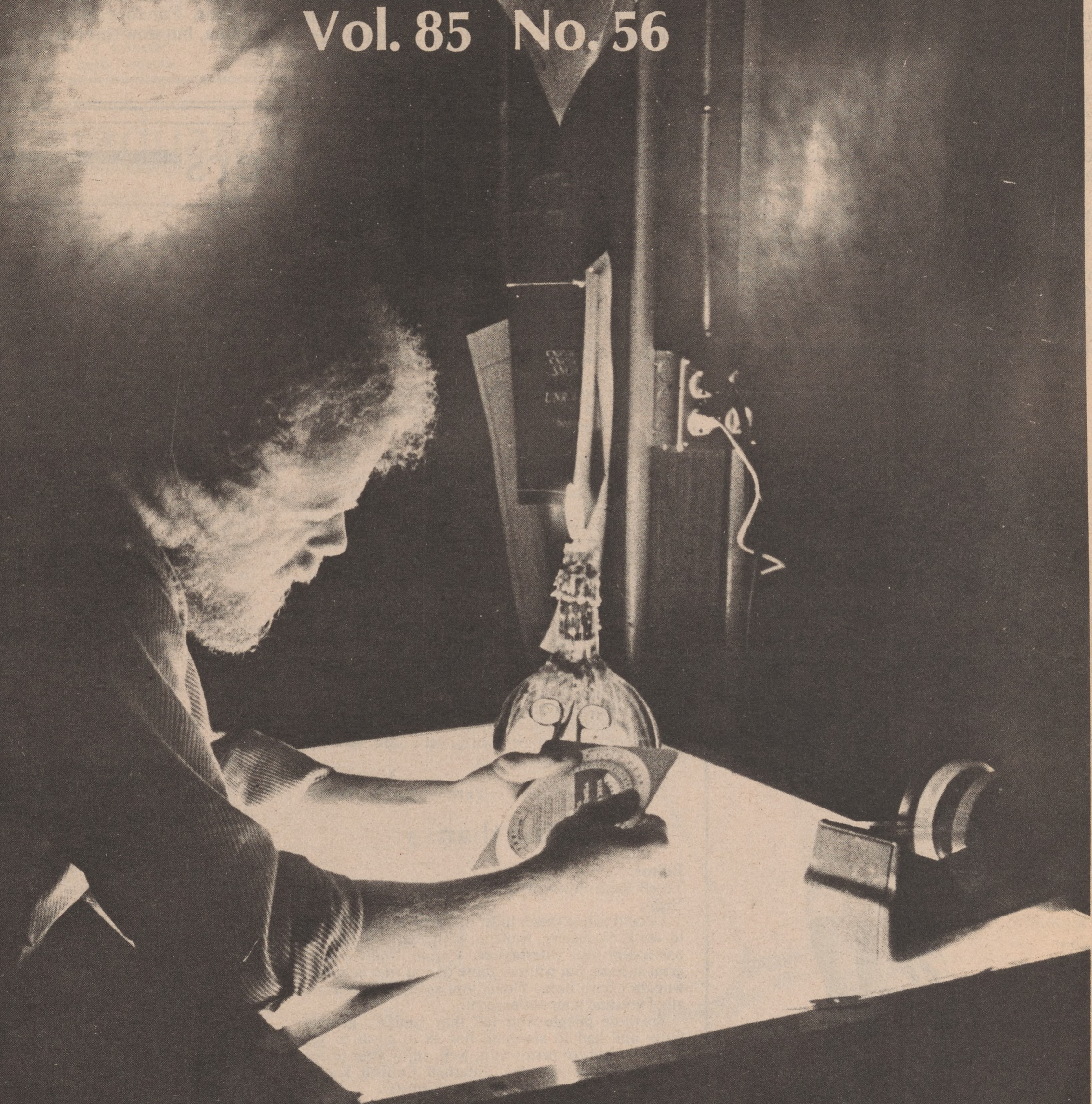


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Opinion

Some final, farewell mumblings

Well troopers, this is it.

What can you say in a final editorial after writing four years on this paper and about 300 stories? But after spending a total of five years on the UNR campus, this kid is ready to chuck the old books and walk the line with the rest of the graduates.

I've really enjoyed being editor of the *Sagebrush* this last year and if I had another year to hang around, I would do it again. But you can only expect so much of a good thing and so like anything else, it's time to move on.

I just can't say enough about the great bunch of people that have worked for me all year. I had never been at the helm of a such a number of people before so it was quite gratifying for them to come through issue after issue like they did.

This school has a lot going for it and

anybody that doesn't take advantage of these years that are supposed to be the best times of his life is just cheating himself.

I know I'll always warmly remember these years. The good thing about it was that all through college I realized they were the best times. In those respects I never felt short-

changed.

It's time to get after something else. For years I always heard people talking about getting out into the "real world." Well, now it's time. For four Mays I left UNR with a comma, but now this is a period. I'll miss it.

Martarano

Letters

Flannigan's flight

Editor:

I was a proxy at Wednesday afternoon's Program and Budget committee meeting and am dismayed to report that despite all the campaign promises, excessive and needless spending continues to flourish within ASUN.

This was demonstrated by Sen. Terry Flannigan's motion to set aside 1,000 ASUN dollars to cover travel expenses for senators to attend the summer meeting on July 25.

Flannigan stated that he would need about \$350 in order to fly back to Reno from Illinois to attend the meeting, and then proceeded to make a motion to set aside the \$1,000.

This is the same Terry Flannigan that voted no, for reasons unknown, to allocate \$100 for *Sagebrush* Editor Steve Martarano and a staff member to attend the Nevada State Press Association convention in Elko, Nev., last week.

Discussion on the motion included the possibility of a proxy or the senators sharing half the cost of travel to Reno but, nevertheless, the motion carried with only one opposing vote — my own.

I believe when a senator is elected to office, he should assume the responsibility for attending the meetings and I question the fact that Flannigan's input is worth \$350 of your money.

If we're going to be thrifty, let's also be consistent.

Mike Cirac
Former ASUN senator

How convenient.

Foremost of the beneficiaries of this action was Sen. Terry Flannigan. Foremost not because he is dynamic enough to deserve any attention, but because he is going to Illinois (and that costs ASUN approximately \$350), and because he voted to give himself this money in committee and again on the senate floor.

This raises a few questions, the first of which should be answered by Flannigan:

1. Since you gained \$350 in this deal shouldn't you have been honest enough to abstain for fear of a conflict of interest?

2. Why did you ask the students to elect you if you couldn't make the meetings?

3. Out of all the ASUN students, couldn't you find one Renoite to proxy for you for just one meeting? It certainly would not have been difficult to find someone as well, or better qualified.

4. What could you possibly do, in the course of one meeting that would be worth \$350 to the students?

The last question, directed toward the Music Department, is: Now that you've seen the results: are you proud of the kind of representation you've handed the students?

Warren Graff

Final issue

Rick Oxoby examines the many angles of the draft situation and how it can affect the average colleg student. That's on page 7....

If science fiction is your bag then there are classes being offered that will tune you on. Story is on page 10....

I hope you've enjoyed reading the *Sagebrush* this year as much as we enjoyed putting it out. No kidding. Have a good summer.

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Casino thanks

Editor:

To all those involved in Interhall Council's Casino Night:

I would like to thank those of you who volunteered to work as dealers, waiters, waitresses, pit bosses, bartenders and entertainers. Casino Night was a great success, but without those of you who helped it wouldn't have been. Thank you again, I appreciate all of you and your enthusiasm.

To those people who felt they couldn't gamble fairly and had to stoop so low as to cheat to get money to bid for prizes with, well, enjoy your prizes with the knowledge that Interhall Council knows who you are, but won't print your name(s).

A lot of time and effort went into Casino Night. I hope that everyone who attended enjoyed themselves.

Thanks again,
Becky Johnson
President of
Interhall Council

More vs. Flannigan

Editor:

Last senate meeting ASUN's senators voted themselves travel money to attend a "special" senate meeting this summer. Now if a senator goes home for the summer the students will subsidize his round trip ticket for him, so he can fly back into Reno and represent a student body that isn't even in school.

Fair a success

Editor:

In spite of cold weather, a little snow and a last minute cancellation of our band, the Alternate Energy Fair drew an impressive number of students. This is especially gratifying when one considers that we are into final exam week.

I would like to express my thanks to all of our speakers, who did a fine job on very short notice. I would like to give a special note of thanks to Andrew Baldwin, legal representative for Friends of the Earth (FOE), who flew in from San Francisco and gave a two-hour presentation. After grabbing a quick bite to eat, Mr. Baldwin was whisked away to give an interview to KCRL and then to the airport to catch a plane back home. Being an environmentalist can take a lot of dedication... and a high metabolic rate.

Which brings me to the point of this letter. Andrew Baldwin pointed out in his presentation that Nevada is THE most likely choice for a nuclear waste dump site. To make matters worse, the 1975 Nevada State Legislature passed a resolution asking the federal government to identify Nevada as a nuclear waste repository. Sen. Paul Laxalt, a consistent nuclear power enthusiast, seems to endorse the idea.

If we don't want Westinghouse and Con Edison deciding that Nevada should be a nuclear waste repository, we had best make our voices heard loud and clear. Letters to Santini, Cannon and List are in order. It might not be a bad idea to write Laxalt as well, but if he doesn't budge, we should express our feelings next time he comes up for re-election.

I hope you will write and express your feelings. As a member of Friends of the Earth, I invite you to join our struggle to free the Earth of radioactive man-made materials. I can be reached at 322-2867. Remember, if man doesn't free the Earth of radiation, radiation will free the Earth of man.

Bob Grumet

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA AT RENO

Home economics still a women's field?

Maureen Cooney

Of 209 home economics majors at UNR only three are men. This is probably because most feel it is a women's field.

Dr. Donna Downer, dean of the School of Home Economics, said this is an erroneous attitude and that some of the founders of the field were men.

"For many years, home economics has been stereotyped as a woman's field. It has not ever been because

families have always been made up of husbands and wives," she said.

Downer also believes men fail to see the varied opportunities available to them in this area. Even though there are equal chances for men and women, she feels men don't want to try and sell themselves.

Women have contributed to the attitude toward men in home economics. "We as women have our stereotyped

images of what the men ought to be, too, and we may be a little reluctant to see them and accept them in some of these non-traditional roles," the dean said.

Although there are only three male majors in home economics at UNR, many men take some of the offered classes. These include nutrition, personal finance, child development and human sexuality.

"I see almost all of the courses that we offer in home economics being of value to anyone whether they are male or female," Downer said.

Dr. Milton Nolin, the only male teacher in the department says most people don't think of this field as including human development and family life classes.

"The popular view of home economics seems to be that it's cooking and sewing only," Nolin said.

He teaches such classes as human sexuality dealing with death and family interaction. He said he has gotten no objections to his teaching in a "women's field." In fact, he said

people show interest when they learn what courses he teaches.

Nolin, who has been at UNR since 1973, said the number of men attending his classes has remained stable over the years. Both he and Downer agree any increase in male attendance would be gradual.

Of the small number of men teaching home economics, most go into the areas of child development, food systems management and family life.

Paradoxically, most of the great chefs and fashion designers are men. Downer believes this is because there are schools where men can get specialized training, instead of going through a home economics program.

Whether more men choose home economics as their profession depends on society's attitude and shifting values, but mainly on their own self-images.

"It's going to take men with a pretty strong sense of their own self-worth, a strong sense of their own masculinity in order to be the pacesetters," Downer said.

It's graduation time

Some 711 students are expected to graduate at UNR's 89th annual commencement exercises, scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, May 19, in the Quad.

The tentative graduation list includes 17 candidates for associate degrees, 569 candidates for bachelor's degrees, 114 candidates for master's degrees and 11 candidates for doctoral degrees.

Tradition is a major factor in UNR's graduation ceremony. It is held outdoors each year in the historic part of the south campus known as the Quad.

It's tradition, for example, for the university president to deliver commencement remarks, and for each graduate to cross the stage and receive a diploma.

Presentation of honorary degrees and Distinguished Nevadan citations also figure prominently in tradition.

This year Dr. Fred Anderson will receive an honorary doctor of medical sciences and Irving Sandorf will receive an honorary doctor of engineering.

Distinguished Nevadans include Rollan Melton, Dorothy Benson, Claude Howard and Nancy Gomes.

Robert Cashell, chairman of the Board of Regents, will assist UNR President Joseph Crowley with these special awards.

Students who have earned the highest academic grades during their college careers are singled out for the university's gold medal.

Dr. Donovan Roberts, director of the Center for Religion and Life, will deliver the invocation and benediction. The music department is also planning special musical performances for the ceremony.

This year UNR's "Alma Mater" will be performed by the University Brass Ensemble and a male quartet from the University Singers. It will be conducted by Dr. Roscoe Booth.

Cami Thompson, vocalist, and Byron Peterson, accompanist, will also perform a musical selection.

Some 50 University of Nevada alumni, from the Class of 1929, are expected to celebrate their golden reunion as part of the day's festivities.

Some 40 alumni from classes prior to 1929 are also expected to participate.

A reception will follow the carefully timed two-hour ceremony. Sponsored by the alumni association, it will be held at the south end of the Quad in recognition of Morrill Hall's nearly completed restoration.

During the reception, the Concert Jazz Ensemble, conducted by Byron Peterson, will present its musical salute to the Class of 1929.

The public is invited to attend both the graduation exercises and the reception. However, parking accessible by the Center Street main entrance to

campus will be restricted to cars bearing special parking permits.

All other university parking areas are available that day with no permits required.

In case of inclement weather, commencement will be moved inside the Old Gymnasium on North Virginia Street, and the reception will be held in the student union dining commons.

UNR Child Center keeps things fun

Pat Quinn

Excited children's voices greet the ear at the UNR Child and Family Development Center. The eyes of jungle animals stare from a vivid wall mural. A butterfly flits across another wall painting of a rainbow and sun. Children's art is hanging in profusion. A little boy sniffs each marker he's using, collecting freckles of many colors on his nose.

Valerie Voelker is head teacher in the four and five-year-old classroom. She says, "It's a balance between some places that are just day care and let the kids run — just babysitting — and other places that are very structured.

We try to keep things fun, but then we know they're learning something.... I think some people get carried away with planning. You might have something really simple and the kids just stay there for the whole hour..."

The Child Development Center is open to children of university students, staff and faculty. Teachers are either students enrolled in this major study, or have completed such a degree.

Laurie Everson is a parent and student whose two-and-a-half-year-old is in her first semester with the center. "She was ready," says Everson. "I can't believe how ready she was. She was past the Fisher Price toy stage." And Everson's daughter loves the preschool. "In fact, she throws a fit when I come to pick her up."

Everson was thinking of enrolling her child in another preschool. Now, she's not so sure.

The children are generally free to choose in which of three learning areas they want to be. These are geared to a broad range of activities appropriate to the age and ability of the children.

Attention is given to an awareness of the five senses in the two-and three-year-old class. The need to touch and feel is satisfied by games.

Dumping, pouring and feeling of oatmeal, mud, rice, gelatin, paste and practically anything else helps the children "get in touch." Sheet-rock mud was used in finger-painting. Smelling, tasting and sound games start in this class and continue in the



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four and five-year-old room. There children begin new skills, such as writing their names and counting.

Wigs, "grown-up" clothes and child-size furniture are a favorite, as children act out "The Three Bears,"

play "house" and otherwise use their imagination in dramatic play. A semi-quiet place of books allows them to unwind from the pressures of a hectic school life. Cont. on page 6

The Socializers

Drinks with half the alcohol, so you'll last twice as long

Til-the-Sunrise

½ oz. Tequila into a chimney glass, fill glass with chilled orange juice. Top off with Grendine and Creme de Cassis.



Less-Risky Sour

¾ oz. Whiskey, juice of a half lemon, ½ teaspoon sugar, shake with cracked ice, strain into chilled sour glass. Garnish with orange slice and cherry.

Grin and Tonic

¾ oz. Gin into a highball glass over ice. Squeeze in wedge of lime. Fill glass with tonic.

Buddy Mary

¾ oz. Vodka, 3 oz. tomato juice, juice of ⅓ lime wedge. Stir well over ice. Garnish with piece of celery.



Short Takes

State Park gets documents

A proposed Nevada State Parks project to restore Virginia and Truckee Railroad equipment recently received a financial and historical shot in the arm from the special collections department of UNR's library.

The library donated thousands of V. & T. documents — including waybills, freight receipts, tickets, bank statements and timecards — to the parks division. According to Marshall Humphreys, V. & T. project coordinator, many of the documents can be sold to raise funds for the on-going train restoration. Other documents could be displayed in historically accurate mock-ups of a train station and freight master's area, he added.

The documents are all duplicated in the library's cataloged V. & T. collection, which details the train's history. Ken Carpenter, head of special collec-

tions, said, "We strongly believe that library materials should be placed where they can do the most good. We could have sold the collection to a rare books dealer, but we thought it would do the state much more good by giving it to the parks division to aid its attempt to create a V. & T. museum."

Humphreys said the state has already spent \$750,000 on the museum/recreation area project. His division is now waiting for legislative approval of continuing funds. A master plan, he said, calls for the development of a museum roundhouse on a 12-acre site immediately south of Carson City.

Modelled on a similar project in California, the plan includes researching, restoring and exhibiting train equipment and developing a small recreation area.

st editions and pulp magazines from the 1940s and 1950s. Also featured is science fiction by "mainstream" authors such as C.S. Lewis and E.M. Forster to indicate the broad critical acceptance of the form.

Another portion of display features memorabilia from the television series "Star Trek." These items were loaned to the display by Richard C. Datin, who worked as a model maker on the series. They include photographs from the show, as well as a piece of the "Starship Enterprise."

This exhibit can be seen in the display cases in the foyer of Getchell Library and also in a case outside the director's office. It will be on display for two months.

Sagen officers

Sagens, the junior and senior women's service organization, recently elected new officers for the 1979-80 school year.

They are: president, Lauri Kalanges; vice president, Ginny Derosa; secretary, Elena Panelli; treasurer, Laura Beal; record keeper, Bobbie Wiley; historian, Kris Short; associated womens students representatives, Mary Jacques and Anella Pennola; public relations, Mandy Meeker.

Also, if any non-profit organization can use the Sagens' assistance, contact the president at 825-5555.

Clerical scholarships

Deadline for applying for Campus Clerical Council Scholarship is today.

Two scholarships are available. One \$50 and one \$75 award is given each semester. These are for the 1979-80 school year.

They are awarded on the applicant's need and GPA.

Applications are available from any department secretary.

Dreamers of Sci-Fi

"Science Fiction: the Dreamers and the Dream" is the title of an exhibit currently on display in UNR's Getchell Library.

The display was assembled by Tim Gorelangton of the library's Special Collections Department. It features books and magazines which cover the history of science fiction literature, from Jules Verne to Ray Bradbury.

Gorelangton says he found some of his material in the general stacks, including a book entitled "The Collected Works of Buck Rogers in the 25th Century."

Most of the display, however, comes from the Modern American Writers Collection housed at Special Collections. This includes many works by Ray Bradbury, including some rare fir-

Christian fellowship officers

Five members of the UNR Intersity Christian Fellowship have been elected to the group's Executive Board for the 1979-80 school year.

Serving the group next year in its many functions and activities are Steve Knapp, Jeff Parkhurst, Dana Pinard, Marianne Mollart and Robin Joyce. They were chosen from a list of nine candidates.

The new board members will attend an Intersity summer training program called Chapter Camp May 19-25. The camp is specifically designed for the leadership team of an IVCF chapter, drawing them into a fellowship of Bible study and prayer.

Rick Pennington, west coast IVCF coordinator, said there's much more to Chapter Camp than Bible study and prayer.

"In addition, Chapter Camp provides training in basic leadership

skills, helps the new leaders lay down practical plans for next year, and encourages early assignment of jobs for the summer and fall.

"All of this," Pennington continued, "is done in the context of foundational biblical teaching, the experienced counsel of the former IVCF staff, and the sharing of ideas and experiences with other student leaders from campuses throughout the West."

The camp will be held at Mount Gilead, a conference center near Santa Rosa about 50 miles north of San Francisco.

A pre-Chapter Camp was held the weekend of May 4-6 at South Lake Tahoe. Three of the five new Executive Board members, including Pennington, used the time to begin planning next year's activities and offices, and to prepare for Chapter Camp.

Football chance

A football club was organized recently at UNR to provide students with a chance to play football.

Future plans have the UNR Lone Wolves Football Club playing flag football in a local league next fall. The club may be playing full-equipment football with other college club teams by 1980. Students interested in playing should call Bill Hamma, 2H Juniper Hall, phone 784-4496.

Club officers are: Hamma, president; Owen Christie, vice president; and Larry Dodd, secretary-treasurer.

Business frat

Fourteen business majors have been initiated into the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi. They are Paul Raymond Anderson, Jane Zanetta Berry, Brenda Gladys Cristani, Susan Marie Cristani, Patricia Kathleen Hallamore, Lynda Lee Hammel, Kristi Ann Hill, Suzanne Marie Therese Hollerbach, Mark Adam Krympotic, Michael Charles Pacini, Matthew Eric Pichon, Tere Edward Weldin, Linda Marie Wolf, and Gayle Anita Young. Dr. Don Winne, professor of managerial sciences, was initiated as an honorary faculty member.

Following the initiation ceremony April 22, was the Delta Sigma Pi Spring Banquet, which was held at Verdi Inn. Dr. Winne served as guest speaker. Dr. Kathryn H. Duffy, professor of managerial sciences, Emeritus, presented the first annual

Kathryn H. Duffy award to outgoing chapter president Esther Isaac for outstanding achievement.

The Delta Pi Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi also elected the following persons to serve as officers for the fall 1979 semester: Michael Langton, president; Scott Koepf, senior vice president; Kathleen Hallamore, vice president of pledge education; David Adkins, vice president of professional activities; Gayle Young, secretary; Ethel Bennett, treasurer; and Suzy Hollerbach, historian.

National meeting

The United Nations, the National Judicial College and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges will be co-sponsoring the sixth United Nations Congress Expert Group Meeting on Juvenile Justice; Before and After The Onset of Juvenile Delinquency. It will be held in the Judicial College Building, May 26 through June 1.

Nineteen nations will participate. These include Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, Egypt, France, German Democratic Republic, Japan, Kenya, Kuwait, Netherlands, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. Thailand, U.S.S.R., United States, West Germany and Yugoslavia will also participate. Several staff members of the United Nations will also be on the campus. The United Nations flag will be flown on selected flag poles during the period of the meeting.

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Short Takes

Will James drawings available

A portfolio of drawings by Western artist Will James is available from the University of Nevada Press. The collection of 10 pictures was reproduced from some of James' books on the West.

Nicholas Cady of the University Press said the prints have been selling fairly well and much of the interest is local. There are still many Will James' fans who are very interested in any additional works that can be acquired about this cowboy biographer and artist, he said.

The drawings are of the Western range, horses, ranch life, bronco-busting, cow herding and cowboy drifters.

The portfolio is accompanied by a short commentary on the writing and artistic career of Will James by his biographer, Anthony Amaral. The prints measure 12 inches by 16 inches and the entire collection sells for \$25.

Because of the interest shown in Western art and writings, a new version of a Will James' biography will be published later this year, Cady added.

Consumer talks

Shirley Kott of the Consumer Protection Division of Washoe County will address the Campus Clerical Council's monthly meeting Thursday, May 24.

She will cover such topics as auto repair rip-offs, landlord/tenant problems and where the consumer can get help.

It is a brown bag lunch which is open to the public. It will be held in the Ed Pine Auditorium from noon to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Missy Simpson in the Political Science Department or call 784-4601.

Second term

GSA members Tuesday elected Hans-Juergen Sievert to a second term as president and Michel Tissier as vice president by acclamation. The offices of secretary and treasurer will be filled in September when new graduate students arrive on campus.

Nurse talk

A Research and Honors Symposium in Nursing sponsored by the faculty and students of the Orvis School of Nursing will be held May 11. It is open to the public.

Selected research proposals of the senior class, as well as honor projects done throughout the year will be presented. Faculty will also present completed research at the symposium to be held 9 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-3 p.m. in the Ed Pine Auditorium of the student union.

For more information call Mary Anne Dolen or Jean Earl at 784-6841.

Poet programs

Eight poets will present individual two-day programs June through August during the Monday Night Poetry Summer Project. It is supported by a grant from the Nevada Humanities Committee. On the first day of their presentations each poet will give a reading from his own works. On the second day, each will present a two-hour workshop. The same evening, they will present a lecture/discussion on "The Poet as a Humanist." Workshops and lectures will be held at the Center for Religion and Life, readings at the Washoe County Library.

Participating poets include Howard

Nemerov, Margarita Cota-Cardenas, Mordecai Marcus and Jim Welch.

Anyone interested in getting involved or needing more information should contact Jim Huskey (323-5642, 784-6121), Carol Schaechterle (784-4145, 784-4033), Roger Smith (329-5970) or Dan Loranger (784-4033).

Political women

The Political Science Department announced a course entitled "Politics and Women" has been scheduled for the first summer session.

This three-credit course will deal with the power relationships of politics and how they affect women today. Major topics will include the political participation of women, the political leadership of women and women in health care. Prostitution and women in political thought will also be covered. The course will consist of readings, speakers and films.

Dr. Amal Kavar will teach this five-week course. It has no prerequisites. It will meet Monday through Friday at 11 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. Further information is available from the Political Science Department.

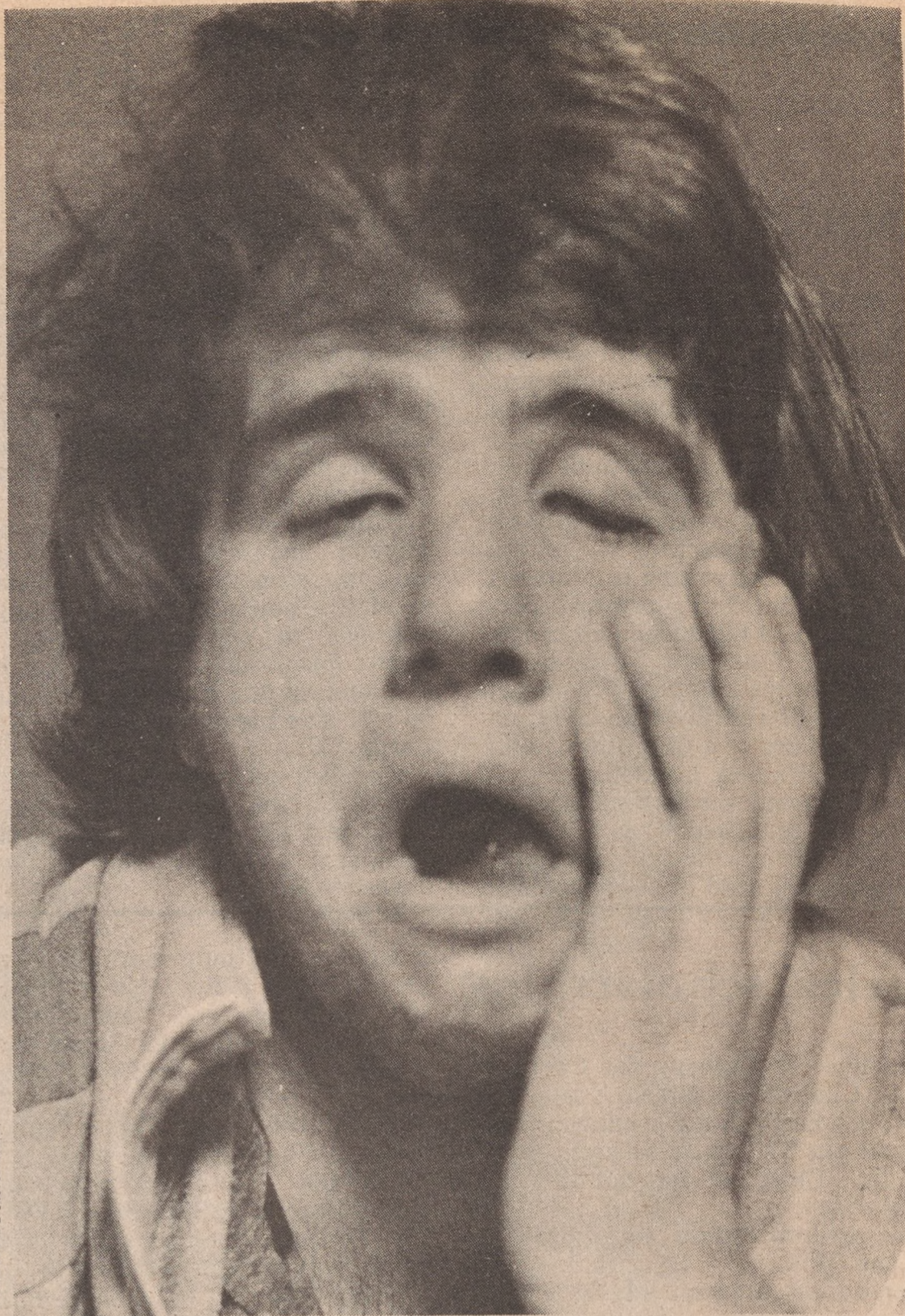


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KUNR hits morning circuit

UNR's radio station, has begun broadcasting Saturday and Sunday mornings because of public requests for early morning music.

"We had requests for morning programming for seven days a week," Wendell Dodds, station manager, said,

"but we can't afford it. We're trying it on the weekends to see how it will work out."

KUNR, 88.7 mhz, will now be on the air from 6 a.m. to midnight on weekends.

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Day center not just a babysitter

Meg-Raphel is a mother, graduate student and teacher at the preschool. "One reason I like this center so well," she says, "is the variety of people the kids are exposed to, and the variety in curriculum, yet there is a planned curriculum. I object to having children somewhere just as a babysitting service. Young kids learn a lot really early, and there's no reason not to utilize that time."

Why would a parent send a child here? Raphel feels children learn in relating to children in the classroom, teachers and other parents. One thing the center strives for is developing open communication with the parents as well as with the children.

Parents spend 10 hours involved with the center. They work in the classrooms, prepare snacks, help with field trips and participate in research projects. Recently, parents came together to paint the jungle and rainbow murals in the rooms. The playground was planned by university students and constructed by parents.

Raphel pushed to have the hours required. "If we get the parents involved, we get to know them...then we can find where the kids are at." She thinks the children have a sense of the

"We try to keep the needs of the child first...we're not in this for financial gain and are a non-profit program."

Center being theirs with parents involved.

Elaine Duffy has two children in the preschool. "Having the parent involvement required makes you participate and it is good for the parent and the child too."

She likes the people her children are exposed to and the university setting. Duffy feels the center has "a positive impact on the children for this time in their lives."

Valerie Voelker thinks an important thing in any preschool is showing children teachers care and they are important. "I like the touching part of it. I've worked in other preschools where

you weren't allowed to pick up children or hug them..."

Joelene Adams, head teacher, believes parents are pleased with what they get. She emphasizes that the preschool is a service. "We try to keep the needs of the child first... We're not in this for financial gain and are a non-profit program."

Is the Child and Family Center your typical preschool? Raphel says, "After working in the community, it is different than most other centers I've been in. These kids are a unique group. They are on the whole really bright, really out-going and pretty assertive."

Intense debate over draft revival

Rick Oxoby

April 30 of this year a House subcommittee approved a proposal requiring young men turning 18 years old after Dec. 31, 1980, to register in case a draft is reinstated for a war or other national emergency. It passed easily while another proposal for a limited draft to build up the Individual Ready Reserve was narrowly rejected.

There is much debate going on in Congress and in the Pentagon on revival of the draft. The popular opinion of those in favor of draft renewal is that the number of men in the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) is too low and it would not be able to back up the active duty forces in time of war. The Army's IRR, for example, now has 115,000 members. It had reached a peak of one million during the Vietnam War.

Those in the military who oppose a draft simply argue the All-Volunteer Force (AVF) is working.

U.S. Navy Commander Richard Hunter, director of manpower for the defense department, spoke on campus two weeks ago. He said the Department of Defense is opposed to peacetime conscription and registration, and would only institute a draft in case of national emergency. He also said President Carter and Secretary of Defense Harold Brown are against a peacetime draft and that the defense department is behind the president.

However, Hunter predicted a bill to renew the draft will pass Congress in the "next three or four years unless there is a large objection from the people."

Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander Jr. said a draft would be "unnecessary, unfair and counterproductive."

But all of the joint chiefs of staff support at least a return to registration if not some limited form of a draft. They recommend both men and women be registered.

General Bernard W. Rogers, Army chief of staff, told the Senate Armed Services Committee on Manpower and Personnel that the United States is unprepared to mobilize quickly enough to meet a national emergency. He said if a national emergency were to occur now, it would take seven months to draft, train and send the first draftee into action. However, if registration is reinstated, the first conscript could be in basic training in 15 days and would be available months sooner.

The Army would need between 75,000 and 100,000 men each year for six years before the IRR would be able to do its job of supplying replacements to back up the active forces in a major war, according to Rogers. He recommends using a numbered lottery to select draftees.

The United States has been following a policy of "unilateral disarmament" for too long and the nation is now militarily inferior to the Soviet Union because of it, says Maj. Gen. (Ret.) John K. Singlaub.

Singlaub, fired by President Carter for public criticism of administration defense policies, also said that while the United States has "good people in uniform," the AVF is "a disaster."

"We are now in a position of military inferiority as a result of our policy of unilateral disarmament," he said. "The degree may be the subject of discussion among military professionals, but not the fact itself. The qualitative advantage we used to have across the board (in weapons and

equipment) is largely a thing of the past."

He is also urging the reinstatement of some type of selective service based on a lottery system and "with virtually zero exemptions."

One idea being kicked around in Congress now is to draft men and women for work in military or civilian service.

A bill introduced February of this year by Rep. Paul N. McCloskey Jr., (R-Calif.), offers such a plan. McCloskey also agrees that AVF is inept and he proposes that at age 17 "everyone, man and woman," be required to register. Then each would have the choice of either volunteering for military service or giving one year's "civilian service in a community or environmental capacity."

Individuals who oppose these options would be put in a lottery pool for military draft. The benefits for military duty would be higher than for civilian service.

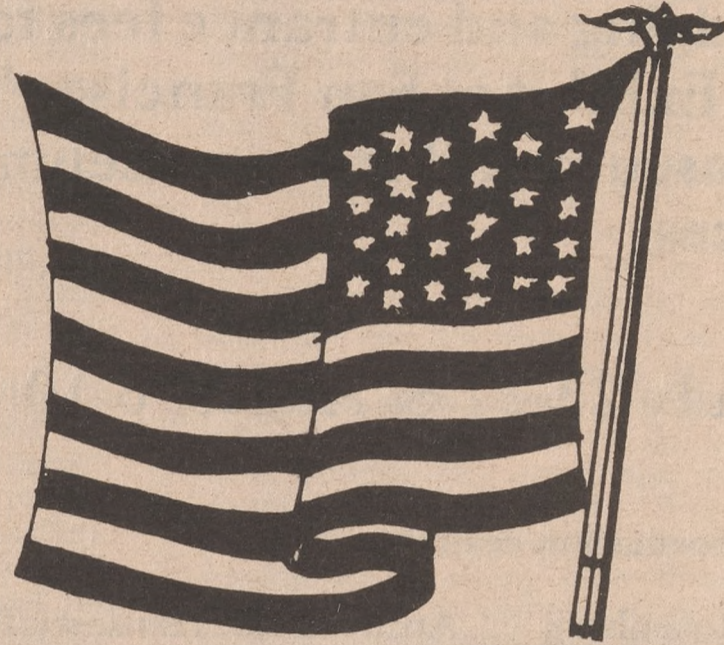
McCloskey says such a plan "might remove the need" for a renewal of military conscription.

A letter was written to President Carter by 39 members of the House opposed to the draft. The letter asked Carter to "oppose the draft, compulsory non-military national service and universal registration."

The Congressmen wrote, "Compulsory military service — except in time of constitutionally approved war or compelling national emergency — raises serious questions of propriety, and, indeed, legality in the light of the constitutional prohibition against involuntary servitude. The return to the draft, in a time when the United States has chosen to actively pursue the cause of world peace and so soon after the trauma of Vietnam, cannot fail to raise

grave doubts and create new divisions and alienation among our people.

"We are also opposed to establishing a system of universal registration for future military service. Such an action will be universally perceived as the first step toward the eventual resumption of the draft. Moreover, universal registration in peacetime would be a massive invasion of the privacy of millions of young Americans and would, almost inevitably, lead to the creation of yet



one more enormous federal bureaucratic organization."

A UNR graduate, currently a battery commander in the field artillery of the Army, is definitely in favor of reviving the draft. He did not want to be identified.

He said, "The quality and quantity of soldiers has taken a notable decrease with the beginning of the AVF. Recruiters are taking highly unqualified, nearly illiterate personnel into the service to fulfill a quota."

Since becoming a battery commander Aug. 14, 1978, he has ad-

ministratively separated five personnel for being unfit for the military. He feels those and others like them should never have been enlisted.

In talking to other officers and Vietnam veterans, he says "the difference between the AVF and the draft system appears to be night and day. The draft provides highly qualified replacements in sufficient quantity to operate an effective military. Most veterans of Vietnam agree on this point."

He stressed that "a lot of guys who

can't do anything else join the Army, and many could be in prison if they weren't in the Army. Many of them can't even read Army manuals."

"The reason Carter is opposed to the draft," he added, "is because he favored amnesty."

In a letter to the editor of *U.S. News and World Report*, a man from Wisconsin wrote, "I heartily support a draft. We should have a standing Army of at least 4 million. Right now, we couldn't handle a riot at Bear Creek, Wis. But should the draft become operative, no son or daughter of mine will go into service until those who ran to Canada and other places serve their two years. I can forgive. I don't have to forget."

Library audio lab open

A long-awaited audio-visual learning laboratory is open for business on the ground floor of Getchell Library.

The centralized facility will initially serve the foreign languages, music and English-as-a-second-language programs. All other UNR departments will also have access to the facility as its operating hours and holdings expand.

Dr. Gerald Petersen, associate professor of foreign languages, initiated the project when he was chairman of the department last year.

He recently served as chairman of the western region of the National Association of Learning Laboratory Directors. In this capacity, he visited learning labs and language centers throughout the West and was, therefore, in a good position to assess UNR's equipment and space needs.

In the new lab, there are 30 listening stations, each with a built-in Sony cassette player and earphones. The stations can be operated individually or be tied into a master instructor's console. The lab also houses seven carrels with varied equipment: videotape, the facilities for synchronized slide/sound presentations and record turntables.

Future capabilities could include cable TV; video disc equipment; collections of speeches, poetry and dramatic presentations; and a library of taped lectures and lab demonstrations produced by the faculty.

Harold Morehouse, director of libraries, said, "The learning lab is not so much a new creation as it is a consolidation of the Foreign Language Department's existing language laboratory, the Music Department's record library and the language center's tape recorder activities. It also provides an opportunity for all UNR departments to place their audio-visual materials in a convenient place for their students to use.

"At this time, given the constraints of the limited budget for library materials, we have no plans to begin any large-scale acquisitions in the audio-visual field. But, given the direction of our society toward increased exposure to television and video tapes and less dependence on the printed word, it's plain to see that the educational process will demand good general library collections in media other than the traditional books and periodicals," Morehouse continued.

Dr. Petersen emphasized that the area is a *learning*, not just a *language*, laboratory, with expansive potential. Already, faculty in the College of Arts and Science have been invited by Dean Rebecca Stafford to have videotapes made of themselves in the classroom. They can then review the tapes individually in the learning lab and critique their performance as instructors.

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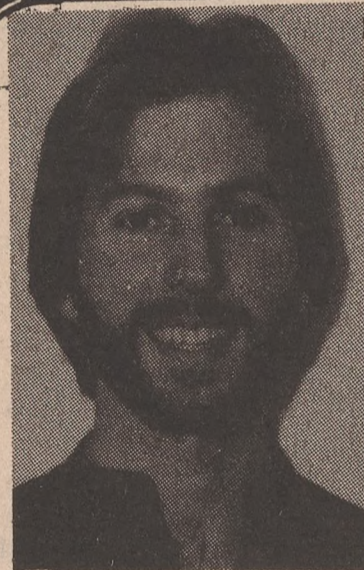
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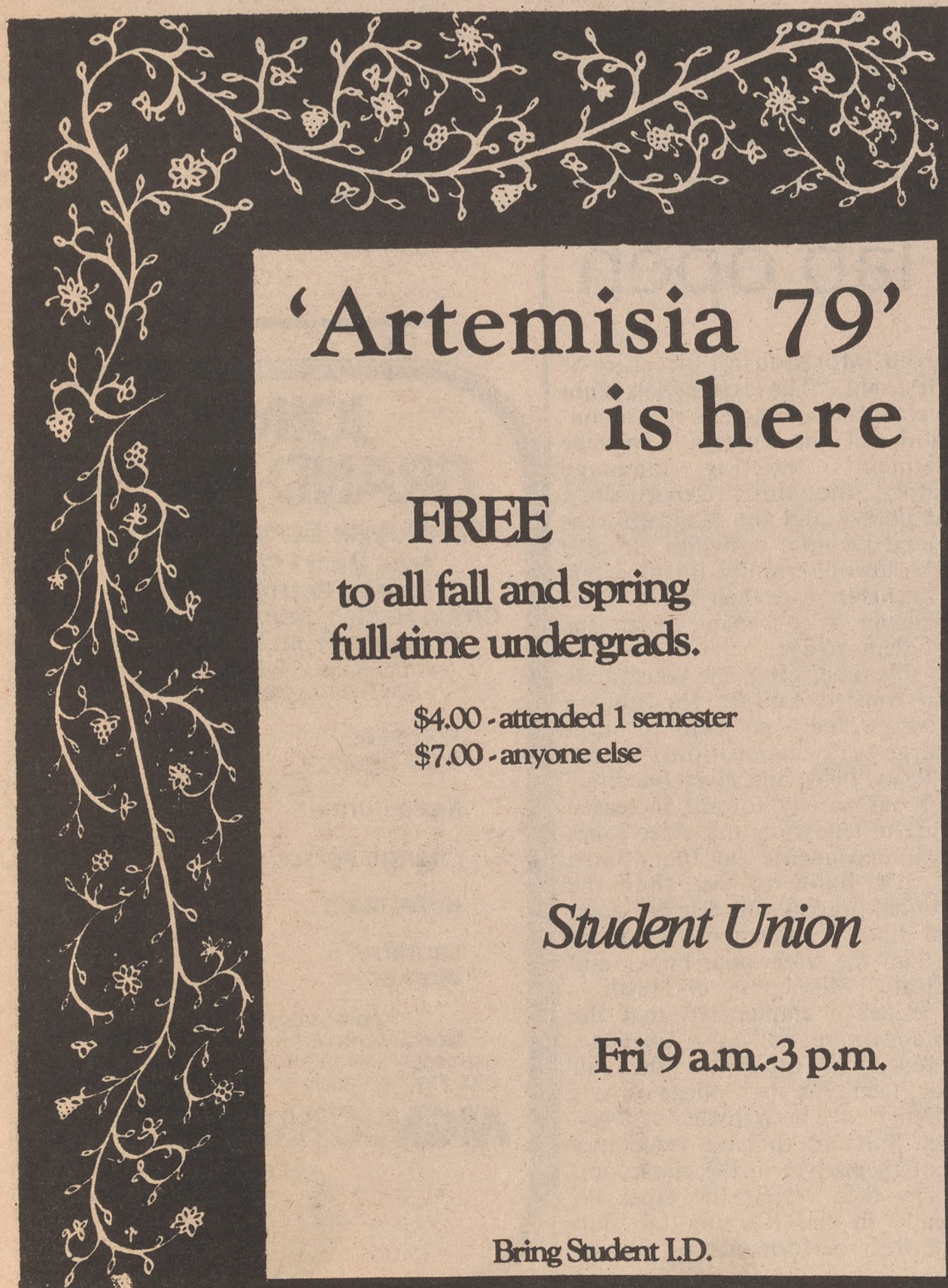
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Some final thoughts for the year

This year has not been very positive. The quality of life in Reno has continued to deteriorate, and the results of the City Council primary election were at best indifferent. The fact that the modern political system requires a high degree of civic awareness does not motivate any significant number of well-informed people to become involved in civic affairs or environmental issues. The university, having been cowed by vindictive legislators, has become almost completely inert, no longer a force in civic affairs.

Why has this dismal situation come about? In my Dec. 16, 1977, column, I concluded that "in a myriad of ways, corporations and governments, by explicit or implicit policies, or because of their very nature, withdraw large numbers of potentially active and dedicated people from involvement in local affairs." Administrators of government agencies don't want their subordinates involved in politics because they want to maintain a low profile and to keep their agencies out of political debate. They tell government workers they can't use their position to advance their political views, which in actual practice means that the worker may not write letters to editors, unless he signs a pseudonym, nor attend even a political party precinct meeting. Corporations have their own subtle ways of restraining their more idealistic employees from political activism. Since the vast majority of the most well-informed people work for government agencies and corporations, the field of city politics is left to interested crooks or to those who tend not to get down to the fundamentals of an area's problems.

I have devoted most of my columns to criticism of incompetent city councilmen, bad university regents and potentially dangerous state legislators. I have tended, by contrast, to defend the university and the journalistic profession, criticizing these two institutions comparatively little. There are always space limitations, but now perhaps is the time to remind ourselves that the press and universities are not in the best moral position, either.

The state of Journalism is not good, and most daily newspapers, especially those controlled by growth-oriented chains, are not moral. In defense of themselves, the irresponsibly pro-growth, pro-Chamber of Commerce chains may cite editorial prerogatives, freedom of the press, and free enterprise. However, corporations control such chains, and corporations are a far cry from free enterprise and an independent press. They are actually private governments: Paul Goodman compares them to feudal domains.

Alexander Solzhenitsyn has said "haste and superficiality" are hallmarks of the modern press. There rarely is room for serious, lengthy discussion of really fundamental issues. And the modern chain press imposes silence on its reporters in the name of a false, because unobtainable, objectivity. Reporters at one chain newspaper, for example, are afraid to attend meetings of civic groups because if they become too visible in them they'll be fired by "the boss." Again, the people likely to be best informed about local politics are forced to withdraw from the political scene: the reporter is reduced to the moral status of magnetic recording tape. Meanwhile, the editorial staff writes editorials in favor of rapacious corporations or corrupt legislators and congressmen.

Modern historiography has gotten away from the desiccating concept of "absolute objectivity." Historians have come to realize that our perceptions of an earlier age may be incomplete or incorrect because the people of that age recorded on documents only those things their prejudices allowed them to consider worthwhile. Unfeeling, insightless objectivity would perpetuate past prejudices. Journalism as a type of current history should follow the lead of academic history: when reporters actually write their articles, they should strive for the closest possible approximation to objectivity, but in the course of collecting their facts and off the job they should be allowed as much political involvement as they like. Much of what is passed off as objective news-writing merely echoes the din of public relations propaganda, repeats pre-digested press-release material or depends on sugar-coated news bureau write-ups.

Universities are not in the best moral position. Business schools teach "strategic misrepresentation" in closing business deals and refer to "corporate gamesmanship" as an unalterable fact of life, to be

uncritically followed by those "practical" people who want to "advance." A university's founding date may be pushed back further than the historical records will allow, and extravagant claims are made about services offered during a summer session travel program. In some sociology departments across the country, one-sided indoctrination takes the place of real teaching: high school students who learned traditional myths favorable to America go to university to replace them with Marxist myths condemning America, and are not exposed to middle alternative views. Elitism may exist in some departments where one or two professors do not even want to teach freshman or sophomore students. Bureaucratization and centralization proceed apace. Everything is subordinated to public relations: students cannot even get an honest student handbook, and university presidents must cheerfully dine with the corporate destroyers of a community because the corporate leaders have chosen to give a pittance to higher education after getting huge reductions in their own property tax rates.

Yet the university is attacked for fostering idealism and not preparing students for the "real world" of jobs. This at least is evidence that a few good faculty members and a few good students are trying to continue toward the real goals of university education. Most prominently state workers, but even some members of the university community, repeat the refrain that the university does students a disservice by exposing them to idealistic concepts and not preparing them for holding jobs in a modern outside world where office politics and "gamesmanship" determine everything.

At best such critics are motivated by lazy pessimism, but more likely derive their views from what they like to think is "realism" — cynical realism, we might more accurately call it. If these people spent one-fourth of the time and intelligence they devote to debunking idealism and hope working with organizations trying to better the community, much could be changed: cities would be more pleasing places to live, and the Western wilderness would not be on the edge of destruction.

If the students who are both intelligent and idealistic fail to fit into regular jobs in corporations or government agencies, is this their loss or society's loss? People who attack the university for perpetuating idealism and "impractical ideas" about work refer to the supposed naiveté of such students. They tirelessly repeat, "It's not what you know, it's who you know." Excellence, ability and moral standards, they say, have nothing to do with the main goal of getting a job or surviving office politics. Knowing the right people playing the right games in corporations has everything to do with it, such people say. They cite titles of such works as Michael Maccoby's "The Gamesman" and Betty Lehan Harrigan's "Games Mother Never Taught You: Corporate Gamesmanship For Women."

These are the voices of Evil. They advocate the discarding of principle in the name of *politics* in the most negative sense of the term. In "The Abolition of Man," C.S. Lewis said, "To value anything simply because it occurs is in fact to worship success, like Quislings or men of Vichy. Other philosophies more wicked have been devised: none more vulgar."

Civil service employees trumpet the values of gamesmanship, and say that all complaints can be satisfactorily handled by "going through channels." Actually complaints or suggestions get lost, hopelessly delayed, modified beyond recognition or quashed when they are sent through channels. Then we have a nuclear accident like the one at Three Mile Island which endangers a whole region, the conditions for which might never have been set if too many civil servants had not been afraid of losing their jobs if they wrote to editors and congressmen. According to the *University of Washington Daily* (May 3, 1979), a researcher on contract with the Department of Energy tried to go through channels with his report on cancer cases at the Hanford, Wash., nuclear waste disposal center: he was forced to discontinue his research before he could finish his report, and his research supervisor was fired for refusing to deny the findings' validity. So much for the efficacy of going through channels!

Some people, including members of the university community, say certain Jeffersonian democrats are

starry-eyed naive idealists who had better learn about the real world quick. They may, for this age, be foolish, but they are not naive. After years of residence in foreign countries where disruption is a constant, after years of political involvement, after months of work with a soul-destroying civil-service division, after working in large retail outlets and in a factory and after working even on a couple of farms, such Jeffersonian democrats like to flatter themselves that they are not in all cases naive. They are idealists not because they are naive, but because they prefer to remain themselves, to stay in touch with Aristotelian ethical concepts and the kinds of friendships that can only be based on those concepts: in short, they do not want to sell their souls.

Despite their own many faults they have to combat, they confront this decadent society guided by some of the ideas of Paul Goodman, who in his 1962 book "The Society I Live In Is Mine" said, "Generally, as a rule of thumb, my experience has taught me that it is wiser not to abstain or quit, but cooperate according to one's lights and get fired. This has an excellent effect on others who no longer thought it was possible to be honest." If the future looks gloomy, they are further guided by Aldous Huxley's conclusion to "Brave New World Revisited": "Perhaps the forces that now menace freedom are too strong to be resisted very long. It is still our duty to do whatever we can to resist them."



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Two courses on science fiction offered

Kirk Gardner

Science fiction will be featured during the summer session at UNR this year, as two courses are offered for study of this unique form of literature.

Science fiction can be described as that branch of literature "dealing principally with the impact of actual or imagined science on society or individuals." It is also one of the most increasingly popular literary forms today. This is due in part to a small but growing core of fans, and also to the phenomenal success of such mass media favorites as "Star Trek" and "Star Wars." Now, here at UNR this summer, the genre will receive serious academic attention.

"Science Fiction and Information Control" is the title of one of the two courses. Offered concurrently as English 423 and Library Science 490, the class will deal with science fiction both as literature and as a predictor of forthcoming trends in the storage and control of society's information. According to instructor Milton Wolf, the course is based on the premise that the United States is quickly moving from an industrial society to an information society. "In other words," says Wolf, "it's not so important to own the machine as it is to know how to operate it — and keep it operating."

In an information society, however, the question is raised, "Who controls the information?" This has formed the basis for many great science fiction works. These include George Orwell's "1984," Ray Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451" and Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World." Although these three are not included in the 12 books Wolf plans to teach, they do provide a good

example of the directions the course will take. Such books as Frit Leiber's "The Wanderer," Frederik Pohl's "The Space Merchants" and Robert Silverberg's "Dying Inside," will be used in the course.

According to Wolf, the materials he has chosen for the course are "geared to almost every conceivable taste." He hopes within the course to "give the student the opportunity to experience everything in this field." This points up one of the reasons for science fiction's popularity: the diversity of the field.

Says Wolf, "Science fiction offers the author more freedom than any other genre." One does not have to write, or read, straight science fiction, as there are science fiction westerns, science fiction mysteries, science fiction gothics, etc. All science fiction, however, allows the author and his audience to use imagination, to stretch the boundaries of reality. This use of imagination is one of science fiction's most attractive features.

The course will be tied in with the annual meeting of the Science Fiction Research Association at Lake Tahoe this summer. Wolf, who is also the conference chairman of that organization, will thus be able to secure several of the authors to lecture to the class, as well as gaining admittance to the conference for class members.

The other science fiction-oriented course to be taught at UNR this summer will deal with "The Science Fiction Film." Offered as Art 357, the class will be taught by Howard Rosenberg. It will feature over 20 films dealing

with science fiction.

Although Rosenberg has taught science fiction before in his film classes, this time there will be some changes. In deference to the theme of, information control, Rosenberg will drop some traditional favorites like "Dracula" and "Frankenstein" for more relevant films such as

films require, he goes on to note that some of the very best examples of the genre, such as "The Day the Earth Stood Still," used practically no special effects at all. "If the script is strong enough, and what they're saying is strong enough, to hell with the special effects."

Rosenberg also plans to invite guest

"If film is supposed to move and engage an audience visually, science fiction has more potential to do this."

"Fahrenheit 451."

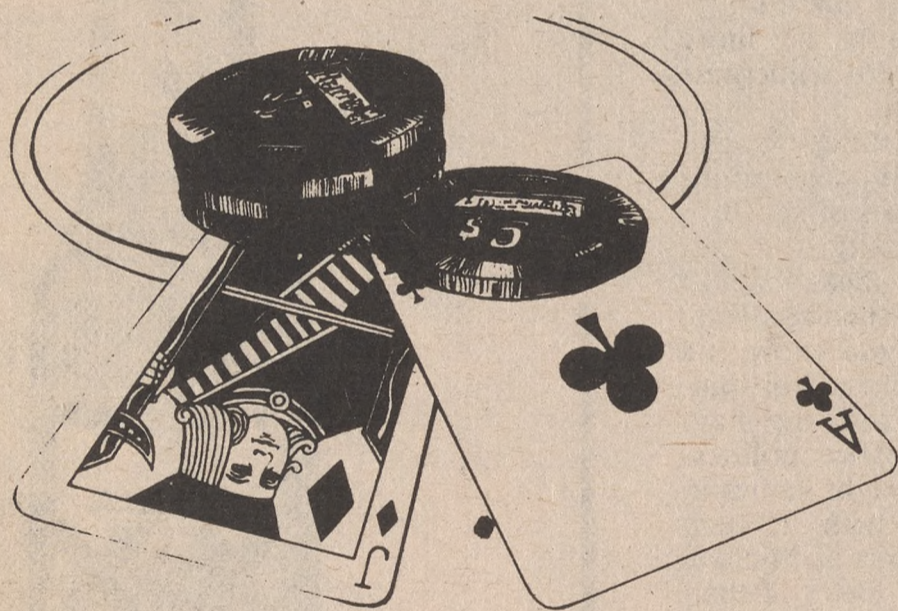
According to Rosenberg, science fiction is a viable film genre, if only because film-makers have been interested in its possibilities since the earliest days of motion pictures. The history of the science fiction film stretches from "A Trip to the Moon," made in 1902, to 1979's "The China Syndrome" and beyond, and it encompasses literally thousands of films in between.

Science fiction is, perhaps, more visual than other film genres, such as westerns. Says Rosenberg, "If film is supposed to move and engage an audience visually, science fiction has more potential to do this."

Pointing out the vast number of special effects most science fiction

lecturers from the Science Fiction Research Association Conference. As he does not believe in criticizing a film from a literary standpoint, he hopes some of the speakers may fulfill that function. He also hopes they will comment on the difficulties facing a writer in getting his work transferred to the screen.

Both of these courses will be offered in the evening during the first term of the 1979 summer session, running from June 11 to July 18. So, those who want to find out why Milton Wolf says, "The most significant thing that has happened in 20th century America. Literature is science fiction," these classes may be just the thing. For further information contact the UNR Summer Session office at 784-4062.



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Moss new visual assistant

Calm and relaxed, Bill Moss sat in his dark leather chair, enjoying the newness of the learning lab in UNR's Getchell Library.

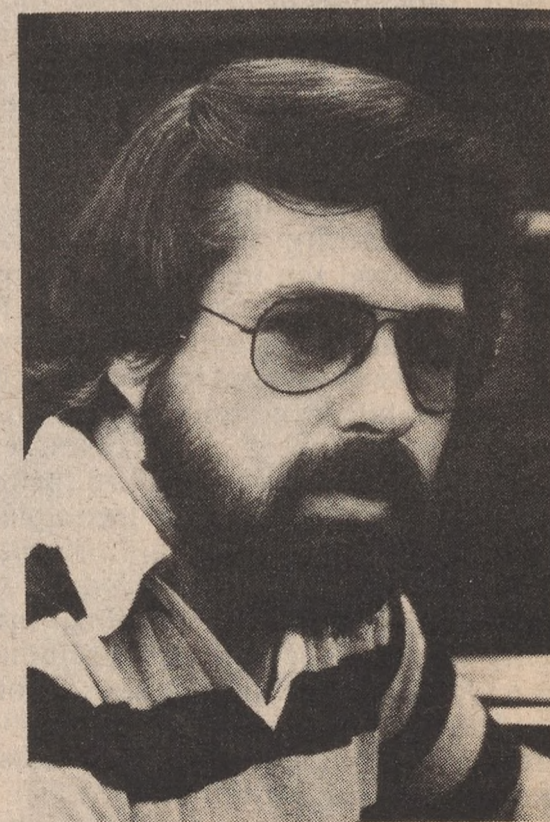
Moss, 37, is the newly appointed audio visual assistant in charge of maintaining the lab's equipment and instructing patrons in using its resources.

Recently retired from the Navy as a chief photographer, Moss has taught courses in periscope photography and is proficient in repairing cameras and adapting them to periscope lenses.

As a lab technician, he will assist students with equipment and help them select materials. "The listening consoles are very simple to operate," he said. "However, students will be briefed on how to use all the equipment on their first visit."

Students may use their own tapes if they pertain to a course or may use the tapes available in the learning lab, he added.

Moss recommended that groups wishing to use the learning lab schedule times in advance to avoid conflicts. The lab is open from 8 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. (Moss can be reached at 784-6757.) As more resources become available and the demand for the use of the lab increases, operating hours will



be expanded, he indicated.

Moss looks forward to his experience working in the learning lab. Having traveled all over the world during his 20 years in the Navy, he said, "It will be nice to be in one place for a change."

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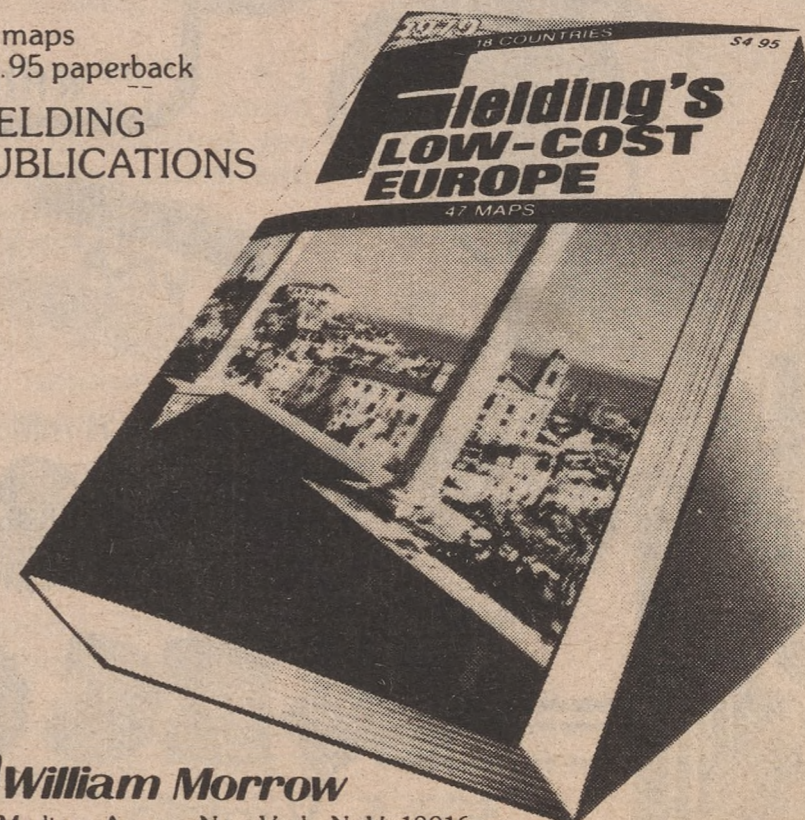
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