

## UI grad programs shown unequal in sex-race patterns

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Second of a five-part series

"Affirmative action has opened a lot of doors, but because of past discrimination and the present situation on the reservations there are not enough students prepared for college. Affirmative action turns out to be hollow." Speaking is Eugene Rave, a Winnebago Indian from Nebraska.

"Many Chicanos drop out — or perhaps pushed out is more appropriate — of high school. Just getting through high school is a major achievement, so there is a more limited pool to draw on for college. Affirmative Action doesn't work well, especially for us — they lump all minority students together and they don't seem to advertise in the right places." Speaking is Roberto Negrete, UI assistant director for coordination of the Chicano and American Indian Program.

"It's only been in the past year that there has been a active effort to recruit Chicanos," Negrete added.

Both men were pointing to one of the central facts about affirmative action programs: society and all of its institutions — from kindergarten through universities to employers — must fulfill their responsibilities; a breakdown at any point imperils the whole process.

According to UI Pres. Willard Boyd, the university can best



fulfill its responsibility by two major methods: "broadening the search and recruitment procedures," especially for minority students, and a "policy of low tuition joined with an adequate institutional financial aid program."

Boyd is a member of the advisory board for the Office for Advancement of Public Negro Colleges, and he sees the development of personal contacts as a very important way of bringing black students to the UI Graduate College. "One of the problems now," he said, "is that we can count the number of minority students in the university."

This is quite true.

Looking at the chart of graduate departments accompanying this article, it can be seen that there are some 19 departments with no minority students enrolled, and many more where there are only one to three. For example, the College of Pharmacy graduate program, with 45 students this year, has no minority students. And the School of Religion, with 66 graduate students this year, has only three minority students.

There are also a number of departments, often in the basic science or engineering areas, where there are only two to 10 women.

With the facts and qualifications accompanying the chart in mind, it is valuable as a broad picture indicating the changes or lack of changes from 1973-74 to 1974-75, where women and minorities are under-represented, and as an even grosser picture of the financial aid pattern. That under-representation may be due to a lack of applications or to departmental bias.

The chart also reveals which departments carry a large portion of the load for the university as a whole, when only university-wide figures are given. For example, figures provided by the university show that as of December 1974, there were 45 black Teaching Assistants (TA's), Research Assistants (RA's), or Fellows. But seven of these, or 15 per cent, came from one department — the American Civilization Department which has a program in Afro-American Studies.

According to January 1975 figures from the UI Payroll Office, there are 695 male TA's and RA's and 340 female TA's and RA's. Figures for the fall of 1974 show that full-time graduate enrollment is comprised of 1,924 men and 1,137 women. In rough figures (because of the two different dates used), 37 per cent of the full-time graduate students and approximately 33 per cent of the TA's and RA's are women. But 32 per cent of those 340 women are in only four departments: French-Italian; Spanish-Portuguese; English; and Home Economics.

Examples such as these indicate why the following figures provided by the UI, and accepted by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) are not as helpful as the above, more detailed, breakdown.

The UI-released figures indicate that the UI projected goals for Graduate Assistants (TA's and RA's), Scholars, and Fellows for the year 1973-74 were 137 women and 45 minority students. The actual new appointments for that year were 199 women and 27 minority students.

According to the UI "Materials on Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity" prepared for HEW in February 1975, "Most of the new female graduate assistants were appointed in the Colleges of Liberal Arts, Medicine, and Education. Minority graduate students were appointed primarily in the Colleges of Liberal Arts, Education, Engineering and Medicine."

It is true, as noted by May Brodbeck, vice president for

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# Victorious Viet Cong ready to talk

TOKYO (AP) — Declaring a new turning point has been reached as a result of overwhelming military victories, the Viet Cong said Monday they are prepared to quickly settle all the affairs of South Vietnam in talks with a new Saigon government that excludes President Nguyen Van Thieu and abides by the Paris cease-fire.

The statement, broadcast by North Vietnam's official Vietnam News Agency, was in an appeal issued by the Viet Cong's Provisional Revolutionary Government, which declared:

"The Nguyen Van Thieu junta—main obstacle to the settlement of the political questions in South Vietnam—must be overthrown, and an administration standing for peace, independence, democracy, national concord and strict application of the

Paris agreement must be established."

It said the Provisional Revolutionary Government "is ready to hold talks with such an administration to quickly settle all the affairs of South Vietnam."

But it added, "Realities have proved that the U.S. imperialists still refuse to end their military involvement and interference in the internal affairs of South Vietnam. Though its situation is hopeless, the Nguyen Van Thieu junta is clamoring for war, feverishly stepping up ... forcible evacuation of the population, exploitation, repression, persecution and massacres."

The appeal said victories won by the Viet Cong since early March mark a new turning point from which the Viet Cong "will advance to new and still

greater victories whereas the Nguyen Van Thieu junta, lackeys of U.S. imperialism, will surely face complete disintegration and collapse."

It called on people in the areas recently captured by the Viet Cong "to help each other to quickly stabilize their life, preserve public order and security, stand ready to foil all schemes of counterattack of the enemy, build the revolutionary forces and rebuild the liberated zone in all domains."

The Hanoi agency also broadcast a Viet Cong communique which said emergency measures had been decided on "to quickly stabilize the situation and all aspects of the people's life in the vast areas newly liberated from the enemy."

And as the South Vietnamese government faced what might be its

last crisis, the U.S. government reacted Monday with only a shadow of the urgency that marked its response to much less severe setbacks in Southeast Asia.

Below the top rank, officials responded with surprise, dismay, anxiety and confusion. But there was little of the tension that accompanied the 1968 Tet offensive or the 1972 Easter offensive, both of which were less successful than the current Communist advance.

In 1968 and 1972, U.S. troops were fighting in Indochina. There were long lines of limousines at the White House; meetings of military, diplomatic and intelligence experts to plan strategy, and outcries of concern from Congress.

In 1975, there were no U.S. troops fighting in Southeast Asia. The

President was on vacation in California. Congress was in recess. And there was no rush back to the capital to respond to any growing sense of foreign crisis.

Most reaction came privately from Pentagon officials who expressed dismay at South Vietnamese losses of U.S.-supplied arms and equipment, which they described as "monumental." They said there were no Americans left to accurately assess losses in Da Nang.

Their surprise resulted from underestimation of the North Vietnamese push and from having no inkling that South Vietnamese forces would abandon large areas so quickly. They were uncertain whether South Vietnamese leaders could keep deteriorating morale from spreading.

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South Vietnamese refugees crowd together on a dock at Cam Ranh Bay after being evacuated from Da Nang by a U.S. Navy vessel. These refugees were among the last to be taken out of Da Nang before North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces began shelling rescue vessels.

## Chinese women today unequal but advancing

By CHRIS BRIM  
Asst. Features Editor

Twenty-five years ago, most women in China were illiterate, met their husbands the day they married in a match arranged by their parents, and had no social status unless they bore a male child or survived long enough to become a mother-in-law, according to author Ruth Sidel.

In a lecture on "Women and Child Care in China," in Phillips Hall, Sidel emphasized that women are still unequal to men in China, but that "the changes since 1949 have been truly remarkable."

Sidel traveled to China with her husband, Dr. Victor W. Sidel, for one month in 1971, and five weeks in 1972.

She has been a social work supervisor at the Comprehensive Child Care Project associated with the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, N.Y.

During her trips to China, Sidel observed community health and preventive medicine programs, and neighborhood organizing programs in Shanghai, Canton, Peking, and in rural communes.

"Day care is widely utilized in China quite simply because they need the women in the labor force," Sidel said. "It's less developed in the country because life in general is poorer in the country. The cities in China have made the most visible progress."

Chinese families are three-generational, with the grandparents living at home and providing informal day care for younger children, Sidel said. "There's a much tighter family unit there than we see in our own society today," she said. "The family is a very important, functional group in China."

"They seem to have a firm belief in multiple parents for children...they choose people who love kids to work in their day care centers. They're not hung up on credentials the way we are," she said.

There's little or no privacy in China, but its absence is as much traditional as political, Sidel explained. "As far as I know," she said, "there's not even a character in Chinese for our emotional concept of privacy. In China, everyone minds everybody else's business."

Few people commit crimes in China, and if they do, their neighbors are usually the first to correct them, she said. "Chinese try to step in and correct anti-social behavior at the first step. There are no victimless crimes in China, because any crime hurts the society."

Although Sidel emphasized the general calm and "sense of well-being" she found in the Chinese, she went on to discuss their resources for dealing with mental illness. Most problems are handled on the neighborhood or work level by friends. Psychiatric Prevention Stations are in each large neighborhood for treatment on an outpatient basis. Larger psychiatric hospitals do exist. Treatment for mental illness varies from experimental use of acupuncture for depression, to the use of thiorazine, anti-depressants and other chemotherapy, to group study sessions on Mao Tse Tung's "On Contradiction."

"In my observations, I thought that different behaviors were well-accepted in China," said Sidel. "Just not anti-social behavior. Conflicts arise, but life is better."

Sidel's presentations are the first of a series of programs about the People's Republic of China, sponsored by the UI chapter of the U.S.-China Peoples Friendship Association. Sidel's lecture was co-sponsored by the Women's Resource and Action Center.

## Da Nang: casualty of chaos

By PETER ARNETT  
AP Special Correspondent

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — Da Nang fell to the Communists by itself — a casualty not of battle but of panic and chaos.

Accounts of the collapse of South Vietnam's second largest city and onetime major U.S. base have shocked and demoralized Saigon, the capital, and its three million people.

The question asked today in Saigon is "Can it happen here?"

For Da Nang shuddered and died in three days of looting, burning and murder inflicted not by avenging Communist troops but the citizens of Da Nang itself.

The Communist troops sat outside and watched.

And when they moved in Saturday afternoon and Sunday, there was no resistance from a population exhausted from mayhem and fear.

That is the picture of the last days of Da Nang as painted by Americans, Englishmen and Vietnamese who were among the

estimated 100,000 who escaped the city. Another 1,400,000 were left behind.

The seeds of Da Nang's capitulation lay in the military debacle that followed President Nguyen Van Thieu's unexpected decision to abandon to the Communist side first the central highlands, and then the old imperial capital of Hue.

A chain reaction of fear infected the fleeing soldiers and civilians. They spread it like the plague through the towns and cities they fled to.

Da Nang was inundated by hordes of refugees and desperate soldiers fleeing not only from Hue but also from the two provinces to the south, Quang Tin and Quang Ngai, which collapsed overnight.

A young Englishman in Quang Ngai, Paul Quinn Judge, a member of the Quaker American Friends Service Committee, recalled visiting a village on Route 1 on Tuesday. A youth pointed at the distant hills and said "the Communists are coming."

As Judge drove off in his jeep, the five South Vietnamese M113 armored personnel carriers laden with troops based at the village rolled off with him.

By next day, government forces, including the 2nd Infantry Division, had fled not only Quang Ngai Province, but also Quang Tin. It prompted an American observer to say, "The Communists are preceded by two days of panic and fear. When they arrive, all they have to do is direct traffic."

As the city began to burst its seams with people, it became apparent that the government apparatus had broken down. Fewer and fewer police could be seen.

More than 300 Americans were still in Da Nang on Wednesday, one-third of them with the U.S. consulate, the others contractors and businessmen.

Da Nang was so big and sprawling that it seemed inconceivable to the Americans that it could be in danger.

But in the arithmetic of war, Da Nang was in fact doomed. The Communist side had six infantry divisions to the north and south. The Saigon government had a piece of one left.

No visible attempt was being made to regroup the soldiers straggling in from combat areas so the city was almost undefended.

## in the news Briefly Hearing

A public hearing will be held in Des Moines today on a bill in the Iowa Legislature relating to the licensing the regulation of health care facilities in the state.

Chairing the hearing will be Sen. William Gluba, D-Davenport, who co-sponsored the bill in the Senate with John Murray, R-Ames. The bill was also introduced in the House by Reps. Tom Higgins, D-Davenport and James Caffrey, D-Des Moines.

Under present state law, the only way the state can act upon a facility's violation is to revoke its license. There is no existing fine system.

The new bill would require the state to follow a stricter licensing rule, require health care facilities to have adequate medical staff on duty around the clock, and limit other types of businesses that health care facility owners could be involved in.

## The bill was drafted after a study was conducted of Iowa health care facilities by the Iowa Student Public Interest Research Group (ISPIRG).

### Vietnam

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — North Vietnamese troops slashed toward the last government outposts on the central coast Tuesday, meeting only pockets of resistance.

A huge American Air Force transport plane landed in Saigon with emergency supplies promised last week. The C5A transport made a nonstop flight from California bringing 14 howitzers and tons of ammunition and communications equipment.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said it was part of an airlift that would deliver military goods already allocated for South Vietnam under the current \$700-million appropriation.

Refugees continued to flee to the dwindling areas under government control along the central coast while Communist shelling ended U.S. rescue efforts off fallen Da Nang farther north.

An evacuation of some Americans from Saigon was under way.

## Connally

WASHINGTON (AP) — John B. Connally, once praised by Richard M. Nixon as "a tower of strength for the President," goes on trial Tuesday on charges that he accepted two \$5,000 bribes while he was secretary of the Treasury.

He is the fourth Nixon cabinet member to be accused of criminal misconduct and only the second cabinet officer in American history to face a bribery charge. The first was Interior Secretary Albert B. Fall who was convicted in the Teapot Dome scandal.

The Special Watergate Prosecutor's office accuses Connally of taking the \$10,000 from the nation's largest dairy cooperative for helping persuade Nixon to raise milk support prices in 1971.

## Mideast

By The Associated Press

Twenty Israeli soldiers crossed the border into southern Lebanon twice on Monday in an attempt to lay mines, but Lebanese artillery fire

drove them back, the Lebanese Defense Ministry said.

No casualties were reported and there was no immediate comment from the Israeli command.

The Lebanese said the Israelis came under intense fire about 60 yards from the frontier near the village of Bustan, adding that "enemy ground gunners later struck at Lebanese forward positions but scored no hits and inflicted no casualties."

## Court

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court declined on Monday, at least for the present time, to step into two environmental controversies over possible cancer-causing industrial agents.

The court rejected a request by three Midwestern states and a number of environmental groups that it set a two-year deadline for an end to pollution of Lake Superior by Reserve Mining Co.

Reserve Mining discharges taconite waste containing asbestos fibers, identified as a possible cause of cancer, from its iron ore processing plant at Silver Bay, Minn.

And the court refused to set aside standards established by the Labor Department to limit the exposure of workers in the plastics industry to vinyl chloride.

The government, defending its standards for vinyl chloride, said the substance is known to cause cancer in man in some cases and that 13 workers have died from exposure to it.

Both matters are expected to come before the court later for a decision whether to give them full-scale review.

In other action, the court:

—Suspended former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and Robert C. Mardian, who were convicted in the Watergate coverup from Supreme Court law practice.

## Cloudy

Partly cloudy and colder today, chance of snow developing southwest during afternoon. Highs in upper 20s to mid-30s. Partly cloudy north, cloudy, chance of snow south and continued cold tonight and Wednesday. Lows tonight near 10 north to around 20 south. Highs Wednesday upper 20s to mid-30s.

# Postscripts

## Bradley geology talks

Dr. William C. Bradley, of the University of Colorado Geological Sciences department, will present two lectures today in Trowbridge Hall. Dr. Bradley will lecture on Granite weathering forms in Australia at 12:30 p.m. in Room 131 TH and speak at 4:30 p.m. on some aspects of the geology of Australia in Room 125 TH.

## Spring reception

Home Economic students are reminded of the Spring Reception at 7 p.m. today at the President's house. The program consists of recognition of students, a reception, and a guest lecture by Prof. Paul Scholz.

## Children in China films

Three films on children in China will be shown at 7:30 p.m. today at Center East. Everyone is invited to attend "Children in China," "Flowers Growing in the Sun," and "Eight or Nine in the Morning." For more information call 351-7326.

## Summer study in Spain

Students desiring financial aid for summer study in Spain June 19-Aug 14, must submit applications immediately. Up to nine semester credit hours may be earned. A minimum of one college year of Spanish or the equivalent is required. For further information call the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, 353-4567.

## International studies seminar

Opportunities for graduate scholarships for study abroad will be the focus of an international studies seminar from 7:30-9 p.m. today at the Honors House, 303 N. Capitol St.

Steven Arum and Gray Lowe of the Office of International Education and Services, and Prof. Rhodes Dunlap, director of the Honors Program, will be guest speakers. The public is invited.

## Summer programs in England

Deadlines are coming up for many summer programs in England. The International Education Resource Center, 203 Jessup Hall, has the British Information Services listing of universities, courses of study, fees and deadlines. Information is also available for many U.S. university sponsored programs available for UI credit. Contact Kate Phillips at 353-6249 for more information.

## Simple Living

Action Studies course on Simple Living will meet at 7:30 p.m. today at the Luthern Student Center to discuss "community."

## Animal Protection League

Animal Protection League will meet at 7 p.m. today in the Union Hub Room.

## UI AAUP meeting

The spring semester meeting of the UI AAUP chapter will feature a talk by a psychology professor at Wayne State, who has participated as a collective bargaining negotiator for the AAUP chapter there. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. today in Shambaugh Auditorium.

## Soccer Club meeting

UI Soccer Club will meet and practice at 4:30 p.m. today and Thursday on the field outside the Field House.

## FCVN meetings

Friends of Children of Vietnam will meet at 8 p.m. today at the Trinity Christian Reformed Church, corner of Court and Kirkwood Drive.

## Bible study meetings

Bible study will meet at 6 p.m. today with the Baptist Student Union at the Danforth Chapel. Everyone is welcome.

## County Women voters

The Presidency will be the subject for discussion at the April 1, 2, and 3 unit meetings of the Johnson County League of Women Voters. Meetings are scheduled for 9:15 a.m. today, Trinity Episcopal Church, 320 E. College St., child care available; 12:45 p.m. Wednesday, home of Donna Johnson, 915 Talwrm Court; 8 p.m. Thursday, home of Mary McCue, 447 S. Summit St. Everyone is welcome.

## Campus Bible Fellowship

Campus Bible Fellowship will meet at 6:30 p.m. today in the Union Kirkwood Room. Everyone is welcome.

## Parents without partners

Parents without partners will meet for a family dinner at 6:30 p.m. today at the Ponderosa Steak House, 512 2nd St., Coralville. New members are welcome.

## Broadcasting elections

Broadcasting and film undergraduates are reminded to vote on the selection of the Student Committee by 5 p.m. today with the department secretary in the Old Armory.

## Mother of the Year

Applications should be turned into the Union Activities Center for the Mother of the Year Award by 3 p.m. today. Presentation of the award will be made at the Parents Weekend Luncheon April 19.

## I-Poll correction

A paragraph in Monday's I-Poll appeared in the wrong place in the article. The paragraph said: "Of 30 people who ride only CAMBUS, 56.6 per cent answered 'yes' to the above question indicating that a fare reduction would attract them as new riders to ICT and-or CTS." The paragraph should have followed the question: "If the ICT and CTS fares were reduced to 10 cents except during rush hours, would you ride the buses more often?" The question was answered yes by 34.5 per cent of the respondents and no by 65.5 per cent. It was asked of 200 students.

## United Way services

The United Way Information and Referral services have been established in Johnson County to assist people in the community in finding the correct agency or service to help them with their particular problem. Call 337-9611 for more information.

## Staff to examine 'practicality'

# City ponders tornado warning system

By TILI SERGENT  
Staff Writer

A tornado warning service for the Iowa City area was proposed to the Iowa City Council Monday by Wayne Walters, Johnson County Civil Defense director and David G. Epstein, director of Public Safety.

The council directed the city staff to examine the "prac-

ticality" of such a system.

The proposed system would consist of approximately 10 sirens located throughout the city that could be activated either by the use of radios, or a system similar to that which causes telephones to ring.

While the radio-activated system would cost more than the telephone wire system (\$62,056 as opposed to \$57,369), Walters said he preferred it.

The radio system has a "less chance of malfunctioning and fewer recurring costs."

Cedar Rapids has a telephone wire system, Walters said, and 50 per cent of the time the sirens don't work because the telephone lines are down.

Asked by Councilwoman Carol deProse how one could measure the effectiveness of a tornado warning system,

Walters replied that a much lower percentage of lives have been lost in those communities with tornado systems. He added that most communities that have experienced tornadoes acquired systems afterwards.

Epstein said "the present warning system is inadequate ... you could never warn people in time."

Presently the Johnson County Sheriff's Department notifies the city, the schools and the university, who in turn activate whatever systems they may have.

Should the council decide to construct a warning system, an application for 50 per cent federal funding would be made to the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency.

The city would have to deposit the money with the county civil defense office and be reimbursed at a later date, Walters said.

In other council business, City Atty. John Hayek reported on the "feasibility" of a city landlord-tenant ordinance.

"The point of a landlord-tenant ordinance is to make landlords responsible for their property and not make the city do it," Councilwoman deProse said.

Hayek's report stated that under the city's home rule charter to be enacted in July, the city could provide for rent withholding "where the landlord fails to maintain the premises as required by housing code," or the council could establish ordinances prohibiting retaliatory evictions for the reporting of housing code violations.

However, the city cannot impose rent controls, according to Hayek's report.

The council directed the city's legal department to confer with the Iowa City Housing Commission for alternative landlord-tenant ordinance proposals.

## Transit official to visit city staffs

By CONNIE JENSEN  
Asst. News Editor

An official of the Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA) will visit Iowa City Wednesday in connection with the city's application for federal funding for 20 new buses.

Kay Shillingburg will meet with the staff of the Johnson County Regional Planning Commission (JCRPC), the Transit Operators Subcommittee, the Iowa City staff and the Transit Advisory

Committee. She also will take a CAMBUS tour and a driving tour of Iowa City transit routes and maintenance facilities.

Iowa City applied for federal aid to purchase buses during the second week of March, said Stephen Morris, Iowa City transit director. The total cost of the buses is estimated at \$1,345,300, with Iowa City's 20 per cent share to be about \$269,000, he said.

Three of the buses, equipped with air conditioning but no radios, will be for the Iowa City

system. The remaining 17 buses will have radios but no air conditioning, Morris said. Five will be for Coralville and 12 for CAMBUS.

Iowa City will then "lease" the buses to the other two systems for each system's "share" of the purchase price, Morris said. Prices are estimates, he added, since nothing can be finalized until the application is approved and bids are let.

A visit from a UMTA official is required before money can be

approved, Morris said, adding that UMTA probably wants to insure that the three systems are not in competition.

Morris did not know when Iowa City would be notified of the status of its application, but said the process time can range from "a couple weeks to five months."

If the grant is approved, Iowa City's final share would be about \$40,000; Coralville's \$67,000; and CAMBUS' \$161,000. These figures are contingent on the bids received, Morris emphasized.

In other transit news, the Technical Committee of the JCRPC discussed the Area Transportation Study, which is a plan for Iowa City's 1995 traffic patterns. The committee decided to get four more computer runs for alternative traffic patterns.

One will be with existing streets as is and will include the planned Highway 518. Another will be the same but without 518. A third plan will take into account the planned street closures but with Madison Street open and will include Highway 518. The last will be with the planned street closures, with Madison Street closed, and with 518.

These four alternatives will be included in the committee's first report, which should be ready in a few weeks, according to Barry Hokanson of the JCRPC. More alternatives may be tried then, he said.

## Mass transit I-Poll receives mixed reaction among officials

By STEVE FREEDKIN  
Staff Writer

Public officials contacted Monday had mixed reactions to the Daily Iowan I-Poll on mass transit in Iowa City.

The Iowa City Council recently voted to raise Iowa City Transit (ICT) fares from the current 15 cents to 25 cents starting in July, unless state financial aid is received.

In a poll of 200 bus-riding students, the I-Poll found ridership would drop 10 per cent due to the fare hike. The city staff anticipated only a 1 per cent drop. But 34.5 per cent of the students said they'd increase ridership if non-rush-hour fares went down to 10 cents.

Iowa City Manager Neil Berlin told the DI, "I don't think that's an unreasonable idea (the fare reduction). That's something we ought to look at."

ICT Superintendent Steve Morris is "willing to try" a fare reduction, but he thinks cutting fares during only off-peak hours discriminates against rush-hour riders.

The fare reduction wouldn't be likely to attract enough riders to increase revenue,

Morris said, because ICT already has most of the riders it's likely to get.

Iowa City Mayor Edgar Czarnecki said, "We might experiment with some cost decrease, but to go system-wide — I don't know."

Before going further, he'd like to wait for results of the City Council's decision to let elderly riders ride free during the day. "There's not much doubt in my mind" that the city will get enough state aid to hold ICT fares at 15 cents," Czarnecki said.

"One of the problems we have is we (the council) approach mass transit as a self-containing entity" which must pay for itself. "We don't envision other services in that way."

"If we're going to have a bus system, the city's going to have to support the cost," Czarnecki said. (Czarnecki was the only council member to vote against the increase.)

Council member Tim Brandt said, "the council has made its decision perfectly clear — if state or federal aid is not available, rates will be increased." Brandt, long a

supporter of increased fares if state aid doesn't come through, feels chances of getting the state aid are "in our favor."

Sue Futrell of the Iowa Student Public Interest Research Group (ISPIRG) "wasn't surprised" that the I-Poll indicated a larger loss of riders than the Iowa City staff planned. "It's something we've been saying which the city doesn't seem to accept."

Bus service is "not viewed by the city as a service to be encouraged and expanded," Futrell said. Even if the fare stays at 15 cents, "the city still has a real long way to go in terms of support for mass transit."

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# Affirmative action

academic affairs and dean of the faculties, that there is the "problem of the pool being limited, to a large extent, to the population of Iowa because the UI is a state-supported school with an obligation to residents."

None of the administrators quoted pretended that the UI affirmative action process was at this point a complete success, but all expressed their good faith attempts to implement it. Boyd stressed that "the power of persuasion is the most important factor I have."

A limited number of minority students in the pool, and the tendency still for high schools and families to direct women into the traditionally female areas (nurses rather than doctors) are two of the reasons given for the slow change.

Some universities are making a great deal of progress (at least in some areas). For example, although only 131 out of the 793

applicants were women, the 200-person Harvard Dental School Class of 1978 is 50 per cent female. That is especially significant when it is known that fewer than 2 per cent of the dentists in this country are women. At the UI Dental School, there are 24 women, 10 minority students, and 299 men this year. The number of women has increased from seven last year, and the number of minority students remained constant.

And some UI departments, though they do not look particularly good on paper, are making a real effort. For example, J. P. Long, professor and head of pharmacology, said that "there has been an unbelievable change in the last three years. I think the last woman applicant we had until 1969-70, was in 1954-55. This year about one-third of our applicants are women and one-third of our acceptances so far have been women."

The College of Business, according to Dean B.L. Barnes, had a "disgraceful record" — one that they are now trying very hard to change. He said, "We have trouble convincing black students that there is a role for them, so we send out people to go to their homes to convince them."

Phillip Jones, director of UI special support services, named a few of the departments he thought were doing especially well, or especially badly: Zoology—active; Business—good; History—good; Speech and Dramatic Art—outstanding; Speech Pathology—very good; Art—not too good; Education—"has the most minority students, and has done the least for them."

Jones was critical of the Athletic Department: "They have the largest proportion of black students, but everyone who leaves with a letter jacket, but without a degree — who doesn't play for the pros — is potentially out on the corner."

Special support services is designed, at the undergraduate level, to help minority and low-income students, and at the graduate and professional school level to help minority students. It provides financial support and tutoring if needed.

Funding for the program comes from a combination of federal and UI sources. Approximately two-thirds of the undergraduate funding comes from the university. At the graduate and

professional school level, most of the money comes from the university.

According to Jones, the special support graduate program "has increased modestly every year since 1969. There were five graduate students in 1969 and there are 68 in 1975." He also noted that half of the 68 minority graduate students in the program this year are women.

One statistical problem mentioned by almost everyone interviewed was that of lumping all minority students together. For example, the UI goal for 1973-74 for appointing minority students as TA's, RA's and fellows was 45. Only 27 were appointed, and out of that 10 were Afro-American, 15 were Oriental-American, and two were Spanish sur-named American. A break-down of the number of minority students holding those appointments as of December, 1974, reveals that 45 were Afro-American, 76 were Oriental-American, two were American Indian, and 17 were Spanish sur-named American.

Oriental-Americans, who in recent years have not been as locked out of the system as the other groups, comprised 54 per cent of the total number of minority graduate assistants and fellows for 1975. They, in effect, carry much of the load for the UI minority student figures.

Affirmative action works in a somewhat unbalanced fashion in regards to recruitment. There is no Graduate College program of recruitment for women, although there is for minority students.

According to Frank E. Horton, dean of advanced study, there are two groups which provide the Graduate College with the names of minority students who wish to go to graduate school. One is the Educational Testing Service, with a minority locating service which sends a list of students, by department, to officials in the Graduate College, who then send the names to the various departments for action.

But, Horton said, "there is nothing comparable to ETS for women that I am aware of. If anyone knows of one I would like to know about it."

There are other problems not susceptible to quantitative

analysis. According to Clara Oleson, L2, "one problem of women, when they are a small percentage of a department, is that of being acculturated to the prevailing male dominated value system." They either identify with the men or with the secretaries, and because of social pressures it is sometimes difficult to maintain or develop a feminist identification with all women, regardless of position, she said.

Sandra Lincoln, L2, said of the Law School, "It (affirmative action) doesn't work for Indians, Chicanos, and Blacks. It is working moderately well for women." She noted that 16 or 18 minority students had been admitted about three years ago, but for this year only six were admitted.

One reason for that, she thinks, is that the law school is "using methods that work against affirmative action." For example, Lincoln said, most students, except some borderline cases, know by May if they have been accepted. But lots of minority students don't know until June to August. "They told me the year I came in that minority students wouldn't be told until after May 1st."

According to Johanna Whalen, M2, the Medical School is doing a very good job. She is on the Admissions Committee and stressed that she has been "very impressed. I have encountered very little difficulty. As far as the committee is concerned, applicants are considered regardless of sex. There is no affirmative action for women per se; they are considered on the same basis as men."

Barbara McAneny, M2, doesn't "see too much difference in grades, etc.; that's pretty anonymous. The Medical School is trying, and I consider myself a feminist." She did note occasional sexist jokes and some male students hissed women who tried to protest.

Albert Rodriguez, student advisor for special support services, summed up the attitude of many, when he said that affirmative action "could probably be improved — more affirmative and more action."

Wednesday: How affirmative action for Merit System employees is working at the UI.

	White males	White female	Minority-Both Sexes
American Civilization	73-74 27 (20) 74-75 29 (17)	8 (6) 16 (8)	9 (7) 8 (7)
Anthropology	73-74 10 (6) 74-75 7 (4)	18 (9) 14 (10)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Art	73-74 105 (64) 74-75 121 (60)	103 (51) 107 (47)	6 (4) 8 (15)
Botany	73-74 16 (11) 74-75 14 (8)	10 (6) 15 (9)	1 (1) 1 (1)
Chemistry	73-74 51 (51) 74-75 48 (48)	7 (7) 5 (5)	1 (1) 1 (1)
Classics	73-74 9 (5) 74-75 8 (5)	6 (5) 6 (5)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Comparative Literature	73-74 11 (6) 74-75 6 (4)	8 (7) 9 (8)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Business Accounting & Administration	73-74 208 (54) 74-75 213 (58)	11 (5) 19 (9)	0 (0) 1 (1)
Economics	73-74 48 (26) 74-75 48 (26)	3 (1) 4 (4)	2 (1) 2 (1)
Dental School	73-74 290 (9) 74-75 299 (9)	7 (2) 24 (2)	10 (10) 10 (10)
Education	73-74 442 (120) 74-75 417 (118)	381 (114) 379 (121)	7 (17) 56 (12)
Engineering	73-74 121 (30) 74-75 131 (27)	6 (5) 2 (0)	1 (0) 1 (0)
English	73-74 220 (80) 74-75 216 (104)	118 (49) 133 (52)	14 (2) 12 (3)
French & Italian	73-74 6 (5) 74-75 6 (6)	22 (22) 22 (19)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Geography	73-74 15 (15) 74-75 10 (10)	1 (1) 5 (5)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Geology	73-74 50 (27) 74-75 59 (24)	4 (0) 8 (4)	0 (0) 0 (0)
German	73-74 8 (7) 74-75 9 (8)	3 (3) 5 (5)	0 (0) 0 (0)
History	73-74 — 74-75 56 (23)	— 24 (10)	2 (2) —
Home Economics	73-74 2 (0) 74-75 2 (1)	29 (20) 33 (16)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Journalism	73-74 51 (18) 74-75 43 (14)	17 (6) 34 (4)	1 (0) 3 (1)
Law	73-74 479 (RA-49; SC-63) 74-75 460 (RA-35; SC-47)	90 (RA-16; SC-17) 94 (RA-32; SC-22)	31 (RA-4; SC-31) 33 (RA-4; SC-32)
Library Science	73-74 22 (10) 74-75 14 (6)	50 (26) 50 (20)	1 (0) 1 (0)
Linguistics	73-74 8 (3) 74-75 8 (2)	3 (3) 4 (4)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Mathematical Sciences	73-74 103 (57) 74-75 94 (59)	15 (8) 28 (11)	5 (2) 2 (1)
Anatomy	73-74 7 (7) 74-75 12 (12)	3 (3) 3 (3)	0 (0) 1 (1)
Biochemistry	73-74 21 (21) 74-75 20 (20)	7 (7) 5 (5)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Hospital Administration	73-74 — 74-75 50 (13)	— 4 (1)	2 (1) —
Prev. Med. & Env. Hlth.	73-74 8 74-75 22	3 13	1 1
Microbiology	73-74 16 (16) 74-75 21 (21)	6 (6) 8 (8)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Nutrition	73-74 2 (1) 74-75 1 (0)	33 (19) 35 (19)	2 (1) 1 (1)
Pathology	73-74 2 (1) 74-75 3 (1)	0 (0) 2 (0)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Pharmacology	73-74 30 (30) 74-75 20 (20)	3 (3) 3 (3)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Physical Therapy	73-74 7 (6) 74-75 6 (6)	0 (0) 0 (0)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Physiology	73-74 17 (17) 74-75 14 (14)	2 (2) 2 (2)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Music	73-74 144 (54) 74-75 154 (58)	79 (20) 76 (24)	10 (2) 10 (0)
Nursing	73-74 4 (2) 74-75 2 (2)	83 (44) 115 (115)	5 (2) 4 (4)
Pharmacy	73-74 33 (30) 74-75 40 (35)	2 (2) 5 (4)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Philosophy	73-74 22 (14) 74-75 25 (15)	3 (1) 2 (1)	0 (0) 0 (0)
PE Male	73-74 38 (27) 74-75 40 (26)	2 (2) 2 (2)	0 (0) 0 (0)
PE Female	73-74 0 (0) 74-75 9 (0)	12 (12) 13 (13)	0 (0) 0 (0)
Physics & Astronomy	73-74 46 (38) 74-75 48 (38)	3 (1) 1 (1)	1 (1) 0 (0)
Political Science	73-74 36 (27) 74-75 38 (25)	3 (3) 10 (6)	1 (1) 1 (1)
Psychology	73-74 67 (59) 74-75 57 (53)	18 (12) 6 (6)	1 (1) 2 (2)
Recreation Education	73-74 15 (7) 74-75 14 (10)	13 (7) 15 (11)	0 (0) 1
Religion	73-74 55 (22) 74-75 56 (23)	10 (3) 10 (2)	3 3
Russian	73-74 4 (2) 74-75 3 (2)	3 (2) 4 (3)	1 1
Social Work	73-74 43 (8) 74-75 57 (6)	59 (28) 63 (18)	8 (6) 13 (10)
Sociology	73-74 38 (26) 74-75 39 (21)	15 (8) 20 (9)	1 2
Spanish & Portuguese	73-74 13 (13) 74-75 11 (10)	14 (14) 22 (19)	10 (9) 10 (8)
Speech & Dramatic Art	73-74 88 (63) 74-75 89 (57)	42 (32) 42 (37)	3 (1) 5 (5)
Speech Pathology	73-74 34 (21) 74-75 32 (20)	44 (16) 31 (31)	3 (1) 5 (5)
Urban & Reg. Plan.	73-74 11 (7) 74-75 16 (14)	9 (7) 4 (3)	4 (3) 2 (2)
Zoology	73-74 30 (30) 74-75 34 (34)	12 (12) 10 (10)	2 (2) 2 (2)
East Asian Lang. & Lit.	73-74 2 (1) 74-75 5 (1)	8 (4) 9 (4)	2 (0) 3 (2)

## Professor tells of visit

# Cuba in transitional period

By RANDY KNOPER  
Staff Writer

The slides showed carnivals, parks, an ice cream palace, free hospitals, day care centers and schools.

They also showed workers picking peas by hand, thatched roof huts and slums.

And Earle Tockman, a law professor at DePaul University in Chicago and a member of an association of radical lawyers called the National Lawyers Guild (NLG), spoke glowingly and critically of what he saw in Cuba.

Tockman, who spent nearly four weeks last summer touring Cuba with 13 other NLG members, talked and presented a slide show to UI law students Monday.

"We had complete freedom in Cuba to go where we wanted to go, and to talk to anybody," he said.

And according to Tockman, he had plenty of opportunities to talk, since wherever the delegation went it drew crowds of Cubans who rarely have a chance to see North Americans.

Not hostile crowds, Tockman said, but friendly, because Cubans do not confuse U.S. people with the U.S. government, which it considers an

enemy for its imperialism and strangulation of Cuban economy.

While talking to people, Tockman said it was "very evident to us that they really loved Fidel (Cuban Premier Fidel Castro), and very clear that they felt the government and the Communist party represented them."

The courts, too, "are responsive to the people's needs, not elitist," he said. He offered the Cuban Supreme Court as an example, which he said consists of one lawyer and two workers.

The judges, he said, try to find out why people commit crimes, discuss the legal system in terms of socialist theory, and use law "to educate people, not to hit them over the head."

The North American people have an erroneous conception that socialism is "a rigid, totalitarian system," he said, and then he told of much public kissing and necking, of drunken festivities, and of people in Cuba "really having a good time."

But he also spoke of Latin American "machismo," "rampant sexism," and "a rather reactionary view of gay people."

## Chart explanation

The first number in each category is the enrollment and the second number, in parentheses, is the number who receive financial aid from the department. The codes RA and SC given before the College of Law numbers refer to research assistant and scholarship, and were given that way by the law school. Several other important facts and qualifications about the chart need to be given:

—It lists only graduate departments and programs.  
—The figures as presented were not available in this form from either the Graduate College or the UI Office of Affirmative Action. Each department was called by The Daily Iowan.

—The departments were requested to exclude foreign students from all the data provided. The definition of minority student came from federal guidelines, i.e., Native American (American Indians), Afro-American, Oriental American, and Spanish sur-named American. Minority students were not included in the white male and white female categories;

—While an effort was made to make the data as accurate as possible, the chart must be viewed as giving only a gross picture. This is particularly true of the financial aid numbers because some department may have included extra-departmental funding, especially for minority students, and because some departments receive most of their funding from such sources;

—The term financial aid ranges from a student getting \$200 a semester for grading papers to a student getting \$3,500 an academic year. It also covers tuition scholarships, traineeships and various other forms of aid;

—Finally, some departments had qualms about the appropriateness of collecting data on minority students, feeling that it was the essence of Affirmative Action to be color-blind.

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The delegation visited a day care center, which Tockman called "a pretty oppressive operation."

He showed slides of girls playing in a mock beauty parlor and with dolls, and of boys playing with trucks, an aspect, he said, of "continuing sexist attitudes."

And there is still wage inequity, poverty, and a low level of technology in Cuba, according to Tockman.

But he said Cuba is changing, and cited a new family code under consideration which would make husbands and wives equally responsible for children and family finances.

Failure by either person would be grounds for divorce.

During Tockman's stay, Castro spoke of Cuba's first elections, which, although experimental and confined to one province, were "closer to my idea of democracy than anything I've seen," Tockman said.

Castro also criticized the low number of women elected, which Tockman said was the first time he had talked about the oppression of women.

But Tockman said, "Building socialism is a step-by-step process that takes years," and Cuba is still "in a transition period," with some years to go.

## Christopher Milder's favorite recording is a cassette of "Los Incas," which he plays on the Advent 201.



Christopher has played the "Los Incas" cassette two hundred times (easily), and it still sounds new.

His favorite records, on the other hand, are a mess. Cat Stevens' "Tea For The Tillerman" won't play at all any more (either side), and all the rest have explosive-sounding scratches and gouges that make it sound as if someone is attacking the house.

I'm Christopher's father. I write ads for Advent. I didn't give him the use of the Advent 201 cassette deck because I thought there would be an ad in it, but because it seemed the only way to let him play the kind of music we like around the house without doing a lot of damage.

Chris is three and a half, and no more or less dextrous than other kids his age. He has been using the Advent 201 since he was two and a half, and the only casualty has been one cassette that he pulled the

tape out of before he was given a chance to use the machine.

Watching him and the machine in action, I've come to the conclusion that nothing could be more fair testimony to the Advent 201 and the ease and fun of using cassettes than just showing things the way they have been with Christopher and the machine. (Everything is as usual in the picture, except that we pulled the Advent 201 out from under the bench a little so it would show better.)

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# Interpretations

## Westlawn Med Care

Among the many indignities of being poor is the control people can assume over your life. The four part series DI staff writer Joan Titone wrote on the Westlawn Ante Partum Unit at the university is a saddening case in point. Pregnant women from all over the state, whose only "crime" is their poverty, are forced to come to university hospitals to have their babies because they cannot afford the cost of delivering at a local hospital.

Once here they must obtain a pass if they so much as want to go downtown to look in the store windows. They are allowed one toll free call home, when they begin labor.

If their husbands and families can afford to visit them, they are not allowed to see them in their room but must sit in the lounge. A former patient of Westlawn told of spending long sessions on an examining table while medical students and residents treated her like a disembodied teaching specimen. Her husband, still infuriated by the experience, related how he overheard two medical students wisecracking about his wife's vagina.

In a university dedicated to human enlightenment why are we allowing these women to be treated in a way none of us—administration, faculty, staff or students—would want to be treated. It has been said that a society should be judged on

the respect it accords its most helpless citizens: the aged, the ill, the imprisoned, the poor.

Westlawn raises disturbing questions about our system of values at the university. Pregnant women who are private patients in Iowa City are free to come and go as they wish. They do not call up their doctor's office to get permission to go to the supermarket or the movies. Indeed any notion that they should be accepted as ludicrous. But when a woman becomes a public patient assumptions are made about her maturity which are anything but flattering. The pass system now in effect at Westlawn is symptomatic of a bureaucratic mentality anxious to avoid all problems, however obscure or unlikely, rather than make an effort to accommodate people. The lack of privacy which results from having to visit loved ones in the hospital lounge is but another example of this kind of mentality.

The State's willingness to provide free medical care for low-income pregnant women is commendable. But that care should not be dispensed in such a niggardly fashion that its recipients are made to feel there is a different standard of medical care—and human consideration—for the rich and for the poor.

Dianne Coughlin



## Letters

### Porno

TO THE EDITOR:

Can we really win the legal battle against pornography? Many good Iowa parents unfortunately believe that nothing can be done and have stopped trying.

For a number of years most of the U.S. Supreme Court decisions seemed to be against decency and for obscenity, but in 1973 the court handed down several landmark obscenity decisions. These decisions set down guidelines that are workable and could "break the back" of hard core pornography if properly utilized.

The court reiterated what it has always said; that obscenity is not protected by the First Amendment. It set down a test for obscenity and set down guidelines for defining obscenity which would eliminate the vagueness of most state statutes. While the court upheld the right of a person to view obscenity in the privacy of his home, it rejected the idea that that right extends to the viewing of an obscene film in a public accommodation. The rights and interests of the public in the quality of life are definitely involved, as well as the total community environment.

The bill introduced in the Iowa Senate (SF 219) and now directed to the Judiciary Committee for study, meets all of the Supreme Court tests and can become law if enough of the good parents of Iowa will "identify" with decency by contacting a member of the committee.

The members of the judiciary Committee are: Sen. Joseph Coleman, D-Clare; Minnette Doderer, D-Iowa City; Phil Hill, R-Des Moines; Gene Glenn, D-ottumwa; Kevin Kelly, R-Sioux City; James Redmond, D-Cedar Rapids; Robert Carr, D-Dubuque; Lucas DeKoster, R-Hull;

Charles Miller, D-Burlington; Richard Ramsey, R-Osceola; Norman Rodgers, D-Adel; Elizabeth Shaw, R-Davenport; Earl Willis, D-Des Moines. Letters to these Senators may be addressed to the State House, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Although the purveyors of pornography will vigorously fight against the passage of this bill, they cannot win unless we parents remain silent and let the cancer of pornography continue to spread to the small towns as well as the large ones. A letter or phone call from Iowans concerned about this moral pollution can go a long way toward returning decency to the beautiful state of Iowa.

Lawrence R. Rocho  
Parent's Coalition Against Pornography  
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### Two Bowls?

TO THE EDITOR:

I'd like to share my observation on the effectiveness of offering two different kinds of lettuce in the dorms, and that is that both Burge and Hillcrest are guilty of not providing a supply of Teamster lettuce or Non-union lettuce in proportion to demand.

Twice in Burge and twice in Hillcrest in the last two weeks I've noticed that students had one choice and that was UFW lettuce because the Teamster lettuce container was empty. I haven't noticed the UFW container empty even once.

In light of the percentages already against the UFW on lettuce selection in the dorms, I suggest that any turnaround which may occur is a misrepresentation of real student opinion. Probably half of the

students don't care as to what lettuce they eat and I suggest that they are taking whatever lettuce is easiest to reach. It's the students who are being select in their choice that are eating Teamster lettuce and making a mockery out of the "achievements" of the vocal minority here at Iowa.

Chris Figge  
2217 Muscatine, Apt. 1

### Pol. Sc.

TO THE EDITOR:

Political science exists, presumably, for the purpose of studying political behaviors. But then, what shall be done for all those other behaviors that human beings emit? Surely they deserve academic eminence, don't they? I submit, most emphatically, that they have anguished in oblivion far too long.

So, in the name of all that is good, fair and just, let us see to the creation of the following worthy disciplines: paternal science, maternal science, ascetic science, consumer science, fornicating science, masticating science, bed-wetting science, genuflecting science, praying science, distrusting science, hating science, deprecating science, prefidious science, mendacious science, etc., etc., sickening, etc! And, of course, appropriate departments for the likely pitiful prosecution of such inquiries into human behavior. Can't you see it now? Department of Masturbating Science. I can hardly contain my enthusiasm!

After all, if we are going to entertain the independent existence of a political science, an equally compelling argument seems in order for the independent

existence of these other sciences. Surely, political behavior is no more ubiquitous than bed-wetting behavior and, perhaps, no more important at that.

When the bifurcation of human behavior into multitudinous academic departments is carried to such a logical extreme, it is indeed hilarious. But, nevertheless, given the ludicrous proclivity for departmental proliferation prevalent in many universities, one cannot help but wonder why such departments have arisen. Perhaps their non-existence testifies to a recognition of a lack of necessity for such separate disciplines. The perverse implication of this, it would seem, is that political science, as a distant discipline, is equally unnecessary.

Such are the mischievous but utterly innocuous musings of a disillusioned academic.

John P. Cummiskey  
Part-time doctoral candidate in political science  
Full-time dishwasher at Quad. Dormitory

### Frisbee Tournament

TO THE EDITOR:

I am a frisbee jock and I am writing this to hopefully find out if there is any support of having a frisbee tournament in Iowa City this spring before the end of school with the profits going to some charity like the heart fund.

I realize frisbee is a relatively new and unpolished sport in the Midwest, while being very popular in the western states. I was able to see a tournament at Golden Gate park in San Francisco last summer and was totally amazed by the crowd turnout and participation. The people really

were having a good time and everyone seemed to be friends.

It would really be nice to get as many people as possible to come together to have fun, drink, and meet new people on a nice spring day. It would take sponsors, good planning, people to help, a nice spring day and lots of beer!

Kurt B. Hilleman

### At What Price?

TO THE EDITOR:

It seems that human freedom is surely an expensive institution. Human freedom is very, very expensive. The whole history of this world is but a story of slavery because freedom is too expensive to exist.

So far we have been able to pay for our freedom by taking a whole continent of wealth from the Indians, and, in these later years by creating wealth with the printing presses. For many years now we have been living in a fool's paradise of a printing press economy. Even now our government is getting ready to dish out another hundred billions of American dollars among the people. Plato tells us this is raiding the public treasures.

Of course we want to keep on raising the national debt ceiling as often as necessary and keep this thing going as long as possible. After running up several hundred billions of debt in order to pay for "our way of life," there is no sense in stopping the printing presses now. However, it is only a matter of time until America must and will turn to slavery. This can be the slavery of men like the communists have done or it can be the slavery of money.

If the people opt to enslave money instead of men, this can be done by the

means of a levy upon corporate wealth whenever our economy breaks down and we go into depression. We would then draft wealth whenever we are in economic danger just like we now draft men whenever we are in physical danger. The levy would be an all powerful incentive to keep our economy going. If there were evils in our society, there would be a levy. If there were no evils, then there would be no levy. What could be fairer than that?

If there is anyone who denies that slavery is now coming to America, I am offering a hundred dollar reward for them to say where we are going to get the wealth to pay for our freedom when we can no longer do so by creating wealth with the printing presses.

Fred Obermeier  
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### A Passing

TO THE EDITOR:

Word has been received of the death of Prof. Harold Orton, who was a visiting professor in English and Linguistics in 1966 and 1969. Prof. Orton died at his home in Leeds, England, on March 7.

He is survived by his wife, Joan. Her address is 11 Harrowby Crescent, Leeds, England.

Felicia Lavalley

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR  
Letters should be typed and signed. THE DAILY IOWAN reserves the right to shorten and edit copy. Length should be no more than 200 to 250 words. Longer letters will be run in the Backfire column.

## Backfire



## Acting & Drama Workshops: Worthless?

charged to perform, he also hinders his students in their efforts to secure employment.

A short while ago one student went to Mr. Myers for an application for the TCG auditions. The TCG auditions is the only opportunity for a student actor to pass directly from the university to professional employment. It is a recruiting program designed to place student actors with theatre companies throughout the United States. Mr. Myers told the student the deadline had passed. It had not. Later he told the student he could only recommend a limited number and he had already done so. This was also not the case. The student had to go outside the university to make his application. Yet getting student actors to the TCG auditions should be an ardently pursued task of anyone heading an actor-training program at an approximate salary of \$14,000.

And what of Mr. Myers classroom performance? The Acting Workshop rehearsed one scene all of last term, according to one of its members. This term, according to the same source, they are just now rehearsing their second scene. Three scenes in an entire year? In a laboratory that meets six hours a week? Hardly the sort of work load likely to produce startling results. According to nearly every MFA member of the Acting Workshop, Mr. Myers is unable to provide any guidance in their training other than that of a bare minimalist critique.

When they said as much, he skirted the issue in a salute to friendship. Rather than facing criticism of the program, the faculty in effect, is asking for student complicity in its failure.

My own concern about the composition of the cast for "The Play's the Thing," in which not a single member of the MFA acting program is among the cast, produced amazing responses. It seems there is a general preference among the students to perform whenever possible in student directed plays because they are more challenging and they learn more. What then is the purpose of paying a faculty if the students have to learn from each other? When things have reached this state of affairs, the pretense of a professional MFA Acting Program becomes a mockery.

The situation in the MFA Directing Program is equally grim. Again, there is the question of credentials. Apparently, Mr. Catalano, the director of the program, once directed in New York. That was a long time ago. He then came here and over the years acquired tenure. But what of his work? Since I have been here, I have

not seen a single production of his that could be called even a qualified success. "Cabaret," the closest thing to it, was completely dominated by the design, always a sign of a weak director. But what can one say of Pinter's "Old Times" where Mr. Catalano demonstrated that he did not understand the dramatic function of a thing so simple as the pause.

And what of "MacBeth"? At the MFA critique following the play's closing it was reported that Catalano made the astounding admission that he did not understand the play! Incredible, if true. "MacBeth" is about sex and ambition and absolutely fundamental things like that. If he does not understand those, what does he understand? Or, more to the point, why is a director at all since human drives such as these are absolutely ingrained in the fiber of the drama.

It will not do to excuse "MacBeth" on the grounds the director was trying to do something new and failed. The concept of playing "MacBeth" as if we were dealing with a pre-literate society is something like 20 years old. It dates from the Royal Shakespeare productions (during the late '50s, I believe).

The results of that were tragic, both for the production and the actress. Whatever conclusions warranted by that production one seems obvious: there was little evidence here that Catalano could direct anything, certainly not an entire program for training professional directors. It is then, not at all surprising to hear, as I did, one senior MFA candidate make the claim that in his entire classroom time in the directing program he did not learn one single thing from Mr. Catalano. Indeed most of the members of the program have characterized Catalano's classes as completely useless. What is Mr. Catalano's salary? Can the taxpayers really afford to pay it when the result is useless?

The reason students would remain in a useless MFA directing and acting program is quite simply money. Ironically, that is also the reason they remain silent about program inadequacies. Most actors and directors are on some type of grant. They feel that to speak out would mean the termination of their grant. The use of money as a method of cover-up is nothing new. But to entangle students in a financial web so that redress of instructional incompetence is effectively contained seems even more odious when it occurs within a humanist institution like the university.

Intentional or not, such a situation constitutes

a criminal misuse of the educational process. Students must be able to speak out openly whatever the source of their support. They are afraid to do so in the division of theatre arts. Indeed, one told me that upon being admitted and awarded a stipend, a promise was extracted whereby all criticism was not to go outside the department.

What sort of shameful tactic is that? But what can a student do when he needs letters of recommendation from the faculty; when he depends on the faculty for financial security (such as it is); when he must take classes and receive approval from the faculty to continue in the program; when, in short, the very practice of his vocation in theatre is at the mercy of the faculty. Nothing, but acquiesce and remain silent. And endure whatever is handed him, be it working on a "Streetcar" production directed on weekends for three months by a faculty-designated "visiting director;" or discovering that the letter of recommendation is really a letter of condemnation as one student did; or enduring the destructive and malicious slights of the faculty in the middle of a performance run; or receiving the thrust of directorial duties because the faculty director doesn't know what to do next. One could go on. But the rest is for the MFA students to report themselves. My evidence is hearsay. Their's is direct. They should come forward even if an unsigned manifesto is their only available means.

Encouragement of creative talent and its nurturing through instructional programs depends on an open environment and support from capable teachers. This seems so fundamental as to hardly need stating. The MFA Program in directing and acting neither provide an open environment of support nor instruction of professional quality.

They should be reorganized and better directors found for them. Certainly, under the present circumstances, no artist should, even indirectly, have anything to do with them. The university is called upon to correct the situation. If, because of tenure, it cannot remove these two directors then an autonomous, tenure-free, School of Performing Arts should be established where genuine professional training could be offered under qualified artist-teachers.

Brendan Ward

Editor's Note: The writer is a member of the Playwrights Workshop. His last main stage role at the UI was that of the bargee in "Sergeant Maggrave's Dance."

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'You have to relieve the tension'

# Need for humor in Intensive Care

By WINSTON BARCLAY  
Staff Writer

An old alcoholic began to regain consciousness after several days on the Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU). He had been found unconscious on the floor of his room in an alcohol coma and had survived only because of respiratory support. Because of swelling in his throat, a tracheotomy was performed, providing access to his trachea through the outside of his throat.

Finally he began to make voluntary responses, though he was confused and disoriented. Because he was coughing a great deal there was speculation that the tracheotomy tube was not fitting properly, causing him to suck fluid into his lungs around the tube.

To treat this possibility he was asked to swallow a thick blue dye which would be coughed up through the tracheostomy tube if it was aspirated. Because he was only marginally conscious, he tried to push the gooey substance out of his mouth with his tongue, smearing it around his mouth.

But he did manage to swallow some, which quickly confirmed the suspicions about the tube. Soon he began coughing and gobs of bright blue began spewing out of his throat, splattering his body and bed.

The nurses found this sight hilarious, and soon everyone

had come around to take a look. Someone dubbed him "Blueboy," the name by which he was known for the remainder of his stay in the unit. The story of his smeared face and spattered body was recounted for the benefit of those who were working other shifts.

This juxtaposition of misery and laughter may seem grotesquely inappropriate to the outsider to the Medical Intensive Care Unit. He might judge the nurses callous, perverse, or even cruel. He might see it as no different from laughing at a cripple slipping and falling on the ice.

A similar judgment might be made about the doctors who sign their consultation sheets, "Thank you for referring this interesting case to me," or the doctor who described a dying young man as "a fascinating metabolic problem."

But these doctors and nurses are people who have dedicated themselves to the care and treatment of critically ill patients. Their everyday lives are filled with scenes of pain and death. One doctor explained, "Some people would consider the sense of humor here highly inappropriate. But it's very appropriate. You have to relieve the tension; find a release. After all, you can't just stop being human."

Faced with an ugly extreme of life, laughter fits well into the economy of mental balance. "In the ten years I've been working

in intensive care units," reported one nurse, "I've seen six nurses flip out and end up in the psych ward across the street. They were the ones who were so serious that they could never laugh, and were always appalled at the rest of us for the things we could laugh at."

Sometimes the patients themselves are a source of humor, as with Blueboy or the old Dutchman who would pull out of his I.V. needles and use them to fend off the nurses. Here, laughter is often used as a substitute for the natural impulse toward anger.

At other times, the staff creates its own humor. One fall day the physician from another unit rushed in to inform us that he had an emergency admission for the MICU. "He's unresponsive and doesn't seem to be breathing. I think he needs some ventilatory support." When asked what the patient's main problem was, the doctor pointed to his head and replied, "Squash rot."

MICU's resident physician was paged at lunch and informed of the admission. In a few moments an unusually large aggregation of nurses from the referring unit accompanied a rather odd looking patient into the unit.

The sheets were thrown back to reveal an enormous green gourd, complete with a painted face, a tracheostomy tube, a colostomy bag filled with a melted candy bar, and evidences of exploratory abdominal surgery.

Accompanying the patient was a full medical record, charting his clinical history from various wards at the VA hospital, his transfer to the UI hospitals (it was determined that he was not a veteran), and referrals from unit to unit, finally bringing him to the MICU.

Entries in the chart demonstrated many of the tensions and frustrations which are ordinarily repressed. "I recommend that we transfer patient to medicine," read one note. "It's a well-known

dumping ground." Genital-Urinary service was called in to evaluate the patient's "short stem."

Another entry asserted, "The family has not been reached. It seems they are all tied up in the garden." One doctor speculated that his green color and firm abdomen were the result of intestinal blockage, but exploratory surgery established only that he was a "seedy fellow."

Medical Intensive Care made its contributions to the patient's chart and sent him on to still another unit. Because of this episode, everyone was noticeably relaxed for several days, and patient care probably benefited, though the reaction of visitors who witnessed the spectacle was never recorded.

The contrast of extremes is most evident at the time of a death, for death too is usually followed by laughter. First there is an aimless silence, bred of the exhaustion of energy in the resuscitation attempt and perhaps reflections on the deserted personhood of the lifeless stranger. And then there is laughter.

It is a nervous, desperate laughter, but in it a crucial reaffirmation of life finds form. It is a remedial and therapeutic kind of laughter, for when one has shared the death of another person, sharing laughter with the living restores balance and equilibrium.

The need to laugh often searches for a rationalization. On one occasion, two nurses returned from delivering the third corpse of the day from the unit to the morgue. "You again?" the mortician had exclaimed. "What are you doing up there?"

When the nurses passed his remark along to the unit, someone suggested "You should have told them we're having inventory clearance."

Often, the humor will even involve elements in the resuscitation attempt. A collision, a missed assignment, or any small confusion may serve as an object for comic

relief. This comedy usually allows the staff to leave the patient and his misery behind. "You simply can't mourn every patient," one nurse emphasized. "That would take more emotional energy than anyone has, and you have to be prepared to move on to the next patient."

But one day recently the silence lingered, for the staff had watched for several days while a seventeen year old girl slowly died in the midst of all the medical machinery and knowledge, and no one knew why. When the patient is old, one can feel that death is somehow an act of completion, linking with birth to define a fulfilled cycle, but for her there was only ravaged promise.

Hours before her death, bewildered and utterly without diagnosis, several doctors gathered in the unit to test their resources against the clinical puzzle. In their concentration they gravely tossed out the medical terms describing symptoms and syndromes, as if the words themselves might contain some magic power to heal.

And when the resuscitation was called off and the pronouncement of death was made, nobody could laugh. Her flesh was yellow, raw and peeling. Her face which might once have been beautiful was red and disfigured from fungal infestation and the caked blood of ulceration.

Her parents remained in the waiting room for hours, unable to leave the scene of her struggle. The staff could not dispose of her struggle with a quip or a pun, though they had known for some time that there was little hope for her. Ironically, she was the only patient in the unit, and when she was gone the unit itself mirrored the vacancy that everyone felt.

The respite was short, however, and soon there was another patient, another death, and laughter as usual. After all, you can't just stop being human.

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## LASA plans action on grade review board

By DAVE HEMINGWAY  
Staff Writer

Three years ago, John Huntley, head of the UI Core Literature Department, approached the Liberal Arts Student Association (LASA) about starting up a body known as a grade review board.

According to Huntley's plan, the board would serve as a place for students to bring their complaints about grades they received with the chance of getting them changed.

Then as now, the normal way for a student to express complaints was to see the teacher or chairman of the course in question. Huntley said that while in the "vast majority of cases, the students went away happy," there would still be some who remained dissatisfied.

Due to other LASA priorities, no action was taken at the time. But LASA is now making plans for work in the future.

According to LASA vice president Brad Davis, A2, such a board, made up of a LASA member, a member of the Core Literature Department, and a third mediating member coming from neither side involved, would give the students a place to go where they could get something done about any unfairness they feel they've been dealt.

Davis said, "Especially in the area of lit, we need one because of (the tendency for a) communications break down (to occur) between the instructor and the student" where the instructor gives a student a grade for one reason while the student feels he received it for another.

"What would happen is the (different) views would be presented to an unbiased review board," Davis said, "it's whole purpose is to issue a strong statement of persuasion to Dean Stuit (of the Liberal Arts College) and the head of Core Lit (as to why the student's grade should be changed)."

"The only way Dean Stuit would change a grade is if there has been a clerical error. That's why I say this board would issue a strong statement of suasion," Davis said.

Although too little time remains in the current semester to institute such a review board, Davis said that LASA plans to take immediate action at the start of the new fall semester.

Huntley also said that a review board should exist "any place in the university that the students feel they've been unfairly treated and can't get satisfaction."

Dean Dewey Stuit said he felt that grade review boards are unnecessary.

"If a student feels a serious injustice has been done," Stuit said, "he or she should see either the course supervisor or chairman of the department. Now if a department wants to set up a review board, this office would not (prevent it), but in my judgment, it should be rarely used."

"In my opinion, the individual instructor should be responsible for the grade given to the individual student guided by college and departmental grading policies," Stuit said.

Huntley said that as head of the Core Literature Department, he could not satisfy the student because, by himself he could only explain why the student received the grade he did and that the student would not view him as fair because he is a member of the faculty.

Stuit, however, opposes this view.

"The administration has to be viewed as being interested in the education of the students and trying to do the right thing rather than making the assumption that the administration is going to automatically rule in favor of the faculty member."

Davis said that LASA will now be working with the Operations Committee of the Core Literature Department to try and make more definite plans to act on in the 1975 fall semester.



survival line

By MARK MEYER

While in the service in Okinawa, I obtained insurance from a company that underwrites the mandatory insurance for military personnel. The name of the company is Trans World Assurance Co., with headquarters in California and a billing office in Florida.

I made arrangements with an agent of Trans World Assurance to pay the premiums on my policy with the company three times per year. However, the company started billing me monthly. We notified them of our arrangement with the agent on two occasions, but they have not replied. Instead, we have now received a second notice of payments due on the monthly bill, and there remains only a 30 day grace period before the policy is cut off. Can Survival Line straighten out this mess?—JH

We wrote to Trans World's headquarters in California, explaining the problem. They replied in a manner only slightly less opaque than the style of federal income tax forms. To wit:

All billing is done through a computer system, they informed us, and on all mode changes one premium must fall due on the anniversary date of the policy.

There are several ways of paying the premium, including post dated checks, bank drafts, or premium notice billing. Within the premium billing the premium may be paid monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually, as the computer recognizes only the four cycles of payment.

In order for the company to bill a client three times per year, it will send out billings monthly, at the monthly rate. However, when the monthly notice is received one may pay for four months.

Everything clear? It says that the computer is programmed to comprehend payments only on a quarterly cycle, and, to accommodate the computer, the customer must arrange his or her payments to suit this cycle. The end result is the same for the consumer, who pays the same rate regardless of the computer's powers of comprehension. However, bills will arrive every month, although they may be paid for four months at a time. Computers may handle large volumes of data and perform their tasks rapidly, but on occasions their simplistic means of performing those tasks creates many resultant

problems. Anyone for tea at the Luddite Society?

I have been trying for several months to order a book from a company in New York. The book is Sixty Poems by Sandor Petofi, and the company, which is the only publisher of the book, is the Krauss Reprint Co. of Millwood, N.Y. They have repeatedly failed to respond to efforts on my part and of Iowa Book and Supply's to order the book. I even sent them a certified letter and got the receipt back. Can you help me out?

Kraus Reprint responded to our inquiries, informing us that that book is temporarily out of stock. The book has just gone to press and will be available in May or June.

However, the operations manager called the company's warehouse and discovered that one copy of the book was returned by a customer and was available to our reader. Consequently they processed an order to Iowa Book and Supply and our reader was able to order the only copy of Sixty Poems currently available.

For the curious, which included us, Sandor Petofi was a 19th-Century Hungarian poet.

How about a couple easy-to-fix recipes featuring cottage cheese? Try a spinach casserole or a cottage cheese loaf, today's Survival Gourmet "hot cuisine."

**SPINACH CASSEROLE:** Ingredients include 12 ounces of cottage cheese; 3 eggs, slightly beaten; ¼ pound American cheese, cubed; 2 ounces of butter, cubed; 1 package of frozen chopped spinach, thawed (it's a few months yet, alas, before the real stuff from the garden will be available); and 3 tablespoons of flour. Beat the eggs in a bowl, add cheese, butter, and cottage cheese. Mix well and add the spinach. Put the mixture in a buttered casserole dish and bake for one hour at 350 degrees. The dish serves six people.

**COTTAGE CHEESE LOAF:** Ingredients include 1 pound of cottage cheese; 1 cup nuts; 1 cup corn flakes or ¾ cup Soya Granules; 1 onion; 1 cup chopped celery; ¼ cup oil; ½ teaspoon salt; 2 eggs; your favorite seasoning, to taste (try basil and dill). Mix everything together, bake at 350 degrees for one hour, and serve with a sauce, or eat it plain if you are an aesthete.

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A legend leaves

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UCLA Coach John Wooden claps as members of his team are introduced before Monday night's NCAA basketball championship game against Kentucky. Wooden, 64, announced his retirement Saturday and this was his last game. On the bench is Richard Washington.

## UCLA beats Kentucky, 92-85 Wooden bows out a winner

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Rich Washington and Dave Meyers combined for 52 points and controlled the boards Monday night to send UCLA's incredible Bruins to a 92-85 victory over Kentucky, giving John Wooden his 10th NCAA national basketball championship in his final game as a coach.

A crowd of 15,153 saw some of the 64-year-old Wooden's own strategy pay off for his Bruins, who won the title for the eighth time in the last nine years and 10th in the past 12.

UCLA, which trailed by six points early in the first half before Wooden sent 7-foot-1 Ralph Drollinger into the game, went ahead 43-40 at the half and never trailed thereafter.

Drollinger added height and rebounding to the Bruins' front three, combining with the 6-9 Washington, who had 28 points, and the 6-8 Meyers who had 24, as UCLA began to take control of its offensive board.

Kentucky's Kevin Grevey, who had a game-high 34 points, led a strong Wildcat comeback that pulled Kentucky within one point at 76-75. But Kentucky blew several chances to go ahead—missing a one-and-one free throw and a technical—and could not catch up.

Wooden's first strategic change came when he put Meyers on Grevey, who already had

scored 10 points when Kentucky led by 20-14. Later Drollinger replaced 6-6 Marques Johnson and the Bruins began to change the game's tempo.

The Bruins went ahead 35-34 when Pete Trgovich hit three straight field goals and UCLA never trailed.

Midway in the second half, keyed by baskets by Meyers and Washington, UCLA built a 10-point lead at 66-56.

That's when Kentucky began its comeback, with Grevey making two three-point plays and Mike Flynn making one.

Kentucky cut it to 76-75 when Grevey hit a 20-foot jump shot. But then the Wildcats blew their big chance when Meyers fouled Grevey and was charged with a technical when he slapped the ball.

Grevey had a one-and-one and a technical and his team trailed by only one. Grevey missed both free throws and when Kentucky took the ball out of

bounds, they threw it away.

Wooden, who received a standing ovation as he entered the San Diego Sports Arena after having announced his retirement last Saturday, then had his team slow the game down after the Bruins surged in front 82-77 on two free throws by Trgovich and a field goal by Washington.

Kentucky cut the UCLA lead to three points on several occasions—the last at 88-85—but twice when the Wildcats got the ball and only trailed by three they could not cut further into the UCLA lead.

Kentucky's strong second half comeback was paced by Grevey, who failed to score in an 18-minute stretch when his team went from four up to 10 down, and by fellow forward Bob Guyette, who scored 14 points in the second half. Grevey had 16 in the final half, but it was not enough.

### Louisville takes third

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Junior Bridgeman scored 12 points in overtime Monday night and Louisville defeated Syracuse 96-88 in the consolation game of the NCAA's 1975 college basketball tournament.

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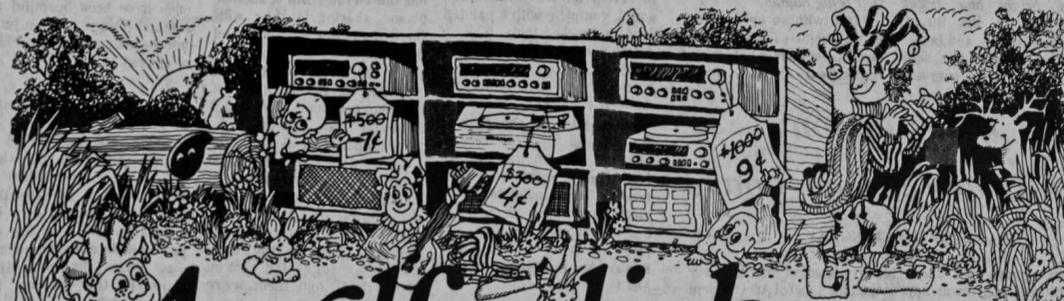
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Gable finds new coaching job  
*brian schmitz*

Dan Gable has found a head coaching job. Gable, who became Iowa's assistant wrestling coach a year ago, leaves April 9 to take a head coaching position in Bloomsburg, Pa. Gable, a former NCAA champion and Olympic gold medalist, is looking forward to his new assignment.

Now you might think that because this is April Fool's Day we're pulling your leg. You're right. He's not leaving.

However, Dan has been selected to coach the United States team that will meet the Russian team April 9 in Bloomsburg, Pa. The U.S. team is made up of the outstanding wrestlers in the country.

"This will be my first time to actually be a head coach in a dual meet," Dan said. "A year ago I helped coach the United States team that went to wrestle Russia."

"We didn't do very well against them, but we expect better things this time," he said.

Gable has also been named the honorary head coach of the Junior United States team that will wrestle the Junior Russian squad May 13 at West Waterloo High, Dan's alma mater.

Gable said the U.S. and Russian teams will meet four times, with meets in Chicago, New York, Florida and Pennsylvania.

The award, a handsome ring, goes to the wrestler who has accumulated the most points in any federation sanctioned tournament. Some of the meets he collected points in this season were the Midlands, the Northern Open and the NCAA tournament.

In the U.S. Freestyle Federation Wrestling Tournament last weekend in Raleigh, N.C., Yagla placed second in the 163 pound class and captured the title.

He trailed Olympic Silver Medalist John Peterson by two points coming into the meet, but Peterson missed the federation tourney because he was wrestling on the U.S. World Cup team that finished third Sunday in Toledo, Ohio.

Also at the Raleigh meet, Larry Morgan, an assistant wrestling coach at Iowa, was second at 149½ pounds and former Hawkeye NCAA champ Dan Sherman was third at 125 pounds.

In the World Cup meet which the Russians won for the third straight time, former Iowa wrestler Chris Sones captured third place by pinning Russia's Teliman Pashayev in the first 55 seconds of their match. It was the Russian's first defeat. Sones, now a 2nd Lieutenant in the Air Force at March Field, Calif., had been badly beaten in his first two matches. The 1973 Big Ten champ stunned the crowd with his fall. Sones won the AAU championship this year.

Chuck Yagla, Iowa's NCAA champion at 150, has won the grand champion award presented by the National Wrestling Federation.

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# Beatles' reunion all hoped for

By J.J. TROLLOP  
Staff Writer

It was everything anybody could have hoped for. "I guess we're more popular than Jesus now," said an ebullient Robbie Norton, KRNA station manager, as he viewed the 150,000 cheering people who attended Sunday's free concert by the Liverpool Lads. "They said we couldn't pull it off," he added, referring to his detractors in *The Daily Iowan*, "but I guess we did. McCartney told me they want to come back next year."

Norton, who emceed the event, reported that at first the Beatles were reluctant to come here, despite the high-voltage petition campaign on the part of the KRNA jocks.

"But when they saw those handwritten letters coming in from kids six and seven years old who listened to old Beatles records their big brothers and sisters had, when they heard about the good work we were doing here in the Midwest, hell—Beatles have kids too, you know. And they know that this is Beatle Country." (In late action Friday afternoon, the City Council voted unanimously to change the name of the town from "Iowa City" to "Liverpool" for the weekend in honor of the reunion.)

"I just thought of it as something that should have been done," commented John Lennon, whose wife Yoko was unable to make the trip. "And the vibes that have been created are truly remarkable. Just before I left New York the immigration people called to tell me they were reviewing their decision to expel me from the country. I thought that remarkable."

"Iowa City has always been one of my favorite places," said Ringo Starr, "and Robbie Norton has always been one of my favorite people. This might be the start of something. You know, you sit down and begin talking about old times, and soon you realize you've got more in common than you don't."

The drummer pointed out that in preparing their sets there were none of those legendary fits of egomania that once plagued the quartet.

"Actually, John insisted on playing McCartney songs and McCartney wanted to do Lennon songs. It was all very cheery."

And so was the concert. The boys announced their willingness to play any Beatle number, and Robbie Norton relayed audience requests to the lads as quickly as he got them from the crowd. Again and again the crowd roared its approval as Norton requested such popular Beatle hits as "Street Fightin' Man," "Don't Mess With Jim," "Hand Jive," "Kung Fu Fighting," and "Hey Jude."

After the 4½-hour concert was finished, the Beatles thanked the crowd and KRNA, and were seen walking arm in arm towards the back room at Sambo's, where a private party had been arranged. There, the boys talked deep into the night as Dylan and several local groups entertained the spirited insiders.

"This is 'only the beginning,'" said a flushed and obviously pleased Norton, "if you don't mind my quoting from a Beatles' favorite of mine. If it all goes well, we plan other reunions this year. Our listeners have begun collecting signatures to reunite the original Rolling Stones, Brian Jones and all. And if that goes over, I see no reason why we can't reunite Jim Croce."

# Many typos in North Viet victory

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA (AP)—Los Angeles, California, the largest city in the United States, was captured Monday in a surprise attack by the North Vietnamese Army and elements of the Mexican National Guard.

The capture of Los Angeles, by the 32356th North Vietnamese Infantry division and elements of the 623½th Mechanized Field Kitchen Regiment of the Baja and 32nd Field Sanitation Engineers of the Mexican National Guard, followed closely on the heels of the battle for Tijuana on Sunday morning in which the entire United States Marine Corps forces in southern California were captured or routed from their beds.

"We were caught with our pants down on that one!" said Marine Gen. B.S. (Sunken Stomach)

Miller. Gen. Miller also said that, "The loss of the elite 2nd Battalion during the over run of Motel 69 was damn hard to swallow. In fact you might say we blew it."

The fast moving columns of North Vietnamese tanks and motorized pedalcabs were successful in out-flanking and encircling the city in less than 24 hours. There is, however, a report of a North Vietnamese tank battalion trapped on the Pomona FreeWay.

The reports of fighting within the city are very hard to confirm, but there are reports of elements of the Los Angeles Police Meter Maid and Traffic Control section and the Disney Land parking attendants holding out in FantasyLand.

The toughest reported fighting was to have taken place in and around Knotty's Berry Farm.

Members of the Southern Californian Daughters of the Confederate States and Anti-Bussing League hurled quart jars of Puckerberries at the advancing North Vietnamese tanks. They continued to fight on into the night although it was reported that the Daughters outnumbered the North Vietnamese force by 30 to one.

In the wake of the report of the fall of Los Angeles, former Gov. Ronald Reagan issued a press release from his private bunker in Pasadena: "I told you so! He said this would not have happened had we prevented the UFW from organizing the farm workers."

The reaction in the nation's capital to the news that Los Angeles had fallen was greeted with stunned disbelief. "Why in God's name would they want it?" said Ron Nissen, Pres. Gerald Ford's press secretary. Nessen continued by saying "Don't they have enough problems? Why

the maintenance of the Freeways above would break their treasury in 2 weeks."

Sen. Berry Goldwater, R-Ariz., was outraged at the success of the North Vietnamese and Mexican assaults. "Why do you realize what this will do to the property value in Arizona?" Sen. Goldwater asked.

Pres. Ford was unable to be reached to give a comment.

There is great fear in Washington that the fall of Los Angeles is only the beginning. The Mayor of San Francisco, Joseph Alioto, speaking from his special military command bunker in Paris, France, ordered that "the city be held at all costs." Asked about the possibility of having to retreat across the bay, the Mayor said in golden tones, "We'll bridge that gate when we come to it."

April 1, 1975

"No man is an Iowan"

— John Donne

# Rocky loses control of, makes fool of, self

NEW YORK (AP) — In a bizarre series of events that reminded many of the fall from power of Wilbur Mills last year, Vice President Nelson Rockefeller spent this last weekend in what one aide could only call "misfortunate circumstances."

Social circles in both New York and Washington have known for months of the sometimes secretive meetings taking place between Rockefeller and Barbara

Walters, co-host of NBC's popular "Today" show, but it wasn't until this last Friday that rumors of romance—and of degradation—finally surfaced.

Surprising both the press and Walters, Rockefeller was observed in the studio audience of the "Today" show's Friday morning taping, applauding Walters boisterously and laughing out of context. Midway through the program, Rockefeller made his way to the stage and took a bow with



Walters, exclaiming "She's number one in my book, fella." Later that evening, Rockefeller's limousine was stopped near the Hudson River for, in the words of patrolman Luis Allende, "driving at the correct speed on the proper side of the boulevard." A woman later identified as Walters was observed in the back seat with Rockefeller, talking coherently. Officers on the scene also noticed a receipt in Rockefeller's coat pocket for "several cases of reference books, apparently limited editions, and an undisclosed number of paperback dictionaries."

At his home on Sunday, Rockefeller refused to talk with the press, issuing instead the following release:

"Both my wife Happy and I have known Miss Walters for a number of years. We have taken a mutual interest in her career and have tried to help her whenever we could. "Lately, problems in her marriage and in her act made her seek our advice. We have always admired Barbara and only hope that this difficult situation will not erode that admiration."

In reply, Walters told reporters that "last week I called Nelson and told him I was putting the split infinitives back into my routine. But not with the usual empirical mannerisms. Nelson was worried about my reputation and said we should talk things over. That's all there is to it, except for the fact that I love him."

At yesterday morning's "Today" show, Walters' use of the future perfect tense drew a whistling ovation from the larger-than-usual audience, among whom some observers spotted Rockefeller himself, sporting dark glasses to conceal what one friend called "his eyes."

Rockefeller has called a press conference for later this afternoon.

**'Howdy!'** Vice President Nelson Rockefeller, in a more beatific mood some twelve years ago, smiles as he might were he to visit any of downtown Iowa City's plush shops and stores.

## UI administrator recalls past, looks forward to future

By DJUNA BARNES  
Staff Writer

Arthur Deuteronomy, who recently was chosen to fill the vacated administrative position until recently held onto by the late R.B. Sandvich, now deceased, recalls the past and looks forward to the future in his new, recently-vacated administrative position.

"I see myself as I hope others will see me when they're in my office," Deuteronomy said from behind his recently-filled desk.

"Not so much as just another administrator, to be sure, but of some consequence to the administrative productivity of my office and other offices that find themselves in a similar position," he reiterated.

"It would be easy enough to throw out the same position that I'm speaking of," he added.

"But in a larger sense, I hope this will mean more than it does at the present time."

Deuteronomy holds a B.A. in office machines from the UI in

his one hand, and feels the need soon to hold an M.A. in the other. "You have to grow with the job," he explained. "If you don't, you're liable to stay the same size."

In the next few years, Deuteronomy wants to quickly acquaint himself with his new office, the locations of various types of paper and so on, and to maintain whenever possible an "open door" policy with students who may have need of his help or perhaps assistance.

"And I hope the same courtesy is offered me by them when my door is open. Otherwise, this office will see nothing of fruition come to it."

To that end, Deuteronomy will be the object of most attention at a UI Administrative luncheon sometime in the very near future, at which, by coming to, both students, faculty, and staff may well best discover some common ground of understanding, time and place to be announced.

## Regents approve UI shutdown

By ROSCOE SWEENEY

DES MOINES, Iowa The Board of Regents astounded members of an Iowa legislative subcommittee Monday when they decreased their 1975-6 appropriation asking by \$57.8 million.

Speaking for a unanimous board, the regents' president, Mary Petersen of Harlan, said, "After careful consideration and a thorough weighing of the alternatives, we decided to shut down the University of Iowa and not ask for the \$57 million to run it."

Petersen's bombshell came close on the heels of a report, published in a national magazine, stating that none of the 10 UI colleges ranked in the "top 10" nationwide. Although she acknowledged that the report played a part in the decision, Petersen said there were other factors.

"Granted, it was a tough decision," Petersen said, "but we just decided that it would be more worth our while-and better for the state-if we concentrated our resources on our quality programs at Iowa State and UNI."

Questioned by the slightly astonished senators and representatives, Petersen spoke evasively concerning the

status of the UI students, faculty and staff.

The lawmakers were sent scurrying to their Iowa Codes after Petersen said, "Buzz off. Its none of your concern. We're mandated to run the universities-or in this case not run a university-as best we see fit."

News of the impending closure sent a shockwave through the Iowa City campus Monday afternoon. President Boyd called for an emergency rally at the Pentacrest, but due to the balmy spring weather, only 12 students, one faculty member and his dog were in attendance. Boyd gave a spirited address, calling upon the students to "take the Interstate if you have to. I won't give up my job without a fight!"

Meanwhile, at a packed statehouse press conference, Petersen refused to either confirm or deny a rumor that negotiations are already underway with representatives of the Guru Maharaj Ji for sale of the picturesque riverside campus in Iowa City.

The Guru, the 17-year-old Perfect Master, has been quoted as saying "I like the animal vitality I see in Iowa City." Gi recently gave birth to a healthy, 14-pound baby giraffe while practicing "satsang," a mysterious Oriental ritual.

## Barely Time Stuffed

### Ford Bagged

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unable to come to any decisions regarding the nation's ongoing economic woes, President Ford last night declared that he will wear a large, brown paper bag over his head until everyone "goes away."

Stating that "there are problems in this country it is my God-given right to ignore," Ford startled the Washington press corps by quickly donning the bag and then stumbling away from the podium, barking his shins on several folding chairs.

Afterward, Press Secretary Ron Nessen declared the move a "partial success," adding "I can't, at this time, say with any certainty whether or not he plans to cut eye-holes in the bag. That's the sort of decision the president intends to make with time."

### ERA Stuffed

NEW YORK (AP) — Time magazine has announced plans to include a "Corpse of the Year" selection in their January, 1976 issue. "We're quite proud of the idea," said Time Senior Editor Raoul Packard, "and, with any success, intend to make this a regular yearly feature." At this time, most obvious choice is King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, although, according to Packard, "his is by no means the only name being considered."

Other suggestions range from entertainment favorites Ed Sullivan and Jack Benny to the likes of novelist Jacqueline Suzanne to the obviously quixotic nomination of "Gerald Ford from the waist up, Richard Nixon from the waist down."

### Lupe Plaqued

DITCHDIRT, New Mexico (AP) — Mrs. Joan Lupe O'Brien has, in the words of local officials, "done nothing of particular interest in at least four years," making her the "least newsworthy person" currently in the U.S.

Presented with a handsome mahogany-and-bronze plaque at a ceremony on her front porch, Mrs. O'Brien attributed her accomplishment to "drinking a lot and hardly ever going outside."

Lawrence Flit of Ex Bluff, Arkansas was, until recently, Mrs. O'Brien's only real competition for the award. Three weeks ago, however, Flit received a moving violation from the Ex Bluff

### Thieu Blocked

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — Rumors of yet another major assault by the forces of South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu have sent an estimated 5-10,000 refugees streaming northward.

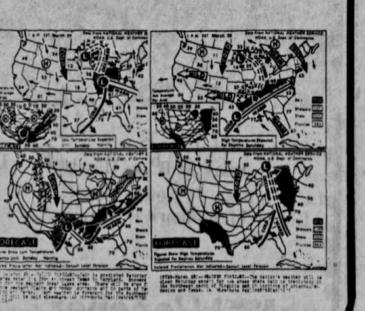
Described as a mob of "newspaper editors and reporters, teachers, priests, opposition party spokesmen, and liberal children," the refugees were forced to grab what belongings they could carry and flee in the middle of the night.

"Their future's uncertain," one U.S. observer said. "Some may never see their homes or families again."

In mute testimony to the rapid evacuation, the homes and offices of the refugees revealed still-warm meals, half-finished editorials, scattered books and clothing. "Most of them were too scared to think," said a spokesman at one of the

### Weather: Overdone

refugee camps in the north. "For now, I guess they all feel lucky to be alive."



# Shortshriffs

## Glory Stompers Reunion

The Fifth Annual Glory Stompers Reunion will be held tonight at The Mill Restaurant. In order to avoid a repeat of last year's bloodletting, (in which 35 people were brutally slain), all participants are encouraged to bring only plastic baseball bats. "You bring the bats, we'll supply the BMW's," said Keith Dempster, owner of The Mill.

## Bummer of the Year

Do you have problems of epic dimension? Do you sometimes feel your life deserves a special award? Well, here's your chance. Nominate your problem for the "Bummer of the Year Contest," sponsored by the CAC. Application deadline is April 3. The finalists will be presented at the Parents Weekend Luncheon, April 19.

## CUE Applications

CUE is now accepting applications for the coming 1975-98 school years. Experience helpful, but not required. Long-term benefits include free hospital and dental care, Credit Union, lifetime insurance (courtesy of Allstate), plus a liberal old-age pension. Applications are due no later than whenever.

## Sailing Club

The U. I. Sailing Club will meet tonight at 8 p.m. in the Yale Room at the IMU Union. Guest speaker will be the late Mary Jo Kopechne who will speak on "The Recovery of Pleasure Crafts from the Bottoms of Lakes and Reservoirs." Admission free.

## Financial Counselling

Professor John Kenneth Galbraith will speak tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. at the U. I. Field House. The topic of his speech is "How to Invest Your 1974 Tax Rebate." Galbraith will discuss ways to convert your \$100-200 windfall into (a) a Trident submarine, (b) a Boeing 747 jetliner, or (c) a quick trip to Jamaica. Admission \$50.

## JCPRT

The JCPRT will meet at the CC at 2500 today to advise the ADL about the upcoming JZK. Members of the ROC, CAC and MDA are invited to contribute.

## Meteorology Lecture

The Meteorologists Society of Iowa will hold a seminar at the Iowa City airport today. The major address is entitled "Iowa—Do We Really Deserve It?" Also slated for the lecture is a discussion of how to thin the stomach, thicken the hair and photograph clouds to the music of Mantovani.

## Ontology of Cholesterol

Prof. Wehrmuss Khrazki, MIT, will speak on the "Ontology of Cholesterol Control by the Van Allen Belt in Infant Mortality Rates in Rhesus Monkeys during the Boer Wars" in Room 201 Chem-Botany Building at 3 p.m. Dr. Khrazki is author of the international bestseller "How to Prevent Ear Mites from Ruining Your Life—A Crab's Story."

## Women's Defense

Today's Brown Bag Luncheon features Patsy Mabie, Assertive Behavior Specialist, speaking on: "Putting Your Best Foot Forward and Stepping Down Firmly on His Instep With Your Heel." 1:30 p.m. at the Rec Center.

# At last: Bartel, Burns, to shoot, it out

By CRAIG RENO  
Staff Writer

At "high noon" today, dueling pistols at ten paces will settle what grand juries, attorney general's investigations and over three years of bickering couldn't, as Johnson County Supervisors Richard "The Kid" Bartel and Robert "Bernie" Burns meet on the field of honor to resolve their political differences.

In what some members of the media are calling the greatest political showdown in the state's history, the two supervisors are scheduled to shoot it out in the new Federal Building's parking lot, just south of the Johnson County Court House.

The challenge to duel came Monday following a sharp verbal exchange between Burns and Bartel at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

At that meeting, during a discussion of the Johnson County facility for Iowans With Negligible Diseases, Bartel responded to a Burns suggestion to cut funds for the facility by calling the senior board member a "fascist." Bartel went on to allege that Burns "eats bird poo."

Burns, attempting to keep his temper under control, responded with "I don't intend to dignify Mr. Bartel's charges and

attempts at character assassination with a response, except to say that he is part of the communist conspiracy which has long been attempting to infiltrate this county's government.

"But," he added, "if he says it again I'll beat the shit out of him."

Supervisors' Chairwoman Loreda Cilek reprimanded Burns for threatening violence when "more peaceable action can be instituted."

She then introduced a resolution calling upon County Engineer Burt Gode "to place not more than ten pounds of sugar in the gas tank of Mr. Bartel's automobile." The resolution passed 2-1 with Bartel dissenting.

Upon passage of the resolution, Bartel became visibly agitated and challenged Burns to the duel by slapping him with a hardbound copy of the Code of Iowa, Vol. I. (Bartel later explained that he had used the code because "I didn't have my gloves with me and, besides, I wanted to break Burns' glasses in case he decided to accept.")

Late Monday evening it was disclosed that Cilek has agreed to serve as Burns' second and that County Auditor Deloras Rogers has agreed to be Bartel's second.

The board's legal advisor J. Patrick White will serve as referee.

Asked if he would invoke Iowa's law against dueling, County Atty. Jack Dooley said "I can't act until a charge has been brought or until a complaint has been made. I don't know about the charges, but frankly, I can't see anyone filing a complaint no matter which one of them gets killed."

When contacted, Johnson County Sheriff Gary Huges said he presently has no plans to charge the participants in the duel. "The way I see it, that parking lot is federal property," Huges said. "What happens there ain't none of my concern—but, by God, I'll get 'em if they run a stop sign on the way to the fight."

Both Burns and Bartel are predicting an easy victory.

"If he (Burns) isn't any faster with a firearm than he is with his brain, I'll nail him before he can raise his gun," Bartel told The Daily Iowan in an exclusive interview.

"It would be inappropriate to comment at this time," Burns said when contacted. "I'll make a full statement at Mr. Bartel's funeral."

Wilson's Sporting Goods store has agreed to provide the combatants with pistols and ammunition for a promotional consideration, and the Beckman Brothers funeral home has agreed to have a hearse on hand—also for a promotional consideration.

## Police Bait

By WALDO PEPPER

A UI student was charged Monday with conducting lewd and lascivious acts with a vending machine, according to Campus Security officials.

The student, according to the arresting officer, was observed "attacking a sandwich-and-apple machine in the basement of the Union" wearing only "knee-length black socks and a black mask."

Campus Police were called to the scene about 9 a.m. after a large crowd had gathered around the pair. One co-ed reportedly fainted and was taken to University Hospitals suffering from "bladder worts."

Witnesses to the incident, contacted later in the day, described the scene variously as "outrageous" or "the best new sport since hot-comb preserves."

The student is being held in Johnson County Jail in lieu of \$5 bond.

In a related incident, two UI administrators who allegedly consumed bratwurst in a public place were arrested by Campus Security and forced to sit together in a large vat of cold Roosevelt dimes. At the time of the arrest, one officer reportedly told the pair "I am not a policeman. I have a bathrobe at home without a cord. Tomorrow, in an effort to make our department run more efficiently, I will step on several blueberries."

The officer in question was not available for comment.

# Shop in Downtown Cedar Rapids

## EPC quibbles over grades

Grading once again hit the fan at the latest Education Policy Committee meeting, held last Friday at the Winner's Circle in North Liberty. Discussion centered on three different proposals, some of which were defined as "revolutionary at best" by highly-placed confidential sources.

The meeting was marked by raised voices, several altercations and occasional fisticuffs. One professor claimed that he had been "sat on" by the chairman of EPC, Dean Stude. Two other profs replied "no comment" before they were even asked anything.

The afternoon began with an endorsement of the present grading system by Dean Stude. In an unprepared speech he noted that students naturally fell into five various levels and that it was only proper that each level be suitably rewarded. "Giving our top students four carrots per course is an excellent idea," he stated.

"The problem," the Dean continued, "is that students are getting too many carrots. Professors are beginning to give so many that you can't tell one carrot from the other. Why, everybody knows that we should give only 40 carrots per

class, and yet you find lots of teachers giving 50 or more."

When asked by an EPCer if the carrots meant anything, the Dean curtly responded, "Of course they mean something. They're orange, aren't they?"

At this point Professor Bea Sharpe of the Music Department moved that EPC consider a new grading policy based on five letter grades ranging from V to Z. "You could give the best students V's," she said, "and then go all the way down to Z's. Letters are so nice and clean to work with, whereas those damn carrots are so messy."

Debate raged for 20 minutes, with most committee members deciding that a V or X grade couldn't possibly reflect the true caliber of a student's work. "Students are all different," said Dr. Foghorne Leghorne of Classics, "how could a simple scale of five letters tell us anything? It is preposterous."

Dr. Gawain Morte of the English Department amended the proposal to allow it greater flexibility. "Why restrict oneself to five letters?" he asked. "Why not include all 26? That way we can give students anything from Z to A!"

Opposing opinions flew around the table. Cries of "Where are our standards?" and "How in blazes can we distinguish between a Q and a P?" rose through the air. The DI reporter was forcibly ejected; the sound of breaking glass could be heard two blocks away.

When order—and our reporter—were restored, Dr. Spooney of the Math Department suggested that 360 degrees of grades be given. "The circle is the true form," he said. One final suggestion was made by A.J. Toodle, the undergraduate visitor-without-rights member of EPC. "Why

not inaugurate a system of written evaluations on students," he said. His proposal was greeted with silence, then tabled until 1977.

Before the final vote, Dean Stude made an impassioned speech in which he lauded the members for their open-mindedness and reminded them that individual department

budgets were yet to be apportioned by the Administration.

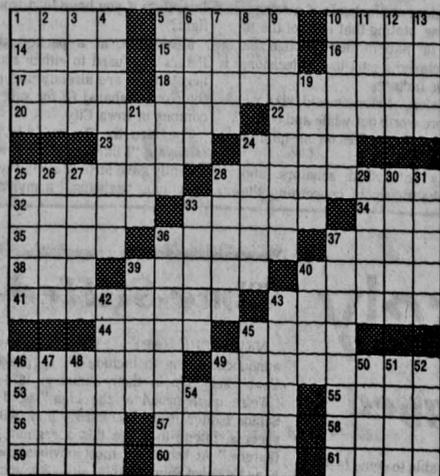
In a vote of 14 to 0 all members upheld the present system of carrots and decided the vegetable inflation which is currently plaguing Iowa.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by WILL WENG

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# Boyd: UI to go 'two-tail' in raging lobster boycott

By RICHARD TURNOVER  
Staff Attorney-General

In response to what UI Pres. Willard Boyd called "continued requests from the people who really count," the UI today begins a new "two-tail" policy in the university-wide lobster boycott.

"We must preserve the essential freedom of choice for our dormitory residents," Boyd said, "especially for those students from over-advantaged backgrounds whose parents might be rich alumni."

Boyd added that the change in policy shows the UI will "strive in good faith" to keep all food services "responsive to the competitive power of big-time moala."

Under the new plan, in ad-

dition to the Atlantic-seaboard variety of lobster which has been available daily at dormitory cafeteria lines, the more expensive South African rock lobster will also be offered.

C. Chauncey Fawnsworth-Backgammon, 31, Patrician Heights, Ill., head of Prigs United for the Lobster Lobby (PULL), the rich student's group that fought successfully against the old policy, condescended to an interview with The Daily Iowan Monday.

"Well, I suppose you really must know," Backgammon began. "It all started late yesterday when PULL confronted Boyd on the verandah at the President's Mansion. We had been invited up for mint juleps and a few sets of tennis, but to show Boyd we weren't kidding we all donned off-white

togs and wore ostentatious 14-carat gold lapel pins shaped like Bandag retreats.

"Then we sprung it on him: our petition—hand engraved in platinum on a solid walnut base—demanding top quality lobster or else telegrams to our parents," Backgammon said, adding, "We knew we had him then."

In a late-night conference Monday with Philip Hubbard, vice president for illicit student affairs and dean of party favors, Boyd announced his decision.

"What one must strive to remember is that in an issue such as this the fundamental integrity of all human persons and a respect for conviction must be our uppermost considerations not only on occasion but at all times," Boyd said.

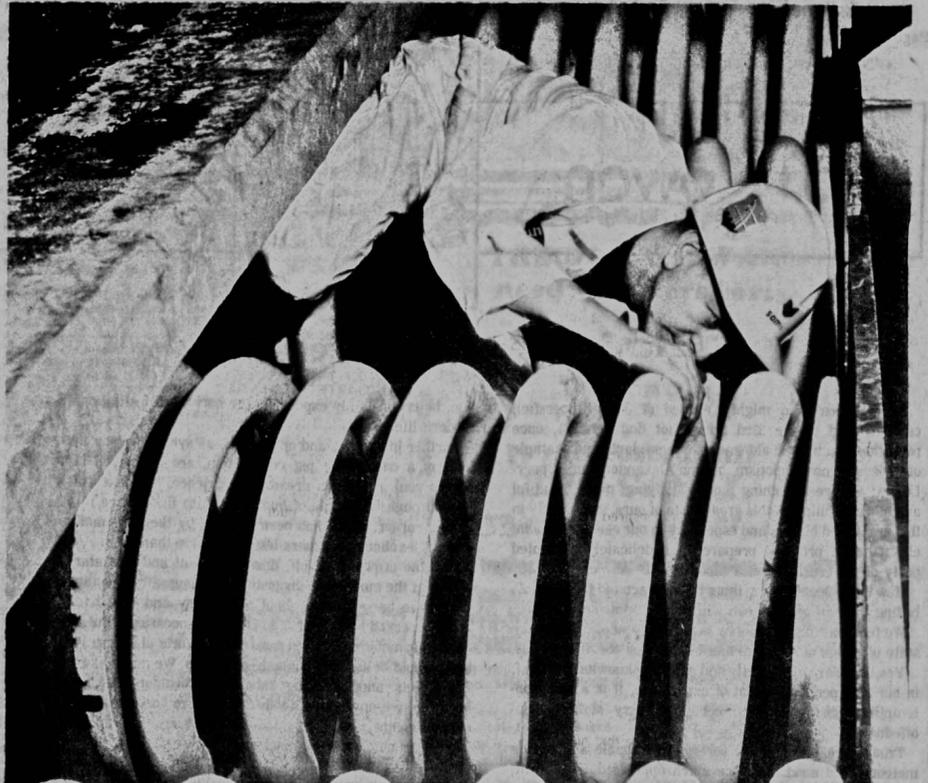
"Reasonable people can differ reasonably," he added, "unless they owe money on their U-bills."

Boyd also said that he would not permit the UI as a whole to be influenced by his own personal views simply because he happens to be King around here.

"I will not permit the UI as a whole to be influenced by my own personal views simply because I happen to be King around here," Boyd said.

He added, "I could do that, but that would be wrong."

Boyd meets later today with members of American Milk Producers, Inc. to discuss potential policy changes for "two-glass" milk dispensers, capable of providing both legally and illegally contracted malted milks.



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## "Spring" is here!

UI metals researcher Bernard Cornfeld pauses for a breath of sweet spring air, moments before machinery in picture

crushed his right hand.

### A grave situation

## Burying cattle on urban renewal land

By L. MADDOX

Lenny's blue eyes were stranded up in the blue sky, his tubface all surrounded by that day's white plains heat, and he was panning a palm in a thin pool of water on the truck's front seat cover when I decided to quit scraping the gravesite with our little shovel.

The truth was that Lenny and I had just gotten a load of bad beef in from Mexico—uninspected half-price cows that brought our herd up to a full fifty head. Fifty head, that is, for the two weeks we had them before we had to bury them. And this, the government vet made very clear, meant an eight foot deep and one hundred foot square grave. Something bigger than our Flako 0003 was needed to do the job in the week allowed us. So we went in to see Jerry Quarry, who was doing a lot of urban renewal work in town. He had a big machine, and he was a friend of ours.

Lenny drove us away from the gravesite and out to highway 218, spinning the tires and scouring up two long wands of dust behind us. I was thinking of the grasshopper bodies—how they used to make the road shine all the way into town.

Actually, of course, there weren't any grasshoppers anymore, they couldn't get into the chemical corn and take their well-fred rests on the pavement as they used to do. Now just a few of them sang in the thickets alongside the road into town.

The bank time and temperature displays were reminding us of those facts as we parked next to the crimped crushed curb at the corner of College and Dubuque streets where Jerry was working that day.

Jerry was cleaning out the rubble insides of foundations, and it looked like he was almost done. In a little while he came down off his machine and came over.

"Jerry, our new herd has got Hodgkins!"

"Well in that case you haven't got a herd." A lifetime of bad news had put Jerry in the habit of jumping right into it, grin cigar and all.

"I know," I said, "But we've got to have some way to dig the hole." Jerry didn't waste time on his answer.

"Put them in here," he suggested. I looked down into the deep square cut, cleanly to the bottom and sides of the old foundations, because that was the job Jerry had the reputation for doing, and I told him that he was out of his mind for suggesting it.

"You can't bury cattle on urban renewal land," I said no, of course you couldn't.

"But you see the way it slopes in there, that's five feet I've got to level up over by Baskin-Robbins ice-cream. Put your cattle in there." Jerry's eyelashes were long and thick with brick dust and the brick dust was on his cream colored, collar-up corduroy shirt in a thin uniform layer.

"They're building a home for the aged on this sport," Lenny said.

"They are," Jerry replied with an adjustment to his Mack golden bulldog cap, under which his hair was clean grey. "But the aged will never know, and neither will the city."

"Why not?" Lenny asked.

"Because you come and lay them in at 4 a.m., and who's going to see you down there in the corner by Baskin-Robbins?"

"I don't know," Lenny said, and Jerry explained that he'd come in early the next morning and cover up our cows.

Where the pink neon three-ringed sign for the Ebony Bar used to blink, our herd would be buried. I'd decided it was a good idea.

"What made you think of it?" I asked him.

"I know you've got a means of hauling those head of conked cows, so when you asked me, I started thinking."

"We've got our brother Jack's 100-tonner, that's what," Lenny told him. He always was proud of that truck. Jerry looked a minute before he spoke.

"He hauls houses around with that one, right?" Jerry knew that, if he ever taught machinery, he'd be a professor of it.

"He hauls them, and barns, all the time," Lenny said. "Then he can haul my house, and I'll cover your cows."

"I've heard there's a law," I reminded him, "that houses can't be moved around in city limits, not unless they're knocked down first."

"I know that," Jerry's eyes were peanuts, dry-roasted on my face. Long on-the-job training with sizing things up before shoving them over or scooping them had given him the opinion that I was about to agree to everything.

So that is how Lenny and I agreed to haul Jerry's house within the city limits if he would bury our dead at the corner of College and Dubuque.

The next morning Jerry poked the eye out of the J.C. Miller building, 1902, at the corner of College and Linn.

"Sorry sweetheart," he said silently, "but I have got to begin somewhere."

His 30-foot steel pole "stinger" rocked in its sling on the Fleco 983's shovel and barged like a stupid giraffe through the small bathroom window without marring the frame. Martha Gladding had just gotten up and was fixing her face a little when the pole, with a round smooth end and brushed bright wings, shivered back a few inches from the mirror. She didn't scream but she left in a hurry.

She had her paperback and was gone before Jerry's shovel dropped the weight of that stinger through the bathroom wall. By the end of the day, the corner of College and Linn was changed from rooms to fresh air earth.

"I feel more or less exactly like a graverobber, doing this kind of work after dark," Lenny said that night, as we helped Jerry get his house up off its foundations.

"You should. Do you know the last time they moved a house around here?" Jerry said.

"I think I do," I recollected. "It was the time, about a month ago, when they moved the dollhouse into the Toys and Boys Store."

"No, that wasn't it, it was when they were going to use the old Helperm mansion for a parking ramp." Jerry was thinking of the mansion he'd crushed the year before, where the maple woodwork was so beautiful that he took a door-frame and made a mirror for his daughter.

Jerry's three-story house was dormered, corniced, and with gingerbread on the porches. I was not sure we could get it off the lot, and I had a fear of trying to get it around town without being noticed.

Lenny worked in silence a long time, and then he spoke up. "Jerry, how far are you thinking of moving this house?"

"Six inches to the right."

"That's not much of a move."

"No. It's not. But that will bring me six inches too close for them to build anything next door."

And that was a fact. City ordinances to protect neighborhood values prohibited construction closer, even six inches closer, than 20 feet to a house. Jerry had heard that a new condominium was being planned for urban renewal, designed expressly with the housing needs of doctors and full professors in mind. "And I couldn't take that," Jerry said.

Lenny was putting the final touches on the left jack twirls. He had run a house off its foundation in one sixteenth of an inch and he was in no mood to increase that any now.

We slid the house over nine inches for good measure and set it down.

There's not much left to tell. Lenny and I went back sometime later and Jerry told us that the parking lot they'd put in next door had raised the in-town capacity to about half a million cars. The home for the aged above our herd is about done and it just so happens that over in the corner by Baskin-Robbins ice-cream, a few cowslips and cornflowers are raising their heads in the small carpet of grass.

## Senate passes to gag Cagan

By ROBERT RULE  
Staff Writer

Deposed UI Student Senate President Debra Cagan, A4, met stiff opposition at Monday night's Student Senate meeting in her bid for \$10,000 in "transition" funds for her return to non-political life.

Cagan's request was the first order of new business for the busy Senate, and it was also the last.

Senate President Rob Resonator, LI, started the discussion on the request by noting that Cagan's request was indeed based on a legal precedent—federal provisions for providing former United States presidents with transition money. "I ought to know about the law," he said. "After all, I am a law student and I know

how to research these things."

Sen. Jerry Cook, A3, made a motion to applaud Resonator for his logic. The motion was seconded and passed 20-1. The dissenting vote being cast by Sen. Wooley Stodden, A2.

Resonator thanked the senators for their thoughtfulness, "except for Wooley," and moved that debate on Cagan's request be ended by calling for a vote.

At this point Cagan demanded to be recognized and allowed to address the Senate.

After a 40-minute debate, during which 17 requests for personal privilege were granted, Cagan was allowed to speak.

"I've only got one thing to say," she said. "If you don't come through with the bucks,

I'm gonna talk dirty."

Leading the Senate charge to move for a vote on Cagan's request was Sen. Wooley Stodden. "Let's gag Cagan once and for all," was his passionate request.

The motion was passed unanimously and the vote on the request also was approved without dissent.

Larry Kitchen, A3, moved that the meeting be adjourned because, "we've spent enough money for one night."

The motion passed with one dissenting vote, and the meeting adjourned.

Contacted after the meeting, Resonator refused to comment on the Senate action, but was rumored to have been heard mumbling something about "precedents" and "next year."

No joke!

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# Interrogations

## Here's A Few Ideas, Here

As the great and mighty Wizard of Jinja-Kulpersfiel, current bard of the 33rd Street hot dog vendors, once remarked to a trusted aide, advisor, confidante and example of the evil demon, nepotism, his son Alexander Benji Upper-Lower: "There is nothing more satisfying, more beautiful and more fulfilling on this great earth of ours, specifically in this great land of ours and especially in our esteemed social class than a properly prepared and delicately appointed patty of the crushings of a moo."

How true! Could not anything be so direct and to the point; hitting the nail on the head with the crux of the point.

We feel that this philosophy is currently applicable to the state of things as they are and be, here on the UI campus.

Yes, as we are all cogently and painfully knowledgeable of, in our own personal realm of experience, it is a sad, contemptible, distasteful and certainly sorry state of rip-offedness.

Trudging in, through all sorts of inimicable and hostile meteorological conditions, the much oppressed UI student, clutching his frayed and dog-eared copy of The Village Voice or Rolling Stone or Humpty Dumpty (Far out, man!), wearily enters said place of oppression and rip-offs.

As he makes his way through the regimented (and therefore in violation of his cherished Constitutional rights)

line, he is constantly exposed to the horrors of institutional modern life.

Further indignities and oppression, as symbolized by the tools of a capitalistic pig corporation, are cast upon his beaten soul. After this dreadful experience, he makes his way through the jungle of human flesh to find solace in a hidden corner, which has been violated by the inhumanity and uncleanness of others less considerate than he.

But, the crowning insult, disappointment and affronting comes at the moment of disgusting and nauseating contact.

Yes, we have bitched about the greasy and cold hamburgers served in the Union on numerous occasions. But, to cease our monumental and most noble efforts at this grave time, would be sheer folly and Nixonmania. We must take to the streets and, standing shoulder-to-shoulder with our brethren, we must fight, tooth and nail, for our undeniable student rights.

We must not rest! We cannot rest! And we shall not rest — until we have won!!!!

History is on our side. Remember Vietnam! Remember Kent State! Remember Chicago! Remember the fight over the shape of the table at the Paris Peace Talks!

Proctor Gamble



## Letters



### Thanks

#### TO THE EDITOR:

Just wanted to thank you guys again for putting me up the last time I was in town. The eats were really right on and that sofa wasn't lumpy at all, once I got used to it.

Stay cool and keep on the q.t. about me, if you know what's good.

P. Hearst  
On the road,  
Either. Ore.

### Cheek Turning

#### TO THE EDITOR:

Woe unto the followers of Satan! The Bible tells us that "in the last days the earth shall be plagued by false prophets." And now our own fair State has fallen prey to the pestilential teachings of this greek the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi. His "Transcendental Vegetators" have even established a "university" at Fairfield. Surely Satan must be pleased.

So if you (or your God-fearing neighbors) choose to burn a few books, tar-and-feather a professor or two, or dynamite some buildings, you just might catch me looking the other way.

Richard Turner  
Iowa Attorney General

### Really

#### TO THE EDITOR:

If you knew what I did with your "newspaper" you'd be disgusted. I mean it.

None of you can write and you're stupid besides. I've seen better "newspapers" printed with cut-out potatoe halves. I mean it.

I dare you to print this, or to even get somebody to read it to you. Really.

P.T. Barnum  
Sucker, Ia.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Kiss off.

### Sad Letter

#### TO THE EDITOR:

I have been incarcerated at the University of Iowa for three years and I am desparate. I feel the need to communicate but so far I have had no luck. I am a skinny, long-haired Caucasian male and would like to get in touch with anyone, but mostly I am interested in professors and assistant professors.

You can't imagine how hopeless I feel when all my efforts fail. I read and think and talk about things just like most of the other inmates here, but we all seem to have the same problem. We just can't seem to make contact with a professor. The professors always turn us away (they play a lot of chess, you see, and can't be disturbed).

Thank you for printing my letter and maybe helping me finally communicate with a professor.

Joe Lockup  
484-75-4848

Maybe if Rick Ansoerge attended a concert as a person sometime instead of disguised as Rick Ansoerge, he'd learn what Music is all about. Assinine remarks of a few concert-goers may set the tone for his column, but not for the show. Can't he simply observe the general emotional behavior of the audience? The performance will either be a little bit worse or a little bit better than any other! But everyone generally has a good time. Why does Ansoerge always highlight his grotesque interpretations of not-so-smooth moments of a show??

I'd hate to sit next to such an egotripping, nervous critic during a concert. I may not pass him my joint, but I'd give him a knuckle sandwich.

On the Mean Street  
Dave Helland

### A Question

#### TO THE EDITOR:

How many Teamsters does it take to screw in a bourgeoisie lightbulb? Three. One to hold the lightbulb and two to hold the whips. I'm not very funny, but resisting the forces of fascist capitalistic bourgeoisie imperialist warmongers is no laughing matter.

All Power to the Peanut  
Ernie Fadd, Revolutionary Student Brigade

### Vox Porpoly

#### TO THE EDITOR:

Dominus Deus sabbaoth, ad venium Regnum tuum, fiat voluntas tua, omnipotens Deus.

A kiddlee divee too, wouldn't you?

Fruit Loots

Speak at your festivities this week. Though I had planned to forego my obligations and appearances to come to the fair land of the corn, I find a more pressing engagement has arisen, so to speak. (He can't move the rock!)

God

### Jimi

#### TO THE EDITOR:

I wanta get a few things straight, man. I mean, it's like this, man. Just about every day some cat comes up to me and says something like "Wow, I just heard your new album and I love it!" But the truth is I never never played a note on it. That hurts, man.

Jimi Hendrix

### Wooley

#### TO THE EDITOR:

How many United Farm Workers does it take to catch a head of lettuce? Three. The first guy nabs the lettuce with his butterfly net. The second guy signs the contract. And the third guy distorts the facts.

This is true! I read it somewhere, I think.

Wooley Stodden  
Student Senator

### Fitz-Simmons speaks

Oppressed peoples of the UI—UNITE!! Solidarity with the Stolid Student Brigade!

Our mission—when we choose to accept it—is to save the WORLD from kapitalists, imperialists, Zionists, war-mongers, medium-sized dogs, and—for a small FEE—orchid merchants! We stand FIRM with all VICTIMS of the brutal, heartless Amerikan System!

### Backoff



Even as we speak, people are dying the WORLD over—of STARVATION by greedy kapitalists, of MURDER by imperialist bombs, of HEARTBREAK by Zionist landgrabbers, and of ENNUI by revolutionary rhetoric!

Their SUFFERING must be ENDED. Down with GM, ITT, CBS, DI, RSB, FDS, LS-MFT...

Economic POLLUTION, that's what we're FIGHTING! We vow to ELIMINATE all vestiges of Money, Power, and Influence. We will CONFISCATE all stocks, bonds, checking accounts, and rare coin

collections. We ALONE can be trusted to BENEVOLENTLY HANDLE the rainments of our korrupt SOCIETY!

Ask not what the WORLD can do for YOU, we often SAY. Ask what the WORLD can do you FOR! Eliminate those evildoers who teach QUANTUM THEORY! Stamp out moderation! REMEMBER: it is only WE who TRULY COMPREHEND world EVENTS.

REMEMBER: none but US have the CAPACITY to choose between teamster and UFW lettuce! Eliminate the teamster BOWL! Never forget that any SACRIFICE is worth the PRICE. (Slightly higher west of the Rockies.)

Drive FASCISTS and ARMY RECRUITERS off campus!

Be QUIET! Will you BE QUIET? We're trying to get some SLEEP up here!

Above all, REMEMBER: it is WE, and WE alone, in which, with which, to place the TRUST! (Slightly higher west of the Rockies.)

Andrew Fitz-Simmons  
SSB

### Gripes

#### TO THE EDITOR:

Just who does Linda Kengal think she is? Where does she get her facts? When she talks about how her sisters can use their pantyhose as a weapon against males or other intruders, she mentions the strength of elasticized nylon, etc. Everyone knows that went out in 1967. Pantyhose are made from quids.

Speaking of tin ears, I noticed that Hillary Maurer wants us to dump our already-deteriorated unwanted books in with newspapers and cardboard in recycling containers. If we're gonna donate books to prison libraries, why are we too lazy to tie them in separate bundles? Or place them outside the cans wrapped in hefty bags? If you're gonna do something, do it right! Obviously Maurer couldn't fight her way out of a paper bag.

# Transgressions helmüt liner



# Oudlandishen!

The winds of political fortune blew perilously afoul last week.

In a fit of what can only be characterized as primitive political pique, last week Olag Oordvaark, Prime Minister of Vespitzbergen, reinforced the island's decision to levy an import tax on sardines now being imported by the tiny neighboring island of Nordaustlandest.

Speaking to a crowd at an opulent sardine fest March 30th, Oordvaark, whose fiery techniques have burned many a political hand in the past, told the crowd of gamey natives that Nordaustlandesters will have to "do vot dey can" in the sardine shortage currently facing the island.

The situation on the islands is volcanic (if not serious). For years the inhabitants of Vespitzbergen and Nordaustlandest Islands, two of numerous islands comprising the icy Spitzbergen or Svolbald Islands off the coast of Norway, have enjoyed amicable relations, cooperating together in a sardine exporting trade with Sydney, Australia.

But recent developments in the sardine trade of the two islands have drastically shifted the icy—albeit somewhat gamey—winds of power among the islands.

Last January, in a massive thaw, thousands of

the tiny icelandic sardines were uprooted from the coastal waters around Nordaustlandest. These sardines—the chief export of both countries—are now making their home around and off the shores of Vespitzbergen alone.

And, in a move that can only be seen as a threat to undermine the strength of Nordaustlandest Island, Oordvaark last week proposed a tax levy of one auk and one egg (roughly 13½ cents on the American market or one Schlupt to Bylerussians on the sardines).

The implications of Oordvaark's actions are enormous. Although the sardines are unfit for human consumption, for years the inhabitants of both Nordaustlandest and Vespitzbergen have traded the oily commodity with a packaging plant in Sydney, Australia in return for Kleenex, Hershey bars and aluminum cans of Coca-Cola, western commodities in short supply on the somewhat primitive islands.

With last January's diabolical capture of the sardine market, however, and with the proposed levy on the price of sardines, the Vespitzbergeners have effectively bid all but the most wealthy Nordaustlandesters out of the western market.

And in a move that has yet gone unnoticed by

the western world, the crafty Oordvaark (who is reported to have risen to power in 1972 by sardining then-Prime Minister Holag to death) has also captured the world market Samoan rabbit feed trade.

This rabbit—the last of a crossbreed between the kangaroo and the Colorado real estate agent—was developed by a German philosopher in 1862 and is now residing in a zoo near the Sydney packaging plant.

The implications of Oordvaark's actions last week are enormous. What this will mean to the Nordaustlandesters is already being seen today, in a flood of panic that has been unleashed, unchecked on the island. According to unconfirmed rumors reported in the Balboa Barb in a column by an anonymous writer in a March 31 special edition on the crisis in Nordaustlandest, Nordaustlandesters by the dozens are allegedly leaping into the icy coastal waters off the island's shore, in search of a sardine. "Ya ghdg thur ksighg isufi ftug," the anonymous columnist reported.

The fate of the Samoan rabbit remains still more serious. The Samoan rabbit, which stands about six-foot two and for years has delighted western world school children with its humorous antics, is known to eat at least 60 sardines per

hour, an amount that could drive the price of the Vespitzbergen sardine to drastic—and perhaps fatal—proportions. "H'its a sorry stayt of a-fayres for the Samoan rabbit!" one Sydney columnist reported mournfully.

But still further are the implications of Oordvaark's actions to the entire western world.

Traditionally, the western world has enjoyed amicable relations with the entire Spitzbergen Islands, with the exception of Balentsya, whose somewhat unruly inhabitants last year reinforced a dislike of the western world by eating two American journalists on sabattical there.

But if the import quota now being proposed by the dictatorial Oordvaark goes into effect—and it is scheduled to do so on the third Wednesday of the second month of the midseason thaw (next Tuesday) according to Oordvaark—the United States may once again be forced to choose sides in a war whose cancerous proportions are as yet unimaginable.

The issue at stake here is clear and unambiguous; and it is up to the United States—a traditional combatant for underdogs the world over—to maintain what seems to be an essential and undeniable freedom: the right of Nordaustlandesters to a "Horft Zet" (Hershey-Bar).

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# Herd Book: amoral epic

Iowa 74-75 Directory (The Herd Book)  
"ui"  
Promotional Enterprises; 192 pp. 1.00

No one knows who "ui" is. He refuses to be photographed. He refuses to give interviews. Maybe he's Thomas Pynchon. Maybe he's Margaret Mead. But by this time, the deserved reputation of The Herd Book — "A modern Midwest epic, a breakthrough in the nouveau roman," wrote the Times last month — has placed him in the front ranks of today's top metafictional novelists.

"ui" has been accused, one must allow, of an obsession with characters, to the neglect of his plot, of being amoral, humorless, of creating thousands of one-dimensional anti-heroes. But The Herd Book is epic in its epic structuring of character after character's measured, rhythmic entrances and exits, epic in "ui's" grim pavane-like ritual of introducing a character only to move to the next, and the next, on and on, a truer reflection of a future-shocked, population-rocked modern misanthropic Terra than the flimsier psychological meanderings of more established, less esoteric writers. "ui's" characters are his plot, for what is plot but structure, and what is structure but substance, and the substance of The Herd Book is names and their fleeting emblematic paraphernalia, e.g. The Address, The Phone Number, and names are characters, as even the most delirious reader knows so well.

The Herd Book is a personified exploration of the English language at its most basic, most blood-and-guts level: a fleshing out of the English alphabet. In choosing the alphabet for his hierarchical procession of soulless identities (the A's first, the B's next, and so on), "ui" struck another blow for modern humanism in the face of heartless technology, for contemplating the only other feasible hierarchy which he could (but as a gesture of grace to his multitude of characters, didn't) have used: The Bell Telephone Company's list of his characters'

Telephone Numbers (338-1111, 338-1112, and so on), a device whose utter dearth of fictional interest was demonstrated in 1921 in the "socialist-realism" experimental directories of Petrograd.

Though nowhere does "ui" reveal his fictional nor his political theory or praxis, his views may be inferred. He is, unique among his contemporaries, entirely non-sexist in his characterizations; nymphs and nadirs trip along in gay, alphabetically-ordered confusion, with a lack of discrimination or individualization worthy of that master of omnipresent omniscience, Nabokov. His subtext is diversity itself, faceless diversity which rises, phoenix-like, from the flames of anonymity, sexual, racial, religious and national diversity; for in a stroke of conceptual serendipity, by refusing to characterize anyone, by barring his characters from any action, he has stretched the precepts of American democracy to their logical, O so delightfully true, conclusion.

But reflecting, one notes that The Herd Book is a portmanteau genre, intrinsically an epic how-to book. In an inspired resolution of the perceptual tension between the readers, the characters, and the writer, "ui" included virtually all of his potential readers as characters. I have found, in my own studies of the work, that if you call The Telephone Numbers, either in order or randomly, some — in no detectable pattern — will indeed reveal the soulless identity named, so symbolically, in The Herd Book. The line between fiction and reality gets all scuffed up this way, and about time, too.

I wouldn't want my children to read The Herd Book — not yet — but you will. Future scholars will point to it, and say, "Here they turned the corner, here they knew themselves for what they always were." And as the Times wrote, "as an epicist, 'ui' beats the hell out of Homer."

—Gen. Omar Bradley

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# Witcomb: a real washout

A Half A Cup of Apples: 60 Years in History  
Alve Witcomb  
C&B Press, 816 pp. 6.95

Alve Witcomb continues, ten years after his death, to be one of the most misunderstood writers of the Twentieth Century. His books find audience in unexpected places: among the poor and misbegotten as well as among the idle rich. Students and the young have somehow never been interested in Witcomb's work, perhaps because he speaks with a voice redolent of alleyways and penthouses unfamiliar and forbidding to youth.

Born of immigrant parents in Ulhe, Wyo., young Alve was trained as a lute-maker by his father. "From the strings," says Alve, "I developed a sense of parallel worlds, of transcendent realities. From the frets I learned humor for those unexpected interruptions of life."

In 1927, when business was good, Witcomb used his savings to attend night classes at Harvard, where he met B.G. Lippmann. The old man befriended the lanky westerner and they spent many late hours "talking books and music and women." Ironically, they never spoke of history or aviation. "It depressed him to think of it," says Witcomb, "but see how the wheel turns into unexpected ruts."

The Great Depression destroyed Witcomb's business and ended his Harvard days, though he and Lippmann remained close friends. For some reason he was rejected by the WPA Writer's Project. Undaunted, he wrote late into the nights, getting up tired and weak to work 14 hours a day in a steel button factory where he contracted Kupper's Disease, the gnawing ache that would make him miserable the rest of his life.

It was during the Depression that Witcomb wrote "What Branches Flying Free." Critical acclaim was slow in coming and died down rapidly. After "Kaftan Rugs and a Pound of Salt," published in 1935, Blanche Marsden wrote in "Transpacific" that Witcomb's words "induce insomnia, lead fretful steps down long corridors to empty rooms. I despise him but am always drawn back for another look." Scorning critics who advised him to free his prose from "too-careful penchants" and ideosyncratic sentence structures, Witcomb delved even deeper into his own style, becoming obscure and distant and essentially unread. His publisher, Wallace Reed, had great faith in Witcomb but lost so much on "Fathoms Rising Ever So Slowly," that his board of directors insisted he quit.

Bitter, but still writing, Witcomb produced only three books in the next ten years. "Bracing Against Odds of Destination" and "When I Have Said So," both written in 1939, are to be published for the first time this year in Hartford, thanks to the efforts of Professor Bradford Grant.

With the onset of World War II, Witcomb found himself attached to a Navy Intelligence team working in San Diego. Typical of Witcomb's dry humor, he includes "Report on Native Populace of Mindinao" among his "best work." Slowly buried by paperwork, Witcomb virtually disappeared until VJ Day, when he was discharged to return to the east coast and a very private life.

It was not until Jacob Levine made "Hartford Circuit" that Witcomb surfaced again. He rented a fabulous house in Hollywood and married starlet Angela Summers in 1955. The movie magazines annoyed him with projected love affairs and film scripts. "I thought I had to

keep up." Then, just six months after the contracts had been signed for "Bonny Graham," Witcomb was called before the McCarthy Committee where he refused to testify out of loyalty to Lippmann and was black-listed by Hollywood. Angela Summers tearfully accepted a divorce so that her own career would not be tainted by association but the couple remained close friends until 1960 when Angela was killed in a plane crash in northern Mexico on location for "Buona Fortuna."

Turned inward by events, Witcomb wrote in his last few years his least-known books, the histories and apologetics fortunately collected in the anthology edited by Norman Fry. They are finely wrought clocks without faces.

"Once So Sweet and Simple," a history of Japan's mysterious Hyakotusuke Clan, unfolds a darkly glittering panorama of courtly love and intrigue as a background for the machinations of the infamous Prince Ushetsi. It has been speculated, by Professor Grant and others, that Witcomb found a kind of fantastical haven in the powerful characters of his histories and Witcomb, in this late autobiography, as much as admits it. "It was good there, then, it was a better time."

"Gone Fishing" was Witcomb's last work. It is said to have taken him only three weeks to compose. B.G. Lippmann, who saw Witcomb just before his death, said Witcomb was ecstatic about this apologetics and insisted, despite the crippling effects of his disease, on reading portions of it aloud. "I have found it," says one of the last entries in the journal from which the autobiography is taken. "I have found it in saying I am done for the day."

—Olive Underwood

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# Flyswatters to raid Lowden

The Iowa Flyswatters, currently the state's number one extermination team, will put its season-long unbitten record to the test this afternoon when they travel to Lowden to face a tough horde of flies in Elmer Hoenig's hog lot.

Hoenig's blue-tailers have established themselves as one of the most aggressive swarms in the state, last week setting a national barnyard dunging record (they consumed six three-pound cowpies before the pies stopped steaming) and by driving two of Hoenig's sows into scratching convulsions.

Bob Buggy, captain of the Flyswatters, said he expects to have his hair full at Lowden, but voiced hopes that a good team effort against the buzzers will bring about a victory.

The Swatters are now in their second season, having met with erratic success last year when they went 10,873-11,640 without the services of Tad Thorax, who had his ear sliced off in a wild and wingy match against the sky-filling Oshkosh mayflies.

This season, however, the Iowa flailers have been nearly repellent. In six sallies so far against ticklers from Holstein to Turkey Valley they have allowed only 939 twinks (actual fly landings) on their team person, and of those, a record 380 resulted in smears. Tom "Tse Tse" Sting, Flyswatter coach, was not surprised that his team set the record this year, explaining that the team members spent many long hours slapping themselves in preparation for the season.

Sting also said that the Swatters have been getting some good exposure this year, pointing

out that for a match near Morley, the attendance was tallied at six horses and a dog. This year the team pays its own travel and shoe-cleaning expenses, and individual team members must supply their own swatters, with some even using rolled up Picture Magazines, but Tse Tse said that next year the team may get financing and equipment from the UI athletic department.

Shoo Shoo, the Swatters' premier left winger and native Hawaiian, said he expects the conflagration in Hoenig's lot to provide some top-flight competition. "I've been—how do you say?—dreaming about this one," Shoo Shoo said haltingly, "I've been counting flies to get to sleep, I'm so—ah—psyched." Shoo Shoo is noted for his ruthless accuracy, which his wife said he developed at the breakfast table, often cutting down flies in mid-flight with his butter knife. She said she has often found him spreading flies on his toast and has been known to swat through an entire match using the butter knife. In fact, it was one of Shoo Shoo's roundhouse knife-swats that caught teammate Thorax in the ear and sliced it off last year.

But teamwork is at its best this season, and this afternoon the Swatters will try to prove to themselves that they can keep a swarm as tough as Hoenig's at bay. Hoenig has been keeping his flies on a strict dung diet for the past few weeks, and expects them to be fat and ready for the Flyswatters' flesh. But as captain Buggy said, "We won't give 'em nothin'. We're keepin' our pants on."

So good luck, Flyswatters, and bring home the pest-strip!

## UI Wheelers hit the slopes

Two members of the UI Wheelchair Rockclimbing Club take advantage of the recent warm weather for a spin on the peaks. Pictured are: Connie Purdy, executing a handsome downhill backpedal, and Marvin Gardens, resting for a moment at the sunlit peak.



## clown in front!

bernie schwartz

Fred Bocklawski stayed home all February and all March waiting for the phone to ring. He listened to Polish folk music, whittled his thumb into a dog whistle, and tried to finish a couple of incompletes lingering over from 3rd grade. Finally, yesterday, the long wait ended. In the midst of "Krishkovernatzer Striclitzten" the phone rang.

"Congratulations, Fred. You've been drafted by the Yukon Yohocs in the 3,875th round of the pro football draft," said Fritz von Strizler, Iowa defensive line coach and the Big B's mentor for the past three years. Bocklawski's wait was over. He'd landed a berth in the pros.

Yohocs head coach Nanuck X. O' said about his new line: "Bocklawski should start for us in the right-side-of-the-line. We've needed a good man to fill in there ever since a polar bear blitzed our qb's blind side and wiped that silly grin off his face, along with his nose and one eye. Big men like the Big B are hard to come by around here. Usually any little kid that starts eating as much as it takes to grow up to be a beefy lineman gets set adrift on an ice flow by the time he's ten."

Bocklawski, a 7-1, 476 lb. bubble butt, averaged .79 tackles per game and only 45 yards in penalties before he broke his big toe in the first

half against Notre Dame Sept. 3, but played the rest of the game with not noticeable improvement in his defense. He sat out the next four games and Iowa lost all four of them, but they lost them by greater margins than when Big B was in the line-up.

"That illustrates his value to this team," von Strizler said. "Fred is a solid all-around ton of fat and I figure he'll do a great job for the Yohocs."

The Big B didn't consider a career in pro football until the end of January, when it was read to him that one of his teammates had been drafted by a pro team. "I didn't know anybody got paid to play ball till then. I thought somebody just gave you a Cadillac and paid you \$900 a month laundry money to do it," said Big B in a reply translated from the Illiterate. "I figured maybe I'd give it a try after I called home and found out they weren't saving my job for me at the steel mill because the plant closed down."

The Big B worked summers gnawing anvils out of large blocks of steel.

The berth fishing season opens in Alaska this week. Oldtimers say it feels like a good season ahead, with the berth biting especially on spinners made from toothpaste tubes and wordy oldtimers.

### UI esoterica prof:

## 'I don't do anything here'

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"Yes, that's right. It's no secret. I don't really do anything around here."

Seth Tarleton, UI professor of miscellaneous esoterica and head of the department of trivialized academia, looks like Mr. Chips' American cousin: tall, scholarly, authoritative, with a full head of dignified-grey hair glistening in the morning sun streaming into his office in EPB.

Hefty literary tomes anchor down his dark wood bookcase. It reigns supreme over regimental framed degrees, plaques, esoteric journals, paper stacks, an Arthur Burns-like pipe, a handsomely carved desk and a 1959 Playboy foldout ("good year").

At 64 the feisty pedant isn't yet eligible for retirement, and he's too young to be considered venerable. Some colleagues say Seth Tarleton will never be considered venerable.

To the left of his desk is a Roy Carver dartboard. "I don't see why he dishes out some money to other parts of this university. Why should those rummies in the Athletic Department and those white-coat mercenaries across the river get all that? Other departments could certainly use some of that."

The outspoken professor, of course, has been the center of

controversy when, among other things, last year he up and refused to teach any more.

"I still don't know what all the fuss is all about," he says, tinkering with his pipe and match. "I'm doing the students a favor. It just got to the point that I felt I wasn't being that good a teacher. And a helluva lot of my colleagues are only kidding themselves when they say they teach. Bull roar."

"Oh, I know they go through all the motions. They run around with their books and briefcases in tow. They sit around and cogitate. They lecture pithily—quote-unquote. They attend all the proper conventions. But nobody's learning from them."

Tarleton feels he's doing students a favor, letting younger and more enthusiastic graduate students teach. Besides, "that's what they're there for. They've got to do something to earn their assistantships. Lord."

Tarleton was born in Princeton, N.J. and earned a B.A. in American history at Harvard, a B.S. in Armenian literature and thought at Berkeley, and a joint Ph.D. in mass communication and theology at Yale.

He came to the UI in 1952, after some 10 years of dropping out of academia. As he tells it, "I played the roaming, wayfaring scholar, looking for life and not finding it."

By his own admission, he's doesn't feel he should put himself out to do anything around the department he doesn't want to. "I mean, my God, if they got rid of me because of that, they'd have to get rid of a lot of others."

Sitting on a little table across from his desk is a percolator and a monstrous jar of Taster's Choice. He is what you'd call a coffee freak. He'll fill his white porcelain cup all the way, and slowly sip the contents lest he burn his mouth. During our conversation he had about three or four little sips. By this time it had cooled and he prepared to get rid of the rest. He upended the cup and poured the rest of the coffee into a big pot containing a majestic geranium.

"One student suggested I throw in a marijuana plant to keep 'Gerry' (I guess that's what he calls the geranium) company. Wouldn't those turkeys— isn't that the term used these days by you younger folks?— up in Jessup blow a gasket if they knew a marijuana plant was growing here?"

Tarleton is working on a book on American literature and hopes to wrap it up in time for the Bicentennial. "I've been working on it about 15 years now. It's been a bitch. But at least it'll look good on the vita sheet."

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