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# Opinion

## The Center has been a gift to the community

It is shocking to receive a gift when you're not expecting one. When the package arrives and a quick check of the calendar shows you haven't forgotten your birthday or one anniversary or another, the natural reaction is confusion. "What have I done to deserve this?" or "What occasion have I forgotten?" are questions that come to mind.

It is also pleasant to receive this gift. It does a lot for one's self-esteem. In that moment you know that in the eyes of another person you are worthy of their love and concern. For a moment you're something singularly special.

Such a gift tells something of the giver, too. It shows him or her to be a sensitive, caring and unselfish person.

It's an emotional experience, this receiving, one that hits you at the gut level. The only sufficient answer is, "Thank You."

Some 10 years ago, UNR received such a gift, when Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in Nevada set up an ecumenical venture known as the Center for Religion and Life. It seems to me a gift of

immeasurable value to the students, faculty and administration of UNR.

The Center has always focused on the needs of the university community — spiritual and otherwise. As Will Hogan, publicity director for the Center said, "Whether it is the Board of Regents working out a budgetary problem, or a faculty group trying to develop an Honors Program, or a group of students who just need a place to meet — the Center has been there. In the turbulent times of student unrest on campus, it was there to ameliorate the situation. In these more conservative times — often mislabeled as apathetic — it was there recently to present a Pentagon spokesman, from the Defense Department, who spoke out against the draft." Among others, Center-sponsored Bible studies, prayer meetings and retreats offer students and faculty the chance to reflect on spiritual matters. Add to this the fact that the Center recently took the Blue Mailbox completely under its wing and you can see the sincerity of its staff's concern.

This concern is reflected positively in the educational sphere. The Center's efforts help to

educators and administrators as they endeavor to provide an effective learning situation by broadening the students' spiritual horizons. As a result happier, stabler students emerge, ones more in tune with themselves, their needs and their goals.

The Center depends upon the churches involved and individual donations for support. But, as with most active and growing organizations, more money is needed. To meet this need, the Center will hold a fund-raising dinner at the MGM Grand Hotel in Reno, Friday, May 11. It will start at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour. Dinner will follow at 7:30 p.m. The UNR Jazz Ensemble will be there, under the direction of Bryon Peterson, to provide music for dining, dancing or listening pleasure.

Tickets for the fund-raiser are \$35 per person, \$19 of which is tax-deductible. As givers, the Center's staff has shown themselves to be sensitive, caring and unselfish towards the university's needs. Attending the fund-raiser can be a way to say, "Thank You."

*Ebner*

## This issue

Awards were given out yesterday at the annual convocation ceremony. For the big winners, see page 3....

It looks like the business college will get a new location in near future. The wheres and hows are on page 6....

Part 2 of Bob Grumet's nuclear study covers pages 8 and 9....

## Letters

### Convocation phooie!

Editor:  
(To the student body:)

I am unable at this time to comprehend the need for the university's annual Convocation Day. I am hoping that one of the enlightened awardees of the ceremony can explain it to me. Until that time, I will continue to see many reasons that justify my labeling this event as one of total absurdity. I have listed two such reasons below:

1) Disrupting the educational process by cancelling classes in order to award students for their successful efforts in the classroom seems quite contradictory. It's like a man preaching peace while pointing a gun at his audience to make sure that they don't disobey his teachings. A little hypocritical, isn't it?

2) Even more importantly, don't we have more than enough awards for "honor students" (i.e. the honor roll, Convocation Day, Phi Kappa Phi, etc.) Shouldn't learning be its own reward?

Enough of these superficial honors and awards —  
**ON WITH LEARNING!**

Jodford Ian

### Poem for Rubín

Editor:  
For Reno Citizens for Controlled Growth,  
I'm not the least bit hesitant or loath  
To urge that all at UNR who can  
Vote Rusty Rubín for our councilman,  
Ward 4. Of all the candidates, he's been  
Most willing to do more than censure sin,  
And come out four-square to control the spread  
Of urban sprawl that's choking Reno dead.  
Don't californicate us! It's too late  
To save L.A., but this yet-lovely state  
Can still be spared. So get out to the poll  
For men like Rusty, and for growth control.

Bill Hamma

Reno Citizens for Controlled Growth

### Opinions given

Editor:  
As many people have asked me for my opinions about the candidates in the mayoral and 2nd Ward City Council races, I thought I should write to state my preferences. I should warn that my views concerning these two election races are far less definite than

my opinions about the 4th Ward race, to which I have devoted this week's column.

In the mayoral race, I am almost completely uncertain in the choice between Barbara Bennett and Bonnie Wilson. Bennett has been prominent in her leadership of controlled growth forces in the past two or three years, and has done a great deal of work to earn election as mayor — her work in behalf of beleaguered mobile home tenants being most praiseworthy and impressive. She has the support of a significant portion of the Democratic Party, and so to realists she may seem to have the best chance of surviving the primary of any of the controlled growth mayoral candidates. However, she does strike some people as abrasive and huffy, and she could be a little more definite about her proposed program (although she has come out pretty definitely against the proposed MGM hotel-room addition). Lamar Aiazzi of Reno Citizens for Controlled Growth has decided to support Bonnie Wilson's candidacy, although the RCCG organization as a whole has taken no position on the mayoral race. Ms. Wilson's statements have been praiseworthily definite. She has described exactly and without euphemism the conflicts of interest surrounding incumbent candidates Spoon, Menicucci and Granata. Her proposal for conflict of interest legislation is excellent. However, where has she been the last two years when controlled-growth forces needed help? She is a member of the Reno Board of Realtors, although even in Reno it should be possible to have civic-minded realtors. Personally, I would tend to support Bennett, but the voters in the university community should make their own carefully evaluated choice.

In the 2nd Ward race, my views are a little more definite. I would support Janice Pine. Marcel Durant is trying to redeem himself by opposing the Aztec Temple project, but astute observers of the City Council remember his pretty consistent voting record in favor of major hotel-casino additions — particularly his vote in favor of the proposed Circus Circus tower addition when it was first proposed for consideration back in December 1977, and even when the majority of the rest of the City Council thought it politic to vote it down for the time being. Pine seems to be waffling on the issues. At a recent meeting of the RCCG, she would not even rule out MGM's proposed addition until she had "seen the plans," although she said she leaned against approval of it. However, she is supported by many controlled-growth people whose opinions I trust. Her one good statement I recall is that it is not the duty or obligation of the City Council to guarantee the investment of every developer on every block who happens to have invested in valuable downtown property, just as it is not the obligation of the City Council to reimburse everyone who loses money in the stock market. Too often the City Council has been over-

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA AT RENO

## Philosophy majors now number three

Rick Sorenson

It is tucked into a first-floor wing of the ancient Frandsen Humanities building on the UNR campus.

It is a department that, some might argue, merits such a dusty and obscure location in the educational scheme. It is the Department of Philosophy.

As growth industries go, philosophy is not a front-runner. And at UNR, the number of declared philosophy majors has taken a steady dive over the past five years.

In spring 1975 the figure stood at a meager 25 students, three-fourths of them men. Each successive semester has produced a drop in enrollment until, in this first semester of 1979, philosophy majors number a miniscule but determined *three* students — two men and one woman.

What happened? How did a small department evolve into a speck? Department Chairman Jack Kelly knows quite clearly why.

"There's tremendous pressure from the business community for vocational preparation and specialization," he explains. "In the 50s, recruiting companies wanted students with a broad general education so they could be trained by the company. Not anymore."

The trend, Kelly says, has been toward hiring the student who has specialized in an area while attending college. "I think it's short-sighted, but I can understand why they do it."

He adds, "Since 1970, the number of humanities majors (English, philosophy, foreign languages) has been cut almost in half."

The opportunities for advanced degree work and subsequent teaching positions have also diminished drastically, due largely to a cut-off of federal funding to graduate programs. When a single teaching position became available at UNR a few years ago, Kelly was buried with no fewer than 300 applications for it.

One advantage of the job scarcity for philosophers has been the abundance of top-quality instructors from which to draw.

"We have a much more professionally oriented staff now," Kelly states proudly. "I really don't think students know just how good our faculty members are." He cites the recent hirings of Thomas Nickles, who previously taught at Princeton University, and Piotr Hoffman, who came to Reno via the Universities of California at Berkeley and Santa Cruz and has studied extensively in Paris and Warsaw. (One of Hoffman's professors in Paris also tutored a philosopher named Jean-Paul Sartre.)

The Philosophy Department has also had to overcome a somewhat tarnished past. From what information he can piece together, Kelly recalls that, in the late 60s and early 70s, the questionable ethical and professional antics of several former professors had created an atmosphere of notoriety and distrust that repelled students and administrators alike.

Alleged "radicalization" of students, arbitrary assignment of grades and intellectual "attacks" on students all served to lower the department's prestige and credibility.

The affable Kelly was hired as department chairman in 1973, a position he retains until the end of this semester.

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He has quietly and steadily raised the department's sagging esteem through the hiring of prestigious faculty and the sponsorship of high-brow conferences.

Last fall, the department sponsored an international conference on the Philosophy of Science which drew 40 philosophers to the university from

around the world. The papers presented at the conference will soon be published in a two-volume set. Kelly's hope is to repeat the gathering every other year.

Kelly's attention backtracks to the dearth of humanities majors. "I think a lot of kids are scared," he states. "They're anxious about job prospects

immediately after graduation." However, he still believes that career preparation should include a "look further up the road." He sees a greater flexibility and adaptability among students who have begun their careers with a liberal arts foundation.

Emphasizing the value of philosophy in producing clear thinkers, Kelly cites the rise and proven danger of religious cults whose members "buy anything that comes down the road."

"It is vital for a person to be able to discern for *himself* what is right and wrong," declares Kelly. "One of the primary purposes of philosophy is to develop this critical attitude."

## Rowe wins outstanding senior award

Terrie Nault

Special citations, including the Thornton Peace Prize and outstanding researcher, were announced for 11 students and two faculty members during the 14th annual Honors Convocation at UNR.

The ceremony, which recognized collegiate achievements of some 1,500 students, was held yesterday.

The Thornton Peace Prize went to James H. Harrison, a UNR senior from Sparks, for his personal concern

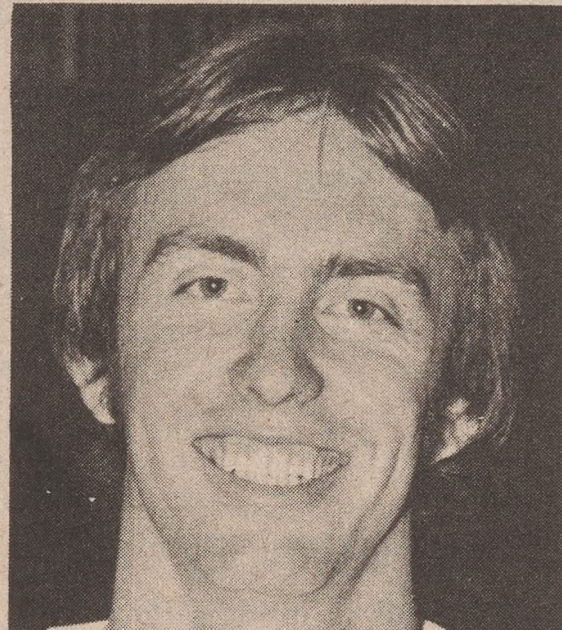
who best exemplifies dedication to scholarship.

Kim Gibson Rowe, Reno, was named Outstanding Senior. The award recognizes a student who has worked for the improvement of the university, but who has received little recognition for this service.

The Henry Albert Public Service Award goes to seniors who have done extensive community service work and

Year. Miss Belikow led her team to a first place in the AIAW National Small College Championships in March, and also set national records in breast-stroke events.

Alex E. Willis, Newport Beach, Calif., won the "Doc" Martie Athlete of the Year award. Willis played defensive halfback and safety for the undefeated Wolf Pack football team that earned a bid to this year's NCAA



Kim Rowe

and commitment to peace, empowerment and well-being of others.

The peace prize is presented to a member of the UNR community whose work contributes to the idea that the use of force is not an acceptable means for settling disputes.

Dr. Baldev K. Vig, biology professor and expert on genetics, was named outstanding researcher. He was recognized for his research involving genetic damage caused by exposure to radiation and chemicals.

The award is presented for research which would directly benefit the state of Nevada, as well as have a wider-reaching impact.

Gov. Robert List presented top awards during the hour-long ceremony conducted by UNR President Joseph Crowley.

Judith Ann Desmond, Reno, received the Phi Kappa Phi Award for scholarship. Phi Kappa Phi is UNR's top academic society, and the award is traditionally presented to the student



Ann Belikow

who have been active in university activities. Students are chosen after campus-wide nominations and final selection by a committee of student services administrators.

This year four students received the award. They are Jacques R. Fleming, Las Vegas; Carol J. Marty, Reno; Kevin C. Melcher, Reno; and Nancy L. Seufferle, Reno.

The Governor's Medal for military proficiency and academic excellence went to Margaret T. Ellis, Reno, the first woman to receive the award.

The military science faculty selects the recipient of the medal based on the cadet's performance at ROTC advanced summer camp, leadership abilities as a cadet battalion commander and academic achievement.

The Soroptimist Award for women's scholarship went to Diane M. Presnell, Crescent City, Calif.

Ann C. Belikow, senior standout on the UNR women's swimming team, was named Woman Athlete of the



Alex Willis

championship playoff.

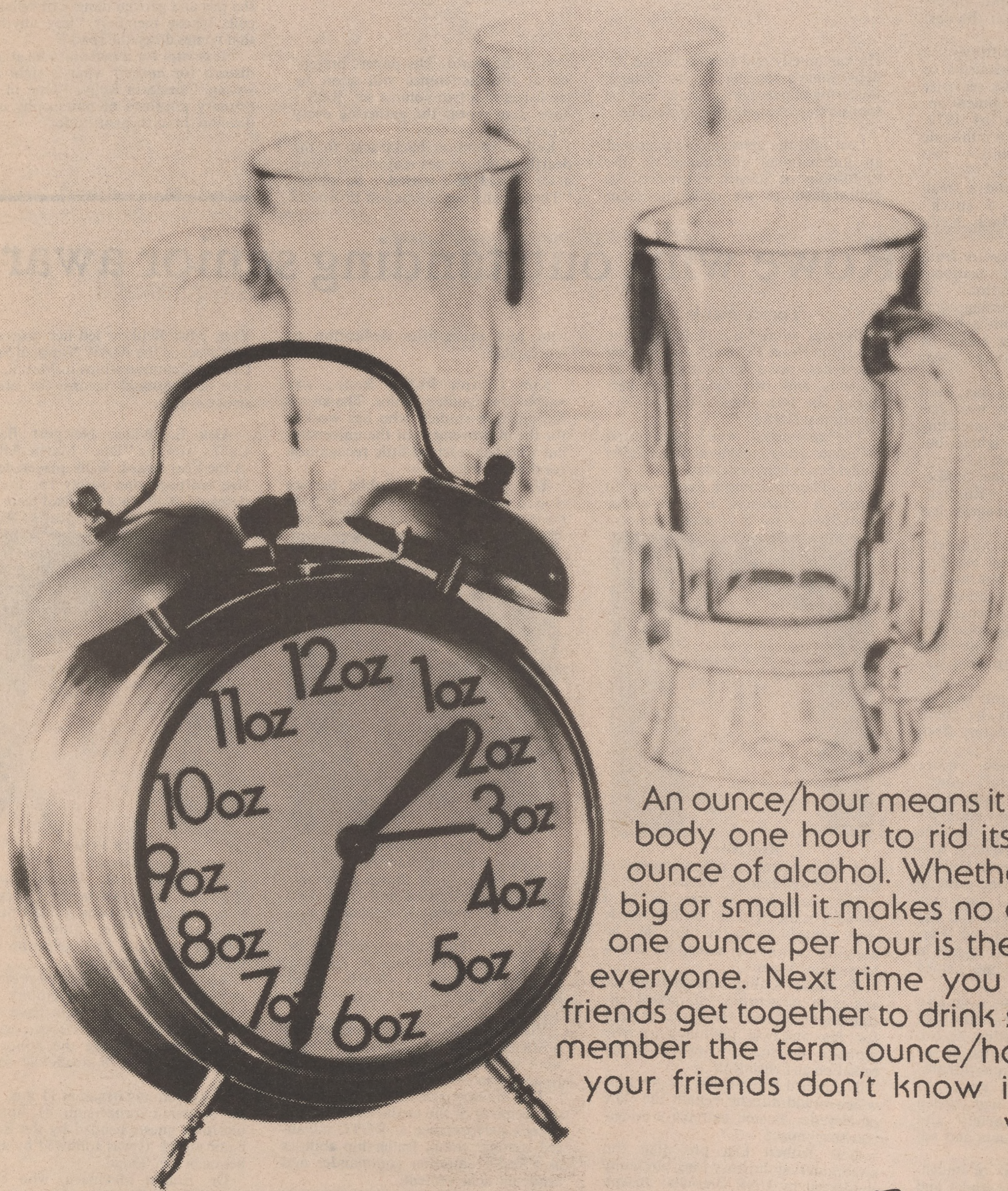
Dr. Richard A. Curry, foreign languages professor in the College of Arts and Sciences, was voted outstanding teacher after university-wide nominations and final selection by a nine-member committee.

Besides the 13 top awards presented to individuals, the ceremony also recognized students who have been elected to honor societies, earned scholarships or made the honor roll during the 1978-79 academic school year.

The ceremony began at 11 a.m. with an academic procession of honored platform guests headed by the ROTC color guard. It was followed by a barbeque in the "Quad."

Dr. Robert McQueen, who chairs the UNR scholarships and prizes committee, has directed the honors convocation for the past 14 years. McQueen supervises countless details that, he explained, take almost a full year to coordinate.

# The Ounce/hour



An ounce/hour means it takes your body one hour to rid itself of one ounce of alcohol. Whether you are big or small it makes no difference, one ounce per hour is the same for everyone. Next time you and your friends get together to drink socially remember the term ounce/hour, and if your friends don't know it...share it with them.



# Short Takes

## Symposium on effects of sewage

The effects of sewage effluent on the Truckee River will be discussed at a one-day public symposium 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Pine Auditorium of Jot Travis Student Union.

Unlike recent public hearings and workshops, the symposium will be instructional in nature, according to coordinator Glenn Miller, a UNR researcher in biochemistry.

Seven experts in all phases of sewage concern will make presentations. Topics ranging from the history of Truckee River pollution and university research on endangered species of fish to future effect on agricultural lands and water quality control will be discussed.

Presentations will focus on the chemical, biological and regulatory problems that arise when effluent from the expanding Reno/Sparks community is introduced into the river, Miller explained.

The types of chemicals found in increased concentrations below the sewage treatment facility will also be considered, as well as their effect on plant and animal life, he added.

Each speaker will present a short talk, after which there will be time for questions.

Speakers will be John Townley, Nevada Historical Society; John Fordham and Dave Koch, Desert Research Institute; and Wally Miller, UNR College of Agriculture. Rich Williamson, U.S. EPA; John Gonzales, Reno-Sparks Waste Treatment Facility; and Leonard Crow, Washoe Council of Governments, will also make presentations.

The symposium is sponsored by the UNR Environmental Studies Board and the Nevada Section of the American Chemical Society. For more information contact UNR's Glenn Miller at 784-6911.

## Macho lift

An intramurals weight-lifting competition will be held on Wednesday, May 9. Sign-ups will take place at the intramurals office at 5 p.m. the same day.

There will be tree lift, benchpress, military and squat lifts. Weight classifications are 0-120, 120-140, 140-160, 160-175, 175-190, 190-200, and anything over 200 pounds will be considered heavyweight.

## Language excel

Outstanding students of UNR and northern Nevada schools will be honored at UNR's Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures' Awards Program.

The event will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in the Ed Pine Auditorium in the student union.

## Traveling actors

The Center for Religion and Life will present the Covenant Players Sunday, May 6. They are a group of young actors who travel around the country putting on religious productions in churches of many denominations.

The Players will make several short presentations on the theme of "Social Concerns," starting at 7:30 p.m., at the Center for Religion and Life, 1101 N. Virginia St., Reno. Admission is free, but a freewill offering to help defray their expenses will be accepted.

## Grads to Britain

Graduates from UNR and across the United States may be gathering up their books and heading for Great Britain when some \$210,000 in Marshall Scholarships from England are

awarded for the 1980-81 academic years.

Thirty qualifying graduates across the nation will each receive approximately \$7,000 for 22 months of study at an English university. The scholarship will cover fares to and from Britain, a monthly living allowance, tuition fees and book and travel allowances.

Graduates from UNR will compete with students from 12 other states in the Pacific region. Selection will be based on high academic ability and campus achievement, as well as the ability to maintain varied outside interests.

The Marshall Scholarship program was established by Parliament in 1953 as a national gesture of thanks for the European Recovery Program instituted by U.S. General George Marshall following World War II. Generous economic assistance was provided in 1947 by the U.S. to help Britain and other European countries recover from the war.

Application deadline is Oct. 1, 1979. Those interested should contact Dr. Robert McQueen, chairman, UNR scholarships and prizes board, at 784-6827.

## Chamber sponsor

An afternoon of chamber music will be offered — free of charge — to the public at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 11, at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 1070 W. Plumb Lane.

The recital will feature works by such well-known composers as Schubert, Brahms, Debussy and Milhaud.

The program is sponsored by UNR's Music Department, and features the talents of four UNR faculty members and one graduate student.

Conducting the ensemble and playing clarinet will be Dr. David Ehrke. He also conducts UNR's clarinet choir, the saxophone quartet and the woodwind quintet.

Ehrke joined the UNR faculty in August 1978. Prior to that, he performed under such notable conductors as

Arthur Fiedler, Erich Leinsdorf, Gunther Schuller, Leon Barzin and Laszlo Varga.

He holds a master's degree in music from the New England Conservatory of Music, and a doctorate from the University of Southern California.

Assisting artists are Prof. Ted Puffer on piano, Prof. Harold Goddard on violin, Prof. Ronald Williams at piano, and graduate music student Evelyn de la Rosa as soprano singer.

## Energy alternative

An Alternative Energy Fair will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, in front of Jot Travis Student Union. Several speakers will be present, including someone from the "Abalone Alliance." Solar energy exhibits, a movie and some live music are planned.

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# College of Business to move?

**Brenda Miller**

The College of Business Administration will have a new home within the next few years. The new building will be located just east of Getchell Library, where the old rifle range was located. It will cost about \$6 million for construction and furnishings, according to Richard Hughs, dean of the College of Business Administration. Plans for the new 4-story building, were to be sent out for bid to contractors this June. A proposal to add two additional stories to the structure has delayed this, however. The addition, which according to Hughs will cost another \$3.1 million, was initially planned for use by the humanities departments.

According to Hughs, the new building will be different from any other now on campus. The first two floors will contain classrooms and facilities for student use. The third and fourth floors will house faculty offices.

niture, but the chairs will swivel so students can face one another," according to Barbara Chism, assistant to the dean of business administration.

"There's a fair chance they (the case-style classrooms) will become very popular," Hughs said. He noted that, with other departments possibly going into the space on the proposed extra floors, those people "will want to use these classrooms very often."

Other features of the new College of Business Administration building will include a student lounge and a student services and information center, where student groups can hold meetings and keep their materials. Elevators to help minimize traffic, student reading rooms, which will contain small seating areas and tables for four and a large computer center are also included in the plans.

The computer center will be located on the third floor. Hughs said it will be



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*Elevators to help minimize traffic, student reading rooms which will contain small seating areas and tables for four....are also included in the plans.*

The dean's and expanded administration offices will also be located on the fourth floor.

The new building will accommodate more faculty. Presently there is office space in Ross Business Administration building for about 30 people, Hughs said. The new building will accommodate about 55 faculty members.

One feature of the new building, Hughs mentioned, is the case-style (horseshoe-shaped) classroom setting. The classroom is "banked like the end of a football field," with each row of seats a little higher than the one in front of it.

The purpose behind the new type of classroom is to "facilitate interactive instruction (interaction among students and instructor)," making it more than just a place to sit and listen to a lecture. The classrooms feature a U-shape and continuous table-type facilities rather than desks. "The rooms will have fairly stationary fur-

used for instruction in the future. Both Chism and Hughs said the use of computers via terminals is a very important part of the business college. "We currently have more terminals than any other college on campus," Chism added.

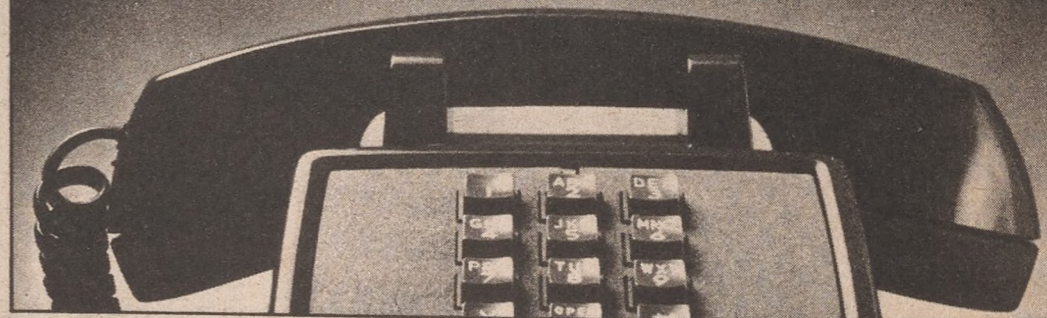
The Bureau of Business and Economic Research, which is now located in the old Journalism Building south of Ross Business Administration, will be moving to the new building.

The bureau provides research and studies for state agencies, government and businesses, Hughs said.

A projected finishing date of 1980 was given before the request for two additional stories was made.

"The building is still in the design stage; we're still writing the specifications — electrical wiring, plumbing, heating, etc." Hughs said. He has not released any dated for starting or finishing the new building yet.

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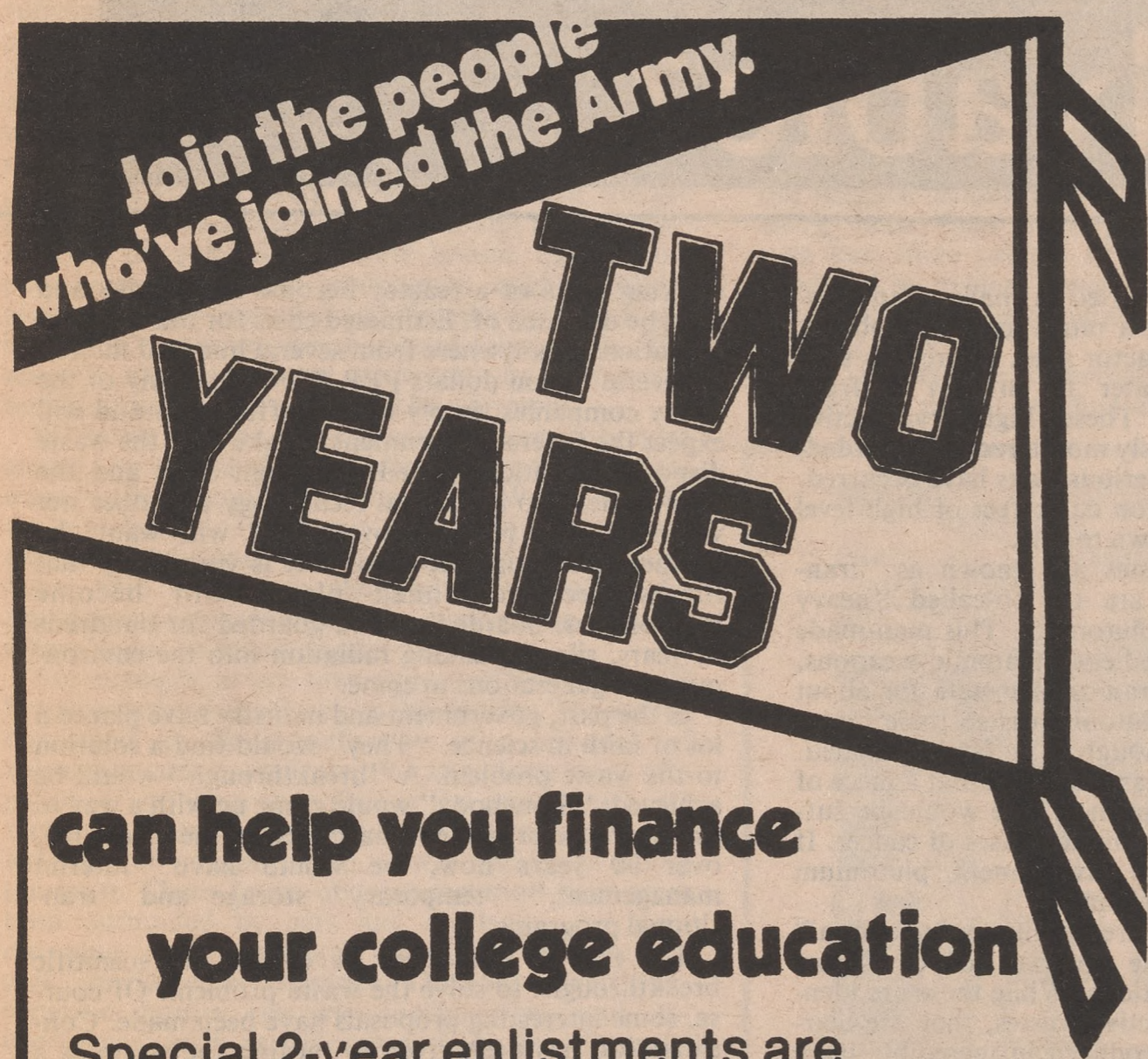
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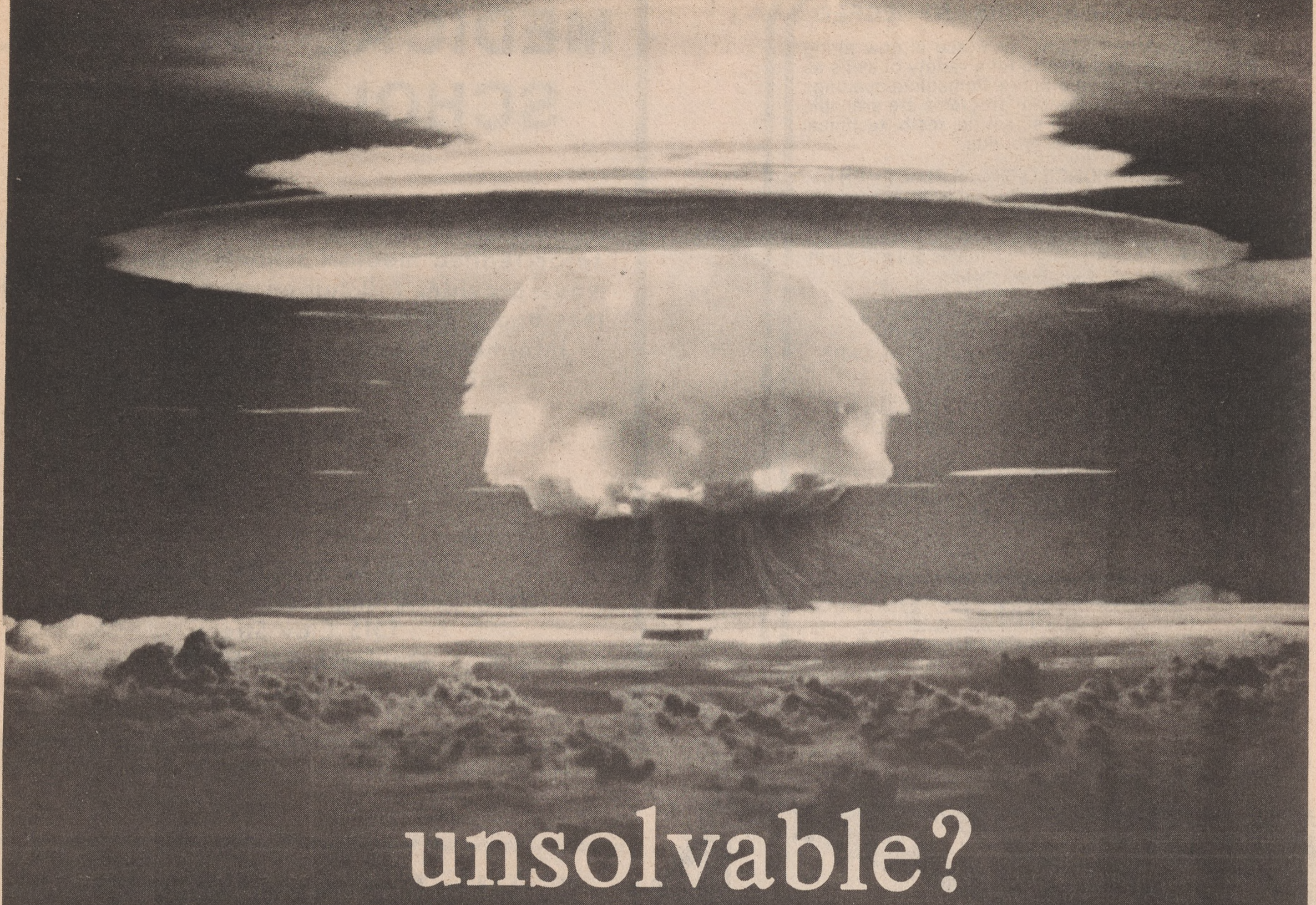
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# Atomic waste problem



## unsolvable?

Bob Grumet

*"Once a bright hope shared by all mankind, including myself, the rash proliferation of atomic-power plants has become one of the ugliest clouds overhanging America."*

David Lilienthal, first chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission

It was the United States that first developed nuclear weapons, and we are the only nation ever to have used them in war. One could debate endlessly the morality of what we did to Japan, but that is not my purpose. Our development of "the bomb" was probably at least partly justified by the belief that Hitler's scientists were working on the same thing.

Once we unleashed the awesome power of atomic fission, the hope emerged that it could somehow be used to benefit all mankind. Indeed, the concept of "the peaceful atom" was almost universally embraced by scientists. However, as the development of atomic energy got under way, it became increasingly evident that there would be insurmountable problems. Dissent within the scientific community grew and continues to this day.

In our frantic attempt to "help" all mankind, we have sold nuclear reactors to such unstable countries as Iran and Brazil. Nuclear reactors can be used to produce the basic materials needed to manufacture atomic bombs. Using a reactor sold to it by Canada, India recently exploded its first nuclear device. Other third world nations could do the same, or they may attempt to buy atomic bombs from India. Should this happen, it is hard to believe that these weapons will not eventually be used. It would be a sad irony if our attempts to bring the world the "peaceful atom" resulted in nuclear war.

Unfortunately, if all nuclear power plants were shut down right now, the nuclear dilemma would not be over. Among other unresolved problems, we would still be faced with millions of tons of radioactive waste we have generated over the years.

At present time, low-level radioactive wastes are

sealed in containers and buried in shallow landfills. High-level waste presents a much greater problem. Much of it is stored at reactor sites, where it is submerged in pools of water to prevent it from overheating and melting. These highly radioactive wastes must be continuously monitored and guarded, and already a number of serious leaks have occurred. As of 1978, about 9 million cubic feet of high level radioactive waste was known to exist.

A special class of wastes are known as "transuranic wastes." These are the so-called "heavy metals," which includes plutonium. This man-made element is the basic ingredient of atomic weapons, and remains in a deadly radioactive state for about one-half million years. Plutonium is so toxic that a dust-sized speck of it is enough to be fatal if inhaled. One team of researchers has estimated that a piece of plutonium the size of a grain of rice would be sufficient to cause almost one million cases of cancer. If permitted to leak into the environment, plutonium works itself into the food chain.

Another form of waste are uranium mine and mill tailings, which are residue materials left over from mining and milling operations. While these are identified as low-level radioactive wastes, they are alarming because they are produced in incredibly large quantities, about 10-15 MILLION TONS annually. These tailings release radon, a radioactive gas, into the atmosphere while radium escapes from tailings and pollutes surface groundwater. There has been virtually no control over these wastes. Some of it has been hauled away from mining sites for use in the construction of homes and commercial buildings.

Finally, there is another form of waste that has yet to be reckoned with. Nuclear power plants have a limited life expectancy, estimated to be about 20 to 40 years of service. Since all nuclear power plants in existence are still quite new, this has not been a problem. However, in just a few years, we will be faced with the problem of decontamination and decommissioning of these plants. Virtually all the

working parts of a reactor become radioactive and must be disposed of. Estimated costs for this disposal operation are anywhere from several hundred million to several billion dollars PER PLANT. Many of the utility companies simply cannot afford this and will expect the federal government to take over the waste disposal operation. Faced with high costs and the need to develop a disposal technology that does not yet exist, the federal government will want the utilities to manage the wastes. It is very likely that these decommissioned plants will become mausoleums, boarded up and guarded for hundreds of years, silently leaking radiation into the environment for generations to come.

In the past, government and industry have placed a lot of faith in science. "They" would find a solution to the waste problem. A "breakthrough" would be achieved. "Somebody" would come up with a way to use the waste or render it harmless. In the meantime, over 30 years now, we would have "interim management," "temporary" storage and "transitional programs."

The fact is that there have been no scientific breakthroughs to solve the waste problem. Of course, some interesting proposals have been made. Consideration has been given to putting the waste in a spaceship and shooting it at the sun. While this would indeed get rid of the waste, it must be recalled that rockets do occasionally crash. If a rocket full of nuclear waste were to crash in a country hostile to the United States, it might well trigger World War III. If this rocket should crash into the ocean, we might as well figure on giving up seafood or swimming in the contaminated waters. Fortunately, the "wasterocket" idea seems to be grounded mainly because it would cost billions of dollars to make a single attempt at launching such a device.

I could go on and on listing serious drawbacks to development and use of nuclear power, but I think I have made my point. Nuclear power is a risky technology that poses serious safety questions. We



must decide if it is worth the risk.

I am the first to admit that society cannot be made risk-free. Somehow we accept hundreds of deaths a year from airline crashes. We accept over 50,000 deaths a year from motor vehicle accidents. Perhaps we will accept hundreds of thousands of deaths from radiation-induced cancer, genetic defects in our children and severe environmental damage, but it seems a high price to pay. The proponents of nuclear energy have argued that the consequences of the energy crisis are so severe that we simply have no choice but to go nuclear. We must produce more energy no matter what the cost, and damn the radiation, full speed ahead.

However, it is on this premise that the pro-nuclear forces are most easily shot down. Nuclear energy now generates about 3 percent of our nation's total energy consumption, and this has been produced at incredibly high cost. Nuclear power is the most heavily government-subsidized form of energy we use, costing billions of dollars per year in addition to what we must pay on our monthly utility bills. Many of the costs of nuclear power are yet to be realized, and so they have been conveniently ignored. Disposing of nuclear waste, if feasible, and decommissioning of worn-out reactors will prove to be multi-billion dollar costs that we will have to face in the near future.

Nuclear proponents also fail to consider the cost of accidents when they make their cost-benefit analysis. The near-miss at Three Mile Island is reportedly costing the operator, Metropolitan Edison, about \$800,000 per day. Metropolitan Edison has asked the Public Utilities Commission for a huge rate increase to pay for the accident. Of course, the cost of a single major accident would be so high that it would easily bankrupt the largest corporations. It is for this reason that Congress passed the Price-Anderson Act, limiting the liability of reactor operators to \$560 million. This represents a government subsidy, albeit a future one. Should such an accident occur, the cost will be passed onto the injured parties.

The greatest loss incurred by our commitment to nuclear energy is that we are diverting funds that could be spent on more realistic energy-producing technologies. Had the billions of dollars squandered on nuclear energy been channeled into solar research and development, we might be well on our way to solving our energy problems. In spite of the hot air produced by the power companies, solar technology is currently being used very successfully by a small number of individuals. With standardization and mass production, solar devices could be greatly reduced in cost. Of course, public utilities and oil companies are not likely to be supportive of energy-producing technologies that they cannot monopolize. Instead of subsidizing multi-billion dollar corporations, the federal government might consider giving financial incentives to homeowners who would be willing to convert their homes to solar energy. The amount of employment generated by converting buildings to solar power would be enormous.

While we explore various ways to generate more energy, we should also consider looking for practical ways to save energy. Since the end of World War II, we have been doubling our consumption of energy approximately once every decade. This is a much faster rate of growth than what is justified by population increases alone. The explanation is the increase in our so-called standard of living.

For example, at one time almost all beverages sold in this country came in returnable bottles. The energy consumed in the manufacture of a six-pack of aluminum cans is equivalent to about one-third of a gallon of gasoline. In exchange for convenience, we sacrificed more energy. Bicycles were once an accepted mode of transportation, as was walking or riding the train. These forms of transportation have since been outmoded by cars and airplanes. Air conditioning, once considered an expensive luxury, is now considered a necessity. Outdoor advertising, vacation homes, electric toothbrushes and extravaganzas such as helicopter skiing are all examples of how we use energy less efficiently. We have the highest per capita use of energy in the world. To put it in a nutshell, we are energy pigs.

Certainly it is within our capabilities to use energy more efficiently, even without sacrificing our standard of living. Indeed, the quality of our lives could be improved. Would it be a great hardship to drive smaller cars? Would it be intolerable to bring back the returnable deposit bottle? Would anyone strenuously object if we upgraded the quality of our railroads to match the service taken for granted in western Europe? Wouldn't it be nice if this university would stop overheating the rooms in winter and overcooling in summer?

While individuals can do much to help ease the

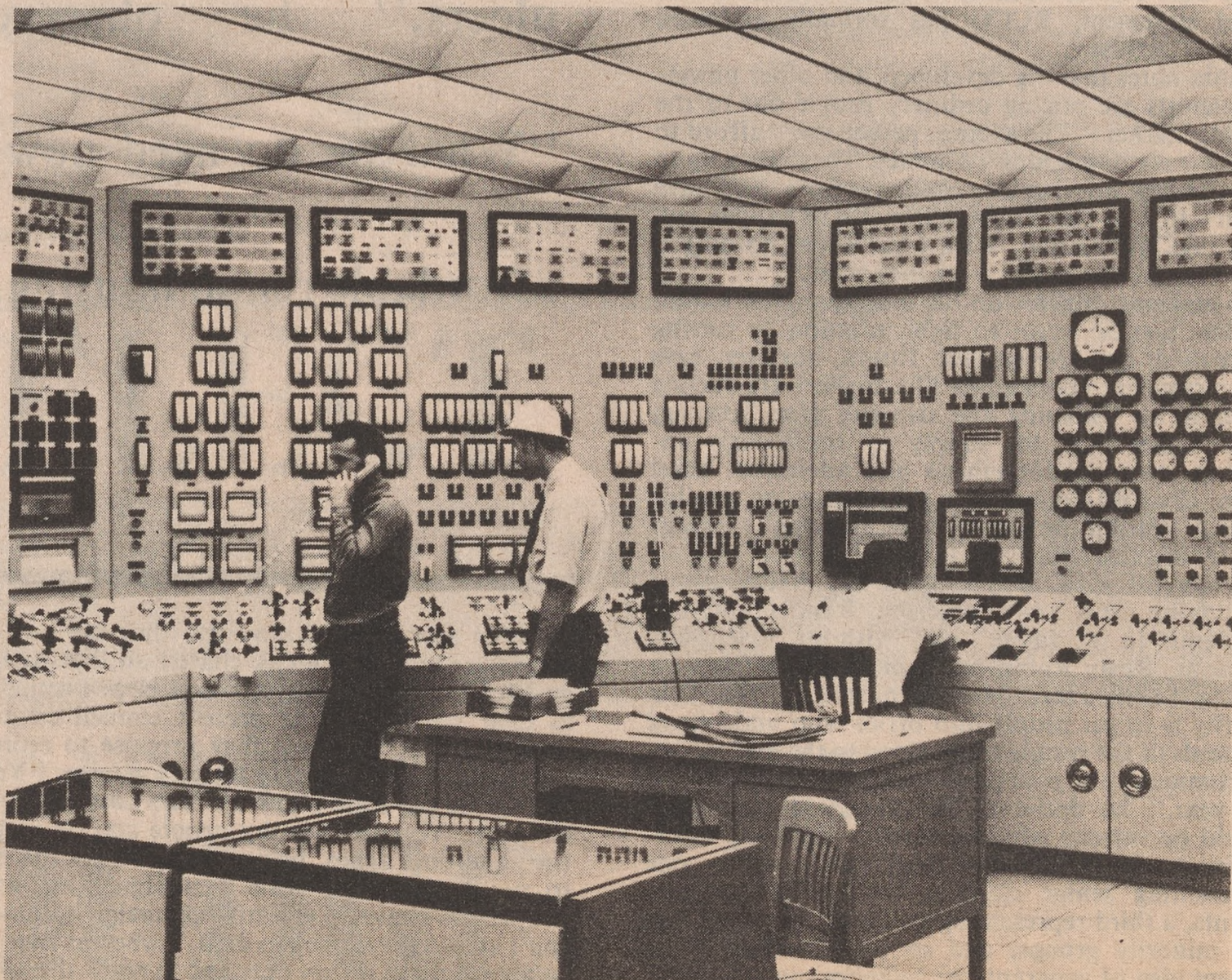
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energy crisis, it will take government programs to make a really big dent in our energy demands. If our massive technology was directed towards saving energy rather than simply producing more, we could save that three percent of our energy that is now produced by nuclear power. Combined with a solar energy development program, we could beat the impending crisis.

We are at the crossroads. We can continue business as usual, building more nuclear and coal

power plants. We can continue to use up our natural resources like there was no tomorrow, believing that at least when our society collapses, we will go out in style.

Or we can take the other road. We can embrace gentle technologies such as solar and wind power, while striving to eliminate our wasteful habits. We can put an end to the energy orgy, and create a safer, saner and more ecologically-minded society.



## Council choices for 4th ward

Since the recall movement of the spring of 1978 failed, the primary municipal election of this coming Tuesday (May 8) will be the first chance in two years the voters have had to express themselves at the polls about the disastrous explosion of growth in Reno which began in earnest shortly after the general municipal election of June 1977. It will be the first time since June 1975 that the incumbent councilman in the 4th Ward, Clyde Biglieri, has had to face challengers. Of importance is the fact that the 4th Ward includes the UNR campus, although the whole city votes for each separate ward's candidates and all the councilmen from all the wards make decisions affecting the quality of life in the neighborhoods surrounding the university.

Clearly the best candidate for the 4th Ward council seat is Rusty Rubin, 37, a Stead resident. He is a full-time employee at Boeing Computer Services, but because of the high cost of living in Reno must work at a second job at the Nugget Casino in Sparks two nights a week to make ends meet. He is married and has four children.

Rubin believes that if the thousands of eligible students at UNR registered and organized as a voting bloc in city elections, city councilmen could no longer ignore their interests or the quality of life in neighborhoods adjoining the university. He suggested that responsible people in the Political Science Department could inspire and provide the leadership for such a voting bloc.

Rubin does not waffle on the issues, but categorically opposes irresponsible expansionism. "Right now we need more hotels and condominiums like we need ulcers," he observes. "What we do need now is affordable rental housing." Ruben is the only City Council candidate who has signed the policy statement of Reno Citizens for Controlled Growth, which reads as follows: "As a city councilman, I will not vote for projects or plans that tend to increase Reno's growth rate beyond its fair share of the growth rate of the Western United States as a whole. Furthermore, I will not vote for any new casino, hotel-casino, or hotel expansion until solutions to Reno's problems of deficient housing, water, police protection, congestion on main traffic arteries, and air pollution are found." This is not a radical statement, because the Regional Planning Commission in December, 1977, said there should be no new non-essential commercial development in the Truckee Meadows until the problems mentioned above were solved. Because he signed the aforementioned statement, RCCG has formally endorsed Rubin's candidacy.

Rubin notes that big developers and other powerful interests are pricing ordinary people out of the housing market. "The average person can't afford to buy these condominiums or homes. They're trying to turn all rental housing into condominiums. You have to put a stop to this: If you allow this to happen you encourage speculation. With what rental housing is left, they can charge just what they want."

Councilman Biglieri on his campaign folder emphasizes that he wants to fight inflation by cutting the costs of city government. Rubin, however, says that incumbent councilmen like Biglieri are fueling inflation by "keeping the demand [for housing] much higher than the supply by continuously approving more condominiums and additional hotel space. The City Council is in this respect responsible for the terrible inflation and housing shortage problems in this area."

Unlike the slick, prepackaged and well-financed candidates who only describe Reno's obvious problems in a vague way without discussing solutions, Rusty Rubin has a definite program for solving the city's most pressing problems. "The first priority is to get people into office who understand the needs of the people who belong to the majority in the community — people who make less than \$25,000 per year," he declared. He suggested that there should be various advisory boards providing information to the members of the City Council — one representing senior citizens, another representing tenants, a third representing landlords, a fourth certain minority groups, and so on. Concerning the current idea of geographical neighborhood councils, he said they are "good in concept, but their purposes

are too broad."

Rubin notes, as has UNR's Prof. Land, that some people in Reno have lost confidence in their city government, and have come to believe that "all politicians are crooks, and will never help the people. As a result, these people become apathetic and say, 'I'm only one person: one person can't do anything.'" To restore confidence in city government, Rubin said that, if elected, he "will ask for a very strong conflict of interest ordinance which is going to encompass all possible areas of conflict of interest. The penalties will cover a broad range from censure to jail terms or removal from office."

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Rubin says he will advocate that the next state legislature change the city charter so that Reno can go back to a system where voters elect a councilman in their ward only. At present council candidates must reside in the ward they propose to represent, but they are voted upon by the city at large. "Yes, I'd like to see the state allow a return to ward-by-ward elections. You see wealthy people staying in power time and time again, because they've got the money to run a viable city-wide campaign. Less wealthy people can't have an effective campaign because they can't afford the money to do it," whereas they might be able to do so if they only had to reach the voters in one neighborhood or ward. "As a result," Rubin

concluded, "you are limited in your representatives and in the choice of candidates."

Rubin has only gotten \$110 in contributions so far, while incumbents and some pre-packaged challengers are spending thousands. "It's a cycle," he commented. "The rich people keep staying in, and the poor people can't get them out. They don't have that kind of money." Rubin added that he won't take money from casinos.

Rubin opposes the idea of package sewer plants, and will tolerate them only if they are of high quality and are a necessary emergency measure to help provide decent low-cost housing apart from any possible commercial projects. He opposes the present policy of the City Council under Major Project Review whereby casino projects are allowed if the developers provide their own housing for prospective new employees. He said that this is getting dangerously close to the "company town concept. The employer can say, 'You have to work for me forever because you can't afford to go anywhere else.'" Rather, if and when it is possible to approve major industrial or casino projects again, only those projects should be approved where the pay to employees is in line with area housing costs.

Rubin said poor city planning is the cause of many of the area's problems, particularly crime. Since the artificially created crime problem is making some schoolgrounds unsafe and is the background for the problem of drugs in the schools, the city should take some responsibility for helping to solve those problems it has caused other political jurisdictions and districts like the Washoe County School District. Particularly it should cooperate with the Washoe County School District in requesting federal CETA funds to hire security guards at problem schools. Rubin also believes that poor zoning which allows big commercial developments too close to schools or too much traffic near schools is harmful to the safety and welfare of the children who attend the county schools.

Rubin says that "families are the backbone of the community, but this is not a family-oriented town." Of high priority is public transportation: "The city should build parking garages on the outskirts of Reno and provide transportation into the city." A complete public transportation system would allow children and young people to get into town from isolated outlying neighborhoods like Stead. Rubin also lays heavy emphasis on parks. He supports, but places somewhat less emphasis on, the idea of a museum of general interest to families, and, perhaps later, a zoo. He does not necessarily want to cut off the Sierra Arts Foundation, as a quote out of context in the Reno newspapers implied he did. Rather, he has merely stated that if Question 6 passes again, local governmental entities will have to set priorities, and the Sierra Arts Foundation would be of a somewhat lower priority than now.

By contrast, Councilman Biglieri may well be the worst man on the City Council. He has consistently proposed motions in favor of approving projects like the recent Harrah's and Cal-Neva expansions. No reasonable person could vote for Biglieri.

Joe McClelland, another of Biglieri's 4th Ward challengers, vaguely describes city problems, but enunciates no proposed solutions. At a Republican Central Committee meeting recently, he used his turn at the podium not to speak on the issues, but instead to ask friendly Republicans for permission to put signs in their yards. An article in the Reno newspapers says he accepted a contribution from a casino and wouldn't say which one. He is a member of the Reno Board of Realtors. One gets the impression that he is actually a friend of Chamber of Commerce types and developers, and that, if elected, he would be something like a Councilman Wallace or a Councilman Spoon. He seems to be a phony candidate, interestingly well-funded.

Divine Turner's positions on the issues are good. But she is said not to be an effective speaker. The other candidates in the 4th Ward are rather obscure and probably haven't a chance.

Rusty Rubin, then, seems to be both the most logical and the most realistic choice. He is a good speaker with a good grasp of the issues. The members of the university community should vote for him.

# Card catalog to be computerized

**Kathleen Conaboy**

The ever-expanding care catalog at the UNR library may soon be phased out. It will be supplanted, not by an army of researchers who will take over the catalog's multi-faceted bibliographic function, but by a compact microfilm reader that can be operated at the touch of a button.

The existing catalog — at UNR and in libraries nationwide — will eventually be replaced by computer-produced microfilm catalogs. They are compact, efficient and economically necessary, according to Dorothy Rice, technical services librarian.

The UNR library has purchased a COM (Computer Output Microfilm) reader and a preliminary tape of about 17,000 of its holdings cataloged since April 1977. An additional 8,000 holdings will be on film by July 1.

The entries are arranged on the COM in the traditional breakdowns of subject, title and author. By pressing a button, or by operating the reader manually for a slower scan, the research-

UNR has the largest library, with the largest card catalog, in Nevada. Harold G. Morehouse, director of libraries, said the catalog now holds nearly 2.5 million cards and demands constant attention to keep it current.

Mrs. Rice said card catalogs have been in existence for more than 150 years. In specialized libraries, small files will continue to be the most efficient and feasible kind of catalog, she said. "But larger, older catalogs are experiencing major problems as rising costs for employees, new cabinets to keep up with expansion, shifting, relabeling, filing and other maintenance functions continue to rise."

Mrs. Rice continued, "Probably the best feature of the COM catalog is that numerous copies can be made from a master microfilm. Now we have a master card file only in the main library. With COM, we could conceivably place readers in branch libraries, departmental offices, the student union, dorms and other points

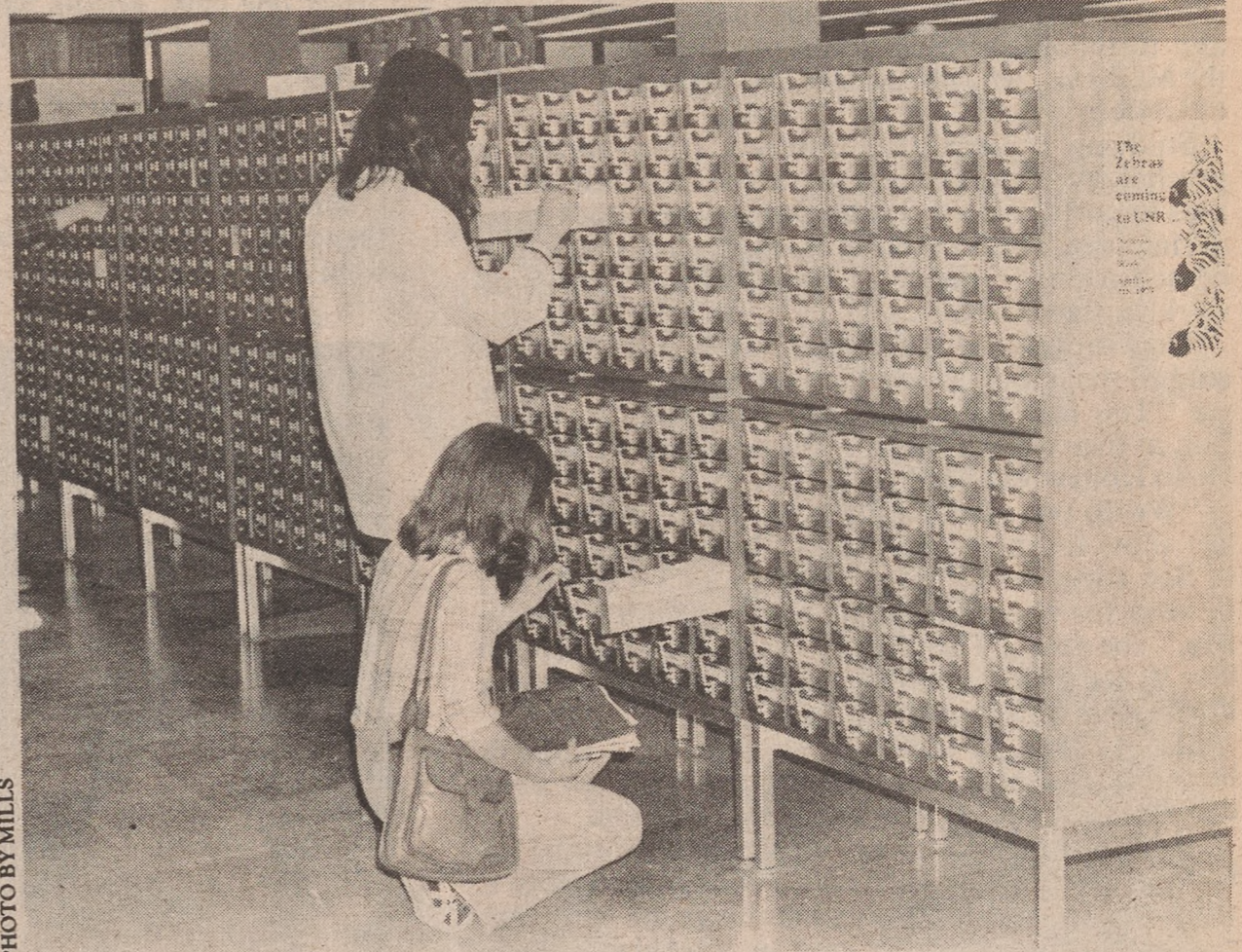


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cher can search the catalog from a comfortable, seated position.

"Right now, the concept is experimental," Rice said. "But the Library of Congress is closing its catalog in January 1981 and going on-line, so other libraries will probably follow suit. The catalog is expensive to maintain, because it involves so many man-hours of filing. Even at our most efficient, we're always somewhat behind."

on campus. This would make access to the collection much more efficient."

Morehouse said, "The card catalog in its present form is hugely expensive — so expensive it's prohibitive to expand. "The COM catalog can be updated periodically, and the beauty of the thing is that subject headings or format can be changed easily without requiring so many costly hours of labor."



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# Dancers exercise mind and body

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From rhinestones and floodlights to classrooms and textbooks, a small group of lovely ladies grace the MGM Grand Ziegfeld stage by night and the halls of UNR by day.

Studying a variety of subjects from karate to psychology, these dancers say exercising their minds is as important as exercising their bodies. Backstage, during breaks and costume changes, they study their homework as seriously as they perform their footwork on stage.

They earn A and B averages, rarely miss class and tend to make homework look as easy as performing the "Top Hat" or "Heatwave" numbers on stage. But, as they will tell you, for the showgirls of MGM's Hello Hollywood, Hello, easy it isn't.

"We do two shows a night, six nights a week, the last show finishing at 2 a.m.," Rebecca Lesher, 24, of San Diego said. "I get home about 3 a.m., study or read for about an hour or two, then it's beddy-bye," she said. "Then it's up in the morning around 9 or 10 and off to school. So much for the glamorous life dancers are supposed to lead."

Ms. Lesher is studying art history, English literature and European history. She plans to keep dancing and earn a degree in special education.

"It'll take a while to get my degree. Working 48 hours a week I can only take about nine credits a semester," she said. But earning things the hard way is something Ms. Lesher is used to. Even dancing did not come easy to her. "My family isn't well off, so I had to wait until I was 16 and could work in order to pay for my dance classes. And that's a late start for a

dancer."

For one lady, getting back to the university is getting back to where she started before becoming a dancer.

"I was studying to be a teacher," Andrea Sullivan, 22, of Australia, said. "I'd been dancing since childhood and I knew quite a few people in the entertainment field. One day, when I was 18, someone asked me if I'd like to dance in a show in Spain. Off I went and ended up staying there for three years."



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L-R-Rebecca Lescher, Debbie Kladney, Andrea Sullivan and Susan Kinland.

Ms. Sullivan, who spent a year at Melbourne University in Australia, is studying English literature, Spanish conversation and karate.

"When I was 18, school was mostly social life. Now that I'm paying for it myself and can see a need for education in my life I'm much more serious about it," she said. "It's also a change from the entertain-

"Dancing six nights a week can really limit your lifestyle if you're not careful," Ms. Gist said. "The university gives me a chance to meet people not involved in the show. In fact, I'm going to Mexico in a few weeks with some people I've met through UNR."

Paradoxically, one girl, who wishes to be involved in dancing all her life, will need the university to do it. "I'm 28 now and I'd like to stop dancing in shows in two years," Susan Kingsland of New York said. "But I'd like a degree in secondary education so I can teach dance at the high school or junior college level."

Ms. Kingsland, who has been a professional dancer since 18, has not been back to school in 11 years. "I auditioned for the Rockettes right after high school and danced with them for nine years," she said. "After 11 years, getting into the routine of classes and studying has not been easy. But it feels good using my mind again, and it's great to be around a different type of life other than show business."

Ms. Kingsland is studying psychology and English.

After the stage, the years of travel and applause, what does a professional dancer do for an encore that will compare to the life she has already led?

"After dancing I would go crazy having to work as a cashier or secretary," Deborah Kladney, 29, of England said. "I'll need a second career that will be as fulfilling and challenging as dancing was."

Ms. Kladney has danced in Paris, Argentina and Las Vegas. She plans to earn a degree in special education.

"Coming from England I can really appreciate the American university system. As I did, most girls in England finish school at 16, start working and never get a chance to go to a university."

With her school degree from England Ms. Kladney was allowed to enroll in Las Vegas Community College. "I took 15 credits at L.V. Community and proved my capabilities. Now I'm able to be admitted to the 'big U' and work toward a degree. I could not do this in England."

People from both fields, academic and entertainment, are impressed with the girls.

"I think it is a very good thing for the girls to go to school," Bernard Crock of France, the dancers' manager, said. "There is not so much to do in Reno; I'm glad to see the girls are using their time well."

"Those girls are really fortunate to have two careers," Ruth Mills, a student photographer for the Sagebrush said after meeting some of the dancers.

"I really respect someone like that," Brad Massey, a UNR student, remarked. "For most people it's enough either to work or go to school. It's really ex-



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ment world. Sometimes I have the urge just to be around normal people and lead a normal life."

But not all the dancers are taking classes with a degree in mind. "I'm learning Spanish just because I'm interested in it," Lyndy Gist, 27, of Colorado said. "I danced in Spain for awhile and really loved it. I'd like to return there for a vacation and be able to speak the language."

Ms. Gist already has a bachelor's degree in dance. She studied dance for 2 and a half years in London, and has danced at Disneyland and in Spain and Egypt.

raordinary for someone to do both, especially when the job is something like dancing."

If one would envy these girls it must be remembered neither career was handed to them. For the girls whose days begin as early as 9 a.m. and end as late as 4 a.m., they work for what they have.

"But it's worth it," ex-Rockette Kingsland said. "I could never be satisfied with a menial, humdrum life."

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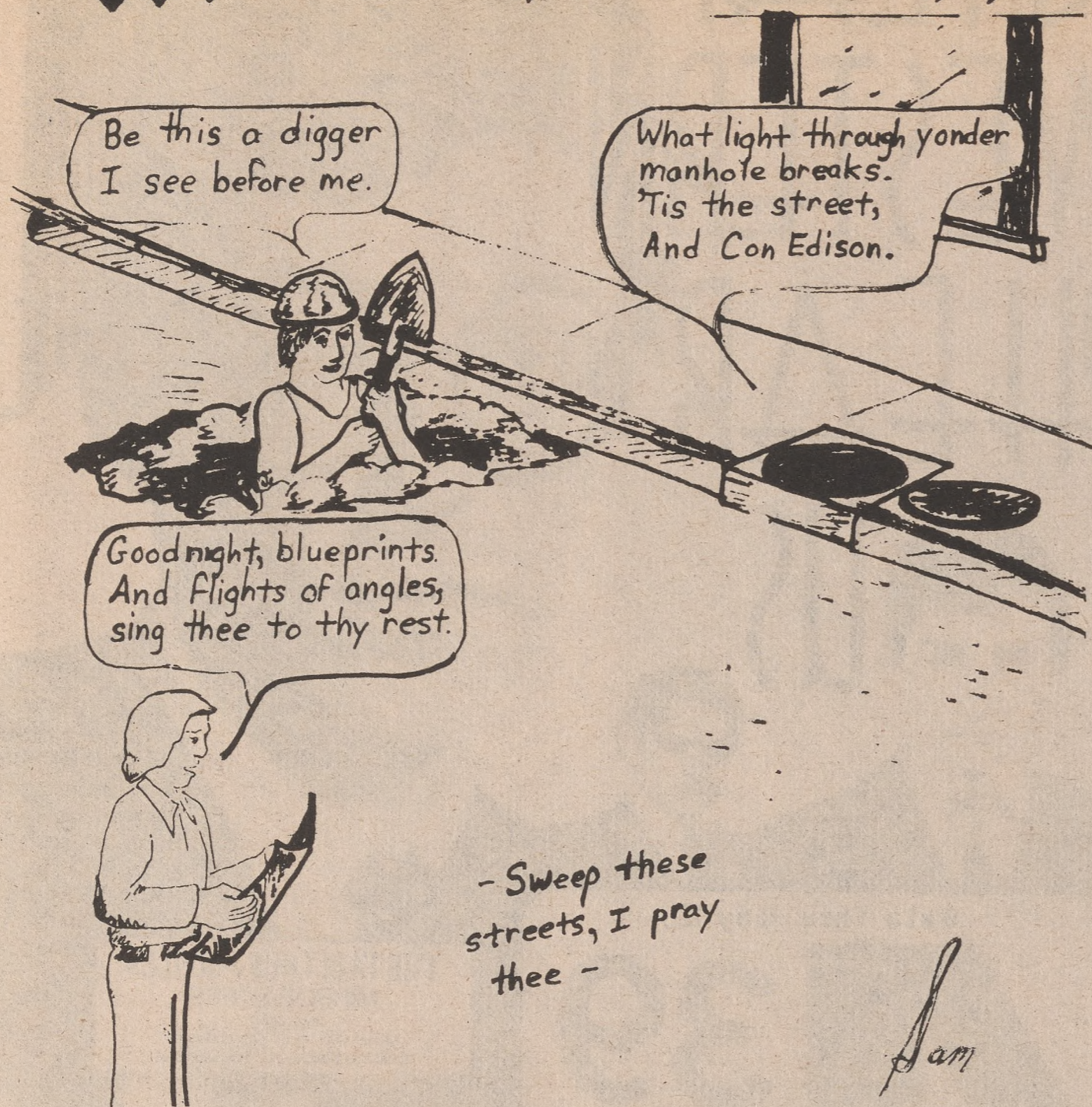
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## Letters

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whelmed by the pleas of developers who complain that they have invested \$15 million in a downtown block, or have invested \$5 million in a downtown corner, and that it is the obligation of the council to allow them to proceed with the construction that will allow them to get a return on their investment, whatever the consequences to the suffering city. Pine would blow the whistle on this kind of folderol. The other candidates are either worse than Durant, or hopelessly obscure. I would vote for Pine.

In no case should anyone vote for any of the incumbents — especially the incumbent councilmen who are running for mayor. Their claims about their "honesty...integrity...and proven leadership," or about "strong leadership" and "first interest in the welfare of the original residents of Reno," tend to make one ill, to say the very least. If any of these three should survive to the general election, or — horrors — should actually be elected in the June general election, then we will have proof of the validity of the quote attributed to Hitler that "the bigger the lie, and the more often repeated, the more likely are people to believe it!"

Whatever one's views, everyone should vote in the municipal primary on May 8.

Sincerely yours,  
Paul Strickland

## Gas alternatives

Editor:

As any motorist in Reno knows, gasoline is becoming increasingly scarce these days. While we used to complain bitterly about paying 50 cents-a-gallon, most of us are happy to pay 80 cents-a-gallon now if we can only find an open service station. Shortages of heating oil and possible brownouts and blackouts seem only a short distance down the road. Alleviating this shortage by burning coal means that we must accept serious pollution of our air and water resources. Exercising the nuclear option entails even greater risks.

All this doom and gloom surrounding the energy issue is not good for the nervous system. Fortunately, the solution to this crisis situation may be right in our back yard. All the wind and sunshine in Nevada makes this area a natural for solar energy. The only problem is convincing people that it can really work.

UNR students will have the opportunity to see and hear how solar energy works on Tuesday, May 8. Starting at 11 a.m., there will be an "Alternative Energy Fair" in front of the Jot Travis Student Union. There will be guest speakers, solar energy exhibits and possibly some live music. Best of all, it's free.

I hope that you will join us on Tuesday and learn about America's unlimited and non-polluting energy source. If you don't, you might be sorry when the lights go out.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Grumet

## Exhibition great

Editor:

I would like to congratulate all the students who participated in the Student Art Exhibition. Their work justly portrays the high quality of work being produced in the Fine Arts Department. The Cathy Trachok portraits and Cathy Rooney silverprints were especially nice.

I would urge everybody who has the time to go over to the Church Fine Arts Gallery and see for themselves.

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## Sports

## Baseball team busting records all over

Rick Oxoby

Two single-season records were broken and another was tied Tuesday afternoon as the UNR baseball team disposed of the Chico State Wildcats 8-5 on the UNR field. Pitcher Greg Young established two marks for most strikeouts and innings pitched and third baseman Mike Wallace tied his brother Bill's record for most RBIs.

Young whiffed eight batters to give him 85 for the year. That surpasses the old mark of 83 set by Ed Plank in 1973. In going the distance Young has now pitched 113 innings, beating the previous single-season mark of 110 set by Pat Alexander in 1977.

Mike Wallace drove in his 42nd run of the year in the first inning to tie his brother's mark set in 1977.

Mike later scored on a Stan Lyons single to give the Pack a 2-0 lead after one inning. Designated hitter Wayne

Hague ripped a two-run double in the second inning and the Pack led 4-0.

In the sixth Mike Ceccarelli tripled and scored on a Don Biehle single to give the Pack a 5-0 margin. Bill Wallace knocked in the sixth and the eventual deciding run with a single in the seventh to make it 6-0.

While the Pack was building its lead, Young was sailing along on a two-hitter and had fanned six batters to tie the record after seven innings. Aware of the fact that he needed just one more strikeout, Young started to struggle and gave up two runs on two hits in the eighth and didn't pick up another strikeout. With the score 6-2 in the bottom of the eighth, UNR second baseman Pat Chaney stroked a two-run triple to give the Pack an 8-2 cushion in the top of the ninth.

Young gave up consecutive singles to Mike Abelar and Kevin Callahan to start the ninth, with both players hitting with two strikes. Obviously pressing to get the record-breaking strikeout and win the ballgame, Young worked the next batter, Bob Ballew, to a count of two and two. But the Chico third baseman lofted the next pitch over the fence and the Reno lead was cut to 8-5.

First baseman David Bills reached first on an error by Mike Wallace before Young settled down and retired Dave Thiel on a called third strike to break the record. Young also got Jesse Garcia to look at a third strike to pad the new mark and got Bob Alejo to pop to Bill Wallace to end it.

Although he had a shaky final two innings, Young, 7-6, was nearly flawless through the first seven. After giving up a lead-off single in the second, Young retired the next 17 batters he faced before allowing a single to Bills to start the eighth. Young did not walk a man until the eighth, his only free pass of the day.

The victory raised UNR's overall record to 24-23, while Chico State dropped to 21-22.

The Pack travels to Santa Clara today for the final three games on the Northern California Baseball Association schedule. Reno is 5-10 in the second half of NCBA play.

Next weekend UNLV will come to town to play a four-game series with

UNR at Moana Municipal Stadium.

According to Sports Information Director Bob Shriver, the scheduled May 7 game with the Reno Silver Sox is doubtful because the California League squad may need the day off.

NEVADA NOTES —It has been a record-setting year for this edition of UNR baseball, and there are more standards that are yet to be broken in the Pack's last seven games...The Pack should break the team record of 1,662 at bats set in 1977 and is currently tied for the 1974 mark of 279 runs scored...Reno could also break 1974's batting and fielding average records of .300 and .948. The team is hitting .305 and has a fielding average of .951 entering today's series...Although the Pack's earned run average is soaring the staff has already tied the record for most complete games in a season (21) set in 1973 and tied in 1977...Individually, Al Kirby has tied Plank and Reno assistant coach Rich Jameson for games won (eight), and should have two chances to break the record before season's end...Bill Wallace is chasing his own records for most games (53) played and total at bats (189). The slugging first baseman has played in 47 games and has 171 at bats. He also has an outside chance of bettering Craig Lusiani's .423 batting average set in 1972...Assistant coach Paul Hodsdon's 1974 standard of 13 doubles could also be surpassed by Wallace who has 10 two-baggers so far.

## Some unusual contests

Rick Oxoby

The UNR women's softball team played two unusual games last weekend at the Cal-Berkeley Tournament.

Playing under rules such as a two-hour time limit, the Wolf Pack was involved in two nine-inning games that were halted with the score 2-2. UNR was declared the winner in the first abbreviated contest with Oregon State but was tagged with the loss in the other standstill with West Valley College.

How were the winners chosen with the score tied? Reno coach Olena Plummer explained that the winning team was the team which held the lead last after a completed inning. Reno was picked in the opener by virtue of a 2-1 lead it had after the fourth inning. After one complete inning in the second game, West Valley held a 1-0 advantage over the Pack. Although Reno went ahead 2-1 in the top of the sixth, Valley tied it up in the bottom of the

inning. West Valley, therefore, was declared the winner since it held the only lead after a full inning.

"It was a really frustrating weekend," griped Plummer. "We didn't win and lose any as far as I'm concerned."

According to the tournament rules the Pack is now 10-10, but Plummer says the team is 9-9-2.

The Pack has applied for an at-large berth to the Western Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women Region 8 Playoffs, and Plummer will be notified Sunday night if her squad has been selected.

"It depends on the other teams," said Plummer, "but we have a reasonable chance to go. The competition has been tough so there's not many good records. Last year a team with a 9-9-2 record would have no chance of making the regionals. This year's team is better than last year, but this year's schedule was tougher."

## OLD-TIMERS ON THEIR WAY

Chris Healy

"The Boys Are Back in Town" is the theme for the annual alumni football game to be played tomorrow at Mackay Stadium.

The "Boys" aren't boys anymore, though. They are school teachers, football coaches, insurance salesmen and much more, but they all have one thing in common. They are back in Reno getting ready to play the 1979 edition of the UNR Wolf Pack in the culmination of spring football practice.

The alumni game has become some what of a farce in the last few years. The "old men" haven't even scored since 1976. However, assistant athletic director and alumni assistant coach Tom Reed points out the alums will have "more offensive stability than in the past" and could cause the underdogs some headaches.

Some of the names from the past playing in tomorrow's game will bring back some fond memories for Wolf Pack fans. Jeff Tisdell, the all-time total offense leader in UNR history, will be at quarterback and will have a talented corps of running backs to pick from. David Craig, Stanley Wilson and UNR's first thousand-yard rusher, Wayne Ferguson, will give the "old

Pack" some running punch.

Mark Branderburg and Bob Milligan will be the top offensive interior linemen returning to the Mackay Stadium turf. Casey Stevens, who played both ways in 1977, will be back to try more of the same.

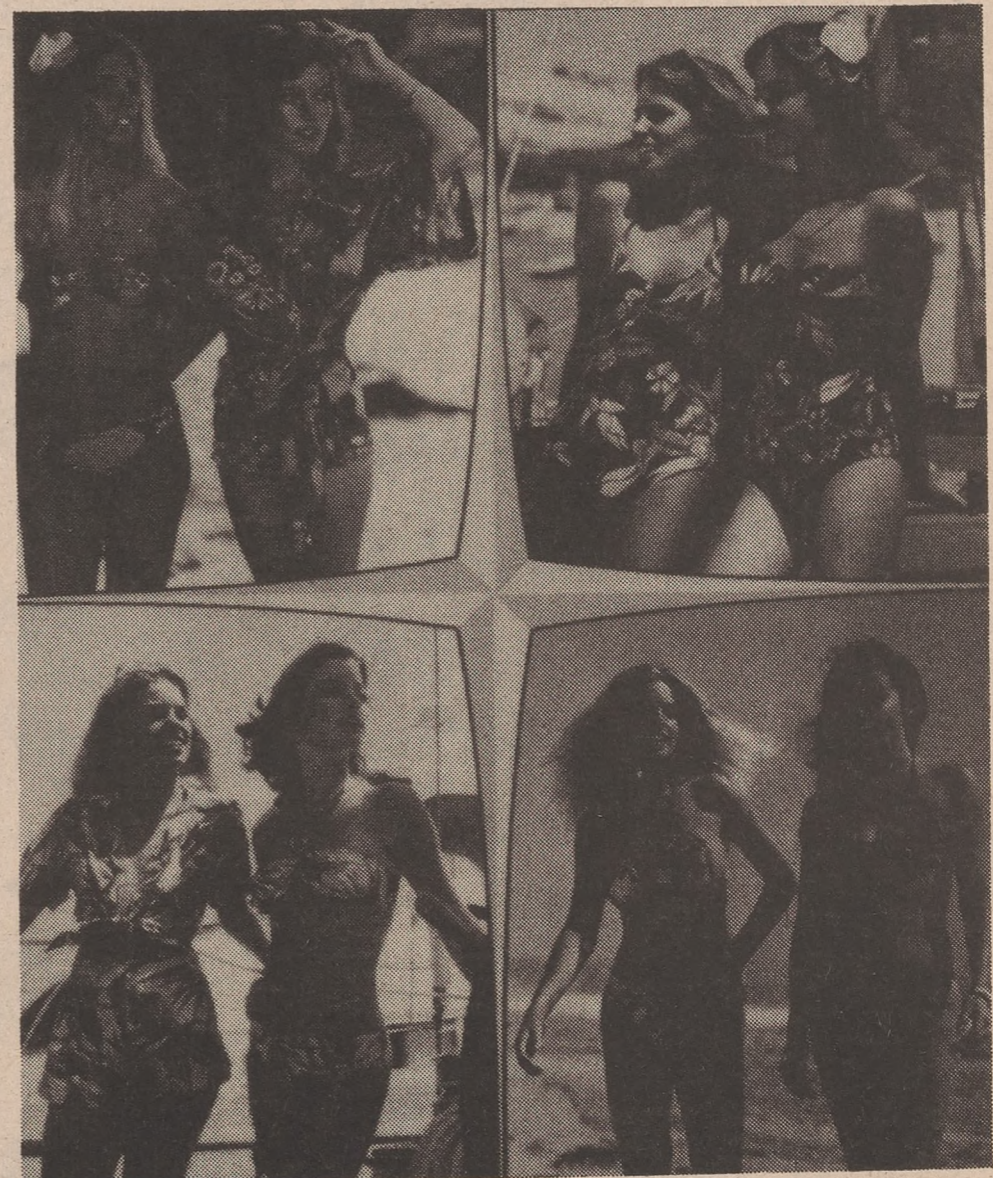
Head coach Chris Ault is never one to underestimate the opposition. "This is the best alumni team that we have played. They have the capacity to score on us," he says, "and I expect it to be a good test for our club."

Ault is expected to take a long look at his defensive backfield. With the loss of Alex Willis, Tom Foster and Roy Hamilton from last year's unit, Ault is faced with the job of forming an effective defense. Lee Fobbs is the only returning starter among the DBs.

The UNR offense will be in the hands of Larry Worman who quarterbacked the club to an 11-1 season in 1978. Frank Hawkins will be one of the running backs seeing considerable action.

"I'm hoping for a good game. It should help us get ready to enter the Big Sky Conference," says Ault. Kickoff time is 1 p.m. and the admission price is \$1.

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