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How did the community colleges fare in the governor's budget? The answer: not well. The governor concedes that the state's 22 community colleges will enroll 25 per cent more students in the next biennium as well as opening four new campuses and absorbing price increases and salary adjustments. At the same time, the governor's budget proposes to continue the 1968-69 level of funding. The community college system requested \$58 million for capital improvements and \$144 million for operation; the governor's budget trimmed these amounts to \$36.7 million for buildings and \$96.4 million for operation. The community college law prescribes an "open door" policy. But we may have to close the open door.

Winter quarter enrollment at TCC totaled 2,927. The figure includes 1,917 full-time students and 1,010 part-time students. It is ahead of winter-quarter totals for a year ago, when total enrollment was 2,541 and full-time students numbered 1,699. In addition, some 400 persons were enrolled in non-credit community service courses. TCC President Thornton M. Ford told the TCC Trustees Jan. 23 that the figures indicate that once again TCC will be over-enrolled in relation to financial support provided by the state.

TCC Trustees have placed their stamp of approval on regulations covering student discipline, student conduct and student-invited speakers. The action brought already-adopted rules into line with the state's Administrative Procedures Act.

A collection of 42 paintings, by area artists, of Northwest forts and trading posts is on display in the Northwest History Room of TCC's Pearl A. Wanamaker Instructional Resource Center. The paintings, on loan from the State Historical Society, were created by 32 members of Pacific Gallery Artists. Depicted are such historic sites as Fort Lewis, Fort Nisqually, Fort Townsend, Fort Vancouver and Fort Borst.

An extensive bibliography of materials written and prepared by black authors, artists, entertainers, musicians and sculptors of the Western hemisphere is expected to be off the press soon. Tacoma Community College's library served as the central clearing house for this effort by Pierce County Libraries to record their holdings. The result: a list in excess of 1,000 titles held in Pierce County Libraries. Richard Aiken, TCC librarian who spearheaded the project, said it had two purposes--first, to make resources by Afro-American authors available to the Education Task Force of the Tacoma area Urban Coalition for use by residents of the Central area, and second, to satisfy the growing demand for these materials generated by black studies courses. Beyond that, it is expected that the bibliography will serve as a check list for other librarians in listing materials by Afro-Americans. Frank Dippolito, of the TCC art faculty, designed the cover for publication.

THE AGENDA: Trustees of the Friends of the TCC Library, 4 p.m. Feb. 20, Northwest History Room. . . TCC Trustees, 3:30 p.m. Feb. 27, Administration Building. . . Home basketball games at 8 p.m. in TCC Gym: Olympic, Feb. 8; Lower Columbia, Feb. 12; Green River, Feb. 21; Fort Steilacoom, Feb. 22; Grays Harbor, Feb. 28. . . TCC play, "A Case of Libel," 8 p.m. Feb. 19-23; 2:30 p.m. Feb. 23, Little Theater.

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