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# Opinion

## This issue

The UNR stereotype series continues. This issue the target is jocks on page 5...

A lot more goes on at a football game than just football, especially when the weather is cold and snowy. Ruth Mills and Bob Davis capture that other side on pages 8 and 9...

Is Nye Hall really a zoo? Turn to page 13 and find out...



## Sorry, wrong number

In the Nov. 14 issue of the *Sagebrush*, the wrong phone numbers for the Crisis Call Center were given. The correct numbers are: national—800-992-5757 and local—323-6111.

"Now that we took it from her, what da ya say we eat it?"

## Fall semester moving along

The semester rolls on.

It just seems like yesterday I looked out my window here and observed all the tanned freshmen running around in 90-degree weather. And now, it's that time of year when people just seem to hibernate. Snow is all around, skiers are getting excited and 1979 is right around the corner.

I'd like to applaud ASUN President Greg Neuweiler for initiating the guest speaker series at the senate meetings this year.

Every week, he brings in a different speaker pertinent to the university community. Among those speakers has been both gubernatorial candidates, both Board of Regent candidates, Dick Trachok to talk about the basketball seating and, Wednesday night, Dick Carr, the food service director.

This program came at a good time as the meetings got air time on KUNR. Senate meetings are always a good way to see what is going on with that money you give ASUN every semester. The guest speakers are another way of extending that. The meetings are every Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. in the student union or on KUNR.

Last week Sports Editor Chris Healy and reporter Phil Howard distributed a questionnaire to about 100 faculty members concerning UNR sports.

The questionnaire asked the faculty to rate the athletes in class attendance, participation and grades. It asked how the teachers became aware athletes were in their class. The questionnaire also asked if UNR sports were beneficial to stimulate school interest and if the teacher had ever received pressure from the Athletic Department to give an athlete a passing grade.

All the questionnaires aren't in yet, but the response has been terrific. Healy and Howard are busy putting the results together and they should have the results probably the week after Thanksgiving. Watch for it.

Athletics is really reaching ahead now. It looks like the football team will make the playoffs for the first time in history with a definite shot at winning the national championship.

And basketball is ready to open its third season under Jim Carey ranked by a nation-wide publication. With success comes problems—some of which have reared their ugly heads in recent weeks.

We keep hearing how good UNR students have it

in relation to other schools and athletics. But UNR is not another school. It has always been unique in a lot of ways. And I think that UNR athletics had the chance to be one school that would cater to the students. But now it's too late and that's a shame.

So the people in Las Vegas don't like our campus or our office. Big deal. We like it. We like it a lot. Even if this building is doomed after next semester. We're proud of what we've got going on up here. We invite you to come by and check us out. If you have a gripe (and plenty have let us know about them) or a comment about anything, come on by. You may as well get to know better what you're paying for.

*Martarano*

## Letter

### A concrete diploma

Editor:

Good show, Mr. Martarano, on your rebuttal to our southern counterpart's "newspaper" editor.

UNLV's "superior" campus is far removed from Glitter Gulch so intrepid tourists wouldn't mistake it for another casino complex as it resembles, not so much a university, but more so another Las Vegas high-rise pleasure palace.

I can understand why the *Yell* editor takes "a considerable amount of pride" in his institution. After all, UNLV has finally found and installed artificial lawn that, like the preceding brands, doesn't die. They are considering a doctorate program in hotel-motel management and they've found a vaccine for students against over exposure to concrete. I don't understand your comment about UNLV tradition though. UNLV has the spontaneous kind, the kindling for which can be transported in samsonite from neighboring Los Angeles across state lines without a license.

As for the *Yell* itself, never have I seen a more valiant effort in perfecting the "high-school rag." It is a "slick number." So slick in fact it slides out of your hands.

Thanks, Steve; we ought to beg New Mexico to take the whole mess back.

Bill Bostic

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# About half of UNR students will receive aid

About half the students enrolled at UNR next year will be eligible to receive some type of federal aid for the 1979-80 school year, according to William Rasmussen, director of UNR's Financial Aids Office.

Rasmussen said that will be an increase of about 30 percent over the current school year. The increase is due to the Middle Income Student Assistance Act which President Jimmy Carter signed Nov. 1.

The law, also called the College Op-

portunity Act, changes some of the eligibility requirements for receiving financial aid.

Effective immediately, the law provides that any student is eligible to receive, while in school, federal interest subsidies on Guaranteed Student Loans. The \$25,000 income ceiling (for a family of four with one student in college) which had been in effect has been removed for the purpose of interest benefits.

"The act also significantly expands the amount of dollars the federal

government will furnish next year to the campus-based Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and College Work-Study programs in an attempt to reach more middle-income students," said Rasmussen.

The aid law will also make students from families with incomes up to \$25,000 eligible for Basic Educational Opportunity Grants. The eligibility ceiling previously was about \$15,000.

Rasmussen explained the U.S. Office of Education has projected that about 60 percent of the students in

post-secondary education will qualify for federal aid for the next school year.

"Estimates at UNR are somewhat lower than the projected national average because our campus is located in a relatively high income area," said Rasmussen.

UNR's Financial Aids Office will conduct an "informational seminar" Dec. 2, at which time interested students will be told how the new act affects their eligibility. For more information, contact the Financial Aids Office (784-4666).

## IFC providing males for AWS fashion show

SUE LYONS

"Hang on to your hats, guys" because this year's Associated Women Students' (AWS) fashion show might be going coed, announced adviser David Hansen.

The Inter-fraternity Council at UNR was invited to participate and agreed to provide two males from each house for the spring show, according to Hansen. But the council president, Richard Yamamoto, said it is a volunteer project and it is up to the individual houses to follow through on it.

"If you're going to do it, do it right," stressed Hansen to the council. Yamamoto said the idea is still under consideration but it would be a "good chance to get a better name for the houses."

Hopefully the male addition will draw a larger audience admitted AWS President Barb Carlsen. "They can support another community-related organization," said Hansen.

The change to a coed fashion show is one of the new approaches AWS is taking this year. The group "will go through a face lift this semester," Hansen said. He is interested in breaking down stereotypes and asked the group, "Is that all you want to be known for — bridal fairs?"

"We're trying to pick up and start fresh," said Carlsen. The senior nursing student wants to get a strong group established and bring AWS back to being "a really significant organization on campus." So far this semester AWS has sponsored a speech by Patty Cafferata on "Women in Politics" and an ERA debate.

In addition to the show, a two-day event for women is planned for next spring. The program will encompass women's role in the business world, maybe a mechanic demonstrating car repairs or a lesson in breast self-examination by a member of the American Cancer Society, Carlsen said.

A make-up demonstration has also been suggested. "It still appeals to some women," said the president. Freshmen survival kits, sponsored by parents and given out during finals week are still in the works for this year.

Last year the group consisted of about eight members from various sororities and colleges Carlsen said. "It was such a farce" that so small a group planned activities for all women at the university she said.

To increase the appeal of the organization to all women, including mature students, a survey of what women would like to see offered is in progress. "I hate putting time into it if

nobody takes advantage" of the activities, insisted Carlsen. "I'll give it my best try."

The group hopes to sponsor events for the entire campus such as a Derby Day of competitions and a free dance with a live band. A budget for the upcoming year was recently submitted for approval and AWS is planning fund-

raising activities to defer some costs. "I don't think we're asking for too much money," said Carlsen.

A membership drive is still on. Posters and articles in the *Sagebrush* have resulted in turnouts of almost 30 people for AWS meeting, the president said with a smile. "A lot of people didn't know it existed."

"I hate to see them putting it (AWS) down...they should get interested and

do something about it," said Carlsen. "We're here for change too."

Carlsen would like a referral counseling service for women to become a part of Thompson Student Services. Also, the Student Health Services was an area of concern. "I think it can be improved....It lacks a lot and doesn't reach out to that many people," she said. "For minor injuries it's great."

## Wilbur named Job Corp head

TERRY DRAKULICH

Dr. Philip E. Wilbur has been named director of the Sierra Nevada Job Corps Center, UNR.

Wilbur, who has been center director of the Tongue Point Job Corps Center in Astoria, Ore., for the past four years, began his duties at UNR Nov. 1.

The Stead facility is run by the RCA Service Company, a subsidiary of the RCA Corporation. The company will handle instructional activities under the administrative supervision of UNR and the U.S. Department of Labor.

According to Wilbur, the center's main purpose is to prepare disadvantaged youth for employment.

"Starting immediately, we are contacting area employers to find out what skills they seek in entry-level employees," Wilbur stated.

The center, through the RCA agreement, will offer students vocational training in areas such as carpentry, automotive mechanics, electronics and clerical skills.

UNR will provide vocational training in health occupations and the culinary arts.

Wilbur's primary concern will be planning for remodeling and upgrading of the Stead buildings.

"Safety codes are a key concern. We want the buildings as safe as possible for student arrival next spring," he emphasized.

The center is slated to open March 6 and prior to that date Wilbur and his staff will be busy examining the program's curricular elements, facility equipment and the length of training each student will require.

The center had originally been scheduled to open Dec. 1, but Wilbur does not view the delay as a major setback.

It was a lack of federal funds that left the Stead facility and three other center's nationwide temporarily without money, Wilbur explained. With funding now available, Wilbur



Dr. Philip E. Wilbur

PHOTO BY MILLS

and his staff can gear up for the March opening.

At full capacity, the center can train some 600 disadvantaged youth, ages 16-21, from Nevada and nearby

California areas.

Wilbur, 40, earned both his B.A. and M.A. from Oregon State University and his Ph.D. from the University of Oregon.

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## Fire alarm suspects

Eyewitness reports have provided two suspects in the sixth false fire alarm to occur at Nye Hall this semester. The latest alarm occurred at 11:15 p.m. Friday, again during a moderate snowfall.

The alarm was pulled on the sixth floor. A Nye Hall staff member identified the suspects as a female and a male. According to one report, the girl hit the alarm accidentally. Another source claimed that the male pulled the alarm.

Police are investigating, with action

pending upon its outcome.

According to Vada Trimble, coordinator for the residence halls, "We still have to go over everything with the resident director [of Nye Hall] and the police."

The expense of a false fire alarm was avoided through the action of sixth floor resident assistant Dave Hoffman. As soon as Hoffman discovered that the alarm was false, he phoned staff members downstairs. One staff member notified the police. The police then called the fire department and informed them the alarm was false.

## Crisis Center moves

The Suicide Prevention and Call Crisis Center moved from its soggy, condemned building Nov. 1 and is glad to be "high and dry," according to Sandy Beckett, assistant coordinator at the center.

The center had to evacuate the building during inclement weather due to a leaking roof.

The center now has three offices, A, B and C of Room 203, of the Mack Social Science building. They occupied five offices at a small house on North Sierra Street.

The Crisis Line telephone number and the office number have not changed. The crisis number is 323-6111.

Beckett noted, "We'll have more contact with volunteers who are university people, but less contact with community people."

Being unable to park without a parking sticker will discourage visits from non-university volunteers though, Beckett said.

An advantage of the move is that it will provide better access to psychology service center rooms, according to Beckett. The rooms may be used for the centers upcoming volunteer training program next year.

The physical plant is awaiting bids for the removal of the vacated building. No plans have yet been made for the lot.

## KUNR into the psych

"Psychoanalytic Theory and History" will be the subject when KUNR broadcasts "From the Midway" next Sunday at 5 p.m.

"From the Midway" is a program dedicated to a variety of different subjects and lecturers broadcast every week on KUNR.

Professor of history and head of the Humanities Department at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Bruce Maylish, will discuss psychoanalysis and apply it to historical figures, groups and cultures in order to construct a study of their conscious and unconscious mental processes.

Exemplifying Mazlish's concepts will be John Demos, professor of history at Brandeis University who will discuss his own work in this field.

Their talks were given in the Psychoanalytic Perspective Lecture

Series co-sponsored by the University of Chicago Extension and the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis.

The following Sunday, KUNR will broadcast the rest of the series with "Education and Psychoanalysis." Guest speaker, Bertram Cohler, associate professor of human development at the University of Chicago, feels "The subjective side of education, the reactions produced in individual students by the curriculum, is just as important as the objective content of that education." He claims that these aspects are most important at the very time when they are ignored — during high school and college when a student's personality and self-image are most changed and vulnerable.

Cohler will discuss the subject again when KUNR presents "From the Midway," this Sunday and two weeks from Sunday.

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UNR stereotypes Part 4

# What is a jock?

*What is a Jock?*

*You don't know? My God, they've been an essential part of your life since kids were able to figure out that guys that played sports were something special.*

*You say that you don't think they are anything special? Just ask one, he'll tell you. That is, if he can talk.*

*Oh, but the day of the dumb jock is over, right? You betcha. You know you'll really have an easy time in a class if you see about 10 other jocks in there. Anytime you need a skate class, contact an athlete and he'll set you up.*

*That is, if he can talk.*

*Oh, but consider all the valuable contributions jocks make at UNR. Like smashing holes in dormitory rooms, or cleaning out the dining commons before anyone else gets there. And besides, where else would students go to get drunk on a Saturday afternoon?*

*But everyone knows what great citizens former athletes make. Somebody has to coach your kids to stardom and somebody has to tell you why Pat Haden's pass was intercepted last Sunday afternoon.*

*That is, if he can talk.*

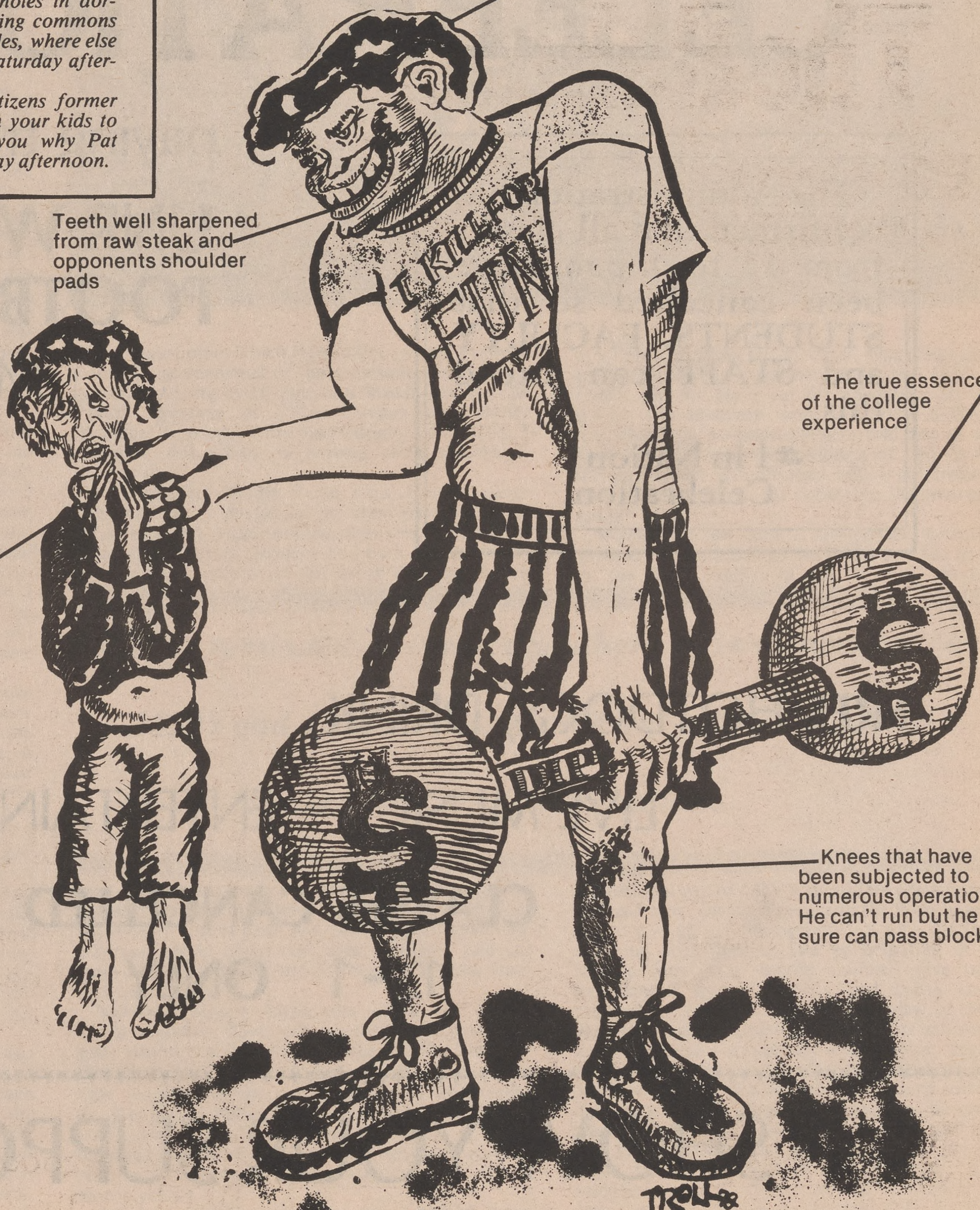
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from raw steak and  
opponents shoulder  
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# Off-road vehicles wrecking the environment

As Edward Flattau and other competent commentators report that use of off-road vehicles (ORVs) continues to contribute to the degradation of the American landscape, it becomes necessary to return to the subject of off-road vehicles and to speak with frankness. The future of quality of life is bound up in this subject.

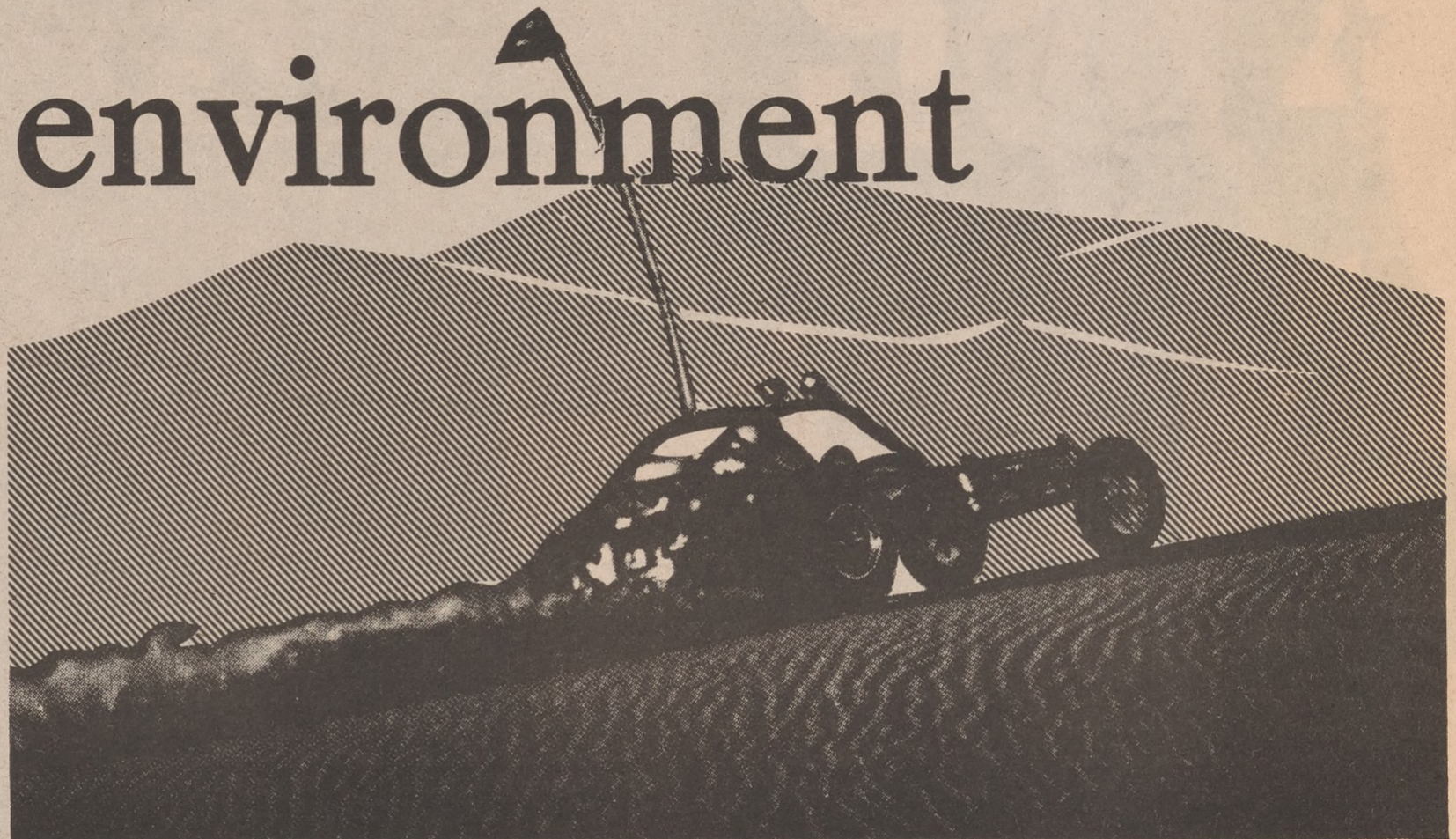
Before I start into the main body of this column, I should point out that I have been a resident of Nevada since 1956, and have lived in such towns as Babbit, Fallon and Battle Mountain, as well as in the city of Reno. I also lived for a year and a half in Fish Lake Valley in Esmeralda County, not far from a proposed wilderness area under RARE II. I mention this information to counter charges by off-road vehicle enthusiasts that environmentalists like myself are always out-of-state meddlers in local affairs who live in villas on the banks of the Potomac.

I should also point out that by an off-road vehicle I mean a vehicle so designed that its main purpose can only be to enable its driver to leave even the most primitive road in order to cut across sagebrush lands and other wilderness landscapes. Examples of such diabolical vehicles are dunebuggies and "macho" trucks with roll-bars, pairs of elevated spotlights, and excessively wide tires designed to waste gasoline. I do not mean the smaller jeeps responsible hunters use on established jeep trails, nor do I indicate agricultural implements and useful trucks maintained by farmers and ranchers. (I know ranchers in Washoe valley and in the Mojave Desert who are intelligent people, and whose idea of a pastime is not running up and down a hillside with a stupid-looking vehicle.) Neither do I refer to four-wheel-drive vehicles of modest size owned by residents of mountain towns which are subject to repeated heavy snowfalls. Finally, I have the highest respect for search and rescue teams.

I refer, therefore, only to that kind of vehicle whose design appeals to the irresponsibility or counterfeit masculinity of its childish owner. The ultimate ORV, to which off-road vehicle enthusiasts aspire, is the military tank. Some trailbikes, moreover, remind me of the motorcycles used by Franco's and Hitler's motorcycle troops.

After having picnics on Sand Mountain spoiled by the noise and dangerous proximity of sand-buggies during both the summer of 1971 and the summer of 1972 — so that I no longer wanted to visit that beautiful desert spot — I was motivated to begin active opposition to the infernal machines after visiting Greyhound Rock Beach in Santa Cruz County during September 1977. My object there was to enjoy the ocean view and to climb the impressive rock, about 50 feet in height, which gradually rises from the beach and juts out into the Pacific.

About fifteen minutes after I arrived, my visit was spoiled by the roar of trailbikes, dune-buggies and macho trucks which had entered the county beach area. A huge camper-truck drove up the side of the rock I was trying to climb, and only with difficulty got back down when the ascent proved too difficult for its driver. Then a cretin in a brand new dune-buggy followed me all the way to the top of the rock, and I had to jump out of his way to avoid being hit. He smirked stupidly as he did this. Other ORV's roared up and down the beach until the din was almost deafening. When I looked at these devilish vehicles, especially the home-made dune-buggies



with exhaust pipes which looked like twisted horns or flutes, I was reminded of the grotesque contrivances in some painting by Hieronymus Bosch—perhaps the "Hell" portion of "The Garden of Earthly Delights" or maybe "The Last Judgment." Surely, I thought, something is wrong with American civilization.

I complained to the Santa Cruz County parks authority. They convinced me they were doing all they could within their limited resources. With only a handful of sheriffs, deputies and park rangers in official vehicles, they could not patrol the entire beach

at a similar meeting in Las Vegas. One is reminded of certain Southern slave-owners in the 1830's and 1840's who by force cut off all debate on slavery within the Southern states, fearing abolitionist inroads. Even postmasters were told not to deliver abolitionist literature to residents of that region. Is there a parallel with off-road vehicle enthusiasts and their attempts to cut off debate on the environment today?

Whether or not there is any parallel between the situation in the South in the 1840's and the situation in the West today in the 1970's, surely the

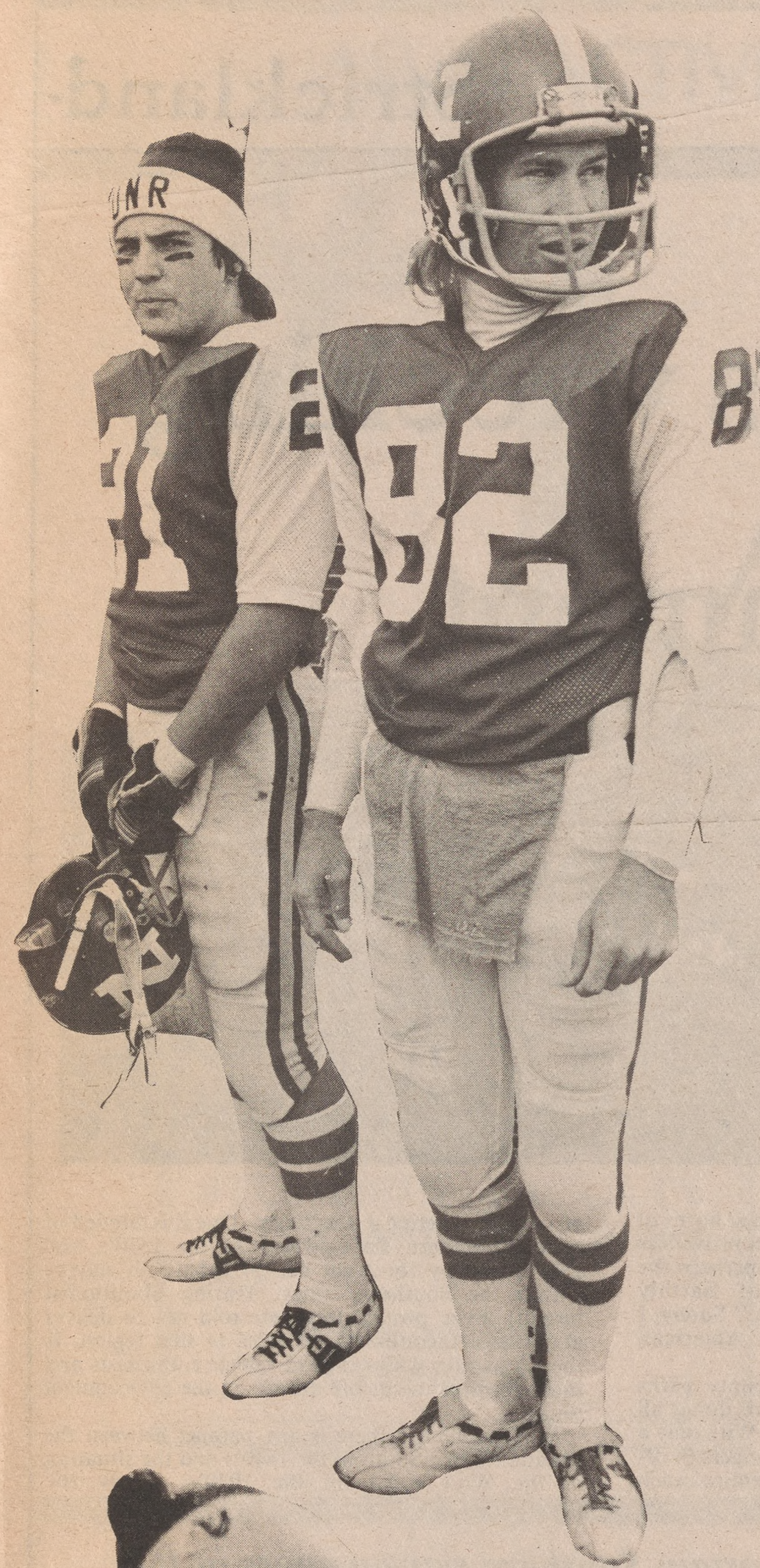
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area of the county every hour to enforce regulations against improper ORV use. A state beach nearby did allow ORV's, they said, and the off-road vehicle enthusiasts would often roll aside boulders and cut gates to cross illegally into county beach areas from that state beach.

Off-road vehicle enthusiasts know no shame. Reliable sources have told me that they dynamited gates established by park authorities at the Valley of Fire state park near Las Vegas, and that a trail-bike rider illegally entered and criss-crossed with tracks the Desolation Valley Wild Area near Lake Tahoe. (One recalls members of the Resistance in Nazi-occupied Poland who strung wire between two trees on opposite sides of a road to stop Nazi soldiers on motorcycles.)

Off-road vehicle enthusiasts have shouted down their responsible critics at BLM meetings concerning regulation of ORV's. I know from personal experience at an Aug. 9 BLM meeting in Reno, and reliable sources tell me they shouted down all critics

recreational use of ORV's should be condemned by civilized men. Civilized people in the West have learned to give up the "enjoyment" of such pastimes as watching cock-fighting and participating in bear-baiting. Now they should similarly give up the recreational use of ORV's and speak uncompromisingly against it, especially in view of the fact that continued "recreation" of this sort will within a few years leave a completely worked-over, degraded Western landscape — a landscape completely devoid of the wilderness qualities which even now still excite the interest and imagination of people as far away as Spain and Austria. If we allow every hill and mountain to be criss-crossed with tire tracks and crude roads leading everywhere and nowhere; and if wildlife is scared, chased out of its habitat, and destroyed over the next two decades as such ORV use continues; then the last vestige of the Wild West which has helped to shape a unique America and which is the object of admiration all over the world will have disappeared. Is nothing sacred?



There's a lot more to football  
than just the game



Photos by Bob Davis  
and Ruth Mills







# Press unions running things

GREG KOELFGEN

All is not well on Fleet Street. According to Rodney Bennett-England, chairman of the British National Council for the Training of Journalists, the print unions are "hellbent on destroying the National Press in Great Britain" (whose headquarters are on London's Fleet Street).

Bennett-England delivered the message Wednesday night at the 15th annual Scripps Lecture before about 150 persons in the Edward Pine Room of the Jot Travis Student Union.

Speaking at the informal dinner meeting, Bennett-England displayed a dry, caustic wit in comparing the British and American press and offered some strong commentary regarding the British press' industrial relations problems.

The British journalist, the first Scripps lecturer to come from another country, said that there is "no greater threat to communication than that which is within the newspapers themselves—the print unions."

He added that the unions are fearful of technology, refusing to move forward.

"The trend," Bennett-England said, "is being manifested in the broadcasting world also." Advancements in technology via Electronic News Gathering (ENG) have not been im-

plemented in Great Britain. Remarking on the differences between the American and British press, Bennett-England said he was "overwhelmed at the enormity of American newspapers" and their high amount of

familiar statement made by American educators—the problems students at the higher levels have with the English language. He pointed out that "the problem lies with the training received at the secondary school level."



Rodney Bennett-England

PHOTO BY MILLS

advertising. He called his introduction to the Sunday edition of the *Los Angeles Times* a "collision."

He also said he was "particularly struck by the very free use of comment in American news stories. The British try to maintain an objectivity free of comment. There's a tendency in American papers toward becoming judgmental."

The British educator also echoed a

Those who write the news must have a thorough knowledge of the language, Bennett-England said, "because readers today are much more articulate...they do point out mistakes."

At the close of the lecture, UNR Journalism Prof. William Metz presented Bennett-England with a plaque outlining the state of Nevada.

The lecture was the first dinner to be held in the recently completed room.

# Counseling for rape victims

Face-to-face counseling for rape victims will begin in Reno in December. A pilot project to provide supportive intervention, the program will be initiated by the Suicide Prevention and Crisis Call Center.

In conjunction with the Reno Police Department and the Department of Social Services at Washoe Medical Center, the Crisis Call Center will provide a team of one volunteer and one professional to counsel rape victims after they are taken to Washoe Medical Center, according to Colleen Stotler, co-director of the center.

The program will run on a test basis at first. "We're going to see if it works, and maybe add another staff member if things go smoothly," Stotler said.

The rape crisis team will be part of the expanding services that the Crisis Call Center is undertaking. The current professional staff will be stretched to add this service and only volunteers who have completed training and have served on the crisis line will be considered for the other half of the team.

Alerted by the Reno Police Department or Washoe Medical Center's Social Services Department in the incidence of a rape, the team will meet with victims at Washoe Medical Center for counseling.

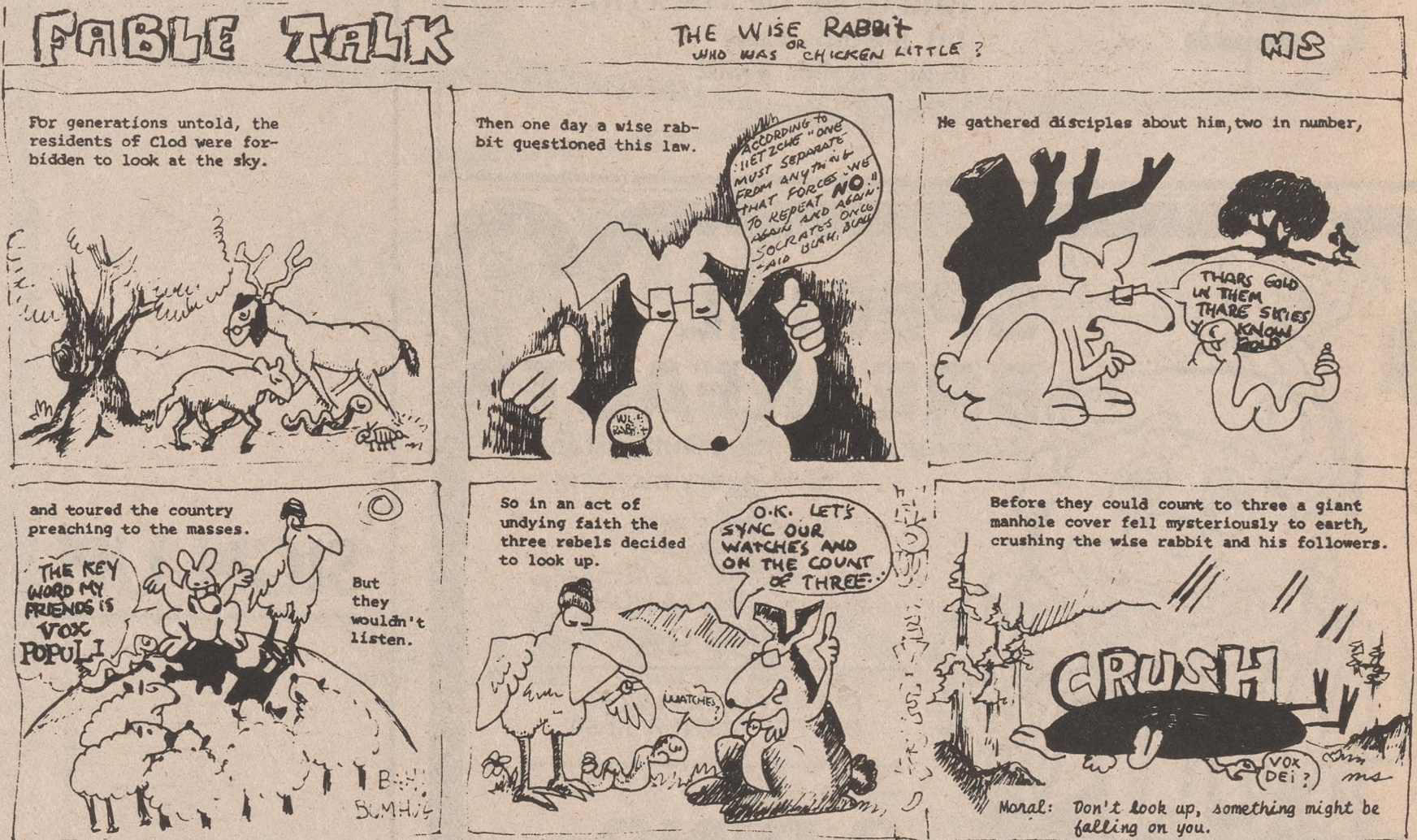
## Two books published

The University of Nevada Press has begun distribution of two recently-published books about the Wild West: "Twenty Miles From a Match" and "The West of Will James."

"Twenty Miles From a Match," a warm, insightful view into homesteading in Nevada," according to Nick Cady, assistant director and editor of the press, is the autobiography of Sarah E. Olds, one of the first women to pioneer the wild and riotous West, and to help tame it as well.

Olds' daughter, Leslie Zurfluh, a resident of Fallon, wrote the foreword, collected the photographs and did much of the editing and manuscript checking for the book.

"It isn't historical; it is simply the incidents which happened on a homestead started on a shoestring," Zurfluh stated. She also added, "I'm very proud of the fact that from these beginnings we all managed to graduate from the University of Nevada."



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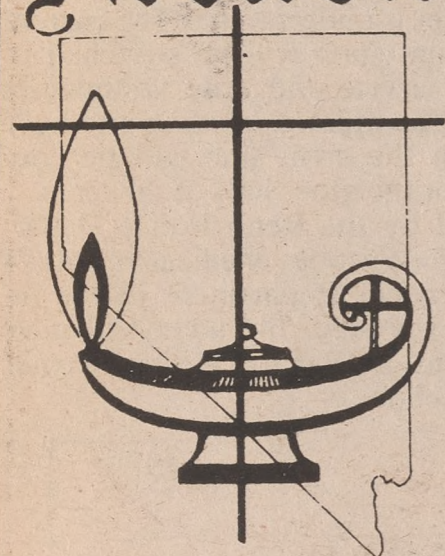
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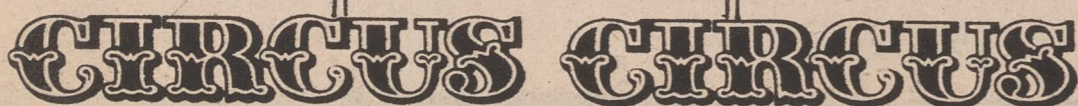
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# Zoo occupants on UNR campus?

DONNA DUKE

Would you live in a zoo? Nearly half of the on-campus residents at UNR do.

What's the zoo? Nye Hall, of course. Nye houses 512 of the 1,026 students who live in UNR residence halls. Through the years, Nye has managed to maintain the reputation of "the partying dorm."

Freshman physical education major, Jane Driscoll, from Santa Cruz, Calif., lives on the fifth floor of Nye Hall. She says of the dorm, "I hate it. No, wait a minute. I don't really hate it. It's too noisy. It's a place to live if you want to have fun."

Perhaps your view of the dorm, though, depends on who and what you are. Fourth floor resident assistant Laure Oullett says, "I don't think it's that bad. It's got a better reputation than the fraternities." She goes on to explain, "Last year I lived in a sorority and I heard about Nye Hall. It's changed since I moved in. This year it's not as bad. I like it."

Resident director of Nye Hall Patricia Pragacz, explains the dorm's infamous reputation. "Well over

partying goes on here. Most people go to apartments or other houses."

For Gary, living in the dorm was a practical solution to a real problem. As he puts it, "I just sleep there."

Yet the legend of Nye lives on. Fourth floor sophomore resident Gavin Hunter tries to explain dorm life and Nye's reputation. "Sometimes it's fun. But sometimes the people are just animals." He continues, "I don't like some of the aspects of dorm life,

but I don't think it's anyone's fault but the students who live here."

However, Joanne Aglione, who served as Nye Hall's resident director during the 1977-78 term, feels that student attitudes are changing. They see the reason behind rules and the need to enforce them. Also, they are more concerned with their own needs and problems than in creating more problems.

Perhaps there's a new breed of animal in the zoo. Only the 293 males and 226 females who are caged in Nye Hall know for sure.



half the resident population on campus lives in Nye Hall. Therefore, 11 percent to 15 percent of the on-campus student population live in any of the other given dorms. So, naturally, there's five times as many incidents in Nye Hall."

Support for student government in Nye Hall this year was extraordinary, according to Pragacz. There was an unheard of 80 percent voter turnout. And the student planners have already staged several activities.

But student dissatisfaction is understandable in the confines of dorm life, according to Nye's resident director. Most of the problems that have occurred in Nye Hall have been maintenance related.

This is a reflection of the general lack of maintenance labor in the Reno area, due to the recent boom experienced in the Truckee Meadows.

Vada Trimble, coordinator for the residence halls, feels that the housing crunch is still very real in the Reno area. But the Housing Department has been able to accommodate everyone that has requested on-campus housing.

Many people move into the dormitories as a matter of convenience. Approximately 30 percent of Nye's residents are freshmen. But Gary Lopez, who lives on the eighth floor of Nye Hall, is a graduate student in business. He chose to live on campus because he has no car and he arrived in Reno too late to look for an apartment. "Besides," adds Gary, "you get nicer TV and better services — laundry facilities, no dishes — than you could get in an apartment."

As for the partying, Gary says, "Not that much

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# Game 11: Idaho St.

Idaho State coach Bud Hake

"The basic thing we have to do is play better football than we have in the past. We have been pleased with our defense all year, it is the offense that has been giving us trouble. The defense ends up spending most of the game on the field and that is why we are 2-8.

We don't run the ball very well so we have been forced to pass more than we usually do. Nick Spoon, our quarterback, and Rick Smith, a wide receiver, have become a top passing combo.

UNR is the best team that has ever played in the Minidome. They do everything so well that it is scary. We will have to perform extremely well just to come close."

UNR coach Chris Ault

"The potential of this team is really awesome; they proved that against South Dakota. It just wasn't the first team doing the job, it was the second and third units.

I don't anticipate a letdown against Idaho State. Because we are an independent, every game is a season in itself. The kids know this and they have responded every week.

Frank Hawkins will not start but will see some action. Don Smerek is a 50-50 chance to come back and perform. David Craig is doubtful (with an ankle injury) but overall we are in excellent shape for this late in the season.

We aren't going to do anything different than we have all season. We are really now beginning to realize how good we can be. I'm really proud of these kids."

## Outlook

No prisoners will be taken Saturday night in Pocatello. Ault has been telling his troops all year that their goal is to go undefeated and to win a national championship. With all that in mind, Idaho State stands as much chance of winning in the Minidome as the Christians did against the lions.

There is one consolation for the Bengals. They will be playing at home, so they won't have to use their airplanes. Last Saturday the Bengals were traveling to Moscow, Idaho, to play their big rival, University of Idaho. One of their planes broke down and the Bengals were forced to forfeit. Their record is now 2-8.

The Minidome was also the sight of Ault's first loss as a college coach. He should be able to avenge that loss and propel UNR into the playoffs.

## Basketball opens

# Greatest year ever?

CHRIS HEALY

The final chapter of the Edgar Jones era of UNR basketball is one that could be as shattering as a Jones slam dunk.

The Wolf Pack has all five starters returning from last year's 19 win, 8 loss team. They led the West Coast Athletic Conference (WCAC) most of last season before bowing in the final weeks to the USF Dons.

Coach Jim Carey has Jones at center, Johnny High and Michael "Fly" Gray at guards and Mike Stallings and Mike Longero returning from last seasons starting lineup.

Super-sub Stevey Hunter and guards Dale Wilson and Raul Contreras are also returnees who should see a lot of playing time in Nevada's potent fast-break offense and pressure defense.

The Street & Smith College Basketball Yearbook has rated UNR No. 16 in the nation ahead of such perennial powers as Maryland and last year's National Champion, Kentucky.

"With everyone back from last year, I guess you could say we deserve the ranking. Once we start playing, it doesn't matter, we still have to win," says third-year coach Carey.

The biggest reason for the improved ranking might be the emergence of 6'7" forward Aaron Cusic, a junior college transfer. Cusic could be the all-around forward the Pack needs to balance out the front line of Stallings and Jones. Stallings was the WCAC's leading rebounder last year with an 11.5 per-game average.

"Cusic has as much talent as

anybody on the team. He can do many things well and should challenge for a starting spot," said Carey. "He has to develop consistency."

Thaxter "Helicopter" Arterberry (6'4") and Ricky Keel (6'2") are two freshmen guards who are "smart players, adjusting to our system."

Transfer Alvin Alexander (6'6") is another player who could see a lot of court time. "He is a strong rebounder and a smart player," said Carey.

The story of UNR basketball over the last four seasons has been the play of the often incredible man in the middle, Edgar Jones. The 6'10" All-American from Newark, N.J., is the third leading scorer and top rebounder in UNR history.

"I think Edgar is one of the best big men in the country. He is amazing at times," says Carey.

The Pack's regular season opener is at the University of Houston. "That will be a tough opener. We are getting ready for that now by working on situation play. That pre-season exhibition game against the Australians will help us get ready for Houston."

Conference play begins in January and Carey feels that the WCAC will be the toughest it has ever been. "It will be a tough road for us, but we plan on doing well."

USF, Santa Clara and Seattle should be the Pack's toughest opponents. Portland, Loyola, St. Mary's and Pepperdine all had decent recruiting years and could play the role of spoiler in a tight race.

## Women's basketball in road opener

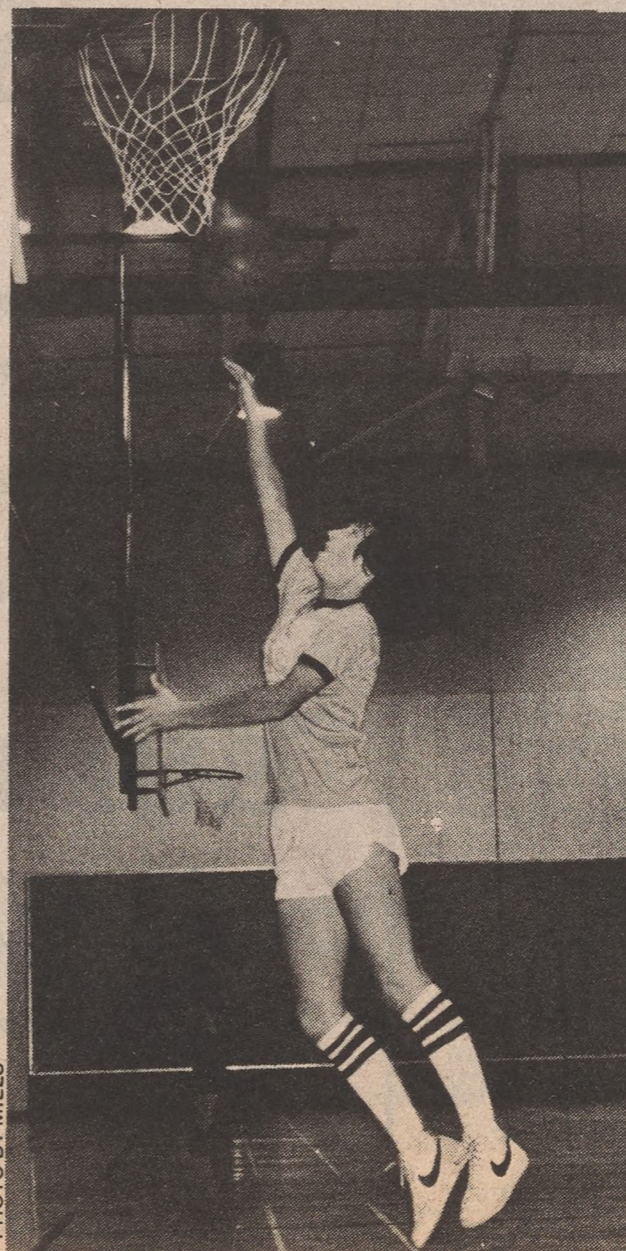


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The women's basketball team opens its season today on the road against Cal Poly, host of the Double AA Elimination Tournament at San Luis Obispo.

Also battling under the boards at the tournament will be Pepperdine, U.C. Santa Barbara, Northridge, USC, Cal Poly Pomona and Fresno State.

San Luis Obispo has five returning players, all seniors, while UNR is made up of three returnees and seven freshmen.

UNR coach Cinde Metzger is looking ahead for a .500 record and will count on the talents of Cindy Rock, Regina Ratigan and Lisa Alley as guards, the playmakings of Ellen Townsend and the speed of Carla Bennett.

"We don't have the height," Metzger says. "So We'll have to rely on the fast break and a good man-to-man defense."

UNR's first home game is on Friday, Nov. 24 at the Centennial Coliseum. Preliminary action to the men's game, UNR will meet "the unknown qualities" of Australia National.

Five of the nine home games this year will be in the coliseum and precede the men's games. According to Metzger, playing at the coliseum will mean "more of an awareness year for the school and the community that there is a girl's basketball team."



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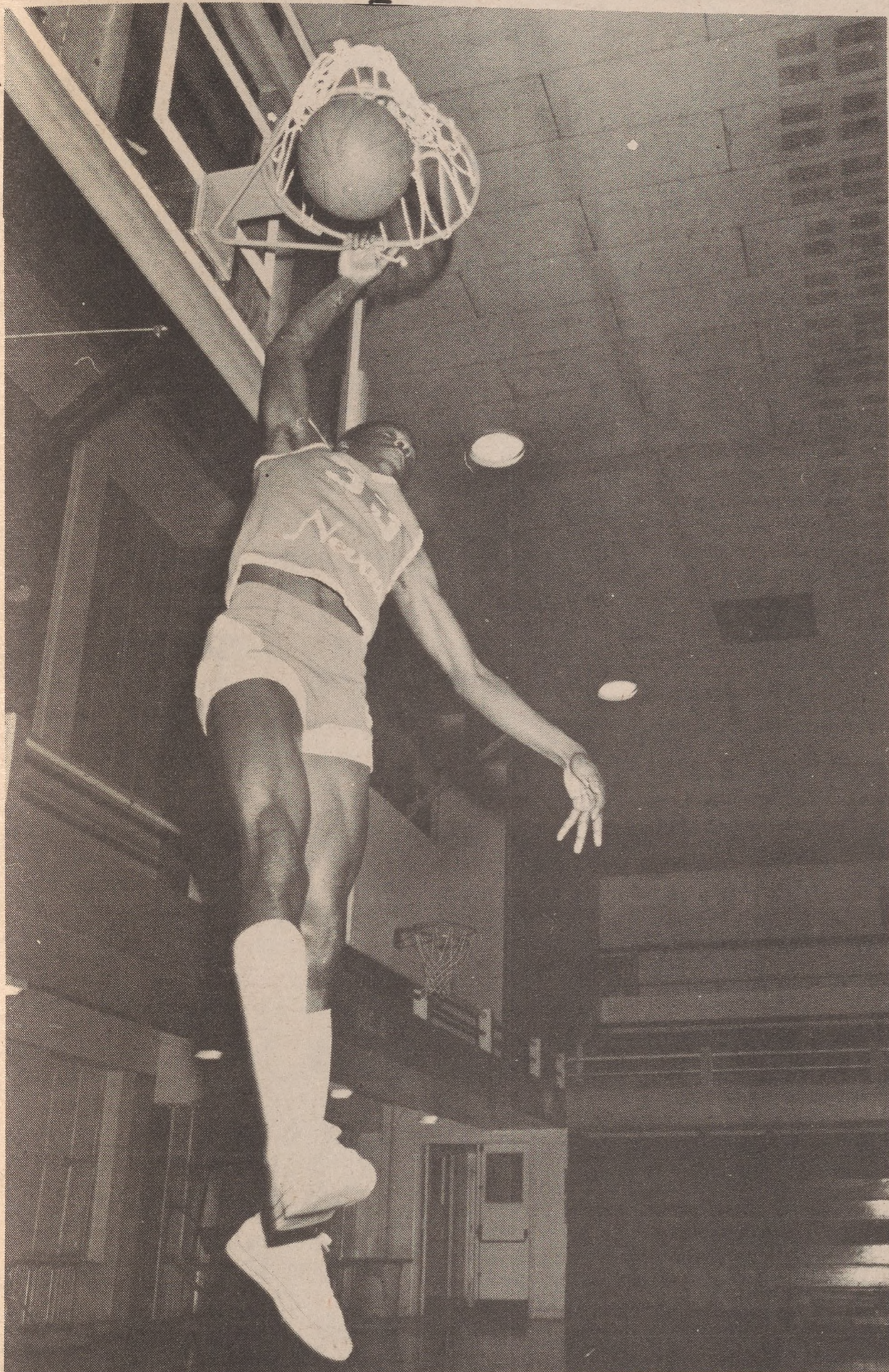
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# Sports



## Wham! Bam! Slam!

PHIL HOWARD

Like winter, basketball season looms just around the corner. However, unlike winter, the upcoming basketball season should be somewhat easier to predict.

While last year's season was far from disappointing, this season—if the Pack fulfills its potential—could be the season for the Pack. With the addition of several outstanding newcomers to an already powerful nucleus UNR should possess the talent and depth needed to win the WCAC title.

However, to win the title, UNR will have to improve a few key aspects of their game. While it's a safe bet to expect UNR's daring dash-and-dunk dozen to electrify and satisfy Reno fans, it's still uncertain whether they

can consistently win on the road.

Widely scattered fouls and pitiful free-throw shooting also plagued UNR last year. If the Pack is to evolve from a good team into a great team, they must defeat their own weaknesses as well as their opponents.

There should be some truly sensational individual performances, especially for all you dunk fans. Expect to see a few of Edgar "The Dean of Dunk" Jones' outrageous 180-degree turnaround, behind the head from pike position, I.E., "Yo' mama," dunks. Expect also several Mike Gray, A.K.A. "Fly," one hand, wave it in your eye stuffs, as well as several Mike Stallings rim shaking, backboard quivering, jam sandwiches.

Johnny High should produce his share of straight-down-the-lane, knee-high in-your-face flying slammers. Stevie "The Wonder" Hunter has his don't-you-worry-'bout-a-thing jet-jams all tuned up and ready to go.

New-to-Reno fans will be Thaxter "Helicopter" Arterberry's amazing swirling swooping whirlybird, i.e., "not only yo' mama but yo' daddy too" dunk.

While it's certain the Pack will be good, just how good no one knows except the players themselves. The biggest advantage UNR has is its speed. When the Pack gets moving they're hard to catch. In fact it might be wise for visiting teams to arrange post-game appointments with Reno Goodyear. After playing UNR they may want to get their "tennies" revulcanized.

## Playoff possibility

If you're making plans for the month of December, make sure you don't schedule anything for the 9th because that may very well be the day UNR hosts one of the two first-round NCAA Division I-AA football playoff games.

If the Pack, currently ranked No. 1 in the nation, defeats this week's opponent, Idaho State, they should be a cinch to be selected as one of the four playoff teams. Once the Pack's selected, it is almost certain that UNR would be named as the host team.

"If Nevada-Reno wins (this Saturday), I think there is very little doubt they would host on the 9th," said NCAA Director of Events Jerry Miles. "Once we select the seeds, No. 1 will host against No. 4 and No. 2 will host against No. 3."

What is less certain is who UNR will meet for that first game. One representative from the east, west and south, and one at-large team will be selected for the playoffs on Nov. 22.

Currently, Rhode Island (7-2) is the highest rated team from the east (NO. 7) and Jackson State (9-1) from the south. Florida A&M (7-1) is the top at-large team (No. 3).

If the ratings don't change after this weekend, UNR will face Rhode Island and Jackson State will go against Florida A&M.

The finals will be held at Wichita Falls, Texas, on Dec. 16.

## View volleyball tonight

Local fans and students will finally get a chance to watch the UNR women's volleyball team tonight at 7 when they take on the Lake Tahoe Outdoorsman's women team in the UNR Old Gym.

The match is the opener of the first Power Volleyball Exhibition doubleheader held in Reno.

The second contest will be between two men's teams as the Reno Volleyball Club battles the Lake Tahoe All Stars.

"We hope to generate some interest and support for volleyball," said Wolf Pack coach Kaprice Rupp Bray, "and it is an opportunity for everyone to see the university team."

The Pack, which had its only regularly scheduled home game cancelled last week, lost only its fourth match in its last 17 tries to the University of Pacific Tuesday. Reno was defeated 10-15, 13-15, 6-15, and finished its regular season with a 16-14 overall record.

The Wolf Pack is hoping for an at-large berth of its own in the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women's Small College Western Regional at Cal-Davis, Nov. 24-25. According to Bray, the AIAW will notify her Sunday if her team has received a bid.

The Wolf Pack was 7-0 against small

colleges and the UOP coach told Bray that UNR was the best small college competition he had seen.

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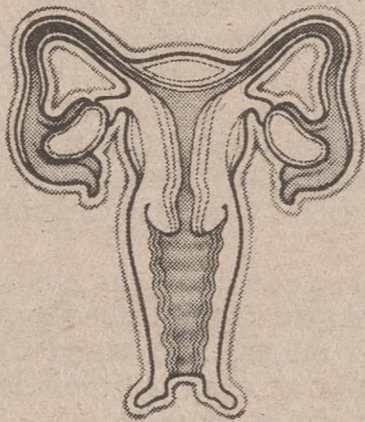
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