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FCC to implement new fee for refunds of fees paid, fee for transcript requests raised

Monies to be placed in district general fund
By Rima Patterson

A \$10 refund charge will be imposed on students who request refunds on fees paid, and the \$2 fee now charged for all transcripts after the second request will be raised to \$5 per transcript, effective July 1, 1997.

The district claims that the refund fee is being implemented due to the, "...significant burden placed on the business office and staffing in order to accommodate student refunds on fees paid." The increase in fees for additional transcripts is said to be, "necessary to help offset... the costs incurred in providing a third transcript."

According to John H. Cummings, Dean of Admissions and

Records, 2,020 students were dropped from a class during the Spring '97 semester because they did not attend class on the first day of meeting. Cummings estimates that of the students registering for the Fall '97 semester, approximately 25 percent will not attend. During the Spring '97 semester, 2,251 refunds for fees paid were issued. At a \$10 fee per class, this amounts to \$22,510 that the administrative offices would have earned last semester. 10,473 transcripts have been issued to date during the Fall '97 semester. At a \$5 fee after the third request, this amounts to a minimum of \$3,490. These profits will be added to the district general funds which are used for FCC as well as the Kings River and Madera campuses.

The refund fee will only be

charged to students who receive an actual refund. It will not apply to students who opt to apply the monies to other classes during the same or following semesters or to students who have had their fees waived by the Board of Governor's Grant.

Kings River and Madera campuses will also be affected by the new fees, but because their enrollment is not as high as FCC they will not be contributing as much profits to the general district fund from which all campuses draw.

The district presented this change to student body president Cary Catalano at a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 18 as a "done deal." Catalano refuses to accept the proposal as such and believes that nothing is a done deal. In the interests of the students of Fresno City College, Catalano

spoke to six history and political science classes starting Wednesday, Feb. 19 to help make students aware of the increases in advance and to encourage students to help him reverse the decision or lessen the increases. He also addressed the Inter-Club council on Thursday, Feb. 20. "I would encourage students to take an active role in helping their student representatives change or amend this policy via phone calls, letters, or petitions," said Catalano. "It's going to take all of us together to change this." He will be speaking to students in the English and math departments this week.

The issue will be brought forward at a chancellor's cabinet meeting Monday, Feb. 24. Catalano will be meeting with District Chancellor

Dr. Bill Stewart this week to discuss it further.

The \$10 fee to be charged when a student drops a class may help eliminate 'window shopping' for classes. A student will be less likely to register for a class only as a back up plan in case another class falls through. Teachers may also be able to start class on the first day of school rather than spend the first week playing lottery to decide which students can take the seats of those who were registered and are not attending the class.

The increase to \$5 for transcript requests could help to ensure that students will apply only to schools at which they are serious about attending and at which they feel they have a good chance of being accepted.

Dr. Dan Larios unanimously voted into office as new FCC President



Photo courtesy of FCC Public Information Office

Larios will assume the position of President on April 1, to replace Bill Harris. Larios is currently the President at Irvine Valley College but grew up in Fresno and is looking forward to returning to his home town.

Cary Catalano has high hopes for FCC's future
By Dan Martin

After sifting through more than 50 applications for the position, the State Center Community College District unanimously voted Dr. Dan Larios into the office of Fresno City College President last week. Larios will assume the position on April 1, to replace Brice Harris, who will leave FCC to become the Chancellor of the Los Rios Community College District in Sacramento. Larios' contract will run through June 30, 2000.

"I'm very excited," Larios said about moving to FCC. "Not only do I get to come back to my hometown where I grew up, but I get to lead a great community college."

Larios grew up and advanced through his education in Fresno—at Chester Rowell Elementary, Yosemite Jr. High, Roosevelt High, and California State University, Fresno, where he earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture.

Dr. Bill F. Stewart, Chancellor

of the SCCC, thinks Larios is the right one to do the job. "I believe he is a great addition to the administrative team of the district and will do a fine job as the new president."

Larios told the Rampage that he would like to improve outreach to high school students. "I've always been a proponent of providing everything for students to make them successful."

The 49-year-old described himself as a "planner, team builder, and people person." He will be leaving his current position of president at Irvine Valley College.

"He'll be fantastic," said Associated Student Government President Cary Catalano. "He puts the students first. I think he's going to be a really big plus."

Larios visited the campus last week and had lunch with FCC officials. "What really made me feel good is that it's an old college—it's been there for 87 years, and it still has a spirit. That's exciting for me."

Woman struck by truck on McKinley in front of FCC

Woman believed to be FCC student listed as critical, driver not injured
By Dan Martin

A woman was struck by a pickup truck last week on McKinley in front of Fresno City College, The Fresno Bee reported last week. Police believed the woman is a student at the college.

The woman, in her early 20s, was admitted to University Medical

Center on Wednesday, February 19. Her condition was listed as critical, with head and leg injuries. Police said she most likely would not survive.

The driver of the vehicle was not injured, and the speed of the vehicle was said to be under investigation.

Fresno Police officers would not release the police report or any other information to the Rampage.

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Renaissance festival returns

March 8, 9

The Fresno City College Renaissance Festival will return March 8 and 9 to its original site on the west lawn next to the old administration building. The event is a re-creation of a 16th century village fair with many costumed entertainers and merchants from throughout California on hand entertaining and selling their finest

arts, crafts and foods of the era.

The event will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days. Admission is \$3.00 per adult, and \$1.50 per child, half off with the donation of a non-perishable food item.

Proceeds will benefit the Central California AIDS Foundation.



Bad girls and witches are delt with harshly at the Festival - come and join the fun.

Photo courtesy of Amy Klassen-Cox

FCC 3-on-3 results

FCC placed in the 3-on-3 Intramural Basketball Tournament sponsored by Schick on Feb. 7. The two finalist teams played the deciding game during the halftime break at the FCC/Porterville basketball game on Feb. 8.

FCC's winning team, "The Silent Assassins" consisting of Michael King, Emaud Guindy, and Mike Marquez, then traveled to USC to capture the Pacific Coast Region

Championship on Feb. 22. Teams from as many as 25 regional colleges competed in this, the 13th annual Schick Super Hoops Tournament. The winning team brought home a prize package including t-shirts, jackets, and sweatshirts which are provided by Schick.

Schick Super Hoops is endorsed by the NBA and the National Intramural Sports Association.

ACUI tournament results

Source: FCC Student Activities Center

The Association of College Union International Tournament was held at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo this past weekend, Feb. 14 to 16. The tournament is a regional intramural sporting program which allows winners from California schools to travel

and compete in various events. FCC students Dino Bonadeli and Jhoé Asayi competed in chess, and Chan Sengphang, Edward Asistin and Souk Phabmusay in billiards.

Though no FCC student took first prize, Bonadeli placed third overall in chess and Asistin made it to the semi-finals, to tie for fifth and sixth place.

FCC discount night with the Fresno Falcons

Fresno City College Night with the Fresno Falcons will take place on Saturday, March 15 during the game against Anchorage at Selland Arena. With this promotion students and staff of Fresno City College will receive a free ticket for every ticket they purchase (2 tickets for \$8.00). This night is also Fan Appreciation Night, and will have the Ole'-Timers game during halftime. Game time is at 7:30 p.m.

Debate team advances

The Fresno City College debate team reached the semi-finals of the Western States Debate Tournament held Feb. 14-16 at CSU Monterey. The team of Desiree Terronez and Alex Spjute defeated a Wyoming team from Northwest Community College on a unanimous decision before losing to Arizona State on a split decision. The tournament had more than 30 schools from ten states in attendance.

What's news on the internet

Big Yellow, a national online yellow pages service has made the job search a little easier. This service, developed by NYNEX, lists nearly every business in the United States, including comprehensive lists of resume

services, employment agencies and career counseling firms. The Big Yellow web site is www.bigyellow.com

source: NNYNEX Information Resources Co.

Easier access to student records available

The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) was amended to allow community colleges and schools to exchange information about disciplinary acts. The new regulations require community

colleges to give students, parents and law enforcement agencies freer access to student records. This policy went into effect in December of last year.

Source: Nota Bene

This week in Rampage history...

Pigeons and guys play hard to get.

A look back at Rampage news of the past

Compiled by Ryan LaMar

20 YEARS AGO as reported on Feb. 24, 1977: Student privacy is enhanced with the passage of a new federal mandate known as the Student Privacy Act. Under the new law a student may obtain an unofficial copy of any of his files held by FCC, enter a rebuttal to a negative report in his records, and the student may specify which data is to be kept public or private. According to the Associate Dean of Records Ward Lasher, "No one may examine your records without your written permission," but the FBI along with any other law enforcement body can view

confidential files only with a court order.

25 YEARS AGO as reported on Feb. 24, 1972: In an effort to eliminate pigeon defecation as a natural hazard to FCC students and buildings, the administration has renewed a drive to discourage pigeons from roosting on campus. This fall, FCC obtained a permit from the Fresno County Agricultural Commission to allow a professional pest control agency to use Avitrol on campus for one year. Several years ago Avitrol was used on campus briefly, until public protest halted the practice.

The Rampage is the winner of an All American rating for its issues of last semester. The rating is the high-

est awarded by the Association of College Press Critical Rating Service which critiques and judges high school, college and university papers across the nation.

40 YEARS AGO as reported on Feb. 21, 1957: The week of March 11-15 has officially been scheduled as T.W.I.R.P. week. T.W.I.R.P. is an acronym for The Woman Is Requested to Pay. During this week it will be up to the women, if they want any dates, to ask the men to go out, and of course pay the tab. According to the Rampage, "This is the week in the year that the menfolk at Fresno Junior College live for and the women just dread to see come. Ah yes, man strikes back!"

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Police Log

Feb. 17- A student in a vehicle attempted to back out of Parking Lot J, which impeded a heavy traffic flow. When the subject was advised by an FCC employee to remedy the situation the subject became verbally disruptive. The subject was cited, and sent away.

Feb. 17- An officer approached two suspicious looking subjects on campus, and found one to have Marijuana. The suspect was arrested, cited and released.

The Empire Strikes Back For A Second Time

■ The second installment delivers entertainment satisfaction to the Star Wars faithful.

By Patrick Cox,
Contributing Writer

What can be said about one of the greatest movie series of all time that people do not already know? Not much. On Jan. 31, 1997, the world was treated to a big screen showing of *Star Wars*, a movie that changed pop culture and movie making forever, to celebrate the film's twentieth anniversary. For the re-release, the film was cleaned up and restored to its original brilliance. In addition, George Lucas (the mind behind the popular universe), took the opportunity to change things that he was not pleased with in the original. He changed the look of Mos Eisley, added Jabba the Hutt as well as some other things, and used digital technology, which will be the cornerstone of the new Star Wars prequel trilogy set to be released in theatres in 1999.

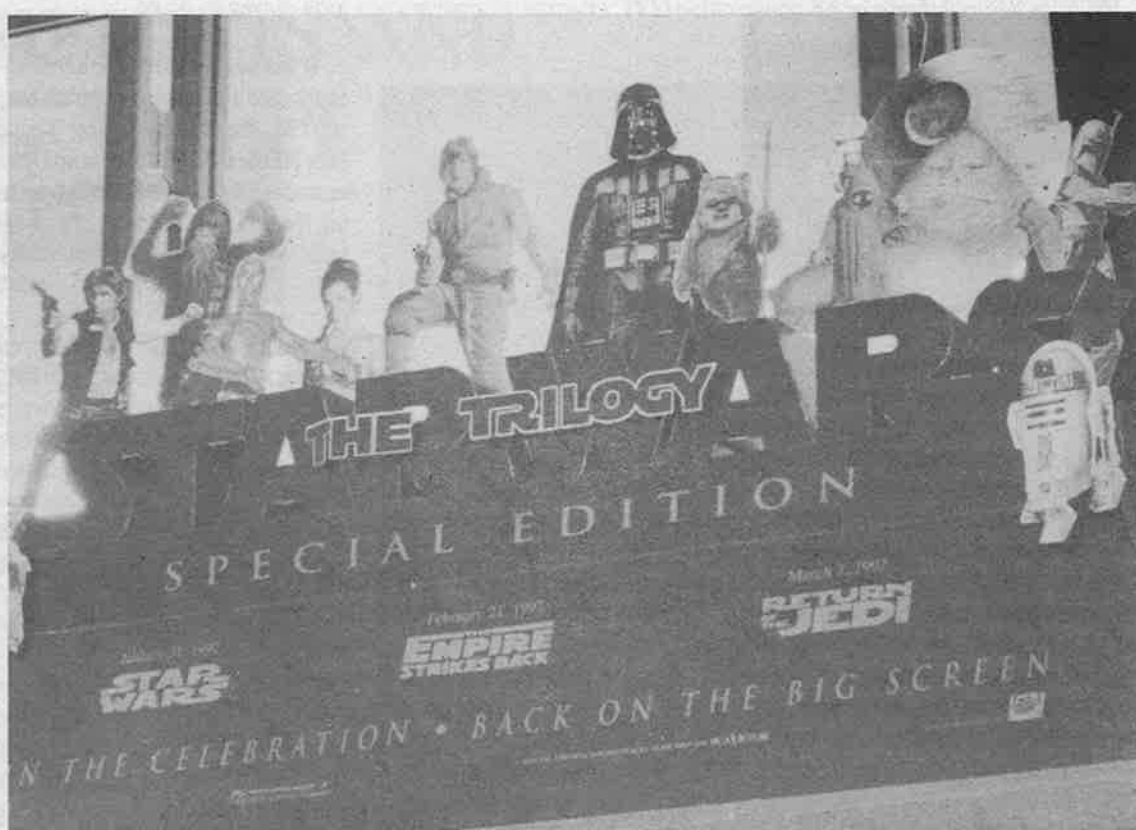
Now on Friday, Feb. 21 the world was treated with the second chapter of the Star Wars Trilogy (or the fifth, if you want to get technical), *The Empire Strikes Back*.

The Empire Strikes Back, starring Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, and Mark Hamill, starts where the first film left off. The Death Star has been

destroyed, and the Empire is as mad as hornets, with ultimate villain Darth Vader searching for Luke Skywalker (Hamill). The Rebels establish a base on the remote, icy world of Hoth after fleeing Yavin, the planet seen at the end of *Star Wars*. Vader quickly finds them, and from there until the end of the film, the Rebels find themselves being relentlessly pushed by the evil Galactic Empire and the Dark Lord of the Sith, Vader, culminating in Han Solo (Ford) being frozen in carbonite and Skywalker getting his hand dismembered in a light saber duel with Darth Vader.

This special edition of *The Empire Strikes Back* does not boast as many additions or changes as was the case with *Star Wars*, but this was due largely to the success of the first film, which in turn allowed Lucas to spend more time and money on the two sequels (the third of which being *Return of the Jedi*, due out in theaters on Mar. 7, 1997).

This does not mean that *The Empire Strikes Back* is any less spectacular than *Star Wars*. Matte lines have been cleaned up in the Hoth battle sequence between the Rebel snowspeeders and the Imperial AT-AT's (All Terrain-Armored Transports), also known as Imperial Walkers. The addition of new footage containing the Wampa Ice Creature, when Skywalker is hanging upside down in a cave, does an amazing job



The Trilogy brings back some of our favorite space characters from the past.

Photo By Ted Valverde

of bringing more suspense to a scene that Lucas felt was not suspenseful enough. Digital technology now allows the Millennium Falcon to fly around and through the cityscape of Bespin's Cloud City. For those whose allegiance runs more toward the dark side, new footage of Darth Vader has also been added.

In addition to the myriad of film

improvements, the film's score has also been changed. New and previously unreleased music by John Williams, the composer of the original music for the trilogy, has been added as well. Many films have released soundtracks, but very few of them can stand alone from their parent movie(s). This is one that can.

For those waiting for the video re-

lease of the special edition trilogy, don't waste the time waiting. Lucas has stated that the Star Wars Special Edition trilogy was meant to be experienced on the big screen, and if he has his way (and he probably will), there will be no video release of the Star Wars Trilogy Special Edition. This movie, like its predecessor, is a must see.

Club Fred Hosts Free Radio Fresno Benefit

■ Local bands play to bring back 102.3

By Amy Klassen-Cox

A benefit show to aid Free Radio Fresno 102.3 was held last Friday at Club Fred. The evening began with a primitive drum circle acoustical jam session. Next on the bill was Extra Medium, an alternative band that performed a few originals and also covered some songs by Tool and Blind Melon. 3 of the Kind was the last band to play, and they offered great jam music. All three musical acts were vastly different as far as style, which added to the diversity of musical tastes in Fresno.

About 100 people turned out to support Free Radio Fresno, and the atmosphere was one of neighborliness. The audience was extremely receptive to the groove oriented music that was



3 of the Kind jams at Club Fred Benefit

Photo By Georgia Potter

performed that night.

The benefit was held to raise funds to replace 102.3's radio transmitter which was stolen recently. Free Radio Fresno will be holding more benefit shows, possibly once a month or bimonthly. The benefits also

help assist Food Not Bombs and the needle exchange program. The next benefit to be held is scheduled for Mar. 16 and will include a barbecue and two bands. This event is planned to be held at Club Fred.

406 Needs a Brighter Venue

■ Despite a great show, crowd was unresponsive.

By Amy Klassen-Cox

The FSU Pub housed one of FCC's best bands last Thursday night. 406 headlined the all ages show, and Sexaphone and Public Television got everything started.

Usually the shows at the Pub are pretty jumping, but something was terribly wrong at this show. The audience seemed to be glued to their seats, mimicking dazed-out lumps who could not remember what to do when good music was being played.

This was understandable during the first two acts, as musical ability was grossly lacking. But it was sad to see 406 play a great set to a bunch of blank faces. The audience just did not get it. 406 played a tight set, sounding just a bit like a Tool, but not taking the easy route of duplicating Tool's style. Hopefully 406 will be able to book shows where the audience will appreciate their style and abilities. A band of their caliber deserves a much better reaction than what they got at the Pub.

Time for Bands To Battle

■ Local acts sought for music competition

By Amy Klassen-Cox

The Battle of the Bands is currently accepting entries. Over \$4,400 in prizes will be awarded. Every entry will receive a \$24 coupon towards music services and radio air time on three or more stations. Two winners will receive a one year Internet contract, 40 hours of recording time with 12 hours of mix down mastered to DAT for CD duplication, and a pull-all-the-stops Gold package. Four runners-up will receive 12 hours of tracking time.

The entry fee for each band is \$39. The rules state that all

with record labels or other industry-related contracts. Each band is to perform a minimum of 15 minutes and no more than 30 minutes unless otherwise specified. No cussing will be allowed on stage or in the recordings. Each contestant will be judged on entertainment value, audience reaction, communication, sportsmanship, musical ability, lyrical content, set-up time, and songwriter skills.

To enter, mail the group name, the person to contact in the group, their phone number and address, along with the names of all of the people involved with the band and their position to P.O. Box 1299,

TOWER FREE RADIO 104.5 ACCEPTING DEMOS

Free Radio 104.5, in an effort to promote college bands and the local music scene, is accepting local demos to be played on the air. To have demos considered, drop them off at Rainbow Sound and Drum or Charlie Daniel's Music.

Free Publicity For FCC Bands

The Rampage is searching for college bands for an upcoming pull-out section. The only requirement is that one band member be a student at FCC. We will also review shows and demos. To have your band featured in the Rampage, contact the Entertainment Editor at 442-8263 or drop by the office above the bookstore.

Men Crush Delta; Women Capture Napa Valley Crown

Men begin defense of 15 consecutive CVC championships; women look strong in Napa
By Scott A. Mayes

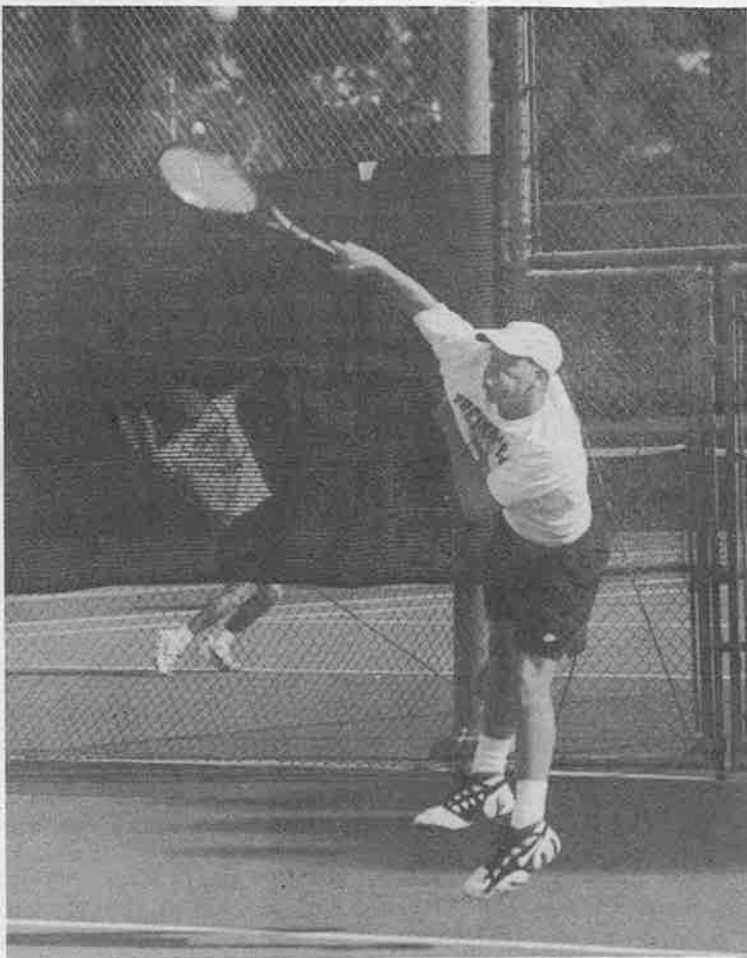


Photo by Joe Senneway
Freshman sensation Matt Kavanagh takes to the air as FCC routed Delta 8-0.

FCC takes 3 of 4 at own tourney

After a busy tournament schedule, league play begins Thursday.
By Allen Coleman

Ram pitchers haunted and handcuffed the opposing team's batters with a variety of different pitches, and Ram hitters appeared to have had a big league swing as they pounded out a bunch of run scoring base hits at Euless Park over the week-end in a 5 team 3 day tournament.

On Friday night Ram lefthander Paul Avery fashioned a 2 hitter against Chabot CC. Ram catcher Henry Cazares who mentioned last week that he wasn't playing too well, drove home the winning run with a hard hit 6th inning run scoring single up the middle to cap a 4-3 victory. Avery now 1-0 was the winning pitcher. Avery went the distance, fanned 11, and walked 2. Chabot's lefthander Derrick Vargas was tagged with the loss. First baseman Ryan Accardo went 2-4.

The Rams launched a surprise attack on DeAnza's starting pitcher Jordan Romero. They banged out 11 hits and scored 9 runs in a 11-4 victory. Righthander Daniel Viveros

and Freshman righthander Brian James combined a 5 hitter. Viveros picked up the win and upped his record to 2-2. James got the save. Romero was the loser. Jason Papi went 3-4 with 2 RBIs, Ram top hitter Kyle Moore, Right fielder Brent Gutierrez, and left fielder Brian Matos all had 2 hits apiece.

Sunday afternoon's fanfare was full of excitement late in the game when Cañada's head coach Mike Garcia and the home plate umpire stood toe to toe and exchanged a few words normally used in the tradition of baseball. When all was said, the umpire once again said "play ball", and the "Big Red Machine" continued to crank out base hits and produce runs. Kyle Moore greeted Cañada's starting pitcher Colin Sullivan with a homer to left field in the 1st inning which ended in a 5 run Ram rally and the Rams scored 6 more runs in the game for a 11-6 win over the Colts. Righthander Rip Rogers 3-1 struck out 5, gave up 9 hits and walked 3. Chad Johnson was credited with the save. Sullivan was

If last week served as a thermometer for the 1997 tennis program here at FCC, the Rams are hot. Thurs. Feb. 20, the men's team beat up Delta in an easy 8-0 shutout. On the ensuing Fri. and Sat., the women's squad grabbed the title at The Napa Valley Classic, a tournament they weren't even supposed to compete in.

Thurs. at FCC, the men wrapped up the victory without needing double's play. The singles winners were Matt Kavanagh, Scott Kendrick, Cody Stephens, Jeff Lennon, Daren Carter, and Steve Lippert. Kendrick was the only player of the six that even went to three sets. He lost the first set 6-7 then bounced back to dominate the following two, 6-1 and 6-1.

The men's team is looking for their 16th consecutive conference championship. Coach Bill Wayte likes his chances this season but it's still early. "We have some young guys and we have a few veterans," said Wayte. "I guess we'll just have to see how we come out in the wash."

While the men's team has won 15 consecutive championships, the women's team writes a different chapter in a different book. "We didn't win a match last year," recalled second year Coach Mark Belman. "I'm pleased with where we're at. By the end of the season, we should be very good."

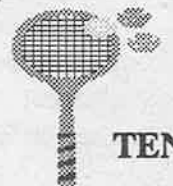
Last Thurs. Feb. 20, the women's team was supposed to play Merced here at FCC. Merced has dropped their women's tennis program this year due to an insufficient number of players. Consequently, Merced cancelled the match. Belman then called to Napa Valley. The next day they

were in Napa starting what would finish a great weekend of tennis.

Sarah Massie and Kelly Gonzales led the Rams as their doubles team captured the finals victory 6-2, 6-3. FCC also placed three entries in the finals for singles play. Marilyn Watts and Gonzales won their respective singles matches. Massie lost in the finals 3-6, 3-6.

FCC took the tournament crown with a score of 24. Diablo Valley and Porterville had 21 and DeAnza finished with a score of 18.

Upon returning home Sunday, the



TENNIS

Rams headed over to Fresno State to face the Bulldog's JV team. This is the first time this has taken place but playing against FSU will be scheduled once a year from now on according to Belman.

After three days of tennis and travel, Belman gave the ladies the day off on Monday. "We're a little road weary," he said. "But not too bad."

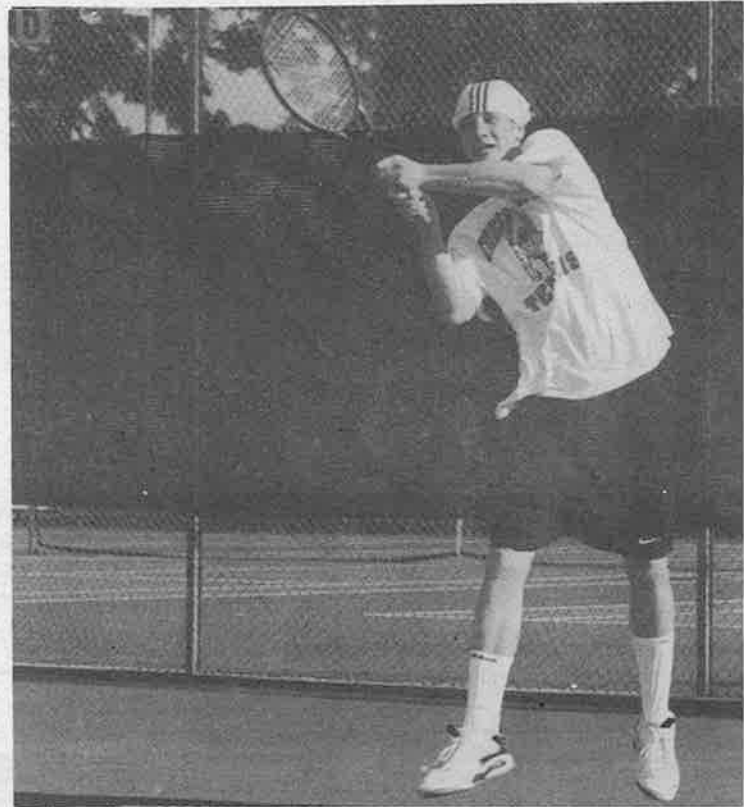


Photo by Joe Senneway
Cody Stephens is one of four sophomores on Bill Wayte's 1997 team. Stephens won his singles match 6-3, 6-2 against Delta last Thursday.

BASEBALL



the losing pitcher. Shortstop Kevin Patrick garnered most of the Rams hits. He went 4-5 with 2 RBIs, Steve Woodward went 3-5 with 1 RBI, Kyle Moore and Jason Papi collected 2 hits and Henry Cazares was 2-3 with 3 RBIs.

On Sunday night the tournament ended in a slugging match between FCC and Allan Hancock College. Hancock hitters jumped on Ram pitchers for 13 hits and 15 runs in a 15-10 victory. FCC's 11 hits and 10 runs wasn't enough to out slug Hancock.

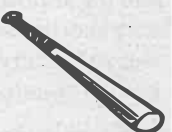
RAM SCOREBOARD & Events

baseball- 2/21- FCC 4, Chabot 3
2/22- FCC 11, DeAnza 4
2/23- FCC 11, Canada 6
2/23- Allan Hancock 15, FCC 10
this week- 2/27 at Kings River 6p.m.
3/1 home vs. West Hills 1p.m.
men's basketball- 2/19-
FCC 115, Modesto 88
2/22-
FCC 77, Kings River 51
this week-regional playoffs
3/1 home vs. Gavilan 7p.m.
women's basketball- 2/22-
C.O.S. 87, FCC 85
this week-regional playoffs
TBA
men's golf-
this week-tournament 2/27
at Fresno 1230p.m.

softball- 2/22- FCC 5, Hancock 0
2/22- FCC 10, Hancock 3
this week- 2/28-3/2
at Bakersfield Classic
men's tennis- 2/20- FCC 8, Delta 0
this week- 2/27 home vs.
Kings River 2p.m.
3/4 at C.O.S. 2p.m.
women's tennis- 2/21-2/22
Napa Valley Classic- FCC 24, Diablo Valley 21, Porterville 21, DeAnza 18
this week- 2/27 at Kings River 2p.m.
3/4 at C.O.S. 2p.m.
track- 2/22-
men- FCC 135, Kings River 1
women- FCC 68, Kings River 3
this week- 2/28-meet at Stockton 2p.m.

Rams Hammer Hancock in double header: 5-0, 10-3

Christy Anderson sets the tone with a 3-hit shutout in game 1.
By Chad Rhyman



SOFTBALL

Get your brooms out baby its sweep time. Rams softball swept the ladies from Allan Hancock College in Saturdays double header. Game one a shutout Rams 5 Bulldogs 0, game two Rams 10 Bulldogs 3. In the first game the Rams brought it all together defensively and offensively. Karla Tovar got it all started in the first inning of the game when she socked a triple and then scored off the sacrifice fly by Jackie Renya. Then in the 5th Lolie Wiesner smacked a single which brought Tovar and Renya across the plate to score. Both hit singles to get on. Defense was routine for the Rams, they made tough plays look easy. Pitcher Christy Anderson had a great

game tossing a three hitter leaving two Hancock batters at the plate pulling up their socks.

In game two City's Julie Montagu went 2 for 3 with 3 RBIs. Shannon Rhames was 2 for 3 with an RBI. Sara Pinkerton pitched 4 innings for the win. Erin Biggs came in for the last 3 innings and closed down Hancock's offense. The Rams total offense included 14 hits, 11 of which were singles. "We played great defense and hit the ball very well," coach Rhonda Williams said.

"This was the first time we brought it all together, offense and defense," coach Williams said after the crushing of the Bulldogs from Hancock College.



The softball hit the glove early and often. Saturday as Allan Hancock mustered only seven hits in 14 innings against the trio of Christy Anderson, Sara Pinkerton and Erin Biggs.

Photo by Kong Meng Vang

RAM BASKETBALL: REACH- ING NEW HEIGHTS AND EXECUTING THE PLAN

■ Cleveland, Selleaze grab conference top honors; playoffs for men and women upcoming
By Scott A. Mayes

If history does indeed repeat itself, The Fresno City College basketball program is waiting with bated breath. On Sat. Feb. 21, the men's and women's team both claimed a piece of the Coast Valley Conference Championship pie.

The number one ranked men's team defeated Kings River 77-51 to capture the title. The number eight ranked women's team lost to C.O.S. in an 87-85 upset. The loss forged a first place tie between FCC and Merced, the number three team in the state.

The two league championships, (the women being co-champions), marks the first time the two teams have won The CVC Championship in the same year in school history.

This week will be the kickoff of the regional basketball playoffs. The men will be at home for their first game, Sat. March 1 against Gavilan. The opponent for the women as well as game time was not available at the time of print.

The men closed out the regular season at 27-3 while the women were 24-4. After collectively winning 88 percent of this years games, the two teams are closing in on some top numbers.

For the women, the school record of 26 wins was set by the 1992-93 team. With two wins in the playoffs, this year's team would equal the all-time mark.

The men's 1997 record of 27 wins is fourth on the all-time list. Above a three way tie with 28 wins is the 1956 team under the direction of Joe Kelly with a record of 29-5. Perhaps untouchable is the 33-5 mark of Kelly's 1963 team, FCC's best.

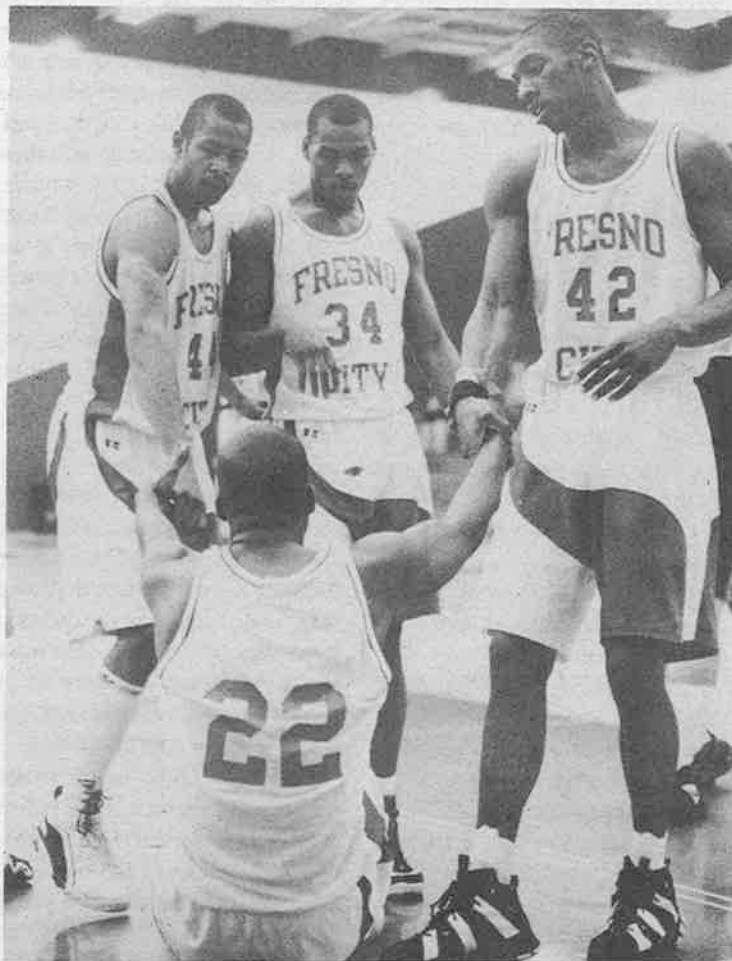
As the CVC regular season comes to a close, the votes are in:

On the men's side, Coach Steve Cleveland was named CVC Coach of the Year while Ron Selleaze was named MVP of the league.

The guard tandem of Rafer Alston and Michael Garrett proved fruitful as both were selected to the first team while Cory Powell received honorable mention.

For the women, Nika Holmes, Shawnta Debro and Miriam Sanchez were first team selections.

The ten man roster of the men's



Cory Powell gets a lift from his team.

The Rams proved that teamwork was the key placing three players on the all-CVC team.

team has only three sophomores and the women's team is made up of nine freshman, not a sophomore in sight. For veteran coach Steve Cleveland and first year coach Karen Wood, the table is set. An incredible accomplishment has been achieved but I can assure you, they're not finished. The second season starts this Satur-

day.

The Fresno Bee's story on Sun. Feb. 23 was inaccurate. The story stated that the women's loss to C.O.S. cost them the CVC Championship and that they finished second to Merced. Actually, FCC previously had a one game lead over Merced. The loss created a co-championship



Steve Cleveland and Karen Wood joined together to give FCC two conference championships in 1997.

Photo by Don Davis

**CVC Places 11 Teams In
Regional Tourney; Men get
no. 2 seed, women no. 5**

NORTHERN REGIONAL MEN-

C.O.S. (28) AT SKYLINE (5)
WEST HILLS (27) AT WEST
VALLEY (6)
MODESTO (22) AT FOOTHILL
(13)
MERCED (21) AT SOLANO (10)
NAPA (23) AT COLUMBIA (11)
SACRAMENTO (25) AT
PORTERVILLE (9)
GAVILAN (32) AT FRESNO (2)

WOMEN-

MODESTO (19) AT
HARTNELL (14)
FEATHER RIVER (18) AT
PORTERVILLE (15)
FRESNO (5)-FIRST ROUND
BYE
MERCED (1)-FIRST ROUND
BYE



Photo by Ted Valverde

Team unity was the key for this all-freshman team, 1997 CVC co-champions



SHAWNTA DEBRO
FRESHMAN
5-5 GUARD



TANZENIKA "NIKA"
HOLMES FRESHMAN
6-0 FORWARD



CHRISTIE JOHNSON
FRESHMAN
5-6 GUARD



MELISSA KELL
FRESHMAN
5-5 GUARD



AISHA MCGEE
FRESHMAN
5-11 CENTER



JEANETTE POWELL
FRESHMAN
6-2 CENTER

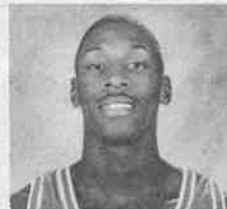


BRANDI SAMS
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MIRIAM SANCHEZ
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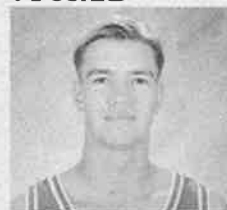
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MCCREARY FRESHMAN 5-7 GUARD



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CASEY CLEVELAND
FRESHMAN
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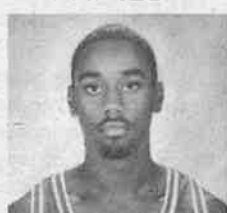
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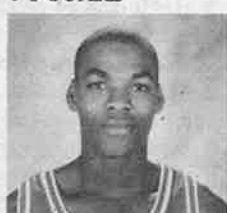
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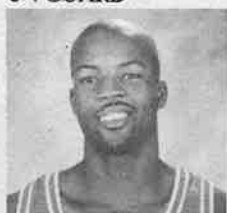
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DARNELL MCCOY
SOPHOMORE
6-4 GUARD



CORY POWELL
FRESHMAN
6-6 GUARD



RON SELLEAZE
SOPHOMORE
6-6 GUARD

The abortion debate may never die, unfortunately millions of innocent children will

By Leah Eddens

Schindler's List was on this weekend, I would have liked to have seen it, but I wasn't able to. I can imagine some of the things that would have been shown, Nazi death camp horrors. Real footage of the atrocities done by people who had no regard for life.

It's interesting, one of the major fallacies of the Nazi propaganda was that Jews were not considered persons. It's the same argument that plagued the minds of early Americans in the question of slavery: Were blacks persons? We look back on those eras and wonder at the moral obtuseness of a people that could for a minute believe that Jews or blacks, or any other person not quite like themselves, was non-human. Yet here we are, "civilized" Americans, so far from the mentality of Hitler or slave owners, arguing against the proven scientific facts that babies in the womb are human beings.

Here are some major arguments in favor of abortion, and the facts that refute them.

1. No one knows when life begins.

Fact: Two years prior to the Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion (Roe vs. Wade), a panel of 220 scientists, physicians, and professors gave legal council to the Court, stating that life begins at conception.

2. A woman should have the right to do what she wants with her body.

Fact: A baby in utero has its own heart beat, its own circulatory system, its own genetic code, many times a different blood type, its own finger prints, its own brain waves and 50 percent of the time it is a different sex from the mother. Scientifically, that baby is *not* a "part" of the woman's body. The woman is merely a host. A shelterer. A nurturer. Also, nine times out of ten it is not the woman's decision to have an abortion, but the boyfriend's, or the parents'.

3. Why bring a baby into the world who is not wanted?

Fact: There are about one million abortions performed each year in the United States. There are about two million couples who cannot have children waiting to adopt, but they are being told that there are not enough children.

4. What about the life of the mother?

Fact: statistics show that 95-97 per cent of all abortions performed are purely elective.

5. It would be too hard to give a baby up for adoption.

Fact: The emotional, psychological and too often physical scarring that a woman sustains as a result of an abortion, far outweigh the sense of loss incurred when putting a child up for adoption.

6. The woman cannot afford to raise a child.

Fact: more than 90 per cent of all abortions performed on middle and upper class women.

7. Women would revert to dangerous "back alley" abortions.

Fact: "back alley" "coat hanger" abortions are obsolete, just as leeches to cure infection are. Performed illegally, abortionists would have the same technology they have now. Also, 1 out of every 500 women who have abortions now, end up maimed, sterile, or dead.

8. Having children doesn't allow women to succeed.

Fact: Hey, I'm a full time student with a 4.00 GPA, I'm editor of this paper, I have a job (I'm not on welfare), and I'm a single mom. If I can do it, anyone can. The key is having people who believe in what is right support you, and believe me, they're out there.

There are many other arguments in favor of legalized abortion, but there are facts to refute each of them. It is a typical response of modern day societies to rid people of the symptoms while neglecting the causes of those same symptoms. Abortion is like a pain killer, it covers up the current problem, but does nothing to help prevent or cure the disease.

I wonder if fifty years from now people will look back at this American holocaust we call legalized abortion and wonder at the moral and intellectual obtuseness of a people who question the humanity of their own children as they send them to slaughter.

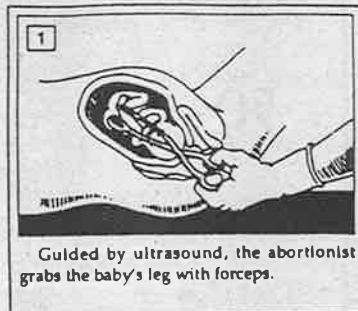
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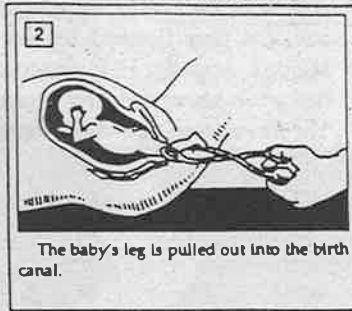
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What are the facts about Partial Birth Abortion

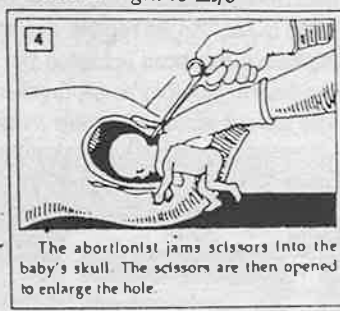
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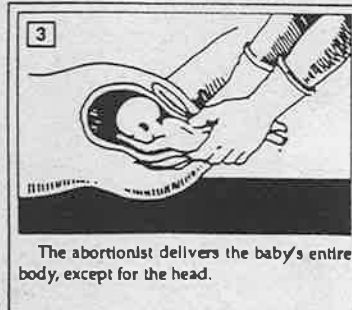
Guided by ultrasound, the abortionist grabs the baby's leg with forceps.



The baby's leg is pulled out into the birth canal.



The abortionist jams scissors into the baby's skull. The scissors are then opened to enlarge the hole.



The abortionist delivers the baby's entire body, except for the head.



The scissors are removed and a suction catheter is inserted. The child's brains are sucked out, causing the skull to collapse. The dead baby is then removed.

Designed by abortionists Martin Haskell and the late James McMahon, partial birth abortions are performed in the second half of pregnancy. By Dr. Haskell's own admission, the technique was invented in order to make the abortionists task easier. However, misinformation on the subject abounds.

1. "It may be necessary to save a woman's life."- False: there are no obstetrical situations which require a partially delivered human fetus to be destroyed to preserve the mother's life. A Caesarian section is the preferred method.

2. "It is sometimes necessary to preserve the mother's health."- False: Warren Hern M.D., author of the most widely used textbook on abortion denied that PBA is ever necessary to preserve the mother's health (psychologically or

physically).

3. "It is rarely done, in extreme cases." False: 600 to 2,000 per year are done, and 80 per cent of those are purely elective, and to prevent the birth of handicapped children.

4. "The anesthesia given to the mother kills the baby before the scissors thrust." False: Leading anesthesiologists testi-

fied before Congress that this is simply not true.

This procedure was brought before Congress in March of last year and with overwhelming bipartisan support it was voted that the procedure should be banned. President Clinton vetoed this ban.

ACROSS

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- 5 Plumbing problem
- 9 —Locka, Fla.
- 12 Curved molding
- 13 Circle dance
- 14 Yon maiden fair
- 15 New York City waterway
- 17 Squid squirt
- 18 Factor in Nixon's downfall
- 19 Lipstick alternative
- 21 "Bread"
- 24 Go out of focus
- 25 Turkish VIP
- 26 Redundant bonus
- 30 Part of R.S.V.P.
- 31 "Dead — Society"
- 32 Compete
- 33 Flight attendants
- 35 "Sisters" actress Ward
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- 49 The Bee —

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- 3 Bandleader Brown
- 4 "Wheel of Fortune" request
- 5 Integrated circuit
- 6 Lyricist's subject
- 7 Mined find
- 8 Cleans the throat
- 9 It empties into the Mississippi
- 10 Confines
- 11 Clumsy fleet
- 16 Bob's lifetime partner
- 20 Shlep
- 21 Wholesale
- 22 Skip
- 23 World's longest waterway
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- 26 Service member?
- 27 Flushed
- 28 Hollywood output
- 29 Earl Grey's
- ilk
- 31 UPS delivery
- 34 Ashen
- 35 Aristophanes specialty
- 37 Backing
- 38 Pull an all-nighter
- 39 One of the Strausses
- 40 Footballer's sore spot, maybe
- 41 Durante trademark
- 44 D.C. figure
- 45 Carpet cleaner briefly
- 46 I
- 47 Skedaddled

Roving Reporter: What is your opinion on abortion?



Selena Flores- That's a hard question, women should be able to do what they want, but it depends on the circumstances.



Rick Kruser- I'm pro choice-anti abortion. Women have the right, it's their baby



Tou Moua- I don't have any opinion but I think women should keep their babies



Sara Cochran- I don't approve of abortion, women should choose for themselves.



Al Robles- Against abortion. Do take a life.

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- RAM Top 10 -

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9. Impossible to get "I survived the riots/floods/wildfires/ mud slides" T-shirts in Fresno.
8. In L.A. when you reach into your pockets you risk being shot.
7. L.A. is inconveniently located hundreds of miles from Yosemite and Bass Lake.
6. You can pronounce most Fresno convenience-store workers names.
5. L.A.: muscle freaks at Venice Beach.
Fresno: Gyms with floor to ceiling windows.
4. Fresno doesn't have five area codes.
3. L.A.: Air filter needed to breathe. Fresno: Allergies are seasonal.
2. No down-home "okie" restaurants in L.A.
1. Fresno: hard working, religious, family oriented citizens. L.A.: drug crazed, heathen street survivors.

Some headlines you may have missed

Grandmother of eight makes hole in one

Police begin campaign to to run down jaywalkers

House passes gas onto Senate

Answers to
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EAST	RIVER	INK
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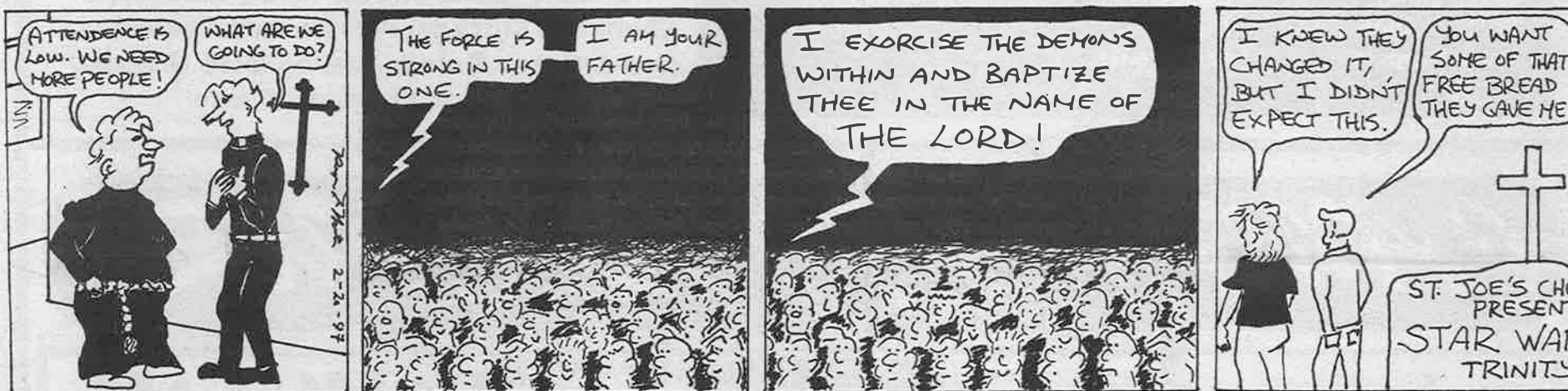
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