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No Parking

Melissa Niel of the James Center Management Company has issued an ultimatum to TCC students parking in James Center. These students, she says, are parking in areas set aside for the customers of such businesses as Swensen's, Bar-B-Q Pete's, and Taco Bell. When the center first opened this was tolerated as there was plenty of parking for all. Now, however, with the expanding of the center and the many new businesses shooting up, customers are having to park further away from the area in which they wish to shop because cars belonging to TCC students are taking up available space.

On Jan. 28, the license plate numbers of 27 cars were recorded and a notice left on the cars warning the owners that they would be towed should their cars be found there again, according to Neil.

The following morning only six unauthorized cars were found in the area, and of those none had been there the day before.

Neil says that in the future any cars found parked in James Center more than once for a reason other than shopping will be towed. She added that the tow fee runs around \$70.

Jansen speaks out

'You haven't seen the last of me'

By BARBARA J. COHEN
Challenge Staff

One of the facts which the faculty at Tacoma Community College seem to agree on is that TCC is a great place to teach.

Luther Theodore Jansen, sociology instructor, is the latest to attest that fact. Said Jansen, "I find TCC more stimulating because of the broad cross section of population."

A native of Astoria, Ore., Jansen earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at the University of Washington, and his M. Div. at Union Theological Seminary.

"I think I was born to explore," said Jansen. He said that he was a pre-school runaway. "Anytime that my parents were out shopping or out, I ran away. Not that the home life was not good, it was a very good home life, I just wanted to explore."

Jansen, who has taught TCC since 1965, said that this is the longest time he has held one position. He previously taught at Thiel in Greenfield,

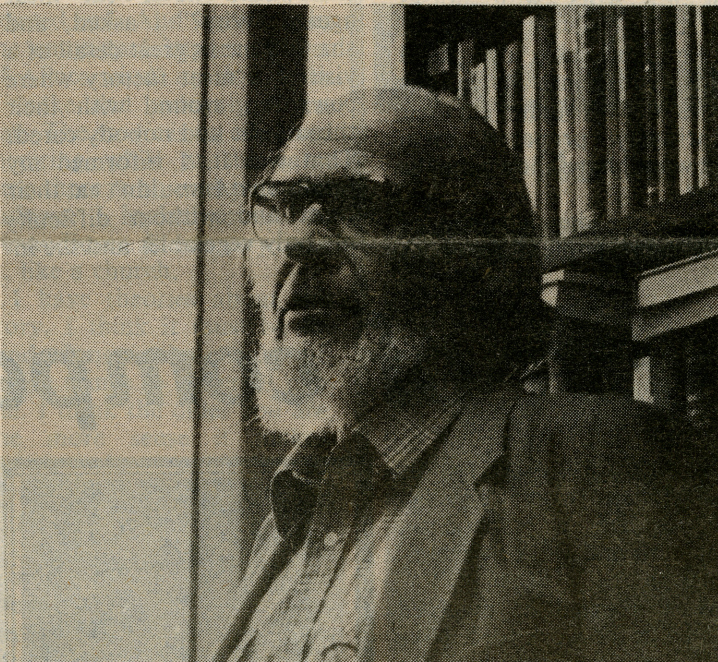
Pa., New York Polytechnic and the University of Washington on a part time basis, and at Pacific Lutheran University.

Jansen graduated from Victoria High School in Victoria, British Columbia. He said that he spent four years looking at Washington from across the Puget Sound and four years looking across the Strait of Juan De Fuca before finally settling here.

He worked as a post office clerk in Seattle for seven years and attended the UW. He worked in East Harlem, N.Y., at Union Settlement House, with children mostly, and at William Sloan House, a New York YMCA. He organized informal adult education programs which included taking people to various places around the city and horseback riding.

Jansen said he was glad to have worked with the post office. "I found myself giving directions to native New Yorkers." He said that he can go to any city, look at maps and feel comfortable getting

Photo by Minda Caccam



Luther Jansen

around.

His interest in New York started when he read about Greenwich Village. The opportunity to go there came when he talked with Dr. Robert Melver, a visiting professor from Columbia University who was lecturing there.

Jansen said he went to New York with a positive attitude. He was once threatened with a knife, had a molotov cocktail thrown at him on 125th Street and talked himself out of getting mugged. "You run into that sort of thing, but I started to feel like I was coming home

when going to New York.

"I don't know that this is inherited," he said, "but it is my nature that I can jump around." He was planning to become an architect, an interest which he still holds. This interest has helped him to make changes in his home when necessary.

Ordained as a Lutheran Pastor like his father, Jansen served a congregation at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Seattle. He started out with the idea of being in another field. His background as a social worker was perfect for the position of Executive Director, hard driving, interesting and exciting.

Jansen worked as a research analyst for the state, and later quit because he did not make a good bureaucrat. Dr. Terry, who was dean at TCC, got in contact with him. Jansen said, "I was happy to get back to teaching."

Jansen said he does not think that community colleges are a drain on four-year universities. Four-year schools

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Purse snatching on campus

DOUGLAS BUELL
News Editor

A purse snatcher grabbed, then fled with a woman's purse in TCC's north-end parking lot on the night of Jan. 15.

The victim, Teresa Montgomery, 38, said that as she was leaving Bldg. 2a at about 5:30 p.m. on the way to her car nearby, a young black man she described as medium build, neatly dressed, and wearing a beige-colored trenchcoat approached her from

behind.

Montgomery said as she exited the office in Bldg. 2a the assailant was waiting outside and came up quickly behind her. While pushing into Montgomery, he ripped the purse off her arm, breaking the strap, and attempted to push her to the ground. Then the robber got into a car described as a beat-up Datsun or Toyota, and sped away, she said.

Montgomery, apart from a

bruised arm, suffered no other injuries.

A suspect is being held in the Pierce County Jail, but a positive identification has not been made as of yet.

Police Detective Bruce Jackson of the Tacoma Police Department said a witness may be able to identify the purse snatcher.

Montgomery stated that three girls saw the incident occur, one of whom got the

license plate number of the assailant's vehicle.

In an effort to notify the witness or witnesses to come forward, campus security has distributed fliers around TCC.

Montgomery was not able to make a positive identification of a man being held in the Pierce County Jail because some of the overhead lights in the north end parking lot were out at the time, she said.

Bob Blankenship, building

and grounds supervisor, said that he had been aware of the burned-out lights, and has since had them replaced.

If you have any information about the incident, or know the whereabouts of the witnesses, please contact Security, at 756-5111, or call Det. Bruce Jackson at the Tacoma Police Department, 591-5652.



She's so vegetarian



SHANNON SAUL
Managing Editor

People often think I'm crazy. They'll walk into the house and find me frying steak for my dog, yet I won't buy a McDonald's hamburger for myself. When I go to their homes for dinner I pile my plate with potatoes and vegetables, yet I won't touch their carefully prepared chicken. And I suppose it's fairly uncommon to find a plate full of spaghetti without the sauce, yet with me it's run-of-the-mill.

There's a very simple reason for all that.

I'm a vegetarian.

My friends think I'm a fool. "But what do you *eat*?" they cry in horror when I tell them. "What about *protein*?" One even informed me that my hair would fall out due to my unbalanced diet. Sometimes I wish it would!

But vegetarianism is not an unhealthy way to live; nor does it cause a very restricted diet, as some believe. In fact there is a huge variety of food

to choose from, once one has decided not to approach meals in a meat-centered way.

Being a vegetarian causes a few problems when eating out, especially if someone has just prepared their specialty dish for your benefit and you inform them that you won't eat it! It's possible to lose a few friends that way! However if you warn them in advance, they might curse you for making them cook an unknown meal, but they won't kill you for your embarrassingly empty plate as they stuff their face with lasagna.

Becoming a vegetarian was not a difficult decision for me. It's something I considered for years, and the only reason that I never took the final step is that my work with horses caused me to live-in as part of the family in many jobs. If I'd suddenly informed my various bosses that I wouldn't eat their laboriously prepared meal they would have shown me the door!

Then one day a friend of mine came home from work



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looking sick and when I asked her what happened she told me she would never eat meat again. "Why?" I asked, and she told me in great detail of a visit to a meat factory where cows ran around with their throats slit and nobody cared. That was it. I informed my family that I wouldn't eat their meat and without difficulty ate only vegetables and the in-

evitable potato for supper. I haven't eaten meat since and I've never regreted my decision. In fact I feel healthier for it. Lack of meat protein has not yet killed me off, and I can comfort myself with the fact that at least I'll never die of too much cholesterol!

Since my decision I have found that I don't like even the thought of eating meat. When people try to tempt me with it I laugh because to me there is nothing tempting about the flesh of something that has come from a once living being.

Apart from the dislike of meat there are practical reasons for giving it up. Meat is very expensive, and if I didn't spend all my grocery money on my dog's gourmet diet I would be living much less expensively than I did when I ate meat myself. It also increases the amount of vegetables I eat, which encourages me to eat better, and I'm not tempted to eat out at fast food joints because there's nothing there for me to eat!

Recently I bought a book called *Diet for a Small Planet*. In it the author, Frances Moore Lappe, gave additional reasons for the usefulness of a vegetarian diet. According to her it takes 16lbs of grain to produce one pound of beef. Also the least expensive grain to grow is the most expensive in terms of soil erosion. Eventually, Lappe says, we're going to run out of top soil. If we want to assure food for our children and grand children, we're going to need to think ahead to the time when we have no soil on which to grow our grains. She also believes that much world hunger would be solved if people ate more vegetables and less meat.

People often ask me if my dog is a vegetarian. The answer is no. Dogs need a meat based diet. Their digestion is geared to cope with meat, just as a horse's digestion is geared to cope with grass and grain. In the wild Betsy would kill her own meals; why should I deprive her of her natural diet?

The worth of comparable worth

By DOUGLAS BUELL
News Editor

An agreement was struck New Year's Eve between Washington state and state, local, and county employees for the implementation of the comparable worth measure and settlement of the comparable worth case pending in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

And though it appears women employees in this state have made progress in the campaign for equal pay for equal work, the questions are, will the comparable worth idea work, and who is going to pay?

Comparable worth, the idea that men and women with the same job responsibilities and skills should be paid the same though in different jobs, is largely based on view that the wage difference between men and women is a result of discrimination.

Supporters use the argument that even though there are laws dealing with equal pay for equal work, women working full-time average about 60 percent as much as men in the public work force and just slightly higher in government.

But there are other factors that explain women's lower wages, such as experience, education and working conditions.

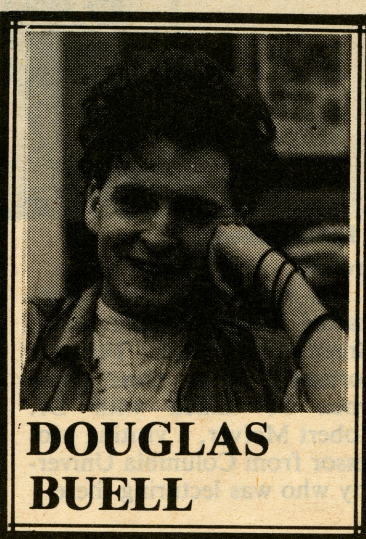
Most married or divorced women in the work force have had to split their time between employment and raising a family. As a result, the average woman has spent less time at her most recent job -- 2.5 years -- than the average man -- 4.0 years, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Also, many married or divorced women with children work -- having no other choice -- to provide for their families, and consequently take jobs which are simple to find and easy to leave.

Education is another factor which pertains to women's lower earnings. According to the Census Bureau, 22.5 percent of men in the labor force have at least a four-year college degree compared to 17.5 percent of women.

But this figure is changing. More women earned master's degrees than men last year, and they earned just as many bachelor degrees.

In relation to working conditions, often women have opted to choose indoor posi-



DOUGLAS BUELL

tions of employment such as secretaries or bank tellers, and thus settled for lower wages, rather than choosing more male-dominated, physical forms of work.

It's difficult to estimate the potential cost of implementing and sustaining the comparable worth system.

Still, if you look at the comparable worth statute and settlement reached between Washington state and the unions which brought the litigation to court, you can get a rough idea of the cost involved.

The Legislature has put aside \$41.4 million out of the state's General Fund and devised a supplemental fund to implement wage equity. By July 1, 1992, the implementation of comparable worth will be finalized.

Supporters of the system maintain that through the use of questionnaires for gathering accurate descriptions of duties and functions common to the job, reviews would be made by supervisors and others to match a person's job-related experience and past training and education -- besides other background information -- and assign job points by weighing these criteria. Based on the point value, wages would be determined for a job in relation to the wages paid for all the jobs in a particular work organization.

Besides being complex, the problem with this type of job evaluation is that a pre-selected committee cannot objectively determine a person's worth. Weighing the factors associated with worth is more a subjective process, so job evaluations of this sort cannot be relied upon.

Describing the difficulty of

calculating worth, S. Anna Kondratas, a policy analyst for the Heritage Foundation, said in an article for *Consumer's Research* magazine, "Mothering (and fathering) is 'worth' a great deal to society, probably more than singing (although that is a value judgement), but mothers are paid nothing and Michael Jackson is a multimillionaire."

Maybe the best way to eliminate the wage gap is to let the narrowing river of job inequality run its course.

The 60 percent figure I mentioned earlier is in one sense misleading. June O' Neill, director of the Urban Institute's Program on Policy Research on Women and Families, reported in an article for *Consumer's Research* magazine that looking at younger groups the wage gap is much smaller: women aged 25 to 34 earn 80 percent of what men their age earn, and women aged 20 to 24 earn 89 percent of what men their age earn.

Despite these encouraging figures, comparable worth left in the hands of unions isn't likely to go away -- even though the Reagan ad-

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Honors program— more money?

To the Editors

I am presently enrolled in the Honors Program here at TCC. When I first enrolled in the program, I thought that it would be a chance to be in a program that had overwhelming support from all areas of the college. After talking to other enrolled students I found that this was not altogether true. For one thing, the faculty member who facilitates the program changes from year to year. I personally feel that to have a consistently excellent program the faculty facilitator should not change from year to year. According to Harland Malyon, president of the college's faculty union, the person who is responsible for that decision is Frank Garratt, dean of Academic and Student Affairs.

Another problem that a couple of my peers mentioned who had dropped the program is that of ever changing graduation requirements. Once again I feel that there is a need for consistency. For some of you that are reading this letter, this could possibly

be the first time that you have heard of the Honors program at TCC. This is due mainly to the lack of funding from the college's Operational Budget.

Sure money is tight, sure there is not enough for everyone. But I would like to know why the Athletic program gets over \$90,000 a year and the Honors program gets a mere \$450 dollars per year?

Now don't get me wrong. I'm not knocking the Athletics program, but once again there is a need for consistency.

The reason that I am writing this letter is not to point fingers, but to get something done about the problems that I have expressed. This is a request to Dr. Carl Opgaard (President of the College), Harland Malyon (President of the Faculty Union), Bobby Barnette (Student Body President), and all TCC students. I feel that if the best of what TCC has to offer stays this mediocre, what is going to become of the rest of the school? It's up to all of us now.

Hopefully not in vain
Name withheld by request.

Free showing of 'Roots'

By JENNIFER HERITAGE
Challenge Staff

This February, in commemoration of Black History Month, Student Activities will be presenting Alex Haley's "Roots". The movie will be shown over five days, starting

Feb. 3 and continuing through Feb. 7, in Bldg. 11-A at 12:30 p.m., and will run approximately two hours each day. Admission is free.

Movies coming up: "Pink Floyd & The Wall", "Heavy Metal", and "Police Academy I".

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By DEL GIBBS
Opinions Editor

ASTCC Student Programs will be returning to the center of the campus, thanks to the ASTCC student senate. At the Jan. 28 senate meeting, the senate appropriated \$1,400 to Student Programs for an information center that will be located in the cafeteria. The senate also allocated \$400 to the purchase of a television set for the student lounge and \$350 to fund speakers for the Honors Colloquium.

The information center, which was funded through ASTCC's special projects fund, will put Student Programs back into the mainstream of student life, according to Student Programs Director Tom Keegan. Keegan explained that the out-of-the-way location of the Student Programs office deters many students from signing up for activities that they normally would participate in. The offices are currently located in Bldg. 6 on the northern end of the campus. They were originally located in Bldg. 15a, in the center of the campus, but were shifted to their present location during the summer of 1984 to make room for TCC's Open DOR program.

The proposed cafeteria location of the information center would place Student Programs right in the middle of one of the busiest buildings on cam-

pus. The center would serve as a "branch office" of Student Programs, providing information about student activities and programs and giving students a convenient place to sign up for such events.

The center would be manned every school day from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., peak cafeteria hours. It would be staffed by current Student Programs employees in order to save any additional labor costs. The employees would work their normally scheduled hours in the booth instead of in the Student Programs offices.

The booths being considered by Keegan are functional, multi-purpose work stations very similar to the main information desk in the counseling center, only smaller. He is currently trying to decide between two models, one costing \$1,125, the other \$1,273. Keegan asked for \$1,400 in order to allow flexibility in dealing with the manufacturers of the booths. All money left over from the purchase will be returned to the special projects fund.

Keegan explained that the booth costs so much because he intended to get a versatile, quality structure that would last for a number of years. The booth will eventually serve as the main information desk in the Student Programs building that will eventually be built in the center of the campus.

Keegan, who planned to order the booth as soon as he received confirmation of funding, estimated that the booth would arrive in approximately six weeks and be placed in the cafeteria by the beginning of the spring quarter.

The senate also appropriated \$400 to Keegan for the purchase of a color televi-

sion for the student lounge (Bldg. 11a). The television, which would be mounted on a ceiling bracket, would be for the use of all students. Keegan stated to the Senate that he wanted the TV to be remote controlled, with few, if any, controls on the front of the set, so that students would not be able to tamper with the set or change channels.

The channels would be changed by the "programmer," a Student Programs employee who would pick the shows that will be shown on the TV and change the channels accordingly. If a student or group of students wanted to watch a certain time, they would make their request to the programmer.

Keegan expects to purchase the TV within the next two weeks and estimates that it will be mounted in the lounge sometime in February.

A third major issue attended to by the Senate was a budget request for \$500 by Dr. Yun-Yi Ho, the organizer and advisor for the Honors Colloquium. Ho needed \$350 to pay five speakers for this quarter's Honors Colloquium, which deals with the "Star Wars" issue. He originally asked for \$500, which he said would cover speaker costs for the Honors Colloquium for the spring quarter as well as the winter quarter. He explained that he made the request so that he wouldn't have to ask for money for the spring colloquium later on.

The Honors Colloquium was formerly supported by the Exchange Club. The Exchange Club stopped funding the Colloquium this quarter, however, and Dr. Ho was forced to search for money to support his program.

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Wage bill is costly

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ministration and many women's organizations oppose it.

Finally, it is not the government or the business market who should determine the value of a job. It is the consumer.

In order to put comparable worth into effect, the government would have to raise taxes, or eliminate many services and lay off workers, because the bottom line is, the money needed to cover wage increase for women doesn't exist. In other words the consumer would be left to pay the bill.

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Coach profile

Ron Billings

By ALISA WILDER
Entertainment Editor

"It takes someone like Senator Kennedy to bring these facts, the realistic facts, to the public's attention and that is what he is trying to do," said Charles O'Donahue, business agent for the United Steelworkers of America, local 25. Over the past few years, prior to the Christmas holiday, Senator Edward Kennedy and some members of his immediate family have made so-called "pilgrimages". In the past, they have visited places such as Africa, England, India, and Mexico to see first hand how the "real" people of a selected area live and to gather information relative to their immediate problems, hopes, and dreams.

"This time around, he decided as a member of the Senate House Committee to take some first-hand information back to the Senate hearings. What he wanted to present before the House was some of the problems that the extended unemployed people were facing right here in America compared to what is taking place elsewhere in the world," said O'Donahue.

O'Donahue was contacted by Kennedy's medical advisor and asked to select 10-12 families who had exhausted their unemployment benefits

so that Kennedy could meet privately with them to discuss the problems of being without unemployment benefits. Senator Kennedy also wanted to attend a service at a Roman Catholic Church in a diocese with a high rate of unemployment.

Holy Cross Church was chosen because 35-40 percent of its members--many former Asarco workers--are unemployed, said O'Donahue. He was scheduled to tour the Asarco plant, Tacoma Boat-building Co., Christmas House and other locations as time permitted.

But on Dec. 22, fog kept Kennedy's plane from landing in Seattle at the scheduled time and after circling Boeing Field for 1½ hours, Kennedy decided to fly on to Atlanta so he could keep on schedule for the rest of his trip. Senator Kennedy later called and expressed his disappointment in having to cancel his visit, said O'Donahue. "I think the Senator is one of those people who is concerned with what is happening in the country not as a politician, but as a humanitarian." He wanted to keep his visit very low-keyed and did not want any press coverage, O'Donahue continued. The only Congressman invited was Norm Dicks because it was to take place in his district. "This is to

be a non-political visit", to quote the Senator," said O'Donahue.

When Senator Kennedy could not come, Congressman Dicks stepped in. "Everyone was disappointed that the Senator did not come," said O'Donahue, "but Congressman Dicks did a very adequate job filling-in."

Congressman Dicks spoke to the five families and afterward told of the hardships these families faced. One family went off unemployment so they could qualify for welfare and another family separated so the wife could receive aid for dependant children, said Dicks. He praised Asarco's Workers Resource Center which has placed 50 former Asarco workers in new jobs and has another 150 in retraining programs. "But a lot won't find new jobs at the same level of pay and it is still a wrenching experience for their families," said Dicks, "The bottom line is you have to have more jobs and more economic growth."

The Asarco Workers Resource Center is funded by Title III of the Job Placement Partnership Act. The United Steelworkers of America union, local 25, applied for a grant when the shutdown of the Tacoma Asarco plant was announced. They received a one million dollar grant and have used the money to retrain and then re-employ the former Asarco workers, said O'Donahue. It pays for up to 18 months of schooling but if the worker has the necessary skills for re-employment, then he will not be retrained. The Asarco Workers Resource Center then helps the workers to find employment. It pays for 90 percent of the relocating costs if the worker has to move to get a job.

It also pays 50 percent of the employer's cost for the first six months of on-the-job training. "We used that year (the time between the announcement and the actual closing of Asarco) to set up what is exactly a textbook example of what Title III funding should do and how it should work," said O'Donahue. But programs such as this are in danger of losing their funding because of the present administration's plan for cutting the federal budget, he said. "Senator Kennedy is fighting to save these kinds of programs," said O'Donahue.

By ED LACROSS
Challenge Staff

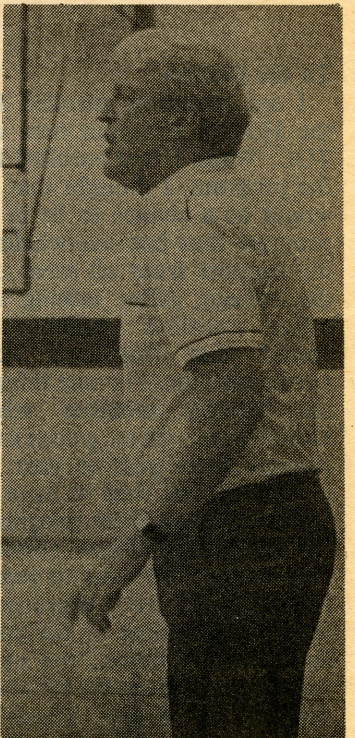
Coach Ron Billings, starting his fifth year of coaching here a TCC, is the man behind the success of the men's basketball team. So far this season the men are posting a 14-2 overall record and are ranked number one by the NWAACC coaches poll.

Coach Billings is no stranger to the Tacoma area, he graduated from Lincoln High School in 1950, where he played football, basketball and baseball. He then went on to college at Pacific Lutheran University where he majored in history and was chosen as an All-American in football.

Billings started his coaching at the Junior High level at Stewart and Truman Jr. High. In 1965, Billings started coaching at Lincoln H.S. where he coached for 16 years. While coaching at Lincoln, Billings led his teams to 11 City League Championships and a State Championship in 1975. After his long string of success at Lincoln, Billings took up the coaching job at TCC. Billings first two years as coach here at TCC were very successful. His teams posted back to back 22-6 records. But his third year here was not so successful.

The year was plagued with a number of problems and it

Photo by Scott Grimes



Coach Billings

became so bad they needed to recruit players from off the campus to help finish out the season. They finished the season with a 4-19 record. The very next year, though, Billings brought the program right back to it's feet with a 22-5 record, which brings us to this year. Billings' overall record here at TCC is a very respectful 82-38, with two league championships.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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By DICK DEYOE

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Reading test important

By GRETCHEN THADEN

Special to the Challenge

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Many of you are returning students who have not taken the entrance exam recently, if



ever. Some of you ask about the entrance exam or the Washington Pre-College Test. Those tests do not as yet yield a score in grade levels. (We are working on this but results will be in the future.) This is the information which is most useful for identification of problem readers. It is also useful for the student who reads well enough to be successful in one class and yet needs a higher level of reading for success in another class because the score is compared with the reading level of each textbook in each different class.

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Colloquium given funds

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The Senate, however, following amendments made by ASTCC Personnel Vice President Tracy Vinyard, voted to provide Ho with \$350 to cover speaker costs for winter quarter only, with one stipulation. The stipulation was that while Ho was eligible to request funding from the Senate each semester, the Senate was in no way

obligated to provide that funding. He agreed, and the measure was passed on a unanimous vote.

The ASTCC student senate meets every other Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in the Binns room (Bldg. 7). The next Senate meeting will be Tuesday, February 11. The ASTCC invites all students to attend these meetings and contribute their views on campus issues.

Add two, girls still unbeaten



TCC women's basketball team

By LARKIN CAMPBELL
Sports Editor

After beating Ft. Steilacoom last Saturday night 85-51, the TCC women's basketball team is hoping to finish the season strong with only five games remaining.

So far this season the ladies are undefeated in league play with a 6-0 record. The Titans played Grays Harbor last Wednesday night, but results were not available at press time.

Before the 33 point trouncing of Ft. Steilacoom last Saturday, the ladies had a tougher battle against Clark, with the women finally pulling away with the win 67-55.

During the Clark game on Jan. 22, 5'10" sophomore Holly Hovey had a spectacular game. Hovey scored 22 points, shooting 11-20 from the field. Besides being the leading scorer, Hovey had 7 assists, 2 rebounds, 2 steals, and 2 blocks. Behind Hovey in scoring was fellow sophomore Ruth Rufener, who finished the game with 18 points, 5 rebounds, and 1 blocked shot. Sharing the lead for assists with Hovey was freshman

Brenda Guenther with 7 also.

Up to the Jan. 11 game in the Coliseum, the team's statistics went as follows. Leading the Titans in scoring are Rufener (14.8 avg.), Hovey (13.9 avg.), and Sophomore Elizabeth Harris (10.2 avg.). The leading rebounders on the squad so far this season are Rufener (8.2 avg.), Hovey (7.1 avg.), and Harris (7.8 avg.). the women are outscoring their opponents by an average score of almost 19 points, and are also out-rebounding opponents by almost 10 rebounds per game.

Guenther, Hovey, and starting sophomore guard Teresa Anderson are all dishing out their share of assists this season. Basically what all these figures mean is this: the TCC women's team is exactly that...a team.

Before the Grays Harbor game last Wednesday, the ladies boasted an impressive 14-4 overall record with a league record of 6-0. Following the Grays Harbor game, the Titans are preparing for Green River tomorrow night. Game time is 6:00 in the Titan gym.

Teamwork pays off, Titans hang on to beat Clark and rival Ft. Steilacoom

By LARKIN CAMPBELL
Sports Editor

With two exciting wins last week over Clark and Ft. Steilacoom behind them, the TCC men's basketball team is well on its way to another championship season this year.

During the Jan. 22 game against Clark, the Titans struggled midway through the second half but managed to come away with a victory 84-79. Leading the way for the Titans was sophomore sensation Bobby Barnette with 34 points. Barnette shot the lights out that night, scoring on 16 out of 20 shots he took from the field.

When Barnette wasn't shooting out the lights, fellow sophomores John McIntyre and Andy Snyder were knocking them out. The two of them racked up a staggering amount of blocked shots.

Last Saturday's game against Ft. Steilacoom turned out to be a real thriller. With the game going down almost to the wire, the Titans once again came out on top 81-72. The first half was a stand-off, with neither team dominating. The second half momentum swayed back and forth with the Titans keeping a slim lead. If there were any questions as to who the better team was in this game, Snyder put all doubts to rest. As the final buzzer went off Snyder slammed-home a winner.

The Titan offensive charge was led by McIntyre, who finished with 25 points. Williams was second with 19.

The Titans won the game solely on teamwork alone. If Dan Olsen and Barnette weren't burying 20-ft. jumpers, then it was McIntyre and Snyder climbing the boards for easy tip-in's. And if it wasn't those four then it was



Cornelius Williams (No.30) gets an easy two.

Sophomore Cornelius (Corn) Williams, who was hurtling his body around the gym as if he was on a pogo stick. Williams also made a behind-his-head pass that still has fans at Ft. Steilacoom shaking their heads.

The Titans also had a game last Wednesday against Grays Harbor. Results were not available at press time. Through the January 18 game, versus Centralia, the team statistics went as follows.

Scoring leaders include Barnette (16.0 avg.), Olsen (16.1 avg.), and Williams (14.8 avg.). Leading rebounders this season are Snyder (8.0 avg.), McIntyre (6.1 avg.), and Williams (6.7 avg.).

Sophomore Danny Dizon is leading the team in assists, averaging over 5 dish-offs per game.

The Titans will be at home to defend their undefeated (6-0) league record this Saturday in the Titan gym. Their opponents will be Green River. Game time is 8:00.

Coach wants academics

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Billings mostly believes in recruiting local athletes. Presently all five starters on the TCC team are from Tacoma area high schools. Billings says that this is the way Community College Programs should operate with mainly local area athletes. Billings also believes in academic excellence. He went on to credit co-captains Bobby Barnette and John McIntyre as being prime examples of athletes excelling off the court as well as on the court.

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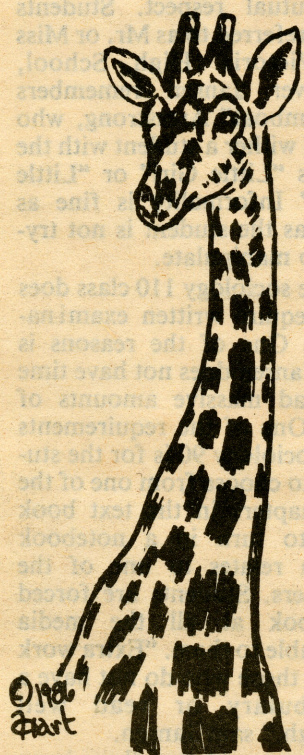
By SUSAN ETCHEY
Challenge Staff

Out of Africa is the best sort of movie. It contains all the elements of good story-telling. It has a clearly defined plot, colorful character development, a scenic background, action and suspense. It is marred only by garbled dialogue at times and the tendency to photograph the colorful countryside of Kenya with a somewhat hazy effect that I suspect was an attempt at some kind of surrealism.

Out of Africa is the true story about a difficult epoch in the life of Karen Dinesen Blixen, a Danish woman who owns a failing coffee plantation around the time of the first world war. It is about her broken dreams and the desertion of her husband. It is also about the best years of her life ... as she re-tells the story of how she met the man she would love the most ... and the longest.

This amazing woman of unorthodox views and sometimes unorthodox behavior, is played superbly by Meryl Streep. Her lover, Dennis Fitch-Hatten, who is often the antagonist as all lovers are, is played by Robert Redford. Together, Streep and Redford ignite on screen. Their relationship is played with the verve of a tennis match and with the sweetness of communion wine.

But it is Streep who captures the screen with her mysterious magnetism. Streep's ephemeral quality reminds me of a Degas or Renoir painting.



And it fits the story. Karen Blixen, who wrote about her experiences, revealed only snatches of her personal life and a lot about Africa. She weaves her own life in and out of Africa as if the two cannot be separated. She seems to be saying that what happened to her in Africa happened because of Africa, and without Africa she would have no story to tell. Here is where she experiences thwarted yearnings, unrealizable goals, disappointments. But as Africa becomes her mentor, she grows. When the soil of Africa fails her, the people of Africa don't. She is formed by her African adventure into a

stronger woman. She becomes independent ... a fighter ... a woman of courage. Even in her defeat, there is no self pity. She keeps working, and she keeps writing.

Out of Africa seems to stir up one emotion and then another. The movie starts out slowly. Before I knew it, I was entranced. The beauty of this deeply-moving story is its simplicity and realism. Most of the two hours and 45 minutes of the film move forward in rhythmic waves. You feel like you are seated in a canoe and the river under your craft is slowly picking up more and more speed. You know that there must be a waterfall ahead. But the suspense is subtle and the river looks smooth.

The movie comes to an unwanted end. And when it does the emotional impact of Out of Africa winds up slowly like a snake and suddenly strikes you. The movie is on one hand inspiring while at the same time there is an unexplainable sadness. I looked around at the audience. It was very quiet ... like a church.

I have theories about this story. I think it must be the kind of movie that means different things to different people. I think the older you are, the more sense it makes. That's when you're more aware of the unexplainable sadnesses in everyone's life.

Out of Africa is a powerful movie because it is so true to life. The people in it are not perfect. They make mistakes in their relationships and suffer the consequences. In their humanness, they are like us.

By ALISA WILDER
Entertainment Editor

On Jan. 23 Kenny Rogers and his special guests Lee Greenwood and Sawyer Brown performed before approximately 18,000 people in the Tacoma Dome. The entire concert was entertaining and enjoyable, but for each artist there was one moment that made their segment of the concert memorable.

Sawyer Brown opened the concert with "Hard to Keep a Good Love Down", a country song with strong rock and roll influence. Other songs the group sang included "Lonely Girl" and "Heart Don't Fall Down" to which the audience clapped and stomped to the beat. The lead singer, Mark

Miller, was quite a performer - a show in himself as he danced and raced about the circular stage all the while belting out the songs in his baritone voice. His fancy footwork came to a climax as did the concert itself when during the song "Step That Step", Miller raced around the stage leading the audience in a human wave that went around the Dome several times.

After a short break, Lee Greenwood continued the concert, but slowed the tempo down a bit with his love songs. Some of these included "IOU", "Dixie Road", and "Somebody's Gonna Love You". Greenwood told the audience that he enjoyed singing

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ASTCC looking for blood

By DELL GIBBS
Opinions Editor

The ASTCC government is sponsoring a blood drive Feb 12 at TCC. The blood drive, which will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Binns Room (Bldg 7), will benefit the Tacoma Pierce County Blood Bank.

The blood drive is part of a community services program sponsored by the ASTCC student government. According to ASTCC president Bobby Barnette, the ASTCC tries to sponsor one community service project each quarter. During the fall quarter, the ASTCC held a voter registration drive to coincide with local and state elections. The student government is an-

ticipating another project sometime in the spring quarter, but has yet to determine what it will be.

In order to protect blood donors and the recipients of donated blood, the Tacoma Pierce County Blood Bank asks that blood donors meet the following criteria:

1. Donors must be between the ages of 18 and 66. Donors past 66 must be approved by the Blood Bank Medical Director. Donors may give blood every eight weeks, six times a year.
2. Health and dental care personnel may donate, unless they work in a high risk area, such as dialysis or isolation.
3. Donors must weigh at least 110 pounds.

4. Donors on medication should check with the blood bank medical staff prior to donating.

The blood bank also has guidelines by which donors may be temporarily or permanently unable to donate blood. Persons who suffer from hepatitis, jaundice, syphilis, cancer, epilepsy, heart disease, or diabetes (on insulin) cannot donate blood at all. Persons who have recently experienced severe asthma attacks, tooth extractions, pregnancies, major surgery, or are currently taking antibiotics for infections should contact the blood bank to determine whether or not they are eligible to donate.

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Rogers sick but sings

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songs that encourage others to fall in love. But the most memorable song he sang was "God Bless the USA". Patriotism filled the Dome. Lighters flickered in the darkness and many members of the audience stood and sang along. After the song, Greenwood received a standing ovation.

After another short break, the final segment of the concert began. Kenny Rogers opened his part of the concert dramatically by "magically" appearing from beneath a long, white, cylindrical curtain in the middle of the stage. (He had been smuggled on stage in an equipment box moments before.) "All of My Life" was the first song he sang during which he accepted bouquets of flowers from fans who had flocked around the stage. Rogers thanked everyone for the flowers and said that although he appreciated them, he would give them to senior citizen homes in the area for their enjoyment because he could not possibly take them from town to town. He also asked that fans not try to shake his hand because he felt that it was not fair to shake some people's hands and not others and that he didn't want to spend the rest of the evening simply shaking hands. Rogers further explained that he was suffering from a sore throat

but that he was determined to do the show if the crowd would bear with him, which they readily did. He then went on to sing some of his most famous songs which included "It's Crazy", "Through the Years", "The Gambler", "The Coward of the County", and his favorite ballad "She Believes In Me".

The most special time of Roger's segment occurred midway through the concert when he sang a song which he "wished more than anything" that he had written - "We Are the World". Lighters once again flickered throughout the audience and almost everyone sang along. After the song, Rogers made a pitch for 'Hands Across America' which is trying to raise \$100 million for the hungry in the United States. The audience gave Rogers a standing ovation.

The audience seemed to particularly enjoy and respond to two other portions of Roger's segment - when he sang a medley of his past hits while strumming a guitar and when he did a series of 'beer drinking songs' in which the audience joined in singing and stomping their feet. The combination of Sawyer Brown, Lee Greenwood and Kenny Rogers appealed to a wide variety of people and seemed to be enjoyed by all in attendance; each for his or her special reason.

Donors being screened must be registered

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In addition to these precautions, all donated blood will be screened for diseases such as hepatitis B, syphilis, and AIDS. If the tests for any of these diseases show up positive, the afflicted donor will be notified.

Due to limited facilities, persons who wish to participate in the blood drive must register at the student government office in Bldg 6 in

order to receive a scheduled appointment to donate. All donors are urged to eat a full meal prior to donating.

People who wish to donate blood but cannot attend the Feb. 12 blood drive may contribute blood at the Tacoma-Pierce County Blood Bank or its branch office in Puyallup. For more information, call the Tacoma-Pierce County Blood Bank (383-2553) or the Puyallup branch (841-4236).

More Jansen

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such as PLU and UPS have flourished because of the student influx from two-year schools. "PLU has changed for the best. A few years ago students were from Lutheran homes. The mother was a member of the Ladies Aid Society or some organization. That has changed," said Jansen.

"Students come here and get their feet wet," he continued, and added that some students have felt that they were not college material, being unable to read or write properly. "Encouragement is what is needed."

"Teachers have an obligation to make themselves known," he said. "It is important that the ones who stand out are the ones who reveal themselves as human beings. When the student leaves with the feeling of having rapped with the teacher and there is real concern that learning is not just spouting off on the part of the student, you've realized the significance."

Jansen said he is hardnosed on basics. The first skill to acquire, according to Jansen, is to read and understand what you read. Informality with the

student is good as long as there is mutual respect. Students were referred to as Mr. or Miss in Victoria High School, however Jansen remembers "Steamboat" Armstrong, who could witter with a student with the words "Little Girl" or "Little Boy." Informality is fine as long as the student is not trying to manipulate.

The sociology 110 class does not require written examinations. One of the reasons is that Jansen does not have time to read massive amounts of test. One of the requirements for Sociology 90 is for the student to choose from one of the 20 chapters in the text book and to turn in a notebook which relates to one of the chapters. Students are forced to look at all the media available to them. "Extra work helps those who do not have a vocabulary or read well enough," said Jansen.

Jansen said that there is no guarantee that a student will make it through college. "Students sometimes are not in the right place at the right time."

Jansen said he has no specific plans following his retirement after spring quarter.

Some applications he has seen for the soon-to-be-vacated position look good, according to Jansen. In order to teach at TCC, you have to have a track record to compare; strong evidence of teaching ability. TCC is known among community colleges to have high salaries.

One reason, Jansen said, is that the standards are so high. "It is nice to know that when we have an opening, someone from Cornell University or Michigan State will be interested." Some teachers have experience but no tenure, tremendous pressures might exist at famous schools to get books published. "If you come to TCC, you better want to teach," said Jansen.

"TCC is not a place where you learn to be a carpenter," he said, "the nursing program and the human services program are backed by good solid programs, TCC is primarily academic."

"If anyone comes up to me to say good-bye," said Jansen, "I'll tell them, 'hey, you haven't seen the last of me, I'll be around for a while.'"

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