Senate creates assistants

A bill providing for the creation of three positions for senatorial assistants was approved by the ASUI Senate at their Tuesday meeting.

Under the provisions of the bill, three assistants will be recruited to assist senate standing committees. The positions will be for a period of one year, beginning with the inauguration of the ASUI president, and ending with the termination of the spring term.

Each assistant will be assigned to one of the standing committees in the senate and will be responsible to the chairman of that committee. The duties of the assistant will be to serve as a secretary and to provide research and information as required by the members of the committee.

Those interested in applying for the positions should come to the ASUI Senate offices and fill out an application.

More late start

Four calendars offered

Four calendars that have been proposed for the University of Idaho, an early start, a late start, an alternate late start, and a middle start, have all been "lodged" by the Faculty Council until the intent of the Board of Regents is known, according to Faculty Secretary Bruce Bray.

The council met on the proposed calendars last Tuesday, but moved to table the proposals until after the April Regents meetings.

At the Feb. 3 Regent's meeting, the Board moved to appoint Regents A. L. Alford, Lewiston, and J.P. Munson, Sandpoint, to a committee to review the calendar changes in light of student opposition to the late-start, and the possible changes of the WSU calendar.

The councilmen will report back to the Board at its April meeting.

In view of this motion, the council decided not to make any specific approval of any calendar, Bray said, until the intent of the Board was known. The calendars will go before the council at the first meeting following the Regents meeting in April, and a decision made then, he said. In "identical" the calendars, the council moved to accept the calendars in priority, as follows:

1) An early-start classes commencing Aug. 30, semester end Dec. 22 for the fall semester, spring classes starting Jan. 17, spring break from March 16 to 26, and term end May 18.

2) The middle start otherwise known as the Dobson calendar, with classes beginning Sept. 11 and ending Jan. 19 with a 19 day Christmas break. Spring classes will begin Jan. 29 and end May 15, with a spring break from March 23 to April 1.

3) An alternate late-start calendar, known as the Rosenberg calendar, would commence classes on Sept. 18 and end the fall term Jan. 26, with Christmas break from Dec. 22 to Jan. 8. Spring term would start on Feb. 7 and end on June 10, with spring break from April 6 to April 16.

A fourth, traditional late-start calendar was not assigned a priority by the council. That calendar would commence classes on Sept. 21 and would end the school year on June 8, Christmas break from Dec. 15 to Jan 3, and spring break from April 6 to April 16.
Pot clarification bill under house scrutiny

BY JOHN HECHT

A bill that will clarify the court of jurisdiction and the criminal penalties involved with marijuana has been introduced on the Idaho House of Representatives. The bill, if ratified, will also probably increase the conviction rate of offenders.

Rep. Robert Hosack, Moscow, has submitted the legislation which would amend the possession section of the Idaho Code, and bring the present penalties under requirements as set by the Idaho Constitution. The bill was introduced in behalf of Latah County Attorney Bill Hamlett, who drafted the legislation. At this time the bill has been accepted for printing.

The change in law would affect section 37-27-32(d) of the Idaho Code. The key language of this section presently refers to the frequenting of a place where the person knows that marijuana is being stored for whatever purpose. This includes the specification that cultivating the plant is an offense. Currently, the growing of marijuana is usually charged as manufacturing, and by present interpretation that can be considered a felony.

The bill removes the term "frequents" and substitutes "be present at" such premises. Hosack said that in order to prove frequenting, it must be shown that a person has been present more than once, a fact sometimes difficult to demonstrate in court.

In addition, the bill calls for a decrease in the maximum fine from $500 to $300. According to Hamlett, the constitution sets a limit on misdemeanor fines at $300. The change would bring this section of the law within those guidelines.

However, there will be an increase in the maximum period of incarceration in the county jail from the present 30 days to 90 days.

"One effect of the change in law," Hamlett said, "will be that the misdemeanor section will be clarified. Any charges brought under this section will be tried before the magistrate court, rather than the district court."

Hamlett has not yet discussed the proposed law with other enforcement and prosecution officials. "I wanted to wait until the bill was printed," he said, "to see how the final wording came out." When the bill returns from printing, Hamlett said, he will discuss it with the Idaho Prosecutors Association, sheriffs, and police officers.

Indonesia harsh on heads

(ZNS) Persons who are apt to have some marijuana in their possession should probably avoid Indonesia.

That's because the government in Jakarta can impose the death sentence against persons convicted of possessing pot.

High Times magazine reports that under Indonesian anti-drug laws, regarded as harshness on earth, possessing, importing, exporting, or buying weed is currently a capital offense. In most cases, pot offenders are not executed, but are normally given lengthy prison terms and fined up to $100,000.

According to High Times, one Australian pilot named Donald Tate is in custody and faces a possible death sentence for possessing two-thirds of a ton of pot.

Marijuana reformer to speak on law proposal

The Washington State Coordinator of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, NORML, will be speaking tonight about "Decriminalization of Marijuana."

Roger A. Rofman, professor of social work at the University of Washington, will be presenting arguments in behalf of the proposal. Rofman speaks from an interesting perspective on drugs, serving also as Coordinator of the Washington Alcohol Abuse Program.

The scheduling is timely as there will be a vote today in the Washington State Legislature on marijuana decriminalization. House Bill 257, which calls for the lowering of criminal penalties for possession, will be voted on by the House Judiciary Committee, determining whether to send the bill to the floor of the house.

The bill would reduce penalties for possession to a civil fine of $25 for an amount less than 10 grams, which is about one ounce. Pete Bernkey, a spokesman for the WSU chapter of NORML, said that chances for a favorable vote by the committee "look good."

The NORML presentation begins at 8 p.m. tonight in the Junior Ballroom of the Compton Union Building at WSU.

Excess vitamins spell trouble

She notes that injuries from vitamin overdoses are rare. But if a child takes enough pills, the body can exhibit symptoms and dangerous effects, especially from vitamin A or vitamin D. These two vitamins are stored by the body, so toxic levels can build up.

BLOG forms available at UCC

Harry Davey of the U of I Financial Aids office reminds students that Basic Educational Opportunity Grant applications for the 1977-78 school year are now available. They may be picked up at UCC 228 and should be submitted immediately.
A faint faneare
This is a letter of thanks to a gracious ASU senato who in their all seeing but ever conservative wisdom have extended representation to those of us who dwell off campus.

This move must surely be a continuing circumstance of wonder to the off campus student.

Off campus students comprise only 52 per cent of the total student body. But our small numbers have not deterred the senate from granting us a voice in student government. A voice to be proud of.

I get down on my knees daily, bowing in the direction of the George Ambrose residence, thanking god that Stacy Silva has been allowed to represent the off-campus student in spite of the fact that she also represents three living groups.

The off campus vote is therefore unique in the annals of student government: Never have so many been given so much by so few.

KOSSMAN

One man's dog is another man's ...

I expect any day now that the city of Moscow will be contacted by a representative of some emerging nation where more people starve to death than vote. The call will come into the Moscow office of the chamber of commerce:

"Hello, this is the ambassador of Wishwehadda, is Mr. Gropes in?"

"Yes, Mr. Ambassador this is Grope speaking."

"Ah, Mr. Grope the people in my country are avid readers of your local newspaper, the Argonaut. We noticed a story in that paper to the effect that your city puts about twenty dogs to death every month. Is that true?"

"According to the most recent statistics, Mr. Ambassador, I believe you are quite correct on the tally. But why would your country be interested in such an insignificant matter as the deaths of a few dogs."

"Mr. Grope the news in fact has been the major topic of conversation in Wishwehadda for several days. My people are astounded that such a thing could be allowed to happen. Such a waste."

"I had no idea that dogs were so highly valued in your country, Mr. Ambassador. I imagine that they are considered to be religious objects."

"No, No; we're not so impractical as people in other countries. Dogs in Wishwehadda are not religious at all. Hell, Mr. Grope, we eat them seven days a week. Which brings me to the reason for this call."

KOSSMAN

betsy brown
Underwear and Politics

Men, women & ERA

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to that written by R. D. Vesser concerning the Equal Rights Amendment. First, I would like to know if R.D. Vesser is male or female? If male I can see his wish to deny women equal rights, if female why does she want to remain in an inferior position? Yes, there are advantages. It's easier to get Welfare. Women are generally granted alimony rather than men. It also keeps the woman from having to accept equal responsibility. The suffering servant role can give her a tremendous psychological advantage, too.

I also find it interesting that though this person is appealing not to Mormons, but to all conservatives, he/she is sure to let you know he/she is Mormon, and that the church is against the ERA. Just a trifle undetected from my point of view, but then I'm one of those strange people who like to watch the telly and see what the congress is up to. Now Mr.-Ms. Vesser says that the Communist party is against the ERA. Then she says the liberal labor coalition is for it, with an implication that the two are related in some way. Imposing such a thing is hankler than saying it outright, since you don't need to provide evidence, which he/she doesn't.

There is one final thing I would like to say. I am a woman. I am as capable as most of the men I know. I have been told at least once that I was better at a job than the man who replaced me, and up until the year I started working there it had been an all male crew. Yet it is much more difficult for me to find a decent job and my income is not much better than that of most men. I have the same education, skills, and experience with my age, capabilities and educational background. I want equal rights. I want to be able to read the latest of the "feminine" monthlies while participating in the electronic dance of the decade.

KOSSMAN

Oregon eyes early start

The University of Oregon, that state's largest school, is considering a switch to an early start semester system. Currently, the U of O utilizes a late start quarter system.

Champions of the change predict the early start calendar would not only remedy some academic problems inherent to the quarter system, but also save the university money as well. The rolling calendar under consideration features a late August fall semester opening, and an early May dismissal. The proposed system is similar to that used in Idaho, which is in danger of being changed because it is considered unfair by some members of the Board of Regents.

If the U of O does adopt the calendar, it would be the first state funded institution Oregon college.

KOSSMAN
Letters continued

rest of my life. I don't like living in a society where 'some are more equal than others.'

Donna M. Miller

Blocking violation

To the Editor:

In the reply written by Joe Hudgick and Bob Ronald it appears that they are upset. Why shouldn't they be? They were caught doing something wrong and don't want to own up to it. The rationale that the roll-offs aren't sanctioned won't hold water. The lanes were sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress so their rules apply. My original letter was not intended to draw false conclusions as their reply did nor to discredit anyone but lets just look at what really is. Any roll-offs of a tournament must be held in accordance with the rules while's was not. Their rationale that lane blocking is for advanced bowlers is false. It is merely a means of sidestepping the hard work required in order to become a good bowler and satisfying the ego's demand for good scores. They did not deny my claims but tried to discredit me by saying that I didn't make the cut. I made the cut but did not make the top 5 for Missoula. Lane blocking allows for some people to score and others not to score. How quickly they forgot first semester who consistently was number one. Second semester is different-certain averages fell 10-12 pins while other rose 10-15 pins. This is not a true reflection of bowling ability because of the blocked lanes. If these gentlemen are as good as they're implying then why did they fail so terribly at Missoula? They were ranked number two on their scores here but finished fourth out of six in Missoula. It is true that the team officers did OK the block but the rest of the team's (16 people) was never informed. Most of the team officers went to the tournament. There are no set practice hours so the block is there every time the lanes are oiled. The main problem now is that the U of I is having a tournament in March with the other teams that participated in Missoula. The lanes are going to be blocked so that the men who went to Missoula can "show" the other teams what "good" they are. It seems that this would be an unfair reflection on the student. All I want is fair competition, yet these men are unwilling to allow it. They avoid the issue at hand. If lane blocking had the advantages they claim then why is it still illegal in every form of bowling competition? Larry Sirhall

Texan urges King, JFK death probes

(ZNS) Texas Representative Henry Gonzalez is asking the American public to pressure Congress into continuing investigations into the assassinations of President John Kennedy and Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. The House Rules Committee recently again delayed the 12-member select committee on assassinations, meaning that the three-month-old committee is without funding or legal standing. Gonzalez, in a speech on the House floor, suggested there is a covert attempt by opponents of the New Investigation, including members of the media, to discredit the committee and kill the probe. He specifically accused "The New York Times" of engaging in what he called "journalistic vendetta" to discredit the committee's chief counsel, Richard Sprague.

Gonzalez claims that the committee has developed important new information and leads which he says should be tracked down thoroughly before being made public. He says: "I believe that if the American people were to know these same facts and developments, they would never forgive us for not going on.

The Texas Congressman adds that because of Congress's failure to reconstitute the committee this session, the investigation is being severely hampered. He states the Justice Department has informed him that committee investigators are regarded as "unauthorized persons" in the department's assassination files, because the committee technically does not exist.

Gonzalez reports that 13 vital subpoenas were issued to witnesses in Tennessee and Texas last fall, but that the subpoenas are no longer valid and the witnesses cannot be questioned because of Congress's continuing refusal to re-authorize the select committee.

Gonzalez has specifically requested a budget of $15,000 a month to continue the probe, but the rules committee has balked at approving the request.

Trouble Shooter

Q: Are graduate student assistantships taxable? Signed, Helpful To Know

T.S.: Wages earned by graduate assistants are taxable. Don Amos, university business manager commented, "wages earned by assistants are taxable according to a direct ruling given the university by the IRS. However, there is a happy hitch to this story. Students can file a petition for a refund form along with the regular annual tax return. The petition forms are available from the Deans office at each of the schools according to Amos. Helpful reports that some departments are not too helpful in providing information or assistance. Should you have this problem, be persistent first, then drop T.S. a line.

Q: Have the appropriations for Students'-'Teacher evaluations been cut from this year's budget? If so, will the ASUI assume the responsibility for the program? Signed, Assistance Needed

T.S.: The most recent budget request sent to the Government and Legislative did not specifically include the appropriation. Budget director Dale Aldridge says that actually, "it's all up in the air and won't be decided until the legislature passes a general budget for the university." At that point the money falls into the lap of the executive committee at the University. This committee creates an operating budget subject to approval of President Hartung. It is at that time that the evaluations appropriation may or may not be added.

Two sources pointed to one key member of the executive committee, Dr. Robert Coonrod, executive vice-president for academic affairs. Saying that he pretty much carried the ball in this decision, Dr. Coonrod is in Boise until the end of the week.

The T.S. column is for your use. Whatever your problem, pet peeve or question, write to T.S. in care of the Argonaut. Until Monday, this is S.T. saying, Happy
**Marvelmania: Fantastic Four Storms Campus Airwaves**

By JOHN HECHT

Attention, True Believers: Marvelmania, the devotion to
comic books that began in the mid-sixties, in response to
increasingly sophisticated
artistry and writing, now audible, is coming to KUOI-
FM.

Beginning Monday, Feb. 4, the student radio station will
broadcast the Marvel Comics
Radio Series. Kicking off the
event will be the "Adventure
of the Fantastic Four."

Broadcast Director Mike
Freedman said, "We wanted
to get something that would
interest the students, and
lighten their day."

Each episode, which will run
for a week, consists of five
five-minute chapters that will
be broadcast twice a day, at
8:30 a.m. and 5:40 p.m. The
entire week's episode will be
rebroadcast on Saturday
afternoons at 3:30.

The cost to the station for the
13-week series will be $10
per week, and the package
includes posters of the
starring characters, and even
comics for giveaway.

"The price is something that
we can reasonably afford," said
station manager Tom
Raffetto. "This is an
experiment, and we are
hoping for a positive reaction
from the students and other
listeners."

Stan "The Man" Lee, who is
presently publisher of the
Marvel Comics line, has
written all the scripts. Lee
entered the comics field at the
age of 17 during the late
1930’s, a period which has
been often called the "Golden
Age of Comics."

"The Marvel Age of Comics"
begin in 1961 when Lee, with
artist Jack "The King" Kirby,
created the Fantastic Four,
which even from the first
issue, billed itself as "The
World's Greatest Comics
Magazine." The unimninished
popularity of the book over the
years has lent credence to
that claim.

The Fantastic Four consists of
Ben Grimm, Reed Richards,
Sue Storm Richards, and
Johnny Storm. Grimm is "The
Thing," who resembles a
lumpy pile of orange rocks, and
has tremendous strength;
Richards, "Mr. Fantastic," is
the leader of the
小组, and has the uncanny
ability to stretch his limbs
many times their own length.
He is also considered the
world's foremost scientific
genius.

Sue Storm Richards, Reed's
wife, is the "Invisible Girl" and
also has the power to mentally
create encircling forcefields.
Her younger brother Johnny is
the "Human Torch," who can
"Flame On" his body at will
and fly.

The group received their
strange powers when, in a
space race with the Russians,
they encountered an
interstellar storm of Cosmic
Rays which mutated their
bodies.

What made the Fantastic
Four so unique for the time
was that they were not only
superheroes, whose mission
was to unselfishly save the
world, but they also had very
human problems. The Torch
might be with his favorite girl
ready to make The Move, when
he would be signaled to
join the F.F. on a mission of
world-shattering importance.
The Thing feels alienated from
the world because of his body,
and is quite insecure in his
relationship with Alicia, a blind
sculptor, who loves the Thing
for himself.

The Invisible Girl and Mr.
Fantastic have gone through
marital problems over the
years, including a two-year
separation that almost ended
in divorce.

The comic magazine also pioneered
the concept of extended stories
which continued from issue to
issue, to the great frustration of readers
who were impatient to see how
things came out.

Some of villains to be battled in
the series include Dr. Victor
von Doom, absolute monarch
of the Central European
kingdom of Latveria, who has
world-conquering ambitions,
that the F.F. always manages
to thwart. Dr. Doom
concluded a non-aggression
treaty with a certain pot-bellied
American secretary of state,
which gives him diplomatic
immunity.

Doom was a classmate of
Reed Richards in college, but
became evil and embittered at
the world when a chemical
explosion scarred his face for
life.

Other villains include the
"Submariner," who was
created in 1939, but has
come back several times
throughout comics history.
Prince Namor, the Ruler of
Atlantis, carries on on-and-off
wars with the surface humans
who have polluted his ocean
Kingdom. But, he is an anti-
hero, and sometimes even
teams up with the F.F. He has
been in love with the Invisible
Girl for years, and was somewhat
responsible for the problems that
Reed and Sue
had between each other.

"The Molman" is the near-
blind monarch of an
underground kingdom, and
with his "endless army of
mindless minions" constantly
attempts to conquer the
surface world.

Also featured will be the
"Miracleman" who will
his magic wand can destroy
the world and space with his illusions.

Null Said!

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English lab clinic for writing ills

There’s a different kind of laboratory operating on campus. There aren’t any grisly cats or shaved rats adorning the tables or hiding in formalin solutions. It’s a writing lab for people in need of pointers on their prose.

The lab is run by the instructional assistants in the U of I English Department. It is in room 226 of the Faculty Office Complex. The instructional assistants also teach English 103 or 104. The lab’s hours of operation are 10 to 2 on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, and 11 to 3 on Wednesday.

The lab has a problem, though. “I don’t think people know about it,” Anita Brunner said. Craig Everbeck added, “So far it’s been pretty inactive.” Or as Diane Wah put it, “We need to publicize what the lab is and what it’s for.” All of them work in the lab and Wah is the grad student in charge of the lab.

“The lab isn’t just for people who are below average in their writing skills, but that’s what a lot of the students seem to think,” Dr. Gene Krupa said. Krupa is the head of the department’s composition program and is the faculty member responsible for the lab’s operation.

The lab is for those with problems with grammar, construction, or for those who need help interpreting their instructor’s cryptic comments on their essays. The lab is also designed for those who need help preparing for the English proficiency exam, which comes up in March. Advice or practice for writing essays in general is also available. Writing that aren’t directly related to the English Department or the university will also be analyzed if the student wants feedback.

According to Krupa, “We hope to have it funded through the university. We were put on the budget for next year, but the money didn’t stretch that far. So far we’ve been doing it on our own time. We have been coordinating the lab with the Learning Resource Center on campus, which helps students with more general study problems or problems in other areas. If we get funding then there are plans to move the lab over to the center.

Campus Capers

John R. Shaffer, 20, and two male juveniles were arrested Sunday at 1:55 a.m. for possession of a controlled substance (marijuana). He was released Feb. 7 on $300 bond.

Shaffer was arraigned Feb. 10, and pleaded guilty. Judge Roy Mosman withheld judgment pending completion of two years probation. The juveniles were released to adults.

This past week on campus, police wrote citations for four stop sign violations, one right turn violation, one operator’s license violation, one vehicle registration violation, and one inattentive driving.

News maker gone reporter?

(ZNS) Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has been offered a position as a news specialist for the British Broadcasting Corporation. The B.B.C. confirms that Kissinger was approached "about two or three months ago on" the idea, and has not yet fixed it. The former political troubleshooter for the Ford administration has also reportedly been talking to several American networks about having his own spot as a special news commentator.

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Entertainment

‘Rashomon’ scheduled in PAC

By Susan Sample

Once the regal gate leading to Kyoto, Rashomon is now overgrown with jungle weeds, serving as a dump and a bandits’ hideout.

And in the play of the same name, set for production at the U of I this month, the gate serves as the scene of action where a crime is revealed, from four points of view.

Opening Thursday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m., the Japanese drama is scheduled to run through Feb. 27 at The U of Performing Arts Center. Sunday’s special performance begins at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets, available at the PAC and the Theatre Arts Department, are $2.75 for adults, $1.50 for children under 12 and high school students with activity cards. U of I students with valid student identification cards are admitted free.

‘Rashomon’ is another effort of the husband-wife playwriting team, Fay and Michael Kanin. Twice the winners of Academy Awards, the Kanin’s comedy melodramas have included “Teacher’s Pet” and “The Opposite Sex;” they have also written several Broadway hits.

However, a more serious vein can be seen in ‘Rashomon,’ a drama adapted from the short stories of Ryunosuke Akutagawa. A highly sensitive and brilliant writer, Akutagawa retold medieval Japanese legends in terms of modern psychology. ‘Rashomon’ displays his cynical concept of human nature—people see only what they want to see.

During the drama in four parts, a double crime of murder and rape is re-enacted through flashbacks based on the accounts of three victims—a samurai warrior, his wife, and a notorious bandit. The essential facts remain the same in each version, but the characterizations differ. Was the samurai a coward or was he killed in a fair fight with the bandits? Was the woman a loving wife or desiring of the bandit’s lust?

The crime is also seen through the eyes of a simple woodcutter who seems to remain outside the triangle of emotions, thus making his testimony appear the accurate and trustworthy one. But truth may not be that simple, for the woodcutter has stolen the murderer’s sword and is thus involved as well.

Highlighting this intriguing inquiry into truth is a boldly colorful samurai sword fight choreographed by Carl Patrick, executive director of Ballet Fez of Moscow and member of the U of I theatre arts faculty. Real swords are being used on stage, heightening the suspense of the murder.

Patrick is also director for the production. Set design is by Jean Elliott, while the technical director is Steve Remington.

Jethro Tull tickets
go on sale at WSU

Tickets for the upcoming Jethro Tull concert at WSU will go on sale Sunday, Feb. 13, in Pullman at the Coliseum. Sales for block purchases will start at 10 a.m. and individual tickets will be sold at 1 p.m.

Tickets are available at the ASWSU Promotions Office, 210 S. Main, Moscow, Idaho.

A contemporary drama sandwiched between a medieval comedy and a family encounter comedy constitute the billing for the trio of one-act plays being offered this weekend.

Opening Sat. at 7:30 p.m. in the U-Hut Studio Theatre and running through Monday, the plays are directed by students as part of the directing class requirements. They are free of charge.

“Birds” by Leonard Merli, directed by senior Caren Grahm, is a contemporary play portraying an encounter between a frustrated writer working as a cafeteria cashier and a waitress in the same shabby restaurant.

Senior Kathy Winans directs “Noah,” a medieval comedy from the Wakefield “Clyde Plays.” Based on the Old Testament story of the Flood, the play juxtaposes the serious theme with the comedy of a bawdy Noah beating his wife.

“A Room at the Hotel Baltimore” by Langford Wilson is the author of “The Sand Castle,” written by Kurt Vonnegut in the course of an evening, a widow and her three children are drawn together in various comedic encounters.

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For individual sales, buyers are asked to observe the following policies. First, there is a limit of 10 tickets per individual. Plus, a buyer must show two pieces of I.D. if a check is used. These checks must have name, address, phone number and student I.D. number. All tickets are being sold for $6, $5, and $4, depending on seat location.

All checks must be made out to WSU Coliseum.

The concert itself is scheduled for Saturday, March 11. Beginning at 8 p.m., Tull will put on a show that is expected to last two or three hours with no back-up performers. In other WSU concert news, Lange reported that Styx and Ambrosia have tentatively agreed to perform in Pullman sometime in March.
Maguire in Coffeehouse

Charlie Maguire, a folksinger who incorporates his harmonica, guitar and voice, will be presented by the Coffeehouse Committee on Feb. 11.

Maguire says he "tries to write songs that people can identify with." He has written songs about many things, including his boyhood on a dairy farm, historical events, hobos, friends, trucks, traveling, and his wife.

During the 1972 presidential race Maguire was a "folksinger in residence" for John Lindsay, then Mayor of New York City.

Maguire taught music in a grade school on an Indian reservation in Wisconsin for a year. He and his wife served as VISTA volunteers in Nebraska, performing and teaching music to Head Start, migrant and public school children.

Maguire has also written a children's songbook, published by Head Start.

When he's not on the road, Maguire lives in Minneapolis, where he composes and performs music for the Public Library's weekly radio program.

**Album costs investigated**

(ZNS) If you think the prices you're paying for your favorite records and tapes are too high these days, you may not be alone.

Billboard magazine reports that the U.S. Justice Department has launched a major investigation into the methods used by record wholesalers and retailers to set their prices.

The investigation, according to Billboard, is being coordinated by the U.S. Attorney's office in Los Angeles and is centering around the leading members of the powerful National Association of Record Retailers.

**Airwave Valentine**

KUID-FM is offering a personalized service for anyone who receives the signal. The service is called Happy Hearts Valentine Dedication.

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**Film Society**

"Of Soft Mice and Strong Men"

By DAVID NEWERT

George and Lennie have a dream. Actually, it's mostly George's but Lennie likes it too. George envisions a day when they can start living off "the facts the land." That's fine with Lennie, because that means he can have more soft things to touch. Ever since he got kicked in the head by a horse, Lennie's only care in life is soft things.

Sound familiar? If you have read John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" or seen the play, it should be. Now, the ASUI film society is bringing the movie version to the U of I campus.

Lewis Milestone's 1940 production, "Of Mice and Men," will be shown tonight at 7 and 9 p.m. in the Bohm theater in the SUB. Admission will be 25 cents; season tickets will also be available. The price is $4.00.

Playing the role of the idiot man-child, Lennie, is Lon Chaney, Jr., who received both popular and critical acclaim for his performance in that role.

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Self-sufficiency course a growing student need

By ROD O'DELL

A petition drive has been started on campus to add a "self-sufficiency" course to the curriculum of the College of Agriculture. The content of the course would be directed toward self-sufficient living, and would include such topics as fruit and vegetable culture, milk production and processing, bee keeping and butchering.

The inception of such a course seems to have gained a measure of approval from both administrators and students. U of I President Ernest Hartung found it a fascinating idea, and that concept was echoed by Regent Janet Hay, Nampa. She said the university should have more courses like the present Environmental Pollution 203 and the proposed self-sufficiency course would be a step in that direction.

Faculty of the agriculture college have generally supported the concept of such a course. Why then isn't the course included in the curriculum? According to the Associate Dean in charge of resident instruction, Dr. R.C. Dobson, the procedure to initiate the course would have to start at the department level. The next step in the approval process would be to the department curriculum committee. From there the proposal goes to the department head, and then to the Dean of Resident Instruction. If the course is approved by Dobson, it would then proceed to the agriculture curriculum committee, and then on to the general faculty of the college. If approved by the faculty, a final approval by the university faculty committee would be required before the course would become a reality.

That isn't really as complicated as it sounds, and the real problem isn't getting the proposal through the many committees, but rather in the recurrent problems of budget. Dobson said the expansion of the curriculum is difficult because of budget limitations, as implementing the course would require additional hiring.

Dr. Lucas Calpouzos, head of the department of plant and soil sciences, where the course would be implemented, questioned "who would teach it?" in view of the time and budget limitations within the department. Dr. Aldous Helton has offered to teach the course, but would require release from part of his present teaching duties. Helton is presently teaching the environmental pollution course.

Calpouzos said that the only way for the new course to be taught would be for Helton to drop the pollution course, an alternative Helton rejected.

"I'm completely open-minded and have no objections to the course, but we have just run out of people," According to Calpouzos, the department is "in desperate need of more teaching time."

The problem arises, he said, because most of the positions in the department are funded through research grants, not teaching fund allocations. The faculty divides its time between teaching and research, and "teaching time is right up to the hilt now," according to the department head.

The problem, then, is one of budget limitations, and without the financial means to provide for an instructor, the course apparently can't be taught. Student support for the new course is needed, as well as student encouragement for administrators to find alternative means to implement the course. In view of current economic trends, a course that teaches the practical knowledge of living and surviving without the neighborhood grocery store might prove to be the most valuable course a student could include in the total university experience.

Scholarship deadline

Seniors planning to work for graduate or professional degrees, who are members of Phi Eta Sigma are advised that the last date of application for gift scholarships is Tues., Feb. 22. Students who are eligible are advised to contact the Office of Financial Aids, room 228 in the UCC. The national deadline is March 1, but applications must be received locally by Tues., Feb. 22.

National Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society offers 15 scholarships of $500 this year, on the basis of academic record, evidence of creative ability, financial need, and character. Only Phi Eta Sigma members are eligible to apply.
Church cites dam plan need

Senator Frank Church said it is "imperative" that the Bonneville Power Administration and the Corps of Engineers schedule a meeting in Boise as soon as possible to consult with Idaho Gov. John Evans on future plans for releasing water from Dworshak Reservoir in North Idaho for down stream use.

In telegrams sent to BPA Administrator Don Hodel in Portland and to the Corps' Seattle District Engineer, John Potent, Church said he is concerned that in a year of critical water supply, "the Corps and the BPA are not making any effort to coordinate and consult with the State of Idaho regarding prospective water releases from Dworshak Dam and Reservoir."

"There is," said the Idaho Democrat, "an understandable alarm in Idaho over reports that the reservoir will be drawn down 10 feet below the normal water level. Such action could have serious consequences and it is imperative that the State be consulted in this matter."

Because a formal request from the BPA to the Corps for release of water has not yet been made, Church urged both Hodel and Potent to meet in Boise with Evans "to discuss the consequences to the State in the event water releases from Dworshak are authorized."

Dworshak Dam generates hydroelectric power which is marketed by the BPA. The Corps administers the dam. Church told the two officials that a meeting with the Governor "would provide you with a firsthand understanding of the impact such a drawdown would have upon the state and its citizens. With the potential for a very serious lack of water this coming year, it is also important that everyone have a complete understanding of the impact any water shortages will have upon all users. Your meeting with the Governor would, I believe, serve this purpose."

Jefferson-Jackson banquet
Andrus, Evans speak


An information piece from Keith Coffman, U.S. Senate Democrats chairperson, said the banquet will be 8 p.m., Feb. 19 at Boise's Roadway Inn.

Coffman said rides to Boise and housing are available. Those interested should contact him by Feb. 10 for tickets, Coffman said.

Both Democrats will discuss the ballot at a 4 p.m., Feb. 10 meeting in the SUB's Appaloosa Room.

Other meeting business will include:

In-state tuition issue

"The spotlight on in-state tuition now turns to Gov. John Evans," declared a College Republican resolution. The U of I CR's stated, "The issue, vital to students, is the appointment to fill the vacancy on the Board of Regents of retiring member Ed Benoit."

"The question is," declared the CR's, "will Governor Evans appoint someone favorable or unfavorable to in-state tuition?"

This will be the first indication by the new governor of his true concern for Idaho's college students," the CRs said.

Recent announcement by the Board of Regents voted on a resolution to recommend to the Legislature the passage of a Constitutional Amendment to bring in-state tuition to Idaho students. The motion failed on a 4-4 tie vote.

While the Education Committee of the Idaho House voted this week to keep an in-state tuition amendment in committee, a favorable vote on the question by the Board of Regents would give this Amendment new life," warned the College Republicans.

According to David Ritchie, Club Chairman, Idaho students should be mindful of the possible implications of this "sleeping."
Agency lacks power; polluters escape fines

"Fish and game violators paid $85,162 in fines last year; environmental violators, $28," according to a story in the December-January issue of the Idaho Environmental Quarterly. The quarterly is a publication of the Division of the Environmental (DOE) which is part of Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare.

The environmental fine stemmed from a complaint against a cattle feedlot company that "bulldozed tons of manure into the Payette River," the article stated. It took from May 8, when the incident was observed and photographed, until May 31, 1976 for the violator to be fined in the courtroom. In the interim, there were several further visits from DOE employees for further documentation.

The difference between the Fish and Game Department's fine total and that of DOE's is the use of citation authority. Fish and Game can write out citations to violators as soon as infractions are observed, but DOE must go through the courts for any legal actions. Doris Schneider, information specialist for Idaho and editor of the quarterly, said,

"Nothing is being done in this legislative session to grant us the citation procedure. I regard the story as an opening salvo in a long-term effort."

DOE only has one attorney assigned to it and the article stated, "most of his time is devoted to problems with big industry." DOE usually has to sign a consent order with big polluters. That means the industry agrees to clean up its act. DOE can't take any legal action until ten days after the consent order has been signed, however.

The citation authority would mainly be aimed at small-time or infrequent polluters. Or, according to Schneider, "There is no doubt that we could accomplish much more in a shorter time if our field people could write out a ticket when all cooperative efforts fail."

Oregon and Washington currently have and use the authority to issue citations to polluters. Last year, Oregon's fines totaled about $35,000 and Washington's $24,650, according to Schneider. The director of the environmental agencies of both states assessed the fines.

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Swim teams

Men, women match records

The U of I men and women's swimming teams must believe in togetherness. The teams traveled together to Walla Walla, Wash., Portland and Salem, Ore. Feb 3, 4, and 5 and both teams met the same late against each opponent, coming away from the weekend with 3-1 records.

The Vandal men and women faced Whitman College Feb. 3, a team they defeated earlier in the season at home. The men were victorious 79-33, the women 76-55.

Against Portland Community College the following night, the Idaho women won 79-50 and the men by a lopsided 79-26 score underscored the Vandal success.

In a double dual meet at Salem, the swimmers came up against their most difficult competition of the road trip, Portland State University and Willamette University. For the previous two meets coaches Susan Tandy and Chuck Hall had jockeyed their swimmers by putting them off in events, in order to have the strongest possible team available for the stiffer competition.

Results of the three team meet saw Willamette defeated by the Vandal men 60-49 and the women 76-66. Both teams were less fortunate against Portland State, the men losing 74-33 and the women 73-66.

Debra Courtemanche, by far the most impressive of the Vandal women swimmers, qualified for her fourth event at the Small College nationals. Against Portland State she won the 200 meter freestyle with a time of 2:04.3. Other events she previously qualified for are the 500 meter freestyle and the 100 and 200 meter individual medleys.

Diane Christensen also qualified in the 200 intermediate medley.

The Vandal women, now 4-4 on the season, take on WSU at Pullman in a meet scheduled for 7 p.m., Feb. 10. The two teams met earlier in the season at Moscow where WSU handed the U of I one of its worst drubbings.

The men take their overall 4-4 record on the road Feb. 10-12 when they face Highline Community College, Thursday at Tacoma, Wash. Then it's on to Burnaby, B.C. against powerful Simon-Framer, last year's NAIA champions.

Saturday they'll finish up the regular season with the University of Puget Sound, also a conference foe.

"The men are doing quite well against teams of our own size," coach Chet Hall said. "We do not have the depth we'd like at this point in the season so our swimmers are really putting in. We will see some stiff competition at Simon-Framer so our guys will now what they will be facing in the regionals."

Feb. 17-19, the men will be competing in the North Pacific Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Championships at Seattle, Wash., a tournament hosted by the University of Washington.

Women's team group soon for spring onslaught

The U of I women's track and field and tennis teams will be forming a group soon, announced today by Ann Rice, coordinator for women's sports information.

Organizational meetings are set for Tuesday and all full time women undergraduate students who are interested in competing. The meeting for the track and field is 4:15 p.m. in room 201 of the Women's Health Education Building. For more information contact Jo Dean Moore, room 107 of the WHEB or call 885-7921.

Interested tennis players should meet at 4:30 p.m. in room 200 of the WHEB. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Bonnie Hatchmand in WHEB 106 or calling 885-7921.

Tourney turnout high

The Idaho Indoor Tennis Tournament this weekend at the Kibbie Dome will play host to 30 singles entries and 25 doubles teams, according to tennis coach Jim Sevall. Included among the field are players from Idaho State, Boise State, Lewis and Clark, Washington State and Central Washington State College.

The tournament gets underway at 8 a.m. tomorrow and will run all day. Finals will tentatively end Sunday afternoon, but due to the large turnout it could run all day. The top eight seeds in singles competition are, in order, Steve Davis/Ul, Roger Kyzer, WSU, Rich McCarthy, U of I, Mike Megale, BSU, Joe Highnight, U of I, Nelson Gourley, BSU, Rod Leonard, U of I, and Scott Evans, WSU.

Leading doubles action will be the teams of Davis-Leonard, U of I Highnight-McCarthy, U of I, Megale-Gourley, BSU and Kyzer-Evans, WSU.

Yarno adds new award

John Yarno, the first U of I football player ever named to the Associated Press' first team All-American squad, added one more award to his list last week.

Yarno, a senior from Spokane, was named the Amateur Athlete of the Year by the greater Spokane Sports Association at their 29th Annual Inland Empire-Sports Awards Banquet. Following the presentation, Yarno said the award was "another honor I never dreamed of getting, which makes it all the more wonderful."

Yarno, who helped the Vandals achieve a 7-4 season last year, was also the first ELC Player of the Year.
Rough three days for Idaho

Both the U of I basketball teams face tough opponents in games played yesterday through tomorrow. The men traveled south for a game with Weber State last night in Ogden, Utah and will play Northern Arizona tomorrow in Flagstaff, while the women play host to Boise State tonight and the University of Oregon tomorrow.

In the game against Weber State, the Vandal men faced a team which has won 10 of 11 home games while sharing the lead in the Big Sky conference with a 7-1 mark. Also, four of the Wildcats' starters are averaging in double figures, including conference scoring leader Stan Mayhew.

Mayhew, a 6'7" junior forward, sports a 22.5 point per game average while coming up with 10 rebounds per game. He is complemented by teammates Bruce Collins, a 6'5" freshman forward (15.1 point average); center Jim Erickson, 6'9" senior (15.3); swing guard Bob Holgate, 6'5" senior (10.9); and point guard Mark Mattos, 6'0" freshman (8.5).

Northern Arizona won't prove to be much easier competition either, as four of its five starters are also averaging in double figures. Mark Gossweiler, a 6'7" junior forward, is the team's leading scorer with an 18.8 point average followed by David Henson, 6'6" sophomore (14.1).

The Lumberjacks enter this week's action with a 10-9 season record and 3-5 in the conference.

Action for the women's basketball team will start 5:30 p.m. tonight when the Boise State and Idaho junior varsity squads meet, followed by the varsity game at 7:30.

Tomorrow the Boise and Idaho JV teams will play a second match at 10 a.m. and then the varsity team will take on Oregon at 2 p.m.

In a game played Tuesday against WSU, the women were beaten soundly by the Cougars 64-34.
Benefit program will assist area mountain climbers to top peak

A benefit program to assist funding the 1977 U.S. Makalu expedition will be held Monday, Feb. 14 at WSU. The feature movie "Deathzone," was filmed two years ago on Makalu, which is located on the remote border of Nepal and Tibet.

The benefit is specifically to assist underwriting the cost of sending two Americans, Dane Burns of Coeur d' Alene, and John Roskelly of Spokane to challenge the 8000 vertical west face of Makalu, which has never been climbed. Makalu soars 27,790 feet and is the fourth highest peak in the world. The expedition begins at the end of February.

"Deathzone" was produced and directed by the late mountaineer, Fritz Stammberger, of Germany and Aipei. Stammberger was lost in the Himalayas last year.

Germ warfare in U.S. cities

(ZNS) A senate committee reports it will hold full-scale hearings into the secret germ warfare tests the army conducted in American cities in the 1950's and 1960's.

The Army acknowledged late last year that germ warfare tests were conducted in at least eight American cities between 1950 and 1966, including tests of biological agents in the New York City subway system and in the atmosphere above San Francisco. The army has contended that the experiments were harmless.

However, officials at the National Center for Disease Control in Atlanta report that at least one of the bacterial agents used in the Army testing was potentially fatal to humans.

In addition, doctors looking over old records report they have found unexplained upsurges in cases of infant pneumonia, and other illnesses and deaths in the test areas at the times the experiments were being conducted. One death in the San Francisco area is alleged to have been caused directly by the army's microbes.

An aide to Senator Edward Kennedy, chairman of the Senate Health Subcommittees, reports that a bill drafted by Kennedy and Senator Richard Schweiker banning all further germ warfare testing in the U.S. will be introduced into the senate "in a matter of weeks."

The aide reports that following the bill's introduction the Senate will schedule full scale hearings into the Pentagon's bizarre program.

Army's mystery death

(ZNS) The wife of a dead U.S. Army Intelligence agent is accusing the Army of murdering her husband last year because he knew too much about the Pentagon's covert operations.

The agent, Chief Warrant Officer Ralph Sigler, was found dead in the room of a Holiday Inn in Maryland last April with a lamp cord wrapped around his upper arm and plugged into the wall. The insulation of the cord had been stripped away and Sigler had been electrocuted.

Sigler's wife, Ilse, told The Washington Post that she last heard from her husband in a desperate telephone call from him, "Just listen to me!" he reportedly screamed over an electronic screech in the background, "...say the Army. I'm dying." At this point, Ilse Sigler said, the phone went dead.

Army officials contend officially that Sigler committed suicide, while hinting that he may have been murdered by Soviet agents.

Ilse Sigler, however, charges that her husband was murdered after the Army learned he was keeping extensive notes on his covert activities, and intended to write a book.

Shortly before his husband's death, she says, he was taken to Fort Meade in Maryland for questioning by his superiors. An Army agent reportedly then came to her home and confiscated a manuscript her husband was working on about his spy experiences. A few days later, Sigler was found dead.

Ilse Sigler claims that just last week her home was burglarized and a roll of film belonging to her late husband was stolen. The film was stolen, she claims, immediately after she mentioned it in a telephone conversation with a private investigator.

In the meantime, an Army psychiatric study concludes that Sigler committed suicide by wrapping a bare wire around his arm and plugging the other end into a wall socket because he was in the Army's words, "not mentally responsible to military discipline."

Roskelly has already attained his reputation. He recently spoke at the U of I about the 1976 American expedition to Nanda Devi in the Himalayas, where he was one of three members to attain the summit.

The program begins at 7 p.m. in the CUB ballroom. After the movie Roskelly will remain to answer questions. The presentation is sponsored by the WSU Alpine Club and their Outdoor Programs. Admission is $1 and all proceeds will go for the funding of the expedition.
Free U classes still available

Eighteen of the 29 classes offered this semester by the Moscow Free University are full with 436 persons enrolled in classes from body awareness to Swedish massage.

According to Dianne Milhollin of the Talisman House which coordinates the classes, 698 persons registered Jan 29, but 282 were left on waiting lists. She said body awareness was very popular as there was room for 25, but 40 more are still wanting in.

Likewise, Shiatsu, the art of Swedish massage, had room for 20 and a waiting list of 58, and alternative energy sources will accommodate 25, but another 19 would like to take the class.

The fifth year of classes here saw the highest registration ever according to Milhollin, but she said some classes are still open and will accept new students.

Environmental pollution, newsletter layout and design, decoupage, first aid, a poetry workshop, big people little people communication, and an evaluation of methane energy are among the 11 classes still accepting students.

She said interested students can contact the Talisman House which will put them in touch with the instructor of the class. "It's up to the instructor as to where the class meets and how many students will be accepted."

Milhollin said "we had a full gamut of people register. There were Idaho and WSU students, university instructors, community people, housewives, and unemployed people signing up for classes," she commented.

She said there is no charge to persons enrolling in the classes and instructors are not paid, although students might need to purchase materials for classes such as photography or decoupage.

The Talisman House is now looking for persons to teach more new classes for the fall semester of this year. Classes will be offered both in the spring and fall from now on, according Milhollin, and persons interested in teaching a class should contact the Talisman House.

New life patents OK'd

(ZNS) The U.S. Commerce Department, in a completely unpublicized move, has granted private corporations special privileges in their controversial attempts to patent new and exotic forms of life.

The U.S. Patent Commissioner, in an announcement buried in the Federal Register last month, revealed that the parent office has decided to "accelerate" all patent applications for new life forms.

The controversial ruling was handed down despite the fact that a special government interagency committee is looking into whether the patenting of new forms of life—because of their possible hazards—should be permitted at all.

The growing dispute involves what is known as "recombinant D.N.A.," a new scientific procedure that enables scientists to create plant and animal life forms that have never before existed.

A public interest group in Washington called the People's Business Commission recently released the names of seven private drug companies who are allegedly secretly experimenting with new life forms in their laboratories.

According to the commission, private companies are literally racing with each other to develop and patent exotic life forms that could be used for profit making purposes. The magazine Mother Jones, for instance, reports that General Electric has already announced its intention to patent a "micro-organism that can eat up oil spills.

Numerous scientists have warned that devastating new diseases could be created and then escape from the laboratory, threatening all life on the planet.

Jeremy Rifkin of the People's Business Commission accuses the Commerce Department of secretly rushing through its new ruling for the benefit of private corporations before other agencies could step in and prevent it.

Dixie's views

(ZNS) Dixie Lee Ray, the former chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, was elected the first woman governor of the State of Washington last November on a reformist platform—of all things.

In commemoration of that occasion, the environmental group Friends of the Earth, is out with a few memorable quotes of the famous chairman (who insisted on being called that instead of "chairman.")

Chairman Ray, obviously a fan of nuclear power, talks about her love of nukes. She says: "The first atomic warhead I ever saw was like a piece of beautiful sculpture, a work of the highest level of technological skill. It's like the point of a spear."

Ray has stated in previous speeches that the world's most important problem is overpopulation. The answer to that she says, is to "Let nature take its course. Worst of all is rushing in to save starving populations whose unfortunate lot it has been to suffer such irreparable brain damage from severe malnutrition that its children can never be normal."

And last but not least, for those who worry about the safety of nuclear power, Ray has a word of comfort: says the chairman, "A nuclear power plant is infinitely safer than eating because 300 megawatts of food energy equals one pound of food energy.

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Canine problems growing on campus by leaps and bounds

By JIM BORDEN

Increased numbers of dogs on campus have caused a rash of complaints about barking and property destruction, the U of I Grounds Superintendent Alan Fulton said yesterday.

Fulton said faculty and students, mainly students, have been complaining about barking dogs disturbing classes, and tethered dogs' chains "stripping bark from trees." He also said dogs have been digging up the shrubs their owners tie them to.

Fulton doesn't blame the dogs for the problems. He points out that it is the owners who bring the dogs to school with them.

Moscow Chief of Police Clark Hudson, who is ultimately responsible for enforcing the city's canine rules, agrees, saying, "there is no dog problem. There is a people problem." He emphasized that if they can avoid it, the police refrain from impounding dogs.

"If a dog is running loose, or causing a disturbance, we'll try to locate the owner first, and issue a citation. The owner is the violator."

If the police cannot find the owner, then the dog will be impounded, Hudson said. "This is one of our most unpleasant duties. When we pick up a dog, it's because we don't have any other choice."

The approximately 60 dogs picked up in the Moscow area each month are held at the pound on White Ave. "We hold the dogs six days, and the owners can claim them by paying the impound fee and $1 for each day's board for the dog," Hudson explained.

He said the impound fee is $5 for the first pick up, $10 the second time, and $20 for each additional pick up. After six days, if not claimed or placed in a home, the dogs are destroyed.

Of the approximately 60 dogs impounded each month, he said about ten per cent are placed in homes, 25 per cent are destroyed, and the rest are claimed by the owners.

He noted that only five per cent of all dogs impounded each month are picked up on campus, the great majority coming from Moscow and vicinity. Hudson added that rates are up a little in the past month and that "we've probably picked up 12 dogs on campus in the last week alone."

He indicated that the department intends to ask the Moscow city council for an ordinance to make it illegal to tether dogs on public property. He said such an ordinance would include, but would not necessarily be a result of, dogs on the Idaho campus. The police chief is also "thinking of dogs in the business district and parks."

He said the proposal would probably go before the council before the end of summer, but "I don't know if the council will buy it."

In addition to barking and harming shrubs, some dogs pose a problem to university workers, according to Fulton.

The grounds superintendent said some unfriendly dogs, who are in the way of maintenance men, creating a situation where some men have refused to work in certain areas where the dogs are. "And I don't blame them," he said.

Lee Perryman of the U of I Information Center, who indicated he receives two to three dog calls daily said that if students really cared about their pets, they would make other arrangements for them.

Officially, though, the university is not at present prepared to take actions, such as a banishment of the dogs from campus.

Mad rectum snatcher upset by police laughs

(ZNS) A Denver Appeals Court has upheld the conviction of a Colorado man who complained that police had laughed at him after arresting him on charges of stealing the rectums of 1200 butchered animals from a meat processing plant.

The man, Filbert Maestas, had asked the court to reverse his conviction on the grounds that arresting officers had, in essence, illegally laughed him into confessing.

Maestas's troubles began last year when he and a companion were arrested after boxes of stolen meat were found inside their auto, which was parked outside a packing house. Maestas says that as he was being driven to jail, one of the policemen began laughing wildly.

Maestas asked what was funny, and was told that the boxes of meat he had taken contained the normally inedible rectal tissues of animals.

Maestas stated the officer used a planer, more down-to-earth word than rectums. At this point, Maestas says, he told the officers, "If I go to jail for stealing 1200 (anusus), I'm really going to be mad."

Maestas's statement was later repeated by officers at his trial and used to convict him.

The Colorado appeals court last week dismissed Maestas's appeal, stating that under the circumstances the police had good reason to laugh.

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