Construction on pavilion underway

After a two-month delay to iron out some rough financial problems, Boise State University broke ground for its new multipurpose pavilion Feb. 19. Over 100 persons withstood wind and wet weather to attend ceremonies that were held on the old baseball field.

Shortly before the groundbreaking, the State Board of Education approved a $16 million bond sale and BSU signed contracts worth $17.5 million for general construction and specialty items.

Work on the building should be finished by mid-1986, according to BSU President John Keiser.

The pavilion will have an 11,000-seat arena, student offices, an auxiliary gym, weight room, coaches offices, locker rooms, administrative offices, ticket offices, and multipurpose rooms that can be used for various kinds of meeting and entertainment.

The building will stand about 100 feet high and be located just behind the present Bronco Gymnasium.

The pavilion has sparked controversy ever since the first needs study began in 1976. Since then the State Board has protested the fee increase, construction bids came in too high, and an inflated bond market nearly ended the project.

Construction was supposed to begin in January but was delayed because the low bid of $18.2 million was $4.2 million more than planned in the original financial plan.

That unexpected problem caused BSU officials to work with the additional money or cancel the project. First, they cut $700,000 in seating, theatre rights, and suites to reduce the price tag to $17.5 million.

To raise the additional $3.5 million needed, BSU refinanced bonds issued in 1978 for Bronco Stadium, used student fees and interest already collected, and received an additional $1 million from the Idaho National Guard.

But just as soon as that complicated financial plan was pieced together, interest rates on the bonds soared and the project was put on hold. The bonds were underwritten by Krench, Moore, & Co. of Denver and sold to investors.

The additional interest the university must pay on the 9 percent bonds will come from a $350,000 bond reserve account that was freed when Bronco Stadium was refinanced.

The pavilion bonds will be repaid over a 30-year period at 6.5 percent with a $40-per-semester student fee. A 10 percent surcharge on tickets to events in the pavilion and stadium will also be used for bond repayment.

Of the $16 million bond issue, $11.5 million will go toward construction.

Higher education officials in Idaho seemed somewhat pleased and extremely relieved when the actions of the legislature's budget-setting committee turned out to be more generous than last year.

In a 13-7 vote that was preceded by surprisingly little debate, the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee approved a 10.5 percent increase for the state's colleges and universities in fiscal 1981. Last year that same committee voted a 3.1 percent increase for Boise State.

The appropriation will be considered by the full legislature later this month.

"Under the circumstances, it's a victory, and we're appreciative of it," said BSU President John Keiser.

"As a sustaining budget, it will allow us to give raises to maintain the morale and the programs we have." The increase translates to a total operating budget of $20.1 million for Boise State. Of that, $18.7 million will come from the state's general fund and the rest from fees and tuition.

That amount means the university will have enough money to make the 8.5 percent pay raises mandated by the legislature without reducing the personnel force. Last year BSU cut $770,000 and didn't fill 17 positions to make up for the budget shortfall.

The action by the joint committee eased fears among some administrators and faculty that tight budgets would cause the State Board of Education to declare a financial emergency that would pave the way for the elimination of programs and personnel.

Just one week before the committee voted, State Board members Leno Seppi and Eugene Miller said they favored a declaration of emergency if the legislature's appropriation was much under the $75.5 million total recommended by Gov. John Evans.

Other board members felt student fees should be increased if budgets were short this year.

As it turned out, the joint committee approved $75.7 for higher education, including $65.8 from the general fund, and thus avoided consideration of a financial emergency for another year.

Even with the increase, President Keiser said funding at the state's universities will be tight.

"We're not even close to meeting the costs of inflation. We have enough to sustain ourselves, but we're still gradually slipping back. . . . but nobody seems to be keeping up with inflation these days," he said.

Why did the committee treat higher education so well, especially after it cut deeply into some state agency budgets this year?

Keiser said one reason could be the concerted effort that was made to explain the needs and condition of higher education.

"The job was well done by several people from around the state . . . . State Board president Clint Hoopes did an excellent job of coordinating that effort." But Keiser also cautioned that future budgets could be tight.

"The fact that they dipped into the surplus, with inflation as high as it is, with the economy as insecure as it is, means education must continue to be vigilant in its approach to the legislature," he said.

Leach named new coach

The assistant coach from Oregon State's Pac 10 championship team has been named to replace Bus Connor as Boise State's head basketball coach.

Dave Leach, 37, has already started recruiting players for next year, and expects to name his assistant coach within a week.

"Recruiting is our top priority. . . . we're going to have to make up a lot of time," he said.

Leach said he plans to build future Bronco teams with freshmen, but will probably have to rely on junior college transfers more this year because BSU entered the recruiting race so late.

Leach said the Broncos will play a full court pressure game, both on offense and defense. "It's the kind of game everyone enjoys watching."

Connor resigned his position in February after a seven-year tenure at the BSU head coach. The Broncos finished the season with 10 wins, 16 losses.

Leach was picked from a field of seven candidates. He began his coaching career at the high school level in Wichita, Kansas, then moved to Burlington, Iowa junior college and was hired as
Teachers—who for years seemed to be a dime-a-dozen—are starting to be scarce again. The tight job market that faced teachers here in the last decade has changed so much that many school districts are already seeing a different type of teaching, filling some slots, according to Richard Rapp, director of Boise State's placement office.

The shortages now are only in certain fields like math, science, special education, music, and bilingual education. But Rapp predicts it won't be too many years before elementary school teachers will be in short supply.

School of Education dean Richard Hart said this spring he received seven calls from desperate superintendents who had openings in math.

"We had nobody to recommend, and my contacts in the Mid-West couldn't find anyone available either," Hart said. Probably the most important reason for the predicted shortage, Rapp explained, is that the number of education graduates has dropped at the same time as the economic situation became more difficult, more people look toward a better station in life, and university enrollment figure of 7,910.

In addition, he says more teachers are leaving jobs in education because of the uncertain budget picture and low salaries.

And the number of women interested in teaching has dropped as opportunities in other professional have opened up, Rapp added. One national study reported that 38 percent of the freshmen women in 1969 wanted to teach. In 1979 only 10 percent listed teaching as a career goal.

Rapp's conclusions are seconded by John Jensen, chairman of BSU's Department of Teacher Education.

"Superintendents tell me this has been one of the most difficult recruiting years they've had."

The problem is more serious in rural areas because most teachers want to remain in cities, Jensen said.

Jensen is worried because it takes several years before teachers can reach the market after a shortage has been recognized.

"It took us three years to convince students there was a teacher surplus... now it will take us three years to convince them there is a shortage and another four years to train them," he says.

Enrollment figures at BSU also point to a future shortage.

"By the time our freshmen graduate, their chances for a job will be excellent," he said.

Jensen said the decline in elementary teachers has not been as high at BSU as it has been elsewhere because the program has a strong reputation. Total enrollment in the School of Education has held steady because new graduate degrees added during the '70's are popular with teachers.

Ihado may not feel the full impact of the shortage because tight budgets have forced schools to reduce teaching personnel.

That could cause a problem in the future because schools will have to get by with fewer teachers as enrollments grow. By the time districts have enough money to hire more teachers, there may not be many available, Rapp said.

Low teaching salaries in Idaho also mean schools could have a hard time keeping teachers if a shortage hits. Already some large out-of-state districts are recruiting in Idaho. This spring Las Vegas and Seattle will visit BSU to interview graduates, the first time that has happened since the early '70s.

Jensen says he already has received recruiting letters from Illinois, Ohio, Texas, and Kansas for bilingual teachers, a full semester before the first students will graduate from the new program.

In Rapp's opinion, the situation could be critical in a few years.

"We aren't quite there yet, but if the trend continues we could face shortages as severe as we had in the '60s."

"Hopefully, more students will go into teaching fields... it looks like we are going to need them."
**Public affairs their concern**

This spring there are some signs that Boise State is asserting itself as a unique university. Public affairs leadership is coming from a different group of individuals with good ideas and the nuts & bolts organizational skills to make things happen.

First, the Campus Forum series organized by student body president Mike Cramer and his staff has focused attention on nuclear waste in Idaho, the Sagebrush Rebellion, and the draft.

The panels for all three forums represented both sides of the issues, thus ensuring a lively, if not occasionally heated, debate.

Few student governments in the past have had the interest or creativity to conduct such vital public questions like Cramer's administration. By exposing students to the decision-makers who are involved in the topical issues of the day, student government has performed a valuable academic service to the university and its community.

Second, Boise State and the Pacific Northwest Regional Commission will sponsor a four-day conference April 8-12 on public policy and the future. Organized by political science instructor Richard Mabbutt, that meeting will bring some of the nation's top "futurist" thinkers together with students, teachers, government officials and community leaders for some intense brainstorming sessions.

The conference will clearly give Boise State and the community the chance to analyze the future from some fresh perspectives.

The future, the future conference will enhance the understanding of public issues and expose us to new ideas and information that can't be found inside classroom walls or between the covers of a book.

School of Public Affairs or not, a university like Boise State should be a leader in the discussion of issues and problems that surround us.

Cramer and Mabbutt have pointed us in the right direction. We hope those who follow will continue what they've started.

**Take it easy**

Earlier this month Boise State had its private blackout when grounds equipment operator Homer Erickson jackhammered straight into a 7,200 volt transformer main line instead of the 17,700 volt one that he had evidently been told Homer was in the hospital, surrounded by doctors who said he was lucky to be alive.

Students and staff discovered that the deep interiors of some BSTI buildings can be as dark as a north Idaho mine-shaft. When they ran out of matches and candles, they called it quits and headed home. . . an afternoon off, courtesy of Homer Erickson.

On behalf of those students and staff, we thank you Homer. But next time you want to give us some time off, please figure out a way that's a little easier on yourself.

**To each his own coffee pot**

By Bill Hall

I don't know whether coffee can cause cancer of the breast, as a recent Tribune article suggests, but I do know it can cause a deterioration in faculty relations.

On the other hand, when properly applied, coffee is a drug that can promote the healing of faculty relations. It can salve faculty frictions. It can restore broken egos. It can be a drug that can promote the healing of faculty relations. It can be a drug that can promote the healing of faculty relations.

Like any drug, coffee can be beneficial or detrimental to faculty members and to other living things. At Lewis-Clark State, the student union is not so far from the central quaffing place. But LCSC is generally a school with a well-mixed faculty.

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Who knows what the economy or the international situation will be in 1982. But could they be as difficult as 1982, the year we were established? There is dig- nity in struggle and hard work, and there is pride in overcoming adversity. The longer of the first 50 years will find countless examples to document those points. Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will have found someone to write a history of the first half-century, building on Dr. Chaffee's excellent volume.

I've been introduced as "Dr. Barnes" on numerous occasions. He represented the institution's original and authentic purpose in the expansive years when we became a four-year institution and then as an "upstart" state university experienc- ing rapid growth in all categories. But, as before, the expansion was in direct response to needs, a desire to serve, and a respect for learning. Those years, and Dr. Chaffee and Barnes, among many others, I have asked Dr. David Taylor, Vice President for Student Affairs, to serve as Chair- man of the 50th Anniversary Committee with representatives from all aspects of our history.

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Seven straight titles from BSU first won the title in a record of seven consecutive team titles. In 1974, BSU won seven straight titles from 1967 to 1973.

The Broncos amassed 80 points on their way to the championship while surprising Montana. BSU's Nick Hetrick named the outstanding wrestler of the meet.

Doug Pugmire won the 142-pound title for the Broncos. BSU's 160-pounder Dean Schmanson and 190-pounder Harold Wittman took second in their weight classes.

Women hit boards, books

By Darlene Bailey
Sports Information Director for Women

As many collegiate athletes know, it is difficult to maintain high grades and compete in a varsity sport. The combination of practice and travel means athletes must work hard and be very organized or their grade averages will plummet.

But this year several women on Boise State's basketball team combined success on the court with success in the classroom. All six of the top players on the BSU team are eligible for consideration as academic all-Americans.


Freshmen Shalagh Astor will round out the squad. Sophomore Cecily Corder will go all-around for the Broncos. Sophomore Linda Ride, junior Pam Coker, and freshman Shalagh Astor will round out the squad.

Gymnasts rated third in nation

The Boise State University gymnastics team, ranked third nationally among Division II schools, will travel to Spokane to compete in the regional gymnastic championships March 20-21. The Broncos, 12-8 on the overall season and undefeated against Division II competition, will be defending their 1979 small college gymnastics title.

Sixteen schools from all three divisions will attend this two-day meet, with the top eight schools in the region performing in the evening segments of the competition. Boise State will be placed in this group of eight along with Division I schools Oregon State, Oregon, Washington State, Washington, Montana State, and Division II schools Portland State and Spokane Community College.

"It is definitely advantageous to compete in the top eight. We have met Division I schools all season and this level of competition pushes our gymnasts all the more," said BSU coach John Head.

"The main competition in our division will come from Portland State and possibly the University of Montana. A lot will depend on who is healthy for each team," said Head. BSU defeated Portland State twice during the regular season. The Broncos won both matches, 130.10 to 125.25. The second meeting was extremely close with BSU pulling out the victory, 131.70 to 131.60. BSU defeated Montana 128.30 to 128.25.

There are so many teams and so much going on all the time at regionals that we can only worry about what we are doing and not get involved in any head-to-head competition," he added.

Ruth Fugleberg (132) is one of the Bronco women who has been successful at books and basketball this year.
Gifted students tackle problem solving bowl

The 1978-80 edition of the Boise State literary magazine cold-drill, featuring a special section of poetry written by Idahoans about Idaho, is now on sale at the university bookstore.

The 10th anniversary edition, said the magazine's faculty advisor Tom Trusky, "might be thought of as an all-Idaho issue, as most of the poems and stories are set here." The cover, done with permission of the Idaho Department of Motor Vehicles, is taken from a 1980 Idaho license plate, "C.L.D.R.I.L.," Trusky said.

One printing of the magazine includes the Idaho poetry produced on paper hand made by the cold-drill staff from fibers of the Idaho state flower, silverings, cotton fiber, and skins of Idaho potatoes. Cost of the "Idaho paper" edition is $5 per copy, with the regular edition at $3.

Another feature of this year's magazine is the inclusion of a full-size movie poster designed by BSU art major Fred Cost of the "Idaho paper" edition now on sale.

The award-winning magazine is printed by the BSU Printing and Graphics Center.

U.S. Olympic boycott 'not end of world'

"To go or not to go ... that is the question. America's Olympic athletes are asking in the wake of President Carter's plan to boycott the summer games in Russia to protest troop occupations in Afghanistan.

That move, which some say turns U.S. athletes into pawns on the international political chessboard, has met with mixed reaction, even among the competitors themselves.

Rick Ball was in the 1972 Olympics in Munich, West Germany to compete in the track events. As it turned out, he participated in probably the most political Olympics in history because Arab terrorists killed several members of the team from Israel.

Now a math professor at Boise State, Ball has some strong opinions about the boycott and the Olympic Games themselves.

Frankly, he thinks the boycott will not mean the end of the world for American athletes.

"Above all else, these are games. Politics are real. If there is any rational priority, the Olympics must have the status of a game," he said.

Ball added it bothers him that the Olympics are treated as a "sacred institution" when the modern games didn't start until 1896 and the U.S. didn't actively participate until after World War II.

"We are ignoring the fact that they were started by some starry-eyed Victorian Freechman.

"Nothing is God given about the event happening every four years, if at all," he said.

Ball explained the terrorist attack in the Munich Olympics is partly responsible for thinking today.

"My event was finished, but I had a friend in a road race that was scheduled after the Games. The shooting took place between our events.

"He did very poorly in his event, his heart wasn't in it after the attack."

"It totally changed our perspective on the competition ... all of a sudden we realized what a game it was, how other things are much more important."

Rick Ball
Peek deals with student retention, advising

Dr. Margaret Peek, appointed associate dean of the BSU School of Arts and Sciences last spring, has spent her year dealing with the twin university problems of student retention and advising by actively promoting and maintaining contacts between advisors and students.

Peek is one of two associate deans appointed by the school in 1979. Dr. Rolando Bonachea (see related story on this page) took up his duties in curriculum development and review in July.

"I'm looking at my job in terms of improving the retention rates of students and carefully advising students with undeclared majors in the School of Arts and Sciences," Bonachea said.

"I see students a lot," she said. "I want them to know that my office is a place for them to come to for help. When they do come in, it works out very well. I can select an advisor after finding out what some of the student's main interests are. Usually I can telephone the advisor and the student can go for more detailed help right away."

Peek said that she personally advised about 300 students in April, 300 in June, and another 250 this winter for the spring semester registration in January.

To tackle the advising task, she has assigned 16 Arts and Sciences departmental coordinators, chosen by their chairman to work with her.

"Not only would we like students to become well acquainted with their advisors, we want to go further than that. We want them to see their advisors when they are having trouble with classes, with finding jobs, or with other problems that might lead to dropping out of school," she said.

To pursue that goal, she is now working with the university Attrition and Retention Committee in putting together an advising handbook and aid manual.

"This will help advisors know what to tell students about how to get the best for their educational efforts and dollars," she said.

Trouble with Bulletin

Students who do not declare majors fall into several categories, Peek said.

"Many of these people do not seem knowledgeable about the university, some have not looked at the bulletin, and some have trouble interpreting it," she said.

Her discoveries of the reasons why students don't understand the bulletin is helping with her work as a member of the catalog revision committee she observed.

"The number of students with undeclared majors at the university, when she attended an advisors conference in Omaha, Neb., last fall."

"This is healthy, I'm finding that more students are aware of problems getting jobs. They don't want to lose credits earned in their freshman and sophomore years if they decide to change directions later. These people would rather not lock themselves into a major."

"Some are hesitant to claim a major because they would rather try a few things first."

"We advise all of these students to take the core requirements. That way, even if they haven't declared majors, they will not be losing, no matter what they choose," she said.

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Sharing the responsibility of student retention and advising is Dr. Margaret Peek, appointed as associate dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at St. Louis University.

"This is a state university where students have an excellent chance to better themselves and to further their education. We should encourage them and advise them so that they can complete goals they have in mind," Peek said.

Margaret Peek

Dr. Rolando Bonachea, associate dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, has been named dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, St. Louis, Mo.

In July, 1979, Bonachea, a BSU associate professor of history, had been appointed associate dean to work on curriculum development and review. He had previously been in charge of organizing a 1978 curriculum review workshop which led to on going curriculum revision at Boise State. He will assume his new position July 1.

As associate dean, Bonachea has led committees considering establishment of a BSU program in international relations with emphasis on energy in the 1980's, and promotion of a general degree program. He has also been a member of the faculty development committee.

"It may be possible for BSU to offer a degree in general studies," Bonachea said. "Right now, we are considering the best ways that such a degree could serve our students in the community."

"We're also in the process of finding a theme for such a course. One possibility is to emphasize issues of energy in the 1980's," Bonachea said. "If we did use that theme, we would want it as a creative curriculum as we could possibly get, one which connects many issues of world energy such as food, population, technological transfer, and social progress."

"The committee hopes to develop research and workshops here at BSU to boost teaching effectiveness," Bonachea said.

"First we want to know: what do to help faculty members who want to redesign their courses. Second, we want to help teachers tailor their instruction for a diverse student clientele, which is certainly what we have here at Boise State. The faculty needs to be informed about such things as what audio visual aids are effective and what types of exams might be best for their classes," Bonachea said.

"We've been hoping to draw from the expertise of our own School of Education, and also hoping to obtain private foundations grants to build up this in-service training for the faculty."

"The State Board of Education has been favorable to all of this, but there are no monies available," Bonachea said. "Many of our faculty members have initiated, and resources and encouraging others to contribute, an effective program of educating faculty in modern teaching methods can be built right here.

"Bonachea's departure will be a loss to the School of Arts and Sciences here, and especially to the students," said Dr. William Keppeler, dean of Boise State school.

"Dr. Bonachea will provide the University of St. Louis with vigorous leadership and a good faculty development program. This is another example of our faculty members departing, the university for other positions," Keppeler said.

Dr. Rolando Bonachea, associate dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, is a Jesuit sister of the Society of Jesus. She has a Ph.D. in medieval Renaissance literature from the University of Nebraska. She received her bachelor's degree in English and U.S. history and her master's degree in Renaissance drama from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. She earned her Ph.D. in medieval Renaissance literature from the University of Nebraska.

"At Boise State she taught British literature and composition for several years before taking up her new position as associate dean last year."

Bonachea appointed arts & sciences dean at St. Louis U.
Student research team conducts cancer test

By Denise Carman
BSU News Bureau

Many products that we use everyday may cause cancer, but have not been tested for carcinogens, according to a student research team at Boise State University.

The group of young scientists, under the direction of BSU biology professor Robert Rychert, is testing peanut butter, mayonnaise and other frequently used substances to determine if they are carcinogenic.

Testing suspect carcinogens is nothing new, says Rychert. However, the BSU students are approaching this project from a slightly different angle than is normally used in cancer research. Rather than testing isolated chemicals—the usual procedure—the students are examining substances that contain a myriad of chemicals.

"Each substance is a Pandora's box of chemicals. We won't be able to say exactly which chemical in a given substance is carcinogenic, only that the substance as a whole is suspect," says Rychert.

The goal behind their research efforts is to "stir up trouble and "ban everything except safe things," Rychert says.

The students are testing everything from processed foods to deodorants and shampoo. They are testing all products common to the American household.

"They even plan to test the controversial Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL) water," he says.

The project's student coordinator Mark McNee says the group is not trying to stir up trouble and "ban everything from the American economy."

"We simply feel an educated choice is a better choice. If we can signal the really potent carcinogens, the public will be better able to choose which products it wants to use," says the BSU senior.

The idea for a student research project began last semester when Borah High School senior Holly Hurd approached Rychert looking for a project she could enter in Westinghouse's Annual Science Talent Search, a contest conducted nationally among high school seniors.

At the same time McNee expressed an interest in testing substances for carcinogenicity by using a particular testing procedure developed in the early '70's by the Ames Laboratory. The Ames Laboratory is a research facility of the Department of Energy.

"If the Ames test is based on a proven 99 percent correlation between chemicals and the potential to cause mutation in cells and those that cause cancer.

"If we find a substance that causes a mutation in the DNA structure of a cell, we can be 99 percent sure that same substance will also cause cancer," McNee explains.

A bacteria called salmonella plays a key role in the mutation determining experiment, according to McNee. Salmonella is a strain of bacteria unable to produce its own histidine, an amino acid essential to its growth and survival. In a histidine-free environment, the salmonella will eventually die.

"If, by introducing a certain substance into its environment, the salmonella suddenly produces offspring that can survive without histidine, we know a mutation has occurred in the cell's hereditary coding system, or DNA," says McNee.

Hurd says that besides producing results much faster, the Ames test is relatively inexpensive when compared with carcinogenic tests that use animals. Each test takes about 73 hours to complete, as opposed to 4.5 years for the animal tests.

Hurd says a laboratory normally would use the Ames test first, and if the results proved positive, they would test the chemical further using rodents.

Even though the Ames test is a fairly simple procedure, there were a lot of bugs that had to be worked out in the beginning, according to Hurd.

The team that started out with two members has since grown to five, with this semester's addition of BSU students Carol Baird, Jerrie Sievers, and Ann Viegler.

Rychert says each student puts in 15-165 hours a week in research time and they hope to test about 50 substances.

One goal, set by Hurd and McNee in the beginning, has already been reached, says Rychert.

"Holly was recently named to the Westinghouse honors group—a significant accomplishment when you consider there were 13,000 entrants nationally," Rychert says.

Rychert says her placing in the upper 2.3 percent is particularly pleasing since the paper she submitted represented only 8-10 weeks work into the project.

The students plan to present a group paper describing the results of their research at the Idaho Academy of Sciences meeting in April.

If the Academy's reaction is favorable, they may even publish, says Rychert.

Rychert adds that no matter what the final outcome, the Ames test student project has already yielded more dividends than solid data, awards, and possibilities of publication.

"By participating in student research at the undergraduate level, these students are learning what it takes to become a scientist; it could be the critical turning point in their careers.

The Ames test student research project was sponsored by the BSU Biology Department with funds from the administration.

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FOCUS People on the Move

In Teacher Education

On Feb. 10, Dr. Ruth Marks served as judge for a speaking contest held by the Boise chapter of the Toastmistress Club International.

The Idaho Poetry Society has published "If We Ran Away and Picked Apples in Yakima" by Dr. Norma Sadler in their quarterly magazine Poet-pouri.

Dr. Robert Friedli has published several articles in flyfishing magazines, "Arcuated Nymphs" in the January-February issue of Flyfisher, "Poly-streamers" in Flyfisher, February-March, and "The Spirit of the Law vs. the Letter of the Law" in the April issue of Western Outdoors.

Dr. Richard Hart and Dr. John Jensen attended the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association of State Advisory Councils. Hart read a paper, "Cooperative Manpower Planning in Personnel Development," conducted by Dr. Richard Scholer, University of Missouri, provided through a grant for personnel development, conducted by the Idaho State Department of Education.

Dr. Wendy Walle attended a workshop in Portland, Ore., Jan. 15-17 on "Evaluating Intensive Training." The workshop was conducted by the Evaluation Training Consortium, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Dr. John Reitina recently returned from Orlando, Fla., where he met with the national executive committee of the Association of State Advisory Councils.

Beitia is the western regional representative of the committee and is also the chairman of the national projects committee of the association.

Beitia also participated in a regional workshop on comprehensive systems of personnel development, conducted by Dr. Richard Scholer, University of Missouri, provided through a grant for Cooperative Manpower Planning in Special Education.

In Physical Education

Phyllis Bowman participated in mid-February with the State Department of Education in the writing of an elementary physical education guide for the state.

Tennis coach Jean Boyles and members of the women's and men's tennis teams served as umpires during the Avon Futures and National Amateur Indoor Championships held in Boise recently.

Dr. Bill Bowman was honored at the Idaho State Wrestling Championships at BSU Feb. 14-16 for his contributions to the sport. Bowman was coach of Idaho's first state championship team and of four of Boise High School's state championship teams. For a number of years he was state wrestling rules interpreter, and he has directed the state wrestling tournament many times.

In Counseling Center

Dr. David Turbot and Dr. Max Callao presented a workshop "Living with Stress" Feb. 2 at the Boise Holiday Inn. The Idaho Chapter, International Association of Personnel in Employment Security.

"Think Good Stress" was the topic of a speech Turbot gave to secretaries of the Idaho State Department of Education Feb. 14 in the E2A building.

A new member of the BSU counseling and testing team is Ann Bauergross (M.A., '79). Ann adds the skills of art therapy to the list of services available to the BSU community through the Counseling and Testing Center.

In Library

Tim Brown attended the mid-winter meeting of the American Library Association in Chicago, Jan. 30-31, 1986.

Ralph Hansen has been appointed chairman of the Steering Committee to Preserve Idaho's Documentary Heritage. The goal of the committee is to develop a program for Idaho and make recommendations for legislation to the 1981 legislature.

In Psychology

Dr. Garvin Chastain will present his paper, "Influencing Percept Construction Through the Initial Cuing of Attention," at the 1980 meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association in Tucson, Arizona, April 9.

Dr. Wylle Barmess took part in a recent panel on "Women in Education" for Boise AAUW, and also gave a presentation to the parents' group of St. Michael's preschool on "Erikson's Theory of Child Development."

In Social Sciences

Dr. Pat Derman has been elected president of the board of directors of the Ada Council on Alcoholism. She was a speaker on "The Art of Organizing" at the Filipino American Community meeting Feb. 23.
Conference on future here April 8-12

An Apollo 14 astronaut, two of America's top futurists, an author-professor from Idaho State, and the founder of the first state office of energy in the country will all be at Boise State University April 8-12 to speak at a conference on "Toward the Year 2000: Public Policy and the Future." The four-day conference, which will be held in BSU's Student Union Building, is designed to engage citizens and policy-makers in a discussion of the issues that will have an impact on the Northwest in the future. The conference is sponsored by Boise State University, Idaho State University, and the Idaho State Department of Education.

The conference will open Tuesday, April 8 with a keynote address by Dr. Edgar Mitchell, an Apollo 14 astronaut. Mitchell, an associate professor and organizer Richard Mabbutt of Forecast Systems, Inc., a company that consults, conducts research and speaks on resource distribution, human beliefs and behavior, politics and governance, and human resource needs.

Wednesday will feature two talks by futurist author Lois Herman. The first on "The Transformation Ahead: Changing Institutions and Society" will begin at 9:30 a.m. The second on "Perspectives for the Future: Changing Belief Systems" will start at 1:15 p.m. Both will be in the SUB Ballroom.

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Thursday's second feature speaker will be Dr. Richard Boren, an Apollo 14 astronaut. Boren was appointed to the awards committee for this year's meeting and was chairman of the nominations committee of the executive council for the Northwest Regional Commission.

Wednesday events will conclude with a talk on "Can American Capitalism Survive?" by Dr. Kennekitt Walzer, an associate professor in the Department of Business, Government and Society at the University of Washington. Walzer will speak at 11:15 a.m. in the SUB Ballroom.

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The orchestra of note, the Boise Philharmonic, has become noteworthy with the help of Boise State University membership.

Over a dozen BSU Music Department faculty members play with the 80 member orchestra, together with about 35 BSU students, faculty spouses, and BSU graduate assistants.

Meeting for rehearsals Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8:30-10, philharmonic members have already performed in a series of five concerts with at least two performances each this season. Wilber Elliott, BSU Music Department chairman and president in 1977-78 of the Philharmonic Association, calls his faculty's participation in the orchestra "a good opportunity to show Boise State support of the community.

Almost everyone is involved in some way," said Elliott, who himself has performed as a soloist with the orchestra.

The orchestra presents several children's concerts in Treasure Valley each year. These are financed through the Philharmonic Association, "says his professional role as concertmaster for the Philharmonic and Boise Master Chorale."

"They are losing money this way, while giving of themselves and of their time," said Elliott, who himself has participated in the Boise Philharmonic Brass Ensemble. These groups travel to area schools with light concerts and instrumental explanations for the students. "That's great," says long time philharmonic member, principal clarinetist James Hopper.

Elliott has played with the Philharmonic since about 1950, and was a representative from the orchestra on the board of directors when Dr. Daniel Stern was asked to lead the orchestra about six years ago.

"I think optimistically that the orchestra is improving. We're getting more professional and achieving better quality of performances. It's fun; I enjoy it, and it's a little financially," Hopper said.

Philharmonic concertmaster and Boise State string instrument instructor Gerald Rosenbaum does not agree about the financial help.

"Professors from BSU earn only $14 per rehearsal for programs with the Philharmonic. These professional musicians deserve double that at least," he said. "They are losing money this way, while giving of themselves and of their time."

"We're doing it for the love of it mostly. It certainly isn't the money," he said.

"Culture in Idaho has not yet got the kick it needs. The state is not as strong as the arts yet," Rosenbaum said.

"It's very hard to make a symphony orchestra when money isn't available. Building a center for the performing arts doesn't mean enough," Rosenbaum said. "The success of the university and the Philharmonic lies with funding people. We badly need string scholarships money. There is such a shortage of good string players, we have to be able to offer them scholarships to bring them here to Boise," he said.

Rosenbaum came to Boise this year from the symphony orchestra of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, to serve in a dual professional role as concertmaster for the Philharmonic and as violin-string instructor at Boise State. He had previously played violin with the Syracuse, N.Y. symphony for three years.

For Love and Money

"This is our ninth season playing with the symphony for both love and money," said John Baldwin, principal percussionist for the Philharmonic and professor of percussion at Boise State.

"It is used to be the only chance we had to play symphonic music. It's still not terribly financially rewarding, but it does provide some extra pocket money," he said.

Baldwin, who played with the Wichita Symphony while a student at the University of Wichita, was a soloist during the 1979-80 Boise Philharmonic season, playing "Concerto for Marimba and Vibraphone" by Milhaud.

He was president for two years of the orchestra committee—the liaison between players and the Philharmonic board of directors, and stage manager for a year, "setting up rehearsals and making sure equipment was where it was supposed to be." His wife, Alison, is personnel director for the orchestra.

One of the problems between the orchestra and the board is that members don't always understand the politics of it. "We've been on both sides, management and emi..." Baldwin said, "and it is interesting."

The Philharmonic will enjoy the yet to be constructed Morrison Center for the Fine and Performing Arts, Baldwin said. "I think it will provide some of our students can play for the Philharmonic too. It really helps them get perspective on the professional world of the orches..." he said.

Faculty Plays

Other BSU faculty musicians who have performed with the Philharmonic are Catherine Elliott and William Taylor, vocal; George Thomson, guitar; and Madeleine Hoy, piano.

Playing with the orchestra are J. Walls Wallis Bratt, trumpet; John Baldwin, principal second viola; Michael Samball, principal trombone; Mel Shelton, principal trumpet. Most of these works were performed on the Boise Philharmonic for performances at the Idaho State University and also program notes.

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**BSU musicians play with 'orchestra of note'**

By Joyce N. Fannin

March 5, Dr. John Baldwin traveled to Idaho State University to perform on Chuck Spучhe's faculty recital. He and Spучhe played Knaack's "Reflections," a composition they also performed for the Boise Philharmonic.

Wilber Elliott is hosting the evening session on church music at the North¬western Convention of the American Choral Directors Association to be held in Spokane, Wash. March 6-9.

Several Department of Music faculty members participated in the Idaho State Convention of the Music Educators National Conference, held in Pocatello March 13-15. Wilber Elliott is president-elect of the state association, and is the organizing chairman for the convention. The Faculty Trio (J. Walls Wallis Bratt, cello; Gerald Rosenbaum, violin; Carroll Meyer, piano) performed a 35 minute concerto hour. The Boise Philharmonic Brass Quartet will present a short concerto (Melvin Shelton and Andy Plamondon, trumpets; Michael Samball, trombone; James Perkins, horn; assisted by Dr. John Baldwin, percussion). Dr. Michael Cleveland will chair a workshop on elementary music certification in Idaho.

John Baldwin, Schroeder, Melvin Shelton, Samball, and Baldwin presented their performing ensembles at several area high schools and junior high schools during a recent concert tour in the Treasure Valley. They presented concerts at West Junior High in Boise, and high schools in Kuna, Meridian, Nampa, and Caldwell.

Boise State University singers and several BSU staff members will participate in the production of Ernest Bloch's "Sacred Service" at the Boise Philharmonic and Boise State Choral Chorale. The Concerts will be held in the Boise State Center for the Arts, Auditorium College of Idaho, Washington State University, Pullman, March 14-15.

Boise State staff members of the chorale board include Susan Mitchell, Dirk Reed, Bob Rozenbelt, Bill Barber, and Debbie Bronson.

Mitchell, Bronson, and Reed are members of the chorale board of directors. Gerald Schroeder and Wilber Elliott are directing campus rehearsals for the combined choirs.

Boise State University pianist Carroll Meyer and John H. Best performed in a faculty artist recital Feb. 22. Both performers are professors of music at Boise State, where they have each taught for three decades. Meyer is a member of the Faculty Trio, and Best is conductor of the Boise Symphonette and a director of the Idaho Suzuki Institute.

In Business

Dr. Robert Balding presented "What Should the Introductory Data Processing Course Cover?" at the Business Information Systems Curricula Development Conference at Cal Poly University, Pomona, Calif., recently. The confer¬ence, co-sponsored by the Data Processing Management Association, is working on a model curriculum for the 1980's.

Dr. Al MacMillan has been awarded a faculty residency for summer, 1980, with Arthur Andersen & Co., international accounting firm. MacMillan will attend a one week seminar at the firm's audit staff training school in Chicago prior to returning to the company's Boise office for his residency.

In History

Dr. Michael P. Zirinsky was in Wash¬ington, D.C., Jan. 2-11, to conduct research in the U.S. National Archives on Iranian relations with the U.S. Jan. 27, Idaho hosted the Boise State University's fellow¬ship on "Religion and Revolution in Iran."

On Staff

Steve Diagmann, Coordinator of Spe¬cial Events, has been appointed to the National Performing Arts Committee of the National Entertainment and Campus Activities. He will be responsible for compiling a list of theatrical technical information, and facility management.

Chris Severance, Secretary-Treasurer, Idaho Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, and Richard Reed will attend the annual meeting of the association at the University of Idaho campus, March 13-14.

Greg Hampton, SGB games area man¬ager, was appointed by the National Bowling Council to direct the Northwest Collegiate Bowling Sectional March 20-22.

Hampton traveled with 26 BSU stu¬dents to the Association of College Unions Region 14 recreation tournament at Washington State University, Pullman, Feb. 22-23.

Operas season trio planned

The Boise State University Opera Theater season includes three major productions this year, and possibly a special children's opera this fall, accord¬ing to the theater's director William Taylor.

An evening of "Operamas" was per¬formed by the group of singer-actors at the Boise Unitarian Universalist, Art, Feb. 27.

Full production of Mozart's comic opera "Così fan Tutte" ("Women are like that") is planned for May 9-10, and per¬formances of the Broadway musical "Gruppy" will run July 1-13 and 18-20. Both will be presented in the BSU Student Recreation Center.

According to Taylor, plans are under way to develop a new children's opera program in the fall. If it is approved, the production would begin in the fall and would use talented young¬sters from the Treasure Valley area.
Dr. Barry E. Asmus, Boise State University's economist, has been named as one of 13 U.S. citizens to receive The freedoms Foundation award for excellence in private enterprise education.

The fundamental defect of democracy — still the best form of government today — is that one group of people are able to do good with other people's money, Asmus said. "We're all going back to Washington, holding on to our hands, trying to get on the gravy train. We've been robbed. Peter to pay Paul, all in the name of doing good. There isn't going to be any money left to redistribute," he said.

"It's not that government people are trying to do badly," Asmus said. "I really think what they have is our best interests at heart, yet we can't escape the fact that one-half of the federal budget goes for transfer payments — payments for which no services have been performed.

Bureaucratic Satire
Putting 'Butterflies into Literary Satire, Asmus is the co-author with Jerry Hill, Boise, of a book on the U.S. bureaucracy, To Slay a Guest, which will be ready for publication this summer.

Hill, a basketball player for BSU in the 1960's, is president of Tree West Realty, 1950's, is president of Tree West Realty, and former deputy assistant to Idaho Secretary of State Pete Cenaros. "Jerry is the lyricist," Asmus said, as he explained a portion of the book's format, pages with news articles or editorials, both authentic and fictitious, facing pages of satirical verse by Hill. "For instance," Asmus said, "here's a page of bureaucratic quotes on conservation of resources:

In an age dominated by scarcity, government must pursue policies of conserva­ tion. Society must be protected, escalating prices curbed, excess consumers deenourdaged. We must cut back consumption...we must allocate scarce supplies...we must ration...

Production Mentality
"It really should be up to the individual, though," Asmus said. "We can't have a production mentality or an inventory clerk mentality. So our reply is in verse:

THOMAS ALVA EDISON
When speak of light
And candles flickered
In the night,
Tom tinkered with
His bulbs so bright
... Meanwhile...
Less enlightened folk
On a different kick
Clamored for the government
To ration all the candlewax.

Ration stumps, they argued,
Hour after hour,
Will we have to make sure everyone
Gets a share of candle power.

But stubborn Tom
Just plodded on.
At last he sold them back, and
He kicked the curse of blackness
When dimwits asked
Their ration stumps!

A Big Surprise
The freedoms Foundation award was a "big surprise" to Asmus, who thought that the winners would all probably go to nationally and internationally known economists.

For 31 years, the foundation has presented awards to individuals, organizations and schools for "outstanding contributions to a better understanding and appreciation of the principles which have built our nation," according to foundation president Robert W. Miller. This is the third year in which awards have been given for economic education projects which help pupils better understand the private enterprise system, Miller said.

Asmus credits his receiving the award partly to his participation in a summer seminar in the late 1960's as a week-long session of lecture-discussions on the free market.

Asmus has also served as an economic consultant with several U.S. corporations and associations, and in the past few months has lectured at meetings of Shell Oil Corporation and Northwest Highway Users Association in Seattle, Northwest Mining Association, Past Northwest Hardware Association, Spokane, and the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and the Western Agricultural Chemical Association, Boise. He will be the first speaker to speak there to the American Hardware and Implement Association, July 1973.

He has appeared before the Idaho Public Utilities Commission on a number of matters, and has published papers with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Western Economic Association, Mountain Bell, the Boise Better Business Bureau, as well as a 1978 special energy demand study for the Idaho State Legislature.

He received his doctor's degree in economics from Montana State University in 1950, where he was a teaching assistant and a research assistant at Boise State University for 1973-74.
Fashion show
The BSU Faculty Wives and Women organization will present both fashions and art at a noon luncheon Saturday, April 19, in the Student Union Ballroom. The program will feature modeling as a performing art presented by the

Blanche B. Evans School of Modeling with clothes from The Mode, Ltd., which will also provide fashions for faculty models. Local artist Lu Gochnour will present art pieces by Idaho artists as door prizes.

Cost for the event is $5.50 per person with 50 cents of that amount going toward the organization's scholarship fund. For reservations, call Evelyn Everts, 345-4346 or Ida Lovin, 344-2303.

Science academy meets
About 200 scientists from Idaho universities and state offices will be at Boise State University April 11-12 for the annual Idaho Academy of Science meeting.

On Friday the scientists will attend a symposium on the dilemma's of waste disposal and storage. Included will be talks on chemical, nuclear, and biological wastes.

The symposium will begin at 1:45 in room 112 of the Education Building. A speaker from Region X of the Environmental Protection Agency will address the group at 8:30 p.m. on Friday also in room 112.

On Saturday about 35 scientists will present research papers on topics ranging from radioactivity in water to mercury effects on crayfish. Those meetings, which will be divided into sections on botany, zoology, chemistry, physics, and science education, will begin at 8 a.m. in the old Science Building.

Potpourri
About 40 students are expected to participate in the festival. Performances will run 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. each day in the Special Events Center and Liberal Arts room 106.

An area-wide campaign to raise funds for the new BSU Multipurpose Pavilion has begun, according to David Lambert, BSU Director of Development.

The broad-based appeal is aimed at raising $1 million to help put the finishing touches on the structure, Lambert said. All donations, which are coordinated by the Development Office, are tax deductible.

The University is seeking donations of $50 or more and the names of contributors will be inscribed on a donors' plaque to be permanently mounted in the Pavilion.

Those wishing to donate towards the new BSU Multipurpose Pavilion are asked to use the coupon below and send it with their donation to: The BSU Foundation, Inc. For further information call 385-3276.

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Boise, ID 83725

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I wish the plaque to read as follows:

All gifts are deductible!

Reader's theatre
University students from Utah, Oregon, California, Nevada, Idaho, and Alberta, Canada will be at Boise State March 21-22 for the annual festival of the International Interpreter's Theatre Alliance.