplexed, and until I figure out what to do, I had better go to toss him some bread crumbs.

The team has spent 36 months in the equatorial sun, methodically searching and probing the desert terrain. We have found nothing. Today one of the Somalis' dogs ran off and returned five minutes later with an *Australopithecene* tibia. Nicholae suggests we offer the dog a position as an associate. I am agreeable, but wonder if we can work out the terms.

Didn't sleep a wink last night worrying over the philosophical implications of our work. By identifying man with his less evolved ancestors are anthropologists taking a sarcastic swipe at the D.A.R.? Seneca assumed that it was man's ability to reason which separates him from the animals, but then he never encountered the weekend crowd at a singles' bar. One thing is certain, the essence of mankind cannot be all things to all people, especially if they hope to have something in common. Therefore we must know: Is man's aggressive and violent behavior unalterably inherited from his primal ancestors? and, if so, will the argument stand up in an assault and battery trial? These are not pleasant questions. Members of the scientific establishment have been known to fling oatmeal at the person foolhardy enough to ask.

Further digging continues at the sediment beds east of camp. Early this morning we turned up, for some reason, a tam o'shanter and two tickets to the Radio City Music Hall's Easter program. I fear the desert heat may be getting to Nicholae. He has started to collect sand. So far he has seven large piles and is in the process of roping them off. His curious activities of late have intrigued Dr. Ronald Ogendo, a psychologist at the University of Nairobi, who arrived at our camp this afternoon. Dr. Ogendo is presently researching the deprivations of the desert upon anthropologists, and how they are able to cope with the effects of dry, lifeless hair. He hopes to persuade Nicholae to journey with him to Nairobi for closer study, or, failing that, to sign a release allowing himself to be stuffed and mounted.

Eureka! We have discovered what appears to be a complete skeleton of a three-million-year-old *Homo habilis* (Latin, "handyman," so named for its invention and use of tools as well as its distinctive cotton overalls). Man's presence over such a vast expanse of time humbles me, and I resolve to be more patient in theatre queues. The specimen will undoubtedly teach us much about our prehistory. Of great interest is the unusual relationship between the fossil's anklebone and pelvis. If I am correct in my assumptions, we can prove conclusively when man first skipped. Such possibilities astound me. I think of Man the Resourceful, the Redoubtable, and marvel at the give and take of human evolution. I conjure up a mental picture of the first hominid harnessing fire and his consequent difficulty of keeping the briquets from going out. Nicholae is elated as well. He is happily puttering away with his brushes and glue. His restoration of the fossil proceeds apace: the jawbone completed, the cervical vertebrae coming along nicely. But I think we're going to have some trouble with the antlers.



ment which never fails to break up the folks in Pontre- fact. It was, on the whole, well received, and many of them approached me afterwards to spit on my shoe. For myself, I have mixed emotions about the project ending. It will be good to conclude the three year expedition and move on to other challenges—India perhaps. On the other hand, my only startling discovery thus far is the small and arbitrary amount of credit extended at Nairobi's finer restaurants.

We have moved our camp fourteen miles northwest. The new site suggests excellent anthropological treasures: the terrain perfect, the sediment beds promising. Now if I can just find my shovel. Perhaps what exhilarates me most is the Mado-Gashi Fossil, Curio & Artifact Store only three hundred yards away. I made it a point to price their *Ramapithecus* clavicles.

Since this area is reputed to lack neither wild game nor fossils, it is naturally crowded with roaming tribesmen and anthropologists. Yesterday evening, owing to Nicholae's penchant for chasing gemsbok, we inadvertently trespassed onto their territory. From every direction they came at us, wailing, cursing and shaking their spears. It was a close call. Fortunately we were able to buy our way out by giving them our meerschaums and a subscription to *National Geographic*. Nicholae must stop his antics, the Leakeys may not be so easily appeased next time.

A quiet day at camp. We await supplies including a new sifter, the old one having been broken last night. Nicholae had bought an African mask from the Fossil



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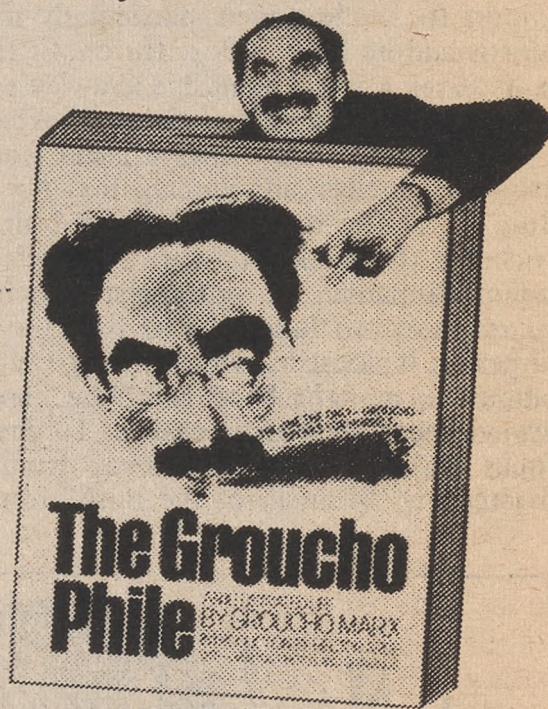
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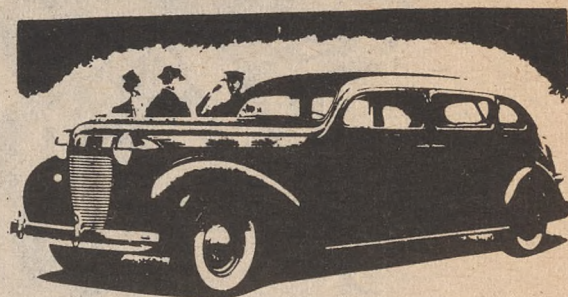
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Sports

Technical fouls costly

Pack falls to Aztecs

STEVE MARTARANO

With a chance of national ranking staring them in the face, the UNR basketball team suffered its first loss of the season—a 113-88 drubbing at San Diego State Saturday night.

The game was the fourth that week for the Wolf Pack, who now drop to 5-1 on the season. Two nights prior to the San Diego loss, UNR scored a thrilling come-from-behind 89-81 overtime win at Cal-Berkeley. After that, a win over San Diego could have launched UNR into the nation's top 20 for the first time in history.

"We played six games in 10 days and now we don't play again until Dec. 12," said disappointed coach Jim Carey. "San Diego wasn't even in the same league as Cal-Berkeley, but they completely outplayed us. We really need all the practice time we'll be getting."

Fouls, both technical and personal, ultimately did the Pack in. Junior guard Johnny High fouled out with 16:23 left in the game after scoring 16 points, and center Edgar Jones also fouled out. Jones finished the night (nine points and eight rebounds) with 9:19 left.

Carey said, "We just didn't play offense. We did a lot of standing around. It seems as though the teams are trying to rile Jones early. That seems to be a basic game plan now."

While Carey always has been reputed for drawing technical fouls, the team's foul situation Saturday was unprecedented. After Jones fouled out, he argued with an official and was called for two technicals. Carey jumped into the act and was also called for two while the bench received one.

The result was a free-throw shooting spree by San Diego's Joel Kramer. He made six of nine freebies which ultimately put the game out of reach. "That's the most shots at once I've ever seen taken," Carey said. "I just started talking to the refs but they wouldn't listen. The guy just started clicking them off and wouldn't stop."

Though UNR was listless against San Diego, it was quite the opposite situation in the overtime win against Cal-Berkeley.

Although trailing by 14 at the half, the Pack rallied to tie it and send the game into overtime. UNR's main man was Jones, who finished with 33 points and 17 rebounds to awe the Berkeley crowd. He did all that despite being burdened with four fouls the second half.

Against Cal, UNR's Steve Hunter ended with 14 points and High had 16. Mike Stallings had his best night of the young season with 10 points and 13 rebounds.

In UNR's San Diego loss, Mike Gray and Hunter were the big Pack scorers. Hunter hit his career high with 27 points while Gray had 20.

Apparently *Sports Illustrated* magazine has taken an interest in the Pack's fast start. According to Carey, *SI* writer Joe Jares spent two-and-a-half days with the team for a possible story which may come out in the next issue of the weekly magazine.

After more than a week of much-needed practice, the Pack will hit the road again. Nebraska is next in line as UNR will be in Lincoln Dec. 12. Two days later, Reno will attempt to break UNLV's 60 plus home win streak.

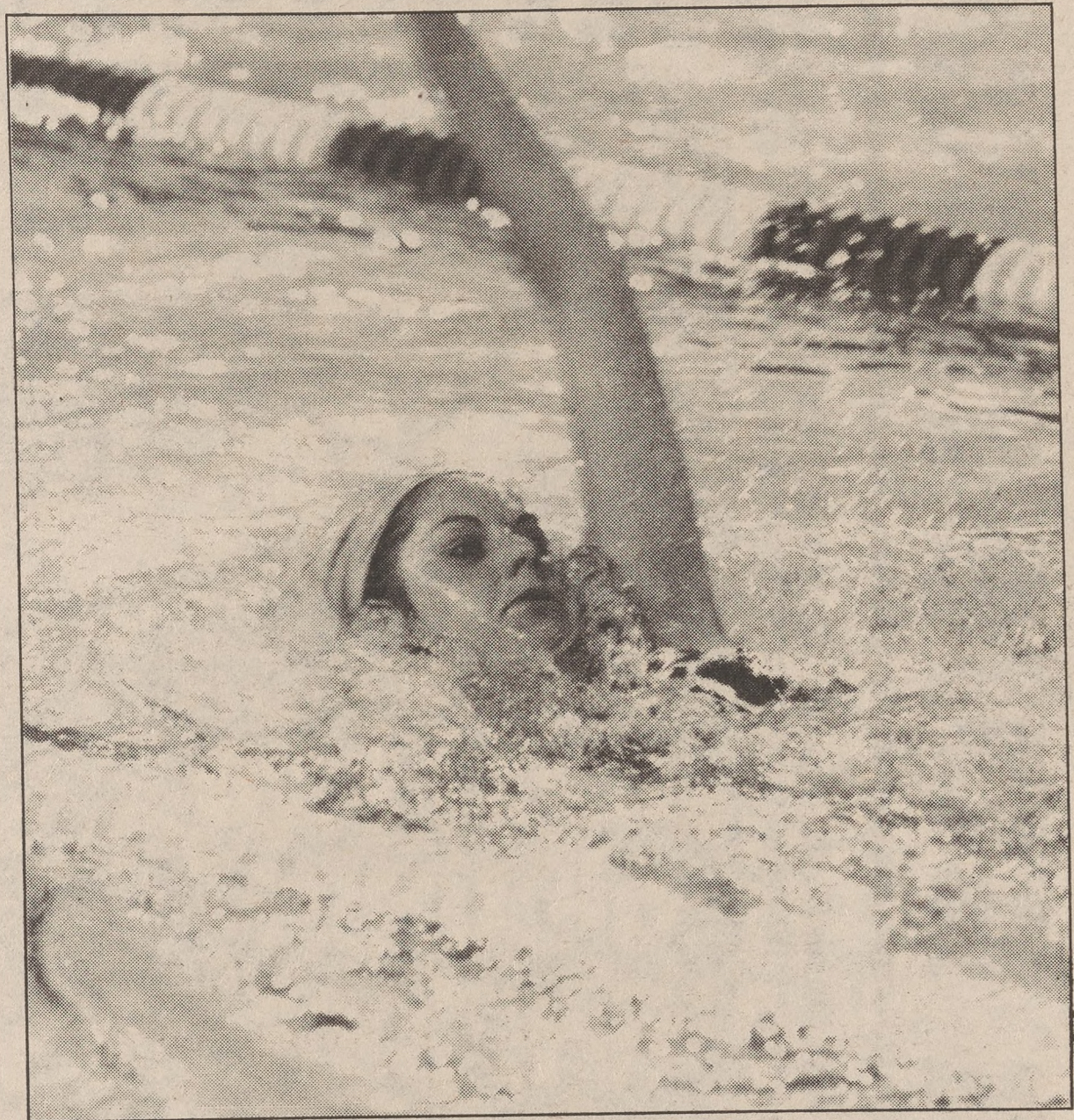


Photo by Siri

Swimmers still undefeated but face many problems

DAVE YEARY

The first major repercussions from the Golden State Conference's decision to exclude UNR women from competition were felt last weekend when the women's swim team traveled to the conference relays in San Francisco. The Wolf Pack was invited as a guest participant, although ineligible for points and conference records. But the team was treated as anything but guests.

"They treated us like second class citizens," said coach Jerry Ballew. "We shouldn't have even gone down. They invited Southern Oregon to the thing and had them swim against us. I can't even say how well we swam, since I don't have anything to compare us to."

UNR was rarely allowed to swim against the conference teams, except when only five conference teams had entered one event in the six-lane pool.

UNR was mostly designated to swim against JV and B teams. Ballew was especially angry because of the trouble the team went through to get there.

"We finished our meet with Davis (which UNR won 89-51), hopped into the car and made the five hour trip. Then we had to get up early the next morning for the meet, which turned out to be just a workout. The kids could have better used the time for study."

UNR is supposed to host the conference championships but Ballew is skeptical about the whole thing. "I don't know if I want to put in all that effort and go to all that trouble to be treated the way we were Saturday," he said.

The Pack has only one more meet this semester, Saturday against San Jose State at the Lombardi Recreation Building. The team will have four meets in the spring.

Netters win own tourney

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The UNR women's volleyball team ended its season on a successful note last weekend, winning the championship of its own freshman-sophomore tournament. Of the 20 players on the combined varsity-junior varsity team, 16 played in of the Wolf Pack. "We are very young," said coach Kaprice Rupp. And this tournament gave us some needed experience. It was a good team effort to win the tournament."

UNR had two teams in the tournament. The No. 1 team consisted of varsity players and the No. 2 team had JV players. The No. 1 team, eventual champions of the tournament, beat Butte 15-8, 15-5; Nevada No. 2 15-12, 15-4; Consumnes River College 15-5, 15-6; and Pierce College 6-15, 15-13, 15-10 on action Friday. Saturday, the team beat Los Medanos 15-3, 15-2 and Pierce College again for a perfect 6-0 record and the title.

Inexperience plagued the team this year. UNR was inconsistent and made fundamental errors, but also played brilliantly at times. "We showed potential. The future looks very bright," said Rupp, whose team finished 14-10 in regular season competition and 14-12 overall. "We will have a strong nucleus of talent returning with experience next year."

UNR looked to be in contention for the Golden State Conference championship when, at mid-season, the Pack learned they had been kicked out of that conference. "We don't know how much that affected us," said Rupp. "It was really frustrating."

As far as a conference for next year, nothing is certain yet, but there are two options available. UNR can become independent or rejoin the Northern California Athletic Conference, which the team abandoned last year for the tougher competition of the Golden State Conference.

Intramural Notes

Because of complications with Buildings and Grounds, the intramural boxing matches didn't get off the ground a couple of weeks ago so they've been rescheduled.

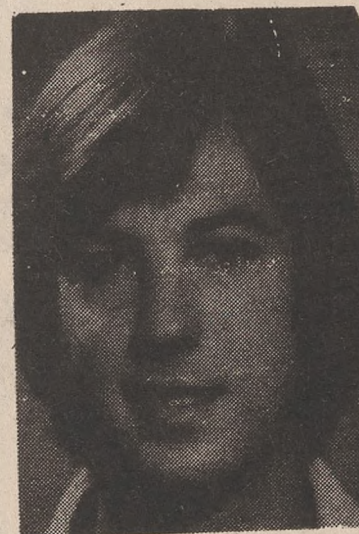
The matches should be held tomorrow and Thursday in the UNR old gym. Finals will be Thursday night beginning at 7 p.m.

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Included in the equipment available is camping and hiking gear, 10-speed bikes, and mountain climbing equipment.

The gear may be checked out on Thursdays and Fridays from 4 to 6 p.m. and may be used for three days. To take advantage of the service, just go up to the Lombardi Recreation Center and present your I.D.

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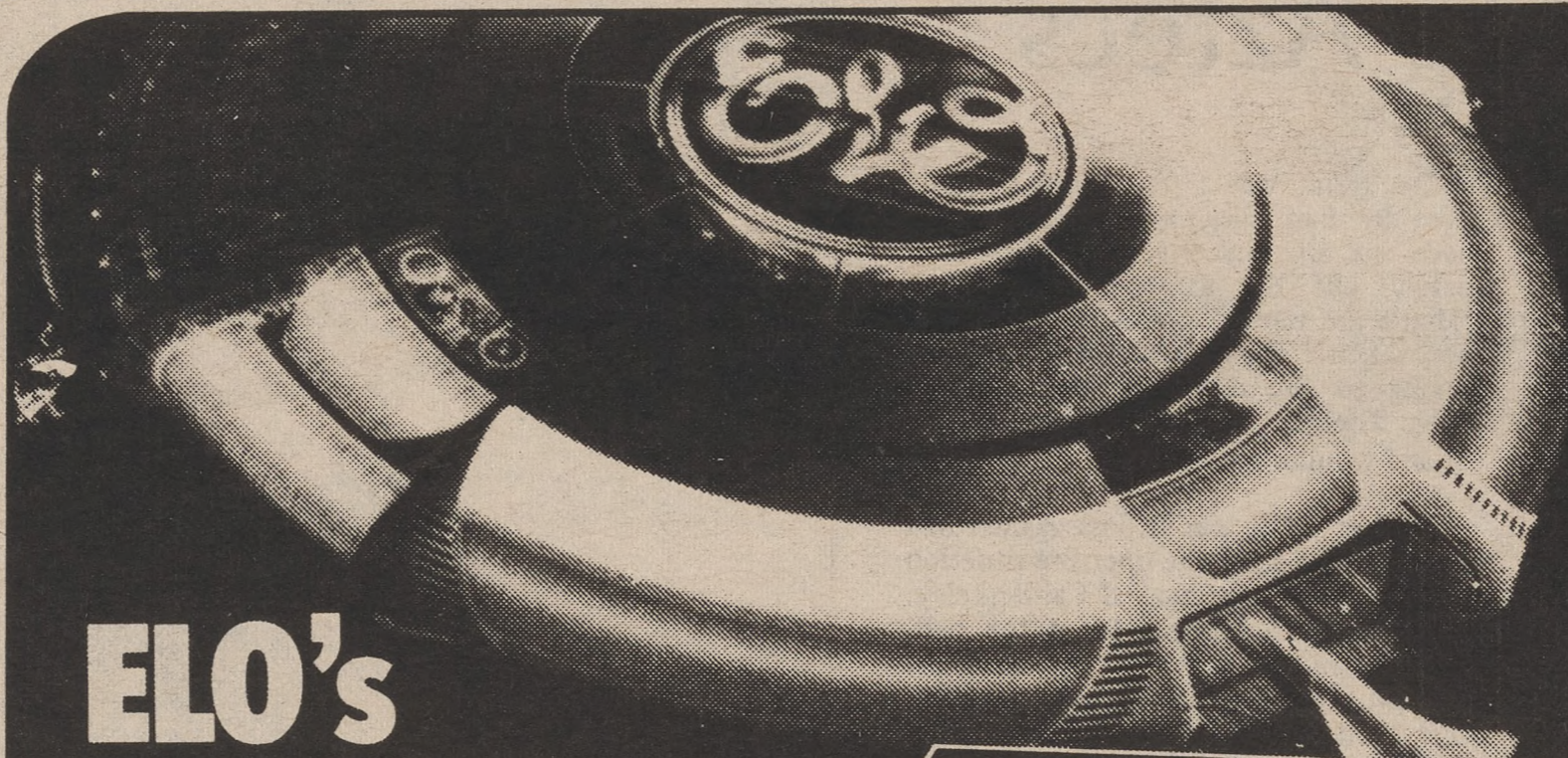
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