

Community Services director

## Larry Kavanaugh accepts Mendocino post

by Suzanne Berry  
Rampage Reporter

Administrator Larry Kavanaugh, who has been at FCC 14 years, has resigned effective Sept. 5 to become director of the Mendocino Coast Center of College of the Redwoods.

When Kavanaugh first came to FCC, he started out as the sports information writer and gradually climbed up the ladder. He was also the public information writer, an instructor in English and journalism and also an assistant to the chancellor.

His latest positions are the director of community services, and associate dean of continuing education.

As director of community services, Kavanaugh was in charge of non-credit classes, cultural activities and community relations. He is also responsible for the evening classes or whatever goes on after 4 p.m., including off-campus activities.

Before he got promoted to director of community services, he was a faculty member, teaching English and journalism. He has been the director of community services for eight years now. He also has served as a volunteer on the Fresno Community Council for five years.

Kavanaugh said "Part of my responsibility is to meet the

community, and in fact I think that all community colleges have a responsibility towards the community."

Kavanaugh has been on a number of committees and associations such as the Advisory Committee, member of the FIND-CARE Advisory Committee, Regional RE Representative, National Council Community Services, and Continuing Education, 1977-1979, and president, California Community Services Associations, 1976-77.

"I've worked hard with my two different positions and my secretary, Henrietta Lockwood has helped me very much. I've enjoyed working with the people

here at FCC, especially the classified staff and I've also enjoyed dealing with the students.

"The most enjoyable part of my job was the Community Services because it has more opportunity for creativity and one gets the chance of meeting some interesting people on and off the campus," commented Kavanaugh.

"An advantage on my job is to be on the leading edge of change and to see the changes succeed. It is a very open-ended job, so there are many different jobs that can be done but one doesn't have the time to do them all, which is a disadvantage."

Kavanaugh spent many nights and weekends out here at FCC for cultural and other events.

When Kavanaugh first came to FCC there were only three buildings here plus the cafeteria and gymnasium. Then there was a \$30 million construction

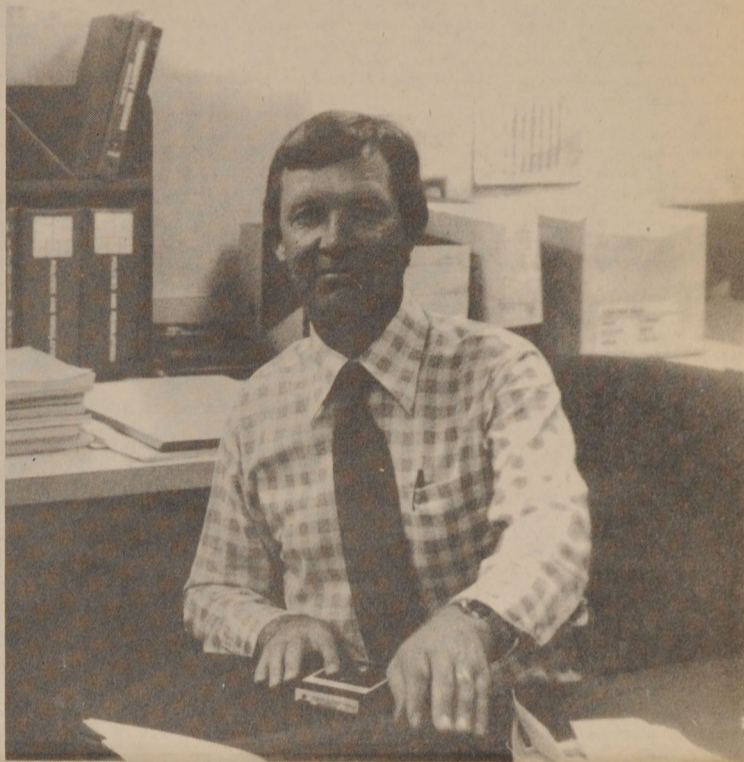
project. While the construction was taking place, the district and college staff did a good job of keeping the campus going, he said.

There has been a dramatic change in the student body over the past few years. There are more women, the people are older and the average age of the student is 27 or 28 years old.

Kavanaugh found out this summer that the Mendocino job was available. He is going up to Mendocino Coast Center of the Redwoods, between Fort Bragg and Mendocino, with the expectation that he will be there a number of years, so he can build the campus up in size. "It's different to build something from the ground up."

This campus overlooks the ocean. Kavanaugh will be the director of the first facilities that the school will ever have.

Kavanaugh's job here are being filled on an acting basis by Robert Arroyo, while applications are being processed from all candidates interested in a permanent appointment.



Larry Kavanaugh

Check with Mrs. Hill

## Referral service can help you find place to live

by Carrie Pettitt  
Rampage Reporter

Out on the streets? Need a place to hang your hat? Well don't fret, just call Mrs. Hope Hill in student services. She might be able to help you find a place to live through the Fresno City College student housing referral service.

What usually happens is this; a student comes in needing a place to live and Mrs. Hill shows them what the available options are.

Most of the housing listed in the referral service is located near Fresno City College. So, if you are looking for a place, say,

walking distance from school, then the housing referral service is where you should look first.

There are many options available for the student who is seeking housing. The referral service has listings ranging from private rooms in private homes with kitchen privileges, to studio apartments, although they are rare says Mrs. Hill. Also they list a few dormitories (strictly female, sorry guys) and some one and two bedroom apartments.

Another service the referral service makes available to students is that of working in exchange for room and board. In

this situation senior citizens may need some one to stay with them at night or do shopping, cooking etc., in exchange for room and

board. Babysitting is also another aspect of working in exchange for room and board. The referral service also makes available to the students a list of people in need of roommates.

The student housing and referral service is strictly that, a referral service. The referral service simply shows you where to go. If after that you decide to rent one of the places referred to you, the college assumes no responsibility in the contracts between students and homeowners.

According to Mrs. Hill, the student housing referral service is no new thing. "Home-owners have always listed with the college, the students just don't know about it."

requirements: that a student be currently enrolled in at least 12 units, carry a 2.5 GPA or better, have completed two consecutive semesters, and have an ASB membership card. No prior experience in student government is necessary.

Those running for office must take out a petition and have it signed by 130 students or 1 per cent of the student body. Interested students may pick up their petitions at Counter "A" in the admissions and record office at the Student Services Building.

Today is the final day for the petitions to be completed and turned into Douglas Peterson, associate dean, student affairs. Peterson's office is in the counseling center, Room 225.

"There has been a definite increase of listings this year though, we've never had so many," says Mrs. Hill. "The increase is probably due to the skyrocketing price of living. People realize they have that extra room sitting there empty and decide to rent it out to bring in a few extra dollars."

The student housing referral service is a good thing. Many times students don't know where to begin to look for a place to live. One of the nicest things about the services offered here at FCC is the fact that most of the housing listed is near the college and with the sky-high price of gasoline who wants to drive five miles to get to school?

## Micro-News

### Horse show team meets today

An organizational meeting for this year's horse show team is scheduled for noon today in the office of instructor Jill Huff, BE-115.

Riders on the team will practice English and Western riding in local schooling shows and compete in shows sanctioned by the West Coast Inter-Collegiate Horse Association (WCICHA).

To join, said Miss Huff, a student must be enrolled with at least 12 units and have his own horse and equipment. He must also pay membership dues in the WCICHA.

The horse show team is not a new item at FCC. Up to two years ago, we had teams that travelled over the state and held their own in the competition. In 1978, an outstandingly active FCC team won CSUF's perpetual trophy at a

show hosted there.

The big change in the team's profile since then was Prop. 13, approved in June of 1978, which so decreased the team's budget that they have not had the funds to travel to many shows.

This year, adviser Huff is ready to try it again. Even if it relies on bake sales, the horse show team of Fresno City College will ride again.

### Varied foods — and price is right

In the FCC cafeteria, there are various kinds of food served and the atmosphere is more attractive. The cafeteria has been remodeled since two years ago and almost everything had been done by this summer.

There also is good news for epicures and hungry students. New yogurt and ice cream machines will be installed in about a month. Fresh yogurt, ice

cream and fresh milk shakes will be served.

"We try to serve as varied kinds of food as possible for cheaper prices," said the FCC food service manager, Nick Flambures.

The salad, soup, chili, hot sandwiches, bakery items, and drinks are always prepared, besides the international lunch and dinner menu — American,

Mexican, Italian, Oriental, and sea food.

The "Food Factory" in T-501 caters prepared sandwiches, soft drinks, and snacks for faculty, staff and students.

Food is served from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday. In the cafeteria, breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and dinner from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

### Chess, anyone?

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Student Paul Barnett is interested in reactivating the FCC Chess Club, and invites interested students to leave their names, addresses and phone numbers on a sign-up sheet in the Rampage office.

"I know there is some interest because I've run into a few other people who would be active if we had a club," Barnett said. He added that Peter Lang, who served as a chess adviser before, is willing to be the faculty sponsor if there's enough interest to form a club.

During the early Seventies there was a central valley community college chess league in which teams from FCC, COS, Reedley College, West Hills and Bakersfield competed.

### More fire exits to be built in school library

Two additional fire exits will be constructed in the library, prompted by the Fire Prevention Board.

The Board conducted an inspection of the FCC campus last school year. The most important deficiency detected was the need to improve the fire exits in the library.

The exits, built in 1933, were up to standard at the time.

The size of the two reference

rooms and the maximum capacity of them requires an additional fire exit for each room. The plans were submitted to an architect and a contract was awarded on August 12.

The new fire exits will be used for emergency purposes only and feature an audio buzz if opened. Construction, to be done during school hours, will begin within the next 30 days.

Lack of interest

## Election postponed to September 10-11

by John Loughney  
News Editor

The ASB Fall elections scheduled for yesterday and today have been rescheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 10 and Thursday, Sept. 11.

Lack of petitions taken out and turned back in caused the postponement. Vicki Miller, ASB President expressed disappointment and concern because only about four petitions had been taken out.

As of now, 14 senate positions and one treasurer spots are up for grabs. Also a student representative is to be elected to the State Center Board of Trustees.

The following are eligibility

Ram pep squad explains —  
How and why 'We've got the spirit'

by Laura Lang  
Sports Editor

"Everybody wants the spirit stick," said Frankie Alvarez, a representative of the Fresno City College cheer squad. He was speaking of a special award given to the most spirited team during evaluations at a four-day cheerleading camp this summer in Santa Barbara.

About 500 competitors attended the camp, 90 of them men, representing about 50 colleges. The FCC members received a "superior" rating, four ribbons each, and ribbons and a "superior" trophy to be displayed at the school; but the most prestigious honor was being awarded the spirit stick the first night.

"The spirit stick looks like a 12-inch broom handle. It is painted yellow with the words 'USA Spirit Stick' embossed on one side. It is a very special stick because it could never touch the ground, and it couldn't be tossed. Some recipients of the award went so far as to carry the stick around on a cushion all day," Alvarez recalled.

The colleges that displayed an excess of spirit were awarded a replica stick to take back home with them.

"To build up spirit we have a pep-up session. We yell, tell jokes, and justst crazy. Spirit comes naturally to our group because each of us is a bit hyperactive and a kiddier," explained Alvarez. "It doesn't take long before we are ready to go out there and scream and yell."

"We were rated 'superior' because our style is distinct. We have a sharp, fast, stiffly competitive style. Many schools concentrate on cutesy story-telling routines. We not only stand out in style but we have coordinated our voices and arm movements together. We carry the style of most Fresno-based

groups, and the judges seem to like the regional difference," he said.

"Groups of both men and women did better in the all-around competition than all-female groups did," Alvarez insisted. "Mixed groups look

"The camp gives us a basis from which to work. They teach us cheers and movements but expect us to change them around once we get home and inject our own personality into the work."

"We have developed totally different moves this year. We

competitions is that the line maintains good eye contact, stays together, and gets crowd response. Every day at the camp we rated superior in these areas over schools like Taft, San Francisco State, and Fresno State University."

Out team works well together and loves to compete, but after a brief summer camp there are no more competitions at the junior college level. There are high school competitions and university matchups but nothing in between, Alvarez stated.

The Pep Squad 1980 consists of three divisions. Karen Memmott, a freshman from Hoover, is the mascot of the Rams. Cheerleaders and Yell Leaders are Frankie Alvarez, Frances Aragon, Crystal Brown, David Colmenero, Dorothy Davis, Cheryl Elias, Sandy Reynolds, argaret

Segura (head cheerleader) and Kevin Ward. Pep girls this season are Mitzil Bawn, Lavette Chiles, Donna Clover, Terri Gimbardi, Paula Harris, Kim Hernandez and Lisa Zernial.

"I enjoy being the mascot of the Rams," said Memmott. "After all, I went out for the squad to have fun. I am less intimidated in a costume and with the Ram head on I can go out on the field and be myself and have a great time doing it."

Memmott was a lettergirl in high school but feels her representation of FCC is still a new experience.

"In high school we had to learn all the movements of the band as well as create a few routines of our own. Now we can concentrate on our own movements first, which is more challenging to me."

The award-winning pep groups are sponsored by Janice Jansen, who prophesied, "I knew this group was something special from the beginning. they all have a little something extra that adds spark to everything they do." Jansen coordinates the budget and spending of the group, and wit out her the group cannot perform in their outfits. "Every year the line improves but this year's talent is the best," she declared.

"What really counts in cheer competition is that the line maintains good eye contact . . ."

different and they look better. My partner Frances Aragon and I attended classes on stunts along with two other FCC squad members, Kevin Ward and Crystal Brown. At the classes we learned new lifts, practiced heaving our partners from a sitting position on our shoulders to a stand, and some new throws.

move faster and cleaner, and do more twisting movements with our arms. the rhythms we use are the same but all the movements are new. For the Ramburger Roundup on the 19th of September we are going to present a special cheer based on the new material we picked up at the camp," he said.

"What really counts in cheer



The 1980-81 Ram Cheerleaders

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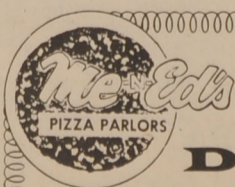
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# Coaching cousins will oppose each other when Rams meet Blue Devils

by Shelley Jeffers

Coach Jack Mattox is awaiting the Fresno City vs. Merced College football game with more than usual interest. Not only is this the first year we've played Merced College, but there is a bit of interpersonal rivalry between Mattox and their coach, Robert Hobbs. The two are cousins.

Mattox, who has been coaching at Fresno City College for about 15 years, is in the same position as Hobbs, who also has been coaching approximately 15 years, but started as a baseball coach.

Mattox suspects a rivalry between the two colleges will probably become evident because of the factor.

He mentioned another longstanding school rival we have, College of the Sequoias, mainly due to the fact that the league championships often have gone back and forth between FCC and COS over the past several years.

Mattox does not feel it's fair to compare this year's team to previous years since we do not yet know how the opponents are standing. He states, "We are not a solid football team this year. Our strengths are obvious and so will our weaknesses be obvious."

He said, "I believe we are stronger defensively this year than we were last year."

Offensively we are untested, he remarked. We have many new people on the offensive line with only two seasoned starters returning. The offensive line is also very small and it will be a big job to get them into shape.

Mattox stated, "We really aren't big enough to be playing the kind of schedule we have in terms of physical stature. As a football team we lack size in both the offensive and defensive lines."

Some impressive players on defense this year are Gordy Ohlberg and Darrell Nickel. Both from Immanuel Academy, they are quite experienced.

One of our corners, Mark Kimber of Hoover, and a good strong safety, Mitch Ribera of Bullard, are both promising.

A scrimmage last Saturday displayed the talents of five good tailbacks, all freshmen. The group is made up of Steve Medlock of McLane, Sid Rayford of Avenal, James Kingen of Clovis, Don Antonetti of Dos Palos and Kevin Brown of Beaver Falls, Pa. They all proved they can carry the ball well.

They also found the quarterback throwing very well. The top three quarterbacks are Robin Van Galder of Hoover, Nick Papagni of Bullard and Kent Sagouspe from Merced College, all seasoned players back for their second year of junior college football.

Receivers Ron Yrigollen of Madera and Mike Cox from Colorado are both back this season, looking very impressive. The passing was very strong at the scrimmage.

We just need to control the line of scrimmage and work with the linemen, Mattox remarked. Other top linemen this season are John Blackbill of Washington Union and Dwayne Orender of

Clovis.

Other impressive players are sophomores Kevin Ashford of Sanger and Craig Graves of Edison and freshmen David Been of Clovis and Tom Emerzian of Roosevelt.

Mattox predicts, "This year's

whether we have all those factors in control, I could never predict.

"I do predict that this year's football team will not be a very dominant physical team but will use the psychological aspects of



Nanette Jura

Michael Mosier

## Car crash kills Ram athlete, hurts another

Fresno City College student Nanette Jura, 20, was killed Monday (Sept. 1) when the car she was riding in was hit broadside. Jura suffered severe chest injuries and died at the Valley Medical Center about an hour after the 8:10 p.m. accident.

She was a passenger in a car driven by Michael Mosier, 21, also an FCC student. Both Jura and Mosier were members of the Ram swim team for two years. Mosier, hospitalized at VMC, was reported by a hospital spokesperson as, "Not in critical or serious condition."

"Nanette was one of the nicest

and most willing and the most cheerful people I know. She was a very capable young swimmer, willing to do anything to help the team," Gisela Crutchlow, who swims with the team, recalled.

Mosier's car was broadsided by a car driven by William Burns, 17, as both autos entered the intersection of Park Circle and Sunnyside Avenue, according to the California Highway Patrol.

Jura was a 1978 graduate of Clovis High School.

Services for Ms. Jura were conducted Wednesday night and Thursday morning in Clovis, with burial in the Clovis Cemetery.

## Harriers look good

For coach Bob Fries and his harriers, the 1980 season looks to be a promising one.

"This is the best team I ever had," said Fries. "We have more depth than ever before and it's of good quality."

The cross country team has four returning lettermen. Scott Thornton, the No. 1 returning man from last year, placed 16th in the state and third in northern California. "He is tough and in good shape. He's an outstanding runner," said Fries.

No. 2 man Ramon Garcia is returning as the 5,000 meter champ in northern California. "He has improved a great deal since high school," said Fries. Garcia runs a 9.13 two-mile race, which is good for the fourth best time at FCC.

Steve Moreno is the third returning letterman and John Henery is the fourth. Henery recently placed in a 13 mile race at Bass Lake. "John was weak last year in long distances, but

he's in good shape this year," said Fries.

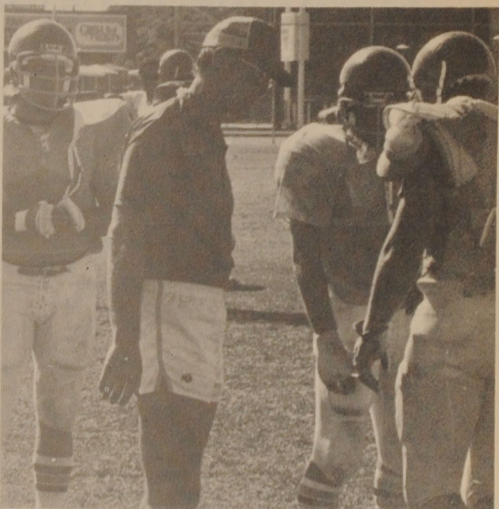
"I never had a team where we had so much depth," said Fries. "We had a good team last year and we have some great freshmen this year."

Julian Vinton and Jesse Cardova are two of the top freshmen. Vinton, from Sanger, placed first in the valley and Cardova, from Tranquility, placed third in the valley and also runs the half mile in 1:54.

The women's cross country is in desperate need of more runners. Sophomores Tammy Jones, Helen Lopez, Sandra Hooks and Elizabeth Jones are part of a small but strong team.

"The girls team has a making of a real good team," said Fries. Any girl with running experience should contact Fries.

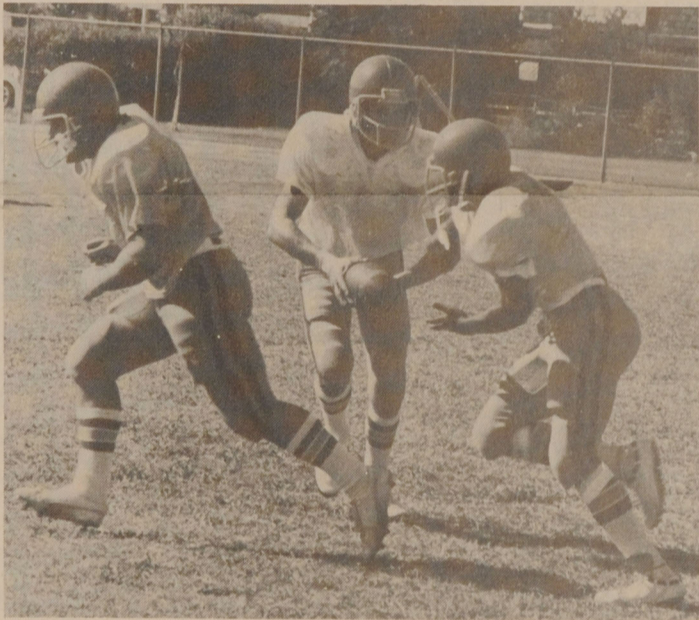
This Saturday the team will run against the alumni at CSUF. FCC runs all their home contest at Woodward Park.



Coach Jack Mattox

football team will be a closer unit, the players will respect each other. Every person on that football team will be dedicated to the cause of winning. Wins and losses depend on so many different factors and who knows

the game to control situations, and it will be a disciplined team and a representative of FCC. Those who play this year will be glad they played and had this experience."



RAM QUARTERBACK Robin Van Galder hands off in a recent practice.

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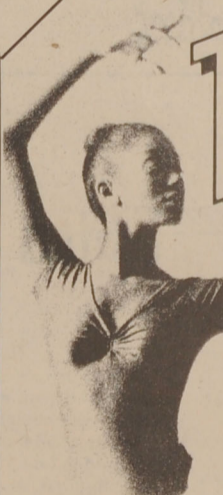
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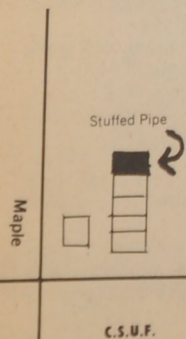
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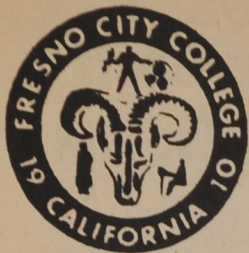
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# Editorials / Opinions

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## Handling religion in the schools

By Kim Starr  
Rampage Reporter

Over and over we've heard and read of efforts made by religious people to have their beliefs institutionalized into public policy, particularly into the educational venture. Allotment of time in public schools for prayer, teaching creationism alongside of evolution and the use of post-secondary school facilities by on-campus religious groups have been issues with state governments all over the country.

In our own city, petitions are circulating in Christian churches to bring to the local authorities' attention the desire of some Christians for obscenity laws to be enforced.

"Heavens to hominoids! Can they do that?" Anyone who has taken a decent sociology course knows that this endangers our freedom to choose our own lifestyles, right? Morality and conscience are products of social conditioning; what's sinful to one sect is not always wrong for another, and what some people consider necessary may be totally outside the lives of others. And biblical creation — great gracile australopithecines! — is far too absurd to be taught to thinking people. Will this

quest for universalization of sectarian superstitions never end?

The point of this essay is not to ridicule. Conversely, it will commend the plurality of beliefs that individuals manage to hold onto under our system. (Plurality is the best a democratic system can provide; faithfulness to truth is a matter too hot for a society that seems to esteem diversity so highly.)

Anyone involved in the educational venture as a teacher must have a reason for his involvement; the school or district, as an institution, is constructed with a particular philosophy or set of goals behind it.

For a Christian school system, the goal might be to give students a view of their Creator, their world and their own nature. With these basic covered, the pupils hopefully will be able to assimilate future knowledge into an orderly view of the universe. Loving God is prized most highly.

In secular public schools, on the other hand, the goal may be to develop a person's intellectual, social and physical capacities so that he will function passably in society. He is exposed to a smattering of Judeo-Christian ethics, Darwinism, atheistic existentialism, agnosticism, humanistic naturalism, marxism, psychical monism and perhaps dozens of other ways of perceiving

reality. That he is rarely challenged to reconcile in his mind.

Understandably, such a person gasps defeatedly, "Reality is for people who can't handle drugs," or in relief, "I've given up my search for truth and am now looking for a good fantasy." In any case, humanity's survival seems to be the highest good here.

For public schools to allow prayer time, teach creationism (whatever that "ism" suffix means) or permit students to meet as religious people on campus is seen as a violation of the principle of forbidding the state to establish a religion — thought system, or world view. Well, thought systems espouse some ideals or values over others — each holds something different as ultimate. Imposing or promoting relationships over absolutes, humanity over God, humanism over theism is imposing a sectarian thought system.

If done by the state (in publicly administered schools and colleges), it constitutes the establishment of a state religion.

I've used the examples of theism and humanism because they are the most familiar to me. Our society's emphasis on such matters as self-actualization is probably as distasteful (if not immoral) to the monistic Hindu as God's grace is to the atheist. (Bad example: Whereas the Hindu may understand the self, the atheist certainly has not tasted God's grace.) But the point is clear: Eliminating religion from state institutions is impossible.

The big question at this point is, "So what?"

So, allowing students one more choice as thought systems in schools and colleges by permitting religious activities along with irreligion in the curricula presents no danger to us. Indeed, if that choice remains unoffered, our rights to information and free speech are violated. And if we, as students, continue to wander through classed under instructors whose religious and political orientations come to us subtly in lectures and tests, without stopping to sift them out, we will probably pick up the contradictory ideas and keep them unresolved in our heads, never deciding consciously whether we can know truth at all.

## Maybe campus political parties would pep up student politics

by Darrell-Arthur McCulley  
Opinion Editor

Up in the Rampage office there is a file of old newspaper clippings of past issues, some of which date back into the 1960's. I was thumbing through these last week and found a clipping on one of the Student Body elections around 1968 (the year had not been recorded). In the article was a line that ran something like this: "Rick Lehman, Student Body Presidential Candidate of the Copasetic Party . . ." Now hold it a minute. What in the world is or was a "Copasetic Party"? Reading on a little further, I found out that Mr. Lehman had been defeated narrowly by another Student Body presidential candidate, who was also running in the name of a political party, the name of which eludes me. (The file is open to public inspection in the Rampage office.)

Apparently at that time in our nation's history there were many political parties on the college campuses that died out after a few years.

Aha, you might say, the mood of the country was different then than it is now. And you would be right. People had a cause to rally around, whether it was the Vietnam War, the Economy, one of the Kennedys, or whatever.

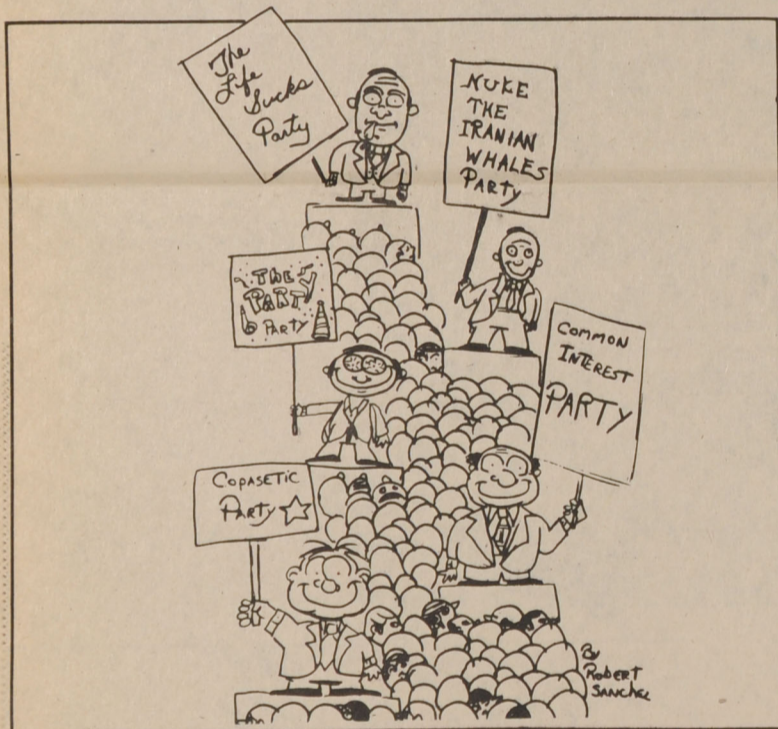
But even a superficial look at the mood of college-age people nowadays will reveal that they are starting to become, in feel and in purpose, the heirs of the militancy of the Beatles era.

If you were to ask anyone involved with student government here at FCC what the major problem is that they see on the campus as far as accomplishing things goes, they will invariably say, "apathy." Now, I don't mean to lead you into the conclusion that the formation and regulation of political parties at City College will solve the apathy problem, but it certainly would give students who believe in the same things something to rally around. Five, even three, years ago, this would not have been possible. People simply would not have cared. But looking into the situation now,

the reaction of the general populace to the establishment and operation of political parties on campus will almost certainly be received in a different, more favorable manner.

This is not to suggest at all the adoption of this system would solve all of FCC's apathy problems. But at least it could be one of several measures by those students in positions of authority to get the rank-and-file involved.

Perhaps President Miller and Vice President Gilliard, with a committee of members of clubs and organizations on campus, could discuss this idea and others and then present their ideas to the student body for approval. Because certainly, when there is an election to fill an 18-seat Senate and only four people apply for the job, it is time to do something daring. Obviously measures taken by previous administrations have been useless. Surely our student leaders are capable of coming up with something to remedy the situation.



## Under the Gun

by Roger Jerkovich  
Photo Editor

Welcome to the first of a brand new weekly column fondly called *Under the Gun*. It will be a spot where I get to talk about anything I want to, hopefully without getting in trouble. The title of *Under the Gun* was arrived at through no great process of elimination. It simply is in reference to the problem I have of meeting the deadlines. In fact this first story is being turned in late, but so what!

How about that boo-boo that Ronnie made in reference to Jimmy and his visiting the 'birthplace' of the KKK. So he doesn't have any fondness for the KKK, there aren't that many votes there anyway, the bad thing was that he phrased his sentence in a way that seems to mean that all southerners have KKK union cards. If he can keep from getting his foot in his mouth too much, he might just win this election.

Jimmy's approach to this election also leaves much to be desired. The way he talks it seems like he has nothing to do with all of our problems. He says almost nothing about his policies, and their failures, the only thing that he seems to talk about is how bad Reagan and Anderson are, and how if Ronnie were elected we would start a war (bull poo-poo). At least if he did get us into a war it would be for a reasonable cause and on purpose, unlike Jimmy who would stumble and trip his way into a conflict.

On the brighter side, football season starts this weekend, so all of us football junkies can finally see some heads bashed in. It looks like everyone thinks that Pittsburg is going to the Super Bowl again. Personally I am getting sick of them, they don't give any other team a turn. This year I hope that Houston gets to the Super Bowl, not that I like them, it's just that they are the only team that has a chance of beating Pittsburg in the playoffs.

## Editor's Note

by Joe Chabala  
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Driving to school the other day, I noticed something I'd seen many times before, but never paid much attention to. I saw the kids on their way back to school after a long and restful summer.

I could tell by their faces that for some it was an exciting time. A time of renewing friendships, and for the ones just starting out, it's a time of finding new friends and experiencing new things.

Here and there I could also see that for some it wasn't such a pleasant experience.

As for me, I was always one of those kids who loved to go to school. At least the first few weeks. After that, somehow school lost its excitement.

I'll never forget the first few days of kindergarten. Wearing my new clothes and carrying my brand new school box, I felt like a million bucks.

But that was a long time ago, and instead of

carrying a school box, I carry a set of car keys. And sure the first day is still exciting, but things aren't the same. Not when everything was new and every day an adventure.

How about for you? Is school just about the same as it was so many years ago? Are you finding new adventures or is everything old hat?

How about everyone out there who picks up the paper and even looks at it dropping us a line just to know that we've got someone reading the *Rampage*. As a student, you have a very powerful tool in your hands right at this moment.

Your right to freedom of the press, which means having the right to have your views on a given subject heard, is a very important one. One that can't just be sloughed off.

So, come on, if you've got something to say about the paper, things happening on campus or anything of interest to the other students on campus, I'd like to hear it.