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Herbicides caused Denny miscarriages?

By JOHN STUMBOS
staff writer

The residents of Denny, a small mountain community near Willow Creek, sharply disagree with the findings of State Health department investigators, who recently concluded it "impossible" to determine whether phenoxy herbicides were responsible for miscarriages in five women, and a birth defect in the child of another in Denny.

Eleven out of 20 women of child-bearing age reportedly suffered gynecological abnormalities after the area was sprayed with 2,4,5-T and 2,4-D.

Dr. Ephriam Kahn, pesticide coordinator and consultant to the Epidemiological Studies Laboratory for the state health department, said it is "impossible to say either that there were an unusual number of miscarriages or that it is related to herbicide spraying."

"It may be," he added, "(but) the time sequences don't follow a pattern."

Ron Bassett, acting ranger in the Big Bar Ranger District in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest said the Forest Service sprayed the Jim Jam Ridge area near Denny with 2,4,5-T in 1974 and with 2,4-D in 1976.

The Forest Service re-planted Jim Jam

after a forest fire ravaged the area in the early 1960s. The herbicides are used to "knock back hardwoods and release conifers — crop trees we're trying to grow out there . . . We're just protecting our investment," he said.

"The herbicide itself is nothing to get too excited about," said Kahn, "(but) 2,4,5-T has a contaminant (dioxin) which is extraordinarily toxic."

Dioxin is "probably the most toxic synthetic substance there is," he said.

On March 1 the Environmental Protection Agency invoked an

animals."

Kahn said dioxin is so strong it is measured in parts per trillion. "(We're) dealing in levels where we can hardly detect it."

Katherine Spohn, a Denny resident, said in addition to the miscarriages four women were afflicted with ovarian cysts and "one has had cervical cancer."

Two of the women with ovarian cysts "still have a lot of uterine hemorrhaging. One of them recently bled for thirteen days." Another "had her ovaries removed after the first spraying. She's

those kinds of birth defects occur." Spohn also said neither parent's family has a history of the hair lip birth defect.

Bassett said the Forest Service followed "no more than the precautions" specified in the directions for the herbicides use.

The Forest Service left a buffer strip near streams and structures and applied the herbicides "usually at daybreak" when the wind is calm because "we can't spray with the wind over four miles an hour," he said.

According to Bassett, the California Department of Fish & Game took water samples before, during and after the spraying and "came up with negative results."

Bassett did say that "somebody said fish were dying in the creeks. (But) this was never documented by anybody."

However, Spohn said when the Forest Service sprayed in 1976 the herbicides drifted into the New River, which runs past Jim Jam and through Denny. "You could see on the other side (of the river) where it had drifted by the browning of the brush."

"Our own district attorney . . . said that he'd seen photographs of the stuff in the river."

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"Nobody really knew what was going on . . . They never really told anybody that much about the sprays because no one was concerned. We didn't know anything about it."

"emergency suspension" on the use of 2,4,5-T after a study in Alsea, Oregon showed a "statistically significant relationship" between the spraying season and a high number of miscarriages.

The EPA also found that dioxin, "even at very low levels, produce birth defects, miscarriages and tumors in laboratory

still seeing a gynecologist," Spohn said.

Another woman "walked through the Jim Jam area when the Forest Service was burning the brush that had been treated with the herbicide," Spohn said. Her child was born with a hair lip.

"She walked through that during her third month. The first three months is the period during pregnancies when . . .

Bosco blames blockage on Sacramento lobbyists

By STEPHEN LONDON and
MICHELLE ROSENAUR

In a recent interview and informal appearance before the Humboldt State University Student Legislative Council, State Assemblyman Doug Bosco blamed Sacramento lobbyists for blocking needed reforms.

Bosco identified campaign contribution reforms, herbicide control and the proposed bottle bill as issues under attack by special interest groups.

Bosco pointed to real estate, agribusiness and oil companies as the greatest campaign contributors in California.

"If you get 10 percent from the little guys, you're lucky," he said.

Another difficulty in passing reform measures this year is the conservative tone of the Assembly, he said.

"Any kind of controversial bill is hard to get through," Bosco said. "Out of 23 new members, 16 are republicans — and those republicans are very conservative."

"I believe that this problem underlies all others," he said, "and I have been working with Common Cause to develop campaign reform and end political contributions before legislation. Public financing of political campaigns is the very best accomplishment we could have in that regard."

But Bosco doubts that any such reform will succeed. "Special interests will mount a huge campaign against it, based on that it's costing your tax money."

He blamed the judiciary for invalidating past campaign reforms. "We're going through past judicial decisions to see if

some hole exists where we can get at it from a different angle."

Bosco also had harsh words for Governor Brown, accusing him of failing to provide leadership in the state — especially in the area of education.

"He (Brown), in my opinion, has done less for education than any other governor," he said.

Bosco explained that the governor usually takes a stand on education, and the legislature either supports that stand or opposes it. "Even Reagan provided a focal point. He gave you something to fight at least," he said.

Bosco interprets Brown's repeated failures to address education in his speeches as an example of his indifference to secondary and higher education.

"It's probably the most crucial problem insofar as to how it effects families and future of young citizens in the state," Bosco said.

Bosco sees strikes by primary level teachers as likely soon, although he expects pay increases of six to seven per cent for teachers on all levels this year, as opposed to no increase last year.

However, he doesn't expect strikes at the college level because "by that time you lose a lot of sympathy. I don't know why, I don't feel that way," he said.

Associated Students President Ed Scher asked him what recommendations he had for students getting heard in the legislature. Bosco suggested coming to Sacramento to talk to legislators in person.

Before Bosco spoke to the SLC, AS Vice-President Ed Bowler went over a list of

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Sacramento guest

State Assemblyman Doug Bosco, while addressing a recent meeting of the Student Legislative Council, spoke harshly of Gov. Jerry Brown, accusing him of failing to provide leadership in the state — especially in the area of education.

Larry Carr

Arrested at Arcata restaurant

Transient threatens administration bldg.

By PAMELA D. KAPLAN
staff writer

A 29-year-old man who allegedly threatened to blow up Siemens Hall was arrested last week in a local restaurant.

Late Monday afternoon, a series of events concerning the bomb threat came to a close when the University Police Department received an anonymous phone call. The caller had reportedly been approached on a street in Arcata by a man who proclaimed, "I'm going to blow up the administration building."

Kathy M. Copp, a campus peace officer said, "Soon after this call, the Arcata Police Department received another anonymous call that the man in question was at the International Peasant in Arcata."

At 5 p.m., Dean Allen Thurnall, 29, considered a transient by the police, was arrested at the restaurant for "making a false bomb report to officials," said Copp, the arresting officer.

Thurnall allegedly made three telephoned bomb threats Monday afternoon.

The first, at approximately 2:30 p.m., was to the Office of Administrative Services, located in Nelson Hall.

Karen L. Atchinson, a clerical assistant in the office, answered the call.

She recalled, "He said, 'I am from Free the Jews. Unless all the Arab students are dismissed from the university, we will blow-up the administration building in 5 hours.'"

"He didn't identify himself. I asked him to repeat what he'd said. He spoke slowly and repeated the message."

Atchinson reported the call to Edward Del Biaggio, director of Administrative

Services who then reported it to UPD.

At 2:49 p.m., a clerical assistant in the Office of Admissions and Records, who asked to remain anonymous, received the second call.

"He wasn't exasperated or hurried at all. He identified himself with what I thought was a female name and then he said, 'Unless all the Arabs and Jews are evacuated from the Hall within 3 hours, the building will be bombed,'" she said.

At 3:15 p.m., Dan Turner at KATA radio station in Arcata, received the third call on the station's request line.

Turner reported the caller as saying, "This is the Jewish Liberation Movement. If all the Arabs don't leave the county by 5 o'clock, we're going to bomb the administration building."

"He said it really calmly, like it was well-rehearsed," Turner added.

When UPD received notification of the calls, they sent three officers to Siemens

Hall to search for the bomb.

Copp, one of those involved in the search, said, "We were looking for anything out of place or suspicious."

"For instance," she said, "Somebody's purse stuck under a chair in an empty room."

At 5 p.m., plant operations closed down the power in Siemens Hall "as a safety measure," Copp said, "to insure that people would not try to enter the building."

Soon after Siemens Hall had been closed down, UPD received the anonymous call. Minutes later, the Arcata Police received the call that the man was at the restaurant in Arcata.

Both police departments met at International Peasant and Thurnall was arrested.

On Thursday, his bail was set at \$3,000. He was charged with making a bomb threat.

Bomb threat cases are called "wobblers" because they can be considered either felonies or misdemeanors. Thurnall's has been filed as a misdemeanor.

Michael Morrison, deputy district attorney, said in a recent interview that the decision to charge a bomb threat as a felony or a misdemeanor is determined by "a feel for just how serious the situation is."

"It depends on the individual involved," he said.

"Indications from Thurnall and evidence from the case suggest that he is just looking for some help," Morrison added.

"The incident was a vehicle with which to draw attention to that need."

"Thurnall has indicated that he needs and wants help. We'd rather give him the help than lock him behind bars," Morrison said.

Nuclear power vulnerable, aid says; conservation, decentralization needed

By MIKE RAVEN
staff writer

The breakdown of the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Harrisburg, Pa., is much more serious than news coverage indicates, said L. Wade Rose, Governor Brown's Deputy Assistant for Issues and Planning.

Rose was stepping in for his boss, Wilson Clark, who was called away to advise at the Three Mile Island site.

He spoke to an audience of about 100

persons in the Kate Buchanan Room of the University Center last Thursday. The event was sponsored by the Students for a Libertarian Society.

This signifies the vulnerability of nuclear power, said Rose. "The cooling system broke down because a valve blew — a very minor problem in the complex workings of a power plant, but it shut the whole thing down."

Rose said the aim of the Brown administration is to develop a diversified and decentralized base of renewable energy sources. "We view nuclear power as just one of many ways to create this base," he said.

This is in sharp contrast to federal policy, said Rose, which is committed to centralized power and nuclear power. "We have a national energy policy and it is nuclear. The fight now is the attempt to change that."

Because of this, Rose claims, "the feds don't like us. It's nasty to be a California government employee right now. They don't want to give us a chance."

When asked what he thought the role of government in nuclear power should be he said, "I don't know... but I think they'll find it economically unfeasible simply because of the expense of all the necessary safety features."

"This is a myth we have been fed that there are no risks in nuclear power. They thought it was cheap energy — 'the

saving grace.'

"The trauma we are going through now is finding out that there are immense limitations to nuclear power."

Rose sees the conversion to renewable energy as a "40-year change cycle," and thinks nuclear power should be held as a viable option and not eliminated.

The best resource is conservation, he said. "It is astounding how much we waste." Simple conservation measures are all that is necessary. "It's just a matter of focusing."

The main source of energy California has is petroleum. Petroleum and natural gas supply about 70 percent of California's power, according to Rose.

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Reduced pot-growing penalties supported

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suggested cutbacks with the SLC.

Examples of these cutbacks were eliminating summer school, cutting uniform allowances for student campus police and cutting out the Chancellor's office. After he received a straw vote from the council favoring these cutbacks, Bowler asked Bosco what he would do with these suggestions.

Bosco replied he would discuss the suggestions with the HSU administration to get their views, and keep both views in mind when dealing with cutback decisions.

"I believe very strongly that students should play a major role in deciding these (issues)," he told the SLC. He offered to return to HSU if the students ask him to.

Bosco said he believes there will be attempts to impose tuition on state university and college students, but there wasn't support for such a move in the Legislature. Tuition is not a real threat at this time.

Bosco would not take a stand on the Arcata Rent Initiative, although he said the people behind the measure "are addressing the legitimate problems." He said the initiative may be effected by an increase in the state renters' rebate, which he expects will be increased from \$37 to anywhere from \$150 to \$180.

He promised to work on procuring ren-

"I think the reason for the high price of marijuana is because it's illegal. They're not going to get \$50 a lid when it can be grown all over the state by agribusiness."

ters' rebates "that are decent-sized, not just a token amount." He also said he would work on student housing, if it is determined there is still a need.

Bosco said he doesn't expect there to be any cooling off in the herbicide controversy, despite the recent ban on the use of 2,4,5-T. "The battle will change," he said. "Whether you shift from 2,4,5-T to 2,4-D or any number of others, it's a question of logistically where do we reach this environmental-economic balance."

Bosco said the state is encouraging a weaning away from the use of chemicals in agriculture, but use is still increasing. "It's real hard to get people away from things that are as easy to use as chemicals, because doing it the other way is harder." He believes the dependence on chemicals is

not cost-effective, "and that would be the most effective argument to use." Bosco said he doesn't know enough about 2,4-D to take a stand on it yet.

Bosco said the economic clout of big growers is very blatant in political buying and selling, and that makes them a very difficult target. "This state, more than any other, gives breaks to its agribusiness," he said.

"In the early part of this century, when they set aside the wastelands and the water reclamation came through, which is heavily subsidized by the taxpayers, Teddy Roosevelt said it was done to give the little guy a chance. If any public policy in this country has been more perverted than that, I'd like to know what it is."

Bosco said family farms are more efficient "if you define efficiency as I do, in terms of jobs as well as production and keeping up the quality of life."

Unlike State Senator Barry Keene, Bosco does not see the marijuana industry as a potential legitimate economic boost to the North Coast.

"I think the reason for the high price of marijuana is because it's illegal. They're not going to get \$50 a lid when it can be grown all over the state by agribusiness."

Bosco said he's against the legalization of marijuana because "I don't like to encourage from a societal or a legal standpoint any further legitimization of drugs."

Nonetheless, he intends to introduce legislation to further decriminalize marijuana by taking cultivation out of the felony category. Bosco said four district attorneys in the Sixth District support his measure.

"I don't think anything more radical would pass," he said, referring to Willie Brown's bill to make cultivation of small amounts of pot punishable by \$100 fines, and Keene's guarded suggestion that cultivation be decriminalized and possibly legalized in the future.

Bosco thinks it is a mistake for the government to approach drugs as a legal, rather than a medical problem. "I think doctors should be able to prescribe heroin for addicts. It's far better to have clinics giving it out than it is to have them stealing and jeopardizing themselves and others to support their habit. It's clear in my mind that we're wasting a lot of money and a lot of human lives by completely miscategorizing the drug problem."

Bosco also blamed Brown for not providing leadership in the unemployment field. He said the failure of the state to match federal funds is cutting the number of California Employment and Training Act

positions available to Californians.

On the North Coast, Bosco sees fishing and tourism as potential boosts for the local economy. Accessibility is a primary concern, he said, referring to the Cloverdale Bypass plan, which would make highway travel to this area less difficult, and boost trucking potential.

Bosco also favors subsidizing passenger trains on the North Coast. "That would really help to bring money into the area," he said.

"I think doctors should be able to prescribe heroin for addicts. It's far better to have clinics giving it out than to have them stealing and jeopardizing themselves and others to support their habits."

Such a plan would have to be dealt with on a federal level through Amtrak, he added. Bosco said he has discussed the idea with Congressman Don Clausen. "I think he's interested in it, too."

Bosco said he hasn't introduced many bills himself this year because he's still learning how to handle his new job as a legislator. One of the major bills he has introduced is one intended to change the wording in the Bays and Estuaries Policy. The policy "requires that any discharge

into the bay, any bay, enhance the water quality," Bosco said. "We want to change that so that it merely doesn't in any way damage the water quality." The wording of the policy has caused controversy about sewage discharge in Humboldt Bay.

He has also introduced three gas station bills, which will affect the rights of small gas station operators.

A couple of bills were formulated by Bosco to give College of the Redwoods and Mendocino College financial aid.

Next year, Bosco intends to introduce political reform and housing legislation.

Bosco believes political reform is needed so that legislation like the bottle bill won't be at the mercy of big business. The bottle bill would require a five cent deposit on bottles.

Bottle manufacturers oppose this bill because if bottles are recycled, there will be no need for them to make as many, and they'll make fewer profits.

Bosco said reforms such as the bottle bill are blocked by "the big bottleneck in the legislature, because you have to analyze how people get elected."

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Viewpoints

Are we progressing ourselves to death?

"The whole point is to determine what constitutes progress . . . to 'leave it to the experts' means to side with the people of the forward stampede."

—E.F. Schumacher

The U.S. Forest Service plans to spray 4,000 acres in the Smith and Klamath Rivers Watersheds this spring with the phenoxy herbicide 2,4-D. Forest Service experts say it is safe. We disagree.

The same thing has been said about nuclear power plants. The residents of Harrisburg, Penn., site of last week's nuclear accident, don't feel so "safe" anymore. Neither do the residents of the forests in Northern California.

Last week, citizens protested the Forest Service's haste in the spraying operation, claiming that the Forest Service has neither demonstrated the need for spraying nor proven the safety of 2,4-D.

The herbicide, which is used to promote timber growth by killing off hardwood brush, has caused fetal deaths, birth defects, chromosome mutations and cancer in laboratory animals. Workers exposed to the herbicide have reportedly suffered headaches, stomach pains, dizziness, black-outs, double vision, nausea and liver dysfunction.

The Forest Service cannot be sure that the herbicides are safe. The experiences of many in the sprayed areas indicate they are not safe. The Forest Service says it is not its responsibility to determine the chemical's safety. The experts don't know.

The people who live, work and play in these areas have a right to know whether they are being poisoned or not. Rather than rush ahead with the forward stampede, the Forest Service should pursue a more cautious, prudent path. It should be able to guarantee that using 2,4-D is safe. Failing that, it should use alternatives such as manual clearing of brush, which would help the unemployment rolls. That's progress.



Letters to the editor

Creepy

Editor:

It has come to my attention that come June persons who are not students or faculty will no longer be able to borrow books from the HSU library. That is a very creepy policy.

At a time when the county-wide library system is cutting back its hours and when there is even talk about completely closing some branches how can HSU even think about refusing to let residents withdraw books? Even proposing such a change in library policy is outrageous.

If local people can no longer withdraw books from the library their access to information will be severely limited. This is not right.

Cheri Strong
freshman, journalism

At water's edge

Editor:

Beginning April 1, 1979, the Army Corps of Engineers will fill New Melones Reservoir of the Stanislaus River in Central California. Friends of the River, initially organized nearly a decade ago, is planning a witness and encampment at the edge of the reservoir's rising waters during April, May and June. Members of the North Coast

chapter of Friends of the River are planning to participate in the encampment April 1-8, 9-15, and June 8-17. Our purpose is to limit the filling by making known this destruction of wilderness.

The Stanislaus damming concerns us because it is unnecessary destruction of an irreplaceable educational, archeological and recreational resource. Since California still has no comprehensive water conservation plan, we North Coast residents fear our northern rivers could suffer the same fate.

Whatever your reason for saving wilderness, join us at the Stanislaus encampment. Come and see what it means to kill a wild river! For general information and carpooling, call Terry Allen at 668-5575.

Friends of the River
Arcata

'grown stunted

Editor:

I have put off writing this letter in hopes that the problem which I am about to discuss would have somehow resolved itself. Unfortunately, due to the conceited indifference of others, this has not happened. The problem I will discuss is in the structure of two forms; the first being KHSU radio, and the second being the student grievance process.

I created and produced a show

on KHSU called Humboldt Homegrown, in which local bands would play "live" on air. The show, which started last year, was met with a tremendous response from our listening audience. In fact, it was one of KHSU's most successful shows. I created the show with a live format because it gave the show character and made it unique to this area only. Another feature of the format was that it took less manpower to produce a show, both for performers and KHSU staff.

When the show first aired, there were immediately several restrictions placed on the format by a new faculty advisor of the station, Janellen Hill-Brown. This altered the show considerably. It was promised that if two shows were done in this fashion, they would be evaluated, then the show could be tried in the live format again.

The first show, which featured Howard Nave, Take Two, and Pacific Grass and Acoustic, was done as she suggested. After that show, I was informed by the new station manager, Ron Borland, that the show would permanently be recorded. This totally went against what we agreed to.

When John Chonka (a co-producer of Homegrown) and I contested this change, we were both thrown off the show. I began contesting that decision, and was completely excluded, and banned

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from the station. That was four months ago.

While pursuing the student grievance process, I have found it completely ineffectual in coming to justice. It is essentially what it claims to be... a process. A student is alienated, demoralized and quite thoroughly... "processed."

The main point I am trying to make in this discussion is that Janellen Hill-Brown, in excluding me from the station, has obscured the main issues of Humboldt Homegrown. Instead of dealing with a problem, she got rid of it. Is that a way to direct alternative radio?

If the SLC is that concerned over rights, especially in South Africa, I would challenge them to look at my rights, a student whom they represent. Are there rights in the present grievance process?

If the student newspaper, The Lumberjack, really considers itself a journalistic enterprise, I would ask it to find out how much students decide on the station, including finding the students who excluded me from the activity (there were none).

I would ask Janellen Hill-Brown and Ronald Borland to make public all Speech Communication memorandums they wrote to justify my dismissal. If the documents are free of lies, half-truths and innuendoes, then they should easily explain the questions I pose here.

I contend that everything I've gone through should never happen to any student; and I would endeavor to see the student have the same simple rights of any citizen.

Robert L. Cheney Jr.
junior, journalism

It's control

Editor:

I have an observation to make about the flyer currently being circulated by the Arcata Renter's Rebate Committee. The flyer states "The measure is a rent rebate, not rent control." Of course it's rent control.

The ARRC is calling the measure a rent rebate because the property tax savings of landlords is used in the calculation of a given rental unit's adjusted base rent. It's quite true that renters would share in property tax savings through this provision. But the method by which they would share is through a controlled monthly rent. It is only through a slightly twisted use of language that the provision can be called a rebate. Even if you want to call it a rebate, it's still rent control. Sections 4 through 6 of the proposed ordinance spell out the formulas by which a given unit's maximum monthly rent is found.

As a student of philosophy and

economics for the past few years, I have come to believe that all of the possible solutions to society's problems, the solution of increased government control is usually not the best one. I urge all students to study the issues and arguments closely before deciding how to vote on the proposed ordinance.

Larry Jones
graduate,
business and economics

Save KATA

Editor:

This is to inform HSU students that Humboldt County is about to lose one of its finest radio stations. No, not our own KHSU, but local KATA in Arcata.

KATA is in the process of changing to a Top 40 format. This is an atrocity I do not wish to see happen. It is an insult to a predominately college-age community.

KATA and KHSU have consistently catered to the needs of the community and are two of the finest stations I have heard since the late 60's.

If you feel as I do, please write: Kerry Kruger, general manager, KATA, South G St., Arcata.

Save free radio!
Bill Kernodle
junior, music

Pushed aside

Editor:

As a religious historian interested in Buddhism, as well as in all other religions, and as a member of the HSU religious studies faculty, I was anxious to set up a display in the library commemorating the birth of Gotama Shakyamuni, the Buddha, whose birth date is celebrated by most of the Buddhist world on April 8.

I was disappointed to learn that displays related to religious topics are usually shunted into cases on the side of the hall rather than cases in the central part of the library. This policy appears to be due to the fact that religious matters are in of themselves sensitive ones and also due to the concern to maintain strict separation of church and state so that there will be no infringement of anyone's religious liberty.

This policy of de-emphasizing religion and the apparent reasons for doing so raises a question for me. Does the dissemination of information concerning the date and place of the birth founder of one of the world's major religions infringe on anyone's religious liberty?

Gael A. Hodgkins
lecturer
religious studies

Lounging

Editor:

Each time I read the letter entitled "Trying to study," I notice that the writer said University Center lounge, not study hall, not library, not quiet area, but lounge. Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary defines lounge as "a room in a... public building for leisure occupations." Personally, I don't care to study in my leisure time. I'd rather "chat about everything under the sun."

As long as I can remember the lounge has been a place to socialize, it even used to have a TV for the convenience of those who lounge. However, when the library addition had undergone construction, people flocked to other places to study to avoid poisonous gases and construction noises, thus no more TV. Now the library has some of the most comfortable furniture on campus, as well as being a place designed for quiet and studying.

So, as I see it, there are comfortable places to study in quiet and comfortable places to socialize.

John Fontana
senior, oceanography

Carson show

Editor:

In response to last month's letter about Officer Carson, we would like to add an anecdote. We are a CETA crew, hired by the Associated Students to do remodeling work on AS houses. Presently we are working on Hagopian House and have received six tickets between us from Officer Carson. He had given us visitor parking cards, then revoked them without notifying us. After writing tickets for all of us he then informed us we needed staff parking permits. All tickets were eventually dismissed by the courts, but what a waste of time and money. (Is this possibly what Proposition 13 was about?)

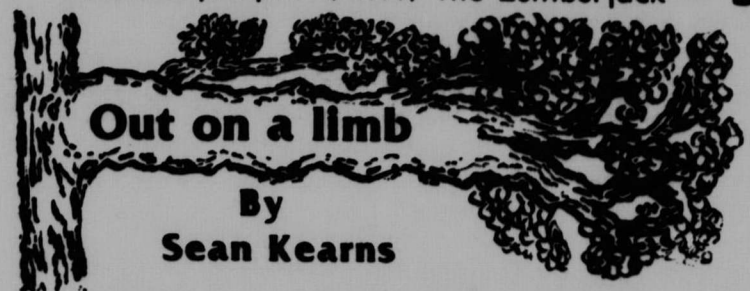
On Friday, March 8 we were pouring cement and someone without any parking sticker at all was parked in Hagopian driveway. We attempted to find the person since concrete truck standing time is \$25 per hour, but as a last resort we called the campus police. Officer Carson refused, when asked twice, to take any action at all. He was just down the street when one of our carpenters asked him personally, but he refused to even come half a block to take a look much less write a citation. We consider this non-objective police work in fact harassment, which comes closer to the truth.

Tom Gievers
Tom Shargitz
Eureka

Rebate "fair"

Editor:

The Arcata Renters' Property Tax Rebate Ordinance of 1979 is a fair, workable and straightforward method of providing tax



It's just them I-gotta-find-me-a-job blues

My timing is off. I get hungry when there's nothing to eat. I sneeze on blind dates with my hands in my pockets.

Yesterday it happened again. Without a dime I went shopping, but when I got there the job market was closed and empty. The faded sign on the door read, "Moved to 29 Toad Rd." and offered a map instead of an explanation.

Whistling the "Puritan-ethical-stockyard-blues" to the jingle of the nickels in my pocket, I walked past the red light district.

Amidst the world's oldest profession, I swore my job would be humane and decent. 'Good' pay is honest, and enough to keep me warm, free and fed.

Twenty-nine Toad Rd. was on a sidewalk caked with gum and depression. I stopped whistling when I saw the sign above it. "Willie's Pawnshop — I take what you got cuz I got what it takes."

Pawnbroking must be the second oldest profession.

Inside I was greeted by a raunchy but sober man with a size 48 belt holding his baggy pants up and his tight white summer shirt down.

"Whatcha need or whatcha got?" he asked.

"A job and not much."

"A job?" It wasn't a question the way he leaned back and laughed like that. When his belly and elbows splashed down on the counter, he said, "I'm out of the job business. Too much government."

He began to sound like a concerned uncle. "I can help you but not in those linens, boy. Let me put you in a gray tweed. Could use a shave too."

He gave me the suit and a pawn ticket for my guitar and skimboard. Off I went into the jungle, whistling in tweedy harmony with my job hunting guns polished and true.

After a few futile hours in the brown nose district I abandoned the hunt without firing a shot. I spotted some beastly jobs, but none worth taking.

Like "Wholesale Trade Sales, \$10,000." Nobody needs what I'd be selling.

"Bank Officer, \$12,000." If I gamble for a living, I'll do it with my money and friends at a penny ante poker table.

"Nuclear Plant Designer, \$30,000." I'm morally overqualified. See "Bank Officer" for my gambling attitudes.

On the bus back to the pawnshop, a double-knitted man with a belly like Willie's challenged my unemployed smile, "So what do you do for a living, son?" he asked.

"Eat, sleep and breath. I like to clown around so maybe I'll hire out for birthday parties," I said, and then gave him the question he was really asking me.

"And how do you justify your existence?"

It took him a second to surface from the depth of the inquisition and catch his breath, but then he said, "Presto-Plastic Packaging. I handle the lunchmeat accounts."

He offered me some headcheese and pressed turkey displayed in his wares. I declined and he gave me his card instead.

I got back to Willie just before he closed and got my guitar and skimboard out of hawk. As I gave him back the tweed suit I said, "It's not such a bad style, but it gives me itchy rashes under the arms."

"I hear you, boy," he said. "Must be something with that outfit. You're the fifteenth guy to wear it and bring it back. It used to be mine, but it never fit me either."

relief to renters.

Almost every politician, real estate organization and conservative leader in this state has endorsed rent rebates for renters as a method of tax relief — in light of the gross inequity which exists under current law. Renters are left with little tax relief and a handful of empty Proposition 13 promises for rent rebates. On the other hand, owners of rental property have enjoyed a windfall from the passage of Proposition 13 and a major reduction in capital gains tax.

This inequity is difficult to bear but it has become impossible to bear since 50 percent of Arcata's landlords have been so impolitical to increase rents beyond their Proposition 13 levels. This

was done in defiance of the Humboldt County Board of Realtors voluntary rent rebate program.

Fairness is the central issue which the voters of Arcata will be considering between now and April 24. Proposition A will accomplish the goal of rent rebates which have so widely been viewed as a fair solution to the current inequity.

Proposition A simply provides that landlords provide renters with the rebates as promised. The ordinance lasts for one year. Over that year, landlords will pass over "net" tax savings to their renters in the form of reduced rents.

Proposition A is fair to lan-

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Letters intended for publication must be typed, double-spaced, two pages maximum and signed with the author's name, major and class standing if a student, title and department if faculty, staff or administration member and town if a community resident. The author's address and phone number should also be included. Names may be withheld upon request when a justifiable reason is presented. The deadline for letters and guest opinions is noon Friday for next-week publication. All items submitted become the property of The Lumberjack and are subject to editing. Publishing is on a space-available basis.

Letters and guest opinions may be mailed to or left at The Lumberjack office, Nelson Hall East 6 (basement), or deposited in The Lumberjack box located inside the entrance of the HSU library.

And more letters

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dlords. It allows them a 4 percent profit increase in addition to adjustments for all inflationary costs.

Proposition A will bring hundreds of thousands of dollars into the local retail economy. It brings tax savings back home to renters from absentee landlords.

Proposition A will work. Similar ordinances are currently providing tax relief in Berkeley, Davis, Beverly Hills, Cotati and numerous other California cities. Opponents' scare tactics have been proven wrong by the experience of these cities.

Proposition A will not create any bureaucracy. It is completely tenant enforced through the easily-used small claims court system. If a renter is satisfied with the status quo he may chose to forego the rebate.

Proposition A encourages rental housing maintenance and improvement because it allows landlords the flexibility to invest the tax savings into improvements before passing on the rebate.

Proposition A cannot reduce assessments of property values.

Proposition A will not affect homeowners.

Proposition A will not have adverse effects on Arcata as opponents claim.

Renters were promised they would benefit from the passage of Proposition 13. That's what it is all about. Renters are no longer willing to be second-class

citizens. We are cashing in on these promises with a fair, simple, local democratic solution — Proposition A.

The speculators, developers and special interest real estate lobby are planning to spend more money than has ever been spent in a local election to distort the facts about Proposition A. Scare tactics and extravagant campaign spending have never worked in the Arcata community.

We ask the voters to closely examine the opponents claims, review the facts, and read the ordinance. Proposition A is the only guarantee of fairness.

The Arcata Rent Rebate Committee, Arcata

Intramural correction

Editor:

We would like to correct an error in The Lumberjack Sports (winter quarter final issue). The defending intramural basketball champions were the Fonzerelli IV, not Born to Run as printed. The Fonzerellis held the title from 1975 to 1977 and won 29 consecutive games until being dethroned this season. But that's the way the ball bounces.

The Fonzerellis,
past and present
Arcata

For your information:

Get artsy

All professional and amateur artists are invited to participate in the 16th annual Ferndale Art Festival to be held in Ferndale May 6-13.

The entries, in both art and craft areas, will be displayed in the windows of Ferndale businesses during the week of the festival. Prizes will be awarded in all categories, professional and amateur.

Artists interested in showing should contact Laura Hussey in care of Hobart Galleries, 725-3851, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Entry fees are \$7.50 and should be in by May 1.

Get wet

HSU students can swim at the North Humboldt Community Pool for no charge and one unit of physical education credit.

The North Humboldt Community Pool, a branch campus of College of the Redwoods, will offer:

—A morning recreational swimming class Monday and

Wednesday, 10-11.

—An afternoon recreational class Monday and Wednesday from 4:30-5:30.

—A masters class on Monday and Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Women's groups

Two women's groups will be sponsored by the HSU Women's Center this quarter.

A women's self-awareness consciousness-raising group will meet Wednesdays 12:30-2:30 p.m. in room 102A of House 55, beginning April 4.

A women's problem solving group, continuing from last quarter, needs new members. This group meets Tuesdays 12-2 p.m., beginning March 27.

If you would like to join either of these groups, come to the first meeting or call the center at 836-4216.

A heritage

"Heritage in Bloom," a three-day weekend of events sponsored by the Eureka Heritage Society, will be a new part of this year's annual Rhododendron Festival to

be held in April.

The program will include a wine-tasting party with music and dancing at the Eureka Inn Friday, April 27. Cultural exhibits, fashion shows and craft demonstrations will be held at the inn Saturday and Sunday afternoon, April 28-29.

An antique car show will be held at the Eureka Municipal Auditorium, also on Saturday and Sunday.

There will also be activities, events and displays highlighting Eureka's maritime history. These will be held in Old Town on Sunday, April 29.

For further information call Jan Husband at 443-2419.

Get down!

Mad River Dance Co-op begins its spring 1979 schedule of classes this week.

Classes will be offered in modern dance, ballet, jazz, improvisation and composition, creative movement for children, teen dance, and exercise.

No prior experience is necessary and classes are offered for beginning through advanced students of all ages.

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LANDSAT abilities used for land planning

By KATHY VOGT

Forestry Professor Larry Fox is helping the National Aeronautics Space Administration bring its space technology back to earth.

Funded by an \$85,000 grant from the Western Regional Applications Program, Fox is involved in a program to demonstrate the possible land planning uses of information gathered from LANDSAT (Land Satellite), a NASA satellite.

"The goal is to not only use LANDSAT in an operational environment, such as with the California Department of Forestry, but also to build up an understanding of its capabilities with agency personnel so that they can use it in the future," Fox said.

To accomplish both of these objectives, Fox is working on three projects. The first is a demonstration project with the U.S. Forest Service on the McCloud Ranger District of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest.

"The only way you can encourage agencies to use LANDSAT is to demonstrate its abilities to them, not through a research project but through an operational project on their lands," Fox said.

The demonstration with the McCloud District involves using LANDSAT imagery and computer analysis to determine timber types and to estimate areas, number of trees per area, commercial wood volumes and tree sizes.

"We can't map their road system for them," Fox said. "All we can give them is a forest classification, but we're going to give them a good one. It's going to be detailed and it's going to be precise."

His second project is to develop training modules to teach agency personnel how to use LANDSAT data. He is putting together a text and slide program "so that somebody can sit down with this material, pull out the first slide and go from there."



This infrared photo of Humboldt Bay was taken by the NASA satellite, LANDSAT, which passes this region every nine days. Most of the satellite's photos of this area are obscured by heavy cloud cover. A small cloud looms over the ocean on lower left area of this photo.

"NASA is hoping they can use these things directly with the agencies to cut the cost of training," Fox said. "For example, right now if they wanted to train ten people in the Idaho Department of Natural Resources, there is only one way to get them trained. Either they fly a staff of five instructors to Idaho, or they fly ten people to NASA in Ames, Iowa."

Once Fox's training modules are developed, they will be used throughout the western United States.

His final project is to build LANDSAT data computer analysis capability into our computer system at HSU.

Other people who are paid by the grant are Ken Mayor, a wildlife graduate student, who is the data analyst and Joe Webster, the administrative coordinator.

"We're in a situation that if we didn't have an administrator, we'd be in hot water in a hurry," Fox said.

LANDSAT is a scanner satellite that orbits the earth at an altitude of about 550 miles, circling the earth 14 times a day.

With each orbit, it adjusts itself slightly so that it scans a different section of the earth. It takes 18 days to scan the entire earth and is "sun-synchronized" to get the best light angle.

The cameras aboard the satellite record a video image that is converted to digital codes, transmitted to earth by electronic means and is reconstructed by computers.

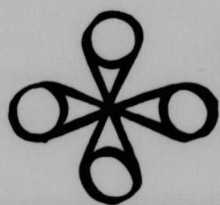
The final "picture" created is actually a composite of colored squares called picture elements. Each picture element represents 1.1 acres on the ground.

Fox's projects are funded for one year, from Oct. 1, 1978, to Sept. 30, 1979, but he is not sure they will insure the future use of LANDSAT.

"LANDSAT has tremendous applications," Fox said, "but if no one uses it, its case is closed."

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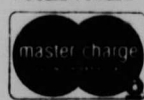
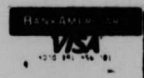
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The 'Boiler Room': Faculty sells Humboldt to perspective students

By JEFF STEVENSON
staff writer

There's a "boiler room" on campus where, four nights a week, faculty members from various departments call students who have applied for admission at Humboldt State University.

The term "boiler room" refers to stock brokers' former practice of setting up several telephones in a room to buy and sell stocks and bonds. This personal communication with the clients was supposed to be the key to trade.

This same type of operation has been set up at HSU with the help of Don Clancy, director of admissions and college records, and President Alistair McCrone.

"I can't think of a better way to personalize the admissions system," said Clancy, "than to have a man like Howard Seemann come up here to our office and call the students who have applied for admission to Humboldt's

journalism department."

Clancy's assistant, Betty Sundberg, has been supervising the boiler room since it started about three weeks ago. The calls are usually made Monday through Thursday between 5 and 7:30 p.m. Clancy said this is the most likely time to find the students at home.

"Most professors don't realize how much students appreciate it," Clancy said.

"They are almost overwhelmed. They ask stuff like, 'Are you really calling me from Arcata?' Sometimes the parents and students get on an extension phone and start a three-way conversation."

The purpose of the calls is to answer any questions that the student might have about the school or his major. If the student plans to be in the area, the professor may invite him or her to attend a couple of classes or offer to give a tour of the campus.

"The people who have made the calls have been impressed," said Clancy.

"One of the professors who came here to call said, 'You know, I was really reluctant to come up here and call. I really didn't think it would do that much good.' He's been back up here twice since then and is really excited about it."

Yet, approximately half of the faculty have not responded to the idea. Some say that it is not their responsibility to "recruit" students.

"One professor said that he didn't earn a Ph.D. to make phone calls. He felt that it was 'beneath' him to do it," Clancy said.

"Another said that it was commercial. A dean said, 'My faculty would rather lose their jobs than place those telephone calls.' That's a fact," Clancy said.

The idea of calling prospective students is not a new one, according to Clancy. Both he and McCrone have had private school orientation, and know that it's not uncommon in such a

situation.

"We only have two ATSS (Automatic Telecommunications Switching System) lines going off campus, so really only two people at a time can be making the calls. The school is picking up the cost," Clancy said.

The ATSS lines are operated in such a way that only every fifth call is billed to the school.

During the two hours of phoning, usually 15 calls are made. The professors are often asked to call back if the student isn't at home.

"This idea is either being accepted very well by the departments or not at all," Clancy said.

"Some of the professors feel that it should be my job to call the students since I'm working directly with admissions," said Clancy. "Yet I'm on a totally different level. The students would rather hear from their future teachers, not me."

NASA brings remote sensing to Humboldt

By VINCENT BASHAW
staff writer

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is sending \$80,000 this year to their three-year remote sensing project at Humboldt State University.

Remote sensing is a method of taking photographs by orbiting satellites. The photographs show what our planet's surface is like in infrared, thermal infrared (radiated energy photos) and

radar.

These photographs detect problems and supply information that would take years to gather any other way. The NASA Remote Sensing and Technology Transfer Project has helped local and state governments develop better ways to solve old problems.

Donna Hankins, project director, said the grant will be divided into three things:

—a pilot course on computer application in remote sensing.

—an international training course and conference

—and county workshops on post-Proposition 13 survival."

The international conference will have persons from Canada, Peru, Japan and the United States, said Hankins. It will be held Aug. 19-24 with a \$300 fee.

The course and conference will include a full syllabus, satellite imagery, aircraft and radar photography, prints, maps and overlays. Special luncheons and a banquet will also be held during the five days.

The county workshops will be held on April 5 and 6 at the CALTRANS Building, 1656 Union St., Eureka. The workshops will go over the projects, such as water management, fuel management, and timber types, that the state and federal agencies are working on in Northern California.

The workshops will cover maps, photography, computer products, services available to the counties and cooperative ways in which counties can make the best use of what is or could be available. Admission is free. The workshops start at 9 a.m.

Representatives from the California State University and College system, the U.S. Geological Survey, NASA and several state agencies and private industries will be at the workshops.

This year there are two major goals of the Technology Transfer Project. One is to expand the training programs in technology at HSU. The other is to help Northern California counties find ways to use technology in county planning, business and in compliance with legislation.

"Prop. 13 has forced county governments to tighten up on spending," Hankins said. "We hope to help them learn ways to comply with state and federal legislation."

Hankins said that there is a good chance of the grant being renewed next year, but probably for less money.



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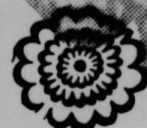


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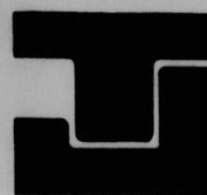
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Rebate forum: economic justice and impact are key issues

By SUSAN TURNER
staff writer

Despite a rather low turnout, the Renters' Rebate Initiative Forum last Wednesday foretold of public sentiment over the benefits and disadvantages of Proposition A.

Peak attendance reached approximately 70 persons, with the audience comprised largely of renters. It began as a discussion of the initiative but became more heated when the debate panel fielded questions from the audience.

In essence, the proponents argued that "economic justice" for renters was the issue while the opponents emphasized the economic impact on Arcata business and housing.

Speaking in favor of the initiative were Kevin Gladstone, Arcata Renters' Rebate Committee member and Wesley Chesbro, Arcata City Councilmember. Speakers in opposition to the measure were Monica Blaszcak, an economics student; Alexandra Fairless, Arcata City Councilmember; and Donna Bass, a political science major.

The debate began with an opening statement by Blaszcak, in which she focused on students' attitudes toward the initiative. "A vote on this measure should not be based on liberal versus conservative attitudes. Ideology can't enter into a decision on this issue. Students should be problem-oriented in looking at the Renters' Rebate Initiative," she said.

Blaszcak spoke of the ordinance's assertion of a housing shortage and resultant high rents in Arcata. "The answer to these problems, according to proponents, is a rebate to tenants in order to lower rents. But according to the Off-Campus Housing Newsletter there is no housing shortage in Arcata," she said.

Gladstone focussed on defining the purpose of the initiative. "Rents are not the issue: equity is what's important. Renters are not sharing in property tax savings that landlords received from Proposition 13.

"The interest of Proposition A is not to increase housing supply or lower rents," he said.

Fairless, in her opening statement, cited the effect of the ordinance on the small landlords. "This initiative will probably harm the smaller landlords who are trying to keep their rental property in good condition.

"Proposition A has gone after a certain element in this community — the big bad landlord. We have to do something about some of the landlords, but I think that there must be another way of handling it," she said.

"If it passes, we could get into rent control and will see a

AS President Eddie Scher, left, appears to find discussion at last Wednesday's Renters' Rebate Initiative Forum unstimulating. Kevin Gladstone, member of the Arcata Renters' Rebate Committee, speaks in favor of the controversial initiative. The forum was marked by a rather low turnout as a panel of five discussed the initiative's pros and cons.



deterioration of housing in Arcata."

Chesbro, compared the charges of the opponents to similar arguments used by opponents of the City General Plan (passed in 1975).

"They said that it was going to harm the city economy and that no business would ever want to invest in this city again because we were down-zoning agricultural land in order to maintain it in agricultural production.

"But it became obvious that these charges were a smoke screen when Arcata developed a healthier business climate," he said.

"It's a simple matter of economic justice. Since tenants must share in the reduction of services that local government has had to bring about as a result of Proposition 13, I think that this measure is the very least they deserve," Chesbro said.

Bass centered on the legal aspects of the ordinance. "It's rent control. The wording is extremely ambiguous, the terms are open to interpretation, and although it may be aimed at the absentee owners of large complexes, those are the ones who can afford to get around the provisions of the measure.

"Those landlords who did not raise rents during the time when taxes went up 300 or 400 percent would still be responsible for lowering their rents after the passage of this ordinance," she said.

"It's a con game using Proposition 13 as a bandwagon to get rent control in Arcata," Bass stated.

The question and answer period only scratched the surface of the issues and reflected confusion and anger from the audience about the speculated effects of the initiative. It was a face-to-face confrontation, with landlords directing questions at the proponents of the initiative and tenants focussing on the opponents.

Some were blunt. "Will I get screwed?" asked one landlord.

When asked about funds raised by the Arcata Better Housing Committee, Fairless caused quite a stir when she replied, "One landlord that I talked to felt that the \$35,000 that ABHC has raised was justified, since most of them work and don't have the time or facilities available to them, like The Lumberjack or KHSU to help with free advertising and free information."

Gladstone was asked twice why the initiative would be in effect for one year only. "Is it because you couldn't get permanent rent control?"

"Proposition A would last for one year because we want to provide one-time tax justice," he replied. "We don't want to create a government bureaucracy to enforce it."

The forum was sponsored by the Associated Student Body and The Lumberjack and was moderated by Eddie Scher, AS president.

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Young entrepreneurs keep Arcata

By DEBORA HARTMAN
staff writer

When Arcata financier Isaac Minor built the Minor Theater at the corner of 10th and H Streets in 1914, it's doubtful he anticipated that the theater would one day typically present such films as "Fritz the Cat," "Bananas" and "Invaders From Mars."

Yet this formula seems to have worked for a group of young entrepreneurs, most of them HSU theater arts and cinema graduates, who eight years ago took a chance on an abandoned theater, brought it back to life and helped get the people of Arcata going to the movies again.

"In school, they used to take us to the Minor to show us the typical design of an old theater. We really loved the place," said Rick Brazeau, one of the six original partners and president of the Minor Theater Corp. The firm now operates the Minor, Arcata and Arcata Drive-In theaters, and MTC Associates, an advertising agency.

In a recent interview, Brazeau recalled that in 1971, the Minor had been shut down for 12 years and the Arcata, the only other movie house in town, operated on weekends exclusively. The group began the renovation project that summer with very little capital, but was heartily supported by local citizens.

"We hoped to save some of the charisma of the place — make it seem like it was in 1914," Brazeau said. "It all had to be brought up to code — we had to build downstairs bathrooms and re-arrange the seating for example. If it seems like you have to shoehorn your way in there now, there were 140 more seats when we took over."

"I'm really glad we got the place, because the mood at the time in Arcata was to modernize," he said, adding that with the advent of the new freeway, a few buildings of

historic significance had been torn down.

"You've got to look back to 1914 and realize what an incredibly class operation it was as a theater," Brazeau said. "It wasn't the kind of little grind you'd expect to find in a small backwoods community."

When the Minor opened on Dec. 3, 1914, the Arcata Union boasted that the town now housed "the classiest amusement house in Humboldt" and the area's first "fully equipped theater," because in addition to stage facilities, it included the most modern motion picture equipment then available. The opening night feature was a silent picture entitled "The Chimes."

In addition to movies, the Minor attracted traveling companies, lecturers and vaudeville. It became a "talkie house" with the showing of its first talking picture, "Honey," in 1930.

Since then, however, the Minor has had an on-again, off-again history, closing in the mid-'30s and reopening briefly as a film house after World War II. The stage of the Minor had been dark since the early '60s when Brazeau and company set to work in 1971.

Linda Pitelka worked with the group in the early days and now serves as general manager of the Minor Theater Corp.

"Nobody thought we could do it," she said. "The theater had sat there for 12 years and nobody else had been able to make a go of it."

But, after "a lot of bureaucratic mumbo-jumbo — permit this and permit that," the Minor re-opened its doors on Jan. 1, 1972.

"We used to do a lot of crazy things in those days," Brazeau recalls. "It was 99 cents for a double bill and on Wednesdays, we had a deal where we showed a couple of completely weird movies — you know, 'Attack of the Wasp

New Minor:

At the corner of 10th and J Streets in Arcata stands the Minor Theater, looking not much different from the way it did on Dec. 3, 1914, below, just hours before opening night ceremonies. A sign on the corner of the building reads: "The Minor Theater — the place for men who work and women who stay home all day."



A crowd of Arcatans fills the Minor Theater on opening night, Dec. 3, 1914. Isaac Minor, wearing a black cap, is seated on the aisle seat, seven rows back. In a recent event, the Arcata Union boasted the town now housed "the classiest amusement house in Humboldt."



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Arcata's old Minor Theater alive



Arcatans fills the Minor Theater night, Dec. 3, 1914. Isaac Minor, black cap, is seated on the left even rows back. In a report of The Arcata Union boasted that now housed "the classiest house in Humboldt."

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Women' or whatever — for 49 cents. Anyway, you got your money's worth.

"We were committed to run seven days and have quick film changes. It was pretty much neck and neck competition the first year," he said, adding that they were finally able to out-last the Arcata and bought out that operation in 1974.

Said Pitelka, "I think we hit the college audience at the right time and offered the kind of film that just wasn't available elsewhere."

The theater has maintained its original philosophy of providing a variety of classics, cult and foreign films at a low price. It books mainly a block of 250-300 films which it recycles continually.

Assistant manager Robin Hashem says this kind of operation is by no means as lucrative as the usual fare of "\$3.50 per movie" houses, calling the Minor "pretty much a break-even operation."

"The owners all had a basic love of film and wanted Arcatans to come and see good films — that's why we offer movies that are inexpensive," she said.

Pitelka agreed, adding "What we have going for us is that we're a totally different experience from going to other theaters — that includes having a different type of concessions operation and different kinds of people waiting on you. If we tried to be just like the other movie houses, we'd lose."

Brazeau said, "Pricing is important . . . in charging \$4 for one movie, the industry may be pricing itself out of business."

Admission price is now \$1.50, having been raised recently to "keep up with inflation."

Hashem estimates the weekly attendance at the Minor at 1,400 — most of them college students. The Minor's

appeal to the college crowd might well be summed up by what one student said — "Where else can you go and be entertained for four hours in a funky atmosphere without feeling ripped-off? Besides, they have Milk Duds."

Milk Duds or not, the Minor aims to please its patrons. According to Brazeau, there is considerable reliance on customer input in choosing films to be offered, some of the favorites being Woody Allen films and rock movies.

He mentioned that some of the datestrips (included as part of movie previews, as in "Our Next Attraction . . .") were vintage material which the owners had first found in a box in the theater and had reprinted.

The cat which is commonly seen by the ticket window has been with the operation as long as anyone can remember and is named "Simplex" after the projection equipment used in the Minor. Most of this equipment — projection heads, stands and motors — are original, dating back to 1927, just after sound came out.

Brazeau sees the development of the theater operation as paralleling the upswing of Arcata's cultural development in the last 10 years.

"I think the reason we've been successful — the reason we've grown — is that we've always tried to maintain some contact with the community," he said. "Arcata's finally developing the sense of being a real community, and in the last 10 years, it's become the entertainment capital of Humboldt County."

"I think we enjoy a great relationship to the university," he continued, "since the vast majority of our employees are HSU graduates. MTC Associates also employs a number of young filmmakers from Humboldt through its production department."

In Hashem's words, "I think this operation has a very special place in the community."

Our Gang:

A group of "Our Gang" lookalikes pose for a picture, below, as part of a publicity stunt for the Minor Theater in 1920. The theater became a "talkie house" with its first showing of a talking motion picture in 1930.



Sisters disagree about Iranian homeland

By ALLAN ERICKSON

Maryam and Ziba are sisters, both are from Iran studying here at HSU, and they hold widely different views of the last year's events in their country.

Ziba believes that women's rights under the Shah were better than they will be under the Ayatollah Khomeini.

"Many things were bad under the Shah but Khomeini wants to take us back to the time when women were not allowed to do anything," she said.

Maryam disagrees.

"Women may have a hard time working but eventually things will be better under Khomeini. Women will not have to wear the chador (a full body veil) but it will be encouraged I think."

Maryam said, "The banks, telephone service, mail service and all communications have been closed for a long time and we didn't know how our families and friends were."

"My father was in the Army before he retired and all the houses in our neighborhood were burned. They spared our house only because my family pleaded with the demonstrators."

"For many of us it is impossible to get money from home to pay for tuition and expenses," she said.

Unlike other foreign students from the Oil Producing Exporting Countries, most Iranians do not get government support for their schooling. Of the approximately 100,000 Iranians studying abroad only ten percent receive government money.

"We are not allowed to work with foreign student visas and if we were interested in becoming citizens — it is almost impossible. You either have to marry an American or get a green card from the naturalization service. These green cards are hard to come by unless you have a lot of money," Maryam said.

Ziba said that her tuition this quarter was \$650.

"We have to pay \$38 per unit, almost four times the amount paid by Americans," she said.

Maryam explained that American students were treated much better in Iran.

"Many Americans work in Iran and in fact they are given special treatment in finding work. Also, they do not have to pay tuition. So we feel somewhat mistreated in this country," she said.

The situation for Americans has changed radically since this interview, which was held two months ago. However, the way in which Americans

were treated previous to the revolution sheds light on some of the anti-American sentiments which helped fuel the revolution and remain today.

Maryam said that Iranian student demonstrators in this country should have been deported if they refused to behave.

"What they did (in L.A.) was nonsense. But many are well-educated and (are) activist(s) and if they had gone home, or been deported, they may have been put in prison for their activities here. SAVAK (Iranian secret police under the Shah) were watching demonstrators but I think also that the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) and SAVAK were active in aggravating demonstrations to gain sympathy for the Shah," Maryam said.

In a separate conversation with one of the Iranian students here at HSU, who wished to remain anonymous, an aspect of CIA involvement in the 1953 coup, which placed the Shah in power, was revealed.

"The CIA was in the streets giving the poor people dimes to chant support for the Shah. I wouldn't be surprised if the CIA helped, in a covert way, to pull the Shah down so they would have a say in the new government."

Maryam said that the biggest problem with relating to Americans is that "they tend to look at how much money you have and where you are from instead of looking at you as a person."

Ziba added, "I have been asked if I drive a camel in Iran. Many Americans think they are better than anyone else."

Both women said that programs to acquaint foreign students with American culture are starting up but need to be improved.

Maryam said that there is a widely held prejudice toward Americans in Iran.

"We have a stereotype image of an American that wears a tourist's hat, sunglasses, shorts and camera," she said.

The women said that the American press has misrepresented their country and Khomeini.

"The (San Francisco) Chronicle emphasizes Khomeini's religious beliefs giving the impression that he is not qualified. They picture him as a religious fanatic with reactionary ideas," Maryam said.

Maryam added that individuality will not be hampered by Khomeini's regime but Ziba disagreed.

"Khomeini will make Iran like Saudi Arabia," Ziba said.

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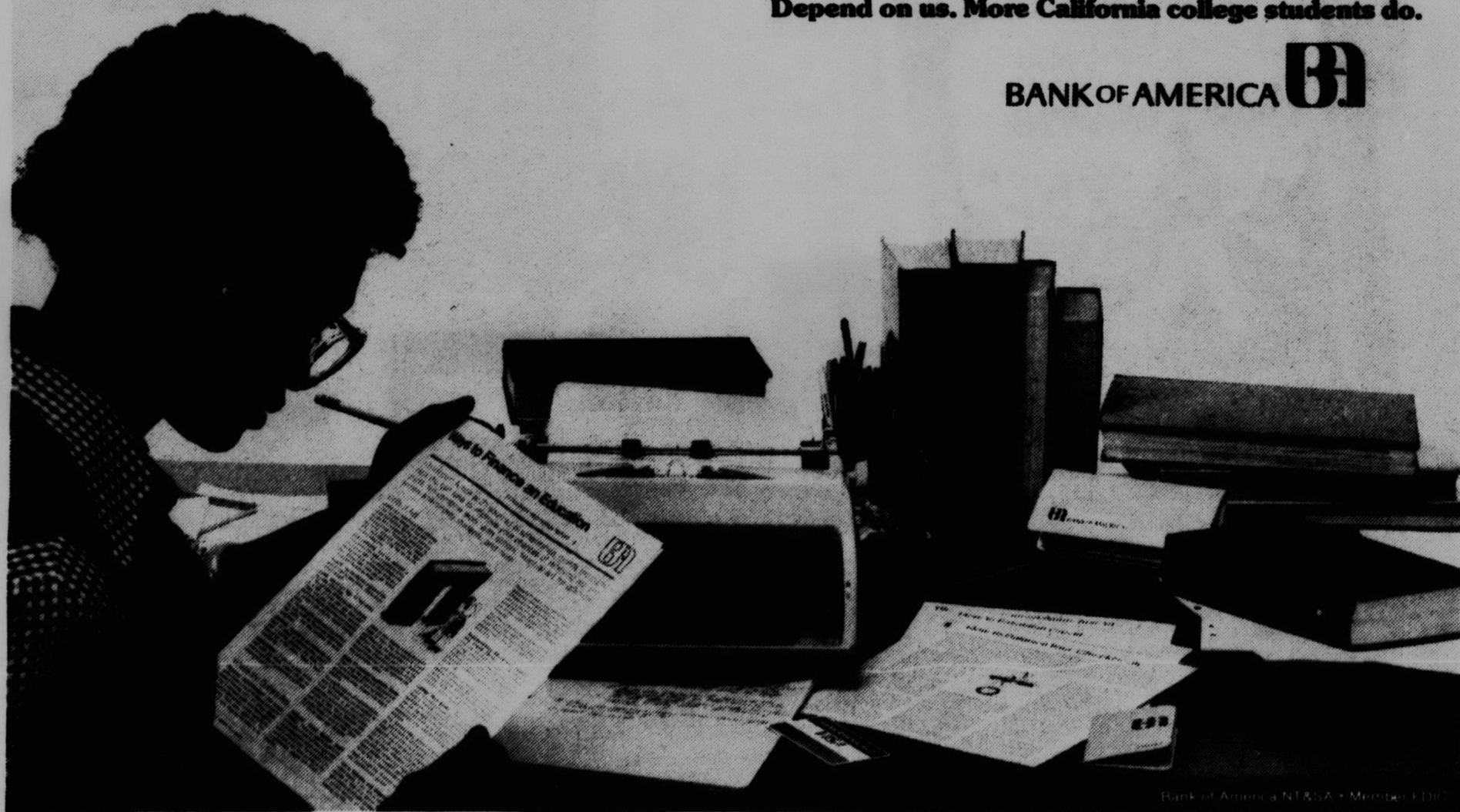
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New general manager needs SLC approval

By ED BEEBOUT
staff writer

The HSU Associated Student Body personnel committee has selected Paul Bruno to serve as the new AS general manager.

The committee, which includes chairperson Lynn Boitano, AS President Ed Scher, Peter Bishop, and Bill DeRecat, made the selection at a meeting Thursday evening.

As of last weekend, the selection had been approved by both President Alistair McCrone and the Affirmative Action Committee, and awaited only the approval of the Student Legislative Council.

Linda Martice, who has been serving as the acting general manager, explained what the job entails.

"Basically, the main duty is to oversee all the business functions of the Associated Student Body, make sure they're maintained and handled well and to supervise the business office," she said.

In making their selection, Martice explained, the personnel committee "wanted someone who had a sense of business and could administrate a large budget — someone who had the business sense to work with future investments."

"They wanted someone with creative, innovative ideas. They wanted someone who had a good rapport with people and was active, willing to work hard and enthusiastic," she said.

If Bruno gains SLC approval, Martice expects him to be taking over the post in "a couple of weeks."

Forestry dept. rebuilding campaign geared towards improving facilities

By RUSSELL BETTS
staff writer

It has been said that out of all bad comes some good. Such would seem to be the case with the forestry department in light of efforts being made to restore the Forestry Building and replace equipment damaged by a fire that struck that department Jan. 27 of this year.

Of course, the realization of good news may be as far off as the fall of 1980 when the building is expected to be completed, but through the efforts of HSU alumni, the forest industry, and campus administrators, along with some generous donations, much of the equipment and the building will be an improvement over that lost in the fire.

Dr. Dennis F. Thoms, director of institutional advancement, said that donations have come in from HSU alumni as far away as New Mexico and British Columbia, and that he is negotiating a four digit memorial donation.

He also reported that a graphics display computer terminal, which visually presents drawings and graphs instead of simply presenting written statistics has been obtained, and that old calculators will be replaced by more advanced models.

In a memo prepared by Dr. Donald F. Lawson, director of campus projects and research, which will soon be sent to Universities Facilities Planner James F. Beck at the Chancellors office, priorities for building improvement include:

— A womens shower, locker room, and toilet facilities. When the building was completed in Nov. 1962 there were 156 forestry majors, none of which were women. The memo said that with 700 forestry majors and 140 of them women that the facilities are needed.

—An automatic fire protection system, which according to the memo has been

requested for obvious reasons.

—An elevator for the handicapped. Joanne K. Hartenstein, coordinator of disabled student services, said the elevator will have a positive effect in drawing disabled students into the forestry program. She said the addition of an elevator would make all class rooms and the department office accessible to the handicapped.

—A 12,000 volt transformer. HSU is in the process of converting all campus buildings to a more efficient 12,000 volt system and, according to Lawson, the best time to make the switch would be during the building process.

Lawson said that if the department gets all they are asking the total dollar value will be around \$920,000. The building was first constructed at a cost of \$585,878, which included approximately \$99,000 worth of equipment.

Lawson said, "There will be a better building if we have our way," but he expressed some doubt that the department would get all they were requesting.

A survey was taken of the damaged paneling in the building, much of which was of a rare variety, to determine what would be needed. Lawson said the survey was important in that it provided those wishing to donate paneling an idea of what was needed.

Lawson pointed out the importance of replacing the paneling with the original variety of woods by saying that it was an important part of learning to actually be surrounded by the types of woods being studied.

Thoms said that HSU alumni living in the area have contributed greatly to the success of the donation campaign.

Ron Hunt, HSU alumni now self employed in the forest industry, said he has been contacting people in the area that he knows personally. He said the names of those people have been provided to Thoms so that

he can send them information about the status of the rebuilding process.

Hunt said his interest in restoring the building and the program stems from his involvement with the program as a student.

Another HSU alumni trying to obtain donations, Bill Swarts, who works at Cal Pacific, said that those who were in the forestry program feel quite a bit of emotion for the department.

He said, "It was a second home for most of us for four years and for some of us even more than that. We want to see it rebuilt."

South Africa week: educational events

South Africa — the name of the country conjures up visions as beautiful as diamonds, and as ugly as apartheid.

Today marks the kickoff of National Week of Action — South Africa, proclaimed by the African Liberation Support Committee.

During this week, HSU's Southern Africa Study Organization plans to inform the campus about the problems going on with the white minority government in that region of Africa.

"The reason we exist is educational. We're trying to educate ourselves and HSU students to what is happening in regional South Africa," said Susan Linn, a representative of SASO.

This quarter, the organization has plans for speakers, films and slide shows on South Africa. The members also plan to participate in African Liberation Day, in San Francisco at the end of May.

A meeting of SASO will be held tonight at 6:00 in Founders Hall 160.

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FILMS: "Listen to the Mountains," "Kayak" and "Dare the Wildest River," 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 14th and D Streets. Free.

WORKSHOPS: "Video vs. Film in TV Journalism," 10 a.m. "Has Anybody Here Seen Canada?" 2 p.m., Gist Hall. Free.

TALKBACK: musical special of audio oddities: jazz, rock, blues and country, 6:30 p.m. on KHSU.

HUMBOLDT FILM FESTIVAL: Program No. 1, 7 p.m. Program No. 2, 9 p.m. General admission \$1.50, students \$1.25, Gist Hall Theater.

FILM: Rene Clair's "A Nous la Liberte" 8 p.m., University Center Kate Buchanan Room. Free.

PLAY: "Dear Liar" with Micheal Learned and Anthony Zerbe, 8 p.m., John Van Duzer Theater. General admission \$5, students \$4.

Thursday, April 5

ON THE QUAD Caledonia at noon and in the Rathskeller at 8 p.m. in a benefit for the rent rebate initiative. **MIKE MULBERG** and his Contra Dance Band: 8-11 p.m. plus Julie Caplow, 5:30-8 p.m. at the Blue Moon Cafe.

ACTING WORKSHOP: with Micheal Learned and Anthony Zerbe, 9-11 a.m., John Van Duzer Theater. \$1. **MARTIN LUTHER KING** film: "I Have a Dream," 8-9 p.m., Science Building 135. Free.

WORKSHOPS: "The Business of Film," 10 a.m. "Experimental Filmmaking," 2 p.m. Gist Hall. Free. **HUMBOLDT FILM FESTIVAL:** Program 3, 7 p.m.; Program 4, 9 p.m. General admission \$1.50, students \$1.25, Gist Hall Theater.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL League: eight-week program for team play through June 7 at the Arcata High School gyms. Sign up at Arcata Parks and Recreation Department.

LUNCHEON: American Association of University Women, plus art exhibit by various members, 11 a.m. in the HSU cafeteria.

CINEMATIQUE: "To Kill a Mockingbird," 7:30 p.m., \$1.25. "Enter the Dragon" with Bruce Lee, 10 p.m., \$1.50. Both in Founders Hall.

Friday, April 6

BRER RABBIT: dancing 9 p.m.-1 a.m., plus Mark Clementi, 5:30-9:30. \$1 at the Blue Moon Cafe.

HIGH ROLLER: 9 p.m.-2 a.m. \$1.50 at Mad River Rose.

"FREE RIDE": surf movie sponsored by Dead Man's Defense, 7:30 and 9 p.m., University Center Kate Buchanan Room. \$3.

WORKSHOPS: "Techniques and Styles of Filmmaking," 10 a.m., Gist Hall. "Wildlife in Canada," 2 p.m., University Center Kate Buchanan Room.

HUMBOLDT FILM FESTIVAL: Program 5, 7 p.m. Program 6, 9 p.m. General admission \$1.50, students \$1.25, Gist Hall Theater.

CINEMATIQUE: Roman Pulanski's "Repulsion," 7:30 p.m., \$1.25. "Enter the Dragon" with Bruce Lee, 10 p.m., \$1.50. Both in Founders Hall.

PIANO-DUO RECITAL: Assistant Prof. Deborah Berman and Prof. Frank Marks of the music department performing four-hand piano music of Faure, Schubert, Mozart & Poulenc, Humboldt Cultural Center, 8:15 p.m. **"FREE RIDE":** A surfing movie with music by Pablo Cruise. Two shows, one at 7:30 p.m., another at 9:30 p.m. General admission \$3.00.

Saturday, April 7

FICKLE HILL: 9 p.m.-12:30 a.m. plus Jim Williams, 5:30-9:30 p.m. \$1 at the Blue Moon Cafe.

BERKELEY WOMEN'S Music Collective and Fiona & Venus: 8 p.m. at the Rathskeller. \$3.5 donation requested.

OPERA: Live from New York, the Metropolitan Opera, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on KHSU.

HIGH ROLLER: 9 p.m.-2 a.m. \$1.50 at Mad River Rose.

STUDENT RECITAL: 8:15 p.m., Charles E. Fulkerson Recital Hall. Free.

HUMBOLDT FILM FESTIVAL: "Best of the Fest," 2 and 7 p.m., Gist Hall Theater.

Sunday, April 8

JIM WILLIAMS: 3:30-7:30 p.m. at the Blue Moon Cafe.

STUDENT RECITAL: 8:15 p.m., Charles E. Fulkerson Recital Hall. Free.

HUMBOLDT FILM FESTIVAL: "Best of the Fest," 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Gist Hall Theater.

CINEMATIQUE: Buster Keaton's "The General," \$1.25 in Founders Hall.

Monday, April 9

CAREER DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP: "How to Hunt for Jobs in Education," 12-1:30 p.m., Nelson Hall West 139.

BELLY DANCING by Aisha and Legeia: 5:45 and 9:30 at Stephen's of Eureka. Free.

STUDENT RECITAL: 8:15 p.m., Charles E. Fulkerson Recital Hall. Free.

REBECCA LAWTON: 5:30-9:30 p.m. at the Blue Moon Cafe.

LECTURE: "The Needs and Concerns of the Disabled in Our Community," 7-9 p.m. at Y.E.S. House 91. Free.

CONTACT: Volunteer training session: 7 p.m. at Contact House 49.

Tuesday, April 10

TRADEWIND: light jazz, 5:30-8 p.m. and Sprockets Rockets jazz ensemble, 8:30-midnight, 50 cents at the Blue Moon Cafe.



"DEAR LIAR"

Emmy award-winners Michael Learned (left) and Anthony Zerbe will star in the play "Dear Liar" tonight in the John Van Duzer Theater.

Galleries

KAURI SHELL Gallery: "Perceptions of the Spirit," by Jan Rader and Lia Sullivan, through April 27.

REESE BULLEN Gallery: Quilts from Humboldt County, through May 2.

HSU LIBRARY Gallery: "Thirteen Artists" — paintings by Alden Moffat, through April 15.

FOYER GALLERY: Original painting and drawings by Brian Washburn, through May 2.

NELSON HALL Gallery: Ceramic creations by Chuck Mayville and Mike Depew, through April 10. San Francisco artist David Lance Goines, April 11-24.

Roller-skating sessions offered

Saturday roller-skating sessions will be offered by the Eureka Parks and Recreation Department beginning March 17.

Two sessions will be offered. The first, from 12:30-2:30 p.m., is for participants 12 and under. The second, from 3-5 p.m., is open to persons 13-18.

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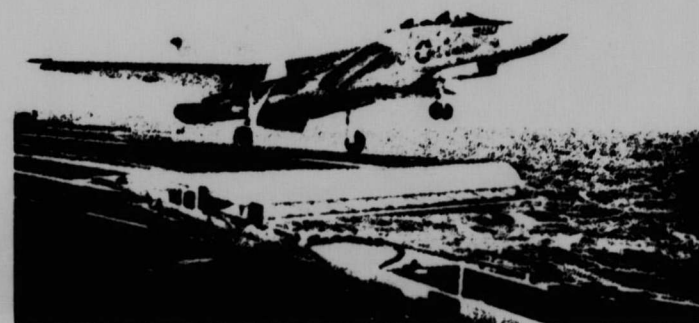
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Intramural credit scores for FTE

By DENNIS WEBER
staff writer

The Lumberjack Sports

For the first time at Humboldt State University, students will be able to earn a unit of credit for participating in intramural sports.

Credit is being offered on an optional basis in all Spring sports except basketball. But, the deadline to add intramurals (PE94T) is today.

The offering of credit for intramurals was approved in early 1978, but has had to wait until funds became available in the PE department.

Opponents argue that intramurals will be a "cruise" class for easy units, but Intramural Director Burt Nordstrom likened the program to PE activity classes saying, "There is some instruction and lots of participation."

The long range goal of intramurals for credit is to improve the quality of the program by earning more money for intramurals. Some 500-800 students are expected to enroll, which in turn boosts HSU's Full Time Equivalent student total.

Government funding to HSU is based on FTE figures with higher totals meaning more money allocated to the school. Some of this additional money will then filter back

through the PE department and eventually back to intramurals.

Softball is by far this Spring's most popular sport with some 1,000 participants playing at three levels: open, restricted, and coed. Other team sports will be coed volleyball, three-on-three basketball, and men's and women's soccer. In addition, individuals may participate in karate, women's fitness, and Frisbee. Tennis and racquetball tournaments are tentatively scheduled for later in the quarter.

Deadline to enter a team in a sport was last Friday, a week earlier than in previous quarters.

Nordstrom explained, "This gives us more games and more playing time. If we have sign-ups two weeks into the quarter, we only have five weeks to play after you set aside the last two weeks for play-offs and rain-outs."

Nordstrom hopes to have half the teams that are signed up participating in the play-offs, but that will be dependent upon the weather and how many make-up games are needed.

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Gael warning: St. Mary's wants Cosentino but he'll stay with 'Jacks

By ROGER WEIGEL
staff writer

From annual cellar-dwellers to league co-champions in three years; and Humboldt State nearly lost the man who made it so.

HSU head basketball coach Jim Cosentino, who has turned a once-hapless basketball program into a winner, passed up a chance to move up the coaching ladder by turning down an offer to become the new head coach at St. Mary's College in Moraga, Calif.

As for his reasons for refusing the position, Cosentino simply said, "I've just decided to stay at HSU."

According to Don McKillip, St. Mary's athletic director, Cosentino was chosen over two other men for the position: Bill Berry and Bill Oates.

Berry just completed his third season as assistant coach with the National Collegiate Athletic Association national champions, Michigan State.

Oates is from the highly successful Christian-oriented traveling team, Athletes in Action.

Cosentino said that Bud Presley from Menlo Junior College was also under consideration.

McKillip said Cosentino was chosen because of the outstanding job that he has done at Humboldt State.

The only time McKillip probably got a chance to witness Cosentino in action was when the 'Jacks played St. Mary's early in the 1978-79 season. The Gaels easily defeated the Lumberjacks 82-64. Still McKillip must have liked what he saw.

The Lumberjacks with Cosentino at the

helm finished with a 19-9 record this season and a share of the Far Western Conference championship. The 'Jack's 19 wins set a school record for most victories in a season surpassing last year's mark of 18.

Cosentino came to Humboldt State in 1976. With him, he brought seven years of coaching experience at Atwater High School where he compiled an overall record of 146-29. From there he spent two years at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash. as an assistant coach before coming to HSU.

In the four seasons prior to Cosentino's arrival, the Lumberjacks had overall records, in order, of 7-21, 5-21, 3-19 and 4-22. Worst of all the team only won four conference games while losing 42.

In the three years that Cosentino has been guiding the 'Jacks, the team has accumulated a 48-34 win-loss record, a Far

Western Conference co-championship, a NCAA division III western regional championship and a third place in the western regionals.

Cosentino may have been content to stay at HSU because he has worked hard in building its basketball program into a winner. At St. Mary's who finished with a 5-9 conference record and 13-14 overall, Cosentino would have to start all over again.

When Cosentino first came to HSU, he predicted his team would surprise a lot of people. It did, but back then one Humboldt State victory would surprise a lot of people.

Now the Lumberjacks are winners and the people are no longer surprised, they're amazed and also happy that 'Cos' is staying at least for another year.

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Stanislaus	13-11	.541
San Francisco	11-10	.523
Sacramento	9-15	.375
Humboldt	5-12	.294

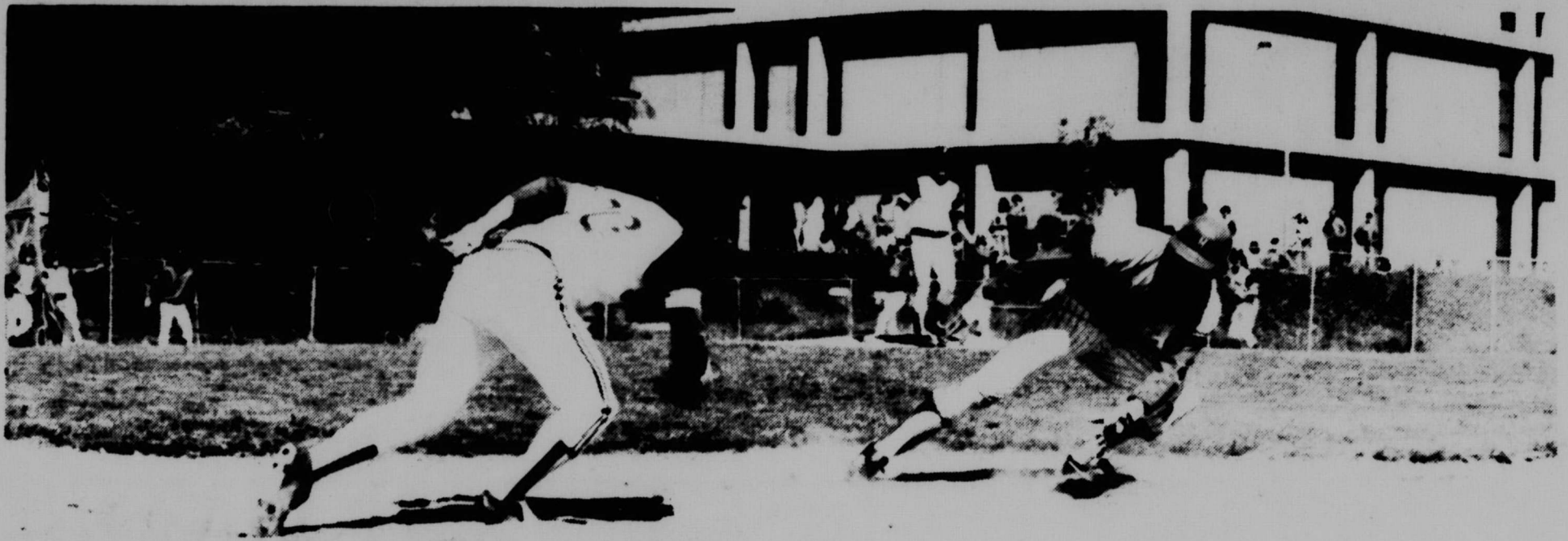
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Humboldt	4-2	.666
Chico	4-2	.666
San Francisco	3-3	.500
Davis	1-1	.500
Sonoma	2-4	.333
Hayward	0-4	.000
Stanislaus	0-6	.000

Sports in full Spring

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Photos by Nancy Hassman



The Lumberjack baseball team took advantage of the long-awaited sunshine last weekend to beat Sacramento State. Unfortunately, Sacramento also found the nice weather a plus as

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The HSU softball team slid into four victories in Golden State Conference play last weekend. The sweep put the 'Jacks in a tie for second place in the conference.

The Humboldt track team prepares for the Sacramento Relays. Last weekend the 'Jacks traveled to Oregon and came home with a second place in a quadrangular meet.



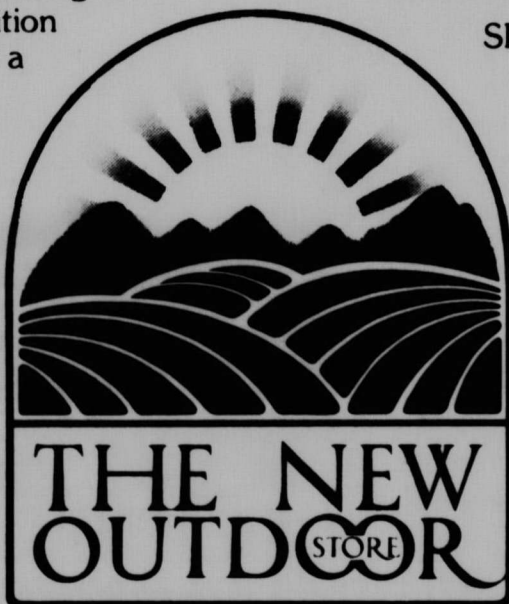
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Sports Shorts

By Katy Muldoon
sports editor

'Jacks baseball beats Sacramento once, loses twice

After it split a doubleheader Friday the Humboldt State baseball team took a turn for the worse as it fell to Sacramento State 13-6 Saturday.

Friday the 'Jacks lost the first end of the doublebill 4-1 but came back with a two-run home run by catcher Ron Jones in the eighth inning to edge the Hornets 3-2.

The 'Jacks trailed 2-1 going into the eighth when Jones homered and relief pitcher Dan Isaacson kept Sacramento scoreless in the ninth.

Saturday's loss ended the Lumberjack's hopes of playing in the NCAA Division III playoffs.

The 'Jacks will try to boost their Far Western Conference record against the San Francisco State Gators in a doubleheader at home Friday. The first game starts at 5 p.m.

'Jacks softball sweeps four GSC games

Humboldt's Kim Kohlmeier pitched a no-hitter Friday and a one-hitter Saturday to highlight the 'Jacks sweep of two Golden State Conference softball doubleheaders.

Friday HSU shutout San Francisco State twice, 4-0 and 11-0.

The Lumberjacks didn't let up as they downed Cal State Hayward 4-1 and 14-1 Saturday.

Kathy Kibby pitched the second game both days for HSU. She threw a one-hitter against San Francisco and a three-hitter against Hayward.

The Lumberjacks travel to Sonoma State Friday and Cal State Stanislaus Saturday to try to improve their 5-3 overall record and their 4-2 GSC standing.

Humboldt netters shut out Stanislaus

The long drive to Turlock last weekend wasn't a waste of time for the Lumberjack tennis team who swept all nine matches from Cal State Stanislaus.

The 9-0 victory boosted Humboldt's Golden State Conference record to 1-1.

Cathy Curtis won her No. 1 singles match over Stanislaus' Chris Larsen 7-5, 6-2. Humboldt's No. 1 doubles team of Marty Casillas and Barby Christie took three sets to dispose of Larsen and Karen Fernandez 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

The Lumberjack netters play at home this week against Sacramento State (Friday at 2 p.m.) and Cal State Hayward (Saturday at 10 a.m.).

Lumberjack track team takes second at Ashland

Gus Arroyo, Ramon Morales and Andy Williams contributed firsts to give the Lumberjack track team the impetus to capture the second place spot in a four-way track met at Ashland, Ore., Saturday.

The University of Nevada, Reno, tallied 121 points to win the meet. Humboldt followed with 85½ points and Southern Oregon College was third with 65½ points. Oregon Institute of Technology gathered 30 points for fourth in the non-conference meet.

Arroyo, a junior in his first year of track at HSU, won the 400 meters in 51.7 and ran in the 1600 meter relay team which also took a first.

Morales, a freshman, won the 5,000 meter run and took first in the 800 meter with a 1:56.0.

Williams paced the 'Jacks in the field events with a 40.52 meter hammer throw which earned him a first.

Regas paces HSU soccer win

The HSU women's soccer team recorded its first win of the season Saturday when it defeated Santa Clara University 3-1.

Carolyn Regas scored the first and the final goals and Annie Richardson kicked in the second with an assist by Tessa Miller.

Humboldt is 1-2-1 mid-point in the season.

HSU ruggers new Over-the-Border champs

Humboldt's beer drinkers might have to look out for the bull but the HSU rugby team found a way to overpower it.

The Lumberjacks topped the Old Bulls (the Oregon State alumni team) 18-3 in last weekend's California-Oregon Over-the-Border Tournament in Eureka.

The ruggers have a 4-6-1 record for the season and have one tournament left to play.

Crew team splits honors with Berkeley

The HSU crew team won two of five races in their bout with UC Berkeley on Humboldt Bay Saturday.

The Humboldt rowers took the varsity lightweight four event by a two second margin racing in high winds and rough waters. HSU also won the heavyweight four race by six lengths.

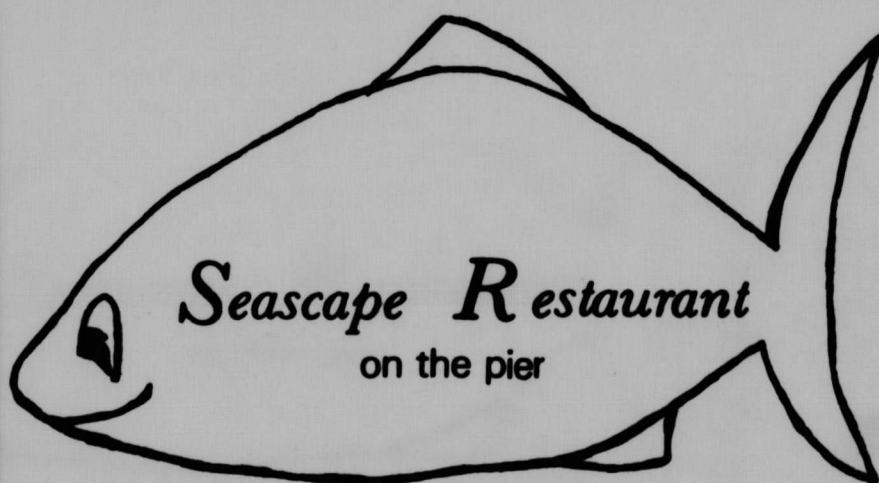
Saturday Humboldt will race against Stanford, the University of Oregon and Oregon Institute of Technology. The race starts at the foot of C Street in Eureka at 9 a.m.



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G.O.A.T.S. chews on 2,4-D herbicide issue

By ALLAN ERICKSON

The Group for Organic Alternatives to Toxic Sprays demonstrated last Wednesday in front of the U.S. Forest Service office in Eureka, protesting that agency's plans to spray the herbicide 2,4-D on 4,000 acres around the Smith and Klamath River watersheds.

The Forest Service plans to spray 20 parcels in these areas sometime this spring. "This is a gathering to publicize the Forest Service's plans to spray. Tomorrow (March 29) is the last day for public comment in response to the environmental assessment report," Ilene Mandelbaum, G.O.A.T.S. organizer, said.

Mandelbaum said the Forest Service has not demonstrated the need for the spraying, examined the effectiveness of manual conifer release, or studied the safety of using 2,4-D.

James McLean, deputy forest supervisor with the Forest Service, said, "It is a safe chemical to use and is used in the timber and agriculture industries. It does not contain dioxin. And we do not determine its safety. That is the responsibility of the Environmental Protection Agency."

Andy Colonna, a G.O.A.T.S. representative, said the group was not demonstrating to get a ban on the herbicide but to call for a moratorium to allow time for needed study of 2,4-D's possible hazards.

The herbicide is manufactured by Dow Chemical, Du Pont, Monsanto and others. "We haven't seen any studies which compare herbicide use, manual release or no treatment at all. This would be the best way to determine the best method. Both private and public industries agree this is needed," Colonna said.

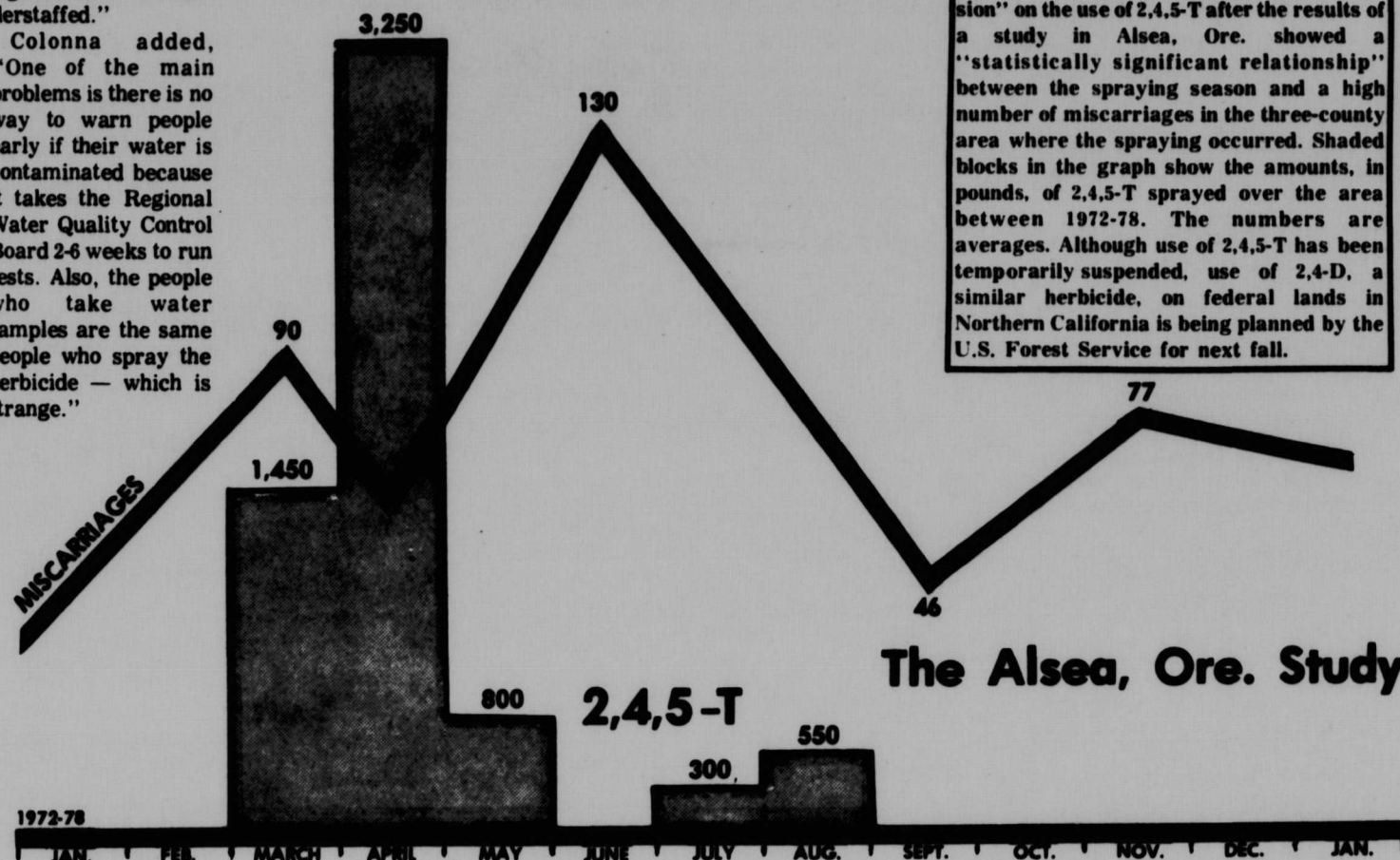
Colonna said because of bureaucratic confusion the overseeing of herbicide use is fragmented and inadequate.

The crowd of 50 chanted "Use people, not poison!" in the background as Colonna explained:

"The federal EPA does some monitoring of herbicide use but there is no representative in this area — only in San Francisco. The state Department of Food and Agriculture has one person to monitor use in eight northern counties. And this county's

Department of Agriculture is understaffed."

Colonna added, "One of the main problems is there is no way to warn people early if their water is contaminated because it takes the Regional Water Quality Control Board 2-6 weeks to run tests. Also, the people who take water samples are the same people who spray the herbicide — which is strange."



On March 1 the Environmental Protection Agency invoked an "emergency suspension" on the use of 2,4,5-T after the results of a study in Alsea, Ore. showed a "statistically significant relationship" between the spraying season and a high number of miscarriages in the three-county area where the spraying occurred. Shaded blocks in the graph show the amounts, in pounds, of 2,4,5-T sprayed over the area between 1972-78. The numbers are averages. Although use of 2,4,5-T has been temporarily suspended, use of 2,4-D, a similar herbicide, on federal lands in Northern California is being planned by the U.S. Forest Service for next fall.

Forest Service confident EPA will lift herbicide spray ban

(Continued from front page)

Spohn recalled that the normally clear water was polluted that summer. "There was a really high algae bloom... a lot of really thick yellow foam."

"Nobody really knew what was going on... they never really told anybody that much about the sprays because no one was concerned. We were ignorant. We didn't know anything about it."

"Finally, at the very last part of the spraying, they did notify people." The Forest Service put signs at the trail heads and put notices in the local newspapers, she said. "Most of the people up here don't read the local newspaper, especially the ones who live in the backcountry. Some of the back-

country people live as far as 12 to 15 miles back in. That's a long walk."

Spohn explained what happened to one 14-year-old girl who was unfortunate enough to be walking through the backcountry while the Forest Service was spraying. "When she got to the trailhead she read the sign. But she had already eaten the berries along the trail through the area that had already been sprayed. She came down with a real bad face rash... She also got flu symptoms."

"A lot of people that one summer got flu symptoms. They had vomiting and diarrhea." But "the men from the state aren't interested in anything but miscarriages and birth defects," she said, "because those are the only things they can pin down and say yes it did happen."

Spohn said the Forest Service is planning to spray the area again this fall. "I have a letter from Dave Wright (the district ranger) saying yes, in fact that they plan on spraying. They want to re-do

Jim Jam. He was specifically talking about 'T' (2,4,5-T). Bassett confirmed this. The Forest Service's current plans are to wait for the EPA to lift the suspension, he said. "If they do give us the OK, I'm sure we would be spraying next fall."

A showdown is imminent. Denny is in Trinity County. Last week the Trinity County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed an ordinance banning the use of all phenoxy herbicides in Trinity County.

The ordinance says "It is necessary to prohibit the application of the Phenoxy herbicides because of the dangers of drift, contamination of food and water ingestion by game animals and

"There are an awful lot of people in this country, people who would not be considered environmentalists by any means. They just don't like the idea of helicopters spraying poison. It scares them."

irrevocable harm to natural resources." Bassett says the ordinance will have "no effect," since the herbicides will be used on federal land.

Spohn disagrees. "I don't think the D.A. would have wasted all of his time and the county's time had he not thought they would have a fighting chance. I think they do."

"There are an awful lot of people in this county, people who would not be considered environmentalists by any means. The people that have to live around here and work in the woods. They just don't like the idea of helicopters spraying poison. It scares them."

Nodding her head in the direction of the turbulent river that courses past her home, Spohn says "They're planning on spraying two miles over that hill. That stuff is going to drift onto my house, onto my watershed, onto me, onto my family. I don't want it to happen."

"I think the federal government is wrong. I think they're dead wrong and we're the guinea pigs."

45 miles of local coastline 'picked clean' by CETA crew

By STEVE MYERS
staff writer

Humboldt County beaches are cleaner due to the efforts of a five-member clean-up crew funded through the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA).

The crew, in operation since February, comb the beaches of Humboldt County gathering trash.

They began their work at the northern Humboldt County line and have been working their way south. They are now working the Table Bluff area near the south jetty of Humboldt Bay.

Judy Sherburne, crew leader of the project, said, "The thrust of the program is to clean up the beach and dune areas of the coast."

According to Sherburne, most of the time is spent picking up litter that can be carried out by hand.

The crew, aside from its clean-up duties, keeps a record of the amount of trash that is gathered. In the 45 miles that they have covered, five tons of trash have been gathered. A quick calculation indicates this is just over 230 pounds of trash per mile.

Sherburne claims that the Mad River dune area is especially bad due to the number of abandoned cars there.

She said, "The reason the abandoned cars make the area worse is because when

people see abandoned cars they think it is all right to throw other litter there."

Sherburne added that the easier the public access to the beach, the more trash there will be.

The major sources of litter are many, according to Sid Dominitz, a member of the clean-up crew. He said, "Everyone's doing it. It would be unfair to malign just one group."

Crew member Joe Abbott feels that there is unity among the group. He said, "We all believe in the same thing. The beaches aren't safe with all the broken bottles and trash."

Sherburne claimed that one-fifth of the trash gathered had been glass, most of which consisted of beer bottles.

In a humorous note, Abbott added that he had noticed that people north of Samoa seem to drink higher priced beers like Michelob, whereas those south of Samoa drink the cheaper Coors and Budweiser.

Aside from the project's cleaning-up function, the group plans to visit local schools and community groups to discuss ways in which the public can help to curb littering.

Sherburne said that the project is always looking for volunteers to help with the program. Anyone interested in volunteering can call the North Coast Environmental Center in Arcata at 822-6918.