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Suspicious cloud search

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The BSU presidential search is drawing to a close with the final five candidates scheduled to visit campus late this month, but widespread rumors of a ringer and accusations that the State



Board of Education has dropped the ball continue to plague the search. Despite rumors that the Board has already picked Montana Commissioner of Higher Education John Hutchinson, the search continues and those involved say the rumors are false.

An unidentified source in the BSU administration said "Hutchinson has been, from the start, the State Board of Education's choice."

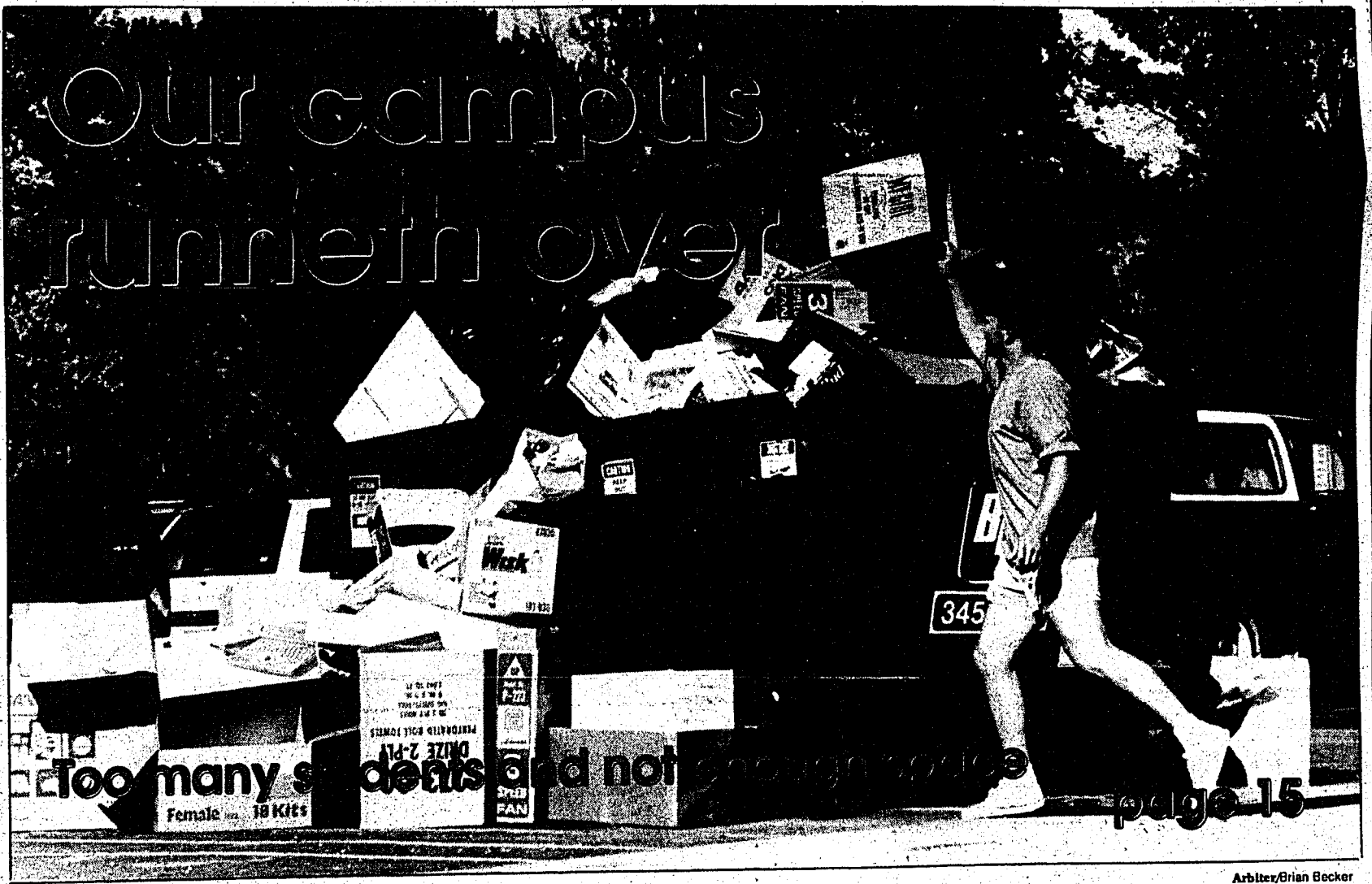
"There's a real concern at BSU that this has been decided for Hutchinson and I don't know why that is," Student Body President Todd Sholty said.

State Board members deny the accusations that Hutchinson has already

been picked. Roy Mossman, SBE secretary, said the rumor that the search was down to one candidate is not true.

"I have no way of knowing that it is down to one or two and saw no evidence of bias towards any one candidate in the selection committee," Dr.

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**Students
return
to familiar
parking
crunch**

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Speech addresses racial relations

Dawn Kramer
News Editor

Interim President Larry Selland opened the new year last week with a speech on racial relations.

Selland said education is one of the best ways to reduce bias against minorities, which should be a major goal of BSU.

Statistics show that the number of minorities is increasing.

"As you know, Boise State has been relatively free of incidents," said Selland. "We are not a campus where

bias and prejudice are prevalent, but as our campus becomes more diverse, we must be prepared in a number of areas."

Some of the areas BSU is working on are CAMP-HEP, a program through the College of Education to help migrants; the Studies Abroad Program which sent its first group of students to Asia University in Tokyo this year; the Core Curriculum Review Committee for reviewing adding multicultural studies into the curriculum; the university's policy on harassment; the Affirmative Action Plan on campus; and contributions to minority groups outside the university.

Later, Selland gave an update on the futures committee, formed to predict and suggest solutions to upcoming problems on campus. The main topic was the parking problem.

Selland said the addition of IIT should help. However, IIT officials maintain that BSU will not be moving across Capitol Boulevard.

He also said that a park-and-ride system with a shuttlebus would be an ideal solution. On the downside, the university was turned down this summer for federal monies to start such a program.

BSU to install pioneer doctoral program

Melanie Delon
Staff Reporter

Boise State's first doctoral degree will be offered through the Department of Education by the summer of 1993.

"The doctorate in education is a historical achievement for Boise State," said Robert Barr, dean of the college of education.

The doctorate was approved by the Idaho State Board of Education in June, after an extensive search by a State Board external committee assessed that the need for a program in the Boise area was great. The committee conducted the search in the summer of 1991, and made a strong recommendation for the program after looking into BSU's capabilities.

"BSU's program is the only program that addresses the needs of public school teachers in Boise," said Barr. He is quick to point out that the doctorate is for education and not for educational administration. By offering a doctorate in education, teachers will be allowed to advance their opportunities without leaving their classrooms.

Students seeking the degree will be required to take night courses during the school year, and attend full time in the

summer. Students will also be required to serve a residency, and possibly in the last year leave their job to finish as full-time students.

Although the program will only admit 10 new students each year, Barr said he expects an influx of applications as soon as the degree is available.

The program will require students to complete 15 hours of curriculum and instruction, 9 hours of school renewal, 12 hours of research, 6 hours of field experiences, 12 hours of cognate, and 12 hours of dissertation work.

Idaho State University will offer its doctorate of educational administration program in January 1993.

The ISU program will be that university's 11th doctorate offered. The program admits six new students each year and intends to serve practitioners, not those seeking progress toward a research degree.

The education doctorate program has not yet been funded, and Barr is not sure when the funds will be available. Barr said the doctorate program takes BSU to a new plateau as a university.

Top scholars shy away from Boise

Rick Overton
Editor-in-chief

The Idaho Governor's Cup Scholarship, the state's flagship program for keeping native scholars in state, continues to avoid BSU. None of the five academic standouts given the 1992 awards will be coming to Boise.

The Governors Cup program was established by Cecil Andrus in 1987 to address the so-called "brain drain" of Idaho's smartest high school seniors. Funds raised through corporate contributions and an annual golf tournament in Sun Valley are turned into four-year, full-ride scholarships for the handful of annual winners.

Since the program's inception, eleven scholarship recipients have chosen the U of I. Albertson's College of Idaho and ISU have claimed five students each while one scholar each went to NNC and Ricks College. BSU has welcomed only two Governor's Cup scholars in the six years the program has been in existence.

Patty Mittleider, executive

director of the program and a BSU junior majoring in Business, attributes the success of other schools to recruiting and summer programs aimed at bringing high school students on campus.

"Some of the students have indicated to me that they have actually been recruited by those universities," Mittleider said.

In 1989, all four scholarship recipients had chosen the U of I. According to Mittleider, three of the four had cited participation in an academic outreach program the summer before as a primary factor in their choice.

Recently, however, the Governor's Cup Board of Directors approved a change that may allow BSU and other schools to share the wealth.

Spurred on by a request by the U of I, the board approved releasing the names of unsuccessful applicants to the university they had stated was their preference.

Schools like BSU can then recruit bright, potential students whether or not they win the scholarship.

Saturday program targets crowding, convenience

Melanie Delon
Staff Writer

More than 800 students have signed up for a new program that will thin out overcrowded classrooms, ease student scheduling woes and better utilize Boise State's limited classroom space.

Saturday classes are expected to make it easier for Boiseans to take classes, said Interim President Larry Selland.

Selland's decision to reinstitute Saturday classes was a response to the growing demand for more accessible higher education in the community. The number of non-traditional students also prompted his interest in the program. Selland said weekend classes would allow more flexibility for students who hold jobs and have families.

BSU experimented with Saturday classes about 10 years

ago, but dropped it for lack of student participation, said Linda Urquidi, assistant director of Continuing Education.

Selland said several students who have signed up for the program told him the classes also reduce the problem of finding a sitter.

The program will also allow the students to make better use of the facilities, Urquidi said. By the university holding classes on the weekend, students will have more

room in classrooms and on the parking lots.

The weekend classes are also expected to reduce the crowding in classes held during the week.

The classes held on Saturday will cover basic core and lower division courses. Two blocks of classes will run on Saturday, the first from 8 to 11 a.m., and the second from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Full-time and adjunct fac-

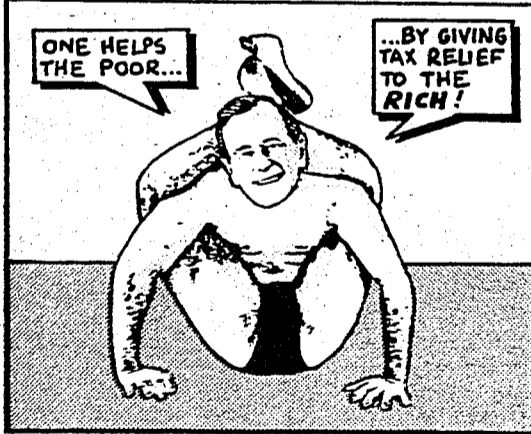
ulty will teach the Saturday classes. There was no difficulty finding faculty. Several adjunct faculty members were available to teach on the weekends, and not on the weekdays, he said.

If the program is successful, the administrators involved will evaluate and fine tune it before considering it as a permanent option. Selland said he was considering as soon as next semester making classes available on Friday night.

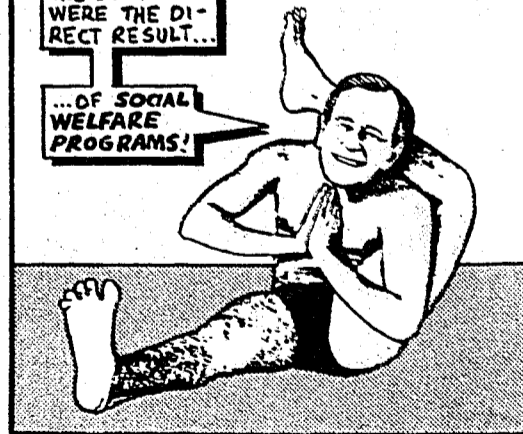
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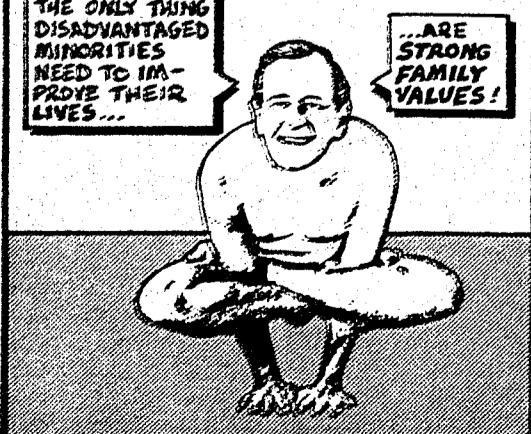
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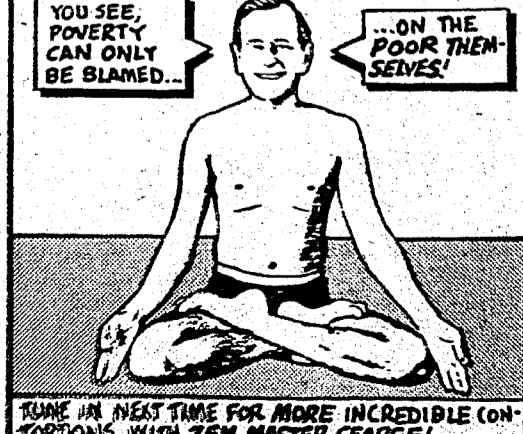
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TOM TOMORROW

KBSU heads to new Simplot-Micron home

Leslie Teegarden
Staff Reporter

While you will continue to find KBSU in the same locations on your AM and FM dial, you will no longer find the staff in the Communication Building.

For several years, the BSU Radio Network has recognized the need for a larger facility. By this coming Sept. 15, the radio station will be moved into their new location in the Simplot-Micron Technology Center.

KBSU Station Manager Paul Kjellander said the radio station plans to complete the move without interfering with programming or inconveniencing the audience.

Since the mid 1980s, a portion of the second floor of the Comm. Building served as the home of KBSU. Kjellander said the location was sufficient for the needs of the radio station until they experienced an increase in staff and students and began to provide a wider service area.

In addition to KBSU-FM and -AM, the BSU Radio Network includes KBSW in Twin

Falls and KBSM in McCall. Kjellander said the network also plans to start a new FM station in Boise — KBSX.

The radio network will now occupy three rooms on the second floor of the Simplot-Micron building. The move to this location will increase KBSU's square footage from approximately 2,311 to 4,106 square feet.

Tentative plans suggest the philosophy department will be moving into KBSU's old headquarters. Currently, the philosophy department is located in the library, which will be undergoing renovation.

Idaho Small Business has moved out of the Simplot-Micron Center, and the faculty computer lab has condensed and moved into another room in the building.

There is a tremendous amount of work involved in moving a radio station, Kjellander said.

"The university has been a great environment to work in. There is a lot to coordinate, and we have worked with some very helpful and hard-working individuals," stated Kjellander.



Director of engineering Ralph Hogen, left, and Paul Kjellander, KBSU station manager, inspect equipment in the station's new offices.

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A preview of some of the fastest-growing careers

Deanna Ortiz
Special to *The Arbiter*

Work-a-day world

Looking for a major that might someday lead to a career?

The occupations projected to have the highest percentage of new jobs by the year 2000 are paralegals, medical assistants, home health aides, radiologic technologists and technicians, data processing equipment repairers, medical records technicians, medical secretaries, physical therapists, surgical technolo-

gists, operations research analysts, securities and financial services sales workers, travel agents, computer systems analysts, physical and corrective therapy assistants, social welfare service aides, occupational therapists, computer programmers, human services workers, respiratory therapists, computer programmers, human services workers, and correc-

tion officers and jailers (from the Bureau of Labor Statistics).

It is important to know how to interpret these statistics.

Although growth in the percentage of new jobs is an indicator of demand, consider the number of applicants as well. For example, the number of job openings for paralegals is expected to increase 75.3 percent through the year 2000, but the number of persons pursuing this career will also increase. There will be intense competition for job openings.

Also consider the numbers that the percentages are de-

rived from. While there is only a projected 48.1 percent increase in the number of new computer programmer positions, that translates to approximately 250,000 new jobs compared to only 62,000 new paralegal positions.

Job growth is only one factor to consider when choosing a career. You may think your dream job is out of reach because there is just no demand for it. In actuality, a spe-

cialization within your dream field may be in high demand. For example, right now there is an influx of attorneys, but there is a higher demand for those with specialties in environmental, patent or admiralty law.

Deanna Ortiz is a career counselor at BSU Career Planning and Placement. For help choosing a major, students can contact her at the Career Center, 385-1747.

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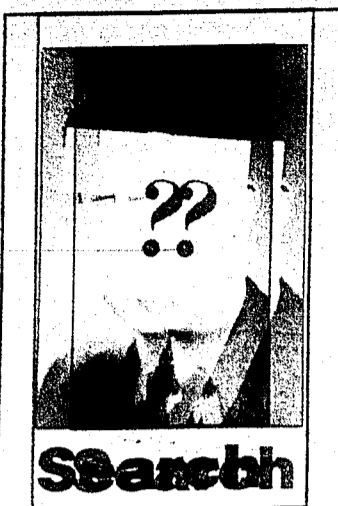
Rumors name Hutchinson as favorite

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As the BSU search committee prepares for the final five presidential candidates, rumors are circulating that the State Board of Education is searching for a puppet president to run the university.

Claims are also circulating that the Board has had specific candidates in mind all along. The people at BSU are reluctant to have their names attached to such claims and fear that the president will be an agent of the state.

A university administrator who asked to remain anonymous said there is an unwritten message Hutchinson may have been the SBE's choice from the beginning.



The administrator said Hutchinson is a potential puppet president of the Board and also a potential candidate for the state of Montana.

Blaine said a view of a candidate is not a guarantee of success. The Board has a long history of selecting candidates who are not successful.

candidate who is going to be a puppet of the state Board and had an edge over the other candidates.

ASBSU President Todd Sholtz said the Board has already decided on Hutchinson.

"There has been a lot of talk about getting the job done," Sholtz said.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate on Tuesday passed a bill to limit the number of federal judges, a move that could affect the search for a new president.

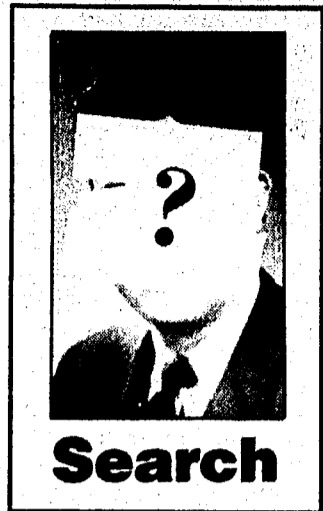
Presidential search chronology

September 20, 1991. The State Board of Education (SBE) fired 13-year BSU President John Keiser on a 6-1 vote, with the "no" coming from State Superintendent Jerry Evans. Keiser said the board saw him as too aggressive. The board said Keiser did not communicate with them. More than 600 students, faculty and administrators rallied in the Student Union Building's Grace Jordan Ballroom, hearing from speakers from former ASBSU President Eric Love to now Acting President Larry Selland, who took over immediately after the firing.

September 21. More than 1,000 students rallied at a football game against Keiser's firing. Governor Andrus called on the SBE to explain the firing. Some reasons given were: the unchecked power of the BSU foundation, starting major projects such as the Pavilion and the Morrison Center without first consulting the board, an emphasis on athletics and a proposed move to the Big West Athletic Conference, hiring his personal friend, Tom MacGregor as dean of the College of Technology, and complaints about KBSU.

September 22. An opinion in *The Idaho Statesman* warned against hiring an SBE puppet as the next BSU president. About 20 students linked arms in front of the doors to the new Technology Building in support of Keiser, saying that it and other projects could never have happened without him.

September 23. The SBE said it wants a team player for the next president. The BSU faculty expressed a fear of getting a president who is good to the Board, but not to the university. Over 1,000 students marched to the Capitol Building to support Keiser while ASBSU President Tamara Sandmeyer



talked with Governor Cecil Andrus and education officials inside. The *Idaho Statesman* reported that the board had never fired and rehired a university president.

The governor's office reported receiving over 500 calls — 90 percent of which supported Keiser — the day of the firing.

September 24. Keiser announced at a press conference in his living room that he wouldn't sue the SBE over the firing.

September 26. A committee was formed to test the legality of Keiser's firing. State Board member Karl Shurtliff threatened to have Yvonne "Sam" Sandmire, BSU gymnastics coach, fired for having a message on her answering machine that supported Keiser.

December 17. The SBE set Feb. 14 as the deadline for applications for a new president and established a 23-member search committee. The Board stated that the salary for a new president was negotiable according to that person's qualifications. After discovering that the BSU Foundation had been supplementing Keiser's salary to the tune of \$15,000 annually, the SBE forbid the presidents of Idaho's state-run schools to accept supplements from independent foundations.

December 20. *The Idaho Statesman* reported that the BSU Foundation sent the fired President John Keiser to an annual meeting in Texas of college and

university presidents in late November. Keiser denied that he was job hunting. The BSU Faculty Senate passed a resolution requiring that the six faculty representatives to the selection committee be nominated by BSU.

January 14, 1992. *The Arbiter* reported that a controversy had risen when Pat Dorman, a sociology professor, was recommended to the selection committee by an SBE member — a direct violation of the BSU Faculty Senate resolution. Dorman remained on the committee.

January 25. The SBE shifted the deadline for applications back from Feb. 14 to April 15 and said they would fill the position by January 1993. The published job requirements included a doctorate, a demonstrated record of academic leadership, the ability to work cooperatively with other state institutions, demonstrated skills in management, finance, budgeting and public and private resource development, a commitment to affirmative action and equal opportunity, the ability to articulate internally and externally the mission and goals of BSU, and a demonstrated ability to work as a respected leader and colleague with a diverse student body, faculty, staff and urban community.

April 9. The SBE audited Dr. Keiser's office and found no irregularities in funding use while president.

April 15. By the deadline 152 applications had been submitted for the BSU presidency, including only two women. Notably missing was that of Acting President Selland, who stated that he was not interested in seeking the post full-time.

May 5. The 23-member screening committee reduced the applicant pool to 30.

June 29. The screening panel narrowed the number of applicants down to eleven semifinalists. The names were turned over to the SBE and the screening committee was dissolved. BSU set aside \$20,000 to spend on the last stages of the search.

July 23. Salaries of the eleven semifinalists were released, two of them higher than University of Idaho President Elizabeth Zinser, the highest-paid university president in Idaho, who earns a \$123,693 salary. Four of the candidates earn more than Dr. Keiser's formal salary of \$100,776. The salaries of the semifinalists ranged from \$88,800 to \$125,000. According to the College and University Personnel Association, the national average for schools the size of U of I was \$132,761 in the fiscal year ending June 30. The average for schools the size of BSU over the same period was \$116,089. SBE Vice President Keith Hinckley said the pay would be competitive, but other SBE members expressed concern that the state couldn't afford to pay competitive salaries.

July 24. Three of the SBE members, including SBE President Shurtliff and State Superintendent Evans, did not attend candidate interviews July 23 and 24 despite the \$7,000 it took to get the candidates here. Also absent for some interviews were Diane Bilyeu and Joe Parkinson. Shurtliff said he didn't think his presence was necessary; he indicated he already knew who was qualified. Arriving candidates were instructed not to talk with anyone at BSU while they were in Boise for interviews. An unnamed candidate was rumored to be in hot water with the Board for violating that policy.

July 25. The second-highest paid candidate in the search, Robert Shirley, president of the University of Southern Colorado, dropped out due to pay considerations. He receives a \$124,831 salary with up to \$10,000 in annuity and a \$20,000 expense account with house, car and \$9,000 for maintenance.

August 4. *The Arbiter* reports that the choice for president may have to walk on water to fulfill the desires of the SBE to be all things to all people with little or no budget. *The Idaho Statesman* reported that the new BSU president would not receive more than Zinser in salary. *The Lewiston Tribune* reported that SBE member Roy

Mossman of Moscow thought two of the semifinalist candidates were unqualified and another was too expensive.

August 6. Eugene M. Hughes, president of Northern Arizona University, withdrew from the race. He stated that a desire not to leave his family behind in Arizona resulted in his withdrawing from the race. Hughes was the only remaining candidate whose salary exceeded U of I's Zinser, his current salary being \$125,000. Shurtliff and two other board members questioned whether the state could afford to pay the market rate for administrators at Idaho's colleges and universities.

August 7. The board reduced the number of candidates to five. Included are Joseph Cox, Charles Ruch, Fredrick Dobney, Robert Glenen and John M. Hutchinson. The finalists will return to BSU Sept. 23 through 25 for final interviews with the SBE. Only Ruch, provost at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, is better paid than Dr. Keiser was. He earns \$115,667; the other candidates earn between \$91,000 and \$99,000 per year. The SBE said salary will be negotiated with the candidate of their choice, but probably wouldn't go any higher than Dr. Keiser's salary. Hutchinson is the only finalist to have previously worked in Idaho. He is formerly both the dean of graduate studies and research, and academic Vice President at Idaho State University where he spent 14 years before moving to Montana.

September 23. Candidates will be arriving in Boise for three days of media scrutiny, formal interviews and sessions with groups of BSU students, faculty, and administrators.

Drawn Kramer, Kathleen Kreller and Rick Overton contributed research to this chronology.

We've said it before, but it bears repeating You don't have to come to work at this newspaper. You can live in a hole and watch *Studs* and never for a moment peak out into the liling flux of a dynamic universe. So be it. Live with yourself. No pressure.



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Fear and loathing on line one

Rick Overton
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"...the speaker-phone is kind of stupid," she said through increasing static. "I can hear them but they can't hear me."

Must be a better connection than this, I thought to myself.

"What do you like about the system," I asked, trying to be positive.

"Yeah, it's great. It has auto pickup, and... and..."

Alone. Dead as a doornail.

It is hard to think of a ripper irony than the phone going dead during an interview about BSU's new million-dollar phone system. *The Arbiter* offices, rock-throwing distance from the Student Union across University Drive, are on an independent phone line,

so I had to dial into the university system to ask people about the new phones.

Getting past the telephone gargoyles was harder than I expected; the whole campus seemed to ooze a gigantic busy signal, punctuated by saccharin-polite voice-mail apologies.



Arbiter photo illustration/Brian Becker

"If you would like to leave a message, press pound-one, to send a message and get transferred, press star-three, to make an urgent mailbox transfer, dial pi-pound-six..."

Finally breaking through, I reached the very optimistic voice of Merrylea Hiemstra, administrative secretary to the English department. She has felt good about the new system's usefulness to a large academic department.

Hiemstra pointed out some of the advantages of the new system. Less confusion with written messages, a comprehensive voice mail system and personalized voice mail boxes were some of the functions she said were helpful to the English faculty.

Not everyone, however, is

as optimistic about the changes. Karena Boesel, a BSU marketing senior, has to use the new phones as part of her job in the Student Union.

"They have so many gadgets, it's confusing at times. It has a message machine built into it but nobody knows how to use it," Boesel said.

"The day after we got the phones, we tried to transfer a call and couldn't do it, and that's a fairly simple task," she added.

Wary telephone users are more careful about transfers than before. That last moment before they push the magic combination of buttons is now punctuated by an anxious gasp, their last breath before going under. More often than not, receptionists will give me the extension I was being transferred to, just in case.

"To transfer your call to a user mailbox, enter the security number and press pound-3-star now, to transfer to the most recently dialed number, step back, count to 10, and press pound-pound-pound, to call Dominoes Pizza, consult your local telephone directory..."

One user in the administration building described how, on day one of the new service, many of the phones in the building hadn't been programmed to accept their destined extensions. Every now and then, a stray call would set half the phones in the building to ringing simultaneously, and office staff running every

which way trying to figure out which one the call was actually coming in on.

Mary Lou Fagerstedt, who accepted the unhappy task of midwifing the new phone reality, knew people would initially resist the changes. She saw that an emergency help line was set up. Users simply dial pound-707 ("SOS") to get assistance. In time, she realizes, we'll all love the new gray phones just as much as the old black ones.

And according to Gail Maloney, director of administrative services, BSU owns this system outright, a much better investment than being bled dry by AT&T rental charges. Owning the equipment and the service will allow BSU to more easily accommodate new growth, and use the system for time-saving services like the new telephone registration.

Of course, this means the 'Biter pot is calling the BSU kettle black. *The Arbiter* pays for three independent phone lines, but only two of them find their way into our phones. If those two lines are busy, a third caller won't get an answering machine, busy signal or anything helpful. Instead, they get hurled off into the continuous ring of deep phone space.

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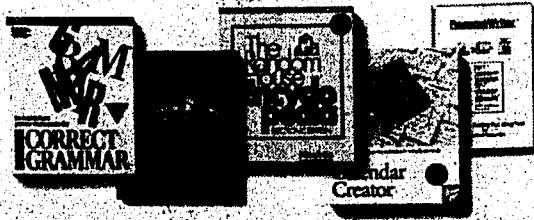


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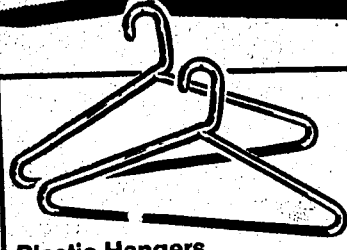
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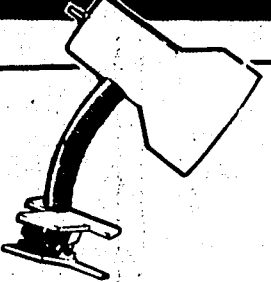
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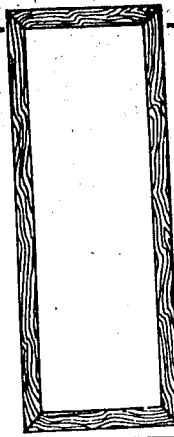
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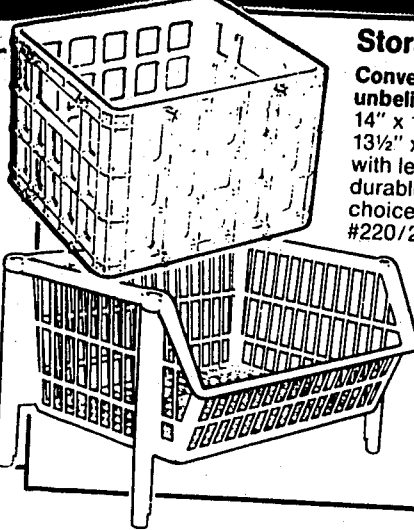
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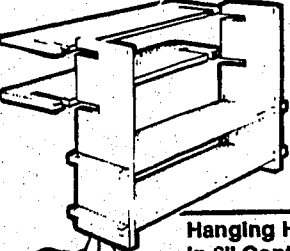
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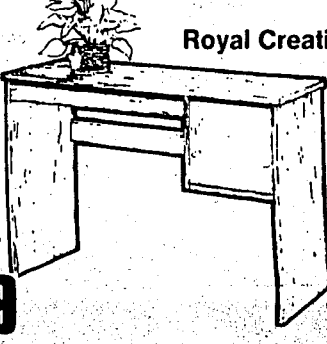
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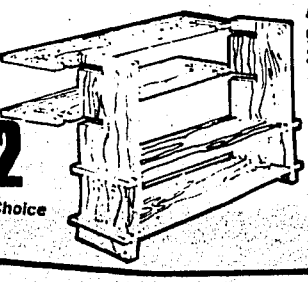
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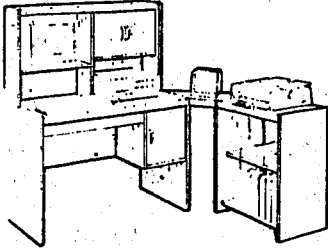
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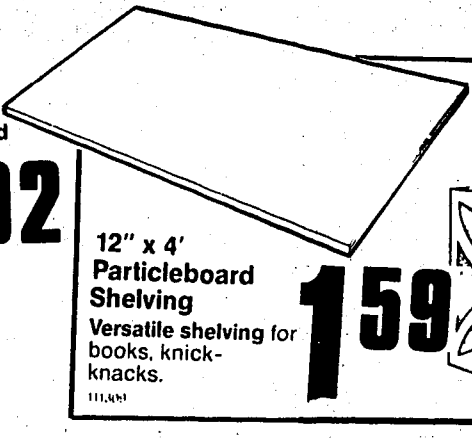
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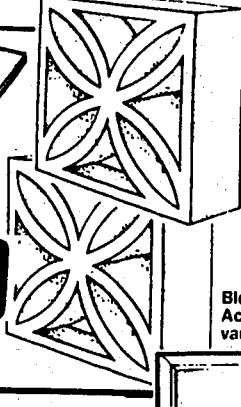
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Board bungle

Recently, the State Board of Education has assumed the reins of the selection process for the university's next president. It has become glaringly obvious by now that the SBE is in danger of committing a terrible bungle at BSU's expense.

The sad punchline is that a poor selection could cripple the university and the city for a generation.

Semifinalists for the post who came to Boise for interviews were treated like they were lucky to be allowed an audience with the Board. After not even picking them up at the airport, and telling them to avoid any contact with the campus and its personnel, they cemented the insult by barely making quorum at the interviews.

There's a word for this: shabby.

The Board—always a tenuous mix of concerned citizens and political hacks, barely tethered to academic reality by Executive Director Rayburn Barton—seems to think that they have nothing to sell. Presidential selection is not only the process of finding the right person, it is also convincing that person that this is where they want to spend the bulk of their advanced professional life.

One campus administrator, who had just admitted that they wouldn't be interviewed for fear of losing their job, pondered that searches for middle management of auxiliary services are conducted with more integrity than the SBE's dial-a-Prez.

No self-respecting leader could emerge from the Board's miscues and half-gestures with anything other than an educated skepticism about coming to BSU.

So the most qualified candidates drop out—how nice.

Even as this neglect becomes clearer, rumors continue to circulate more wildly that the search itself is a hollow formality, meant to lend legitimacy to the betrothed: former ISU Bengal John Hutchinson.

Hutchinson's relationship with the Board, including many of its current staff such as Rayburn Barton, reads like destiny. At every occasion he has gone out of his way to stroke the collective SBE ego and stoke their control fetish.

The latest rumor has narrowed the actual field of candidates down to two: Hutchinson and Joseph Cox of Southern Oregon State College. Of course, those high enough to be in the know are unwilling, even afraid, to talk on the record.

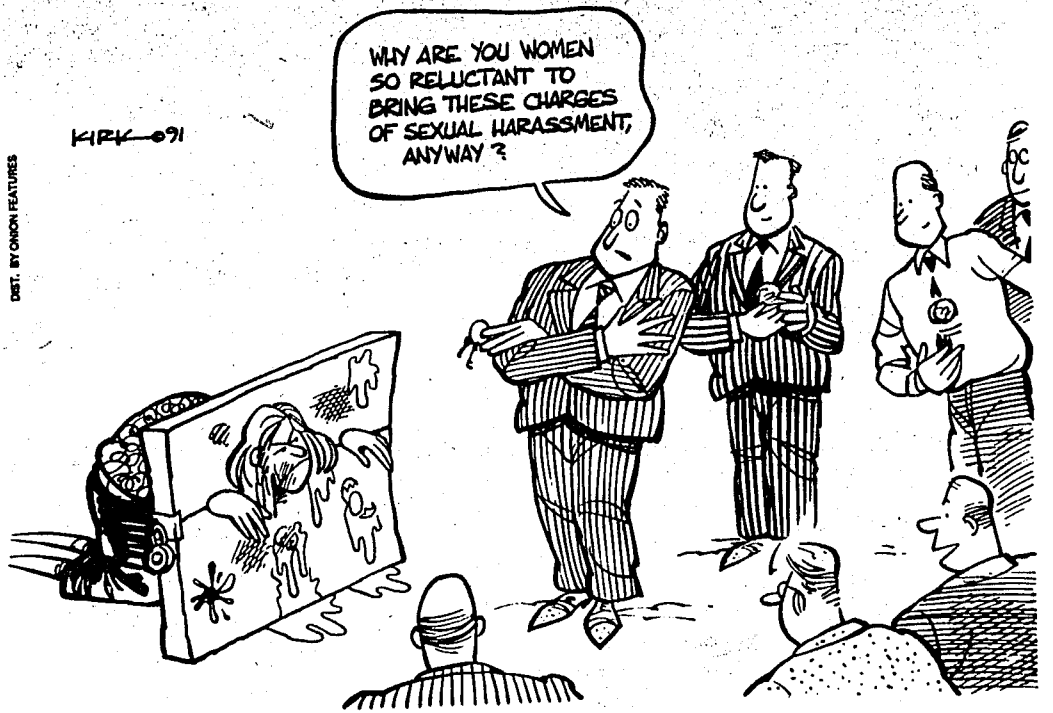
Where's Dr. Deep Throat when you need him?

And that is the real tragedy about the State Board's callous indifference. BSU has been shrouded in a climate of fear since the firing of former President John Keiser last fall. Shurtliff's gruff and secretive management comes off like a loose cannon on a power trip.

The Board's reluctance to reach out to the faculty and BSU community during the search has only reinforced the notion that the political forces in this state are arranged to secure a perennial dominance for the U of I.

The Board could do worse than to realize that some healing is in order. It's time that they came clean with the murkier details: What is John Hutchinson's relationship to Board staff? What is the truth about the Board's plans for salary? How much is campus feedback from the finalists' whirlwind visit at the end of September going to affect the Board's decision?

Rick Overton



Letters

No, I wouldn't, in fact I didn't, put it that way

Dear Editor:
I'm Todd Sholty, the current ASBSU President, and I wanted to clarify a couple of quotes from me that were incorrect in your last summer issue.
First, in your article written

by Kathleen Kreller on the library construction and renovation, in particular, the removal of the fountain in front of the library, I was quoted as saying that there were never any students included in the decision to remove the fountain. What I actually told Kathleen was that I wasn't aware of any students involved in that decision.

seem to be very capable of choosing a president; they were certainly very capable of firing one" (Regarding the State Board of Education). The actual quote was "I hope they are capable of choosing a president; they were certainly very capable of firing one." Isn't the second version funnier? Or is Kathleen just a little *vaklempf*?

Secondly, regarding Kathleen Kreller's feature article on page two on the search for a new BSU president ("Searching High and Low"), I was quoted as saying "They

Otherwise, it was the feel-good issue of the summer; a non-stop roller coaster ride from the get-go! In short, it was better than "Cats."
Todd M. Sholty

MAD about lying car dealers

Dear Editor:
To all the suckers who were duped by "religious" car dealers:
I am MAD! How can a business call itself a "do unto others" dealer and treat people so rotten. No one who works there would wish to be treated the way the customers are.
The high turnover in salesmen indicates the "religious" treatment isn't for them either. We need to get our legislature to get serious about protecting the public from those vipers, or should I say "wolves."
Idaho Consumer Affairs, Inc. has hundreds of names on file

of those who were lied to and cheated by these "religious" dealers. Please contact them for more information.
If people would band together and let their legislators know how they've been treated, something could be done. Your county clerk can give your their names.
We must not let this monopoly of dishonesty continue to prosper in our country. They are a large outfit because we've contributed to their coffers. If we say nothing and call it a lost cause, that is what it will be. Come on folks. Speak up. Let's fight.
Elaine Ford

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Wilds under siege by USFS

Phil Knight
Special to *The Arbiter*

Deep in the wild heart of Idaho lies a land of deep forests, remote river canyons, diverse and thriving wildlife and unequalled wilderness. The River of No Return wilderness complex is the largest chunk of roadless country left in the lower 48. It is a treasure trove of adventures, bastion of peace and solitude, a place where wilderness, that ever-rarer, ever more precious and ever more controversial element, yet survives in substantial pieces.

Even here the wilderness continues to diminish. Two large, unprotected roadless areas on the Nez Perce National Forest are currently under siege by the U.S. Forest Service. The USFS is constructing 150 miles of new roads throughout the Mallard and Gospel Hump roadless areas, and plans to cut 80 million board-feet of timber over 5 years via the Mallard and Cove timber sales.

These two areas constitute the last corridor of wild country linking the three large Central Idaho Wilderness areas. Thus they are critical for recovery and protection of rare and threatened wildlife such as the gray wolf (which inhabits these areas), grizzly bear, wolverine, marten, boreal owl, fisher, chinook salmon and a host of other rare plants and animals. Road building and logging will destroy habitat for many of these species and open the country to all sorts of abuse.

Earth First! initiated a campaign this summer to oppose the construction of roads into these roadless areas. The USFS had denied all appeals of the timber sales, the dozers were fired up, another chunk of precious wilderness was about to feel the blade. No one else was prepared to oppose the Forest Service. So we came, from all over the continent, to try to stop what we believe is criminal action: destruction of public wilderness by the USFS.

A number of us arrived in early July to establish a presence. We met with USFS personnel to learn about how they planned to protect (or not protect) sensitive species and what the schedule of road construction was. An initially amicable relationship quickly degraded when Red River District Ranger Ed Wood became involved. Plans for EF'ers to howl for wolves with USFS biologists and go out with a road-building crew were scrapped by Wood. When it became evident that we opposed the road construction, the road-building and timber sales became a paramilitary operation.

Our camp was spied upon by armed, camouflaged "special agents" who refused to identify themselves when questioned. One of our people was arrested by special agents when she demanded the film

from their cameras which she suspected they had been using to photograph EF! women bathing.

Two others were arrested in a road corridor while looking for rare plants, doing surveys the USFS had failed to do. They were held face down, handcuffed, at gunpoint, for three hours. Also a man was arrested in Dixie on "suspicion of being in a closure." Has Smokey turned vicious? It would seem so.

Choosing to oppose road construction through direct action, on August 10 Earth First! blockaded the Grouse Road by putting one person on a giant tripod in the roadway and locking two others by their necks to machines. They were greeted with threats from the county sheriff and were eventually arrested (after halting construction for eight hours) and taken to Grangeville. There they maintained a hunger strike for nine days while in jail, to show solidarity in their anger over the ongoing destruction of public land.

On August 17 Earth First! held a rally with over 100 people at Region 1 Headquarters in Missoula to bring our message straight to the source. That same day saw demonstrations in Poland, Canada and Australia in opposition to destruction of wilderness in the Wild Rockies.

This campaign is just beginning. The USFS has now put a closure order over the entire timber sale area, but we will be back. We are not afraid to risk arrest or even bodily harm to bring attention to this insane destruction of wilderness.

These timber sales will cost the taxpayer at least \$5 million. For what? More clearcuts, more roads, more of the same crap you can find throughout the national forest system, meanwhile robbing us of the chance to experience Mallard/Gospel Hump as a wild, intact forest. Nor is this sustainable forestry. If the USFS were practicing sustainability, it would not be punching roads into new areas. Certainly jobs are provided, but at what cost? We believe the cost is much too high, economically and ecologically.

The Mallard and Cove timber sales are ugly examples of how our public lands are being trashed behind our backs while the USFS puts up a facade of careful management and new perspectives. It's the same old chainsaw song and dance in the remote Idaho forests. This madness must end. There is too little left of the wilderness upon which all life depends!

Mr. Night lives in Montana and represents the Earth First! Roadless Area Rescue Operation.

EARTH FIRST?

The larger challenge

Dr. John Freemuth
Special to *The Arbiter*

The recent activities of Earth First! have again brought this group to the attention of many Idahoans. How are we to think of this group, known both for a passionate stance in defense of wildlands, and for the extremes of that passion through activities such as placing spikes in trees for the purpose of breaking saw blades?

There are several points worth thinking about. Regarding the acts of civil disobedience—"monkey-wrenching," in the language of the day—we need to understand the tradition of civil disobedience in the U.S. We should remember that we have a long traditional of protest against what some perceived as unjust law, starting at least with the Boston Tea Party, if not earlier.

But we should remember too, that civil disobedience also carries with it a responsibility to bear the consequences of breaking what is perceived as unjust law. There is nothing so powerful, some would say, as seeing people imprisoned for an offense that appears unjust, such as sitting at a whites-only lunch counter.

Finally, there also is a clear tradition of non-violence in civil disobedience, which may explain some of the uneasiness regarding activities such as tree spiking. People, then, need to see the activities of Earth First! in the context of

the civil disobedience tradition, in order to make more informed judgements about their appropriateness.

We also need to understand the politics of what is going on here. It seems obvious to me that Earth First! allows more moderate environmental groups to operate from positions with more public support, remembering at the same time that this is why Earth First! was founded, as a protest against the moderate, "compromising" environmentalists.

Perhaps the most interesting thing about Earth First!, though, is the context within it acts today. Our natural resource policy battles today are tinged with a growing hysteria and intolerance for other points of view. It is one thing, for example, to engage in nonviolent acts of disobedience against timber sales. It is another thing to presume that you hold the only moral position, and everyone else's position is suspect because they are less "correct" than you.

I don't wish to be misunderstood here, the observation cuts both ways. I see just as much hysteria from segments of the ranching community regarding the return of the wolf to Idaho, hysteria that can lead, among other things, to the killing of wolves. But we can't stop here, either. The land management agencies (like the Forest Service) are more besieged than they have ever been, with the result that morale is often low, and good employees think about

leaving agencies that have done many things well. They feel this way because they are seldom praised, and seem to be blamed for all that is wrong with the public lands of the West.

All this is to say that we really don't seem to have much of a space today where we can sit down and work out the difficult issues facing public lands.

Perhaps it is time to reflect on the words of Wallace Stegner. He said: "Westerners live outdoors more than people elsewhere, because outdoors is mainly what they've got. For clerks and students, factory workers and mechanics, the outdoors is freedom, just as surely as it is for the folkloric and mythic figures. They don't have to own the outdoors, or get permission, or cut fences, in order to use it. It is public land, partly theirs, and that space is a continuing influence on their minds and senses. It encourages a fatal carelessness and destructiveness because what is everybody's is nobody's responsibility. It also encourages, in some, an impassioned protectiveness: the battlegrounds of the environmental movement lie in the western public lands. Finally, it promotes certain needs, tastes, attitudes, skills. It is those tastes, attitudes and skills, as well as the prevailing destructiveness and its corrective, love of the land, that relates real Westerners to the myth."

BSU political science Professor John Freemuth studies public lands management issues.

Radicals help nothing

Sen. Steve Symms
Special to *The Arbiter*

If the Earth First! radicals want to save the environment and the species which inhabit it, they are going about it in exactly the wrong way.

Preservation doesn't come from chaining oneself to heavy equipment or by driving spikes into trees. Radical groups like Earth First! seem to think that these confrontational tactics will attract public attention and increase efforts to save the furry mouse of the three-toed salamander. In reality, it sets up a no-win situation by forcing affected families to choose between feeding and clothing their children and protecting the habitat of the next endangered species surrogate.

North Idaho is a perfect

example. Out-of-state Earth First! members camped there to protest timber sales. Three activists were arrested for chaining themselves to equipment, and forest service media attention, but they accomplished no more than making enemies of hardworking Idahoans who depend on the timber industry to support themselves and their families.

Species or habitat preservation requires the support of those who rely on that resource for their livelihood. Radical environmental organizations, however, practice confrontation, which has resulted in something just short of an all-out war between those who say they want to save plants and animals and those who are fighting to preserve their lifestyle.

Displaced workers, or others who have had their lives

devastated by the antics of radicals, associate their predicament with the endangered species and not just the extremists or the government. This creates a "shoot, shovel and shut up" atmosphere. If the species is EXTINCT, they reason, it no longer needs to be preserved and therefore will not affect their jobs.

I am sensitive to the environment and the species which exist within it, including humans. Preservation can only be achieved through a balance that accommodates the survival of all who inhabit this world.

We need a common-sense approach that will be a winner for human beings AND the other species we seek to protect. The Earth First! tactics set up a lose-lose scenario which virtually guarantees failure.

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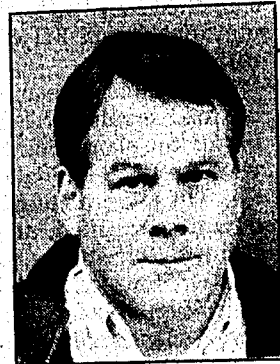
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Stan's World

A user's guide to panic, stress and the turning wildebeest

Hey there! You got those post-summer returning-to-school blues? You got those butterflies telling you you can't go through it again? Do you got doubt that you can still make muster and get into the thick of it all? Do you ever look longingly at the 'bos down on the river and think to yourself: "Man, they ain't got it that bad!"



Stan Oliver

Well, you aren't alone—You've got lots of company. And as they say, "Misery loves company." But the fact is, you ain't got to go it alone. Even the pros knows this. Once upon a time, they had to do this little number too. Besides, once you put your proboscis back to the grindstone, you'll be far too numb to feel the pain anyhow.

You know how it is. Eventually, you'll go into overdrive; you'll get that second wind. All the regimen you so willingly discarded over the summer months will begin to resurface. Your old dedication to self-imposed discipline will return, and (doggedly) you will resume the laborious (for most) task of getting ed-i-cated.

The best way to escape the insanity (the madness) of a new school year is don't avoid it—'cause you can't anyway. Join in the madness! It's the only sure-fire way to avoid being trampled.

You got to become a part of the stampeding herd! Have you ever watched the migrating wildebeest herds on the Discovery Channel? Well, the loners who straggle behind, invariably they were the ones to get tick-bit and develop the always-fatal, "turning sickness" disease. They just begin to slowly turn counter-

clockwise until they fall dead in their tracks.

You've heard it before: You've got to *keep moving!* 'A rolling stone gathers no moss... (or dingleberries).' So they say.

Your most important asset toward a successful school year is probably your *attitude*. If your mind ain't right or if your heart is faint, then you may be in trouble.

College is far more than the mere acquisition of knowledge; it is also a

measuring stick for intestinal fortitude. Knowledge is there for all who would seek it, but the tenacity and grit needed to employ it are available to but a few. Knowing how to perform a given task is a small beginning. Seeing a task through to successful completion is a whole new ball o' wax.

So, let's all put on our very best airs and take our medicine as gracefully as possible. Just remember what the mamma jackass said to the baby jackass: "Son, it is not right to laugh and play; you should be stubborn ... and sad."

And forget not that the proverbial camel did tell the persevering pappa jackass: "Patience, jackass, patience," after three scorching weeks in the Sahara Desert without water. Yes.

Let us accept our lot in life too ... And always bear in mind that matters could be far, far worse than they are ... Enjoy while you can! And, please, may all your hallucinations be pleasant ones.

Sam on Earth

Extremists defeat themselves with their own contradictions

It is a natural thing, breaking the world up into tidy, crisp categories and hanging them above the stove in a maple-stained "Truth Rack," to later season and perfect this huge, carbon-based spaghetti sauce.

The fundamental truth of the matter is that the more and more people try to paint a black and white picture of human ethics and behavior, the more greyed and distorted the picture becomes.

It is almost absurd how fundamentalists raise more questions than they answer. For instance, anti-abortion activists claim that the life of an unborn child is sacred. Suddenly, however, pro-choice activists start asking questions like "When is a fetus a child?" and "What about the rights of the mother, who is already known to be alive?" and "How about rape cases or incest?"

Then there are the environmentalists telling the world to invest in the future, but the only way to really do so is to gut the economic present as we know it.

There are also the implications each truth carries to a parallel situation. Take, for example, those anti-abortion folks again. For the American Life Lobby "life is sacred in all cases." That statement, quoted from the Jan.-Feb. issue of *Uline Reader*, seems pretty clear cut. Yet the



Sam Gerberding

same group answers the question "Would you kill a death-row inmate?" "Yes: 'We want to protect all innocent life.'"

This paradoxical reasoning is not just an occasional enigma; it extends equally among all political and religious camps, liberal or conservative—you know who you are.

The most interesting question all these oxy-morons, paradoxes, and intellectual non-sequiturs raise has nothing to do with each

"isms" particular nuances. It is, simply, that faced with the knowledge that a fundamental model of ethics is bound to disperse after serious inquiry and dissection, does one abandon mores for a strict use of logic and compromise, or does one select a fairly sound belief system and practice it strictly?

Is life to be lived like a pinball, bouncing anywhere until going in the hole, or like a bowling ball, unwavering once the throw is over, knocking over whatever lies between the throw and the hole?

Sam has fully recovered from his social-life threatening mountain bike wreck and attends BSU sometimes.

Stan Oliver and Sam Gerberding are regular columnists for *The Arbiter*. Watch next week for contributions from Laura Walters and Deborah Lewis. Anyone interested in being a regular columnist should cross their fingers, knock three times and bring a good writing sample to the editor on a good day. No problem.

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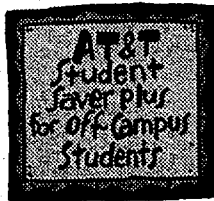
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Parking woes Panel pinpoints perennial problem

Chris Langrill
Features Editor

Parking, parking, parking. What would a back-to-school issue of *The Arbiter* be without another story on BSU's parking woes?

The parking problem continues to be a hot subject as classes resume this fall.

BSU President Larry Selland announced in his address on Aug. 24 that a newly formed Future's Committee had concluded in their studies that parking should be their number one priority.

This conclusion was arrived at by a survey of responses from 1,200 questionnaires distributed among BSU community members. A total of 848 responses were collected.

But the issue is much larger than just the limited number of parking spaces and the number of cars trying to access those spaces. For the record: Some spaces were lost this summer, others were gained. In the end, the total increased by approximately 50 spaces.

John Franden, executive assistant to the president and head of BSU's Transportation Committee, stated that the issue is "so much more complex than just parking cars."

Selland has also been quoted in *The Idaho Statesman* as saying "parking is a real problem at BSU, but the issue is bigger. It is a real transportation issue. We think we need to keep more cars off the campus."

This is not to say that further parking spaces shouldn't be pursued.

A parking garage near the Morrison Center was in the verbal planning stage until the donor pulled out of the project. Other donors need to be sought for similar projects. The executive branch of the university needs to continue this search.

The purchase of ITT may also help and could even contribute an additional 250 parking spaces as early as next January.

Bob Siebolt, director of parking and security, said that



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the campus master plan includes the possibility of an additional 420 parking spaces in the vicinity of the College of Technology.

Siebolt added, however, that the past three parking lots in the planning stage "have come to a screeching halt."

Additional parking spaces will continue to be sought by BSU. But then we find ourselves looking at the other side of the issue. The university can only build so many parking spaces.

"I don't think the people of BSU want the campus to turn into one big concrete parking lot," Siebolt said.

From this Franden concludes that "we need to take steps toward alternative transportation."

One alternative was shot down over the summer. A shuttle bus plan was temporarily halted when federal funding was not released to support the project.

Another alternative seems more promising for the immediate future.

BSU continues to work with the Boise Urban Stages system in trying to facilitate easier accessibility for the population of BSU.

Also, BUS has just started selling passes and tokens on campus. These can be purchased at the Parking and Security offices in the Administration building.

But BUS currently faces a Catch-22 situation: The ability of BUS to expand coverage routes to and from BSU is directly related to usage of their system by the BSU population.

This leads to the idea among parking problem leaders that maybe it is time for every student, faculty and staff person to evaluate their own personal alternatives. The suggestion is that if each person did so, maybe they would find it unnecessary to drive alone in their car every time they visit the campus.

These people would suggest that everyone should consider carpooling, using the BUS system and riding bicycles.

The bottom line is that people may consider these alternatives only if it is in their own best interest.

Therefore, Siebolt sees a point in the future where the

administration might make the parking costs so prohibitive that people are forced to consider alternatives.

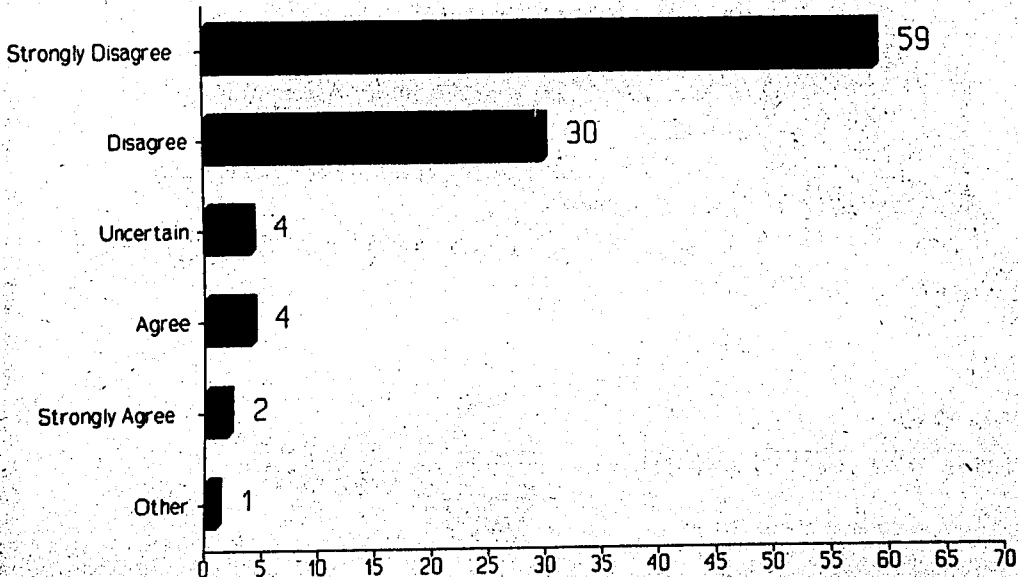
ASBSU Sen. Gary Myers would like to avoid this by making people aware of the alternatives before that action is necessary. Myers said that he feels ASBSU should be partially responsible for getting clubs, organizations and other student groups motivated to consider alternatives.

Franden also contends that BSU's parking problems are mirrored by all of the driving around Boise in general.

In order for BSU to change, there is the possibility that all of Boise must change. Perhaps a more productive transit system must be put into place for all of Boise.

Franden also said he has a long term dream that all members of the BSU population will be able to show their BSU identification cards and use the BUS system free.

It is this reporter's opinion that these are the kind of dreams that need to be realized. In addition, students, faculty, administration, BUS, local politicians and committees should feel that it is their obligation to try to do just that.



The Futures Committee survey asked whether individuals agreed that on-campus parking space was adequate.

BSU's parking fees rank among lowest

Chris Langrill
Features Editor

Some students may feel justified in their complaints about BSU's parking problems. However, when the issue of parking cost is isolated, BSU places near the bottom of the scale in comparison to other universities in the western United States.

The following is a random sampling of the costs of obtaining a general parking permit at BSU and other campuses in Idaho and the West:

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Idaho State University
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University of Idaho
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Northern Arizona University
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Eastern Washington University
\$61.50/year.

Portland State University
\$216/year.

Student battles blazes in Blues

K. Neilly Cordingley
Staff Writer

Firefighting in the Oregon wilderness near Baker City, in heat only increased by a hard hat, long-sleeved yellow shirt, green pants and clompy black boots, is a hard-working, outdoors woman.

As one of three firefighters protecting the Blue Mountain area, which covers approximately 300 square miles, Ginger Wright, 26, works an average of 68 hours a week.

Wright, a junior at BSU majoring in criminal justice, got her start at firefighting while she was stationed in Greece with the U.S. Navy.

When the Greek government asked for volunteers to fight fires, Wright and a friend jumped at the opportunity. Wright spent 1987 and 1988, the last two of her seven years in Greece, fighting fires while in the Navy.

"Of course," she said, "I wanted to keep doing it after I came back home."

Amongst 300 men, Wright and a friend from the Navy never saw another woman fighting fires in Greece, and believe that they were possibly the first women to do so there.

When Wright's mother, Nancy Walter, learned that Ginger was going to be a firefighter she was scared and surprised, commenting that "in high school Ginger didn't really care for the woods." She was also surprised when Ginger joined the Navy, but offered, "Ginger's always been real independent, so I thought she could handle it. She had had a few experiences in the Navy that I think prepared her for it."

"She was always very adventurous," Walter said. "Anytime in her life that she decided she wanted to do something or be something, she definitely carried it through."

And you're better believe it — Walter told this reporter of her daughter's experience sky diving in Europe!

So this summer she was at a remote guard station with two men. If there is a fire in the area the three of them went to it. Usually the three could handle it. "If we need reinforcements, we call for reinforcements," she said.

The Blue Mountain area, which is in the Long Creek district, has one fire engine, 11 miles away. If reinforcements were needed, this engine would arrive in 30 minutes with a 3-man crew. After 45 minutes Wright could have two engines and six men, and after an hour she could have three engines and nine men, according to Wright.

Wright explained that a typical day on the job — when not fighting a fire — would involve closing roads and digging line around project fires, to be burned in the fall.

Wright has dug line, meaning shoveling a trench around a fire 18 to 24 inches deep and 1 or 2 feet wide — so it won't spread — for as long as 12 hours straight.

While fighting a fire, safety comes first. "We always pull out if we might be in danger," Wright said. "I've never had a close call. I've never been in danger. People always ask me if I have. I guess I've been lucky."

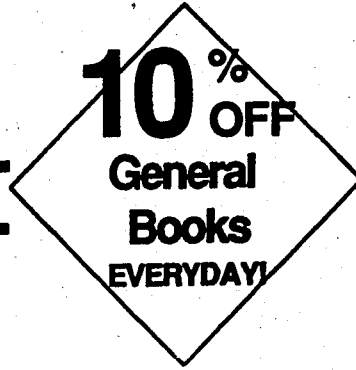
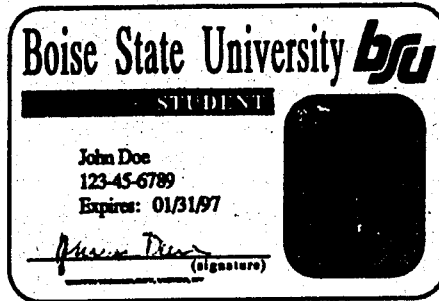
Deaths are scary, Wright said, but very rare. "We are so cautious," she said, "I've never felt that I was in any danger."

But Walter, like any mother would, worries about her daughter anyway.

"I worry about her all the time. You're always kind of fighting for [the firefighters] in the back of your mind," said Walter. "Ginger is a very disciplined person and she's

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Center investigates role of government

Matthew Fritsch
Feature Writer

Allen Dalton is an economics instructor with some pretty atypical ideas about how the government works and how it should work. As the director of the Center for the Study of Market Alternatives, Dalton seeks to limit the role of government, both locally and nationally, and promote the ideals of a free market.

The center, currently located at 2285 University Drive, was established in 1976 as a non-partisan, tax-exempt policy research institute dedicated to the principles of individual liberty, limited government and free markets.

Similar centers are located across the country at universities such as Auburn and George Mason. Dalton said it is important to be on or near a campus so there is interaction with students.

Dalton considers himself a liberal, more precisely a free market liberal or classic liberal. But Dalton said the word liberal has been corrupted over time in America.

"There has been a corruption of the word liberal in the United States," Dalton said. "Those that call themselves liberals or are called liberals tend to favor state intervention economically and socially. In the U.S., a liberal is one who wants

to regulate the economy and the non-economic life of the individual."

Dalton said that free market liberalists don't believe that it should be a function of the state to regulate non-economic activity.

Regulations are nothing other than government granted privileges.

"Almost every restriction is a grant of privilege to some producer, allowing that producer to make money at the expense of someone else," Dalton said.

Dalton gave an example to clarify his definition.

"Almost every state has a licensing procedure for beauticians," Dalton explained, "which usually includes both a performance test and a written test.

"The consumers are only interested in how a person does on the performance test and really don't care about the written test results," Dalton said.

Dalton said that blacks pass the performance test proportionately to whites but fail the written test in disproportionate numbers; thus, fewer blacks are beauticians. The written test is unnecessary for one to be a qualified beautician, Dalton contends; thus the written test enables more whites to become beauticians.

CSMA is also in favor of



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The CSMA evaluates the restrictions government places on citizens.

limiting the government, and limiting taxes.

"The U.S. has never had a completely free trade or free market system," Dalton said. "Anytime you have a government that can tax, you will have some limits on free trade.

"We come from the fundamental viewpoint that the income that people generate is theirs and not the government," Dalton continued.

The major research at the CSMA is on local and state policies. The center does two

policy studies each year with the help of interns from BSU. In addition, the center has an extensive library, including audio and video selections to help those who would like to learn more about free market liberalism.

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very, very careful and that does make me feel better . . . but yes, Mom does lay awake some nights worrying about her."

"Before you can go on a fire or fight a fire," explained Wright, "you have to attend a 40-hour class on firefighting behavior."

Also, Wright was given a "step test" during which she was hiked around to see what she could carry. They found she can carry a lot.

The fire attire alone weighs the 4-11, 125 lb. Wright down a great deal. The material firefighting clothing is made of, called nomex, is 100 percent cotton and is soaked in chemicals, which give the clothes a bad smell, according to Wright, but do protect the firefighter.

On top of her heavy clothes, Wright has her "Webb gear," which consists of a fire shelter and two water bottles on each of her hips; it all weighs 32 pounds.

She also hikes with a shovel and hose.

According to Walter, where her daughter was firefighting last year she was the first woman in years to do that kind of work. "She carried real heavy equipment," Walter said, "sometimes a chainsaw."

Wright said, "The food is really good when you're on a fire, except for MRE's, or meals ready to eat."

The MRE's, which Wright and her partners dubbed "meals rejected by Ethiopians," are every fireman's

nightmare, according to Wright.

She and her two partners offered chicken ala king, pork patty and Texas hash as some of the worst. Some that Wright have eaten have been as old as 10-12 years.

With women firefighters being few and far between, I wondered how the men she works with treat her.

"Where I am now, the men are really nice, but last year I had some problems," she said. "I don't know why there's not more women involved," she said. "I think more should get involved."

When asked how close she was to the people she works with, she replied, "I live with them!" Wright lives with her two firefighting partners in a three-bedroom building.

"You have to be really close-knit with the people you work with," she said.

"I really enjoy it," Wright said of firefighting. "It's rewarding because you can see where a fire starts and where it ends."

"It's neat because you get to live in beautiful places, and you get to get away from everybody." She said the closest "big town" is Boise.

"If you like the outdoors, it's an ideal job," said Wright. "But it's hard work; don't get me wrong! Last Friday I worked 24 hours straight."

Wright also mentioned that it's great money.

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Enrollment explosion leaves students scrambling for classes

Lynn Owens-Wright
Features Writer

You're standing in a registration line that stretches to the end of the hallway that slowly inches closer to the door. The Coke and candy machines across the hall remind you that you haven't eaten today—but you don't dare step out of line, it's almost your turn. Your schedule is all filled, now all you need is a space.

"I came at my assigned time and all my classes were full, all of them," first-year student Ruby Bohn said. Although she was able to register for classes, her new schedule does not look like the one she had planned.

"The overcrowding forces many new students to take courses they shouldn't take right away, such as micro and macro economics," said Dean of Admissions Stephen Spafford. "But without the luxury of a community college nearby for basic and remedial courses, BSU's mission is to provide access to a higher education."

With an enrollment figure of over 14,000 this fall—compared to approximately 10,000 students just five years ago—where is BSU putting all these students and what happens to the quality of teaching?

BSU graduate student John Huffer said, "Any education theory class will tell you that the average class size should be 20-25 students for quality instruction. With 50-100 you just skim the surface. There's no way to get the same quality."

Anthropology professor Mark Plew agrees. He said the problem of overcrowding results in a potential lack of quality for both the students and the professor.

"There naturally has to be an impact on written assignments. [With the increased number of students] it is becoming increasingly difficult to assign much writing, we don't have the time. And writing is a fundamental part of education," he said.

Large classes are not the only distraction professors face. Many are forced to teach additional classes. The addi-

tional classes are usually a part of the core curriculum rather than special-interest classes for juniors and seniors.

Plew said big classes also cause monetary problems which ultimately impact the students. "The budget just isn't accounting for additional printing costs."

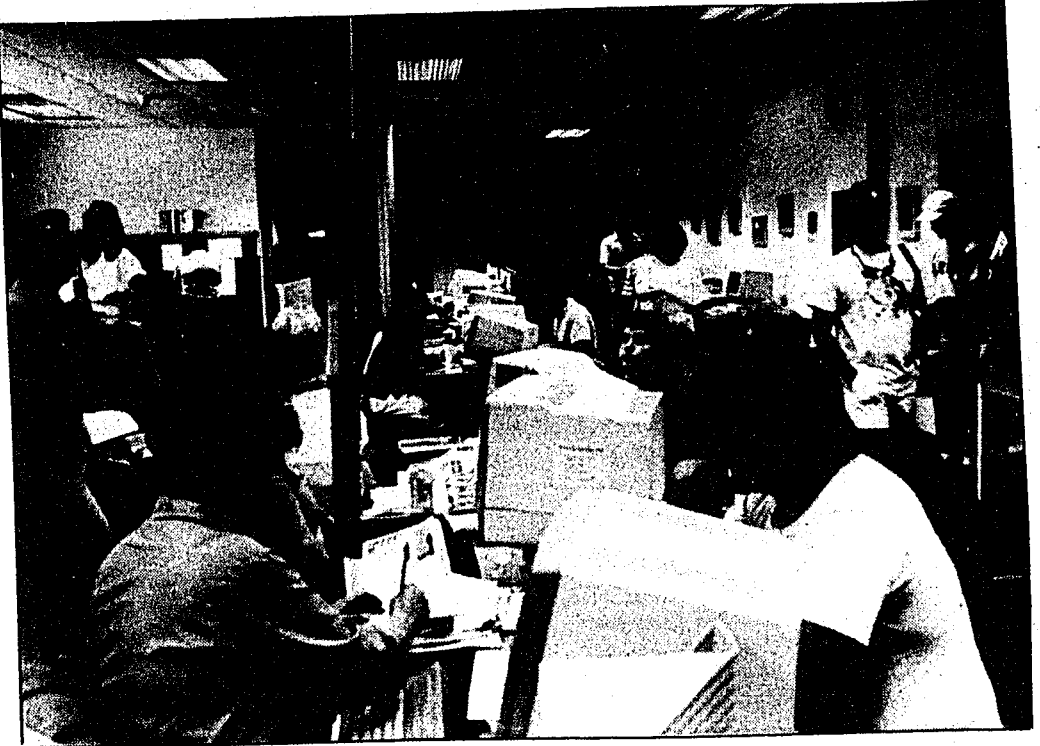
But the area professors are really feeling the crunch is in the time available for research. "We (BSU) should be encouraging more research, but with the time required for more students, time for research is taken away," Plew said.

According to Spafford, the proposed 1 Percent Initiative is putting the skids on hiring additional faculty or giving professors raises. "We had a budget cut this year, and if the 1 Percent Initiative goes through, we are going to be hurting big time," he said. The State Board of Education and the Idaho Legislature have allowed some funds for BSU, but the money was directed toward building expansion and maintenance.

According to BSU Budget Director Ron Turner, the general budget money is requested annually by BSU administration with suggestions as to where the monies should be spent.

"The Idaho Legislature appropriates funds and the State Board of Education allocates the money. Any remaining monies are allocated by the [university] president and the vice presidents," Turner said and added, "Salary increases are set by the Legislature, but the president can use the remaining money for specific faculty raises."

There is also a permanent building fund. These funds are allocated to improve academic buildings, like the library. But Turner said, "These funds can



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The relative calm of this room belies the furor in the hall outside.

only go to the library building, not to books."

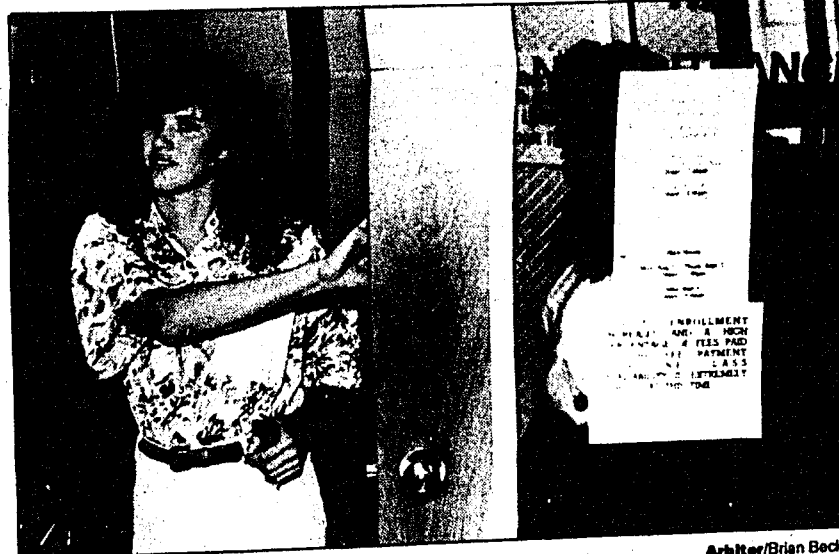
The athletic department is not feeling the crunch the rest of the campus is because the that department "self-gener-

ator contributions for a portion of its funding. But Plew said, "You have to deal with how they want to spend the money. You can't dictate where it should be spent. The

these overcrowding problems is for the Legislature to appropriate more money for higher education. But that would require cuts in other state programs or an increase in taxes, neither of which the Legislature is likely to do.

Instead, Spafford said one option is to set an application deadline. This would allow BSU to maintain a student population that could be adequately served. Another would be to raise the current enrollment standards, but Spafford opposes this proposal because it discriminates against students with lower GPAs and against many non-traditional students.

One of the solutions BSU is using on a trial basis is Saturday classes. If the response is positive, the classes will ease the stress load on the core curriculum. "Adding night and Saturday classes is one smart idea," Huffer said. "BSU should also expand the telecourses to help stop competition for class space. I'm a graduate student, and I had to beg to get into Geology 101!"



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Students faced fewer open courses due to timely payments.

ates most of its money through gate fees and community contributions," Turner said. "This money can't be transferred to the faculty. The money would have to be donated to academics by the athletic department."

BSU has always relied on

public interests are generally in football and special events, not what goes on in my classroom."

The obvious solution to

Responsible students cause extra-tight class market

Rick Overton
Editor-in-chief

BSU's enrollment explosion has been complicated by an unusual culprit. It's not computer failure or human error that has made it so difficult both to register for and add popular classes.

The problem is that students are just too efficient.

An unprecedented number of preregistered students this semester paid their fees

on time. According to Leslie Pass in the Cashier's Office, students this fall are far too quick with their checkbooks.

Pass said that over 9,000 payment reminders were sent out early this summer to students who had preregistered in the spring.

"By the fee payment deadline, we like to be at an 80 percent return rate," Pass said.

But when the deadline rolled around on August 20,

Pass found a more than 120 percent response to the summer reminder. Pass and the Registrar's office said they feel the dramatic increase shows word got out early that enrollment was on the upswing and that class space would be tight.

Of course, fear is still the great motivator. If they didn't pay their fees on time "students began realizing that they will be purged," Pass said.



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Dick McKinnon

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Michael,
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Julie

MCK (BBS), you will be kidnapped in the manner you described, or not, within 2 years, or 3. Stay happy, or get happy soon. LTGG.

Tara Jane,
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Love,
the KAPPA SIGS

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Christi Woman,
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Love,
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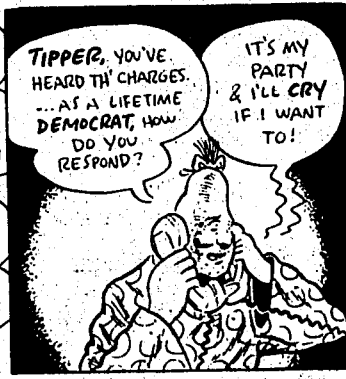
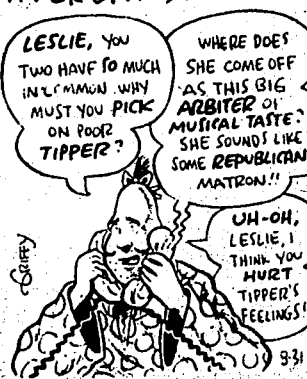
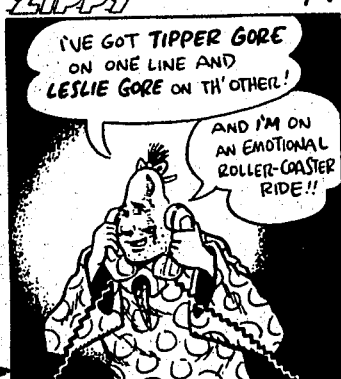
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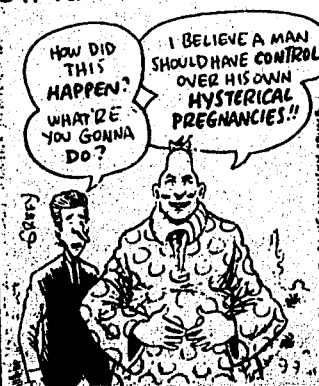
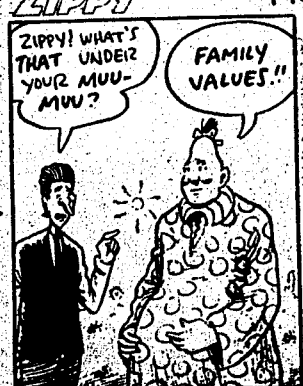
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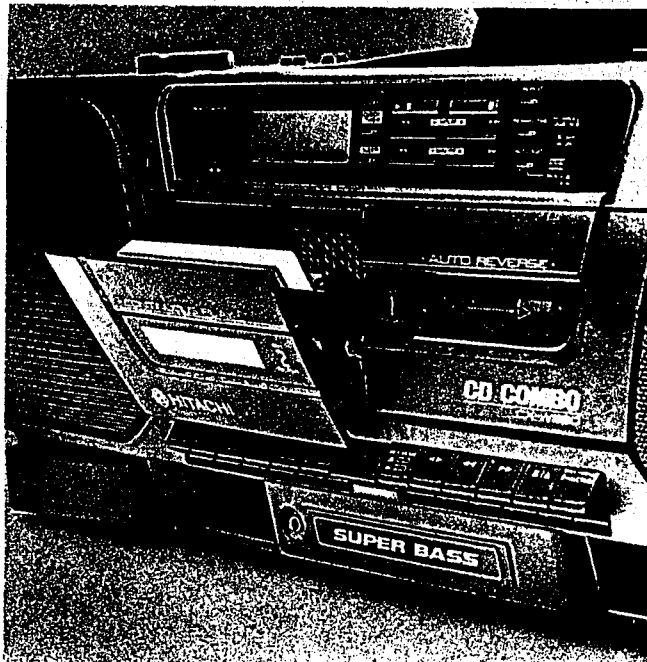
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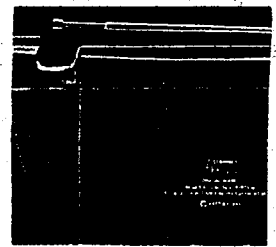
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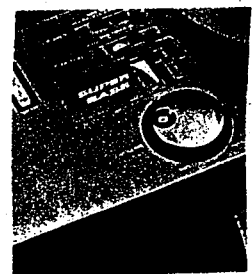
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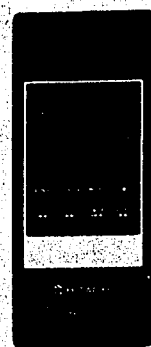
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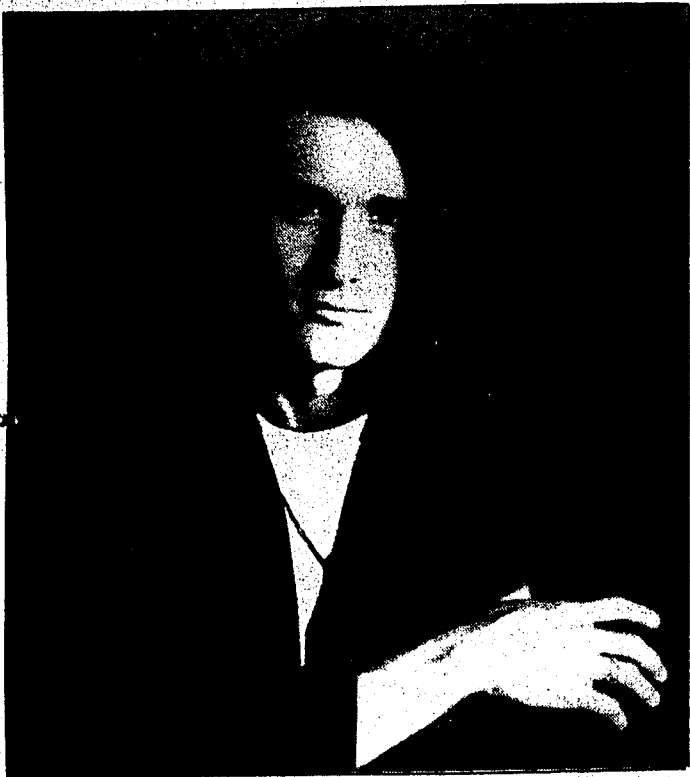


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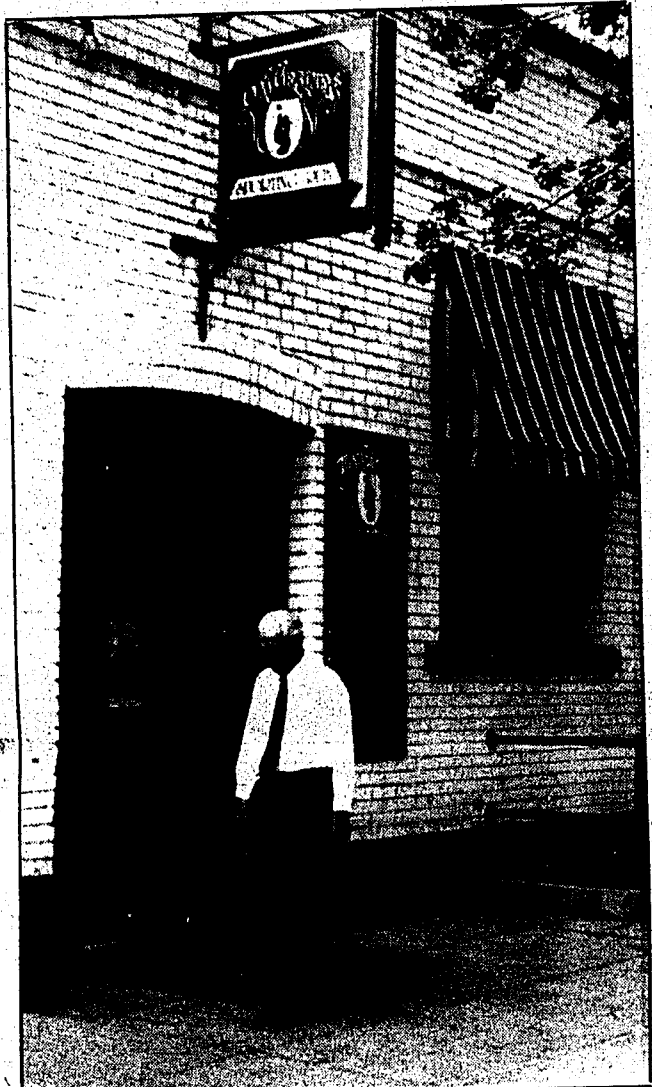
By Chereen Myers,
Culture Editor

Curtis Stigers' debut self-titled album, released exactly one year ago, is about to go platinum.

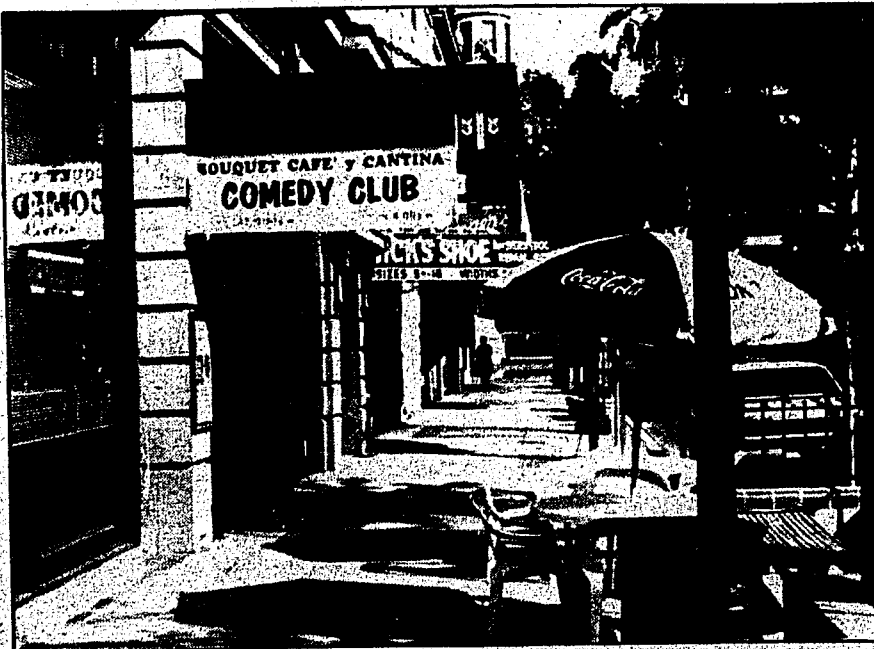
He recently played three sold-out shows at London's Wembley Stadium with Eric Clapton, Elton John and Bonnie Raitt. He is working on a song for the soundtrack of *The Bodyguard*, the new Whitney Houston/Kevin Costner film.

And he hails from Boise.

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Curtis Stigers' early career in Boise found him playing in clubs like Tom Graineys', above, The Bouquet, left, and the Crazy Horse, below. Photos by Brian Becker.



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The amount of success Stigers has achieved in one year is phenomenal. And he is the first to admit it.

"I never expected to get a record deal, let alone have hit songs and be opening for my heroes. It's all pretty amazing. All this success has been a shocker," he said.

Playing London's Wembley Stadium to a full house was a startling realization for Stigers. "In the middle of that encore with Elton, Eric, and Bonnie it dawned on me and I almost fell over. 82,000 people in the audience, Bonnie Raitt standing right next to me, Brian May's behind me, Elton John's to my right and Eric Clapton on the other side of him. And I'm playing the saxophone solo that I listened to a trillion times — the Lenny Pickett solo in "The Bitch is Back" — and I'm thinking "What the hell am I doing here!"

The days when he played to packed houses in places like Tom Graine's and The Bouquet with the Hi-Tops are long gone, but local fans will have a chance to grab a piece of days gone by on Sept. 1 and 2, when he performs at The Morrison Center.

You'd think that after standing before the staggering crowd at Wembley, a performance in Boise would be small potatoes.

Think again. "Playing in Boise will be scary," he said. "Give me



Curtis Stigers appears at London's Wembley Stadium with (left to right) Eric Clapton, Elton John and Bonnie Raitt.

Wembley any day. Everybody that I grew up listening to is there. I'm both horrified and really excited to go home and say "Look what I've done. Look ma!"

Stigers left Boise five years ago to pursue his musical career. The move was difficult for the sax man, but he also knew he had to move on if he wanted to move up.

"There's a point when you do need to go. Boise is a wonderful place to play music and it's an incredible place to live. If I could have stayed in Boise and do what I'm doing now, I would. But I realized that I was at a point that if I stayed where I was and continued to play The Bouquet and the

Crazy Horse, and Tom Graine's, that's all I would ever have. They were wonderful training grounds, but something in me said "there's other things to do now."

Even though he's living in New York now, Stigers says his heart remains in Idaho. "You can always go back home, but leaving was a big turning point for me; realizing there's another world out there and going out to find it, no matter how much it hurts."

With sudden success came constant traveling. Stigers has been touring since November, when he started performing in Europe.

While he wouldn't change his life, he misses doing "nor-

mal things" like sleeping in his own bed.

On the other hand, as Stigers is quick to point out, this is what he's always dreamed of. "I can't complain," he said, "I'm getting to see the whole world on the record company's dime. And seeing the world and touring is the dream of any musician."

Because of his heavy touring schedule — he will perform with Clapton in California the days before and after his Boise appearances — his second album is on hold. If everything goes right, he hopes to release the album next summer. Until then, he plans to return to Europe for three months, beginning in October, to continue his tour.

While his next album is on the back burner, other projects are heating up. He recently recorded a duet with Al Green, and a duet with Aretha Franklin is "a possibility."

Due to overwhelming success in Europe, sales for Stigers' album will soon reach 1 million copies; enough to reach platinum status worldwide. His overseas popularity has contributed greatly to the success of his debut album, he said.

Lately, it's hard not to turn on the television without seeing Stigers and his sax. He recently made his third appearance on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" on Aug. 28. He has also appeared on "Arsenio Hall," "Good Morning America," and countless other programs.

You may have heard Stigers discuss Idaho with Leno on a recent "Tonight Show" appearance. When the host asked him what Idaho was like, Stigers told him it was full of hick bars with potatoes hanging from the ceiling. But don't take it personally. "No matter what, if you're on TV or on the streets of New York, when you tell them you're from Boise they'll make some sort of hick comment or potato comment, and you learn to just go with it and play with them."

Regardless of what he says about Idaho in an interview, it is still his first love, Stigers said. "I love Boise. Anything I ever say about Boise is meant in the most positive way. I told somebody the other day I'm Boise's proudest ambassador."

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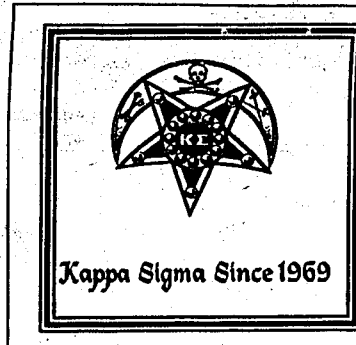
Scott Samples sports editor at the daily newspaper in his home town of Kenai, Alaska, which has a name, but we don't know what it is; and

Bud Woods Publisher of *Contraband*, who recently struck out with a new venture, *The Idaho Outback*.

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Parrot Heads, unite!

Buffett sums up lifestyle in 4-pack

Rosemary E. Hardin
Special to *The Arbiter*

I am a Parrot Head. Unknowingly, I became one in 1975. It was summer in Juneau, Alaska. I was 15 and visiting an older sister when I first heard "Come Monday" on the radio. It made me swoon for my boyfriend back home.

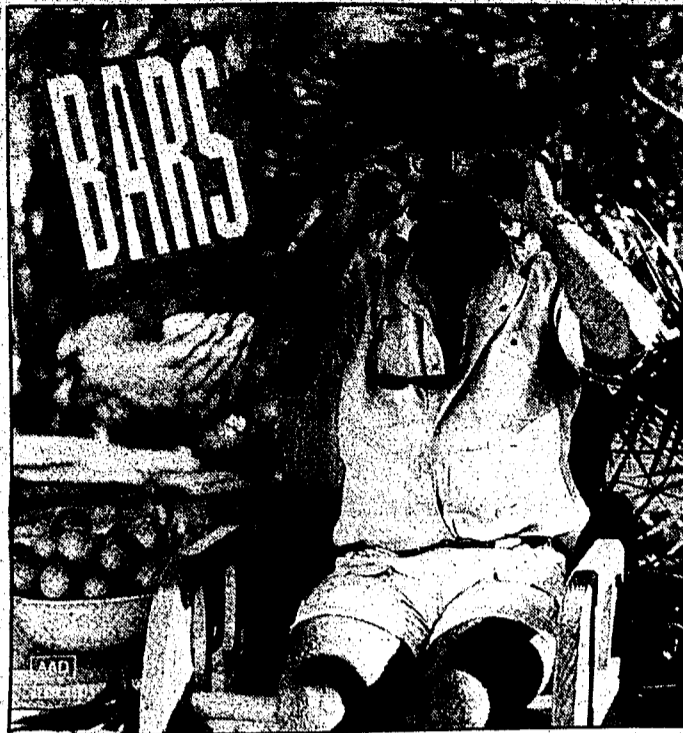
But it wasn't until I went off to college just to gain a little knowledge that I truly got caught up in Jimmy's magic.

In 1978, a year before I entered college, Jimmy released *Son of a Sailor, You Had to Be There*, his first live album, and in 1979, *Volcano*. I rediscovered him my first year, actually my first month at school. If there were Parrot Head vows I renewed them then, and I've been faithful ever since.

Well, relatively faithful. I mean, I guess I didn't actually buy anymore of his albums, but I loved the ones I had and heard. And I defended him—and still do—to my friends who chastised me for my low-brow tastes.

But all that's changed now. My commitment to Parrot Headism runs as deep as it ever will, and his latest release, *Boats, Beaches, Bars and Ballads* (Margaritaville Records), and his summer concert tour (which I caught a couple of weeks ago in George, Wash.), have made this Parrot Head falter no more.

Boats, Beaches, Bars and Ballads, the Jimmy Buffett "four-pack," is a collection of just about everything he's done since his first album, *Down to Earth*, released in 1970. The four-pack contains nearly 80 songs which, as you can discern from the title, are divided into categories. Of the four, my favorite is *Boats*, primarily because it contains a lot of his later work. As Jimmy gets further away from his country roots, his music becomes more and more flavored with a spicy Caribbean/Latin beat and lots



of steel drums. *Boats* is full of music—"Take it Back," "One Particular Harbour," "Love and Luck"—that coaxes you out of your seat and entices your feet, arms and body to take up the rhythm of those incredibly beautiful drums.

For country music fans, Jimmy liberally sprinkles several songs from his really early days, "The Great Filling Station Hold-up," "Pascagoula Run" and "Frank and Lola," throughout the set. I appreciate those songs for what they are but I am not the country fan I once was.

Of course, the four-pack is full of his really famous stuff, if you can call it that. Even Jimmy admits he only had "24 hits" in his career. "Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes," "Come Monday" (I don't swoon when I hear this anymore but I still love the song), "Cheeseburger in Paradise," "Why don't we get Drunk" and of course, the official Parrot Head national anthem, "Margaritaville."

The most sentimental of the four-pack is, obviously, *Ballads*. Nobody writes a ballad like Jimmy. They are beautifully arranged and accessible without being simple (though I know some of you pretentious, 18 to 24-year-old college students would disagree), nostalgic but not maudlin. "A

Sailor Looks at Forty," "The Captain and the The Kid" (a moving tribute to his late grandfather), "He went to Paris," "African Friend" and "Coast of Marseilles" are just a few of my all-time favorites.

Jimmy is not a deep thinker but he appeals to those of us who spend a good deal of time living from day to day. His music is from the heart. His whimsical and honest lyrics address our fears of mortality and missed opportunities. He lives our fantasies of being a sail-boat captain, of living in the tropics, of drinking rum and tequila until we're blind, then suffering only the most romantic, and insightful, hang-overs.

As Jimmy writes in "The Parrot Head Handbook" that accompanies the four-pack, "Not only do they want to hear the songs, they want to get into the lifestyle, even if it's only for a couple of hours."

Yeah, that's exactly what it is, and if you're a Parrot Head, or just thinking about becoming one, then this set is a must have.

No self-respecting PH would be without it.

Rosemary is a Boise writer who hasn't written a music review in four years, just got a tattoo, and wishes Jimmy would keep his mustache.

Local Color

Locals, rookies heat up Boise

Boise has become a real birthplace for some serious talent. Curtis Stigers, who plays the Morrison Center Sept. 1 and 2, used to haunt our local venues.

But he isn't the only talent to emerge from the City of Trees. There are some scorching acts coming to the Crazy Horse this weekend.



Chereen Myers

The Treepeople, for example, are a local act who relocated to Seattle, then came back to their old stomping grounds. If you haven't caught them yet, check them out while you can because after their next tour they will dissolve. More about Treepeople next week.

Another powerful local band is also calling it quits. Whirl has become an almost-permanent fixture at clubs like Crazy Horse and Tom Graine's, but after their Sept. 11 show at the Horse they, too, will fade away.

The great thing about music is it's always evolving. Even though Treepeople is breaking up, a new local band has recently exploded onto the scene.

Keep your eyes open for Boneflower. I caught them at their second show, and even though they've been together only a couple months, they have already become a welcome addition to the Crazy Horse lineup.

Vocalist David Grapp is Boneflower's quirky frontman. You may remember him from his days as the guitarist from Dirt Fishermen.

These newcomers have a tight, focused sound, so it's hard to believe they are only preparing for their third show. You can check them

out when they open for Treepeople's Sept. 4 show at the Horse. It's Tom Petty meets Elvis Costello. You can hear a heavy blues influence in their tunes, but their quirky rhythms and vocals will keep you guessing. These guys only do one cover, and it's a Velvet Underground tune. Definitely worth hearing.

Speaking of Treepeople and Dirt Fishermen... You may have heard about the Indian Summer New Music Festival. If you haven't, here's the scoop — it takes place Sept. 12 in Moses Lake, Wash., and it's an all-day jam with 20 bands.

Treepeople and Dirt Fishermen are both on the main stage, along with Seattle's Seaweed and Neurosis. You've probably caught all these acts at the Horse at some point.

You can read more about some of the bands that are playing in next week's issue of *The Arbiter*, but you may want to grab a ticket while you can.

Tickets are being sold through Ticketmaster, but The Record Exchange will also be selling them starting this week. Advance tickets are \$14.

So, that's about all for now. Look for more on the festival next week. See ya downtown.

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Poetry nights slated for Klatch

William K. Stephan
Culture Writer

Along with the population, Boise's cultural environment is growing.

On Thursday, Sept. 3, at 8 p.m., the City of Trees will witness a fresh round of scheduled poetry readings. The readings will take place monthly at the Koffee Klatch in the 8th Street Marketplace.

Boiseans want a regular poetry scene, claims poet Lee Scharf. Scharf has performed three or four readings in the past two years in the area. "If you go, you will hear worth while poetry. You will hear a little heart and it will make you think."

Four area poets will read

during this first performance: Scharf, a published poet; Diane Raptosh, a teacher at Albertson College of Idaho; Judith Root, a BSU poetry professor; and BSU student Stephen Carr.

Scharf's poetry includes themes of sex, angst and the human condition. One of his poems is about having sex with a corporation. There will be 10-minute breaks between each reading to provide time for discussion with friends and to have a chance to talk to the poet.

"Our community will have a chance to see life from a different angle. Good poetry makes you see that different angle. Poetry is pure art.

People write it for what it is not to 'make it big,'" said Scharf.

The reading will be a time and place to meet new poets, and there will be opportunities for quality work to be read. Aspiring poets may submit their work to a review panel to see if it is appropriate for the series.

The poetry readings will take place at this same location every first Thursday of the month. The Klatch will serve its full menu, including premium bottled and tap beer. Admission is \$2.

For more information about the readings, contact Lee Scharf at 345-0535 or the Koffee Klatch at 345-0452.

Great ideas

Tauge and Faulkner Second Thoughts

Chereen Myers
Culture Editor

If you've ever been to Lock, Stock and Barrel, you've heard of Tauge and Faulkner.

If you've never heard of Tauge and Faulkner or Lock, Stock and Barrel, then you need to get out more.

Tauge and Faulkner are a local rock duo, and Lock, Stock and Barrel is a local restaurant/lounge. If you've ever found yourself waiting for a table in the latter, chances are you sat in the lounge and heard the former.

Still in the dark? Pick up their second release, appropriately titled *Second Thoughts*. The local duo is often labeled as a lounge act before they've had the chance to prove otherwise, so this album will come as a surprise to those critics.

But they're not Metallica. Their music is best described as melodic rock. That doesn't mean they can't play a guitar, though. Jeff Tauge and Jon Faulkner are both veteran writers and know their way around a guitar well enough to bring the house down during live performances.

Second Thoughts mixes soft rock tracks with more upbeat cuts, with some keyboards thrown in for good measure. You know, the kind of stuff Journey made famous in the 1980s. Tracks like "Open Your Eyes" are obvious products of their musical influences; groups like The Eagles and Elton John.

Local musicians stepped in to lend a hand with this album, adding the polish to an already tight project. The album's final track, "Something Tells Me," is a showcase for the duo and their backing band. Keyboards, guitars, percussion and guitar come together in this track to display the treasure chest of talent that formed to produce this product.

In addition to Tauge and Faulkner, the musicians are: Todd Strague, drums and percussion; Bill Liles, bass; Jon Hemingway, synthesizer and backing vocals; Jeff Faulkner, guitar; Sandon Mayhew, saxophone; and Rick Deleonard, banjo.

If you still want to hear Tauge and Faulkner live, you can see them at Lock, Stock and Barrel Tuesday through Saturday, 8 p.m. to mid-



Tauge and Faulkner are veterans of Boise night scene.

night in the lounge. But don't forget, they're not just a lounge act.

Moody tonic

Gin Blossoms New Miserable Experience

Chereen Myers
Culture Editor

Gin Blossoms are tiny broken capillaries that creep down under the eyes of people who, well, drink way too much alcohol.

The permanent marks they leave on their victim's face are similar to the impressions that you are left with after listening to Gin Blossom's full-length debut, *New Miserable Experience*.

After listening to the Tempe, Ariz. band's first effort, you'll find yourself replaying the experience over and over again in your head. The album's tracks aren't the unforgettable kind that drift in one ear and out the other. Instead, they weave their way into your memory, and before you know what happened, they've taken up permanent residence.

If you listen carefully, you'll hear traces of their Southwestern roots in tracks like "Cajun Song" and "Cheatin'," but what you'll hear most is Robin Wilson's pensive, sensitive vocals.

Gin Blossoms don't waste time sugar-coating their product with screeching vocals or shrieking guitars. Instead, they focus on playing

solid, consistent tunes filled with enough hooks to reel in even the harshest critic.

Their ability to lay down some quality guitar licks and melodic vocals has resulted in comparisons to bands like REM and the Byrds, but they aren't in anyone's shadow. They have no problem projecting their own identity.

A five-song EP called *Up and Crumbling* was released last year, and a couple songs from that album found their way onto their new release. "Allison Road" and "Mrs. Rita," a song about the fortune teller who lived down the street from the band's Arizona home, are resurrected, but first-time listeners will be glad they were included.

Second albums, however, are all about moving on. There is an obvious maturity with *New Miserable Experience* that wasn't present with their debut album.

The Blossoms are far from one dimensional, and they prove that by adding some spicy tracks to their old standards.

The biggest surprise this time around is "Cheatin'." The tangy melody contains subtle traces of Southern rock, but it's the lyrics that contain the fire: "You can't call it cheatin'/she reminds me of you."

Lyrics are strong throughout this album. A shining example of the stinging but honest lyrics appears in "Hey, Jealousy." "You can trust me not to sleep around/If you don't expect too much from me/you might not be let down."

This logic may work for love, but

with the Blossoms you can expect original and listener-friendly tunes that won't let you down.

Funky dumpy

Graveltruck No Moon Allowed?

Chereen Myers
Culture Editor

When it comes to jazz-influenced rock, Graveltruck is the reigning champion. Its second release, *No Moon Allowed?*, is a flawless album custom-made for folks who like their music on the funky side.

The first track, "Welcome to the World," is lyrically and musically contagious, and features some sublime vocals from David Lentz. Fellow Graveltruckers J.R. Marson (bass) and Jake Hite (drums) join Lentz (guitars) for a serious dose of jazz in "Catch 23."

Its jazz and rock blend may remind you of another band that uses a similar formula: Primus. Musically it has the same rock, spiced with jazz style, but vocals are where you'll see the biggest difference. While Les Claypool sings like he's on the brink of insanity, nervously belting out each note, Lentz has a sweeter, more melodic approach.

All songs are originals except "Split My Head," which was written by Brett Nelson of Farm Days. Lyrically, as well as musically, there is an upbeat, light feeling to every track. Don't confuse this with mindless music.

None of the three members is musically illiterate. Instead, they are masters of rhythm and manipulators of emotion — they take you from a deep funk to a jazzy groove in a matter of minutes, and they'll never let you forget who they are.

This album is definitely jazzier than Graveltruck's first album, *Godzilla for a Day*. In *No Moon Allowed?* you'll find catchy, clever tunes wrapped up in a seven-song album, but you'll also notice the group's musical growth. Production quality is higher, and musically the performers are tighter, but they retain the style that makes them a popular and sought-after local band.



Exhibit features books in 3-D

William K. Stephan
Culture Writer

For a firm dose of unique and abstract arts, pop over to the Hemingway Western Studies Center. "Pop Up Books for Adults and Other Children Exhibition," Hemingway Center Director Tom Trusky's current display, will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Sept. 10.

The wide variety of "Pop Up Books" cover a range of subjects including Bible stories, famous entertainers, the human body, humankind's creations and the facts of life.

The glass case in the far back corner is titled "X-Rated." However, there's nothing here that should offend anybody.

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Sports

Pay no mind to the polls

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

If Boise State's football team paid any attention to the preseason polls, it might as well not even bother competing this year.

The Broncos, who finished tied for fourth place last season with a record of 4-4 in the Big Sky Conference standings, were again picked to place fourth this year in the Big Sky coaches poll and the media poll.

In the world of sports, polls are a barometer of success or failure for a team. Those who purport to know the teams vote on who's the best and who's the worst, based mostly on how good the statistics say the squads are doing.

But preseason polls mean absolutely nothing when it comes down to game time. That's when polls, records, and statistics are thrown out the window, and anything can happen.

Boise State head coach Skip Hall, in his sixth year as the Broncos' skipper, is hoping that holds true this year, and his team can prove the pre-season prognosticators wrong.

"We're not getting a lot of pre-season hype, which in a way is good," Hall said. "But we will have our say. That's the attitude we're taking—we're going to do our talking on the field."

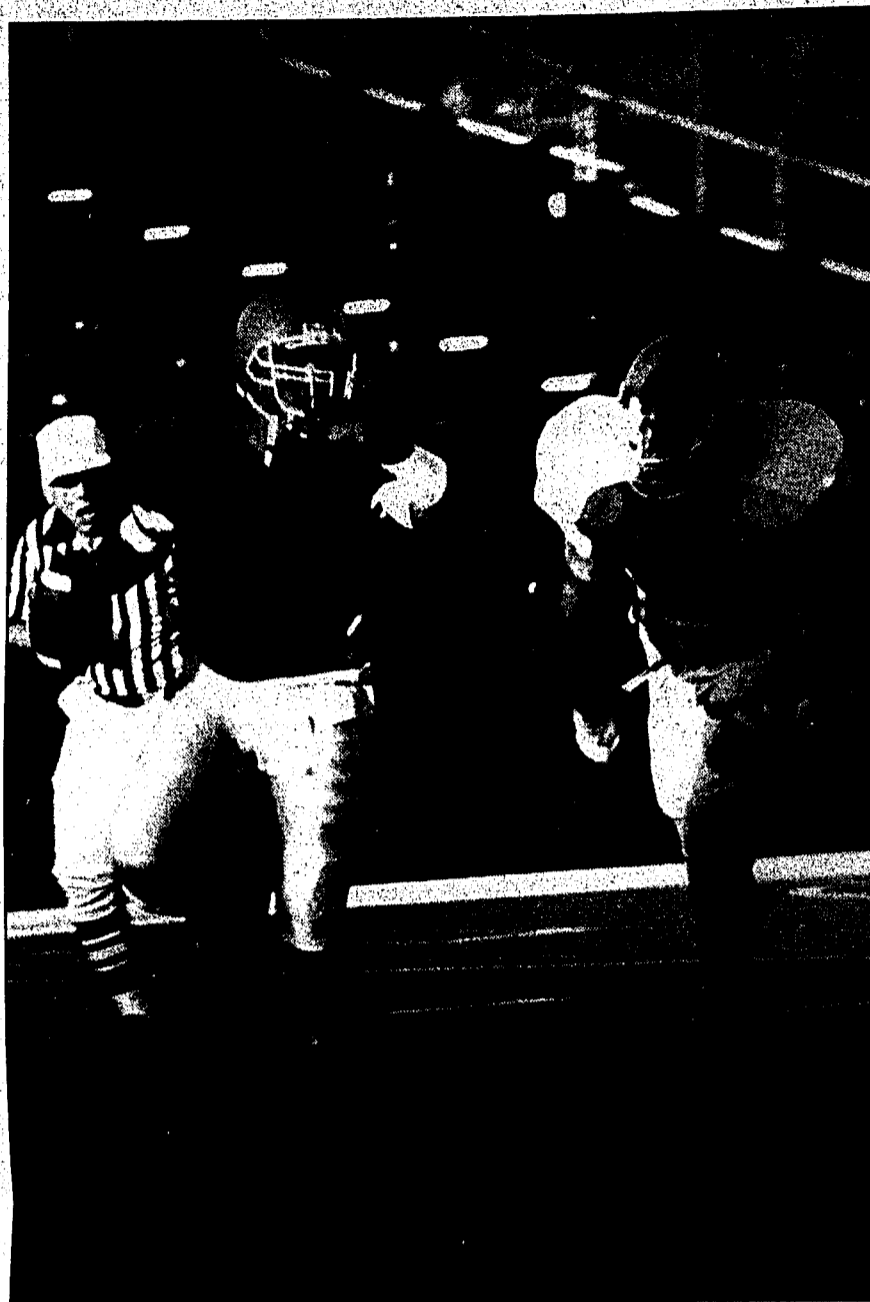
Picking winners is an inexact science at best, and one that is hard to perfect. There are so many factors involved that accurately predicting who will be the best, or the worst, is hard to do consistently.

In 14 years of guessing who number one will be, the coaches poll has been correct in just 6 of 14 selections. The media poll, which also enters its 15th year of picking teams, has been right just 4 of 14 times.

Last year, both the coaches and the media polls picked Idaho to win the title. But because of a rash of injuries and other problems, the Vandals ended up 4-4 in the conference, tied with BSU and Eastern Washington. This year, Idaho was once again chosen as the team to beat in the Big Sky.

Hall knows the Broncos aren't favored to win, but said it could be of benefit to his squad. Often times when a team is labeled as the favorite, expectations of a title can be more of a burden than a blessing.

"We don't carry a lot of
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Boise State quarterback Jeff Mladenich, shown here in the last preseason scrimmage, will be a mainstay of the BSU offense.

Arbitr/Stacy Kay Knutson

Boise State banks on air attack

Scott Samples
Sports Editor

The last time a Boise State football team won the Big Sky Conference title, the players from this year's squad were still in grade school.

BSU last won the Big Sky crown in 1980, then went on to win the Division I-AA National title. Since then Boise State has come close, but never taken home the championship.

This year's team has the potential to open things up and score some points and a defense that can shut teams down, but Boise State isn't favored to win it this year, either. The Broncos, who finished fourth in the conference last season, were picked to once again end up fourth this year in both the Big Sky coaches poll, and the media poll.

Although they are missing three key players from last year's squad—running back Chris Thomas, defensive back Frank Robinson, and tight end Larry Stayner—the Broncos have the potential to sneak into title contention.

With the absence of Thomas, an All-Big Sky selection last season, the BSU offense will look to second-year starting quarterback Jeff Mladenich and a trio of talented receivers to lead the way.

"That's our strength on offense, no question," BSU head coach Skip Hall said. "We'd be foolish not to take advantage of it."

Mladenich, a senior, and the three return-

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Conference race should be tight

Corky Hansen
Sports Writer

All sources indicate that the 1992 Big Sky volleyball season should be a wide-open affair.

Only two points separated the top three teams—Northern Arizona, Idaho and Montana—in the Big Sky Conference pre-season coaches poll.

Northern Arizona, who surprised many in the Big Sky by racing to a second-place finish with a 12-4 conference record last year, finished one point ahead of Idaho in the poll, grabbing the number one spot.

"I don't think we're going to surprise anybody this year," she said.

But the Lumberjacks will come into

1992 having undergone a face-lift. With eight new players on this season's roster, second-year coach Kim Hudson is worried about instilling team unity in her young squad.

In mentioning a possible favorite this year, many coaches seem to be pointing at other teams. But many fingers are waving in the Vandals' direction.

"I think it's wide open, but Idaho is going to be very, very good," Hudson said.

Idaho finished a mediocre 8-8 last season, but will field the same starting six in this year's campaign. The Vandals will be led by 6 foot junior middleblocker Nancy Wicks, and the conference's regular season Outstanding Freshman in 1991,

middleblocker Brittany Vanhaverbeke. Six Vandals finished in the Big Sky's top ten in one or more of six statistical categories.

Montana, unstoppable in 1991, went undefeated against conference opponents on their way to the Big Sky championship. However, this year's Grizzly team was picked to finish third behind NAU and Idaho.

Many new faces will be seen in the Grizzly lineup, as the defending champs lost three All-Big Sky players to graduation, including setter Ann Schenke, the conference's regular season MVP.

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Netter hopes rest on setters to deliver

Corky Hansen
Sports Writer

Sara Herzberg, Beth Bergin, Katrina Stein.

Ring a bell? Probably not, unless you're a Boise State volleyball trivia nut—or a relative of the aforementioned.

But the trio of former BSU volleyball players are three of the best setters ever to put on a uniform for the Broncos. They competed in consecutive years between 1979 and 1987.

This year's BSU team will

belooking to senior Susan Bird to play the pivotal roll of setter—a position of vital importance to any volleyball team.

The truth is, just as the quarterback leads a football team, and the point guard guides his teammates on the basketball court, the setter runs a volleyball team.

There are many similarities between the role of quarterback and point guard to that of setter. Between the end zones it's the quarterback who is responsible for receiving the ball and transmitting it to

whichever teammate was fore-ordained. On either side of the net it's the setter who is responsible for receiving the pass and setting it for someone to "kill" over the net.

It's the point guard's responsibility to recognize the opponent's defense and put into motion the offensive play that will best work against that defense. It's the setter's responsibility to foresee where the defense is set up and transfer the ball to someone who can "hit it where they ain't."

The quarterback is his

team's inherent emotional leader, as is the point guard. The setter is no different.

A good point guard might receive more recognition than a skilled rebounder, just as the fanfare surrounding a quarterback is much greater than that around the best of his offensive linemen. Similarly, a skilled setter in many cases is able to draw more attention than the back-line player who keeps the service in play.

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ing receivers from last year's team—Senior Sheldon Forehand, sophomore Kerry Lawyer, and junior Mike Wilson—will be the mainstay of the offense.

"We've got to find a way to get the ball into their hands," Hall said.

Senior David Tingstad will try to fill Thomas' shoes at running back this season, but an early season injury has sidelined him for about a week.

One of the biggest offensive question marks for the Broncos this year is the line. Boise State has just two returning starters, which leaves several holes along the front.

With a heavy emphasis on passing the ball, the BSU front line will have to learn quickly in order to protect their quarterback.

"That's going to be the question—can those guys give the quarterback time to throw," Hall said.

But if all the ifs work out for BSU, the offense—which averaged 32.3 points and 377.5 yards per game last season—could be even more deadly.

"We're going to spread it out, open it up, and then blend it in with what the defense is trying to do to stop us," Hall said. "I think we've got a lot of weapons to work with."

While the Broncos' offense has tons of potential to score points, BSU's defense should once again prove to be able to stop teams from scoring.

Boise State returns all three of last year's starting linebackers—a group that includes All-Big Sky player Matt McLaughlin, and Eric Escandon, who was on the second team All-Big Sky. Junior Scott Monk, who also collected 40 tackles last year, also returns at line-

backer. "I think the strength of our defense is our linebacker core," Hall said.

The defensive line will be anchored by ends Durrelle Goodloe, who had 28 tackles last season, and Greg Sabala, who racked up 40 tackles and six sacks. Hall said his line should be at least two men deep—as long as his players keep from being injured.

"If we're healthy, we'll be pretty good," he said.

With the departure of Robinson, who was drafted by the Denver Broncos after last year, and a string of departures because of graduation, the defensive secondary could be a problem for BSU. The Broncos will try to replace Robinson with senior Ken McKelvey, who will lead a relatively young defensive backfield.

Boise State's kicking department could receive a boost from Mike Dodd,

a senior place kicker who transferred from the University of Washington last year. Dodd will be looking to replace Mike Black, who is BSU's all-time leading scorer with 275 career points.

Danny Weeks returns as the Bronco's punter for his second year. As a freshman, Weeks averaged 36.4 yards per punt.

Boise State has a good deal of experience on both offense and defense, but the key to a winning season could be in the players who don't have it.

The Broncos will face six teams with returning quarterbacks, who combined to throw over 18,000 yards and totaled 163 touchdowns. If BSU's youth movement in the secondary doesn't work out, it could prove to be fatal.

"Our guys that are untested are going to be tested right off the bat," Hall said. "If we have any glaring weaknesses, we're going to find out fast."

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Idaho State lost its starting setter, All-Big Sky selection Susie Ketchum, but will field a squad that includes the Big Sky regular season Top Newcomer, middleblocker Julie Barner, and 5-9 senior outside hitter Kristi Parrish.

BSU, who advanced to the final of the Big Sky postseason tournament before losing to Montana in four sets, finds itself at fifth in this year's poll. But the Broncos are accustomed to being overlooked before the season starts, having been picked to place sixth in the conference preseason of 1991.

"All I know is that we played for the conference championship (last year)," BSU head coach Darlene Pharmer said.

BSU will bring a dangerous combination of experience, tough front-line play, and a tenacious defense to Bronco Gymnasium in 1992, which should bring confidence to BSU players.

"We have the energy and we have the talent. I just think we're going to be number one,"

Harris, one of the team's emotional leaders, said.

The Broncos will return with three of four front-line players from last year's squad: Senior middleblocker Kim Dodd, senior outside hitter Tina Harris, and junior middleblocker Kristen Dutto.

In addition, Yvette Ybarra, who red-shirted last season because of knee surgery, will return to action. The 5-10 junior started for BSU in 1990 and led the team in digs as an All-Big Sky selection.

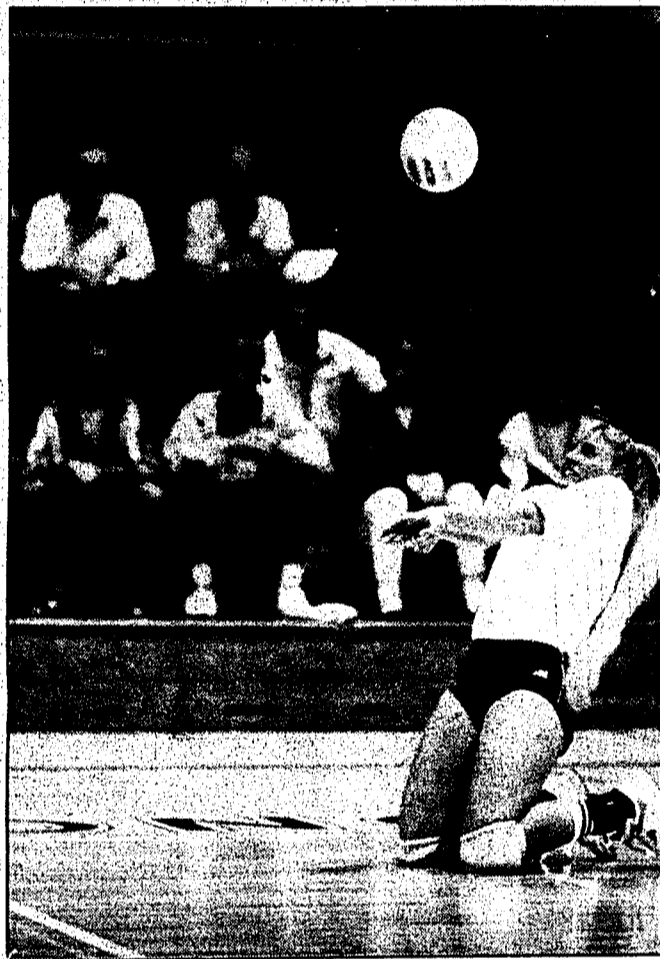
Junior defensive specialist Teri Johnson will return for the Broncos in the back row, and senior Susan Bird will set for BSU's band of talented hitters.

Perhaps the Broncos' most valuable attribute will prove to be its never-give-up attitude and reckless defense.

"Physical talent is important," Pharmer said, "but in the end it has to do with who mentally wants to play."

Setter Susan Bird said the key to the Broncos' success lies in "staying focused and concentrating. Playing our hardest.

"Anything could happen in the Big Sky this year."



Setter Susan Bird, shown in a match last year, will set for Bronco hitters this season.

file photo

Intramural season opens

The 1992 intramural sports season is ready to get underway in the early part of September.

Signups for sand volleyball, tennis, and California softball will begin on Sept. 2 and run through Sept. 9. The beginning of those seasons are slated to start Sept. 14. Schedules will be available on Sept. 11 at 1 p.m.

Sand volleyball will be divided into two different formats—two person or four person teams. Anyone interested in playing can sign up with a ready-made team, or individually. Signups are available at the intramural office.

California softball is a variation of regular softball, where batters try to hit the ball into a designated area to score points. Sign ups can also be team or individual.

For information about signing up for intramurals, call 385-1131.

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pressure into the season as far as being number one," Hall said. "We have to earn it anyway. We have to prove ourselves. The preseason stuff doesn't mean that much anyway."

While the polls are often inaccurate, they are interesting to watch. It is quite often the only measure of how good teams are or can be. The only problem is, sometimes there is a little too much faith put in them.

Northern Arizona's

volleyball team was a surprise finisher in 1991, placing second in the Big Sky. This year, despite losing several players and replacing them with less experienced ones, the polls say the Lumberjacks are the team to beat.

However, last year's Lumberjack team was picked to finish seventh in the conference, so Kim Hudson, in her second year as NAU's head coach, is skeptical of the team's predicted finish.

"I don't put much stock in polls," she said.

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In short, the physical, mental and emotional burden that each of the three positions shoulders is perhaps unequalled by players with distinct roles.

But then again, we're talking about team sports here.

"It all fits together," explained Angela Adams, BSU freshman setter. If the service ace isn't returned there isn't a whole lot that the setter can do about it.

The setter position is perhaps one of the major reasons that Big Sky volleyball is so unpredictable in 1992. Of the conference's top five teams going in, only the University of Idaho will return with its starting setter from 1991.

Montana, Northern Arizona, and Idaho State each lost an All-Big Sky first-team selection at the setter position, and BSU will say good-bye to the Allisa Victor era. Victor finished her tenure with the Broncos by setting records for assists in a season and career, assist percentage (season and career) and career aces and ace average.

Bird, who will shoulder the responsibility of

setting this year, will be looking to continue the tradition of solid setters for BSU.

Bird, a transfer student from Utah Valley Community College last year, admitted having trouble adjusting to the system and its players, but demonstrated in the team's spring workout that her adjustment had been finalized.

"(Last year) I had to learn a new, everything. (This year) I have a good relationship with the hitters," she said.

Standing behind Bird is first-year setter Angela Adams from Portland, Ore. Head coach Darlene Pharmer described Adams as "a terrific player," and added that either an injury or unsatisfactory play could change the starting setter situation instantly.

As for Adams, she's occupied adjusting to her new role.

"That's probably the hardest part," she said of accustoming herself to Pharmer's system, her teammates' tendencies and the fast pace of collegiate-level volleyball.

But there are bonuses adjusting to the different level, Adams said.

"There's a lot of great athletes. It's a privilege to be here and to play with them."

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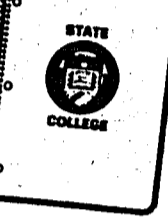
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