Going to seed
ASUI president returns, a Libya-Idaho bridge is Tominaga’s new goal

By JOHN HECHT

To most students, a week away from school means spring break. To ASUI President Lynn Tominaga, it meant a whirlwind trip to the Libyan Arab Republic (LAR), as the guest of the LAR Student Union.

Libya is a broad expanse of North African desert, with 90 per cent of the population hugging the coast along the Mediterranean Sea. However, the desert sands float on an ocean of petroleum, and the country pumps $18 billion of oil a year.

The president of the country, M’ommar Gaddafi, a strong nationalist, has hopes of improving the relations between his nation and the United States. To this end, a delegation of Libyans were invited to visit the country on a “goodwill trip,” and discuss matters of mutual interest.

Besides Tominaga, the group included Jim Ariji of the U of I agricultural economics department, who has lectured in the country on Ag Econ and planning. Richard Schermerhorn, head of agricultural economics at the U of I and Vern Ravenscroft, of Tuttle, an expert in water resources, went along also.

Other persons included a reporter from the Idaho Statesman, and Congressman Steve Symms.

The group flew from Seattle on Feb. 13, non-stop to London, and then on to Tripoli, the capital of Libya. They spent a week in the country, visiting various ministers (government officials) and also met with Gaddafi. However, the majority of their time was spent visiting the two universities, one in Tripoli, the other in Benghazi.

Tominaga said that he was most impressed with the educational system Libya has set out to create. Tripoli has about 10,000 students and Benghazi about 9,000, and he said that the support from the national government is “amazing.”

Not only does each institution receive a working budget of about $40 million, but each has an annual construction allocation of about $60 million. In comparison, this year the U of I hopes to receive $25.1 million.

Tominaga said that the support of students is also quite good. He said that education is a major priority in the emerging nation, and the social situation is quite good. The schools do not charge any fees for enrollment, books, and instructional materials are free.

They also fund students $30 a month, about $100 a month.

while they are attending college.

Tominaga said that the meeting with Gaddafi was quite productive. He said that the president talked about “turning a new page of US-LAR relations.” He also said that Gaddafi is a very religious man, who often cites the Koran, the holy book of the Moslem religion.

Tominaga said that the Koran says to believers “Look for knowledge in China.” At that time in history, China was the epitome of culture and knowledge. He said that Gaddafi regards the U.S. as the new China in terms of cultural and technological innovations.

Tominaga said that he is attempting to arrange for student leaders from Libya to visit Idaho sometime in April. At that time, they would come to Moscow and also visit ISU and BSU. He said that while the facilities of the Libyan universities are far superior to those of Idaho, the students have not yet developed programs for themselves, and that we could possibly give them insight into what might be utilized in their university system.

He also talked about the possibility of instituting a formal exchange program which could range from reciprocal attendance all the way to full scholarships for Americans.

He pointed out that presently there are already 3000 Libyan graduate students studying abroad. Of this number, over 2500 are in the U.S. and only 2 in the USSR. “It’s obvious to me,” Tominaga said, “that there is great potential to develop good relations with the students, and build a bridge for future years with the whole country.”

Lit. section planned

Another Argonaut literary section for this spring semester is planned. All students, faculty and interested people are urged to send in their contributions to the Argonaut, SUB, in care of David Neiwert, special editor.

Bring in short stories of no more than 5 typed pages and poetry of any type and length. If you wish your work returned, please state so. The deadline has been set for March 31, but any items sent in before then will receive full consideration. The section will appear in conjunction with the Fine Arts Festival. Please send in your best material.
Marching band

Fee marches through senate

By JIM BORDEN

The ASUI Senate voted Tuesday to continue for one year assessing students a two-dollar per semester fee to support the U of I Marching Band.

Much of the argument for the continuation of the fee was based on Senator Mike Ayersman's statement that "a fee has never been eliminated at this university." He felt that the ASUI should undertake the money it wants instead of waiting for the Board of Regents to redesignate the funds for something else.

Apparently, the rest of the Senate agreed as the bill passed 10-2, Stacey Silva and Dan Prohaska being the only dissenters. Tari Ollasson was not present for the vote.

At one-half time position, vacated by a retiring professor, will be combined with a half time position to an assistant's position to provide an instructor-coordinator position for the band.

The band had been turned down for funding by the Alumni Office and Foundation because the AOI is presently involved in the SEND campaign. The band had previously been cut by the university administration because of finance difficulties.

The fee will be re-established in one year, at which time the band directing position will be formally approved and the Senate will consider permanency of the fee.

In other action, the Senate was supposed to set up a seminar monitoring system to see if the Senate is visiting assigned interest groups regularly. Five of the 13 favored the bill as written, seven opposed it, and one abstained from the voting. The debate over the bill centered around its implied and actual ramifications, some saying it would provide in-house "watchdogging," and others claiming that quality, not quantity of representation was the main issue.

Ayersman claimed that the senators want the bill, adding that he had seen situations were where they were being heckled representation. He said the bill would alleviate the problem of monitoring senators' visitation.

Senator Dan Prohaska said the bill, which questions the Senate authority, responsibility and responsiveness to students, is constructive, but President Lynn Tominaga said the bill is not to evaluate Senators and their jobs, but to make sure Senators are visiting their living groups.

Expressing his opinion that the bill was "too open," Senator Mark Limbaugh warned that future Pro Tems could use it to censure individual senators, thereby losing this Senate's intentions in drafting the bill. He questioned what determined an adequate number of visits to a living group.

Senator Bob Harding stated he had conducted a telephone survey of living group officers asking if they felt the bill should pass. His poll showed 49 of 50 officers favor the bill, which the Senate subsequently killed.

Also, the Senate held in committee a bill which would provide an ex-officio member of the Senate to represent Black-American student views. Section 1 of the bill was held in Rules and Regents committee to develop responsibilities and privileges of the representative, and Section II was held in the Government Operations and Appropriations committee.

The Senate also passed a number of bills providing for the appointment of persons to various boards and committees, and was sent to committee a bill for the appointment of a Finance Department Manager.

Dale Freeman, Moscow, reported that someone had slashed the top of his 1967 Camaro convertible, doing $175 damage to the car. He said that a tape deck, tapes, tapecase, and some interior accessories valued at $319 were taken from the car.

Police have no suspects in the Feb. 17 incident.

Dona Rice, McCoy Hall, reported that someone threw a rock through the window of the hall's first floor stereo lounge at 12:50 a.m. last Friday. Damage was estimated at $50.

Wayne Choquette, 915 S. Jefferson, reported to campus police at 11:11 p.m. last Friday that there were a half dozen people with guns on the lawn between the UCC and the Library. Police report "He was very irate and demanded property be returned." Upon investigation, police found several of the NROTC drill team members.

A Chewy Nova reportedly backed onto the grass in front of Tau Kappa Epsilon Monday, striking the living group's cannon, doing $25 damage to the cannon and lawn, according to Brian McMurray, 745 Nez Perce, who reported the incident. He said the Nova then drove off, "Burning rubber."

Evan David Morris, Jr., was jailed Monday after he was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and possession of a controlled substance, marijuana. He posted $75 bond for the possession charge and $300 for the DWI charge and was released Tuesday. He was scheduled to be arraigned in district court yesterday.

A brush fire at sixth street near the Buchanan laboratory was reported Tuesday and put out by the Moscow Fire Department. Authorities are uncertain as to the cause.

John Lunsdon reported Wednesday that a 10-speed bicycle was stolen from the U of I infirmary between 9 and 9:30 a.m. The bike valued at about $300, belongs to Lynn Kramer, 200 Launder.

Budget deadline soon

Lynn Tominaga, ASUI president, reminds all groups wanting funds from the ASUI that they must submit budget requests before March 8. All groups requesting money should be sure to turn in their proposed budgets to the ASUI office as soon as possible.
A woman what?

I once thought that living to see a Democrat elected governor of Idaho would forever stand as the most unbelievable event I could witness. I may have been premature in my speculations. There now looms on the Idaho horizon an event of such magnanimous proportions as to eclipse forever the Andrus story.

For some inexplicable reason there is a woman finalist still in the running for Hartung's lukewarm position. Should this woman actually be selected for the position it would rank as the most unexpected event of the twentieth century. Ripley's is even now preparing a revised version of "Believe it or Not."

Idaho is not what you would call a liberal state. Idaho clings to and cherishes those sacred traditions of sexual dominance by the male of the species. A woman's place is in the home, not behind the desk. The recent rescinding of the Equal Rights Amendment underscores that Idaho point of view erasing in the process what many state leaders have considered a serious blot on Idaho's tradition of male dominance.

Her name is Virginia Trotter. She appears quite business-like and yet genuinely human. Reading the track record she seems to be the most qualified of the lot. She is conservative in both dress and manner yet she retains a sense of humour so often lacking in conservatives.

President Trotter, I like the sound of it. I enjoy living in these exciting times when a woman, of all things, is considered for a "man's job" in Idaho. Even if she is just a token woman, Virginia Trotter, in more ways than one, is some token.

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Winter Report from Rutgers

This column was received by the Argonaut in late January. Though the information was not dated, we felt that a first hand report of the extreme winter conditions in the east would be of interest to Idaho students. Mr. Henry Ebert is a former Argonaut writer.

The temperature has been abnormally cold lately in this part of New Jersey. "What do you expect," asks a friend rhetorically, "in the middle of winter?" She was not deterred when I pointed out that the winter had only just begun. Winters are, as a general rule, a thumb, cold. But this cold, breaking old records, this is bad, with this much snow accumulating on the ground? Even my polemical friend admitted that this has been an unusual winter for the snow is sticking to the ground, not melting. It is piling higher in amounts, some say, not experienced here for almost ten years.

New York City's temperature dipped to minus one degree last night (Jan. 17). The temperature for that same day in New Jersey reached a record low of minus five degrees Fahrenheit. With winds reaching peaks of 20-25 miles per hour, the wind chill factor has made recent weather far more dangerous.

States Nathan Reiss, a meteorologist with Rutgers University's Meteorology department, "The temperature this morning was five below zero, breaking a new record for this day. The temperature right now is a whopping nine degrees. The wind chill isn't minus thirty degrees, for exposed flesh you understand. Yet I doubt that anyone will be running around nude today."

A man standing by the side of the road, hitch-hiking to a nearby town, did not wear a cap or gloves. His face, hands and ears were turning a lighter shade of pink by the time he was given a ride and might have become severely frostbitten. "I didn't realize how cold it was," he said.

CBS Radio revealed this morning (Jan 18), after announcing quickly the news of Gilmore's death in Utah, that Buffalo, New York had received a record-breaking 170 inches of snow. Some meteorologists are forecasting a possible 200 inches of snow for that upstate New York City before the end of this season.

This is only a little above normal. It seems we have had much more snow because it is accumulating, instead of melting. While in other years the temperatures ran below freezing at night, during the day it climbed into the upper-thirties, allowing the snow to melt. This year, beginning in about July, the temperatures have been below normal and very unusual. The snow is not melting during the day."

This month, for example, the average daily temperature is 10.2 degrees below a mean established on the basis of thirty year's statistics. There has been snow on the ground continuously since Christmas night and the present groundfall stands at ten inches.

Reiss mentioned that the temperature trend should continue, with February 1st being the "coldest day of the year." January and February are usually good months for snow and he suggests that the "persistent cold period should not necessarily prevent continued precipitation." Cross-country ski buffs wax your skis.

"What about Idaho and the West?" I asked Reiss. "They are experiencing the same large anomalies in weather patterns which we are facing, although the result, for them, is different, of course. The weather patterns which are affecting this area and the West are global ones responding to massive cold air masses in the Eastern Pacific, which originate from the temperature of the ocean surface and the movement of ocean currents. What does Reiss suggest Idaho residents can do about these anomalies and their disrupted ski (read s-e-x) lives? He couldn't quite say, but he intimated we could consult with the Divine Spirit. Others suggested that Idahoans move to New Jersey. Fat chance.

God was unavailable for comment.
Letters

Sunshine and guns

To the Editor:

While enjoying the Friday noon sunshine in the plaza outside the Library, I had the unpleasant experience of having a rifle pointed at my head. Numerous other students, hurrying to their one o'clock classes, also had guns pointed at them although I'm not sure how many were aware of it. My enquiries of the Campus Police as to why a group of people should be allowed to flagrantly disregard the rules of basic gun courtesy brought three police cars to the scene in a hurry. Upon finding it was a group of ROTC and not a revolutionary student uprising, the aura of the police was visibly dampened so that a brief and rather timid approach to the ROTC group was made by two officers. A late arrived military officer's jocular "No problem" was sufficient explanation and the police quickly disappeared. A few minutes later, several more of the neophytes appeared and again began playing with their guns in the midst of numerous students. I contacted campus police for a report of their findings and was told by the chief that the guns were dummies and that there was nothing further they would do. When I talked to the ROTC's they proudly told me the guns were definitely real.

No problem? I disagree. First of all, the very basics of proper gun handling demand that firearms should be treated with respect and not pointed at people whether or not they are loaded or not an old axiom that unloaded guns have killed a lot of people. While I have to accept that the presence of the military is apparently characteristic of many American campuses, I also know that this country takes great pride in not being a military dictatorship. To me this means that the military on this campus have the same status as other members of the University community. I consider that No-one should be allowed to flash guns around, pointing them at people and discharging them in a public place (as the liquor laws make plain, this University is a public place, and the plaza between the Library and the Classroom Center at lunch hour anyway) students is public enough that even a marine should recognize it.

Secondly, concern over gun abuse has been voiced previously in the Argonaut. I know the reasons that the police moved on campus with their guns. These police obviously don't think civilians should publicly play around with guns they wouldn't have made a three-speeding-car appearance. The fact that they didn't investigate the situation to a degree necessary to ascertain the kind of weapons involved and that the individuals responsible did not dwell on me regarding the "dummy" guns indicates that many students were justified last year in their apprehensions about the police moving on-campus. Both the military and the police function in our society ostensibly to protect the citizens. If this is true, on this campus it's acts and their guns that need cleaning up.

Wayne Chouette

Too high?

To the Editor:

Browsing through recent opinions about the marching band, I came across these grounds for opposition: "The $2 fee is too high. Also, it's a lot to charge per student." It just struck me as absurd. Not many students would mind doing out that much dough for two big Macs, or a few beers, or a couple packs of cigarettes...much worse for student body than that funny John Phillips Sousa. What I don't approve of is the spending of student funds for SUB wall carpeting, jumbo domes, and having to pay for the right to look for a vacant parking space (rare). Any money collected from the students should go for fattening the soul of the institution, not its facade.

Lenore Garwood

Representing Blacks

To the Editor:

(Re: Black Student Undecided, Argonaut, February 18, 1977) "Jones, in a telephone interview, said that he wished to be appointed so that he could provide representation to the Black students on campus. "The situation," he said, "is one that cannot be compromised because Blacks here have no senate representation."

It is rather ludicrous that Mr. Jones make such a statement regarding Black representation in the senate. The representatives that comprise the senate are rightful representatives of the entire ASU by elections held twice a year and are not ethnic representatives of a group of students. If Mr. Jones is appointed as an "ex-officio member of the senate" for Black representation then more ex-officio appointees are not only needed, but should be demanded.

The senate should provide ex-officio seats for Japanese, Chinese, American Indians, for each tribe, foreign students (one for each country), Whites, Chicanos, and any other ethnic group represented by a student on campus.

Now, to further this ethnic representation, the senate could also consider the different geographical areas of the United States. There could be at least one ex-officio seat for the north, the south, the midwest and the west. These areas could also be broken down further by states.

In consideration of the previous absurd statements, I believe Mr. Jones should remain a member of the Gallery and should be a candidate in the next ASU senate election.

Roger L. Freudenberg

A step closer to heaven?

To the Editor:

I would like to know what means are available to a student who feels justified in answering a test question, and has material to support his answer, but was penalized due to (1) the instructor felt the answer was only one answer to the question, which did not include other correct answers, or (2) the instructor felt that re-grading one test would require re-grading all tests, which would be too much consuming, or (3) the instructor made a complete error in answering the question and did not wish to admit in doing so. I am tired of being duped by instructors just because they are the professor and I am the student. Professors with their large educational background are not one step closer to heaven, as popular opinion seems to suggest.

Student consumerism is a movement spreading to some campuses in this country and I would like to see just a little of it filter this way. There isn't any reason why students should put up with ill-prepared lectures, erroneous information given by professors, or students' questions being shunted off. Admittingly, professors are human, do make mistakes, and don't have complete answers to everything, but they do have a commitment to the students to rectify erroneous information and provide answers to any questions brought forth.

The biggest grapple I have concerns the quality of lectures given by professors. If I wanted a parrot to stand in front of me and read word for word every chapter assigned, I would give it parrot's wages, whatever the going price of parrot feed is. But when I am paying that parrot's wages and it is eating steaks, I want just a little more than a tape recording of the textbook. When I really think about it, the professors are not completely at fault. Positive feedback from an audience is one of the most important factors in motivating a speaker, and after attending this and other universities, the sayings "garbage in, garage out" or "apathy breeds apathy" could describe the classroom situation beautifully.

Maybe we could start two movements here at the University of Idaho—students' consumerism and teachers' consumerism, and fight the problem through both doors.

Signed,
Tired of apathy on both sides.
(Names withheld)

Convicts need love too

To the Editor:

In forwarding this letter I am somewhat reluctant because of the possibility that what I am requesting may not be suitable for your publication, but please let me explain. At present, life (continued on page 6)

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(continued from page 5) unbelievably dismal for me in that conglomerate of steel bars, concrete, barbed wire and wasted leaves. I struggle daily to prevent myself from becoming a robot, conditioned to respond only to whistles, bells, and threats of punishment. My past years have been little more than bland, uneventful and oftentimes sad occasions, as I look back in retrospect.

The real tragedy of my life pronounces itself when I attempt to look into my future, I simply haven't any. I don't want to re-enter society a desperate, lonely person. Like so many who want to leave, only to return, as predicted by some negative statistic, I struggle to align myself to fall prey to this statistic. I'm asking for help from people in order to fill these voids in my life, We, loneliness, the hopelessness and the uncertainty future. Letters for encouragement would be appreciated.

Thank you for honoring me with your time to read these few words...

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Senate incredible

To the Editor:

Is the senate credible? Indeed, it is not. Why not?
No representation! A majority of the senators openly feel that representation is not only “unimportant” but any attempts at improved communications between senate and students are “a waste of time” and only create “internal tension.”

This attitude destroys any seeds of credibility ever sown.

We are lucky to have 10 per cent of our students turn out for elections. Why?
No representation! A majority of the senators insist on limiting their dedications to the Argonaut, KUOI, and the SUB. This is a very cozy arrangement but somehow negligent of the 8,000 students that support this place.

52 per cent of Idaho's students live off campus; they are represented by one senator. Fair representation? Many senators could not be paid to attend dorm meetings at their assigned living groups. Astonishing, considering the fact that they are paid to perform this very function. Who are they representing—besides themselves?

Apologies at this point to those few idealistic individuals who are busting ass to bring the senate closer to the students. Perhaps with more effort in the same vein as Senate Bill 22, and a turnover of many of the current senators, we can change the meaning of ASUI from “Associated Students” to “Associated Students” as it should be.

Michael E. DiBartelo
San Francisco, Calif.

Parasites

To the Editor:

Kurt Buff's letter in the Feb. 13 Argonaut set me to thinking, and I may have come up with a solution to the problem of productivity in our society. Perhaps we could convert those who cannot support themselves into organic fertilizer. This way these unproductive “parasites” could finally make a contribution to our society. I think I'll write a congressman in Washington too.

Steve Bradbury

Black seat unnecessary

To the Editor:

I was interested to read in the Feb. 18th Argonaut about Senate Bill no. 31, providing for the appointment of an ex-officio member of the senate to represent Blacks on campus. Charles Jones, the hopeful appointee, stated that there is a need for this position because Blacks have no senate representation.

This is not true. Senators represent students; Independents, Greeks and Off-campus. That pretty much takes care of everyone. Issued here do not pertain to skin color, they pertain to students. Senators handle them in this light. Blacks have no more special interests than Orientals, Indians, Eskimos, and fewer than foreign or out of state students (unless, of course, they happen to be both).

I agree that lobbyists have a place in many governments and I am pleased to see that Mr. Jones is interested enough in student affairs to go to senate meetings but he can contribute from the gallery too, if he feels it is necessary, as can anyone else. I can see no reason to press a racial issue when there is no need and no racism, and this is precisely what Mr. Jones is doing. I hope he is not a more worthy cause to expend energy on next time; one that doesn't have to be created.

Bonnie Allen

Right to work vs. ASUI

To the Editor:

What the “Right to Work” Bill (HB 67) means to the student at the Univ. of Idaho.

It gives to the student the freedom of choosing to be or not to be a member of the ASUI. At the present time this is mandatory with registration. The fee for this membership is also mandatory. If this bill is passed and becomes law, the student has the right to refuse to pay a membership fee and not support the ASUI.

Any denial of the ASUI not being a union of students should recognize the use of the “Student Union Building” for the definition of their headquarters.

All of those politically oriented students who use the ASUI as a stepping stone to assist themselves in their political ambitions should remember the meaning of “constituency” and that the financial support by those students makes this democratic action possible.

When the “Right to Work” bill is passed and becomes a law in the State of Idaho, all of the students who do not care to pay membership fees to associations or unions will be free to refuse to make payments of fees at registration time for ASUI membership.

What does this mean? It means good bye to the student unions as we know them in our Universities in the State of Idaho.

Edgar Bryan
Appellate courts might relieve Idaho congestion

Writing in the winter issue of the "Idaho Law Review," Justice Charles Donaldson says an intermediate appellate court should be established in Idaho to relieve the Idaho Supreme Court's growing backlog of pending cases.

"I strongly endorse the establishment of an intermediate appellate court in Idaho. The Idaho Supreme Court is confronted with an unmanageable caseload," Donaldson said.

The 135-page review is a publication of the U of I College of Law, and its editors are law students.

Donaldson lists easier access to the courts, increased awareness of individual rights and Idaho's population growth as causes for the dramatic increase.

Idaho's appellate backlog is delaying Supreme Court decisions, Donaldson says, and may result in injustices due to excessive delay in writing decisions or a work load too heavy to allow for thorough research.

There will be additional cost, whatever means are used to reduce the case backlog. Donaldson says, but adds the intermediate appellate court system would probably cost about the same as other proposals, including increasing the number of justices on the Supreme Court. However, he says enlarging the court could become unwieldly because of the difficulty in reaching a decision when too many people are involved.

"Idaho can be proud of her court system, one of the most modern in the nation. An ever-increasing appellate backlog, however, creating intolerable delays, threatens to discredit this system," Donaldson says.

Donaldson's article is among 10 articles, comments and notes in Volume 13, Number 1, of "Idaho Law Review." Individual copies are available at $5 with the annual subscription rate set at $8.

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I grew up in northern Idaho. Instead of hunting with a gun, I hunt with a camera. I prefer to photograph animals, rather than people, because animals aren’t aware of the camera. These photographs were shot in Boundary and Bonner County. They were shot during the last two summers using a 35 mm camera with 200 mm and 500 mm lenses. I hope these photographs preserve the natural beauty of wildlife for the historical record.
Interest groups contributed a record $22.6 million to congressional candidates in 1976, according to a study released today by Common Cause. The amount was nearly double their 1974 contributions of approximately $12.5 million. The study is based on post-election and earlier reports filed by interest groups with the Federal Election Commission.

The most dramatic increases were in contributions by corporate and business trade association political committees. In 1976, they contributed over $7.1 million to congressional candidates, almost 300 percent more than the $2.5 million they contributed in 1974. Labor unions continued to maintain an edge over business groups, however, providing $8.2 million to congressional candidates in 1976—some $2 million more than they gave in 1974.

"Special interest political giving for congressional candidates was truly a growth industry in 1976," said Fred Wertheimer, Common Cause Vice President and Director of its Campaign Finance Monitoring Project. "This pattern is bound to continue in the 1978 elections, unless major steps are taken in Congress to reduce the role and the influence of special interest money."

Political committees of the American Medical Association again led interest groups giving in 1976, with contributions of $1.8 million to congressional candidates. In 1974, they gave nearly $1.5 million. The AMA was followed in 1976 by dairy groups, which provided $1.4 million to congressional candidates, AFL-CIO COPES, which gave approximately $1 million, and committees of the maritime-related unions which gave $900,000. Dairy groups contributions represented a sixfold increase over 1974, when in the wake of the Watergate scandals, their giving to congressional candidates decreased to $226,000. In 1976, however, dairy groups—with $1.4 million—returned to their pre-Watergate level of campaign giving. In 1972, they gave $580,000 directly to congressional candidates.

The study also found that—congressional candidates in 1976 received $22 from special interest groups for every $1 received by Presidential candidates, whose campaign funds came primarily from the dollar checkoff financing system.

--Some 370 corporations established political committees for the first time during the past two years bringing to 468 the number of corporations that now have registered political giving committees.

--Two interest groups, the National Education Association and the National Association of Realtors, substantially increased their political activities in 1976.

The Common Cause study is based on reports filed by interest groups with the Federal Election Commission. The reports cover the period January 1, 1975-November 22, 1976 and include all contributions made by registered interest groups to congressional candidates for both their primary and general election campaigns.
Jethro Tull: Rock'n'roll dazlement

By DAVID NEIWERT

One of the easiest things to do when talking about Jethro Tull in conversation is to speak of Ian Anderson as the group's identity. "I saw Jethro Tull once before, a couple of years ago." "Oh Yeah?" "Yeah. He was great, running all over the stage and throwing his flute around." Almost everyone does it at one time or another, but it's really no miracle. Jethro Tull is Ian Anderson onstage and on record, if for no other reason that he is responsible for the group's image, as well as their music and stage act. When he appears on the stage, all eyes are focused upon him from that moment on. Once in awhile our attention may wander to a soloing musician, but the center of the show still remains with Anderson and his pyrotechnics.

Jethro Tull will appear in Pullman at the WSU Performing Arts Coliseum March 5. Tickets for the show are selling in Moscow at the SUB desk, Magic Mushroom and Paradise records for $6, $5 and $4. All seats are reserved.

A recent count showed all $6 tickets sold out at the Pullman locations but a few are still available at the Moscow locations. The other tickets are apparently also selling rapidly.

Jethro Tull came into being as a recording group in 1968 with an album entitled THIS WAS, which was followed by two other albums in 1969 and 1970, STAND UP and BENEFIT. During that period Tull was perfecting a sound and stage act that was to become their very own.

In 1971 they released AQUALUNG, still the definitive Tull album in many people's minds. "More and more, concertgoers found out about the remarkable act with the ragged and wide-eyed Anderson that year, and it marked a turning point in Tull's career. Ian Anderson became a legend of sorts.

Hopping on one leg in a tattered overcoat while brandishing a silver flute, Anderson was characterized as a "mad-dog Fagin," a demented dancing master, "a deranged flamingo" and Toscannini on speed. However he was described, one thing was certain. Jethro Tull and Anderson especially, was amazing in concert.

THICK AS A BRICK was Tull's next album, released in 1972. Rock critics around the world showed almost unanimous liking for the album; in addition, their concert tour of the U.S. that year grossed millions and established Tull as a "supergroup."

Since then, they have released four albums from the studio (A PASSION PLAY, WAR CHILD, MINSTREL IN THE GALLERY and TOO OLD FOR ROCK 'N' ROLL -- TOO YOUNG TO DIE) as well as two collections (LIVING IN THE PAST and M.U.) In those years Tull's reputation has grown tremendously, even though he has shed the ratty overcoat in preference of a silk-and-leather outfit.

Saturday's concert will be unique; instead of crowding the stage with equipment, all sound components (with the exception of the instruments and a few amps) will be set into the ceiling of the PAC. That will allow for freer movement by the group onstage (and Anderson will certainly need that) and good sound no matter where one is seated.

The show itself (there will be no warmup band) will start at 8 p.m. and is expected to last two and a half to three hours.
**A journey into the surreal**

In short, you have the ASU Film Society's program for tonight. Showing in the Borah Theater at 7 and 9 p.m. will be Carl Dreyer's *Passion of Jeanne Darco* and Dali and Bunuel's *Un Chien Andalou*. Tickets are on sale at the door for 75 cents.

*Passion* is the 1928 silent classic that secured a spot in film history for its innovative techniques, which even today are rarely seen and its place as one of the greats in the avant-garde genre. While maintaining a conventional narrative plot, Dreyer explored the real as surreal to create an effect that is both realistic and fantastic at the same time.

**R. Sorrels show tonight**

An evening concert by Roselle Sorrel and Utah Philips, introduced by Bert Russell, is planned for 8 p.m. tonight, Feb. 26, at the University of Idaho.

Jokes, tall stories and folk songs will be the order of the evening as the three old friends get together to provide concert goers with an evening of entertainment.

The concert, in the University Auditorium, is sponsored by the U of I Women's Center and Friends of... groups, a non-profit community organization which organizes cultural events.

Tickets are on sale at the SUB information desk, Bookpeople of Moscow, Magic Mushroom, and Paradise Records and Plants in Moscow, and at Far and Few Records in Pullman. Tickets also will be sold at the door.

**Masten to give recital**

Ric Masten, contemporary poet, song writer, and philosopher, who has revived the oral tradition of the troubadour, will give a presentation at 8 p.m. on Sunday, February 27, at the Campus Christian Center.

The meeting is sponsored by the Moscow-Pullman Unitarian Fellowship. Masten has appeared at over 100 colleges and universities each year since 1966.

He will appear at noon and at 8 p.m. at the Konoma House in Pullman on Monday...
Vietnam poison spray salvaged as herbicide

Over 2 million gallons of "Herbicide Orange", a spray which kills plants, left over from Vietnam and valued at $40 million, can now be salvaged because of a research discovery at the Interior Department's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Fish Pesticide Lab in Columbia, Missouri.

A process for removing one of the most poisonous chemicals known to man, TCDD, by absorbing it onto coconut charcoal filters was developed almost by accident by David Stalling and Jim Huckins, two chemists trying to separate and measure impurities in fish tissue. TCDD is a chemical poison which is formed when plant killing sprays are manufactured. It is more poisonous than kepone, and presents handling and storage problems as complicated as those used with lively nuclear wastes. A recent explosion of a cosmetics plant in Italy, which released about 4 pounds of TCDD killed chickens and goats and prompted the evacuation of humans for several miles.

Stalling and Huckins were not working with TCDD when they developed a process to separate impurities from fish tissue. They realized, however, that their research might apply to TCDD-carrying materials such as herbicides. They contacted Air Force officials and received a sample of Herbicide Orange to run experiments with the procedure they had developed.

Tests with two charcoal columns were effective in removing 99 per cent of the TCDD from the Herbicide Orange. In subsequent tests, more than 99 per cent of the TCDD was removed when a column of charcoal was heated to 100 degrees centigrade and the undiluted herbicide was passed through.

The U.S. Air Force has changed its plan to burn 2.3 million gallons of the spray on the open sea, near Johnston Island in the Central Pacific, on a specially designed vessel.

Blue Mt. next seminar topic

The annual Blue Mountain music festival will be the topic for the next off-campus seminar, scheduled for noon Tuesday, March 1, in the Ee-Dee-Ho room of the SUB.

Stacey Silva said that Blue Mountain will be a primary subject, along with an orientation to the Idaho Student Association (ISA) and what the organization does for the U of I.

Silva said that at last week's meeting the dog problem on campus was of top interest, although none of the students present were dog owners. The seminar urged off-campus dog owners to attend the Tuesday meeting and express their interest.

Plant photos displayed

Pictures of artichokes, apples, cactus and peonies are part of a unique display of botanical art and illustration currently at the University of Idaho Museum.

The show, which runs through March 4, includes works from the Third International Exhibition of Twentieth Century Botanical Art and Illustration of 1972-1973 at the Hunt Institute. The Hunt Institute is building a collection to preserve original botanical artworks for the future in a controlled museum environment while making it as representative and comprehensive as possible.

The institute is part of Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh.

Watercolors, oil paintings, etchings and wood engravings by artists around the world are included in the 60 artworks exhibited.

The exhibit is in the U of I Museum's major display funded through the temporary exhibition program this year, according to G. Ellis Brucaw, museum director.

Libraries sponsor visuals contest

The North Central Idaho Regional Library System is sponsoring a contest in order to obtain visual materials to be used in state and local library promotional materials.

Any resident of the six counties of the North Central Idaho Regional Library System may enter. These six counties are Benewah (outside St. Maries and Plummer), Latah, Nez Perce, Clearwater, Lewis and Idaho.

The theme of the contest is "The library is..." Participants are to visually capture the spirit of the library in their community, what it means to them, and how it enriches their community. Entries may be made either in the photography division or in the division of other visual arts.

Deadline for entries is April 15, 1977. Local winners will receive certificates of achievement and be sent on for Regional judging. Regional winning entries will receive a cash prize: Photography first prize $35, second prize $20; Visual Arts first $50, second prize $25, third prize $15. Regional winning entries will be sent to the Idaho State Library in Boise for statewide judging.

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**On Columbia Records**
Vandals end season

BY ED O'BRIEN

Weber State came to town and showed the Vandals how they were to be treated. The Big Sky Conference lead, followed by two extremely close contests with Northern Arizona U and Seattle Pacific U at Seattle. The latter two games had similar but quite different endings.

Senior guard James Smith, playing his last as a Vandals, led all scorers with the Kibbie-ASUI Dome, hit a 20 foot jump shot from the left side with .05 seconds showing on the clock to give Idaho an exciting 59-58 win over Northern Arizona.

Jimmy Lee, who along with James Nuese played their last home game, failed on his try at a one and one situation, and the Lumberjacks had the ball and a 58-55 lead with a half minute remaining. Smith then intercepted a backcourt pass and took it right in for a lay-up.

The game was played with high intensity and pressure from the Lumberjacks. Idaho's ball had been driven by Michigan State, and the Vandals were desperate to win.

The previous night, the Vandals threw everything they had at them conference co-leaders Weber State. The Wildcats, with an amazing quickness and fast break, were able to control the game, resulting in a 62-42 win for the ASU.

Idaho's Terry Gredler speeds down the court.

The Mike center James Nuese had a career high 28 points to lead all scorers, followed by James Smith's 16.

The weekend, Jim Jarvis and the I of U's guards get their last opportunity to improve their 5-19 record as they finish the 1976-77 season by traveling to southern Idaho for contests with Idaho State at the Mini Dome and then to the state capital to face Boise State Broncos.

Track team dominates meet

BY ED O'BRIEN

"It's taken us three years to get where we are and I'm really pleased. Performance-wise we did a great job."

With these words track coach Mike Keller summed up an impressive Vandal showing in the Idaho-Juniors College Meet held Feb. 19 at the Kibbie Dome. The meet resulted in four new school records and a flurry of personal bests for the Idaho track and field men.

Ben Omodale missed tying the state record in the 400 meter run by 3-10ths of a second. His time of 46.49 was a new school record and qualified him for the NCAA meet in that event.

In the 600 yard dash, Idaho's Rick Bartlett, finished first at 1:03.10, also qualifying him for NCAA's. Vandal Jeff Reinking and Warren Reed established personal bests in placing second and third.

Scott Knoblich led another 1:03.81 and Idaho in the mile with a time of 4:10.50 followed by Graydon Pihlaja and Warren Reed.

Johnny Patton and Mark Sweeney took first and third place honors in the 300 meter hurdles. Both runners bettered the old school record with times of 39.92 and 40.96 respectively.

Malcolm May, competing in the 500 yard dash, turned in fine clocking of 9.9 seconds but had to settle for a second place tie behind Lerey Jordan of Spokane Falls CC with a time of 9.86 seconds.

Though not exactly on par with Mac Wilkins, Doug Fisher's winning distance of 165'-11" in the discus was good enough to tie the school record and his personal best. In the 5000 meter, Rick Ward took 2nd place and Scott Knoblich came away with 4th.

Tim Reilly established another personal best in the pole vault when he cleared the bar at 14'-9".

Women sink Whithrow

The U of I is hosting the Northwest College Women's Sports Association Regional swimming and championships at the pool center this weekend.

The event, which started yesterday and will continue through tomorrow, includes 19 teams from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

Top entries include distance swimmer Anne MacDonald of Highborne Community College, Denise Long and Karen White of Central Washington, Jackie Landry of Washington, holder of three top entry times, and butterfly swimmer Robin Wheeler of Oregon and Idaho's Debbie Courtemanche, one of the top four entries in the 500 meter freestyle.

The lineup of teams is:


All-stars meet

Washington State will host a gymn meet tonight which will see the varsity squad taking on an all-star alumni team. The event will start at 6 p.m. in WSU's Bohler Gymnasium.

The all-star team will include 1976 Olympian Dulc Lufi, Al Sanders, national floor exercise champion and Gene Johnston, 3rd in National AAU's on rings and many more.

Tickets are 50 cents for non-WSU students and children, and one dollar for adults.
Men's swimming

"Best" not enough

Most of the U of I men's swimmers turned in their best performances at the Northwest Pacific swimming and diving championships last week, but they still came up short against tough competition.

Seven of the nine swimmers who traveled to Seattle for the meet registered career bests, yet the Vandals finished in the bottom half of the nine team field, mostly due to a shortage of swimmers for too many events.

The first day of the competition saw personal bests attained by Jeff Vitamanti in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 22.1 seconds, John DeMeyer in the 200-yard freestyle at 1:50.7, which was one second off the school record, and Steve Cobb, who cracked four minutes in the 500-yard freestyle but didn't make the finals.

Second day highlights for the Vandals included DeMeyer placing in the finals of the 200-yard freestyle with a 1:50.2; Dean Heffinger taking 14th in the 100-yard backstroke in 1:03.69; a 15th place finish by Bob Morrison in the same event with a 1:03.78; and the 800-yard freestyle relay team of DeMeyer, Cobb, Phil Flemming and Vitamanti taking 7th with a 7:20.3 clocking.

On the last day of competition, Cobb placed 18th in the 200-yard backstroke with a lifetime best of 2:08.7, DeMeyer placed 12th in the 1,650-yard freestyle at 17:21.2, diver Bill Curran placed 10th in the three-meter diving event, and Flemming placed 15th in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 49.47 while Vitamanti took 16th at 50.03.

High school athletes travel to dome

The Kibbie-ASUI Dome will be the site for this Saturday's A and W Northwest High School Track Meet which features the top male prep athletes from throughout the Northwest.

The meet is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. Admission is $2.50 for adults, $1 for students 17 years and under, with U of I students admitted free with valid identification cards.

More than 90 athletes representing Washington, Oregon and Idaho, are scheduled to compete.

Heading the list is Mike Schill from East Valley Junior High School, Spokane, Wash. As a seventh grader, Schill broke the national eighth-pound shot record with a toss of 58-8.5 inches. Last year as a 14-year-old, Schill had the best 12 pound shot mark in the country in his age group with a mark of 53-6.5; six inches below the national record.

The meet will include all the field events, with the exception of the discus, along with all the running events including the 300-meter intermediate hurdles and the 3,000 meter run.

In the pole vault, Steve Crane from David-Douglas High School, Portland, Ore., has entered. Crane won the vault at the All-Comers meet with a mark of 14 ft.

Idaho track coach Mike Keller is excited about the caliber of competition and believes the meet will be one of the best in the Northwest.

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“Eating habits of Americans have changed drastically in the last decade,” says U of I Extension Nutrition Specialist Ester Wilson. “According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Economic Research Service, one out of every three meals is eaten away from home.

“Consumers often claim that restaurants serve too large a portion for the average eater. Not everyone’s appetite is always up to Tarzan-size portions, and consequently much food is thrown away. To cut down on this huge waste, some restaurants across the country are now offering patrons a choice of portion sizes, with a corresponding choice of prices. When you eat less, you pay less.”

Wilson says the idea of reduced portions is being tested on senior citizens in northern Florida, and children’s portions are appearing on more and more menus across the nation.

“One restaurant in Washington, D.C., conducted a survey and found that 30 percent of their diners selected smaller portions when given a choice,” she says.

The U of I specialist believes “portion-size” meals, where the diner can specify ladies’ or children’s portion, regular, or super-size, may be the “in” way to order.

“Consumers like the freedom of choice allowed, and the plan also offers an opportunity to eliminate waste, reduce prices, and increase business for restaurants because consumers can afford to eat out more often.”

Wilson says an excellent portion control guide for restaurants is “How To Increase Profits With Portion Control,” by Douglas Keister. It is available from the National Restaurant Association, 1530 N. Lakeshore Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60610.

**Conserving water can beat Idaho drought**

While agreeing that this is one of the driest years on record, a U of I civil engineer believes conservation measures and cooperation will see most residents through the situation.

Assessing the water outlook in an interview this week, Dr. Calvin Warnick of the Idaho Water Resources Research Institute said the electrical power outlook for the Palouse region is another case altogether.

“If we have continued dry weather, we will have water problems—brown outs and the like,” Warnick predicted. “Presumably, we could get imported power from California through the electrical transmission intertie system, but this could be very expensive because its generation there is dependent on gas and oil.”

Warnick said although it looks like almost every stream in Idaho will be at record low levels this year, a dry spring shouldn’t be too critical in the Moscow-Pullman area because domestic supplies draw primarily from groundwater sources.

“To my knowledge, we’ve never experienced a crop failure in the Palouse,” Warnick remarked. “This is not to say, however, that there have not been dry years with substantially lower crop yields.”

**Wyoming House considers license for blind hunters**

(ZNS) The Wyoming House of Representatives is considering a bill which would allow a blind hunter to have a sighted person shoot his gun for him while hunting. Representative Ed Wilkins, a sponsor of the bill, reports that the legislation was introduced “because hunting is so important to the people of Wyoming... and these people might like to be in the out of doors.”

Wilkins argues that the provision allowing other persons to shoot game for blind hunters is needed because some people who are classified as legally blind can faintly see the animals, but cannot aim at them without help.
Computers & kids

Thanks to a new program at the U of I, 11 Moscow elementary school students along with six college elementary education majors are being taught how to program a computer.

Dr. James Calvert, U of I professor of mathematics, says the new course is designed to find out if fifth and sixth grade students can be taught to program a computer and what the benefits might be. The class also offers education majors an opportunity to learn to program computers so that they will be qualified to teach the subject to their own students.

"I think programmable computers in elementary schools are coming," Calvert said, adding that the price of the "hardware" is coming down all the time. He said he thinks the greatest benefit to students at the elementary level would be learning to read and understand technical material.

"Learning about programming would give them the motivation to learn technical material," he said.

Calvert said the students are handed notes he writes as the course progresses for use as a text. The elementary students operate computer terminals in the Gauss Engineering Laboratory for one-half hour during each of two weekly class sessions. They also spend a half hour of each session in the classroom where either Calvert or Dr. Gail Williams, associate professor of mathematics, explains the course material.

"The university students supervise two of the elementary students at a time as they operate the terminals," Calvert said, indicating the university students' knowledge of programming is about "on a par" with that of the elementary students.

Calvert said the course will be offered "at least one more time," and that he hopes some permanent offering, at least for the education majors, will be developed.

No firm decision on the duration of the class has been made, he said, noting that "we'll come to the point where their math knowledge becomes a hinderance." The students will be taught as much about programming as they appear able to learn, he said, and "they will be able to write a fairly sophisticated program when they finish."
State Board of Education exemption denied

A request by the State Board of Education that it be exempted from the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) was refused last week by the Senate Health, Education, and Welfare Committee.

The committee action effectively killed the Board's chance of being granted immunity from the APA.

The act requires any agency with the authority to make rules governing citizens to publicize any meeting where rule changes are being considered. Such notice must be given 20 days in advance of the meeting and one of the specific requirements of the APA that is a notice must be published in a newspaper.

The expense of publishing these announcements is what the Board of Regents objects to, Board President Ed Benoit said. "We do not feel we should go to the expense of strictly complying with the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act," he told the senate committee. "Frankly, Benoit added, "I'm looking at dollars and cents."

Benoit said the board did not consider itself accountable under the APA, but added that a possible court case to test that point may take years.

Benoit said that while the Attorney General's office had agreed with the position of the Board, a district court ruling had decreed otherwise. That case involved a dispute between the board and the ASU over drinking rules at the U of I. Benoit told the committee members that since this was a ruling on a judicial motion, it did not apply. Therefore, he said, "We are not in violation."

But Benoit noted that a decision leaves the Board in the state of limbo. "If the judge's ruling was correct, we are subject to the law suits."

If the board is not living to the letter of the law, Benoit said, it is living in the spirit of it. "We are doing what the purpose of the APA intended," he said, adding that the Board of Education, unlike many state agencies, "lives in a fishbowl."

He added that student governments of the four state institutions of higher education "have no complaints" about the way the Board conducts its business.

But a former member of the board of Education, Sen. Dick Smith, R-Rexburg, questioned the fairness of granting this one agency an exception to the APA. "If we exempt the State Board of Education, what excuse can we give the State Board of Health?"

Smith offered to compromise by allowing the Board exceptions to APA provisions pertaining to "house" rules, but, he told Benoit, "I just can't turn you loose."

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Midvale, agreed with Smith. "I have a real fear in exempting the State Board of Education from the APA," he said. Craig was an ASU president from 1968 to 1969.

In further action in the HEW committee voted to form a sub-committee to look into the possibility of limited exceptions for the education board.

Water power executives will visit

Seven Washington Water Power Co. executives will come to the U of I Friday, Feb. 25, to participate in the Pi Beta Sigma business honorary's executive for a day program.

The seven men will spend the day speaking to classes, answering student questions and visiting informally with interested students.

The men will also attend a luncheon in their honor in the Gold Room of the SUB and one will be singled out for special honors and presentation with an honorary membership in Pi Beta Sigma.

According to Tom Gunning, Moscow, junior accounting major and chairman of the executive for a day program, the men will discuss such things as regulation of public utility companies, public utility accounting, and personnel and employment practices.

Attending will be Robert L. Strange, assistant secretary; John Murray, Palouse division manager; Ben Joseph, organizational planning and manpower coordinator; Lloyd Myers, power planning engineer; Harold Anderson, manager of information and special activities; Henry E. Odean, assistant treasurer; Thomas G. Nakamura, manager of area development; and William V. Nutter, manager of area development.

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April Home and Rec Show adds displays, offers prizes

Moscow's second annual Home and Recreation Show should be "bigger and better than it was last year," according to chairman Don Flerom. Flerom says some 34 merchants have expressed a desire to participate in this year's show scheduled for April 1, 2, and 3 in the U of I Kibbie Dome. Twenty merchants displayed their wares in last year's show.

In addition to motorcycles, furniture, recreational vehicles, floor covering, and other assorted merchandise displayed in the 1976 show, this year the Chamber of Commerce sponsored exhibition will also feature, among other things, a sewing machine display and a moving and storage exhibit.

Flerom says that the April show will offer a 

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