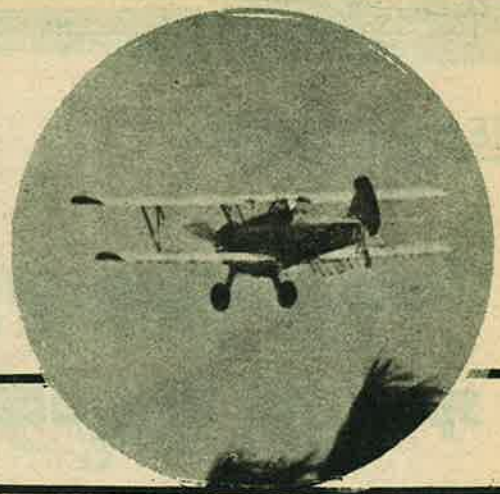


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Dancer Buddy Schwimmer.

Disco workshop here Saturday for dancers at all levels

A disco dancing workshop featuring nationally known dancer Buddy Schwimmer will be held in the Gymnasium on Saturday, March 10. The day-long workshop will include instruction in partner and non-partner disco.

Three separate sessions will be provided for dancers at all levels and for all ages. Dancing steps included are the two-step for disco foxtrot and tango hustle, the Latin hustle, and the New York hustle.

Session 1 is for novice dancers and includes the basic pattern and the Latin hustle. Salsa and rope variations will be taught as

time permits. The session lasts from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Session 2 is for intermediate dancers and includes the basic pattern. Salsa, two-step, disco foxtrot and the tango hustle with rope variations will be presented as time permits. The session is from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Session 3 is for the advanced disco dancer and includes the basic pattern and the New York hustle. Rope variations will be taught if time permits. The third session lasts from 3 to 5 p.m.

Schwimmer, who will instruct all three sessions, currently operates two dance studios in the Los Angeles area. He has choreographed both the Dick

Clark and Wolfman Jack television shows. He is a five-time popular dance champion and he and his partner placed second in the National Disco Dancers Contest sponsored by the "Merv Griffin Show."

Participants are asked to bring socks or wear ballet slippers or tennis shoes. Tickets are priced at \$7 per session for the general public and \$6 per session for students and persons 60.

Tickets are available at the Office of Community Services or at the door. The disco workshop is sponsored by FCC and the Bay Area Clinic. For details call City College at 442-8256.

Petition circulated to limit state spending

People soliciting signatures for one cause or another is not an uncommon sight here. The cafeteria foyer is a good location because of the constant flow of students, there's one catch, however, the person who wishes to use that area, must first have

permission from the dean of women, Ms. Doris Deakins.

Greg Cox did not, he and his associates have been circulating a petition all semester to get a constitutional amendment limiting government appropriations.

Deakins, upon confronting him asked that he leave, "I told him what the procedure was, he later appeared at my office, wishing to reserve the area one day, but as far as I know, he never showed."

Monday he was back, again without permission.

Jog-O-Thon April 7

On Saturday, April 7, Ratcliffe Stadium will be the site of the second annual FCC Jog-O-Thon.

Participants will walk, jog run or wheel for one hour as far as they can go. They will try to get as many sponsors as possible, each of whom pays 10 cents or more a lap.

Last year's event attracted 50 runners and 100 spectators and earned \$2,250.

"We would like to double our participation and money this year," said Franz Weinschenk, associate dean of humanities and the advisor for the Jog-O-Thon.

Weinschenk went on to say "There will be many prizes for contestants and spectators. Runners who collect up to \$25 receive

a participation ribbon and a certificate of achievement. Those who collect \$25 or more receive a commemorative T-shirt; participants who collect over \$100 receive the T-shirt plus a distinctive one-of-a-kind belt buckle. The five runners who collect the most donations will have their names engraved on a brass plate."

All proceeds will go toward the purchase of a concert organ for the FCC Theatre.

The music department will present a three-hour musical jamboree during the running events.

There will be two heats, the first at 9:30 a.m. and the second at 11.

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SEEN AROUND

Train jumping--great sport till first bad day

by Laura Batti
Managing Editor

There's a new sport at FCC and you don't necessarily have to be an athlete to try it, you just have to be lucky. The sport is train jumping.

The other day I had to park in the dirt lot located across the railroad tracks, near the northeast corner of campus.

As I got out of my car I could hear a train coming. I didn't let it bother me, it's no crime to stand and wait for a train.

As I approached the crossing rail the train was only a few feet away. People were running and jumping across the tracks. One guy barely made it across. It reminded me of that scene in Superman, where young Clark Kent jumps across the tracks right before the train goes by.

I hate to shatter your illusions guys, but you're not Superman, so why try to act like it? There's no shame in waiting a few minutes for a train to go by.

One of these days someone's gonna jump too late and you know what they say, "Better safe then sorry."

NEWS BRIEFS

Fresno Autorama March 8-11

The 22nd annual Fresno Autorama begins today and will run through Sunday. Promoter Blackie Gejeian has brought in a total of \$2,000,000 worth of custom cars, vans, boats, roadsters, motorcycles, sports cars, lo-riders, and antiques.

The show times are today from 3 to 11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

The Autorama is being held at the fairgrounds, in the Commerce and Agriculture buildings.

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

The Music Farmers - (ASB sponsored) 12 noon, Thursday, March 8, Patio east of Cafeteria

MECHA - 12 noon, Thursday, March 8, Committee Rooms A & B

Golf - FCC vs. COS, 1 p.m., Thursday, March 8, Plaza Golf Course

Tennis (Women's) - FCC vs. Sacramento City, 2 p.m., Thursday, March 8, FCC courts

Tennis (Men's) - FCC vs. Sacramento City, 2 p.m. Thursday, March 8, Sacramento

Enabler Club - 2-4 p.m., Thursday, March 8, Committee Room A

FCA - 7 a.m., Friday, March 9, Committee Rooms A & B

Tennis (Women's) - FCC vs. American River, 2 p.m., Friday, March 9, FCC Courts

Tennis (Men's) - FCC vs. American River, 2 p.m., Friday, March 9, Sacramento

Swimming - FCC vs. Delta, 3 p.m., Friday, March 9, FCC pool

Bay Area Dance Clinic - 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, March 10, FCC gym

Baseball - FCC vs. COS, 12 noon, Saturday, March 10, Eulless Park

Track & Field - Valley Conference Relays, 12 noon, Saturday, March 10, Modesto

March 9 - Reel World--"Casablanca"

March 15-17 - Spring Play--"Plaza Suite"

March 22-24 - Spring Play--"Plaza Suite"

March 23 - Reel World--"We're No Angels"

March 31 - Audubon Film Society



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European art, music will be studied in new course

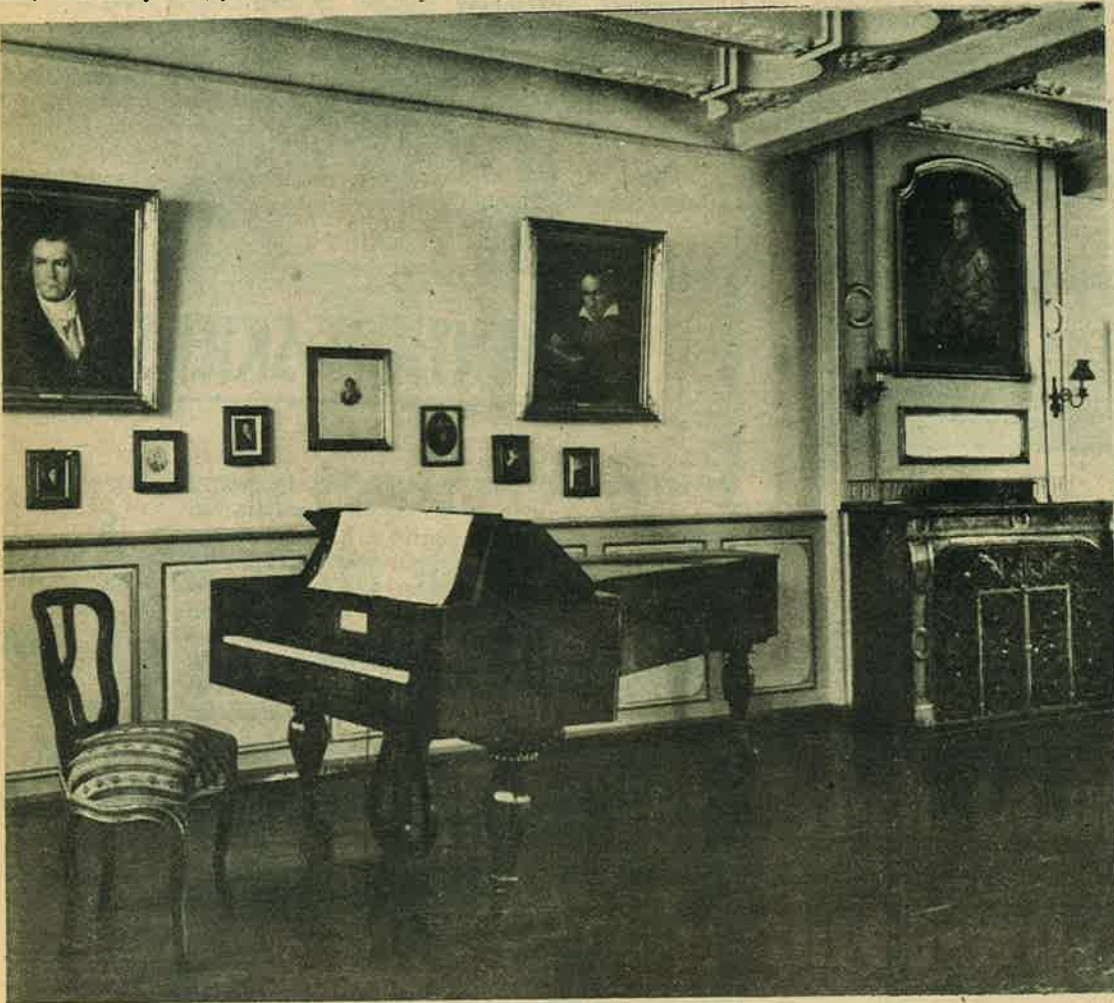
European art and music will be explored in a special studies class that begins Monday, March 12.

Music instructor Alex Molnar will present and explain slides from his recent sabbatical trip to Europe. The emphasis of the course will be on the music and artworks of Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Italy, Luxem-

bourg and Iceland. Some slides of the United States also will be exhibited.

"These slide presentations will give students extra knowledge of art treasures in Europe. Art and music students will especially profit from seeing these slides," Molnar said.

One unit of college credit is available for enrolling in "European Arts on Slides." The class will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays for nine weeks. Registration is now in progress and prospective students are reminded that they should be registered prior to the first class meeting.



Some of the sites to be seen in Alex Molnar's European Arts class is the house where the composer Beethoven was born (above); and a view of old and new Berlin (below).



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FILM REVIEW

'North Avenue Irregulars' is hilarious fare

This article is for those of you who are too biased to appreciate a good movie if it kicked you in the face. I'm talking about the one's who say, "Oh God, not another Disney flick," turn up their noses and walk in the other direction, usually into walls, down manholes, or smack out in front of a moving car. If you would lower your noses for a few moments so your eyes could see the screen, you might notice that Walt Disney's "North Avenue Irregulars" is a hilariously funny film.

The movie directed by Bruce Bilson and written by Don Tait is based on a book by Reverent Albert F. Hill about some unorganized women (housewives, mothers, etc.) who take on an organized crime ring in their little town of New Campton (fictional name I expect).

The film starts out pretty slow with the usual introductions of the characters, but once it gets past that hurdle it flows rather smoothly only hitting one or two potholes along the way.

Edward Herman of "Eleanor and Franklin" fame, stars as the crime fighting minister Rev. Mike Hill who puts together the group of ladies after one mobster would not return his church's money that a church member placed on a horse race.

The Reverend and his women (Barbra Harris, Karen Valentine, Cloris Leachman, Virginia Capers, and Patsy Kelley) then head out to rid their town of this vile scumb that is destroying little minds and perverting the town's ethics. Of course, they

botch everything up, and the criminals get wise and retaliate by blowing up the church. Which gets Anne Woods (Susan Clark) a cool thinking secretary for the church into the picture and things start shaping up.

None of the performances are extremely outstanding, except the outrageous characterizations of Patsy Kelly and Douglas V. Fowley, one of the best teams since "Burns and Allen", pure comic geniuses.

There are alot of extremely funny bits all through the film

but something seems to be lacking that ties them together. The plot line is loose in places, and the director doesn't seem to be able to piece it all together either, but I've always felt a film doesn't have to be artistically perfect to be funny.

"The North Avenue Irregulars" is playing at the Manchester Mall Cinema and should be seen as soon as possible, and if you don't want to take my word for it, ask any of the 253 adults who were rolling in the aisles from laughing so hard, the day I saw it.

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GR78-14	65.30	48.99	2.65
HR78-14	73.30	54.99	2.85
FR78-15	65.30	48.99	2.55
GR78-15	71.87	53.99	2.73
HR78-15	73.88	55.50	2.88
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For more information, go to the Ski Club meeting Wednesday, March 7, at 2 p.m. in Cafeteria Room B or stop by the information table in the fountain area starting March 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Poetry

Dixie Lane is an artist and poet living in Fresno who is currently studying photography at FCC. She feels that photography and art influence her visual perceptions which contribute to her poetry writing. Some of her poetry will be coming out in Valley Grapevine soon.

SPRING

by Dixie Lane

is too much
for me sometimes-
heaviness of blooms,
pollen, thick on the vine.
Combs fill with sweetness
and coiled mouths
sucking.

Gypsy moths mate
a pungent zing,
and everything crawls out,
sticky and new.

Green blades cut
the morning clean,
enter the screen where
I inhale the incense
of musk and secretions.

Is this pain
just for females
(as from a phantom limb or
where the cord was cut)?
Too much color.
Too much scent.
It is everywhere-

under the tender moon
where primeval spores
mingle with soil-
a dark coupling.
beneath spiked leaves,
where the wind whispers-
"punish her."

inside the fleshy dawn,
streaked and matted
with sap,
a newborn
beginning pink and surprised
with pain.

The Rampage welcomes poems submitted by the readers. All entries should be accompanied by a short biographical statement about the author. All material will be used at the discretion of the editor. Please submit entries to SC-211.

by Myra Suggs
Staff Writer

Photos by Ken Enloe



Willie Mayhouse — "Don't know what it is and don't use it, because I don't have time."



Evelyn Farsakian — "I know what it is, and I have used it a little comparing schools."



Mike Brady — "I know what it is, but I already have my career planned. People who don't should use it."



Mike Hansen — "No."

STUDENT POLL

'Do you know what the Career Center is and do you use it?'

Carol Kovacevich — "I know what I want to be so I don't need it."



Mark Contrestano — "No and no."



Fred Spinoff — "I know what it is but I don't use it because I don't feel I need to."



Stan Long — "I don't use it."



Prop. 13 still cutting

Business instructor seeks ASB support for Career Center

Still another Prop. 13-related cutback on our campus was lamented Tuesday by business instructor George D. Shine, who said the cut in funds to FCC's Career Center has "emasculated" the program, and deprived students of a "very important school facility."

Shine spoke to the Student Senate Tuesday in a bid for student support to reinstate those parts of the Career Center program that were recently halted.

Two tests that are no longer offered are the GATB, General Aptitude Test Battery, and the Edwards Personal Preference test.

Janice Blood, another business instructor, had students take advantage of both these tests, as did Shine. Blood said she is "very concerned" to get the tests started again, and said the business division is looking for "any support from anywhere" to reinstate the tests, but "especially from students."

The Career Center, on the second floor of the Student Services building, still has much to offer. Besides the library of college catalogues, and the file for major requirements, the center houses a microfilm file of the state's college schedule, catalogued descriptions of job conditions in various trades, Department of Labor publications, and the Eureka computer, which can punch out a huge store of constantly updated information on hundreds of trades and the training needed for them.

But, according to Shine, this information is not enough for students who want to find out what career would best meet their personal needs and abilities. He said they need the kind of aptitude and preference tests that are no longer offered at the center, and especially they need someone there "to talk to" who understands it all.

Shine says he "understands" that college funds are limited, and that there are many other

college functions requiring them. But he is sorry to see something founder that is "not just important for" his students, but for "everyone."

"Most students," he said, "take class after class and wait for inspiration to hit" in one of them. Whereas the Career Center, as it was run last year, gave students a "clearer" idea of their aptitudes and interests.

Shine said "at least eight other instructors use the facility."

Birt Reid, a counselor who Shine and Blood agree was responsible for starting the full

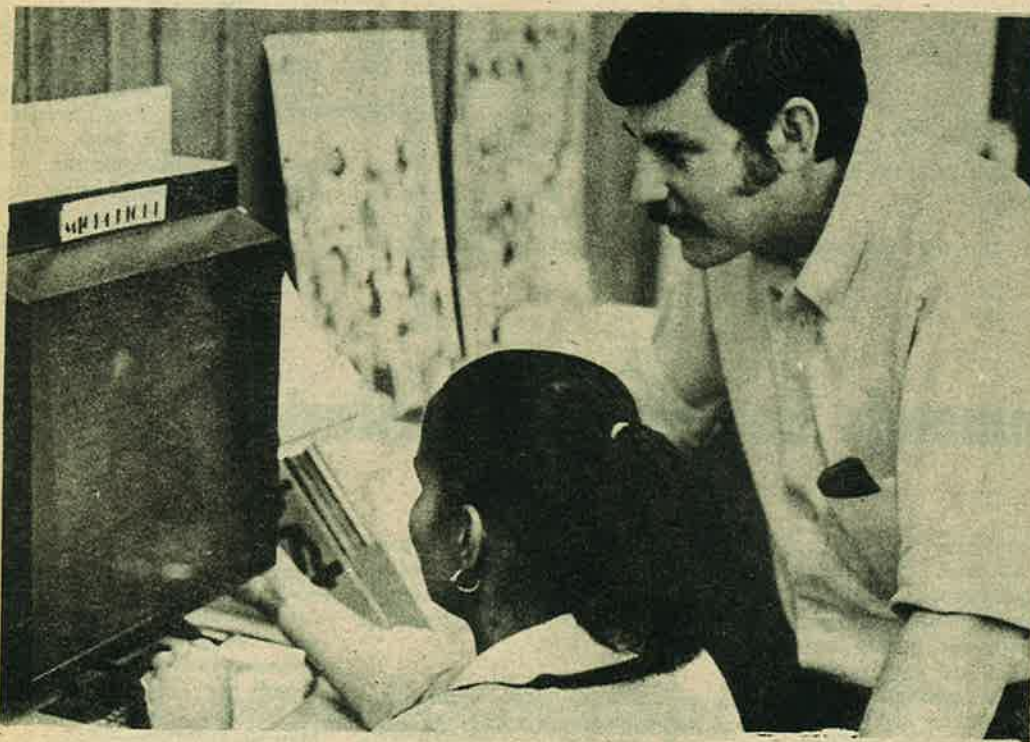
Career Center program, said he's "hopeful that the need" to re-institute the full program "will be recognized," since it "adds another dimension to career evaluation."

Reid said that when the center was giving all the tests, they were advertising as well and serving people from the whole community, not just college students.

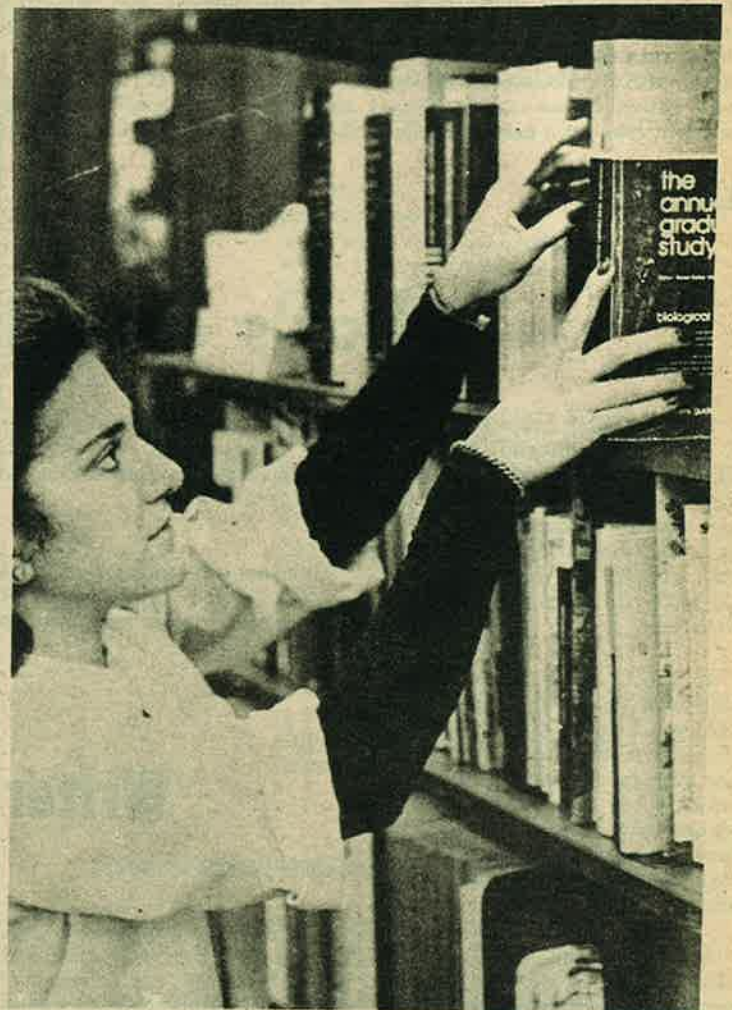
Shine asked the Senate to "inquire into" why the center was given such "low-priority" in the distribution of college funds. The Senate referred the issue to the Student Services Committee.

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Counselor Robert Richardson, right, works with student Violetta LeBlanc on the microfilm machine.



Charisse DeFlice, Student Personnel Service Technician, files the Centers selection of college catalogs.

Oklahoma contamination case has far-reaching implications

by Laura Batti
Managing Editor

A very important case sure to be followed by pronuclear and antinuclear activists will be going to trial in April. The case is Silkwood vs. Kerr-McGee Corp.

Karen Silkwood was employed as a lab technician at a Kerr-McGee plutonium plant near Oklahoma City. She also was employed by the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International (OCAW), to spy on the Kerr-McGee Corp.

There had been several allegations against Kerr-McGee, accusing them of fraud and dangerous operations.

Five weeks after Silkwood began investigation of Kerr-McGee, she handled some food in her refrigerator that had been contaminated with a microscopic amount of plutonium, a deadly substance. There wasn't enough plutonium to kill her, but she was hospitalized.

One week later, she was driving to meet a union representative to give him a manila folder containing supposed documents of Kerr-McGee, when she was killed in an automobile accident (she hit a culvert in the

road that was apparently hidden from view).

That was over four years ago. Shortly after her death the plant was closed down, after the company refused to meet new federal safety standards.

Silkwood's family filed a lawsuit against the Kerr-McGee Corp. two years ago and the case is finally going to trial.

The lawsuit accuses Kerr-McGee of negligence and the family is asking for \$11.5 million in damages.

On both sides, evidence is circumstantial, so the jury's job is going to be a difficult one.

The Silkwood lawyers are basing their lawsuit on the plutonium contamination. The lawyers believe someone from Kerr-McGee tried to scare Silkwood by contaminating her food. When this didn't work, they tried to run her off the road to recover the documents she was trying to deliver. Apparently it was just by chance that she hit the culvert in the road, surprising both herself and whoever was trying to run her off the road.

Kerr-McGee says Silkwood contaminated herself to dramatize her complaint over the

plant's safety. The company also said Silkwood didn't have a manila folder, but that she hit the culvert trying to commit suicide. It was a last attempt; she was hoping Kerr-McGee would get blamed. Kerr-McGee lawyers say they can produce evidence that Silkwood tried to commit suicide more than once.

During pretrial testimony, it was shown that Kerr-McGee did not report over 100 contamination accidents at the plant and could not account for 60 pounds of missing plutonium. That is enough plutonium to make five

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atomic bombs. It is now believed it was smuggled into a foreign country.

An ex-employee testified that a Kerr-McGee supervisor had once tried to steal uranium from a government stockpile. During the congressional investigation, Dr. Karl Morgan, director of a federal health-physics program in Tennessee, rated the plant's safety problems as the second worst he had ever encountered.

The manila folder was supposedly missing at the scene of

the accident, but that wasn't true. A state trooper picked up the manila folder at the scene of the accident and placed it in

Silkwood's car. Kerr-McGee official Roy King agreed to meet with the trooper at the location the car had been towed.

The night before their meeting, according to FBI reports, the owner of the garage, two other company men, and the trooper went to the garage. The next day the trooper told King the papers had already been removed.

King didn't know what the folder contained, or even if it really existed.

The Silkwood supporters seem to be in a most difficult position. They're fighting a very important company that has the support of the Atomic Industrial Forum, an important political ally in the nuclear industry.

The Silkwood side has been plagued by many difficulties. Two key witnesses left the country before they were served with subpoenas. Two other witnesses died right before they were to be questioned on the case. And there were many other incidents.

The case has taken so long to go to trial because of a flood of

pretrial problems.

The Silkwood lawyers have forced two judges off the case because of favoritism towards

Kerr-McGee. Because of such problems, the Court of Appeals appointed Judge Theis of Kansas as a special out-of-state magistrate.

Kerr-McGee tried to get the suit thrown out of court on jurisdictional grounds and other points of law. Judge Theis denied their attempts and ordered the case to trial.

Both sides expect the verdict in by May, but that won't be the end of the issue. Whichever side loses will appeal the case, so it could go on indefinitely. What is needed is some concrete evidence, something that can be proved in court. With only circumstantial evidence, it's going to be hard to prove Kerr-McGee was at fault. The Silkwood lawyers have their job cut out for them.

(Note: The ABC network is now working on a TV movie about Karen Silkwood. It will be coming out later this year.)

LETTERS

What's a 'cult' and what's a 'religion'?

The first thing I thought when I read the editorial by Ms. Benitez in last week's Rampage was what if, about 2,000 years ago, the Jerusalem Daily came out with a similar editorial about the danger of the new cult headed by that suspicious acting Nazerene?

I don't know how much influence the Jewish press had then but I can't help but wonder if such editorials contributed to the climate of hate and distrust which led to the murder, by the righteously indignant people of Jerusalem, of the newest "messiah," the carpenter/philosopher Jesus.

Of course, the above is only attempting to illustrate how perspectives change with time.

However, I am certain that there were parents, friends, legislators and established "religions" who were honestly and sincerely concerned when their child or friend left home to live and learn with a radical new

religious leader or philosopher such as Socrates, Christ, St. Francis or Martin Luther, just to mention a few.

I am not advocating that cults should be left totally without observation or even restraints on

certain activities.

On the other hand, I do not believe that any "established church" should be exempt from public scrutiny or the laws of this land either.

If I am not mistaken Ms.

Benitez is a Christian. I should think that as a Christian she would be a staunch supporter of freedom for newly developing religious movements.

After all, if the parents and authorities and editorial writers of 2,000 years ago had got their

way, Ms. Benitez (and a lot of other people) would not be Christian now because the early church — the cult of Christianity — would have been stopped before it could cause the "waste and degradation of other young lives."

— Danette Gee

Writer commends Benitez' cult editorial

I'd like to commend Ms. Benitez on her editorial last week, "Are we too tolerant of cults?" Although probably not all cults are "shady" or "bizarre," I'm glad it was brought to the attention of students on this campus.

Ever since the Jonestown massacre, the media have had immense reports on cults and their activities. I'm relieved to

see something in the college press as well. Perhaps it will keep a few young adults on this campus from being lured into a cult, without really knowing what they are getting into.

My heart goes out to parents whose children are involved in these activities. There are enough problems facing today's youth without worrying about what religion to get involved in! I read in The Fresno Bee last

Friday about how Synanon pairs off teenage children in so-called "small marriages," then beats them for minor infractions of rules.

The same article quoted the leader Dederich as saying that he was quite willing to break a foe's legs and to tell him "next time I'll break your wife's legs and then cut your child's ear off." They also mentioned how he is still

awaiting trial for the "rattlesnake attack" on the lawyer.

I can't understand how intelligent people let themselves become involved with these types. But even more, I can't understand how sick people like Manson and Dederich get in the position of holding such power in the first place.

— Ms. N. J. Marquette



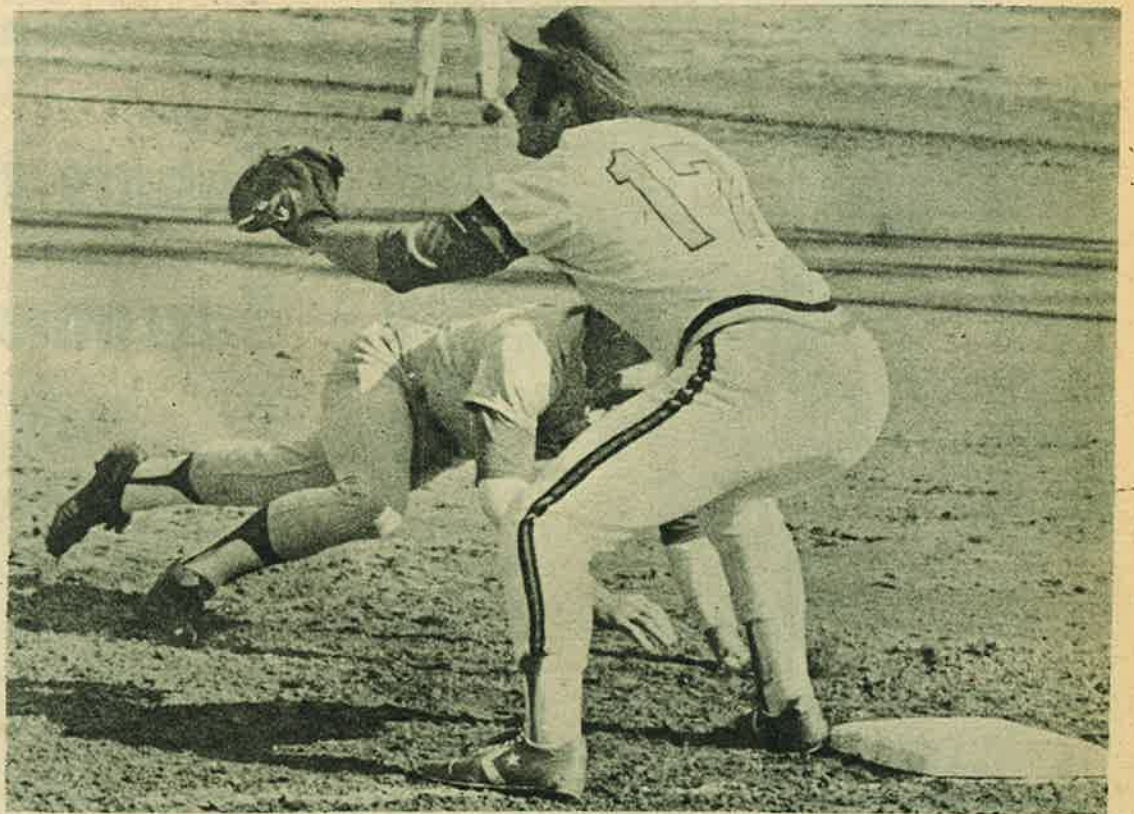
Both swim squads 1-1 in conference play

Both the men's and women's swim squads beat Merced last Friday, which puts them at 1-1 in Valley Conference action.

The next three meets are here and could possibly decide the

league championship.

The meets are: Friday, March 9 vs. San Joaquin Delta at 3 p.m., Tuesday, March 13, vs. Bakersfield at 3:30, and Saturday March 17 vs. American River at 12 noon.



Rams' league opener here Saturday

First baseman Pete Dalena in a pickoff attempt against Hancock. The Rams went on to defeat Hancock 8-5. The Rams start league play Saturday at 12 noon against the College of the Sequoias at Euless Park.

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Photo by Ken Enloe

FCC's Eddie Guevara in pre-season play against the CSUF JV squad.

Men swamp Cosumnes

Tennis teams will face Sacramento clubs this week

The men's netters split a pair of Valley Conference matches this past week. The Rams took on the CSUF junior varsity squad in non-league action last Tuesday.

In league action, the Rams defeated Cosumnes and fell to San Joaquin Delta. Matt Carlson and Eddie Guevara both posted singles victories in these two matches.

In the Ram win over Cosumnes, a 9-0 shellacking, Greg Meyer's 6-0, 6-1 win in the No. 1 singles match led the FCC onslaught.

This puts the Ram netters at 1-1 in league action. The men's team travels north to Sacramento to play Sac City on Thursday and to Stockton on Friday to take on American River.

Coach Bill Wayte commented on the league saying, "American River has won the league for the last 10 years, I think. We'll be fighting for second, I think, because we were beaten by Delta Saturday 5-4. If we had won that we would have been in pretty good shape.

"We've just begun our league play, and we still have the second half of play. After the first round we find out where we stand for our second round play."

In women's net action, the

Rams are 1-0 in Valley Conference play. Lynn Cabbiness and Maureen Mueller are the two mainstays of the women's team this year.

Head coach Shirley Stillwell commented that "I think we have a chance against Sacramento City, and American River is traditionally tough."

The women netters are at home against Sac City at 2 p.m. on Thursday and at 2 p.m. Friday against American River.

VC Relays next

Track teams win three-way meet

by Henry Gutierrez
Sports Editor

Willie Alexander and a trio of shot-putters paced the FCC men's track and field team to a 82-54 victory over Fresno Pacific and Pacific College Track Club teams Saturday at the CSUF all-weather facility.

Diana Macias had wins in the 400 meter relay, long jump, and the 100 meter low hurdles to lead the FCC women to a 68-46 win.

Alexander popped a 23-3/4 long jump to head Ray Eddings at 21-3/4 and Norm Alston at 20-11 1/2 to sweep the long jump. Tom Merlo, Larry Sciaqua, and Gerry Hodges all recorded PR's at 49-3, 47-2 1/2, and 45-8 1/2 puts respectively. Kevin O'Reilly had victories in the javelin at 186-7 and pole-vaulted 15 feet.

Former FCC high jump star Ron Horn leaped 7 feet in the high jump for the Fresno Pacific Track Club. It was one of the outstanding marks of the meet.

The Ram women had wins from Roxanne Kasparian, who threw the shot 38-6, combining with Macias' triple wins to guide the cinderellas to their win.

Coach Bob Fries said, "I was really pleased. Out of seven field events, we were strong in six. One of our weakest spots was the shot put, and all of a sudden Tom Merlo put the thing 49-3 and we don't have a weak spot any more."

Fries went on to say that along with Merlo's mark in the shot, Larry Sciaqua's and Gerry Hodges' throwing has made the men's shotput a strong point.

"Our sprinters really came along; 10.8 in the 100 is pretty good," Fries added.

The Rams travel to the Valley Conference Relays Meet in Modesto Saturday in a meet that Coach Fries says is "just a kind of a fun meet to see what everyone has."

79-80 prospects good

Pinson buckets 22 points but COS stops Ram women

by Donna Polman
Staff Writer

The women's basketball team may have lost 73-57 to Sacramento last Wednesday, but there was at least a personal victory for one Ram.

Sophomore Sarah Pinson drilled in 22 points for the Rams, looking very much like the Pinson who helped lead last year's team to the State tournament. Pinson joined the Rams late this season and was having a slow start, but proved Wednesday she still has the skill.

The loss came in the opening round of the Shaughnessy Play-offs, ending the Ram season at 16-10 overall. Fresno was playing without the assistance of Kathi Morse, who has added both rebounding and scoring punch all season.

Carrie Johanns and Linda Harvey combined for 26 points Wednesday, continuing their consistent style of play. Ram coach Chuck Stark has called Harvey and Johanns the best guard combination in the league this year, and after seeing them execute a fast break, it's easy to see why.

Harvey is a standout from last year's team who has shown steady improvement from her basketball days at Roosevelt High. Johanns, a graduate of Clovis High, will be returning to the Rams next year.

Next year's team should be one of the most experienced in the league as they will only be losing two starters. Among the players expected to return are Kathi Morse, Colleen Ferrell, Denise Jones and Mary Lou Jones. All have played key roles in this year's success.

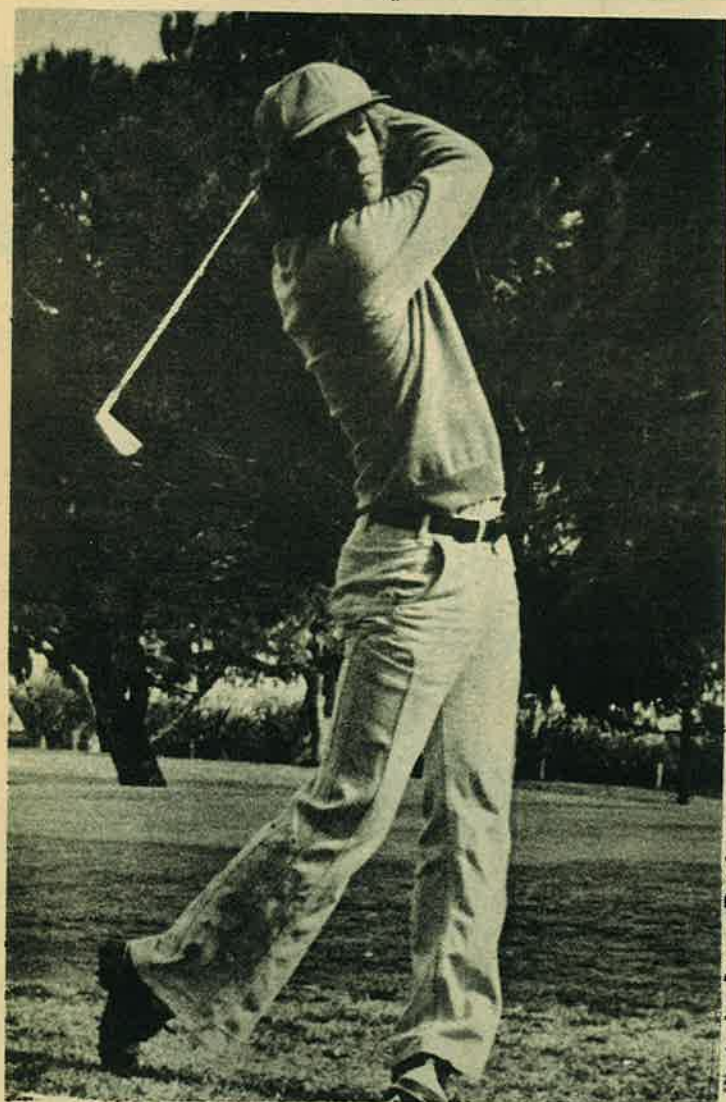


Photo by Laura Batti

Ken Bitter displays perfect follow through at Riverside Golf Course.

Consistency pays off

Pair of wins swing hot Rams into VC golf lead

by Laura Batti
Managing Editor

After coming off an impressive win at the Taft Invitational, FCC golfers posted victories over

Reedley and San Joaquin Delta. This moves FCC up to a 4-0 in league and 5-2 overall.

The golfers will travel to Plaza Golf Course in Visalia to meet COS March 8, and they'll play Modesto JC at Fresno's Riverside Golf Course on March 13.

Though it was a cold and windy day, FCC beat Reedley by almost 40 strokes. Reedley came in with 434 strokes, while City posted 395.

FCC's five top scorers were Dan Hornig, 75, Ralph Lotspeich, 78, Ken Bitter, 79, Jeff Lang, 81,

and Jim Hartzell, 82. The match was played at Riverside Course.

Last Friday FCC golfers bowed to CSUF in non-league action.

FCC traveled to Swenson Park Golf Course to meet San Joaquin Delta Tuesday, and won with 379 strokes. Delta came in with 390 strokes.

Top scorers were Hartzell, who shot a 73, Lotspeich, 74, Bitter, 75, Lang, 77, Dan Hornig and Randy Norvelle, tied with 80's.

The team has been plagued by bad weather. Two matches to Bakersfield and Monterey were rained out. They're hoping to reschedule the matches.



Hot streak ends

Giants KO Rams in first of conference playoffs round

The men's basketball team may find themselves wanting to forget Friday's 60-55 upset loss to COS, but City fans won't soon forget what it took to make it to that game.

The men won seven of their last eight games, making them the valley's hottest team going into the Shaughnessy Playoffs. They lost only twice in 13 home appearances, certainly giving City fans something to cheer about.

Friday's loss was an especially bitter finale for Fresno, considering they had beaten the Giants by 17 points only a week earlier.

The Rams suffered from a cold shooting night, hitting only 23 of 60 shots from the field. Even so, neither team led by more than

five points in the game, which wasn't decided until the closing minutes.

Fresno had several scoring opportunities down the stretch, including two shots with 22 seconds remaining, but failed to capitalize.

Craig Cleveland was the Rams' high scorer with 14 points. Teammates David Ramirez and Keith Postler added 12 and 10 points respectively.

Even though Friday's loss was an obvious disappointment to Ram coach Chuck Stark, the season as a whole can certainly be considered a success.

The Rams featured one of the valley's leading scorers in Rick Ryan, who averaged 18.2 points in league. Ryan proved very

instrumental in guiding the Ram offense along with Postler.

John Langston and Ron Chatman both put on some impressive defensive shows for Fresno. Langston was primarily responsible for holding the league's top scorer, George Holt of Reedley, to just 11 points, considerably lower than his 24.9 average at that time. Chatman dominated the boards for the Rams throughout the season. He grabbed eight defensive rebounds in one half against American River.

Coach Stark has a lot to be optimistic about next year's team. Postler and Cleveland, both starters, will return. Also coming back will be Ramirez and Keith Wright, who both saw considerable action in reserve roles.

JOCK TALK

Winter sports off stage, spring on

by Henry Gutierrez
Sports Editor

Cale Yarborough and Donnie Allison continued their feud on the track in Rockingham, N.C., this past weekend with an eight-car pileup resulting in the bitter battle. By coincidence, Donnie's brother Bobbie went on to capture the race.

FCC's men's basketball team fell out of post-season play with a 60-55 defeat to COS Friday night. The Ram women also didn't fare too well with a 73-57 loss to Sac City on Thursday night past.

Tom Merlo's 49-3 paced the Ram cindermen to a 82-54 victory over Fresno Pacific and the Fresno Pacific Track Club. Merlo along with Larry Sciaqua and Gerry Hodges all PRed in a FCC shotput sweep.

The Ram women also posted a victory with Daina Macias scoring an impressive triple in the 400 meter relay, long jump, and 100 meter low hurdles.

The men's tennis team split a pair of Valley Conference matches the past week.

FCC's baseball squad defeated Hancock 8-5, but fell to my Uncle Pete's Bakersfield Renegades 4-1 in pre-season play. Ed Alcantar and the pitching of Steve Ellsworth paced the Rams in that win over Hancock.

The Ram swimmers are 1-1 in league with an important meet tomorrow against San Joaquin Delta here in the FCC pool.

My congratulations to my alma mater San Joaquin Memorial, and good luck in their quest for the girls basketball title in the Tournament of Champions in Oakland this weekend. The SJM team is hoping to better their second place finish in last year's contest.

The FCC coaches will have to wait a few years in the hope of landing any of the talented females. The Panther squad only has two seniors.



Former member defends Moon's church

Cults.

Just the mention of the word lately brings to mind images of Jonestown, brainwashing and people losing their will to some leader or ideal. It seems also that people often lump all the groups we are calling cults into one category and figure that what one cult does is common practice among the others. This is not the case.

Though I can not speak for the practices of all "cults" in this country, I would like to take this opportunity to address myself to several areas of concern which have been discussed in publications around the country and commented on by the Rampage Opinion Editor in last week's editorial.

I feel that I, as a journalist, must comment on certain aspects of "cult" life since I probably have more knowledge about how at least one of the major "cults" (the Moonies) actually works than most people on this campus.

For over a year I was an active member of the Unification Church of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. While in the Family I saw how the church worked and met and talked to local, national and international church leaders in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and New York City.

"For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

"And a man's foes shall be they of his own household,

"He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."

No, these are not the words of Rev. Moon trying to explain the relationship of church members to their families who oppose their new found beliefs. These are the words spoken by Jesus Christ in the Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Be that as it may, I have seen quite a few people join the Unification Church and not once have I seen or heard of an instance when a new member was not encouraged to keep strong ties with their parents and friends. In fact, church leaders tell members that they have a responsibility to share their new way of life and the happiness they have found with the people at home who love them.

Any time that a church member wishes to leave the church, as I did, or just visit their parents, they are allowed to go and many times the church will pay their way there and back.

On the other hand "concerned" parents often hire kidnappers (called de-programmers) to abduct a church member (of legal age) against their will and then subject them to physical and verbal abuse in attempt to "save" them from the church.

I've read many references to the process used to recruit potential members of the Church. Everything I've read so far makes it sound as though church leaders devise techniques to be used by members; to pretend love and concern in order to

lure unsuspecting people into the church. This simply is not the case.

Of all the people in the Unification Church that I have met, from the farm crew at the Family farm in Boonville, Ca. to the older members who work and live with Rev. Moon at the church's estate in New York to the members who go out daily raising funds or looking for new members, every one has sincerely believed (or hoped) in the good they are doing for the people they bring to the church and the good they are trying to do for the world.

Is not the fact that so many people have responded to the love and sharing offered by different cults an indication that there is something wrong with large portions of our society? It seems to indicate that these young people aren't getting the love they need from parents and friends and so are open to the genuine love expressed by such people as Unification Church members.

I'm really amazed that so many people are seemingly shocked when they hear that a Unification Church member would "laid down their life for the cause." Have we as a society become so soft and afraid for our own lives that we no longer feel there should be things important enough to lay down one's life for?

Admittedly, in this affluent society of ours we are seldom, if ever, faced with having to make serious sacrifices. But if this attitude had prevailed at other times in our history, this nation would not exist today.

The only mention I will make of the financial dealings of the Church is the form of a question. How much land and wealth has been amassed by the Catholic Church or the Mormon Church or certain Protestant denominations and evangelists?

In closing, I would like to say that as I look at the world as it is today and what it may someday become if certain trends continue, it is good to know that thousands of energetic, inspired people, young and old, are working and sacrificing, trying to make this world into a better place.

They're doing the things they do because they think they have found the truth, and part of that truth tells them to save the world, physically and spiritually. That's what they are trying to do with their flower selling, training camps, all night prayer vigils, fasting, working hard, and all the other things they do that many people don't understand.

Whether these activities will produce positive results, only time will tell. But simply the fact that these people, and others all around the world, secular and religious, are at least trying to do something good for others is encouraging to me. If we through misunderstanding or prejudice against beliefs different from our own, limit the work these people are trying to do we may do ourselves and our descendants more harm than we realize.

— Sam Tull