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Spellman's new budget offers improvements

As the legislature began its first full day Jan. 15, newly elected Governor John Spellman presented a budget message to the legislature which provided some encouraging news for the state's community colleges.

The 1981-83 budget recommendation included additions to Gov. Ray's budget for community colleges of \$4.9 million. Of this total, \$4.7 million would go to the system and \$200,000 to the state office. The primary addition for the system was an increase in the faculty staffing ratio from the recommended level of 70 percent to 71 percent of formula. During the current biennium, the system was funded at 72 percent of formula prior to the five percent reduction. Therefore, the Spellman recommendation represents approximately a split in the difference between Ray's recommendation and the current funded level. The cost of this increase would be \$2.5 million.

The balance of the increase recommended by Gov. Spellman would go to student services and would total \$2.2 million. Gov. Ray in her budget had called for drastic reductions in the support level for student services for off-campus students. Through the interesting machinations of budget formulas, the off-campus student is considered for student services purposes to be 68 percent as costly as an on-campus student. The Ray proposal cut the 68 percent to a new low of 50 percent. The Spellman budget people again closed half of the gap. Off-campus student services will thus be supported at 59 percent of the formula.

Gov. Spellman's proposal did not address enrollment. Thus Gov. Ray's recommendation that community colleges serve 94,360 Full-Time Equivalents in both years of the biennium remains unchanged.

The state office budget proposed by Gov. Ray represented a very serious problem because it took away from the vocational division all of its state matching funds. This raised the question as to whether that action would also cause the loss of the federal vocational funds. The Spellman budget proposal would provide half the lost money, \$200,000 of the \$400,000 loss in the Ray budget.

Another area of interest is Gov. Spellman's salary proposals. Governor Ray had proposed for classified employees a three-step salary increase over the next biennium. Under the Ray proposal there would have been an 8 percent increase on July 1, 1981, to be followed by a 7.5 percent increase on July 1, 1982 and finally a 6 percent increase on July 1, 1982. However, for faculty, Gov. Ray omitted the middle step. Gov. Spellman's proposal calls for 8 percent for employees on July 1, 1981, and 9 percent on July 1, 1982.

Other highlights of Spellman's budget message included: "I propose to enrich the instructional program by equalizing all schools at 71 percent of the faculty-staffing formula. I would prefer enrollment limitations to a continued decline in quality. I hope and expect, however, that our colleges and universities will make every attempt to maximize the number of students they can accept over the next biennium," Spellman said.

"I am proposing that tuition be increased by 33 percent in accordance with the recommendations of the Council for Post-secondary Education. The increase will place undergraduate resident tuition at the research universities at 25 percent of the 1980 cost of education when the second phase of the increase is implemented in 1982. The proposed increase still leaves tuition levels below the seven comparison states."

(Editor's Note: The source of the above information is the SBC-CE Legislative News, published each week during the legislative session. The story is taken from TCC's weekly bulletin with apologies to Dan Small).

TCC receives state grants

State grants funding a new interdisciplinary humanities course through television and a study of Pacific Northwest culture and civilization, were recently awarded to TCC.

The \$3,300 grant for an "Interdisciplinary Course in the Humanities through Television," will allow the college to offer an independent study version of the current Humanities 100 "The Art of Being Human," course over public television, and on-campus or off-campus sites. Originator of the grant is Mario Faye, Division chairman for the Arts and Humanities.

Also received by TCC is a \$3,230 grant for studying "Our Northwest Culture: Studies in History, Art and Literature." Originator of the grant is Carolyn Simonson, TCC English instructor.

Both projects will be implemented during the 1981-82 school year. Thanks to Mario and Carolyn for work in formulating the successful grants.

25% projects increase requested

By Henry J. Evenson

Major capital projects such as roof repairs are at a standstill here until the new legislature hopefully approves an additional 25 percent request over the original major capital projects budget.

Late last spring the college submitted a number of projects to the State Board for Community College Education for inclusion in the 1979-81 request to the Legislature. The major projects included in that biennial request were the re-

roofing of the Student Center (Bldg. 15), Physical Education Addition (Bldg. 210), and Storage-Maintenance Building (Bldg. 1). At the time of this request just a year ago the state approved \$370,000 for Major Capital Projects, however, a year later inflation has forced Dean of Planning, Donald Gagnes and the school board to ask the state for an additional 25 percent increase over the original budget request in order to complete these projects.

Dean of Planning, Donald Gagnes, assured me that "Enough monies exist to complete additional roof repairs on Bldgs. 5 and 7" (Fine Arts Bldg., Library and Instructional Resource Ctr). There are also sufficient funds to keep present projects going until the summer break. No new undertakings of Major Capital Projects are expected until the Legislature acts on the 25 percent increase request, and that isn't expected until late spring.

ASTCC events set

Several student activities are planned in coming weeks for TCC students, faculty and staff.

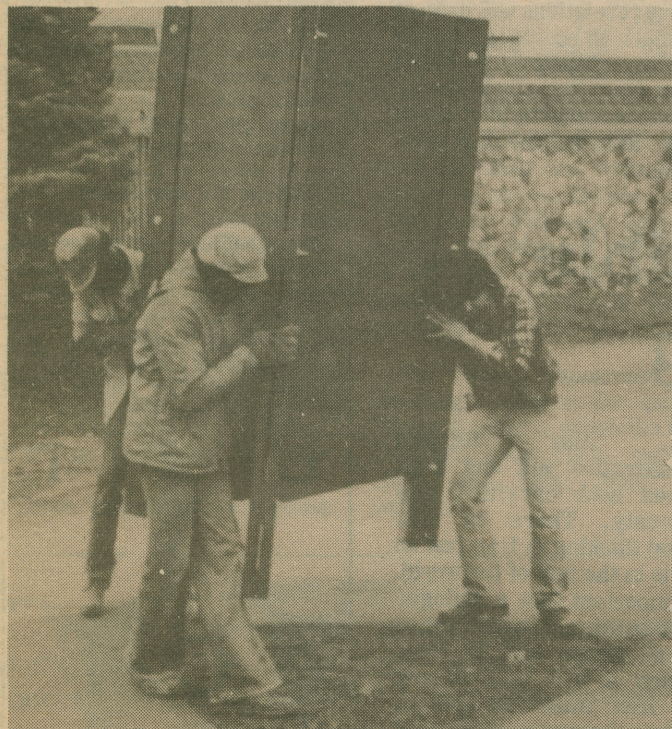
Included is a Jan. 30 ASTCC President's Forum at 12:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. ASTCC President Anastasia Armourer will be in Building 11 to talk to students, answer questions and provide assistance to any students encountering problems at TCC.

On Feb. 12, the Scott Cossu Quartet will perform a free concert from 11:30-1:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and on Feb. 18, "Ebbanfio" will provide a free concert at the same time, also in the cafeteria.

For more information on these and other future Associated Student sponsored events, call ext. 5118.

Cafeteria trays missing

The cafeteria is experiencing a severe tray shortage because campus personnel are forgetting to return the trays. Vee reminds everyone at TCC that the trays are essential to the cafeteria operation. Please check your area and return any trays you find that belong to the cafeteria. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



Rob Miller, Mike Gillem, and Cyril Johnson (TCC maintenance), assembled three 'Kiosk' information centers this last week. These will be used to spread information.

Photos by, Paul Petrinovich

Remember searching TCC's campus for information regarding that play that you just had to see, or where that game would be? Well now TCC's found a solution: Kiosks.

On October 22, 1980 it was decided that the ASB would fund the construction of six Kiosks (information centers). These new information centers will provide information about performing arts and other various activities going on around campus. The ASB estimates the cost of six lighted Kiosks to range about \$1,600.

The first three Kiosks are already under construction and will be located; north of the bridge, southwest of Bldg. 15, and northwest of the cafeteria. The location of the other three Kiosks will be decided upon sometime in the distant future.

Story book Charter?

By Mara Morgen

Once upon a time, in a county-dom not far from here, many people became upset because all of the county-dom was ruled by only three men. These men were called the Commissioners. Some said that these men should not have so much power. Some even said that these men would do very naughty things with their power, and bring terrible hardship to the county-dom.

So some men and women studied the situation for a very long time, and they wrote what is called a Home Rule Charter. And the people rejoiced and said, "Oh, this is a very good thing. We shall have seven people decide important things in our county-dom, and we shall call them county councilmen, and we shall also have a wise county executive to rule over us. And lo, although we shall have so many wise men and capable people ruling our government, and they shall need staffs and offices and desks and expense accounts, it shall not cost us any more in taxes than we already are paying."

And the people of the county-dom were glad, and went into their places of decision-making, and voted "yes" for this wonderful home rule charter. And they lived happily ever after. Now, wasn't that a nice fairy tale? Go to sleep.

Letters to the editor

U.S. is really still No. 1

To the Editor:

My letter is in response to your stupid and uninformed editorial about our trade relations with China.

It's people like you who are making us feel that America is falling apart. You sneer at the idea that the U.S. is Number One. Of course it's Number One, and it always will be. We're the ones with the schools that are so good that other countries send

their kids here, right? We've got the best educational system in the world, the best manufacturing facilities, and with those two things alone going for us, we don't have to worry about not being Number One.

Your publication of that article was stupid and unpatriotic. If you don't like it here, then get out!

J.N. Hunter

They're finally home

To the Editor:

Now that it's finally over and they're finally home, returning in the early hours of dawn to thousand's of appreciative fans at the airport, our heroes will never be forgotten. Their names will never be forgotten, their deed's and triumph's will be heralded for all time; they endured.

In our hearts and minds we knew they would return safely and triumphantly to families, friends and fans. They endured hardships few could ever imagine, but they did. They are truly fine champions, they are the OAKLAND RAIDERS — Champions of Pro-football.

Thanx, A fan

Students complain, but don't vote

By Mara Morgen

Off-year primary elections have terrible voter turnout, according to a staff-member at County Auditor Dick Greco's office. Sometimes as little as 19 percent of those registered cast their votes in these primaries, as opposed to about the 80 percent turnout experienced in Pierce County for the 1980 general election.

Feb. 3 is the day set for the primary election to "narrow

down the field" of candidates seeking offices opened up by Pierce County's new home rule charter. Primary winners will face off again March 10 in the general election.

Voters will cast ballots for four county council seats (there are seven seats altogether, but the present county commissioners will automatically take over three of those positions), a county executive

and an assessor-treasurer. Those elected will take office on May 1, when the county's new home rule charter goes into effect.

According to a source at Pierce County Democratic headquarters, college-aged voters are "notorious for their loud complaints about government, and their low voter turnout." Remember to cast your vote Feb. 3.

By Marv Jenkins

The nation and rational thinking people the world over can now breathe a sigh of relief. Relief, because the first phase of the hostage situation between Iran and the United States has ended without open warfare.

Despite all the rantings and ravings and bellicose statements by Iran's hostage negotiator Behzad Nabavi, and speaker Hojatoleslam Rafsanjani, the Ayatollah Ruholla Khomeini, and all the other crackpot fanatics and kidnapers that "we managed to rub the nose of the biggest

Despite the statements that "the U.S. humiliated itself before the world on the hostage issue" — just as barbarians like Nabavi wants us to believe, thinking people the world over are cognizant that had President Carter lost his temper, he could have had Iran

reduced to a poisonous atomic wasteland. Then, the Ayatollah, Nabavi, Rafsanjani, and the rest of this gang of outlaws would have been the "martyrs" they so fanatically claim they desire to be. The result may have been an ever wider war.

demned women to death by stoning in Teheran's public square, who at one time banned the consumption of Coca-Cola and all popular music in their country, and finally who imprisoned, tortured, beat, and degraded 53 American citizens for something they had nothing to do with as expiation for a very entangled past.

Now, we hear cries that America's "get tough" policy will drive Iran into the arms of the Soviet Union. Well, if the Iranian government is so irrational that it would willingly

these hearings are sure to anger the American people as the former hostages tell how they were beaten and tortured.

During the stop-over in West Germany, when asked what he now thought of Iran, one former hostage replied, "buy Iraqi war bonds!" This same hostage stated that he would return to Iran only in a B-52.

These revelations will prompt the American people to demand that stern measures be taken against Iran. There will also be cries to renounce the pact which finally led to the hostages' release.

Iranian diplomacy still possible through rational thinking

superpower into the dust and force them to submit to our just demands"; history will prove that Iran paid a high price for this barbaric and cowardly act.

Because these Barbarians, as President Ronald Reagan has characterized them, "committed every inhumane act possible to diplomatic personnel, with the blessing of every Iranian leader in high places," most of the world now denounce Iran's leaders and will deal with them only at great risk and great distance.

Rational leaders and governments cannot afford to act irrationally, especially when dealing with a band of fanatics and crackpots.

Using hindsight, one must admit that the intellectual mistake here was assigning rational motives to people who behave irrationally. In dealing with the Ayatollah and his band of crackpots, the Carter Administration has been dealing with people who want all women to disappear from public view, who have con-

walk into the arms of the Soviet Union, and become a satellite of the Soviet Union, then by definition it is irrational.

President Reagan and Secretary of State Alexander Haig have promised to "take a long, hard look" at the hostage agreement worked out between Iran, the United States, and the Algerian intermediaries. Further, Senators Howard Baker and Charles Percy have promised detailed senate hearings into the hostage situation. Revelations from

Yet, the Reagan Administration will and must proceed both carefully and cautiously. There is still rational thinking in Iran just as there is in the rest of the world. It is important that a dialogue be maintained with these rational groups still in Iran. Although it will take a long time, Iran must be brought back into the realm of rational thinking nations. It is important for Iran, important for the Free World, and important for the world at large.

Thanks from Vet Center

We the staff of the Vet Center would like to express our appreciation for the coverage of our "anniversary" of our operation.

We would like to update a few of the facts which were in the story written by Henry Evenson in the Jan. 16 issue.

Our staff consists of four team members. Dr. Don Taylor is a Clinical Psychologist and the team leader. Mr. Pete Snyder is our Rehabilitation Counselor. The Outreach Specialist, Mr. Mike McWatters, transferred to the Alaska Vet Center and has been replaced by a transfer from the Boise, Idaho, team. Our current Outreach Specialist is Dan Kroy. I, as the Office

Manager would like to inform you that my correct name is Coffey not Taylor. Before transferring here I worked for three years in the Office of Veterans Affairs on your campus.

We appreciate and thank you for your coverage of our program.

Sincerely, Peggy L. Coffey Office Manager

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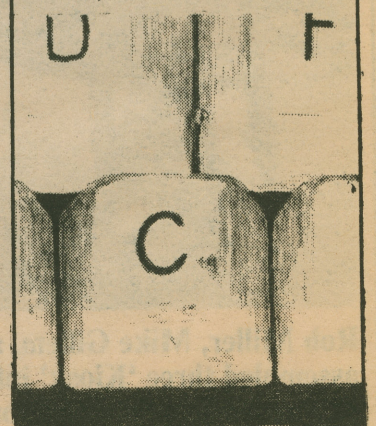
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Time management topic TCC workshop

Time management is the topic of a special two-part Tacoma Community College seminar, February 7 and 14.

Classifieds

Would like girl to share \$270 month (plus utilities) 2-bedroom apartment. Close to campus. Phone 564-5676.

Students and townspeople interested in performing with the TCC Chamber Orchestra please contact Dave Whisner (756-5060 or Bldg. 5).

Address and stuff envelopes at home. Earnings unlimited. Offer, send \$1.00, refundable, to: Triple "S", 16243-H4, Cajon, Hesperia, CA 92345.

A Large Upstairs Bed room is For Rent in a Five Bedroom House Shared by P.L.U. Students in Parkland. Contact Matt 535-3087.

National Encounter with Christ is hiring students to work with an on campus Christian Ministry, pay \$400 /month. For more information call 927-5670 or 838-6287. 6-12 evening for more details.

Get Paid for Your Smarts!

Tutors are needed in several study areas (English, Math, Science, etc.). Apply Building 8, Room 9. TCC Tutorial Services. 756-5026. College Credits can be obtained for tutoring services.

This service is free to students and faculty. Are you looking for a certain something? Do you have something to sell? Place a Classified Advertisement in the Collegiate Challenge. We are effective. Stop by Bldg. 7, Room 17 or call 756-5042.

Feb deadline

Students wishing to enter the 1981-82 Medical Record Technician, Medical Secretary or Medical Transcriptionist program must have applications submitted by February 1st.

Applications may be obtained in the Allied Health Division Office located in Building 19. For more information, contact Marion Miller at 756-5163.

The Tacoma Elks Lodge No. 174 is offering scholarships for the 1981-82 school year. Interested freshmen may pick up applications from the receptionist in Bldg. 2A. Deadline for applications is February 15, 1981.

"Up Against the Clock," a one-credit course designed especially for managers and supervisors, is offered as part of the college's Professional and Technical Continuing Education program.

The 6-hour workshops will explore problems that waste time in management and how to correct them. Special emphasis will be placed on outside resources for improving time efficiency.

Tuition for the course, which meets 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. both days in Building 14, Room 2, is \$10.20. Students may register at the first session or pre-register at the TCC Office of Admissions in Building 2.

For more information, contact the TCC Department of Continuing Education and Community Services at 756-5018.

Scholarships offered

The Tacoma Elks Lodge No. 174 is offering scholarships for the 1981-82 school year. Interested students may pick up applications from the receptionist in Building 2A. Deadline for applications is Feb. 15. The scholarship is for freshman students only.

Trustees coming to campus

Members of the TCC Board of Trustees will be on campus Feb. 5 to answer questions and discuss concerns with students, faculty and staff during the second "Board Day on Campus."

Scheduled for 2-5 p.m. in the John Binns Room, Bldg. 7, the session includes 45 minutes for each campus group to discuss matters of common concern with board members.

According to TCC President Dr. Larry Stevens, "It is hoped this type of a 'townhall' format will provide a continued avenue for communication between the campus community and the Trustees concerning issues facing the college."

Dean of Administrative

Services Carl Brown will moderate the discussions so everyone will have an opportunity to be heard by the board.

All members of the college community are welcome at any time during the afternoon to sit in on all sessions or participate in sessions as scheduled below.

12-1 p.m. - Board members available in the cafeteria to eat lunch with interested students and faculty.

1-2 p.m. - Board members tour campus.

2-2:45 p.m. - Student Session.

2:45-3:30 - Faculty session.

3:30-4:15 - Classified Staff session.

4:15-5 p.m. - General session.

5 p.m. - Adjournment.

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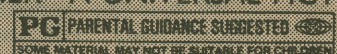


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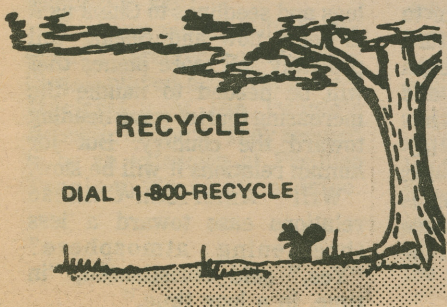
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China travel bleak for Americans

By Loren L. Aikins

Such travel companies as American Youth Hostels offer westerners the chance to tour the mysterious orient. "Tour the most beautiful part of southern China," they advertise, "sixteen days, five cities, for the low package price of \$2,600. Sign up soon, the nine tours we offer are expected to fill up fast." Sounds exciting, but there are some elements to these tours that are only briefly mentioned in the brochures.

R.N. Christiansen is a Seattle resident who is familiar with these elements. He is the manager of the China Development Department of Seattle First National Bank. His job is to know China, so that he can evaluate the risk involved with loaning money to that country. This means he must keep current with what's happening in China. "I spend 35 per cent of my time reading," said Christiansen, "(and) it's my job to know who the Premier is sleeping with and why, yet I couldn't tell you who the mayor of Tacoma is."

A few years ago Christiansen and his colleagues were excited about China's desire for western technology, just as a few individuals are excited now with China's developing tourist trade. Said Christiansen, "We were euphoric, we were saying to ourselves (about industrializing China) 'by god we can do this by '85.' Many of the projects that excited them still haven't been realized. So Christiansen is no longer euphoric with general business: It is good, but China hasn't yet turned into that pot of gold he

thought it would. So with his background and knowledge he isn't excited with China's tourist trade.

According to Christiansen, Chinese tourism is primarily being developed for the Chinese themselves. The thinking of China's leaders has changed since the Cultural Revolution. Just a few years ago, China's history was last in the minds of her leaders. The old philosophy being "Learn from daily life, forget the past." Today the ancient buildings and temples are being restored.

The Chinese love to tour, says Christiansen. So much, and there are so many, that the day will come when they tour by the bus loads - one after another stacked up to the horizon.

The foreigners who are welcome are those who have family in China. "They bring in money to help out their relatives," said Christiansen. "Otherwise, if you don't know someone in Peking it is not likely you will be let in. (This is of course trying to get a visa on your own.)"

Aside from the difficulty of getting in, there are other problems to face, such as the double pricing that goes on. Non-Chinese pay up to five to six times more for the same service as do the Chinese.

There are few hotels. An Australian industrialist contracted to build prefabricated hotels, to be fitted together in China. The company spent millions on this project, then the Chinese canceled the order. Christiansen said that this is a pretty common practice,

because they don't know yet how they want to grow.

Transportation is poor. The Chinese bought airplanes from Boeing, but they don't have the trained pilots. The trains are good, but the rail system is not. The frequent use of the track and the cold temperatures of some parts of the country are too much for the metal. Tracks often need repair.

The final thing that counts against travel in China is the tours themselves; for outsiders they are restrictive. Tourists are only allowed in the towns that were opened for them and only at the times they are open. One travels with the assigned tour guide, and is not allowed to sight-see on his own.

Since the language is a problem, how does one meet the people? Certainly not through the tour guide. He or she is trained only to translate facts.

China is not for the average tourist. It is not impossible, but it is difficult to travel. When one lands, officials take away plane tickets and visas. They return a green card which dictates where one is to be, and when. More or less one becomes a guest of the Chinese, for however long they want.

Christiansen suggested that Taiwan would be a better country to tour than China. The sights in Taiwan are of the same type as those in China. Taiwan is also more comfortable for tourists, since it has developed along western lines. It has the hotels, the transportation, to meet the needs of travelers, and it is easier to get into.

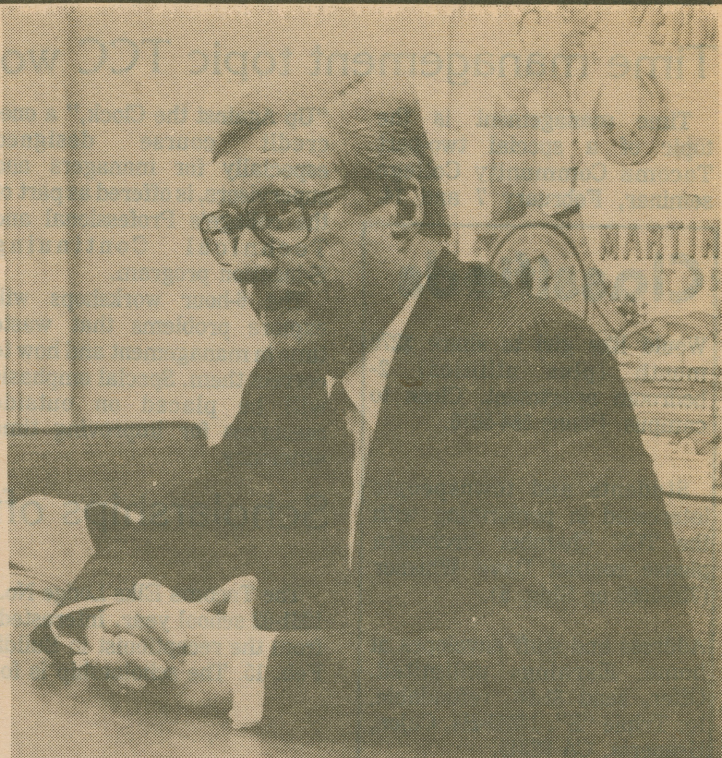


Photo by, Brian Barker

"They're trained negotiators. You don't know their rank, you don't know what ministries they're from, and they outnumber you four to one."

— Roger Christiansen

Chinese trade on their own terms

John Ellison

Being in China today, is like "sitting in the middle of history," according to Seattle First National Bank executive and expert on Chinese business relations, Roger Christiansen. With China opening its doors to the world after 30 years of self-imposed exile, the mystery of the Far East again captures the imagination of the Western mind, not to mention the interest of the business community.

"It's the old idiom, 'If I could just sell each person just one toothbrush a year,'" said Christiansen of those who would exploit the Chinese. But China today has had 30 years to prepare for capitalism and the Western mind. The Chinese are reaching for self-sufficiency rather than dependency on the West.

The transition into the 20th century is slow. "Their biggest problem today is producing the electrical energy to run the factories," says Christiansen. Factories that are being sold to the Chinese by the U.S. and other countries do not lack manpower in a country of one billion, but find energy in high demand.

And the selling process can be difficult. When dealing with the Chinese, one doesn't speak directly to the people who will use the product, but to negotiators. "They know nothing about the product," said Christiansen, "they're trained negotiators. You don't know their rank, you don't know what ministries they're from, and they outnumber you four to one." Passports and return flight airline tickets are taken by the Chinese government and are often held until business has been concluded. This "imprisonment" apparently works well and the captive audience is allowed to stay or asked to leave depending on the progress of the negotiations.

"The Chinese are refurbishing their cultural heritage," said Christiansen, "and are very anxious for their compatriots to visit China." The Westerner will have to wait a few more years before he, too, can be as warmly received.

An increase in technical people is also needed in China to train the populace to operate the machinery being purchased by the Chinese. Yet, according to Christiansen, "They don't know what to do with us. Housing is a real problem as you can imagine." Apparently when a technician is sent to China he or she must be placed in the home of a politically stable family. There doesn't seem to be too many of these households that have been approved by their government. This is not to indicate that the government cannot trust anyone, but that the thought that Americans and other foreigners, having been kept out for 30 years, are a difficult commodity to handle.

In addition to the poor technical training available is the problem with basic education. "Education is a big problem," said Christiansen, "their universities are in absolute shambles."

Will the Chinese ever accept the West? Christiansen seemed optimistic yet reserved. The Chinese need to catch up in technology to the U.S. and Russia. Food production being the problem it is will keep the Chinese buying U.S. wheat and corn. The Northwest will supply logs and seedlings to China as it is doing now and Boeing will probably sell more planes that will be needed to handle the increasing tourist wave heading toward the country. But for human relations it will be slow.

Will American-Chinese relations ease toward a less threatening atmosphere? "Yes," said Christiansen, "in time, in a long time."

"Common Speech" unifying China

By Rita Fleischmann

The simplification of the Chinese language has been the goal of The People's Republic of China since 1956, and stress is being placed on pronunciation, reduction of the number of characters in use, and the simplification of the characters themselves.

China is a nation of dozens of ethnic groups, all of whom speak their own languages. The language which is commonly referred to as "Chinese," is actually the language of the Han people, who make up 94 percent of the population of The People's Republic of China. The language of the Han consists of eight principal dialects, with many variations of each; all of the differences lie in the pronunciation rather than in the written form. Although there are 47,021 characters in the traditional Chinese language (not counting alternate forms), only five to six thousand of them are in common use; and according to surveys, anyone who knows 1,556 characters is in command of 95 percent of the Chinese language in general usage.

The simplified dialect, called "common speech," will further reduce the number of characters; where there are two or more characters for the same word, one form will be selected. The characters themselves, some of which require up to 47 strokes to write one word or thought, are also being revised. Because over 70 percent of the population who use Chinese as their principal language speak the "Northern" or "Beijing" dialect, the sounds will be based on this dialect. The form of transliteration is being changed from the more familiar Wade-Giles system to the Pinyin system (example: "Peking" is now written as "Beijing"), so that Chinese words written in English are closer to the actual Chinese pronunciation.

When finally completed, "common speech" will do more than merely unify the Chinese language: it will unite the Chinese nation as well. Gone will be the days when Chinese from different districts won't be able to understand one another's speech. Gone will be the familiar request, "Write it down! Write it down!"

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By Jerry Jonas

After 30 years of self-imposed isolation, China has now begun to open its doors. As the most populous nation on earth, it is politically as well as strategically an influential country that cannot be ignored.

One who is well aware of just how much (yet with its own brand of control) China is opening its doors of trade is banker Roger Christiansen.

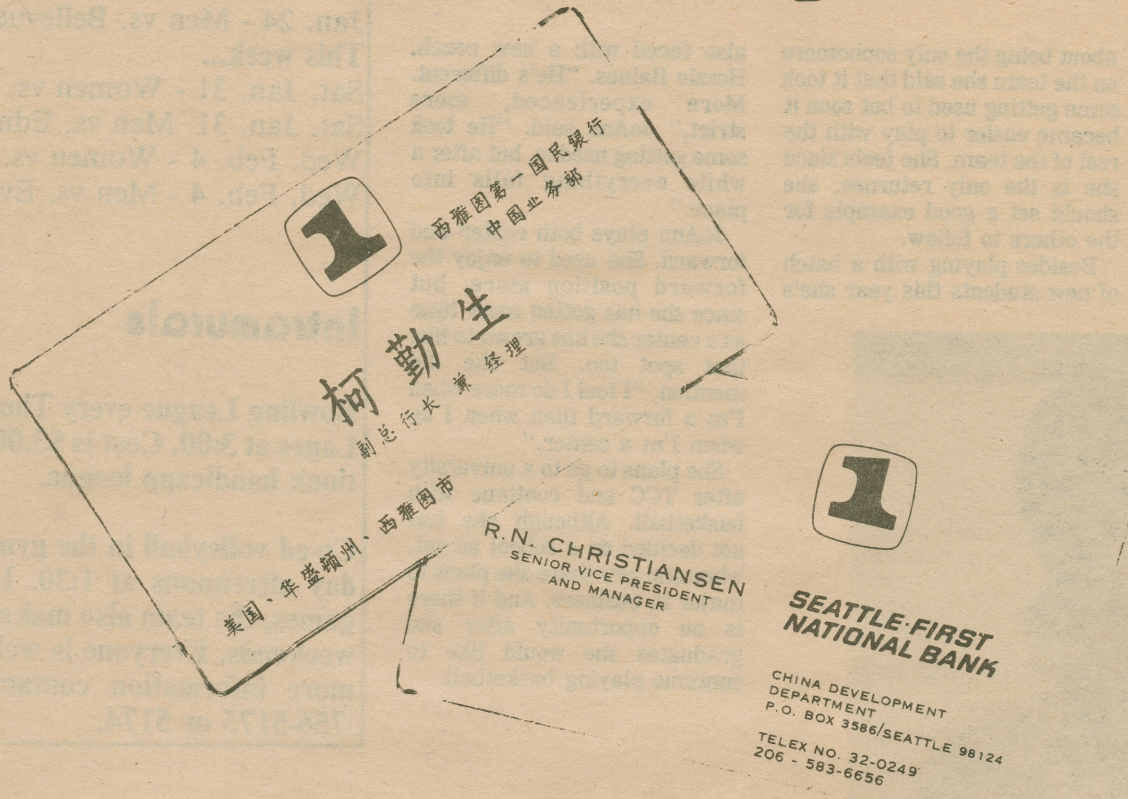
Christiansen, whose father was a banker, vowed early that wasn't the life for him. But his four-year stint in the military spent mainly in China made him determine to return to that part of the world.

But by the time he finished his studies and professional training, including some time at Harvard, China was closed. So when City Bank needed someone to live in Japan, Christiansen decided that 1) Japan was as close as he was going to get to China for a long time and 2) if the job got him to that part of the world, the banking profession wasn't all that bad.

Since 1965, Christiansen has been at Sea-First where he is now responsible for its China department.

He spends a third of his time reading periodicals on current events and the economics of China. The rest of his time is divided between calling on U.S. corporate customers for accounts and helping to set up "joint ventures" between Chinese and U.S. companies. And in the last few months, he has made two trips to the China mainland.

Banker: Hard to do business without politics



In speaking of U.S.-China relations, Christiansen says China would rather deal with Americans than the Japanese for modernization reasons and that in the last five years, interest in the U.S. is at least

equal to Japan: "There's more culture similarities with Japan, but on the other hand, China never got over 30 years of war with Japan...China's current generation is unprepared for international affairs. Russia put

in technicians and thousands and thousands of people and then left China in kind of a shambles in 1976."

Christiansen goes on to say, "It's hard to do business

without politics. The political risk is an important factor. You deal with the country separately. What products can be sold? Who to do business with? When you have an opportunity to lend money you must look at the political consequences."

A couple of interesting points Christiansen commented on dealt with key American political figures. "The last thirty years China made overtures to the U.S. and former President Nixon received them." When asked the possibility of Nixon being appointed Ambassador to China, Christiansen ruled it "highly unlikely, though Nixon has good relations with China."

During the '80 presidential campaign Vice President Bush visited China in August. "The Chinese people were quite cool to him. He didn't get very far," Christiansen said. "Bush's visit to China had little effect on U.S. trade relations."

Christiansen says "China is a master as when to and not to appear angry. They denounced Reagan's inference to recognize Taiwan. There was no follow up. It's when there's three or four follow-ups that there's cause for concern."

Dealing with trade closer to the Northwest, Christiansen said, "China buys airplanes, ten 707's and three 747's and lots of training ground equipment." Due to China's shortage of timber, it imported an entire fiberboard mill. China also buys logs, greenhouses and electronic measuring devices.

Chinese Posters

By Carol Corpany

"Wall to wall people. There are people everywhere!" reported R.N. Christiansen, head of Seattle First National Bank's China Development Department. In Seattle interview Jan. 15, Christiansen was sharing observations he made during recent visits to the People's Republic of China on behalf of the bank's financial interests.

How does a government communicate with such a large population? China, with more than one billion people, is a country just larger than the U.S. Two-thirds of China is mountainous or desert. This means that most of the population is centered in about one-third of the land. Even though extensive farmlands can be found in the east, well watered by three great river systems, the arable land is only 0.3 acres per capita.

There are one million TV sets and twelve million radios in use in China, in addition to newspapers. Some of the people may have an opportunity to hear what the government wishes to tell them. But how can a government ever hear what one billion people might be wanting to say?

A phenomenon called the Great Character posters, now illegal, played a part in the de-Maoization of the People's Republic of China. They seemed to be an extension of Premier Teng's modernization drive.

On any day you could have seen a new poster on the "Wall of Democracy" in Peking. These might have been anything from a writing paper size poster to a 100-foot scroll. These posters are the government's unique method of preparing the way for moves they are thinking of instituting. In Chinese, these are known as "throwing a stone to check the route."

During the few years in use before becoming illegal again, such posters have been used for: testing reaction to the rehabilitation of a former military leader who had been

disgraced by Mao; criticizing communism; criticizing the nature of the Peking regime; an open letter to Jimmy Carter appealing for him to do something about human rights in China; even one poster calling for Mao's remains to be removed from his elegant mausoleum.

It is thought that Premier Teng Hsiao-peng initiated the Big Character posters because a degree of freedom must accompany a modernization drive. Actually, this enabled him to use the people as allies against the remaining Party radicals.

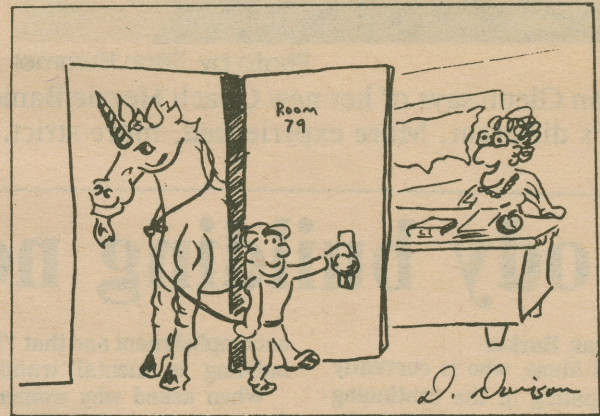
Alas, the posters went too far too fast. Early in 1980 the Party leaders called a halt to this freedom. They are no longer legal. Perhaps the government received enough direction from the people for awhile.

A small sample of D. Davison

By Loren Aikins

Floating about this corner of the page is just a small sample of the cartoons Dave Davison has done in his spare time. Dave cartoons, draws, and writes. These are his hobbies - the things he does when he has the time.

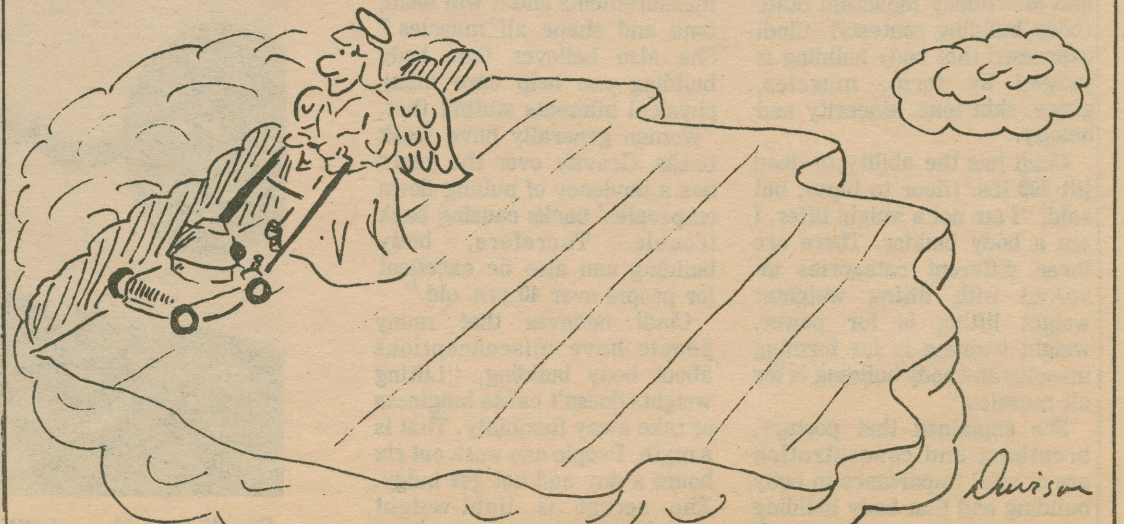
What takes up his time? Studying anthropology here at TCC is one thing. And then there's other classes, eating, sleeping, and celebrating. These are pastimes which eat up his creative time. But Dave doesn't mind his creative time being limited, since his cartooning is now a hobby, something done for fun. His drawing was at one time a career experiment, which has given way to a desire for a career in science, with anthropology being perhaps the area he will major in. Dave is still experimenting with career choices.



Well Todd, what have you done for your mythology project?

While he was thinking of cartooning for a living, he sent a few of his works to four magazines. Some went to Lawn Care Industry, who thanked him when they returned the drawings, and other works went to American Boarding Kennels

Association, who also couldn't use his cartoons at that time. But Skin Diver Magazine bought two and Northwest Chess took ten. This is quite good, any freelancer will tell you, two sales out of four submissions.



JoAnn Glenn returns to team, sets example

By Howard Harnett

After playing basketball for two years in junior high, three years in high school, and coming back for her second year at TCC, JoAnn Glenn averages 14 points and 8 rebounds in a game. The most points she has made in one game this year is 27.

When asked how she felt

about being the only sophomore on the team she said that it took some getting used to but soon it became easier to play with the rest of the team. She feels since she is the only returnee, she should set a good example for the others to follow.

Besides playing with a batch of new students this year she's

also faced with a new coach, Hezzie Baines. "He's different. More experienced, more strict," JoAnn said. "He took some getting used to, but after a while everything falls into place."

JoAnn plays both center and forward. She used to enjoy the forward position more, but since she has gotten more time as a center she has grown to like that spot too. But she did mention, "I feel I do more when I'm a forward than when I do when I'm a center."

She plans to go to a university after TCC and continue with basketball. Although she has not decided on a school as yet, when she gets there she plans to major in business. And if there is an opportunity after she graduates she would like to continue playing basketball.

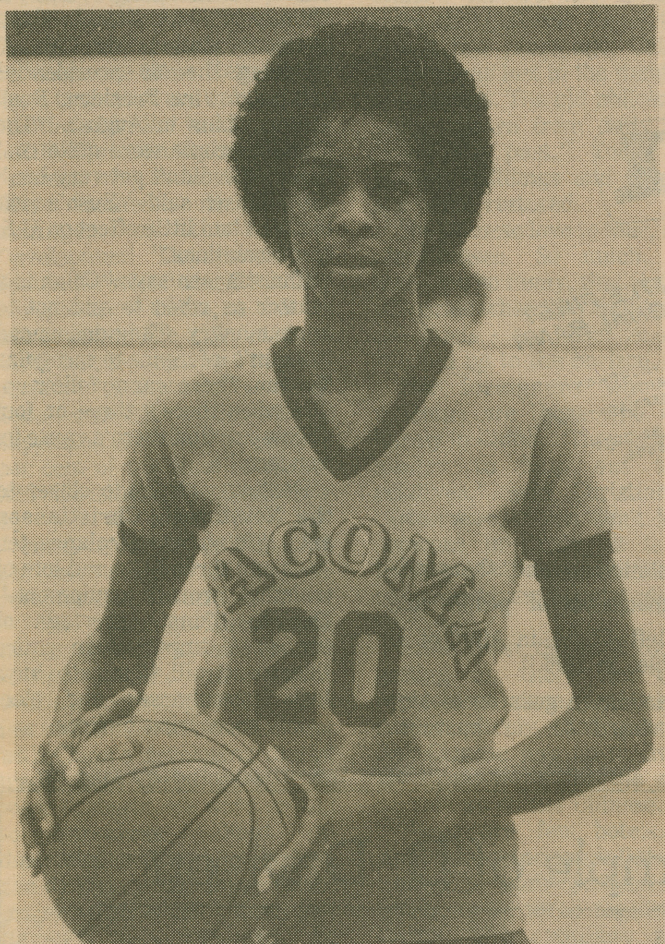


Photo by, Sean Hummel

JoAnn Glenn says of her new Coach Hezzie Baines, "He's different. More experienced, more strict."

Teams

Last week...Basketball

- Jan. 21 - Women vs. Shoreline - lose 72-73
- Jan. 21 - Men vs. Shoreline - lose 87-88
- Jan. 24 - Women vs. Bellevue - lose 69-101 (?)
- Jan. 24 - Men vs. Bellevue - lose 82-102

This week...

- Sat. Jan. 31 - Women vs. Edmonds HERE - 6:00
- Sat. Jan. 31 Men vs. Edmonds HERE - 8:00
- Wed. Feb. 4 - Women vs. Everett There - 6:00
- Wed. Feb. 4 - Men vs. Everett There - 8:00

Intramurals

Bowling League every Thursday afternoon at Tower Lanes at 3:00. Cost is \$3.00 (provide own transportation); handicapp league.

Co-ed volleyball in the gym every Tuesday & Thursday afternoons at 1:30. In addition to the weekly games, the team also makes trips to other schools on weekends. Everyone is welcome to play; if you want more information contact Bill Bush in the gym -756-5175 or 5174.

Athletic task force to boost TCC sports

By Sharon Molnes

Improving the athletic program is the goal of the Athletic Task Force. Budgets, scholarships, facilities, student participation and student interest are all under consideration for improvement and adjustment.

The ad hoc committee set up by President Stevens, consisting of faculty and students, is chaired by Lloyd Percy, faculty. The committee is looking at the present program and is trying to decide what would be "ideal in terms of facilities and budget," ac-

ording to Percy. Percy says "we hope to give President Stevens several option plans from which he might choose one."

At present, the committee is still looking at the present program and has just begun to work with ideas for the future. Percy says, "we have not yet begun to gel ideas and suggestions."

In anticipation of significant suggestions regarding budgeting, the committee deadline is February 4 which will allow time for necessary adjustments before the student budget process begins.

Body building not necessarily for men

By Brian Barker

Cindi Munt, who is currently participating in the continuing education classes at TCC, is the former winner of the 1980 Washington State Body Building contest and presently in training for Ms. Northwest

accomplishment and that "body building is mental training."

When asked why women get involved with body building she replied that the main reason in the beginning is to lose weight. Lifting weights can work wonders for changing

Lifting weights will tone up every muscle. Jogging and many other forms of exercise don't give this."

Cindi is presently in training at the Tacoma Family Fitness

Center weight room. She explained that no particular attention is shown to her because of her gender or previous titles held. "Lifters are a team," she said.

Her advice to women who wish to get into a body-building program is to learn from a good coach and don't attempt lifting without a coach or good instruction available.

'Lifting weights doesn't cause bulginess or take away flexibility. That is a myth. — Cindi Munt.

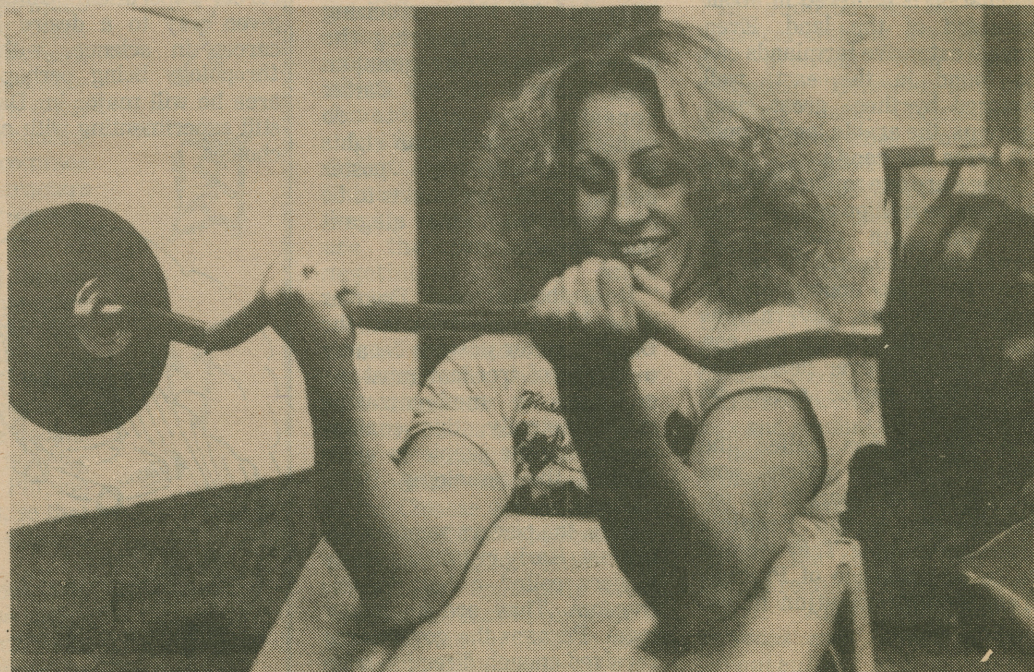
and Ms. Rocky Mountain State (body building contests). Cindi expressed that body building is judged by form, muscles, grace, skin tone, sincerity and beauty.

Cindi has the ability to dead lift 300 lbs. (floor to hips), but said, "I am not a weight lifter, I am a body builder. There are three different categories involved with lifting weights: weight lifting is for power, weight training is for forming muscles and body building is for all muscles."

She explained that posture, breathing and concentration are of vital importance in body building and that body building builds confidence, a sense of

measurements and it will form, tone and shape all muscles." She also believes that body building can help cure many physical ailments stating that, "Women generally have weak backs. Gravity over the years has a tendency of pulling down on peoples' backs causing back trouble. Therefore, body building can also be excellent for people over 40 yrs. old."

Cindi believes that many people have misconceptions about body building, "Lifting weights doesn't cause bulginess or take away flexibility. That is a myth. People can work out six hours a day and not get bulgy. The secret is light-weight repetition for keeping toned up.



Cindi has the ability to dead lift 300 pounds.

Photo by, Brian Barker

'Blood Beach' can't get past the writing

By Scott Peterson

Just when you thought it was safe to go back in the water, you can't get to it.

You see, man, there's this beach in California where some really strange things are going on. I mean, people disappear without a trace.

Yeah, Blood Beach, man.

Somewhere in the duck soup dialogue like that above, somewhere in the collage of beautiful tanned bodies, somewhere in all those confused

tually dies too, and the autopsy revealed that the dog was "killed - brutally and savagely killed," by "very large fingers - very long, very sharp."

"It wouldn't have happened in Chicago," says a Baretta-like cop.

The local police chief gets a letter from the SPCA demanding that the monster be found. Finally he's had enough: "Are we looking for a person or a thing," he says, "Is it real or unreal?" He tells his policemen,

old lover. "Who's sofa, yours or mine?" he says.

Before anyone can stop laughing, another one bites the sand.

"You know what? Real men don't believe in monsters," one cop says.

"No, they don't," says another one.

The plot doesn't make sense, the dialogue was scraped from a California sidewalk, and no one actor was given enough personality to make anyone even blink when they died.

The soundtrack didn't help either. The music must have been a re-hashed "Jaws" score, being the same dark, mysterious orchestration which

either adds horror or humor depending on where your mind is at.

Why was the movie made in the first place? I feel sorry for the actors, being treated this way. This movie really stifled what could have been much better.

Just when the producers thought they had a good idea, they couldn't get past the writing.

'It wouldn't have happened in Chicago'

cops there must be something of value. At least that's what I told myself.

But nothing was there. Perhaps the most difficult thing about this movie is trying to understand whether or not it is trying to be funny.

One particularly honest looking tanned body (Harry) can't figure out where the mother of a former sweetie went to. She's gone without a hint. There is only one witness to her death, an old lady who's tongue is too large. She is tall, skinny, wears dark khaki shorts, a dark beany covered with buttons, army boots, and pushes around a grocery cart all day. She warns people of something, but oddly enough, she doesn't figure into the story at all.

The dead lady's dog even-

"Eat a lot of fish - get stoned.. anything to find this creature.

After one particularly delectable monster meal, an eye is found in the sand. "What color eyeballs did that stewardess have?" the Baretta-like cop asks. The guy should be in comedy.

The highlight of the movie is when a young girl is attacked underneath a dock. After being kicked, the rapist crawls toward the weeping woman. A crunching noise is heard, and the man reaches for something which isn't there anymore.

"He'll never do that again," someone says.

Four kids run up to the cop screaming, "We found it, we found it, we found the guy's wiener!"

Meanwhile, our blue-eyed Harry takes advantage of his



One particularly moving scene is when a girl almost succumbs to the creature which tries to drag her under. She is pulled out of the sand by her quick-thinking friends as she screams and thrashes. Blood runs down the deep scratches on her legs, but there is no sand in the wounds. This is an example of this movie's fine special effects. It is a miracle of modern cinema.

TCC Concert Choir to attend state festival

By Sharon Molnes

TCC concert choir is to attend a festival at Olympic College, Bremerton, early in March. The festival is produced by Raleigh McVicar, choral director at Olympic. All Community Colleges and State Colleges are invited to participate.

"The sharing of the material with other college students and directors is the really general thrust of the program," according to Gene Nelson, TCC choral director. The choir will perform for 10 minutes doing one piece from the Renaissance and two contemporary pieces, one by Fissinger which Nelson says "is very now in choir music."

Three judges, one a top-line

national figure, will write critiques on the performance. The national figure will work with the choir and discuss possible improvements. Nelson says, "you go to improve and re-adjust your sights!"

Nelson feels this is the first time the choir has been large enough to attend. Nelson hopes "the choir will hold together and go this March." The choir of 50, with approximately 20 scholarship students, is one of the largest in TCC history.

The music department is planning a concert the end of Winter quarter in which the Clef Dwellers, show choir, concert choir, and stage band will perform.

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U.S. military can be improved says admiral

By Terry Ross

Is it possible for America to catch up with Russia in military strength?

"Certainly, if you and I have the will," according to James S. Russell, a retired Navy Admiral.

Russell speaking from his home on the edge of American Lake, said that we can compete if we don't stand around and watch like we have for the last four years.

Russell spent 39 years in the Navy after graduating from the Naval Academy. In his later years in the service he was in charge of the NATO forces in the southern flank, the area around Italy, Greece and Turkey. His job was to make sure that the defense in that area was sure and ready to go at all times. He held that position from 1962 until he retired in 1965.

Russell went on to say that an "agreement with the Russians doesn't mean a damn thing." SALT 1 is an example of that, he said.

In that pact we agreed not to build any weapons to defend ourselves against a nuclear attack. While we are not doing any building of weapons, the Soviets are continuing to increase their supply of nuclear arms.

We have fallen behind in every area except the Navy, Russell said. Even there, however, we are beginning to slip. The slip is most noticeable in the building of submarines. While we have managed to build one nuclear sub, the Soviets have built 12.

With our military and our defense of our country in the shape it is, it would seem as if we need a draft.

Not so, says Russell. Instead he thinks we should have "universal military training." He gave the example of Turkey.

In Turkey, every male is required to give 24 months to the military. Russell says that in order to make such a system work there could not be any

exceptions. It's a matter that "if we want to make ourselves strong, we must go after it."

Russell will be a speaker sometime during the spring term at TCC and will also be a speaker at the first Northwest Conference on the Future at UPS this weekend. He will be speaking on the "Role Of The Military In The Future."

Russell feels that the military is an "unfortunate necessity for life in a modern world." We need a strong military to "preserve our freedom, our way of life, and our economy."

He also sees the military as a background that is necessary to the success of a country. However, he does not believe that the military will ever rule the world if Americans have anything to do with it.

In summation, Russell said that we need a strong military to avoid war and to protect our way of life. "After all America is one hell of a good place to live."



Photo by, Dale Weast

Admiral (ret.) James S. Russell has seen a lot of the world, and says that America should get moving again.

Energy conservation program catching on

By Kelly Dietz

With "energy conservation" becoming a household phrase, and people becoming more aware of their own energy uses, TCC has been receiving numerous inquiries concerning the Energy Management Technician Course.

The course is a six-quarter program designed to train students to work in the field of energy utilization and conservation. It requires the completion of 100 to 110 credits.

It is designed to provide students with knowledge of

planning, adjusting, and monitoring systems of heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and lighting.

"I get more inquiries all the time," says Ivonna McCabe, Chairman of the Math-Science Division at TCC, who oversees the program.

McCabe feels the job market in this field is very good and she thinks they are going to become more plentiful in the future.

According to McCabe, people are going to have to become more conservation-minded. She feels that because of the rising

cost of energy, people are going to turn to conservation and alternate sources of energy. Examples of conservation and alternate sources of energy are insulation, woodstoves and solar heating.

TCC is one of six participating colleges that have been selected under a Federal grant to develop the Energy Management Technician Course curriculum.

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