



Randy Stump, Rhonda Gamble, Silvia Lester, and Karl Muniz in a scene from "Charley's Aunt."

'Charley's Aunt' brings Victorian comedy to FCC

"Julius Caesar" could do it. So could Aristophanes' "Lysistrata" and Racine's "Phaedra." But "Strange Interlude" couldn't and neither could "Charley's Aunt," the spring theatre production at FCC.

What could Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" do that "Charley's Aunt" can't?

According to City College theatre arts instructor and "Charley's Aunt" director Donald Gunn, the play has never made the successful transition from the period in which it was written to a modern adaptation. But that, says Dr. Gunn, is not necessarily bad.

"People have never been the same as they were in 1892, when the play was first staged. The play was written about Victorian people with Victorian attitudes so it just doesn't fit in any setting outside that period.

"That doesn't mean, however, that it doesn't work," Gunn says. "In fact, it works very well. It's fun to watch and very entertaining. It's also one of the most popular plays ever written. It's constantly being reviewed in its original form and always being well received."

The play will be presented March 17, 18, 19, 24, 25 and 26 in the arts center theatre on

campus. Tickets are on sale at the theatre box office for \$1.50 adults, 75 cents students and free to ASB cardholders. The box office will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 p.m. the evening of performances. Curtain is at 8:15 p.m.

"Charley's Aunt," by Brandon Thomas, tells the story of two young Oxford college students, Jack (played by Dan Farmer) and Charley (Richard Johnson), who talk their true loves, Amy (Alison Wright) and Kitty (Sloan Dawson), into visiting their apartment on the promise that Charley's rich aunt from Brazil ("where the nuts come from") will be there, too.

But, when the aunt is delayed, the boys, desperate to declare their love, maneuver their friend, Lord Babberly (Karl Muniz) into wearing a dress and pretending to be the rich aunt. The comedy and fun begin then and stop only when the curtain falls.

"The play was updated in the 1920s and 30s but it never really worked," Gunn explains. "The plot and jokes both need the morals and customs of the Victorian age to play against."

The Victorian age also plays a big part in the costuming of the production, says costume de-

signer Chris Moad.

"There is a dress style typical of this period that is best described as stiff, high-necked with lots of lace, trim and ruffles. Style is very important in this play. These are upper-class people that have to look like fashion plates come to life."

Moad adds, "And we won't mind at all if people gasp at the costumes. In some shows that would be inappropriate, but not for this one."

To get that "gasp," Moad and his crew of student costume designers have been building the women's costumes "from the skin out." "We've even had to build underwear such as corsets. The corsets were used to push women's bodies into artificial shapes. It was all part of the Victorian look."

Moad calls for costuming "the 'Crucible' backlash," referring to last semester's production of "The Crucible." "In that show, we were up to our necks in black, brown and gray materials. This show is bright with greens, reds and pinks."

Along with director Gunn and costume designer Moad, production assistance on the play is coming from set designer Tom Wright and light designer Francis Sullivan.

New 'insurance' plan

Blood bank coming here March 23-24

The Associated Student Body in cooperation with the Central California Blood Bank will conduct a Spring Blood Drive on Wednesday, March 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Thursday, March 24 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Senate conference room.

This is a regularly scheduled blood drawing to make the act of donating blood as comfortable as possible for the convenience of the student body and staff, ASB President Dave Schroeder said.

The success of this drive and the future drives depend on the participation of the students on campus, he added. "Everyone is urged to attend and give the greatest gift of all... the gift of life."

The blood bank is offering two programs to all participants in the drawing. They may donate their blood to the credit of the FCC account for future releases. The donor also may start a "Blood Plan" which is an insurance program that will protect an individual as well as an entire family. It will insure them for all of their blood needs for the next 12 months regardless of the amount of blood that

might be required.

In addition to these programs the Blood Bank will present a Blood Bank Frisbee to each person who donates. A plaque will be engraved with the name of the club or organization which donates the most blood.

"We are happy to work with the young adults of our community," said a Blood Bank spokesman. "They are more aware and willing to donate blood to help save the lives of others. Our blood needs have more than doubled in the past three years, and continue to increase daily. We are in hopes that the Student Body will assist in our effort to help the six counties and 30 hospitals we serve."

Those planning to donate should be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be off medications 72 hours prior to the drawing. Some medications are acceptable such as thyroid and birth-control pills. The donor should eat a good meal prior to donating.

For more information contact College Nurse Margaret McBride, HCC Health Services Office, Ext. 304.

Phone switchover end of next week

Telephone service to various offices of Fresno City College will be temporarily out of service March 23, 24 and 25 as the college moves offices and a new phone system into the new Administration Building.

FCC is instituting direct dial phone service on campus, allowing off-campus callers to dial directly into various college offices without going through a central switchboard.

The service will be hooked up in the afternoon of March 24.

On March 23 and 24, phone lines to the following offices will be out of service: Business, Financial Aid, Placement Office,

Business Division Office and Community Services.

On March 24, phone service will be out all day in Admissions and Records, Dean of Students, Dean of Men and Women, Counseling Center, President's Office (afternoon only), and Social Science Division Office.

Those offices which will not be reachable on March 25 are: Office of Instruction, Work Experience, Occupational Educational, Office of Continuing Education, Health Arts and Science, Research and Planning, Health Services, Veterans Services, Social Science Faculty Offices and Extended Opportunity Programs and Services.

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COUNSELOR'S RAP

Admissions counselling on Saturdays now

SATURDAY COUNSELING, pertaining to admissions and records matters is now available during the forenoon from 8 to 11 in A-112, and after that in the new Student Services Building when it opens for service March 28. Admissions counseling will also be available Monday through Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30.

Darrell Stanley Mattoon is the counselor on duty, recently joining the Admissions and Records staff. Mattoon holds an MBA degree from CSUF and is working towards his MA in Education. He also holds a BS degree in mathematics (computer science option), from California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo. Students may drop in or arrange an appointment by calling FCC Extension 336.

NOTARY PUBLIC service is needed by the students on this

campus! Perhaps there is a move towards this end, and we sincerely hope so. As long as U.S. Government requirements exist requiring students to obtain notarized signatures on certain financial aid forms it would be both a big convenience and money saver, not to mention a time saver, if a notary were located on campus. Ideally one might be available in the sphere of operations of student services — in the Financial Aids Office, Counseling Center, EOPS, Finance Office, Enablers, or Veterans Office.

When we hear of students having to go downtown and pay \$5 for this service it seems a bit incongruous to say the least, when such students in the first place are those who need financial aid the most. It has been learned that possibly the Associated Student Body has been

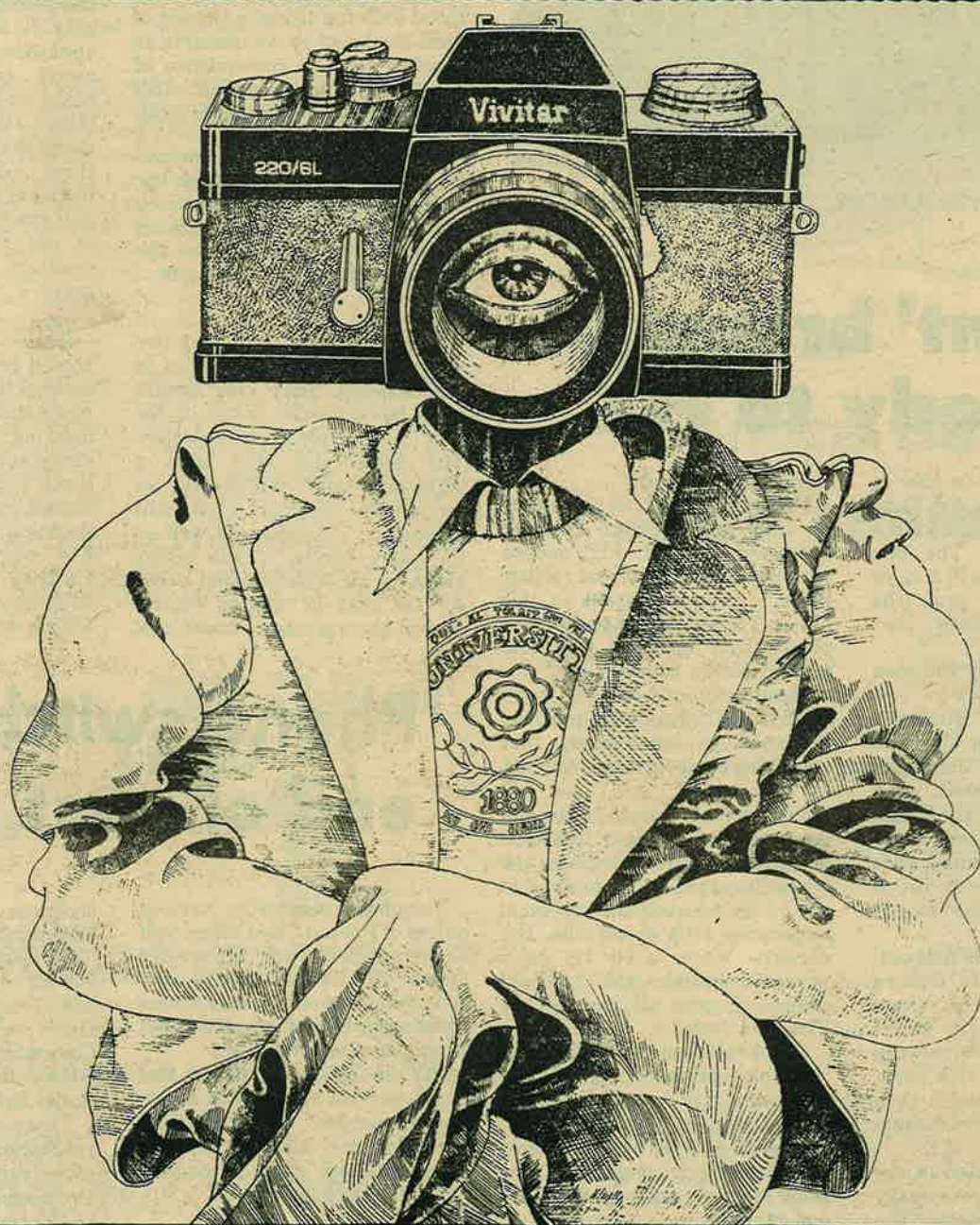
approached on furnishing this service. This sounds like a logical agency to handle the job. Perhaps the ASB could hire a notary during peak load periods when financial aid applications are being processed in the spring and fall seasons of the school year.

--Sandy Grover



REMINDER — for applicants to the FCC Nursing Program — Monday, March 21 at 3 p.m., will be the last date for students, who have applied for the FCC Nursing Program for next fall, to take the math skills test. If you have not taken this test yet but wish to be considered for the Fall 1977 Nursing Class go to Room B-14 on the above date at the designated time and take this test.

--Mary Alice Easton



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Half 25 or over

Average age of students higher

Almost half of the 16,500 students at City College are 25 or older, according to enrollment figures for the 1976 fall semester.

The figures point to a trend taking place on the FCC campus as well as on college and university campuses nationwide.

City College statistics show that in 1970, 4,543 of its 12,707 students (35 percent) were 25 or older. In the fall of 1976, however, statistics show that 7,417 of the 16,400 students, or 45 percent, were 25 or over, an increase of 10 percent.

On the national scene, a recent Wall Street Journal report shows that in 1975, 3.7 million adults registered for college courses, an increase of two-million over the 1970 total.

What is causing this trend? Some educators call it "the graying of the campus." It is due, some believe, to the fact that the number of Americans over 25 is rapidly increasing while the percentage of 18-24 year olds in the total population is decreasing.

Another contributing factor is that the average age of Americans is steadily increasing. In 1970, when the first U.S. census was taken, 50 percent of the people were 16 years old or younger. In 1970, the median age was 28. Estimates show that by 1981, the median age will pass 30 and could reach 35 by 2000.

Arthur D. Ellish, dean of instruction, said two things are greatly affecting City College's adult enrollment. One is the desire for persons already working to upgrade their education, and the other is that many jobs now require their employees to be certified or licensed, a service FCC provides in many

job areas.

Dr. Ellish said the college is constantly changing the curriculum to encompass the needs of the community's adult population and, hopefully, is meeting those needs.

I. Ward Lasher, associate dean of admissions and records, agreed with Dr. Ellish and said most adults attending classes are trying to increase their knowledge in a certain field, or they are preparing themselves for a second career.

The Wall Street Journal also said more women are seeking entry into professional careers through college education and increased numbers of retired people are taking advantage of the numerous "self-enrichment" courses offered on campuses.

At FCC, there has been a definite trend over the past six years toward more women attending college.

While men continue to outnumber women, their numerical superiority has dropped from almost 60 percent of the enrollment in 1970 to 51 percent this past semester.

A further breakdown of FCC's 1976 enrollment statistics show that the under-18 to 20-year-old age group still constitutes the largest portion of the student population—34.6 percent. Students in the 21-24 age group make up 20.2 percent of the total and the age group 25-29 constitutes 19 percent.

The statistics also show that the age group 30-34 comprises 9 percent, the 35-39 group 5.6 percent, and those aged 40-44, 4.2 percent.

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A talk with the ace

George Benson's jazz guitar wins acclaim everywhere

By Fonda Kubota

Backstage after the concert, standing against the counter, a relaxed George Benson, ace jazz guitarist, talks about how he got interested in the jazz business.

Benson, known as the No. 1 jazz guitarist, expresses his music with unique energy and style to enhance the audience's appeal.

"I didn't dream of what has happened to me in my career. The first record I've heard was by jazz people, but I didn't know and make any distinction, because I was too young."

Benson originally from Pittsburgh, began playing the ukulele at the age of eight. "I was always surrounded by good music, and it happened to be jazz."

He cut his first single for RCA Records. By 15, he was contributing high falsetto vocals to a Frankie Lyman-styled vocal group, then later switched to guitar playing and joined amateur bands.

"At first I was a singer. Along the way, I got involved with the top guitar players in the world."

Guitarists such as Charlie Christian, Wes Montgomery, Hank Garland, and Grant Green, "these cats took me in, taught me the industry, and I learned from them."

Benson performed in Fresno last year with Earth, Wind & Fire, an outside concert at Ratcliffe Stadium. "It was kind of strange, because I don't like to play outside. It was a nice engagement, but this time, I'm pretty much at home."

George Benson and saxophonist Hank Crawford performed at the Warners Theatre in two Saturday sellout concerts. More than 4,000 fans attended the event, where the excitement of whistles, clapping, and cheering filled the atmosphere.

"I tell you the Fresno audience responded beautifully. They knew the records, they responded to the recordings. It was nice," smiled Benson. "We try to give them a little bit

more."

He did just that by playing and singing, "Breezin'," "This Masquerade," "Six To Four," "Affirmation," "So This Is Love," "Lady," "Everything Must Change," "Here Comes The Sun," and "Nature Boy."

Next, the tour moves to Colorado Springs, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, San Francisco, Oakland, and Hawaii. "You do want to go to Hawaii don't you?" laughed Benson.

When asked what advice would he give to beginners, he said, "Get right into the environment what you want to do. If you want to be a carpenter, you hang around with a carpenter. Music you hang around with the hippest musicians you know."

He adds, "Some of it will rub off on you, when you pick up an instrument, you'll be already hip mentally. The rest of it is a matter of experience."

Benson was in McDuff band while, and in 1965 formed his own rhythm and blues band with Lonnie Smith on organ, Ronnie Cuber on baritone, and drummer Phil Turner. The group was discovered by John Hammond.

"He discovered tons of good people, like Aretha Franklin, Bob Dylan, Count Basie, Benny Goodman, and Bruce Springsteen, people that you never dreamed of." Benson's solo work led to a succession of albums for Columbia, A&M and CTI.

The awards Benson received started to pile up in the record world. He was named the No. 1 Top Jazz Guitarist, and Male Jazz Artist with his Top Album of the Year, "Breezin'," and was the billboards No. 1 Instrumentalist.

At the Grammy Awards, Benson received an award for "Record of the Year," for the song, "This Masquerade," written by Leon Russell and produced by Tommy LiPuma of Warners Bros. Records. "I was really crazy that night, because there were so many good people there. All the people I watched in

the past, such as Stevie Wonder, Chicago, Barry Manilow, and including myself.

"I felt just being mentioned was really good enough. I didn't know how to act."

The "Breezin'" album will eventually become a double platinum, (albums sold over a million or two). The "Inflight" album released in January, became gold Friday. Benson and his group hope it becomes platinum. Their new single will be released with in a month.

"I have one song that I wrote, 'So This Is Love' in the album. One of the guys in the group wrote two songs. I think it gives some originality and makes it one of a kind, and that's us." He and his producers select the songs and materials.

Ken Fritz of Hollywood is the manager of the group.

There is no time limit in rehearsals. "We play until we get tired. They have to run us out of rehearsals, and set a time limit on us," George said. "They get mad, close the studio, shut the lights down, run sounds and cut them off, and threaten us. It's the matter of us getting where we go to rehearsals for. Sometimes we achieve, sometimes we don't."

A genuine human being, George Benson uses his creativity of guitar playing to spread his sound all over the world. "The guitar became so popular that the people let me play instead of sing."

Another single released by next month, concerts to perform, television appearances, rehearsals, fans to meet or just spreading his music around, Benson seems to attract new audiences everyday.

"The 'Breezin' album will be around for a long time." There are fewer jazz players now, and Benson achieved more in music than any other jazz musicians. He's still expanding his musical talents of success. "I've gone way past my goal in life."

"I didn't work for that it just happened."



"When you pick up an instrument, you'll be already hip mentally."



"I tell you the Fresno audience responded beautifully."

Photos by Tamus Glunz



"The guitar became so popular that the people let me play instead of sing."

STUDENT POLL

"What were your reactions when you looked out the window Wednesday morning and saw that it was raining?"

By Steve Paliughi

How did you react to rain?



Chris Sorenson—"I knew it was raining, it made me restless. I like the rain and I'm sure it will help some."



Jim Mickelson—"I didn't have to go to work. I'm a recreation leader and I work outside. I lost money because of this rain."



Faith Clannan—"I thought it was great. I hope it keeps on raining for quite a while."



Lee Vander Pool—"I was glad to see it raining, but I think it will be a little too late to do any good."



Angie Turgeon—"That we really need it. It's not too late if it rains enough."



Brian White—"I was surprised. I'm hopeful that it wasn't just a passing thing and it looks like it isn't."



Paula Jiminez—"That the dry season has ended."



Pete Marez—"It's about time. It's never too late to help."

Photos by Eusevio Arias

Magician, hypnotist slated March 30, 31

Magic, that's what it is. How else can you explain a girl floating in midair, held there by sheer mental energy? Then there is bloodless surgery, when she is sawed in half.

How would you like to lie on a bed of nails with 120 lbs. of concrete on your chest, and have someone smash it with a mallet?

FCC student Steve Menyhay and Steve La Velle will be doing these things and more, on their Maranatha Magic show coming to the Theatre March 30 and 31.

Menyhay is 20 years old and loves magic so much he intends to be a professional performer.

La Velle has a degree in magic and is a hypnotist and mind-reader. He will demonstrate his ability to read your mind by answering questions while blindfolded.

Five people from the audience will be invited onstage to participate in a mystery drama.

In an introduction to the show, La Velle will discuss the alleged

supernatural practiced by occultists. He believes that both illusion and magic are often used to create fear and superstition.

Both performers will be assisted by Lori Campbell and Debbie Garske.

Show time is 12 noon Wednesday, March 30, and 8 p.m. Thursday, March 31.



By Lori Eickmann

It is not an ordinary restaurant by any means. Furnished with borrowed tables and chairs, none of which match, and decorated sparsely with plants and a few handmade posters and plaques, the atmosphere is kicked back and friendly.

But the physical surroundings are not as unusual as the food served there—or the owner himself. Sparrows Health Foods is Fresno's only totally vegetarian restaurant. And the owner, Larry Sheehy, says he's "not in this for the money."

"We want to be an educational center on food, nutrition, and living in harmony with Mother Earth," he explained. "Our goal is to help teach people the need for a better diet."

Sparrows, which is in Van Ness Village just south of FCC, has been open since January. Sheehy developed the restaurant from a health food store by the same name. He noted, however, that four years ago, health foods were not in the demand they now

are.

"The media has done a lot to teach people to eat food in its natural form," Sheehy stated. "They have brought to light the chemicals and preservatives, like in frozen foods. People are questioning these and are turning to health foods."

According to Sheehy, a book called "Diet for a Small Planet" has been instrumental in teaching people to eat lower on the food chain. "A vegetarian diet used to be looked on as a fad, but now there's substantial proof that it's beneficial," he said.

"Most of our business comes from people in the vegetarian community in Fresno," Sheehy continued. "But even to people who aren't vegetarians, the food is lively enough to be interesting."

The restaurant, which specializes in sandwiches, uses no preservatives, refined sugar, or white flour. It features such protein rich sandwiches as avocado, beansprout, and peanut butter and banana with honey. It's the only restaurant in Fresno

that serves fresh carrot juice and organic fresh orange juice.

Occasionally, it can boast old fashioned malts "like your grandparents used to drink," smiled Sheehy. But only when we can get pure malt.

Sheehy's involvement with health foods began about nine years ago. He was into the peace movement as a student at Fresno State when he met Gail, a friend who "turned him on to health food" and now works in the restaurant.

"I've put a lot of time and energy into the restaurant knowing that it's no big financial thing," he commented. "My biggest concern is for peace in the world, harmony among people."

How does world harmony relate to a small health food restaurant? Sheehy explained, "People are becoming aware of how important it is to live in harmony with each other and with Mother Earth. Food, which comes from the earth, can become a center for that peace."

Vegetarian restaurant offers natural meatless goodies

Family tradition

Tami Greene takes aim on FCC swim records

By Dan Graves

Tami Green, FCC's top woman swimmer, has come a long way since she started swimming at the age of four.

Green, a freshman out of Bullard, is on the verge of breaking virtually every woman's swimming record at FCC.

Being the only girl who started the season by practicing with the men's team, Green has had some excellent training by being coached by Gene Stephens, in his 14th season as head swim instructor at City.

Looking over her swimming background, you'd think the 19 year old blonde was born into swimming.

Her grandfather, the late Bill Livingston, is thought of by knowledgeable swimmers as "the father of swimming in the valley." Green's mother was a nationally recognized swimmer for the Fresno Dolphins, a team first coached by Livingston.

Green, a freestyle and breast-stroke specialist, remembers her first race, which looking back is somewhat embarrassing. But "it was a start."

"I was entered in the 50 freestyle," said Green. "Instead

of diving, I jumped into the water, went half way and came back. The race was a flop; I was disqualified."

She kept swimming until 13. "I was tired of all the pressures and didn't want to compete anymore. My coaches were planning to train me for international and national swimming, but I got frustrated and shied away."

Then, when she entered Bullard, things started to fall into place. All four years Green qualified for the valley championships and in her senior year as one of the team's captains finished her prep career with a first, second and fourth place finish in the valley.

Green's high school coach Pam Wilson commented, "Tami was one of my better swimmers. She swam the breaststroke the whole year and was a pleasure to work with."

Stephens, who has known three generations of Greens, is more than happy to have Tami on his team. "She's easy to coach," says Stephens. "Tami is one of the best woman swimmers we've had here at City. I know there are more Tami Greens in school and I wish that there were more

out for the team."

Having a female around has helped make Stephens' job easier and his athletes work harder. "The guys really treat me good," added Green. "It's tough swimming with boys. There is no way a girl can compete with a guy in swimming because of the strength difference. But by practicing with them, it makes me a much better swimmer against women."

For Stephens and his men it has worked out equally well. "Having Tami around in practice boosts the guys' morale," says Stephens. "It adds a more sociable spirit to the workouts."

Green had intended to attend CSUF after graduating from City, but may have to change her plans depending on whether State still has a swim team to next season.

But for now she is happy to be swimming for FCC and to be receiving excellent coaching from Stephens. She concluded, "Gene Stephens is a great coach and he pays a lot of attention to me. I feel confident working with him, and I know this will help my swimming."



Tami Green



SPORTS BRIEFS

Diamondmen, 7-6, host Reedley Saturday

When a coach starts six freshmen in a baseball team's conference opener like Len Bourdet did against College of the Sequoias last Saturday, he's got to expect some mistakes to occur.

Fresno's inexperienced Rams found themselves guilty of three errors, as well as three unearned runs in their 7-5 loss to COS.

Hard-hitting Rollo Adams

smashed a 390-foot homerun to centerfield which gave the Rams the lead 5-4 in the fifth inning.

But the Giants of COS came back to tie the game in the seventh and added two more runs in the eighth to cinch the win.

Saturday, Fresno's nine will host Reedley at Euless Park starting at noon. They then travel to Sacramento Tuesday to play American River.

This last Tuesday the Rams

dropped another game, giving up four runs in the last two innings to Merced. The 4-1 non-league loss leaves Fresno with a 7-6 overall record.

Girls' track

The women's track team will play host to 15 other squads from around the state Saturday in Ratcliffe Stadium beginning at noon.

A trio of Rams took firsts in a meet held in Salinas last Friday. Grace Robles took the javelin, Polly Banks the 400 meter run, and Nora Vargas the two mile run.

Fresno came in second place in the three way meet. Also competing were Monterey Peninsula, and the host school Hartnell.

Golf

The Ram golf team took two matches (one in conference action) last week as they prepared for what Coach Hans Wiedenhofer called "our toughest week of the season."

After victories over Merced, and conference foe Reedley, the Rams own a 3-0 record in conference, and a 7-2 slate overall. The Rams play College of the Sequoias today in Visalia in a conference matchup.

Jim Lopes show a sizzling four under par 68 against Merced, and missed a three foot birdie putt on

the 18th hole that would have trimmed another stroke from his total. Greg Williams added a one

under 71 also against Merced.

Against Reedley, Bill Walters and Tim Norris paced the Rams with one over par 73's.

Frisbees

Last Friday's frisbee tournament had three winners. Mike Chrisco took first with 24.5 points, Rick Monroe second with 19.2 points and Bob Balentine third with 19 points.

Three FCC intramural T-shirts were awarded the three winners. Chairman Kathy Fuentes stated, "It was a rewarding and learning experience for participants and the committee that put it on."

Those who haven't received their T-shirts may get them from Jack Mattox in the Men's coaches offices on Tuesday or Thursday from 11-12.

Men's tennis

The men's tennis team had their ups and downs in a busy weekend which saw them in two matches and lose one on the FCC courts.

The Rams will travel north this weekend to face Sacramento on Friday, and American River on Saturday.

Against Reedley on Thursday, and Cosumnes River on Friday, the Rams took all nine matches, but they ran into trouble against conference-leading San Joaquin Delta on Saturday.

Judd Conley and Joe Pombo combined for Fresno's only win

against Delta, winning 6-2, 6-2. The Rams had many tough matches against Delta, including a three hour long singles match in which Fresno's Randy Burris went down to defeat in three grueling sets.

Girls' tennis

A trip to Stockton tomorrow to face San Joaquin Delta is what's in store for the women's tennis team, as they try to comeback from a loss last Friday to Bakersfield.

The Rams were soundly defeated 6-3 in Bakersfield as they evened their season record at 2-2.

Sharon Lehman and Jennifer Rigall both won their singles matches in three sets before combining for a straight set victory in doubles for Fresno's only other win.

Motocross

The intramural 10-speed motocross race will be held Thursday, March 24, at noon on Weldon Avenue.



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Eddie Tate, FCC's premier freshman triple jumper gets his best jump of the season 50-9 3/4.



Fresno's Rod Horn easily clears the high jump bar at 6-4.

FCC trackmen finish easy winners in conference relays

By Dan Graves

Getting superb performances by their pole vaulters, triple jumpers, and distance runners, the FCC track team racked up 91 points last Saturday to win the 15th annual Valley Conference relays.

For pole vaulters Mike Thornton and Stan Reyes, the gusty cold winds proved helpful as they cleared 15-6 enroute to a new meet record of 45-0. Dave Shepard went 14-0, to give all three vaulters personal bests for the season.

Led by Eddie Tate's impressive 50-9 3/4 leap in the triple jump, Fresno's relay team of Tate, Anthony Washington 45-1 and Tony Powell 41-10 1/2 placed a close second to Cosumnes River who totalled 142-3/4.

You can't say enough about FCC's talented distance runners. In the opening running event of the day, Ray Rubio, Joe Garcia, Jose Renteria and Al Lara combined to battle off a tough

American River team for first place in the distance medley relay. Renteria, Rubio and Lara returned and along with John Martinez won the two mile relay four seconds ahead of American River with a 8:16 clocking.

Although coach Bobby Fries' tracksters finished well ahead of their nearest challenger, College of the Sequoias (91-75), Fries feels that the relays can be deceiving in determining an outlook for the season.

"Both Delta and Cosumnes River could have entered more teams than they did and it would have made the meet much closer," stated Fries. "On the other hand, we could have added at least 20 points if the conditions would have been right in certain events."

Fries said five Valley Conference schools could be tough as the season progresses. Two of those schools, Sacramento and Cosumnes, will open their regu-

lar dual meet competition tomorrow in Sacramento along with Fresno. Delta and COS should be strong, while Modesto could be a dark horse.

"I was happy with our guys, especially my distance runners," added Fries. "Our pole vaulters were super. I think they both would have made 15-10 if the bar had been there when they cleared 15-6."

Tomorrow's meet should be a challenge. Both schools boast talented sprinters, high hurdlers and 440 relay teams.

Cosumnes is blessed with a 50-7 triple jumper in Anthony Frazier. Fries expressed concern about his ace 1500 meter and 800 meter runner Ray Rubio, who is suffering from a cold and is questionable for tomorrow's meet. Al Lara, who is looking stronger than ever, and Jose Renteria will double in the distance races if Rubio isn't able to compete.



Sophomore distance ace Al Lara makes his move against American River's Mike Brown during last Saturday's Valley Conference Relays. Lara anchored Fresno's victorious distance medley relay team in running a sensational 4:19-5 mile.



Gary Ellis just nips San Joaquin Delta's Chuck Smith in the 120 high hurdles.

College needs radio station

It would seem peculiar that establishment of training benefits in a growing industry is being ignored by the administration of Fresno City College, especially at a time when it could be at minimal cost. In fact, the cost would be so reasonable, the ASB could fund it and use it in the interests of the students.

Radio makes a rather strange suggestion unless compared with other figures. To realize that radio is indeed a reasonable commercial venture, one merely looks to the past: Since the introduction of television, the number of radio listeners has not decreased, but started to increase in the late 1960's. More people are listening to radio today than at almost any other point in the history of electronic communication. But at FCC, we have no viable program of instruction for this field.

It would seem obvious that an instructional program would benefit many students in various areas: Business administration majors could assist in selling time for commercials as well as bookkeeping; electronics majors could assist in building and repair; journalism majors could assist in news reporting; and speech majors could help with general broadcasting. In addition, the numerous departments (social science, home economics, and others) could aid with special programming, or as a source of help in formulating program material. All in all, a total campus benefit.

The broadcasting signal could be boosted up to transmit to the Fresno area, thus justifying a community service, and allowing a public broadcasting definition (if no commercials), or even a commercially licensed station. The total cost of the station would prohibit construction at one time, but it could be put together over a period of several years. The beginning of the station would probably be a studio which transmits over special phone lines to specific areas of the campus, such as the Cafeteria, Bookstore, and certain areas of open space. As the station developed, more parts could be added to enhance the station's broadcast capability, until... FCC Radio is on the air.

But the time to act is now. The reason is to take advantage of a Supreme Court interpretation of March 1974, which a lower court has used to suspend Federal Communications Commission fees for licenses. Thus, no fees are currently being charged for licensing of stations or individuals to broadcast. This has cut the average building costs of a station by an average of \$5,000.

If the station were built, a great advantage to the community as well as the campus would result. But a chance to utilize the campus for a learning experience passed up, is a chance forever lost.

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Swine flu shots fade from concern

A big news story in the fall and winter, the swine flu inoculations are now never heard about except in isolated instances.

Swine flu inoculations are given to the elderly and infirm; otherwise the swine flu inoculation program has been suspended by the Department of Health.

Some 1,111 students and personnel affiliated with FCC were inoculated against the virus Oct. 27 by the Health Center.

Last fall a soldier stationed at Fort Dix, N.J. fell ill and died from a strain of influenza. The disease drew national attention and, as Newsweek called it, "a blue-ribbon panel of experts"

was put together to find ways to combat the disease.

Then President Ford asked for, and got \$135 million to finance their efforts and ideas from Congress. The reason given by health officials to warrant all the attention was that the swine flu virus was similar to the virus of the 1918 epidemic that killed 20,000,000. About 215 million doses of the vaccine was manufactured and distributed.

The swine flu is an A type virus and its vaccine is made from eggs. According to a survey taken in the fall the swine flu had a 1 in 10 chance to reach epidemic proportions. But the threat never materialized.



GUEST ARTICLE

Senate decides on lounge, care center as priorities

By Julie Benitez
ASB Senator

We of student government got our heads together and decided what we wanted to strive for, at the annual Senate retreat last weekend. The result was a decision to pursue two main objectives should be — to work toward improving the Student Lounge and implementing a child care center on campus.

Although the retreat was held at scenic Montecito Camp in Sequoia National Park, there wasn't much time for sight seeing.

Workshops started directly after unpacking, with a workshop on transactional analysis heading the agenda. It consisted of lectures, a film and discussion involving everyone. This workshop was intended to help senators and student body officers understand each other

and people in general, why they act certain ways and how to handle them.

Dinner came next followed by a rap session with FCC President Clyde C. McCully and Chancellor Charles E. Chapman. The long discussion brought out the sincerity of both the administrators and the students. Topics included the controversial child care center. We offered to allocate funds out of our trust accounts if it would help implement the program. Other topics included a multi-cultural center for FCC, lack of communication between administrators and students and what could eliminate this problem.

Closing Friday's workshop, both Dr. McCully and Dr. Chapman agreed that this was the best thing to happen in student government this year and that it should be done more often. Dr. McCully also expressed interest in attending some Senate meetings in the

future.

Work began early Saturday, reviewing the constitution and by-laws. A committee was formed to go over, re-interpret and rewrite the duties and responsibilities of senators, giving them duties previously held by various commissioners.

After a short break we went over our goals and objectives for the future, besides deciding our two major goals — child care on campus and improving the Student Lounge — we decided to look towards the future in a positive aspect.

As an active participant in the retreat and as an ASB Senator, I honestly feel that it was a success. Everyone felt a sense of unity and accomplishment afterward that was previously not experienced. I feel student government is striving to achieve what is best for students, and I hope that future bodies will strive for these same goals.

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