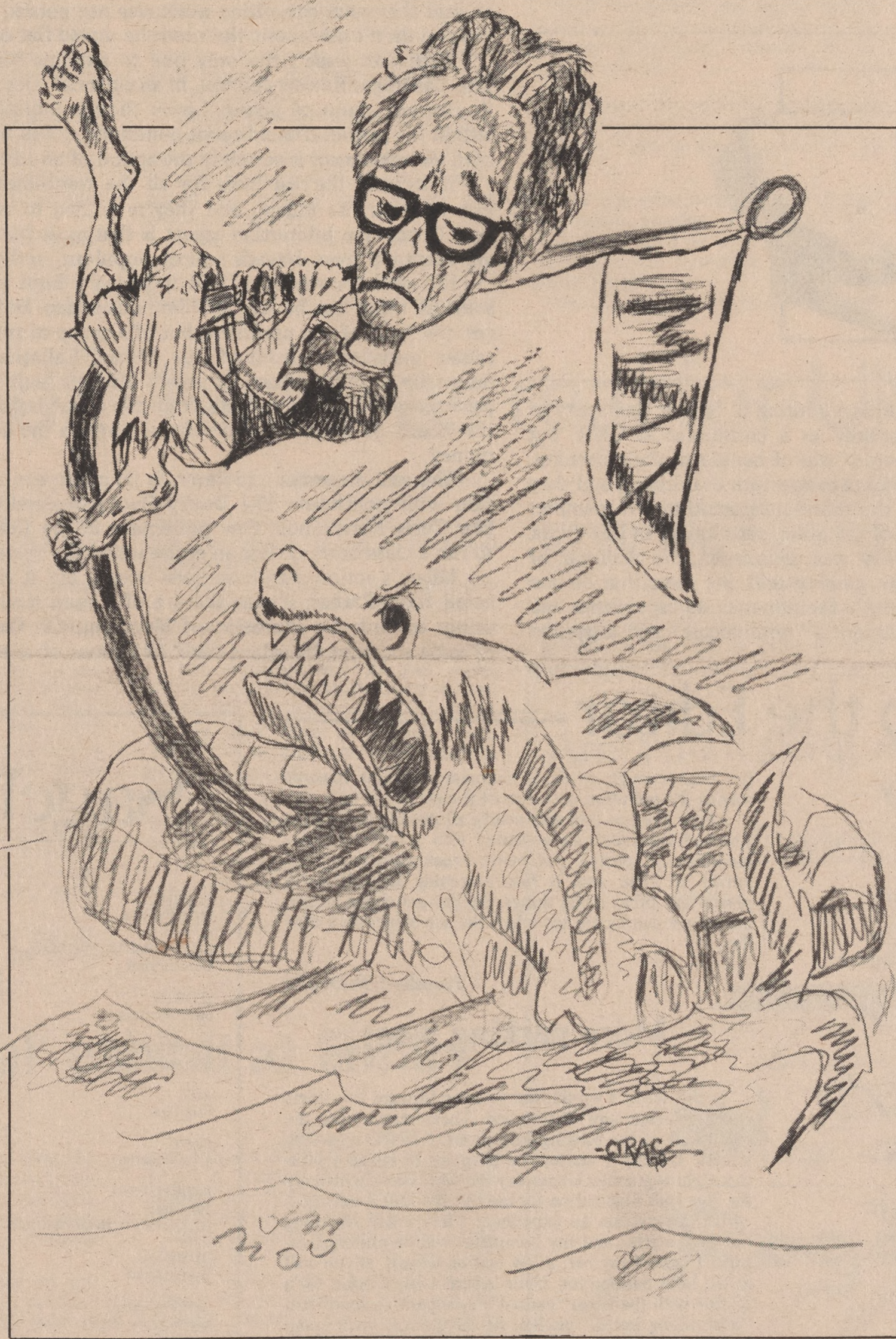


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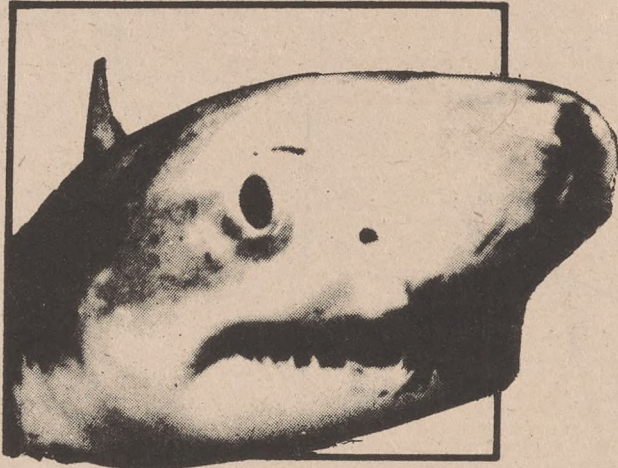
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Milam and the sharks

Comment

The smell of blood

The smell of blood brings out the politician-like the fictional shark—and the newspaper writer—looking for the kill. This seems especially true when the blood belongs to an unelected public servant. The unelected have no real constituency to look to for backing and make easy targets for those looking to enhance their electoral position. This is particularly a fun game when the target is also a member of the academic community, for instance, Max Milam.



This is not meant as a defense of Milam's hiring of former University of Nevada System Chancellor Neil Humphrey as a consultant at UNR, but rather of his right to do so if he believes it was of benefit to the university. The Board of Regents was within its rights to overturn that hiring, and they did so. What concerns us, however, is the ridiculous posturing of members of the Board of Regents and members of the press, particularly in Las Vegas.

When the appointment of Humphrey was announced, the chairman of the regents, James "Bucky" Buchanan, quickly told the press that he was "astounded," and "I really question Max's decision-making capabilities and competency." He termed the appointment a "boondoggle" and suggested that Milam's job might be on the line.

Buchanan was the regent, you might remember, who recently ran for election from a district in which he didn't live at the time. When pressured, Buchanan announced to the press that he would resign but never sent in his resignation. He later moved into the district and thumbed his nose at the rest of us.

Responding to Milam's explanation for his hiring of Humphrey, Buchanan said that such consulting work was not needed on the UNR campus. Notice, he didn't ask about the need; he stated flat out that their was no need.

Buchanan wasn't the only one to flap his "Jaws" at Milam, however. The Las Vegas Review-Journal, in an editorial Dec. 26, called Milam's action "a flagrant abuse of power," even though indications are that Milam was within his power. The editorial continued, "The hiring of Humphrey under such circumstances is certainly the action of an educated fool."

It appears the real basis for all the tooth-baring is that certain regents just want to fire Milam, and they're willing to use any excuse, no matter how flimsy. An interesting aspect is that most (though not all) of the sharks are snapping from Nevada's most populous, and political, area, Las Vegas.

It's well known that UNR is facing a huge number of problems, and some of those can be laid at Milam's doorstep. But the bulk of problems are not the fault of the president, but of a group of spineless regents who would rather genuflect in front of Gov. Mike O'Callaghan than support their own university administrators. It wasn't Milam's fault that the university didn't get enough funds to operate from the latest legislature; it was the fault of the Board of Regents, who refused to push the governor for the necessary money.

The real absurdity, however, is trying to run a system of higher education with politicians, like Bucky Buchanan, and gubernatorial appointees, like Chris Karamanos. Few politicians in the field have the qualifications to run a classroom, no less an entire university system.

Milam's action may have been wrong, but it was not the act of an educated fool. Rather, it was the act of a man trying to do some important things toward the education of Nevadans. On the other hand, the actions of some southern Nevadans were the actions of uneducated fools.

FALCONE

To the Editor

Editorial sympathy

The sorrow in your heart
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We understand and care.

Head you were appointed editor so sorry.
Rick Schindler
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Recall backed

I am fully supportive of your commentary by Mr. Strickland in the latest issue of the Sagebrush. The time has come to initiate an action to which the Reno City Council will pay heed. They paid no attention to recall forces two years ago when meadows citizens were asked in November to vote again on the sewer bond which the citizens had defeated in May. The council has ignored individuals in the community calling for at least a sensible growth plan. Not even EPA and \$15 million

has been enough to force concrete measures towards solving the pollution problems of the area.

I have lived in this area nearly all my life, and I have watched the meadows governed into a fouled conglomeration of potted pavement, weak structures and putrid air. The area is fast becoming unhealthy for plants and other living things. We can watch no longer, indeed we can barely see when the sun shines on a clear day.

Timothy J. McDonald

More parking woes

In this letter I would like to bring forward two items which concern and disturb me. These matters are the conditions of the parking authorities of UNPD regarding tickets. The other matter is a proposal to install a dark-room/photographic laboratory in Nye Hall funded by the Nye Hall Association for use by Nye Hall residents.

Let me explain an experience I had today regarding the first matter and my complaint will be self-explanatory. I parked my car, a VW station wagon, at the wall in the MSS parking lot. Upon return I saw a ticket for a \$5 fine with the items "parked in non-parking zone" and "obstructing traffic" circled. At the station when I confronted the student who had written the ticket, I was informed that it was possible that I may not have been obstructing traffic, but had been in a non-parking zone, though. What puzzled me was that the car that had been parked immediately behind mine, a car of almost twice the size of my VW had not been ticketed. To my question I received the answer, delivered with an insolent grin: "Hard luck, I did not see it." Without a doubt I feel that I have the right to doubt both the honesty of the answer and the fairness of the student giving the ticket.

I feel that, even though rules must exist and be observed, the enforcing of said rules must be handled by fair and competent agents of UNPD, not students who are guided by their own little petty feelings about their fellow students. I think that the quality of the very

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Senate approves more concerts

DON LaPLANTE

The ASUN Senate approved two concert offers Wednesday night, but authorization for one came only after discussion about the integrity of the promoter.

The senate unanimously approved an offer from the GMN Corporation, operated by Las Vegas promoter Gary Naseef, for a concert of Feb. 15 in the Centennial Coliseum featuring America and Cheech and Chong.

The controversy came over an offer by High Sierra Concerts, of which Mike Schivo is the general manager. The company offered Jimmy Buffett for a concert on April 19 in the old gym.

None of the senators said much about the concert, except to say it would be a good one. However, Senator Becky Blundell, arts and sciences, tore into Schivo at both the Activities Board and senate meetings.

She said there had been too many problems with Schivo in the past to warrant giving him another chance. She cited problems with the Outlaws concert when

Schivo requested funds from ASUN to cover some extra costs and his offers for the Blue Oyster Cult concert, which eventually went to another promoter. She also specifically questioned his conduct at the senate meeting when the Blue Oyster Cult concert was approved. She said she resented "thinly veiled threats" that Schivo allegedly made.

Schivo said his conduct at the senate meeting had simply been a human reaction and that he apologized for his remarks. He said he hoped the senate would approve the Jimmy Buffett concert on its merits.

Senator Mark Elston, business administration, said that although he did not approve of Schivo's conduct at the previous senate meeting, he was willing to accept his apology and approve the concert on its merits.

When the vote came it was 14-4 to approve the concert. The Activities Board had approved it earlier 6-1. Besides Blundell, those who voted no were Jodi

Gruber, arts and sciences, Cindy Thomas, business administration, and Frank Stokes, nursing. Senator Steve Martarano, arts and sciences, was absent from the

meeting. Senate president Dave Ritch votes only in case of a tie. He did, however, vote for the concert in the Activities Board, where he has a vote.

Both the America and Jimmy Buffett concerts still must be confirmed by the promoter before next Wednesday before they are official.

The senate also approved an Activities Board allocation of \$2,000 for the Winter Carnival, which is scheduled for Jan. 30 to Feb. 5.

The only other action to take place at the senate meeting was to set next Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for the first meeting of the committee to revise the ASUN constitution.

On Tuesday, the Publications Board

voted to accept the resignation of *Brushfire* editor Paul Lyon. Lyon had been under fire for failing to attend board meetings, but Lyon resigned because he would be moving out of town soon and would not be enrolled for classes in the spring semester.

The board also voted to make the *Brushfire* a literary supplement to the *Sagebrush* for the rest of the semester. Under this arrangement, the *Brushfire* would probably appear monthly as a 12-page insert to the *Sagebrush*. The new editor would be picked by *Sagebrush* editor Steve Falcone, because the *Brushfire* will technically be part of the newspaper.

These actions of the Publications Board will require approval by the senate when it meets next on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the East-West room of the Jot Travis Union.

Middle East was real for UNR prof

The Arab-Israeli War, to most people, is a front page news story about events happening on the other side of the world.

For LTC Richard A. Iori, UNR Military Science professor, impressions of the war are based on first-hand experiences because he was stationed at the border between the feuding nations for over a year.

Iori was senior representative for the U.S. Command in the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, Palestine, from January, 1976 to July, 1977 and he gives an account of his experiences in a dinner speech at the Onslow Hotel Casino, Saturday, Jan. 21.

The dinner, held in Parlor A of the Onslow, is a function of the Association of the United States Army, but is open to the public. The \$7 charge includes a cocktail hour beginning at 7 p.m., buffet dinner and dancing.

"Most people are not aware that the United States is a part of the United

Nations Truce Supervision Organization," Iori said. "And I think it would be of interest to learn what U.S. forces are doing in Palestine as part of this special military unit.

"When I was there, the organization numbered 298 officers representing 17 different nations—and none of us had weapons."

Iori explained that he was senior officer over 35 American officers assigned to the unit.

"We were there to observe, which means that we had to be close enough to the action to accurately report what was happening"—a fact that made for harrowing experiences "if not daily, then weekly."

Iori commented that initially he felt frustrated about his passive role but decided that, on the whole, it was good not to be armed.

"If we (the U.N. Organization) had been armed, somebody would probably have gotten killed. In the 18 months we were there, no one in the unit was killed."

The main thing Iori learned over the 18 months of duty was that "despite different cultures, viewpoints and backgrounds in the military unit, we could

work together in a peace-keeping role."

Those who would like to hear more about Iori's experiences can make reservations for the Saturday dinner by calling Major Allan McGill at UNR's Military Science Department.

While reservations are encouraged, some tickets will be available at the door.

'New Deal' exhibit at library

KATHLEEN CONABOY

Because of the poverty propagated by the Great Depression, government programs designed to alleviate the hardships of the American people were instituted during the 1930s by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The programs, known under an umbrella term as the New Deal, provided work for jobless citizens in the fields of art, history, construction, conservation, forestry and archival work.

An exhibit designed to show the lasting effects of the New Deal ventures in Nevada is currently on display at the UNR library. Sponsored by the Special Collections Department, the exhibit contains New Deal publications, newspaper clippings and period photographs that explain the progress of the Civilian Conservation Corps and the Works Project Administration.

In Nevada, the CCC—which was directed by the departments of War, Interior, Agriculture and Labor—fought forest fires, worked on flood control and range problems and built roads and parks.

CCC members also served as excava-

tion crews at Pueblo Grande, or the Lost City, in southern Nevada and helped develop the Valley of Fire, Cathedral Gorge and Fort Churchill state parks.

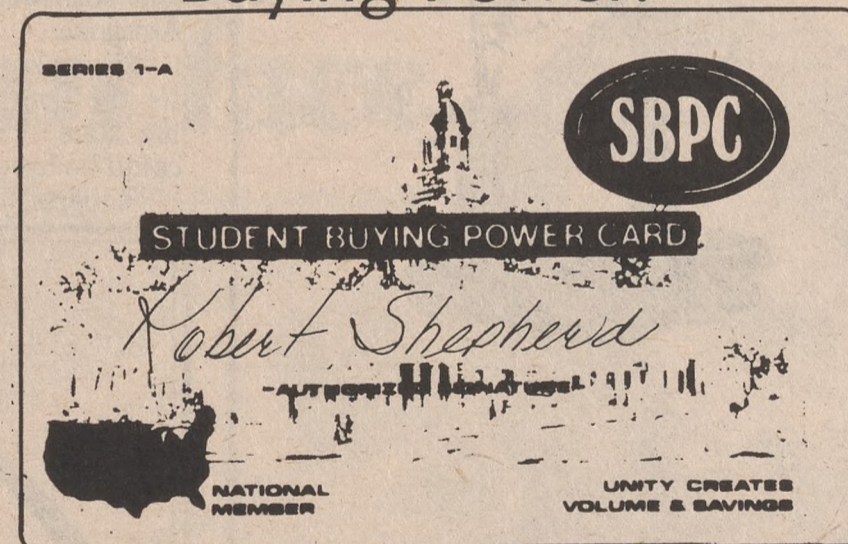
Many of the CCC photographs on display are from the Thomas W. Miller collection. Miller, who completed an oral history for the library in 1965, was the national organizer of the American Legion, the head of the CCC in Nevada and the first chairman of the Nevada State Park Commission.

The WPA, another New Deal agency, initiated the Historical Records Survey and the Writer's Project. In Nevada, these programs inventoried the records of the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches and conducted a statewide inventory of county records.

In 1938-39, workers with the WPA were on the UNR campus, building roads and walls and constructing parts of the present Mackay School of Mines.

The display, which runs throughout January, is composed entirely of sample materials from the Special Collections Department.

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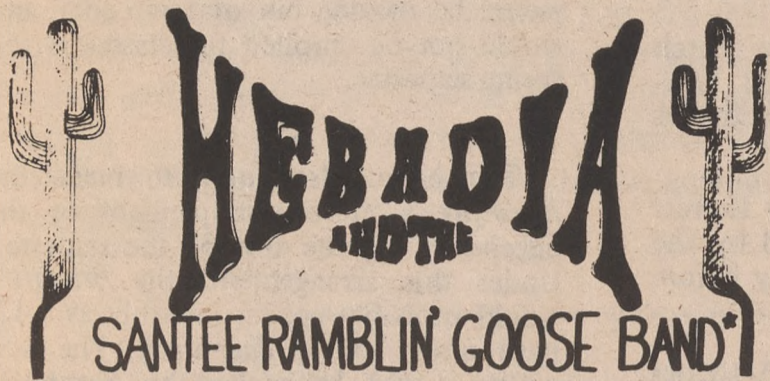
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Saying 'no' to the system

ALICE McMORRIS

Plays and novels can teach public administrators when to say "no" to the system, according to Dr. James Roberts, political science professor for 21 years at UNR.

Roberts, who has also had a career in government, designed a "plays-as-cases" workshop at the Federal Executive Institute in which civil service executives read and discuss literary works.

"Plays and novels are learning tools for public leaders in making value judgements," he said, adding that "there is a point to which an employee's personal beliefs can be overridden by the state."

Roberts developed and taught the first seven-week training session at the institute in Charlottesville, Va., in 1968. Since then, about 300 federal executives have attended the "value conflict sessions" each year.

"The play which has the greatest impact on administrators is Robert Bolt's acclaimed 'A Man for All Seasons,'" Roberts said. "When King Henry VIII of England wanted a divorce, Sir Thomas Moore risked his life and said 'no.'"

Although public officials don't lose their lives by refusing to follow a superior's commands, the play is relevant to an administrator's defiance of the system, said Roberts.

Henrik Ibsen's "Enemy of the People" involves an official who, in his zeal to improve health standards, declares the town water poisonous and destroys the community as a health spa. First treated as a hero, he was ultimately fired.

"This play has a modern-day counterpart in Dr. Edward Crippen, who was ousted as Nevada's public health officer after declaring there was too much arsenic in Fallon's water," Roberts point out.

Rather than choosing to die or lose his position, the 16th century astronomer Galileo gave in to authority.

"In Berthol Brecht's play 'Galileo' he is urged to recant his theory that the earth is not the center of the universe," said Roberts, "but, being an old man and not wanting to 'die for foolish reasons,' he agrees."

Roberts' role-playing techniques have been used by other government agencies, including the Navy Executive Training Program and the Bureau of Training. Nevada's personnel department has conducted workshops, and seminars have been held at UNR.

Renate Daniels, a state personnel analyst, found the session she attended helpful in examining options open to her before committing herself to a decision. The argument that ensued after reading Jean Anouilh's "Antigone" was stimulating, she said.

The modern version of Sophocles' tragedy involves King Creon's order to have Antigone killed after she refused to leave her dead brother's body exposed in the tradition of traitors. The king's decision resulted in his wife's alienation and the death of his son, who loved Antigone.

"It makes you examine what kind of an administrator the king was," said Daniels, an 18-year employee of the state. "You wonder what other options he had—could he have made another decision?"

Roberts' long career at the university has been

marked by forays into state government and overseas trips.

"If anything has distinguished my career here, it is the number of times I've gone away," the professor said.

He pointed to photographs on his office wall showing him with former secretary of state Dean Rusk and Eleanor Roosevelt. He has served under four Nevada governors in such capacities as deputy budget administrator and state chairman for the United Nations.

"All four of the last governors have been good pals," Roberts said, "and well aware of the state's needs. They did not reach perfection by any means, but each man should be given credit for substantial areas of improvement."

Roberts applauds Gov. Mike O'Callaghan for bringing women and minorities into effective positions in his administration.

He said he believes interaction between the government and the university is beneficial to both institutions. An example of a former faculty member who has entered state government is Dick Rottman, director of the insurance commission.

"If anything has distinguished my career here, it is the number of times I've gone away."

"There should be greater use by the government of university facilities," said Roberts.

In order not to "become too bookish," he has kept his contacts with public officials, many of whom he teaches his graduate public administration classes in Reno and Carson City.

"Teaching public employees gives me a better understanding of the way government works," he stated.

The bearded professor has developed public administration programs in Mexico, Nigeria and Pakistan.

Roberts received his undergraduate degree at Harvard, his master's degree from the University of Southern California and his doctorate from the University of North Carolina.

"It has been fun," he said of his varied career.

Parking woes (cont. from page two)

competent police officers of UNPD is disgraced by the bad and unjust acts of certain student-employees.

Regarding the second issue, of a photographic laboratory in Nye Hall, I would like to point out that the condition that this University forces on the students is a disgrace to any person who has or will ever work with photography. Especially in an art such as this, the choice of chemicals should and must be left up to the individual who wishes to work in a laboratory. With the differences in quality in papers and films on the market, the idea to charge a student \$2 per diem with the reason that chemicals are provided, must strike anybody who has worked with photography as illogical, not to say ludicrous. Those individuals who are willing to use any chemical on their film solely for the convenience of not having to carry bottles around should either take a course in photography or send their pictures to Kodak.

I therefore propose that either a photo-lab be opened for the convenience of those living in the halls, within the halls, or alternatively that one be installed, funded by ASUN, somewhere on campus. Anybody who would be interested in this, who are serious in the art of photography can reach me by dialing 4350 on campus, usually around 8 p.m.

I hope that something will be done about the conditions regarding the parking board and that the students who feel as I do give voice to their opinion by either writing to Sagebrush or UNPD, c/o parking board.

Franz-P. Bauchrowitz

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Students at UNR must be gamblers

If you attend the University of Nevada at Reno, you've proven how much of a gambler you really are.

The good citizens of Reno are not opposed to culture. They like art, literature, and music just as much as the next person. They just want all artists, writers, and longhair musicians to keep the hell away. The lack of creativity in the Biggest Little City has rubbed off on the university as well. Professors specialize in aborting all traces of creativity in their students. UNR has had but two artists of note. Walter Van Tilburg Clark, author of *The Ox-Bow Incident*, quit the university once in protest and is now ridiculed posthumously by his unpublished former colleagues in the English department. The other artist worth a damn, painter Robert Cole Caples, has since fled to the sanctuary of the Connecticut Berkshires.

If the college is hard on creative people, it is death on minorities. Reno's populace thinks a Chicano is a delicacy sold in one of the city's countless taco stands. Blacks, moreover, are still called "colored folk" by the enlightened Nevadans. Women are welcomed with open arms—as long as they put out and keep their mouths shut.

The city boasts one of the most repressive police forces in the country, and the UNR campus police certainly aren't much better. UNR gendarmes handed out 15,000 parking tickets during a recent year. Not bad for a school with 7,700 students.

Fortunately the student government is unique. In 1975, UNR became the first university ever to have a general election thrown out due to mass improprieties.

Despite the impressive numbers of Ph.D. programs at UNR, the school is far from academically oriented. The best program on campus appears to be the Desert Research Institute, but recently the DRI president quit the school in protest over board of regents policies. Perhaps it may help to note that ROTC and criminal justice are two of the most successful programs on campus.

Jocks are out at UNR. Ever since the fifties when gambling interests were found to have taken more than a paternal interest in the school, community money has not been pumped into the school's athletic program. Consequently, the football and basketball teams throw champagne parties after a .500 year. Women's athletics are also out. Female athletes still buy their own uniforms and their own meals when on away trips. Only the school's track and cross-country teams, which recruit foreign-born players, are at the top of their conference.

Drugs and alcohol are popular at UNR. However, narcs are in abundance, and busts are relatively frequent in the dorms. Private parties are relatively placid, however, and the grass is greener just over the state border in nearby Lake Tahoe.

The standard of living is relatively high in Reno, but tuition is low. Dorms are among the worst in the country—mainly because residents seem bent on destroying all in their path. Off-campus houses come relatively high. Students frequently join fraternities and sororities to find a room in one of the many ritzy homes these groups own within walking distance of the campus.

Fighting a losing battle to educate the university are the campus publications, which are run without faculty supervisors. The *Sagebrush*, the prizewinning campus paper, is openly in rebellion against the university's Neanderthal journalism department. The literary magazine *Brushfire* was revived in 1973, and within two years it had published works by, or interviews with, Norman Mailer, Joyce Carol Oates, William Stafford, Nikki Giovanni, Richard Armour,

Jesse Stuart, Walter Van Tilburg Clark, and others.

UNR's administration boasts of the school's low student-faculty ratio. Students complain that the figures are misleading since faculty members are frequently given reduced loads for diverse unpleasant jobs. One of the most disappointing areas on campus is the library, which is open twelve hours on weekends, and is supposedly rated last among graduate programs in the West so far as the total number of volumes is concerned.

We are told that UNR is a dying school. Students report that the regents, and the members of the Nevada Senate, have approved too many Ph.D. programs and have started a medical school without regard to future financing. Professional programs at the school are therefore weak. Worse, a law school and veterinary school are sure to be approved soon. Approval is easily given, but funds for UNR are appropriated reluctantly. While UNR falters, its sister school at Las Vegas continues to thrive.

The above is reprinted from the 1978-79 edition of "The Insider's Guide To the Colleges," compiled and edited by the staff of The Yale Daily News. According to the preface the material was supplied by persons attending UNR. Also in the preface the authors quote an unnamed UNR student: "Your article on good old UNR is right on, embarrassing so....Should cause a few muffled peals of laughter from Californians, who know why they come here."

-Editor

St. John named to new office

Cecelia Molini St. John was named this month as director of the UNR Office of School Relations.

The Office of School Relations is part of a recently created university area. Previously Alumni Relations, News and Information and Development all operated as separate entities. However, to achieve maximum service to the university and community and keep operating costs at a minimum, these three offices and the new Office of School Relations now pool their public relations talents.

St. John entered UNR as an undergraduate in 1959 and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Speech Pathology in 1963. She was a transition teacher with the Washoe County School District until she returned to school in Washington where she received her master's degree in student personnel in higher education.

In 1967 she became assistant dean of women at UNR and after four years was promoted to assistant dean of students. She has in her 10-year post at UNR served as advisor to five women's groups on campus, been in charge of dormitory staff selection, women's discipline, student orientation, counseling and advising undeclared arts and sciences majors. She served on nine UNR committees as chairwoman and has been a member of 30 others.

St. John said her short term goal in her new job is to help increase enrollment by establishing a good, working relationship with principals and counselors throughout the state.

"They are the ones who help students decide what school to go to. I want them to say UNR," Ms. St. John said. "I love this campus and I think it has so much to offer."

Sophomores.

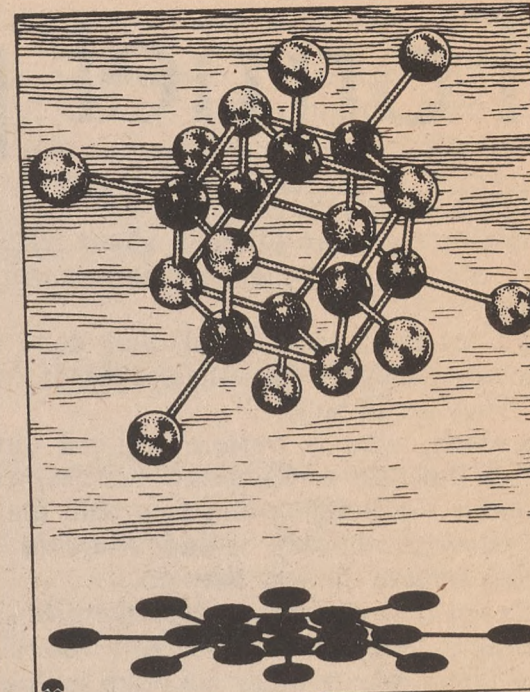
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**First with more
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Former priest teaches history at UNR

ALICE McMORRIS

Students are more illiterate about religion than ever before, says Dr. Marschall, religious leader and lecturer in history at UNR.

"It's not the students' fault they don't understand a sacrament if they are Catholic or grace if Protestant," he said. "They are ill taught."

Marschall, who is western regional director of the National Institute of Campus Ministries, with offices in the Center for Religion and Life, said that adults, too, don't know the history of their churches or the reason why they believe the way they do.

"It's not that students are not interested in religion or in having a 'religious experience,'" the educator said, adding that students today are more sophisticated about a lot of things than they were 20 or 30 years ago.

According to Marschall, a former Catholic priest, students want to experience religion emotionally—they want to know more about themselves. Young people ask, "What difference does the Trinity or virgin birth have on my life?"

"Students are searching for a set of beliefs that will make a difference in their lives," he said, "and if God is part of this experience, that's okay."

"We can all experience divine nature," he said, "That is the example of Jesus, as God in man."

The historian pointed to "explicit" trends in religious beliefs and behavior in the past five years on college campuses, which he feels are microcosms of the entire country.

"There has been a tendency to externalize religious feelings," he explained, adding that it may be part of the trend to speak out on sexual matters as well.

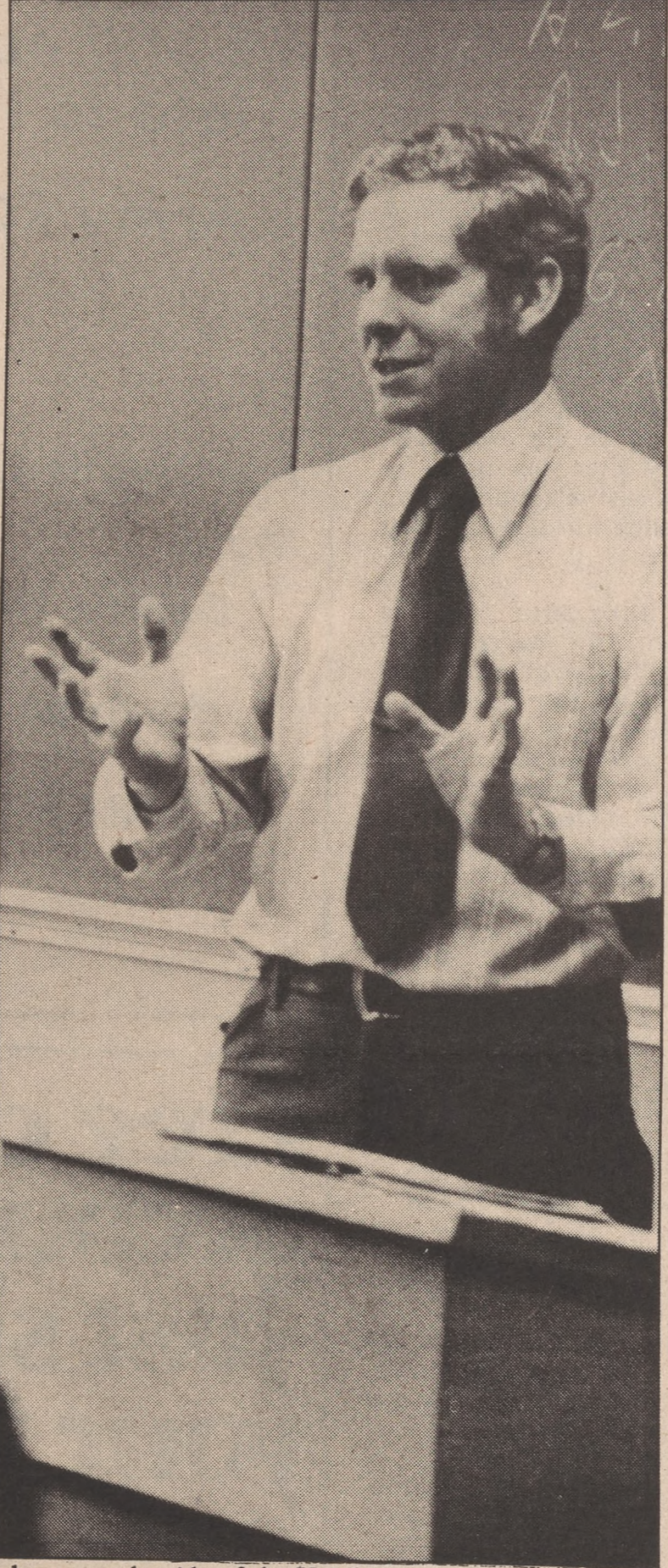
An example of religious openness was a reporter's question at a press conference by the former U.S. budget director: "Mr. Lance, do you see the hand of God in this matter?"

Pressures on young people for economic upward mobility in a tight job market cause them to put off marriage and raising children and thus take "sabbatical leave from church affiliations," Marschall said.

"They're too busy trying to make some money," he said without malice, adding that when these people are

confronted with educating children, they again think about religion.

The country saw a trend in the '60's, according to Marschall, of political and religious disillusionment, aided by wavering of churches on important positions. Americans found out in Vietnam that "God is not



always on the side of the U.S."

Many young people, feeling about traditional churches that the "Lord is possessive of clay feet," embraced Eastern religions and the "encounter culture," said Marschall.

"Now, there is a vacuum," he said.

Few persons have constructed an ethical system of values and judgements upon which to make their lives work, he said. People can explain what their church says, but the only internal value they seem to have is "a little voice inside tells me not to do this."

A sense of guilt induces persons to move away from

Episcopalians, who are splitting over the issue of the ordination of women, and the United Presbyterians, among which the question of ordination of homosexuals threatens to splinter the organization.

"Good news evangelists" are causing a chasm in the United Methodist movement, he said. The Catholic church, too, is undergoing a decline because of disputes over social questions.

Judaism is suffering a serious crisis in the '70s, according to Marschall, because of problems caused by intermarriages and upward mobility. American Jews are generally less observant than they used to be of traditional customs, except when Israel is in trouble.

"Jewish ethnic and religious bonds are wedded to the homeland," he said, "and when Israel is threatened, you find Jews returning to the covenants."

The ecumenical leader cited four major issues that divide religions and sects within them:

—The ways of translating or externalizing the state of being a Christian. Being a "born again" Christian divides the evangelical movement from other groups believing in Christ.

—The use of Scripture. The Bible can be interpreted literally ("each word is true") or in historical terms.

—Social issues. Whether to proselyte Jews is dividing members of Christian religions.

—The role of women. Should women be ordained? Should they have equal rights in the church?

Even though there is a hardening of positions within and between some groups, the ecumenical (cooperation with each other) movement is still alive. Some issues, such as the ERA, have united some churches against others, Marschall explained.

What is the future of religion?

"There seems to be a stabilizing of the number of persons affiliated with religions," Marschall replied. "The '60s march out of the churches has stopped."

The teacher sees an increased interest and awareness of the "religious experience" as people continue to distrust science and technology as the "ultimate answer to all of life's questions."

"People will still turn to religion to help them in crises," he said.

Trends in counseling and psychiatry have encouraged people to be more independent, according to Marschall, and "to pull themselves up by their bootstraps."

Rather, he believes the message of religion is to make man more interdependent. The concept of "never being alone" (because of the presence of God) can be a comforting one in times of need, he said.

Marschall is a curious combination of traditional and progressive Catholic ideologies.

He received bachelor's degrees in physics and philosophy from Loyola University, his master's degree at St. Louis University and a Ph.D. in American history at Catholic University. He belonged to the Order of the Viatorians for 21 years, the last 11 as a priest.

Now married with two children, he is no longer a priest, but is still a Roman Catholic "in good standing."

"I am not an alienated Catholic," he explained, "but a contemporary, critical one."

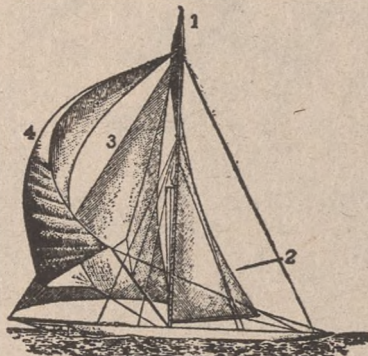
When he was pastor of Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Church in 1968, he was one of three clergymen who founded the Center for Religion and Life, an ecumenical center.

The National Institute of Campus Ministries, of which he is the western regional director, is a privately funded organization for education of Christians and Jews. He teaches two classes at UNR, "Religious History of the United States" and "Survey of American History."

Marschall will present a paper on the future of cam-

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"It's not the students' fault if they don't understand a sacrament if they are Catholic or grace if Protestant. They are ill taught."

ambiguity and back toward black-and-white religious doctrines and principles which put less pressure on them to make their own decisions, Marschall explained.

Thus, the current drift toward more "conservative" religious groups.

By conservative, Marschall meant the evangelical-pentecostal sects—the Mormons, Southern Baptists and Jehovah's Witnesses. These groups are growing at a faster rate than those Marschall regards as "liberals"—Methodists, other Protestants and Roman Catholics.

Churches that are declining in membership are the

pus ministries next spring at a U.S. Catholic Conference symposium.

His own beliefs seem paradoxical—he calls himself a "Christian evolutionist." He believes that Darwin's theory of evolution does not totally explain the origin of the species.

And what does he think of the after-life?

"I have always had a belief-hope that there is an after-life," Marschall replied. "I believe in the integration of soul and body. There is something in me that is uniquely me and not dependent on this 'shell!'"

Periphery

Dancing disc jockeys

The Circle K Club of UNR welcomes community and students to the Circle K-Multiple Sclerosis 18-hour dance marathon Feb. 11 and 12 starting at 6 p.m. Saturday at the UNR old gym.

Dancers are needed to solicit pledges from the community for their dancing. The pledges will benefit the Northern Nevada chapter of Multiple Sclerosis Society and the chapter's patients services and research for Multiple Sclerosis. Live bands and disc jockeys will be present

Meditate

The Students International Meditation Society (TM program) will be offering its first UNR campus lectures for the spring semester this Tuesday, Jan. 24, noon and 7:30 p.m., at the Jot Travis Student Union.

According to Joel Arant, an associate teacher of the program, the Transcendental Meditation technique is a simple, natural, effortless mental technique practiced 15 to 20 minutes, twice a day, and involves no change in diet, lifestyle or religious beliefs.

The lectures will also cover the newly developed TM-Sidhi program. The TM-Sidhi abilities are performances of higher states of consciousness originally brought to light by Patanjali. According to Arant these include, for example, the ability to know the past and future, the ability to become invisible and even the ability to levitate at will.

Arant said, "Through the practice of the TM program, and now the TM-Sidhi program, coherence is developed in the individual consciousness as well as in the consciousness of the society as a whole. The result is individual and national invincibility and world harmony."

Awards to talkers

The Robert S. Griffin Forensic Association has awarded forensic scholarships to two UNR students who are members of the ASUN Forensic Society. The \$250 cash awards were presented by the association president Clark Santini to Kim Perkins and Mark Broadhead. Perkins, who is planning a career in secondary education, is a senior speech and English major. Broadhead, who plans to attend medical school after graduation, is a sophomore pre-med major. Perkins and Broadhead both compete in debate and individual speaking events on the university team.

The Robert S. Griffin Forensic Association was formed to honor the retired Director of Forensics at UNR and to provide scholarship support for the UNR forensic team. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of excellence in speaking competition and involvement in community service activities related to public speaking.

Speakers visit

Approximately 200 high school students from Nevada and several neighboring states participated in a three-day speech tournament held January 12-14 on the UNR campus. The tournament, which was jointly sponsored by the ASUN Forensic Society and the Northern Nevada Forensic League, brought together students and coaches from 14 schools to participate in debate, oral interpretation, and persuasive, extempor-

during the entire 18-hour period and for those who wish to come to dance for the fun of it there will be a 50 cent general admission charge.

Excellent prizes will be awarded to the marathon dancers in various categories.

Pledge sheets are available at KGLR and KOLO radio stations as well as all Reno and Carson City high school offices.

Special awards will be given to organizations which bring in the highest amount of money.

aneous, and expository speaking competition. A dance for contestants, sponsored by the UNR speech team, was held at the student union snack bar.

According to Kathryn Landreth, UNR Director of Forensics, the tournament was a success in several respects. "First, the tournament provided excellent competition for the students who attended. Secondly, contestants had the opportunity to tour the campus and, in some cases, they were able to arrange interviews with some of the faculty. The pay-off on this sort of activity is not just to the students, however, since it provides the university with a fine opportunity for recruitment. I chatted with a number of very promising students who expressed an interest in the university and the UNR forensic program."

In April, UNR will host its annual "Nevada Great Western" intercollegiate tournament.

Nader to raid Reno

If you get bugged by the car buzzer that bullies you into buckling up for safety, then you should be interested in meeting the man who is responsible for this and much more.

Ralph Nader, America's toughest customer, will speak one night only, Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. in the UNR old gym.

As the consumer's crusader, Nader first made headlines in 1965 with the release of his book *Unsafe At Any Speed*, an expose on the American auto industry's disregard for passenger safety.

Law Club meets

The UNR Law Club will meet Monday, Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. at the Ingersoll Room of the Student Union. The purpose of the meeting will be the election of officers.

Win a rabbi

During January and February the Center for Religion and Life and R.S.V.P. will co-sponsor a raffle. Rabbi Abe Feinberg and Dr. Mark Edinberg will provide their skill and talent for "An Evening with Abe & Mark" for the winner. They can entertain at a party or speak at an organization meeting. The date and use of their time is negotiable, but hopefully will be used by the end of February.

The drawing will be held 3 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 14—Valentine's Day—in the Blue Mailbox Coffeehouse. Come for coffee, cake and entertainment. Tickets are \$1 and are available from the Center Office, staff, board members or R.S.V.P. The winner need not be present to win. Proceeds from the raffle will be used to purchase a piano for the Blue Mailbox Coffeehouse.

Lasagne for Mary

A lasagne dinner honoring Senator Mary Gojack, Assemblywoman Nancy Gomes and Assemblywoman Sue Wagner will be held Monday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Hotel and Casino. A no host bar will open at 5:30 p.m.

The dinner, a family night affair, is sponsored jointly by Northern Nevadans for ERA and American Association of University Women. The legislators are being honored for their continued support of the Equal Rights Amendment and their outstanding legislative abilities.

A short NERA general meeting will be held after the dinner. Call Vivian Freeman for ticket information. The general meeting is free and open to the public.

Dylan tryouts

Tryouts for the Semenza Circle production of Dylan Thomas' "Under Milk Wood" will be held Jan. 30 and 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the lounge of the Reno Little Theatre located at 7th and N. Sierra. The cast calls for 12 men and women of all ages.

Soccer meet

There will be a Soccer Club meeting, Monday, Jan. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Jot Travis Student Lounge.

Money deadline

The deadline for filing scholarship applications for the 1978-79 school year at UNR is March 1. To be eligible students must be currently enrolled full time at UNR and must have completed at least one semester at UNR as a full time student.

Eligibility is limited to persons with an overall GPA of 3.00 or higher. Application forms are available at the scholarship office, Room 301, Mack Social Science Building. Application forms are also located in a box on the scholarship bulletin board outside the scholarship office.

Ethical election

The ASUN is searching high and low for a crew of trustworthy, loyal, ethical, courageous and strong-willed students who would like to serve on this year's Election Board.

Responsibilities include the supervision of the ASUN primary and general elections, March 8-9 and 15-16. Applicants must be undergraduates and possess a minimum 2.0 GPA.

For applications and information contact Peggy Martin in the ASUN Office. Telephone: 784-6589.

Missed IDs?

Those of you who have not picked up your student ID card may still obtain them in the Jot Travis Building. However, ID cards are not available in the ASUN office.

Cards may be obtained and photos taken at the Activities Office near the student lounge. Please have your fee receipt handy.

Cheap mail

The Blue Mailbox is open once again to provide live entertainment, food and drink (no alcohol) for the minimal price of 25 cents for students and \$1 for all others.

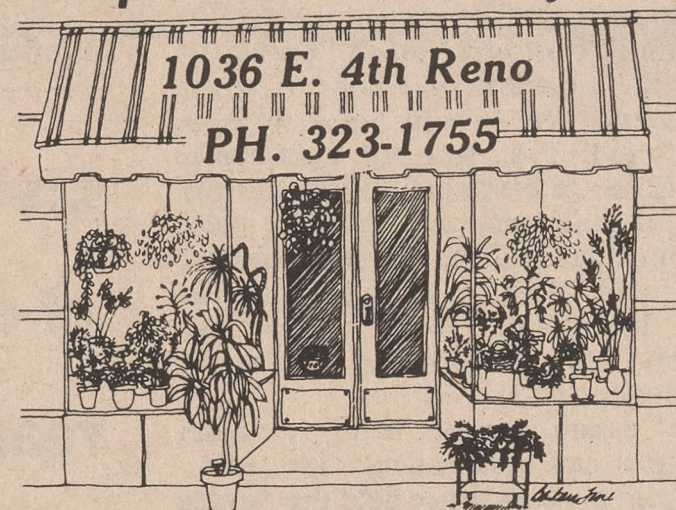
It is open 9 to 1 p.m. every Friday and Saturday night and is located behind the Center for Religion and Life on 1101 N. Virginia, across the street from Juniper Hall.

Bishop visits

Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Church will host a potluck dinner for students and parishioners after the 6:30 p.m. Mass, this Sunday. Bishop Norman F. McFarland will be the guest speaker, and all Catholic students are particularly invited to attend.

The Bishop will be at the church to bless the new OLV cross at a 9:30 a.m. ceremony, and he will also greet parishioners and UNR students after the 8 and 10 a.m. Masses, in the Community Room (coffee and refreshments will be served).

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Jeffersonian Postscript

Paul Strickland

Private property vs. local environment

During the Dec. 27, 1977, Reno City Council meeting, I delivered a short statement in which I condemned the council's policies in favor of the proliferation of parking lots (interspersed here and there by a tasteless new building or a decaying older one). I said that these policies were causing Reno to look like a bombed-out World War II city.

Councilman Granata asked what I suggested the council do about the problem. I replied that I favored a five-year moratorium on commercial construction, inasmuch as the unreasonable growth and development favored by the council during the past five years had contributed to the incredible rush of traffic into the downtown area and hence the pressure for more ugly parking lots. Councilman Granata rejoined, "What are you going to do? Tell people who're coming here to stay away? . . . What about property rights? If you have your moratorium for five years, what's the guy with the older structure going to do? If he can't develop it, and has to keep paying taxes on it while he can't make money on it, he'll probably just tear it down and turn it into one of those parking lots you don't like!"

Councilman Granata's superficially reasonable statement is typical of those emanating from civic officials, representatives of the chamber of commerce, and other people who speak for special interests. The pattern of

freeway which comes within four blocks of the major downtown gambling establishments. In the 1960's it could have been built much more cheaply along a more northerly route, but the casinos would not have liked that because it would have taken too many potential customers too far away.

The list could go on to the automobile-manufacturing corporations and local dealers who also benefit from the existence of federally funded freeways, as well as to large chain stores which benefit from credit artificially maintained at high levels by the Federal Reserve System. But this is not free enterprise. These various interests are instead what politicians in Canada's New Democratic Party aptly call "corporate welfare bums." Welfare cheaters may be despicable people, but special interests who cry "free enterprise" while accepting government help at every turn are even more despicable.

The free enterprise system may or may not be capable of conforming to the requirements of environmental preservation. But whatever its merits or demerits, it represents a venerable tradition which deserves a better interpretation than such men as Councilman Granata are capable of giving it. Listening exclusively to councilmen and chamber of commerce people on the subject would turn quite reasonable people into revolutionary Marxists in 30 days.

regrettable and foolish statements against environmentalists, but even in her writings it is a cardinal principle that "there is no such thing as a right to destroy rights." If Councilman Granata is in tune with the ideologists of free enterprise at all, he should at least question the right of developers to run amok and, in effect, to destroy the right of local residents to unspoiled scenery. He should also question the right of large new casinos to locate here, creating bad smog problems with the traffic they generate, and thus abridging the right of local residents to clean air—certainly a corollary of the right to life because clean air is necessary to completely healthy and enjoyable life.

Too many conservatives and members of the so-called Libertarian Party believe that money and a prosperous economy are the measure of all things. However, it would seem that money is a neutral instrument of measurement, like thermometers or speedometers, and is capable of delivering an accurate measurement only of what it was intended to measure—quantifiable goods and services of a purely economic nature. It cannot measure such infinite values as mountain scenery or the general quality of life in a city. It is in fact obscene to balance the quality of life in an area against the real or imagined losses of investors in downtown properties, as Councilman Granata implies we should attempt to do.

In his treatise "Human Action" (Chicago, 1963), Ludwig von Mises, a hard-line neo-classical economist of the Austrian school, states succinctly that "economic calculation cannot comprehend things which are not sold and bought against money" (p. 214). To illustrate the limits of economic calculation, Von Mises adduces the example of a historical landmark threatened by a proposed water project:

Let us assume that a town council has to decide between two water supply projects. One of them implies the demolition of a historical landmark, while the other at the cost of an increase in money expenditure spares this landmark. The fact that the feelings which recommend the conservation of the landmark cannot be estimated in a sum of money does not in any way impede the councilmen's decision. The values that are not reflected in any monetary exchange ratio are, on the contrary, by this very fact lifted into a peculiar position which makes the decision rather easier. (p. 215)

It is not my purpose to attempt a defense of an unrestricted free enterprise system. I have, however, tried to demonstrate that developers and their representatives, Reno's city councilmen, do not stand on as firm a ground in the classical economics of free enterprise as they assume. Reasons can be advanced for the view that free enterprise can never be made to work in harmony with the environment. The truth of such a view is hard to determine, although it seems a little categorical and harsh. What does seem certain is that the private enterprise system will always seem destructive as long as it is associated with short-sightedness and the doctrine of Work-for-Work's-Sake. The latter concept, which demands of man a monomaniacal dedication to work

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such statements is usually that restrictions on development and other environmental controls threaten "free enterprise" and "property rights." Any policy of restraint is said to rob investors of their property and even to approach the statist excesses of the Russian system.

The first counter-argument that comes to mind is to ask what happens to the property rights of the owners of small homes (for instance, the elderly), who expected clean air, low property taxes, and easy and inexpensive access to nearby natural recreation areas when they settled here, and who cannot enjoy living on their property under the present conditions produced by the council? According to strictly delimited, isolated economic terms, the value of their property might have gone up, but its value to them as rational beings has gone down.

But what can we observe about the large property-owner with whom Councilman Granata and most of his colleagues are concerned? Does he represent "free enterprise" according to the American tradition? It seems not. Developers of subdivisions benefit indirectly from federal home loans to individuals who buy tract homes as well as from federal tax credits to individuals who buy new homes instead of purchasing and repairing older ones. The construction industry is the object of constant benevolent concern and considerable aid from the federal government. In addition, Reno residents pay unreasonable property taxes to subsidize services for present and future developments.

Representatives of casino interests loudly proclaim they represent progress and independent "free enterprise." Yet I recall from my experience with the Nevada State Welfare Division that a large percentage of ADC recipients are women who are single parents and are working full-time in casinos. They still qualify for supplemental welfare aid because their low casino wages will not cover necessary baby-sitting costs. In other words, the Nevada taxpayer pays supplemental wages to the casino worker which the supposedly free and independent casino enterprise should be paying her directly—in the form of decent, living wages—in the first place. The casinos also benefit from a costly federal interstate

In a volume published by the University of Nevada's Bureau of Governmental Research, "Energy and Nevada," Dr. Richard Ganzel notes that even under classical economics private enterprises are bound by legal and moral consistency to guard against the "neighborhood effects" of their operations. A neighborhood effect, a term used by the neo-classical economist Milton Friedman, is "an unintended consequence of a person's actions that affects another person, for which it is difficult or impossible to obtain redress through private means" (p. 74). Smog, water pollution, and intolerable traffic congestion are certainly neighborhood effects of large new casino operations, effects for which their owners have not at all proposed solutions. The enterprise and not the general tax-paying public, Ganzel implies, should have to pay for the amelioration or elimination of these neighborhood effects.

During a 1975 CBS radio commentary, Walter Cronkite said that today's so-called conservatives are

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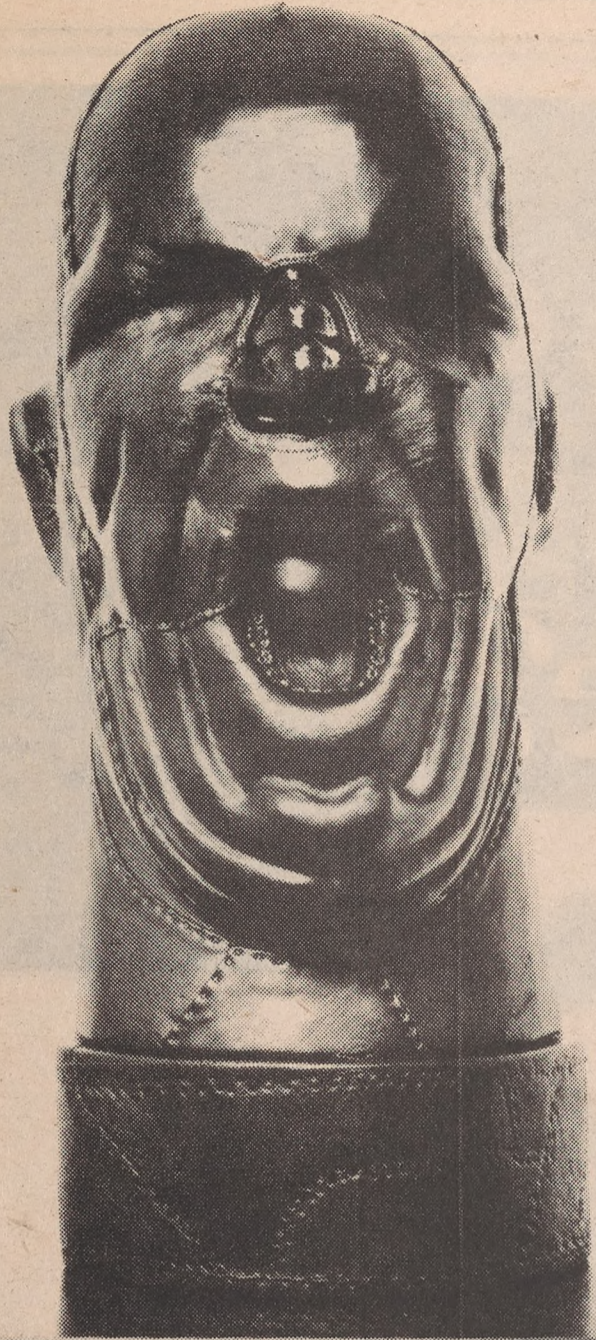
seriously mistaken in their opposition to the environmentalist cause, because a true conservatism implies the conservation of natural beauty and historical landmarks for future generations. Most of today's conservative spokesmen advocate a radical and destructive alteration of the landscape (usually for reasons of energy production) at which their ideological forebears would probably have been horrified.

Novelist and essayist Ayn Rand has made some

and "a job" that divorces him from his environment, will be a subject I will treat in a future column.

Paul Strickland is a graduate student in history at UNR and received his Bachelor's degree here as well. He will use this space every other week to offer his unique approach to the solution of our community's problems, hoping that his words can become a prescription, and not, as the title says, a postscription.

—Editor



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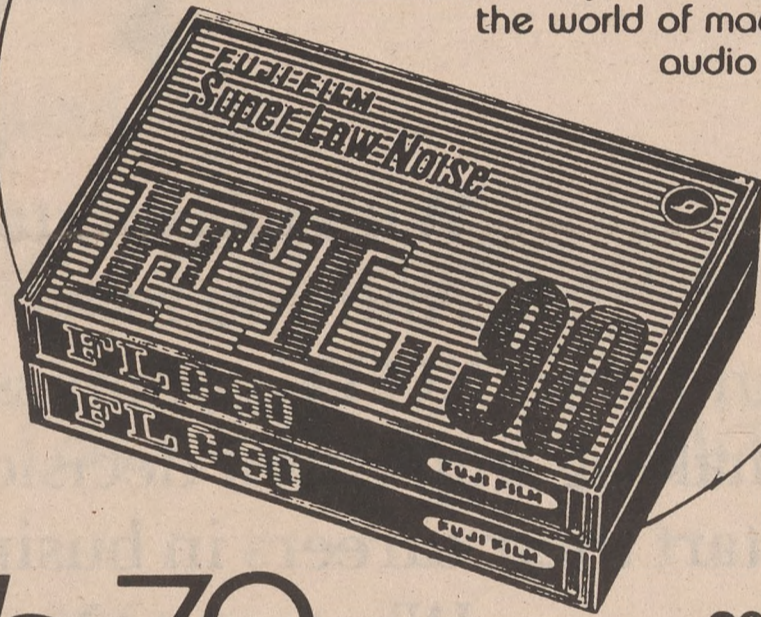


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Sports



Skiers finally get snow

DEAN CHURCH

Blessed with the heaviest snowfall in recent years, the UNR ski team won't have to worry about a shortage of snow.

In fact, with the win last week at Crystal Mountain, Wash., against some of the toughest schools in America, Coach Clint Monfalcone's team seems to be on its way to a successful season.

The ski team placed first in the overall competition, totaling 167 points. Individual firsts were taken by Felipe Anguita in the giant slalom, Borre Fossli in cross country and Tandy Vavin in the women's cross country. "They did an outstanding job," said Monfalcone. "We have a powerful men's team this year and I think we can dominate our own conference, barring a lot of injuries."

Next week will be an important test: the team heads to Park City, Utah, to compete against the universities of Color-

ado, Wyoming and Utah. Colorado is the top ranked team in the United States, while Wyoming is third and Utah fifth.

On the first weekend in February, UNR will participate in the Winter Carnival at Mt. Rose. Many top ranked teams, conference and non-conference, will attend.

Yet there may be some trouble ahead for the ski team. They are now under study for elimination as an intercollegiate sport. Monfalcone said, "I would hate to see the team dropped. I feel skiing represents our area and has a large influence on the decision of many students to attend UNR."

Monfalcone also commented, "I think some of our skiers will have an excellent chance to qualify for the nationals. In the past the team has had many All-America skiers and even a few who have gone on to the Olympics.

Pierce with eight rebounds. Ratigan was named the outstanding defensive player.

The team received some good news during this road trip. Kathy Mead, a 6-2 freshman center, recovered from an injured finger and saw considerable action. "With her size and ability, she is a very intimidating force underneath and we won't be out-sized in every game," said coach Cindee Metzger. "But we will still rely on our team speed and quickness, which are our greatest strengths."

Injured during the road trip was Lynn Barkely. She broke a bone in her left foot and will be out indefinitely. The 5-6 senior was the Pack leader in rebounding with 14 a game.

The UNRs season record now stands at 2-6. The next two games are also on the road. The team will travel to Humboldt State on Saturday for a 2 p.m. contest, and to San Francisco State on Jan. 27.

Cal-Davis easy prey Utah here tonight

STEVE MARTARANO

With the Division II Cal-Davis Aggies out of the way, the UNR basketball team tonight will take on Utah State. Utah currently is sporting a 12-3 mark and was a one-time member of this season's top 20 rankings.

Wednesday night at Centennial Coliseum, the Pack didn't quite look like world-beaters. But they played just well enough to win, pulling off a 95-82 non-conference victory to lift its record to 11-4 overall.

A not too happy Pack coach Jim Carey said, "We played in spurts tonight; just enough to get by. I'm glad it's over because non-conference games in between league play are hard to get up for."

UNR, paced by a 31-point, 15 rebound performance by center Edgar Jones, blew the game open the second half, building a lead that at one time reached 19.

A letdown by the Pack was to be expected, but the Aggies couldn't jump at the opportunity. The lead changed hands many times in the early going as Davis held an 18-17 advantage with 10:24 left in the first half.

Slowly UNR pulled away, but could

only build a seven point bulge at the half. Then Pack guards Johnny High and Mike Gray got hot and from there, UNR was never again pressed.

Gray, UNRs leading scorer before the game with a 17.4 average, helped that a bit ending with 21. And High, who is the team's leading pickpocket artist with 46 steals, had five more last night. He also had 16 points.

Aggie guard Audwin Thomas led Davis scoring with 28 points while forward Ron Migliori had 14. Steve Verigan, a Davis guard who once played at UNR under former coach Jim Padgett, finished with 10 points. Verigan played in Reno two seasons, from 1973-75 before transferring.

Tonight, Pack fans will be able to see what many regard as one of the finest college players in the country: senior center Mike Santos. Santos, at 6-8, is averaging 18.9 points and 8.5 rebounds a game while shooting over 60 percent from the floor. So the matchup with Santos and UNRs Jones should be a classic.

Game time is 8 p.m.

Grandstand View

Pack football realignment Trachok says maybe

STEVE MARTARANO

UNR Athletic Director Dick Trachok arrived back in Reno Tuesday after voting on 161 issues at the annual NCAA convention this year held in Atlanta.

Amid all the confusion, a major restructuring plan involving college football was drawn up. A 3-year old battle by football's big-time conferences and independents finally succeeded as Division I is now split into two categories; I-A and I-AA. UNR is a member of Division II.

The direction the UNR football program will go still is not totally clear, although it appears the Pack may end up in Division I-AA. The way the restructure is, the new divisions are I-A, I-AA, II, and III.

According to Trachok, if the Pack switches from II to I-AA, there will be no radical changes. "We're still checking into it," Trachok said. "But there may be better TV possibilities in I-AA. The financial aspects might be more appealing."

Right now, Division II teams are allowed 65 players on full-ride scholarships while Division I gets 95. The final decision on how many I-AA will allocate has yet to be resolved.

Trachok said, "If the scholarships are something we can live with, then the feeling is that we will go I-AA."

The only criteria to belong in the I-AA is that the school has eight intercollegiate varsity sports and that more than 50 percent of the games are against I-A or I-AA teams. UNR has nine men's sports.

In a few weeks, Trachok will be getting a notice from the NCAA asking what division UNR wishes to be placed

in. The university will have 60 days to make a decision. It appears that the Big Sky Conference will go I-AA. Most of the teams in the Big Sky, such as Boise and Idaho State, have programs comparable to UNR.

After the division decision has been made, the school will be under that division as of the 1978 year. But a program will have a full three years in which to reach the standards each division requires.

For a school to qualify for Division I-A, the school must have a stadium that seats 30,000 and must have averaged 17,000 at least once in the last four years. The program must also have 12 men's sports and schedule 60 percent of its games against I-A teams.

"We were against any realignment," Trachok said. "We felt that our football program was going strong and it didn't need changing. But the big schools didn't want anybody telling them how to run their program."

Not much will be changed as far as football goes at UNR. Most people probably won't even be able to tell there has been a realignment. The schedule will remain basically the same and most of the good teams the Pack now plays will probably go I-AA. And UNR, currently an independent, has no immediate plans to join a conference.

It is a possibility that the I-AA will get more television coverage than in Division II. In that case, if UNRs team is a power in the new alignment, that influx of extra money won't hurt.

Women hoopsters split

RON ELLIS

The UNR women's basketball team split its two games last week. The Wolf Pack defeated Cal Poly-Pomona 82-54 on Monday, but were defeated by Hayward State 60-55 the following night.

The catalysts for the Pack victory were guards Regina Ratigan and Cindy Rock. Ratigan scored 25 points while Rock had 21. The Pack led all the while rolling to its most productive point total of the season.

In the Hayward State game, the Pack led by nine points at the half, 33-24, but a cold spell from the field early in the second half enabled Hayward to take control of the game.

"The difference was that we had our fast break working and we were hitting our outside shots during the Pomona game. But our shots wouldn't fall during the second half in Hayward," said coach Kaprice Rupp. "This enabled Hayward to take the lead, and we never recovered."

Leading UNR in the Hayward game were Cindy Rock with 23 points and Sue

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