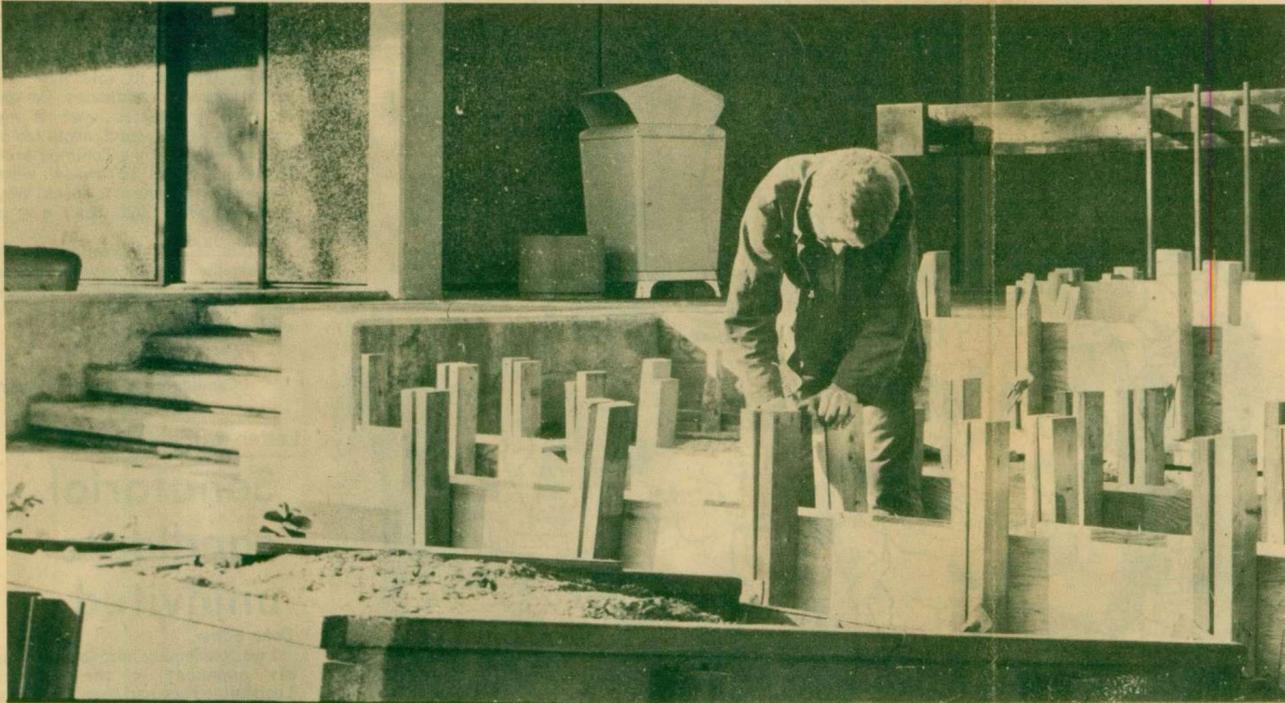


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RAMP PROGRESSES

Final touches were put on the forms for a ramp on the north end of the Science Technology Building with the concrete scheduled to be poured sometime next week. The ramp for handicapped wheelchair students will have a one foot rise per 20 running feet. The project was initiated by the Students Physical Therapy Assistants Club last year. —Photo by Terry Chubb

Wheelchair ramps for handicapped under construction

New construction on the Green River campus this month includes ramps to help the handicapped wheelchair students maneuver better to and from classes.

At the present time, a student in a wheelchair has problems getting into the

registration building because the only ramp is in front of the library. One of the new ramps that is being built is at the steps on the north end of the library. The other ramp is being constructed at the south end of the Science Technology building near Turnbull Turf

Field. This way the students won't have to go to the north end to get by the steps.

THE RAMP WILL be constructed at a one foot rise, to 20 feet in length. This angle will give the student easy rolling up the ramps.

Five departments from Green River are working on the project. The Physical Therapy classes have researched the need for the ramps and they will assist in the construction. The civil engineering technology classes have surveyed possible plans and have studied the topography. Green River's drafting classes

drew up the blue prints and the carpentry classes have made a cost estimation and they will do the construction.

THE FINANCING FOR the ramps came last year when the Students Physical Therapy Assistants Club sponsored a wheelchair basketball game in the GRCC gym. The ramps are expected to be completed by the end of October. With the addition of the ramps, Green River hopes more handicapped students will enroll at Green River.

Elections continue; speech turnout poor

Freshman and sophomore Senate elections were cancelled on October 7 and 8, and rescheduled for yesterday and today because candidates did not have any opportunities to make their campaign speeches, according to Chief Justice Fred Goetz.

Because no speeches were given Goetz, feels that students were not informed on the candidates' opinions and therefore could not make any "knowledgeable opinion on how to vote." For these reasons the judicial board and Goetz decided to reschedule the elections.

Candidates were given an opportunity for speech-making at noon in the Commons this past Tuesday. Only four of the total sixteen candidates showed up. They were Caren Caldwell, Norris Johnson, Dave Merfield and Jeong Sook Lee.

"It's about time that people had enough guts to call off a farce," said Gilbert Ziegler, student body president, about the election in general.

Student body vice-president Duane Moody said the lack of participation by the candidates was "typical".

"It isn't worth it," said freshman senate candidate Norris Johnson when asked why he didn't speak. Johnson referred to the fact that there weren't enough people in the Commons to make it worthwhile.

During the past week most of the candidates were available for interviews, and here are some of their comments on why they decided to run for government and what they intend to do if elected.

Running for freshman senator are Donna Andrews, Caren Caldwell, Norris Johnson, Jeong Sook Lee, and Robert Sanchez.

Sophomore senate candidates include Kim Estrada, Maurice Merrit, Margaret Nyberg, Greg Santora, and Tracy Shier.

Skip Powell, Mark Weaver, Quinten Quine, Dave Merfield are competing for the senator-at-large position.

A 1970 Issaquah high school graduate, and journalism major planning to transfer to Washington State after Green River, Miss Caldwell, says she "wants to learn about student government." "I'm impressed with people working together for something important such as college governance."

Norris Johnson, an 18-year-old Kent youth says he wants to get involved in the process for arranging for student government. "There's not enough student involvement so the government can't really function. The whole campus is run by a select few," said Johnson when asked his opinion about the student government as it now exists.

Jeong Sook Lee is interested in a "better line of communication between GRCC students and college governance." The Korean-born Auburn youth favors College Governance and believes that lack of communication leads to little response at committee meetings.

A psychology major recently graduated from Edmonds High in North Seattle, Robert Sanchez, said his platform is "there's no BS in Bob Sanchez." "I don't think there is a government yet," said Sanchez when asked his opinion of student government. "The students haven't come together as a whole. They need some people willing to do the work and a lot of support from the students."

Kim Estrada, physical education major, said his platform is to do anything the students want, and anything he can do for them. When asked about student government,

he said it is a good thing "as long as it is run by the students."

Greg Santora, also a physical education major said he is interested in equally distributing scholarship money to all departments according to their needs. "Student government is pretty good right now," Santora said. Santora lives in Auburn and is 20 years old.

Twenty-year-old Tracy Shier, and business administration major graduated from Lincoln High School in Tacoma in 1968. "Student government on this campus as it stands now is inefficient, uneconomic, and impractical. Student government will be nothing more than a dance committee until students rights and powers are recognized by the faculty, trustees, and administration of this institution," he said.

"I'm only here to serve the people," said Maurice Merrit, a Lincoln High graduate. Merrit wants to see a fair representation of the minority students on campus.

Freshman David Merfield, on scholarship in the field of music, feels that students should have more say so and more pull on the important committees that have to do with their education. He wants to see more financial aid going to the psychology, math, and the science-technology areas. Merfield commented on the \$20 incidental fee, saying that "this money is for the students, and not all students benefit from it."

The only uncontested candidates are Viola Farrell for frosh president and Tim Cosgrove for frosh vice-president.

Financial aids reorganized

Green River's financial aids committee was recently reorganized, according to committee chairman Dick Barclay, to help cope with a serious fund-shortage problem. The goal of the committee was also restated as "to help students who need money to go to college," said Barclay.

Although need has been a major factor since the formation of the committee with the opening of the school in 1965, scholarships have also been a big recruitment tool.

NOW, WITH THE local economy in a slump, the federal government has granted a total of \$31,300 in scholarships to GRCC students. The college in turn must allocate monies to match the federal grants.

The financial aids committee is in charge of securing and awarding scholarship funds. When the committee began, it was an informal, loosely run group of people with anyone who was interested participating. At that time money was available only from the student services fund, which is a portion of the \$70 tuition. Scholarships were given only for tuition, and sometimes books. Financial aids were given to help recruit and to help develop the different school programs.

Divisional scholarships were introduced and later leadership scholarships were given, in both cases to recruit for and develop the various Green River programs.

ONE YEAR AGO, the scholarships were changed to a work grant program whereby the student worked for the school and the job was a kind of "scholarship", or a cash award to help the student through school.

The new financial aids committee decides

Lock that door; valuables missing

Three cars have been robbed of stereo tape decks and other valuables, reports the parking patrol.

"MOST OF THE thieves just reach in the car or open an unlocked door," said Chuck Larsen, parking lot patrolman. "That way they can't be charged with breaking and entering, only theft," he said.

All three robberies were in the upper parking lot. The lower parking lot had most of the robberies last year.

BURGLARIES OF CARS can be prevented

Judicial appointments announced

Student Body President Gilbert Ziegler, last week announced appointment of the 1970-71 Judicial Board. They are: Chief Justice, Fred Goetz; associates, Don Pint, Judy Dove, Jan Michalek and Cindy Staley.

The powers of the judicial board are to call and administer election polls, policy and procedure, to review qualifications of all elected officers of the ASGRCC each quarter; to act as a board of appeals on questions of constitutionality and to act as a board of appeals for cases concerning student standards.

how the available money is used to help students in need. The group consists of four students appointed by the student body president and ratified by the senate, four faculty members appointed by the dean of students, and chairman Dick Barclay.

"We must match the \$31,300 in EOG grants," said Barclay, "and we do not have the resources so we use the work-study system." Barclay said that for a student who has moved away from home, it costs ap-

Student role in government discussed

by Caren Caldwell

Subcommittees selected last Thursday to define the student role in college governance will report their conclusions in tonight's meeting of the College Governance Committee.

FIVE AREAS OF student participation were discussed this week in the subcommittees: budgeting and fiscal management; selection, retention, and promotion of faculty and administrative staff; development and enforcement of rules of conduct for both students and faculty; general policy development; and curricular design, context of courses, and methods of instruction.

Tonight's meeting will take place in the

approximately \$1650 to attend Green River for one year. For a student living at home, expenses go down to \$1350. Although the student may not pay this himself, Barclay pointed out it is going to cost someone that much.

BARCLAY SAYS THERE is not enough money for the program, and "things are going to get worse." This is due in part to an increase in students and a standstill in funds. Barclay says, "We are not losing ground; we are just not gaining any."

library conference room at 6:30.

TO DETERMINE A philosophy by which the total committee will work, the group was asked in last week's meeting to assess the value of student participation in governance. The group concluded that the desired outcomes would include the experience and responsibility students would gain by working for their own welfare, an added point of view in decision-making, and clearer understanding and trust among students, faculty, administrators, and trustees.

THE PURPOSE OF the Governance Committee is to develop a workable structure in which students may take an active part in running Green River College. Their recommendation will go to the faculty for approval.

Battle rages on

GR campus hearing airs gravel issue

by Terry Chubb and Laura Deichsel

Another battle in the year long fight against a proposed gravel mining operation three miles from the Green River College campus was waged in public by Green River valley residents and other concerned citizens last Thursday, October 8 on Green River's campus during a public hearing held by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

The odds were two to 15 in favor of the gravel opponents, and Stoneway Concrete Inc. clearly lost the verbal fight over whether or not an industrial waste charge permit will be issued to them by the Department of Ecology.

The King County Council has already given Stoneway approval to begin gravel mining on the 508-acre site east of Auburn and near the Soos Creek state fish hatchery, pending the Department of Ecology's approval of the waste permit. Yet another obstacle lays in Stoneway's path.

A REFERENDUM campaign by concerned citizens in the Green River area has obtained the seemingly necessary votes to place the gravel mining issue before the voters.

Two Stoneway representatives, operation manager C.R. Stratton and geologist R.J. Ronney spoke in favor of issuing the waste permit and fifteen other speakers spoke of the harm they believe will be done to Soos Creek and the fish hatchery if Stoneway were allowed to mine.

Stratton, who used charts and aerial photos describing Stoneway's proposed operating procedure, indicated that very little harm would come to the environment.

SIXTY TO 70 foot trees surrounding the site would cut down on noise pollution, and almost make it non-existent, he said. Stratton continued by saying that this operation, which would be located 3,300 feet from the Soos Creek hatchery, would be a closed circuit, meaning that no floods or water pollution would harm the area near the gravel site.

The Stoneway-employed water geologist, Ronney, said that "mining would not decline the water table," but that nearby springs might have a two per cent rate of decrease in flowing water.

When asked after the meeting whether or not he had a personal opinion on the proposed mining operation Ronney answered, "I think I already gave it."

OPPOSING STATEMENTS by some 15 persons expressed doubts in regard to a closed system, and all were concerned about the possible pollution and the resulting killing of the fish in the state hatchery.

The working man, the housewife, the

businessman and businesswoman, all represented at the hearing in Green River's Performing Arts Building. The Washington State Department of Fisheries, National Federation of Fisherman, the International Sportsmen's Club, and the Muckleshoot Indians all sent speakers to the meeting to plead for a denial of the waste permit; all for ecological reasons.

Tom Wimmer, a Seattle resident, said he was concerned about the "ifs" with this and like proposals.

HE POINTED TO PAST examples of broken promises in similar industrial vs. ecological situations, on the Mossy Rock Dam and on the Columbia River.

Green River's College conservation committee chairman Patrick Cummins, ended the meeting by contrasting movie slides of other Stoneway gravel operations with scenic slides of the Green River valley in the fall and spring. As if the slides were not powerful enough, Cummins' dialogue was not less pointed.

"I would like Stoneway and Weyerhaeuser to show you can perform like responsible citizens before you start a gravel operation near our hatchery," he said.

DR. EMLYN JONES, Green River professor who also attended the meeting thought that Stoneway's points were "incisive and well-taken."

"Pat Cummins pointed out the record of Stoneway. He showed that this company is full of promises but very bad on performance," Dr. Jones said.

"I am more convinced than ever that the hatchery on Soos Creek is in mortal danger," he added.

STUDENT STEVE GOEGBUER, facilities coordinator, thinks that Stoneway will have to do better in the future and that there is too much public opposition for Stoneway to win this political battle.

Respect drugs says expert

By Peggie Peda

"We must wake up and have a new respect for chemicals" was one of the main points Dr. Sidney Cohen made Friday night in his talk at GRCC.

Dr. Cohen, author and leading researcher of the drug LSD, spoke on the current drug situation in our country, research on marijuana and other drugs, and the reasons for our drug problems.

POT, COHEN SAID, varies in strength from a very potent material grown in the Far East to an almost inert material grown in North America.

Cohen said pot has been used for thousands of years and in some countries quite widely, as it is here. He added that although there is no proof of the sociological or psychological effects (because there are no long term users here), research is being conducted in foreign countries with several groups of people, including long term users and those who do not use it. The researchers hope to find any effects that might be directly caused from pot.

According to Cohen, pot users are divided into three groups: the trier, who steps away after once experimenting; those who use it occasionally; and the "pot head." Cohen said that small amounts of marijuana used by an experienced user have few side effects. However, an inexperienced user may have temporary side effects such as anxiety, paranoid or psychotic symptoms, and the loss of immediate recall.

DR. COHEN MENTIONED that he did not want to see marijuana legalized until all research indicates that there are no long term problems.

Dr. Cohen also said that scientific researchers cannot agree on whether or not LSD will affect chromosomes in people. He also commented that there seems to be a "plateauing off" of use of LSD, meaning many people are stepping back or quitting the

use of acid. The problem now is that children at elementary and junior high school age have started using hallucinogens such as LSD and mescaline, which are poor quality drugs. Other substances such as stricnaine and amphetamine are being added.

On the humorous side, Cohen mentioned that for their research, scientists in New York city decided to save time and money so they bought their material off the black market. After buying and analyzing it, they found that what they bought was not THC, a synthetic from marijuana, but rather a mixture of other chemicals.

OTHER DRUGS TALKED about by Cohen were amphetamines and barbiturates. Here, Cohen said the greatest danger is not the occasional user such as the athlete and truck-driver, but rather people who develop a tolerance for it. Those people who take diet pills, or pep pills, slowly work up to taking extraordinary amounts that would prove fatal to those not tolerant. Dr. Cohen also mentioned that normally non-lethal doses of alcohol can kill when used with barbiturates.

During the discussion period following his talk, Cohen commented on the reasons for the drug problem in the United States. Possibly the biggest reason in our affluent society, he said, is that "many people have extra money in their pockets" and "we need to have a meaning for life" the basic problems of living and security have been removed. Secondly, because of the hard sell in all mediums, of aspirin, sleeping pills, pep pills, our society is dependant on pills. Dr. Cohen says that we must wake up and have a new respect for chemicals. "Another reason, perhaps, is that 'life doesn't have much to offer next to this 'speed rush' experienced by people who take amphetamines and other such drugs."

COHEN STATED THAT "the only way we grow up is to encounter our fears and frustrations and not take drugs" to blur them.



DITCH COMPLETED

Two construction workers finish the ditch for the sewer pipe to the Dr. Melvin Lindbloom Student Center. Concrete was poured last week and construction is on a schedule. Robinson Photo

From the editors desk

Are the students ready?

Several Green River students and faculty members have initiated a plan that would give students an equal voice in the running of Green River. The plan, if accepted, would be revolutionary. It is something students on other colleges have been wanting to do for quite some time. But do the students of this college really want a voice? Do they really care?

Before students can have a direct and equal voice in determining the policies of Green River College, I feel they must prove themselves to be responsible. They must show that they care about the future and not sit back and think that the plan is a good idea, but let someone else do the work.

A typical example of the apathy on campus was demonstrated on Tuesday when four of 14 student body candidates showed up to give speeches and only ten were present to listen. With no one to listen, a couple of the candidates felt there was no need to voice their views and as a result, students now know no more about the candidates than they did last week when the elections were called off for that very reason.

And who is at fault? Ten candidates who didn't care enough to let students hear their views and several thousand students who don't care who represents them.

Tuesday's incident is not the only example of apathy concerning student government. The sophomore class held a meeting on Monday and that had to be a perfect example of the lack of interest in student government. Out of a class of approximately 545 students, only one was interested enough to attend. Although very disappointed, Dean Fundigland, sophomore class president, plans another meeting for next Monday. But what if no one shows up then? One can't force a student to take part in student government even if it is for his own welfare.

The new college governance proposal will give students direct benefits. Should they be given these benefits if they aren't responsible now?

Several students and faculty members met last week to discuss student participation in institutional governance and its desired outcomes. The committee felt the students can come to realize that they can change the outcome of policy and enhance the student's role in college governance. The system could have a direct influence on student welfare and foster greater student welfare.

The plan could promote general trust and harmony among students, faculty and administration and greatly improve the legislative system on campus.

It's too bad students haven't proven themselves to be interested in student government because they may be giving up an opportunity that many college students all over the nation have worked for. I hope they do take the time to make the plan work, but unless they do, they may have to prove themselves many times over before such a system is again offered.

Editorial and comment

Elections still a joke?

The following was written in reaction to only four of the sixteen candidates for fall election appearing to make election speeches on Tuesday, October 13.

"Involvement" is the too often used word today for placing blame on the other side. If a student is not involved he is to blame for what is wrong with student government. After Tuesday, student government can no longer place the sole blame on students for their lack of support of government policies. Given a chance to start students thinking about getting "involved," government candidates at Green River College don't even bother to use this opportunity to motivate even a few students; those few students who were in the Commons at noon on Tuesday.

"Elections have been the biggest joke in the school's history," said Gilbert Ziegler, student body president, after Tuesday's episode. This generalization can be almost solely supported by one set of observations; Tuesday's mock speech making.

Potential student representatives are supposedly seeking election because they are interested in "leading" and "leading" is closely associated with "leader".

Yet given a chance to begin living the very way of life which they are seeking, they turn it down.

If student government is a farce, without many of its leaders taking part in its own functions, and students are so easily able to see this, is it any wonder that students always "don't have the time."

--Laura Deichsel

Letter to the editor

Stand up for what you believe

Dear Editor:

Americans have a tradition to stand up for what they believe in, even if many others disagree. This attitude has, sadly, led to civil war, persecution in many forms, and the growth of the Canadian emigre population. Being a concerned American as well as a concerned member of the human race, I must speak out on an issue that has become controversial in recent years; abortion.

I believe in abortion on demand to any female who has decided she wants one, without such qualifications as rape, incest, or danger to the mother's physical or mental health. These are cop-outs; the act of abortion is still committed, potential humans are still "murdered" regardless of mode of conception or health of the mother. This is discriminatory "murder" that could be interpreted as eugenics. The ultimate reason for abortion is that a child is unwanted for one reason or another. Law in California permits 98% of applicants to be approved under the mental health clause. Why do we have to hide behind a clever rationale, why not face the problem honestly?

I resent the propaganda of the anti-abortion groups, showing a fetus in hand, and describing the operation in terms designed to gross out fence sitters. Their arguments about unlimited land and resources smacks of the pre-ecology frontier mentality. Is their idea of manifest destiny coast to coast people? Another argument is that welfare mothers will be coerced into unwanted abortions by social workers. I wonder if these same people complain about taxes and increasing welfare rolls?

Sex education and birth control of the pre-conception variety would virtually eliminate abortions if people were exposed to it and used it, but the fact remains that people

do engage in sex for purposes other than procreation, and too often without the benefit of adequate knowledge of sex and birth control methods. We have a problem of clashing moral sensibilities, some of which have not caught up with the prevalent sexual behavior of American society. Are we to leave personal moral decisions to the hired help in the capitols? Are the majority of Americans to be dictated to by a vocal minority appealing with their own mores and values? Abortion should be up to the mother and her doctor, not legislators influenced by lobbyists who could make a hangnail removal sound gross -- or worse yet, some coathanger wielding quack. The average woman who cannot afford to fly to Japan or New York should be able to safely terminate her pregnancy at her discretion.

Tony Goode

New curriculum at Linfield

"Relevance for the '70's and beyond" is the theme for the new curriculum now being taught, after two years of faculty preparation, at Linfield College.

Some of the innovations that are a part of the new curriculum include the choice of computer science and statistics to fill the language arts requirement instead of a foreign language and the addition of Japanese to the modern languages department.

In the physical sciences a student has the choice of environmental science -- biological and environmental science -- geophysical. Both are relevant to current and future environmental and ecological problems of the world.

The core curriculum offers interdisciplinary studies, and major programs are given more depth through the new curriculum.

Failing grades need no longer be a permanent part of a student transcript in another innovative administrative move.



"Think of it as a meaningful experience"

Workshop to help parents, children

Parents are being offered an opportunity to learn more about their children again this fall at GRCC. Through the parent workshop, parents are helped to develop and acquire new skills in working with their children. This year the emphasis will be on verbal experience, science and creative media.

Elizabeth Maddox, in charge of the workshop, expects approximately 400 participants. Due to the large interest there will

be 27 workshops in the valley area. GRCC will hold four sessions, each two hours long, on Saturdays. Those participating will attend two sessions per week: one during the day, with the children, and one in the evening, without the children.

Both parents are urged to attend the workshops. The first parent workshop will be held Saturday, November 7, in the occupational education building.

Letter to the editor

Students lack responsibility

Dear Editor:

Students all over the nation and the world have been screaming "Let us have a chance to prove ourselves. We may be only students, but we are more educated than our parents were; therefore we can do more for our school and our country." This, taken at face value, is a beautiful statement and may be completely true. But ... what happens when an actual nose count is taken of those who really do care?

This week I had a chance to find out for myself how involved we are and actually how involved we want to be. And I find myself appalled at our lack of caring, lack of support that we as a student body give to our elected senators and student body officers.

Meetings have been held that have been open to all students concerning a new form of student government. This new form being considered is called the college governance and concerns student rights and responsibilities within the college system. The college governance committee is trying to formulate a series of changes that will work within and for the "system".

We, as students at Green River have a chance to make ourselves known to those outside our hallowed gates. We have a chance to use all of our voices as one large united voice. We have a chance to stand up and be counted, and to make a contribution to the school and the system, no matter how trivial it may seem to us now.

Our campus seems to have a policy of "I don't want to become involved ... I don't want to volunteer for anything ... I don't have the time ..."

As a new student this fall at GRCC, I was initially stricken with the beauty of the campus and with the friendliness of the faculty. I thought surely I could find a new meaning as to who I am, and what I want to do with my life and what I feel is important.

I think instead, that I have been awakened as to what the students of GRCC want and what they as a whole consider important. And I have had a rude shock.

Each time I go into a class, I am disgusted with the apathy that is projected. You and I, as students seem to be waiting like children to be told what to do and how to do it. We want to be told what to think and how to react.

And this is not only true for the classes but also in regard to student government. It is quite obvious to me that we want to be told by the faculty and the administration what to do next. We have elected students to protect student interests and to work closely with the faculty, administrators and trustees ... but we do not support them. We sit back on our haunches and tell ourselves that we do not have time to go to the meetings, to support our officers; we do not have time ... and therefore we do not care.

I say, that if we do care what happens here at GRCC, we will care about our own democracy in America. If we do not care, if we cannot allow ourselves to become involved, we are setting the path for a dictatorship. And that must be what we want.

Peggy Peda

Open letter

Hey you!

To the students of Green River:

Tuesday, October 13, three other candidates and myself came to the Commons to give campaign speeches. When we arrived, what did we find? Who was there? Nothing and nobody!!

Many of you complained last week when you went to vote that you didn't know the candidates. Do you know us any better now? If my estimates were correct, about ten of you were around the Commons area at noon. Since so many were present, I felt no need to speak. Why should I, when YOU don't give a damn?

If this is any indication of the support the student government is getting, I can understand why they have problems. What about it, students, DO you give a damn?

Norris Johnson, Jr.
Candidate for Frosh Senator

Letter to the editor

Senatorial candidate uninvited

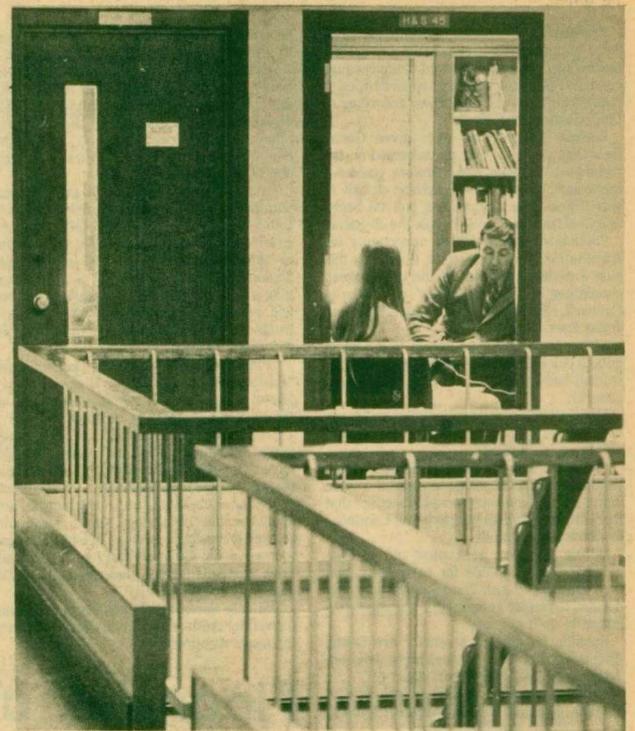
Dear Editor,

I was extremely hurt to hear that my opponent in the current Legislative race had been invited to speak to the student body at GRCC. I received no similar invitation. The "Forum Group," I understand, issues the invitations to outside speakers.

As a candidate who has consistently spoken out for Vote 19, for environmental concerns such as Initiative #256 and S.O.S. and for patience and forbearance with junior college and university troubles -- I am dumbfounded.

However, my conviction that Mr. Martin Durkan, is more interested in running for governor than in the concerns of the 47th District appears to have been proven. I understand Mr. Durkan did not honor his engagement with GRCC.

Cathy Mitchell
Republican Candidate for Senator from 47th District



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Viola Farrell, Current reporter, interviewed Nigel Adams, history instructor in his H&S office this week. The interview will appear next week.

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Campus radio striving for professionalism

by Caren Caldwell

Rubber band-driven turntables spinning ceaselessly typify the homemade quality of Green River's radio station, KGRC.

Broadcasting over the PA system from a tiny renovated office in the performing arts building, disc jockey Dave Johnson shuffled record albums in and out of their covers and kept each of the two turntables ready for instant use.

"I try to play the top 50 -- if I have it," Johnson reported. As one song ended, he read a public service announcement referring to "smart pedestrians". Then, starting up another song, he switched off the microphone, explaining what he does while the music is playing: "I set up songs, public service announcements, and sing along."

KGRC is based in PA 28, a warm, windowless cubicle with acoustical ceiling tile on most of the walls and door. With space for one person to sit at a U-shaped table opposite the door, the room rapidly becomes congested when three or four people enter, stumbling over wires, records, and each other.

Equipment is concentrated within reach of the DJ seated at the table: a turntable at each side, microphone attached to the control board in front, tape recorder and amplifiers.

"It's more than a glorified juke box," said Johnson. The radio station was installed last year for the purpose of entertaining and informing the students. "One of the biggest problems on campus is communications," stated Steve Goegebauer, KGRC advisor. Besides public service announcements, bulletins advertising dances and other activities are broadcast. Requests for publicity are handled through the student activities office. Local advertising is also sought at the minimal charge of \$1 a minute. Johnson, however, acknowledged that as little talking as possible is done. "People want to hear music."

Popular music is played from 8 a.m. (7:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays) until 9 p.m. every week day by KGRC's 11 disc jockeys; Dale Halvorson, Gary Bishop, Dave Hanson, Bob Vrooman, Larry Hultquist, Lee Flath, Rich Ray, Vern James, Joe Baker, Dan Mathewson and Dave Johnson.

Requests may be made by ringing extension 268. Although KGRC usually broadcasts into the commons area only, Goegebauer emphasized, "All anybody has to do in any room is just call the office" to have music transmitted elsewhere on campus.

The records that are broadcast come to KGRC free from record manufacturers and promoters. Nothing is played that has not been reviewed by music director Bob Vrooman. "There's only one in five that we can actually play," reported Vern James. "That means one out of 20 are hits."

Goegebauer hopes, with the help of professional DJ's Dave Hanson of Tacoma's KMO and Bob Vrooman who has worked at KAYO to achieve a more professional quality in the college radio. "Our design on this thing is to eventually be an FM station," he remarked.

Moving toward the professional touch and away from a "lack of uniformity" that was evident last year, radio logs have been introduced this year. The log is a schedule for DJ's to follow during a broadcast.

Desire for professionalism goes beyond improvements in format, however. "We're in hopes of getting money from student government to get a professional sound," said Johnson. New equipment is needed to shed the homemade characteristics of KGRC broadcasts. The professional equipment will "greatly increase our sound quality," Goegebauer feels certain, which will enable the station to apply for an FM radio license.

Johnson quipped, "I have a direct line to a captive audience." For, unlike a radio with an on-off dial, the squawk box system of KGRC cannot be tuned out.

VA issues suggestions to college veterans

Veterans at Green River College who are looking forward to receiving monthly G.I. checks this semester were offered several suggestions by the Veterans Administration recently.

(1) Turn in your Certificate of Eligibility to the college registrar when you register -- or as soon after as possible.

(2) See to it that this enrollment form is returned promptly to the VA by Dick Barclay, registrar.

The law requires that the VA must be notified that the veteran has actually enrolled before processing his check, and, in practice,

veteran should notify his nearest VA office. The VA also explained that the veteran must have returned his Certificate of Pursuit card for the last semester if previously enrolled under the G.I. Bill. This is normally done during the last month of the semester, but is often forgotten.

Demos slate reception Friday

An open house where the public can get acquainted with the Democratic Party candidates will be held in the VFW hall in Auburn tomorrow night at 8 p.m.

Included on the roster of guests are State Senator Henry Jackson, 7th District Representative Brock Adams, King County Prosecuting Attorney Ed Heavey, Martin Durkan, Senator from the 47th District, Gary Grant 47th District Representative, and Bud Shipcock, 47th District Representative. Live rock music and refreshments will be served.

Clearing wants stories

The "Clearing", GRCC's literary publication, is looking for stories and poems.

Students of the college are asked to submit material to Wayne Luckman in the social studies office building. No definite date for publications has yet been set. The Clearing will come out sometime in spring quarter.

Luckman and Robert Short are co-editors with Pat Robinson as photographer and Robert Cruickshank as artist.

Vote-19 campaign nearing climax

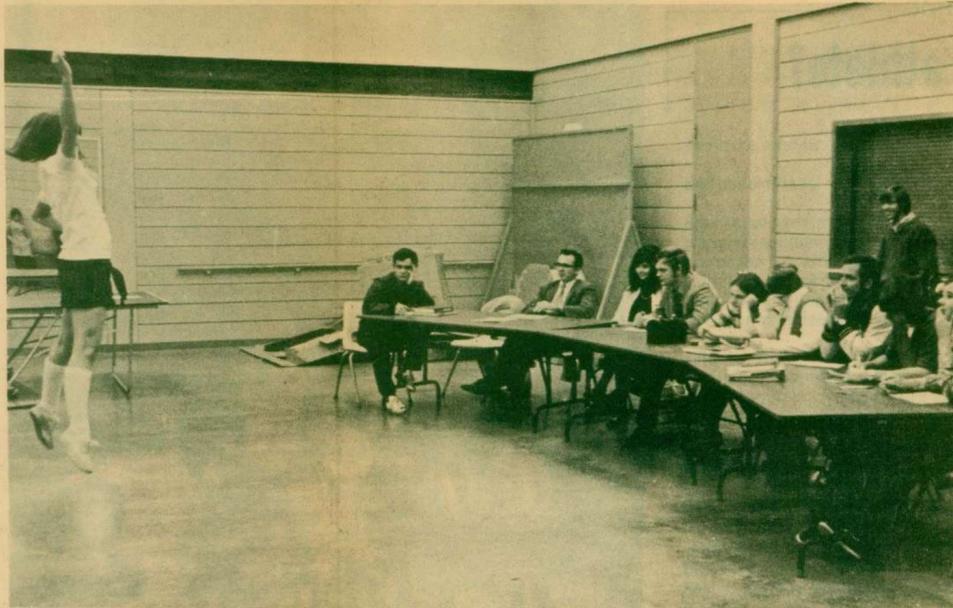
The dance held last Saturday night in the Green River gym brought in \$112, for the Vote-19 campaign. The admission price was divided on a percentage basis between Boulder Creek, the band that performed for the dance, and the Vote-19 Campaign in the Auburn, Kent and Renton area. Green River student, Steve Kendall, is chairman.

The money, according to Kendall, will go into the valley campaign fund to pay for additional flyers needed for doorbelling in this area. The only cost of the dance was for security which was paid for by Special Events.

The dance was the last activity planned for Kendall's area for the Vote-19 campaign. He plans on doorbelling the valley residents from now until the election November 3 when the issue of giving the vote to 19 and 20 year-olds will be voted on by the people.

Kendall said a statement made by Governor Dan Evans last Saturday announced a non-partisan poll held the balance at 51 per cent of the voters in favor of the issue. Kendall went on to say the poll was

taken before any real doorbelling had started. A meeting will be held next Wednesday to enlist GRCC students for doorbell work in the Seattle area. Kendall said workers are



PRIVATE ELECTION

A cheerleading contestant performs before the judging board last week during cheerleader tryouts. The board announced the winners yesterday, but after the Current deadline. -- Photo by Pat Robinson

Editorial page editor named

A 19-year-old journalism major from Issaquah has been appointed to the position of editorial page editor of the Green River



CAREN CALDWELL

Drama classes slate films

Drama Class Films The Drama Classes (100 and 152) at GRCC, taught by Gary Taylor, will be sponsoring "well known films of the past" at noon in PA 8. The first film will be "From Here to Eternity" on October 27.

The schedule of films is as follows; November 3--"On the Waterfront" November 10--"Requiem for a Heavyweight" November 24--"Bridge on the River Kwai"

Gators invited to skate-in

Green River's students are invited to a night on wheels by Tiffany's Skate-In. "Gator Day", the official name of the evening, will offer free admission to all GR students on Saturday, October 24. The skating will be divided into two sessions, from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. to midnight.

This special day of skating for students is the result of an effort by some students on campus to start a skating club. The club would result in a discount for students who belonged. "Gator Day" is to try to interest students in skating and to hopefully start another physical education class at the rink.

Current. Caren Caldwell replaces Gilbert Ziegler who edited the page last quarter and for the first two issues this quarter. He was editing the page until a replacement could be found.

Miss Caldwell was graduated from Issaquah High School in 1970. She was editor-in-chief of her high school paper during her senior year at Issaquah. In high school, she was a member of student council, Girls' Service Club and Girls' Club.

She has lived in the Northwest for the past three years, coming from Salt Lake City, Utah.

As editorial page editor, she will write a regular column, solicit views and opinions from students and conduct interviews and polls to find how students feel on current issues. She will be concentrating on a central theme each week.

AWS slates 'sleep-in'

The Associated Women Students (AWS) of GRCC is sponsoring a sleep-in tonight beginning at 7 p.m. and lasting until 7 a.m.

All girls are invited to attend. It will take place in the gymnasium at a cost of one dollar per girl.

Each girl is asked to provide her own sleeping bag, pillow, pajamas, and any other necessities. Any girl wishing to bring some kind of game or entertainment is encouraged to do so.

Games such as basketball and volleyball will be played. Food will be furnished by the AWS, and there will be all the girls can eat.

Absolutely no boys will be allowed in the gym. Chaperones will be Dorothy Holms, Winnie Vincent, Virginia Akers, and Virginia Ehresman.

to skate-in

There were PE classes at the rink last year and because of lack of funds they were discontinued.

Tiffany's Skate-In is located halfway between Renton and Kent on the East Valley Highway. The only cost to students will be \$5 for the rental of skates.

Exchange news

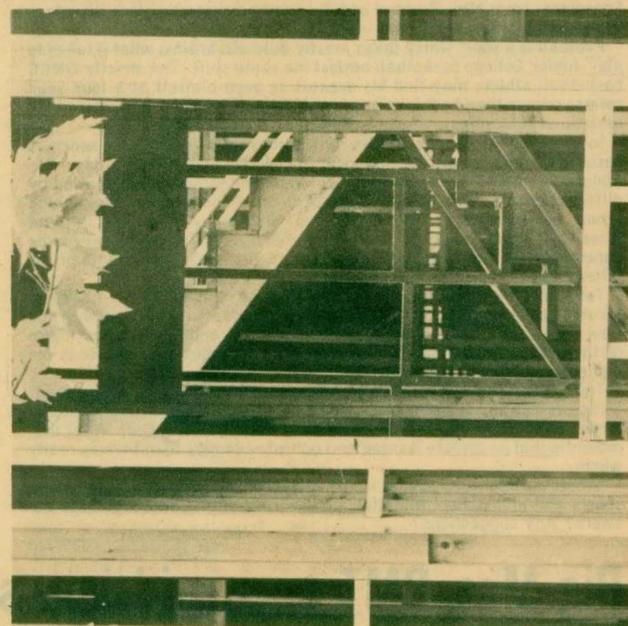
Youth center at EJC

A new youth center will be opening in Everett soon according to The Clipper of Everett Junior College.

The finished product will house an art gallery, work shops (pottery, beads, candle making, leather work, etc.), rock music will generally be featured on Saturday. The center is open from noon to midnight.

At WSU there is a facility which produces enough steam to inflate 20,000 medium sized derigibles, says the Daily Evergreen. There is enough electricity to melt the White House 397 times if it were constructed of chicken fat and last but not least, enough fresh water to boil minute rice eaten in a month by the entire population of India. What is this great source of energy? Nothing but WSU's power plant.

A group called the Alpine Lakes Protection Society is working to preserve the Alpine Lakes region near Ellensburg according to Central's Campus Crier. They are proposing a recreation area with a 300,000 acre wilderness core. Logging companies are also interested in this area, so it may be an interesting battle.



BUILDING PROGRESSES

Construction continues on campus. All three buildings are due to be finished by next June, but there is hope two of the buildings will be done for Spring Quarter.

'Rise and Shiners' number few

by Janie Neer

The early birds might be catching their worms but faculty and students at Green River are not getting their early morning exercise. Attendance at the early meetings of the "Rise and Shine Club" is not very good according to Ted Franz, advisor to the club.

Each morning from 6:30 to 7:30, the gym is open to everyone on campus and their friends for most any kind of exercise they choose. The weight room is also open. After a work-out there is even shaving equipment for men provided and a snack of coffee, juice, and pastry available to all.

The program has been going for two weeks and so far the turnout is still down to under 10 people a day says Franz. Faculty and especially women faculty, are urged by Franz to come to and get their exercise. He also points out that this is one of the two times that the gym is open to all every day. The other time being from 3-4 daily.

The equipment is there for anyone's use and there is also two students, Jeff Boness and Keith Methany, who help to supervise at the early morning work-out sessions.

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Sports line

What is an athlete?

by John HasBrouck

What is the true meaning of an athlete? A high school athlete, a college athlete and a pro athlete.

High school athletes are praised and glorified by their local friends and fans and sometimes even foes.

While the college athletes are playing for a little more than what high school players are, college athletes are praised by more than just friends; fans and foes too. The four-year college athletic programs are becoming known as a wide spread institution in itself. What's becoming of the junior college athletics? Confusion, disorder and chaos. And finally the football organizations were vanished from all but seven Washington junior colleges.

Reasons for the vanish: 1) Last fall there were 32 out-of-state athletes rostered to participate on the Columbia Basin Community College football squad. CBCC serves the tri-city area in eastern Washington and only four out of a total of 62 for the sport of football were from the surrounding area.

I am not talking about Columbia Basin in particular. There were only 65, or a little over 25 per cent, listed to play in the CC Basketball tournament last year that were out-of-state recruits.

This is much higher than the 3.7% for the fall quarter, 1969, for the out-of-state total enrollment.

One more reason for the junior college drop from the activities list: Several years ago, a J.C. north of here invited a midwest player to attend the school. When he failed to make the cut, he ordered and got a free plane ticket home. My point is that this guy really misused the school's athletic funds.

It's getting to the point where I and many other sportswriters would not be surprised to find an athlete recruited from Timbucktoo. Why not? Speedsters from New Zealand and Trinidad have already lent their legs to football teams all over the nation.

Football is a sport which takes mostly guts and brains, what it takes to play Junior College basketball almost the same stuff. The strictly GRCC basketball athlete may find his dreams or even himself at a four year college sooner than he thinks because of the lack of dividends offered for athletic scholarships.

So much for the college sports. Here comes the big stuff. Pro sports is becoming more of an institution, or a trading stable every day. Pro athletes are being traded, sold, bought and even sometimes borrowed by different coaches and managers. What do you think of when I say a high school sports manager? Not much, huh? OK, now what do you think of when I say something about a pro team manager or trainer? Come on be honest! Sports cars, beach houses, parties, etc. That's just some of the differences.

Take Joe Namath, Everybody has heard of him, if not for his spectacular passes or his sexy-screen plays. He almost didn't sign with the New York Jets because they weren't paying him enough to get out there on the field every Sunday to complete 10 to 15 passes a game. He is the highest paid football player in the history of the sport.

Take the local pro sports scene. A Seattle Times sports headline read: Sonics vs. Smith: It's still a tie. The next day Don Smith, the reluctant forward signed and his five digit fine of \$10,000 was dropped. What that means is that an athlete wanted and got more money than he was really worth.

Whatever angle you look at it, it's still crooked. The pro circuit, college sports and high school athletics are all a big mess. Who's got the answers? Any suggestions?

Big Mac, BMT open grid iron season with wins

Big Mac and BMT were opening game winners as the regular season for the flag football league was initiated last week. All games are played at noon on Turnbull Turf. **MIKE McMILLIN**, quarterback for Big Mac, scrambled 55 yards on an end sweep for

a touchdown to lead his team past the Gator Aids 6 to 0 before around 60 spectators on Thursday.

Ken Gerber's three interceptions, one amounting to a 56 yard run to pay dirt,

enabled BMT to control the momentum of the contest and defeat Young's Troopers 8 to 0 on Friday. Pat Willis scored on the point after touchdown to give BMT their final point total.

TODAY'S GAME will feature BMT versus Pat's Team.

GR athletes in karate tourney

Dick Holdsworth, Paul Sommer, Ron Riddle and Jerry Wyngender, GRCC karate members, will compete at the Seattle Open Karate Championships this Saturday in the Seattle Center Arena. They will be competing for titles including boys', women's, Whitebelt, Brownbelt and Blackbelt divisions.

THIS TOURNAMENT IS the biggest among Northwest competition attracting more than 200 amateurs and professionals, from all over the United States.

Tournament director, Arden Olson, (GRCC night class instructor) expects artists such as Hollywoods, Ed Parker (movie star Karate instructor), Joe Louis, National and International Champion many times over, Chuck Norris, rated by many as the number one karate expert in the nation and Allen Stern, National champion. Also on the

Basketball, volleyball on tap

Those interested in turning in rosters for the three on three basketball league and the volleyball league should do so in PE 8 by no later than October 16.

The basketball league is scheduled to begin practice play this week and the volleyball league is attempting to get the rosters in so they can organize. See Bruce Compton in the recreation department for further details.

Hunters look for good season

The waterfowl and upland-bird hunting season opened at noon last Saturday and hunters looked toward good shooting.

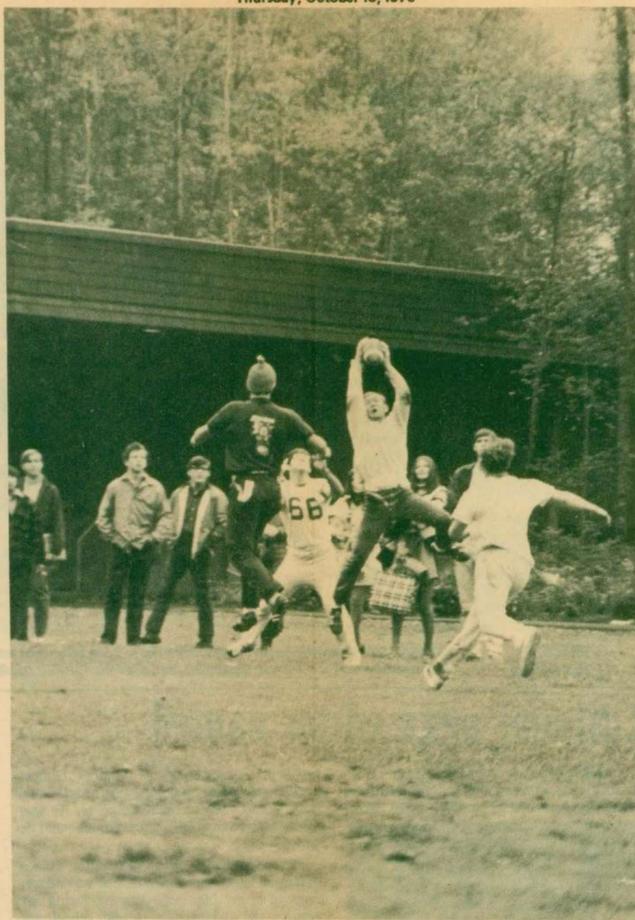
MOST OF THIS year duck and bird game hunting will be in the Skagit Valley Region and in the Columbia Basin area.

Here are just a few of the reasons why! Over the Skagit area there is an estimated 117,000 waterfowl including 20,000 mallards, 42,000 pintails, 400,000 widgeons, and a flock of 15,000 teal. Also counted were 2600 snow geese.

Approximately 315,000 acres are open to public shooting. The Lewis and Riekkola ranches, also will be open this season. **J. BURTON LOCKHART**, game-manager and chief said "there might be a light drop in the number of pheasants eligible for shooting, but, 500,000 are expected to show up, mostly in the basin region for the 1970 season.

Not all pheasants are confined to the east side. Some 70,000 game-farm pheasants planted will also be waiting in the sky in 20 or more western Washington public hunting spots.

SHOOTING TIMES for these areas are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and registration will be a must at most.



KEY PASS INTERCEPTION BMT's Ken Gerber makes one of his three interceptions in Friday's flag football game. BMT defeated Young's Troopers, 8-0. -Photo by Kit Burns

Harriers place fourth; Skagit meet next

Green River's cross-country team ran around Green Lake only to take the fourth place ribbon against 5 community colleges last Saturday.

Chris Luther, sophomore, ran the 3-mile

course in 15 minutes and 52 seconds as the highest gator finisher. Luther was a mere minute away from coming in among the top 7 timers. Bellevue took the first 6 places and a thucnad from Spokane ran in the seven. Another Gator, Jim Pollard Finished at 16:35.

Spokane took first, Bellevue second, Seattle C.C. third, fourth place went to the Gators and fifth place went to Olympic Community College.

The next Green River Cross-Country meet will be this Friday at the Skagit Valley Invitational. Eleven college teams will be participating.

Tennis tourney continues Saturday

The annual GRCC Recreational Tennis Tournament got underway Saturday, October 10 with men's singles division playing first.

Other divisions are men's doubles, girl's singles and mixed doubles. Most of the first round and part of the semi-finals were played. Steve Sauers, GRCC tennis coach, hopes that most of the matches will be done so the finals can be played Saturday, October 17.

The following is the results of what has been played to date: First round - Dean won-by forfeit over Brown, Weaver over Crawford 6-3, 6-3, Blackman beat Mulcahy 6-2, 6-8, Hollar over Thompson 6-2, 6-4, Hanbey over Talbot 6-2, 6-8, 6-4, Burley over Chandler by forfeit, Radford over Goldberg 6-2, 6-0.

Second round - Dean over Weaver 6-3, 6-1; Hollar over Hanbey 4-6, 6-2, 6-4; Radford over Burley 6-4, 6-2. First Round Doubles - Hollar and Blackman over Goldberg and Thompson 12-10, 6-2.

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Soccer arrives

A Soccer Club has been formed at Green River.

Turnouts are scheduled from noon each day on the Turnbull Turf.

The coach of the Gator team will be George Thompson, a true Scotsman with over 15 years experience. At present, a schedule of meets is in the hopper with other junior colleges in the area.

All home meets will be played at Massey Field in Auburn.

Ted Franz of the Recreation Department, on ext. 273, requests that all interested personnel contact him as soon as possible in order to make the club a success.

Soccer or association football is the most popular international sport. It began during the time of Henry II of England in the 12th century.

GR recreation director calls Pac-8 grid action

by Mark Richardson

Jack Johnson, head of the Recreation Department at GRCC, has drawn attention this year as a referee in the Pacific Eight Football Conference. Johnson has participated for five years as an active referee in the Pacific Eight in football and basketball.

He began officiating through the Western Washington Officials Association in 1954 on the elementary level in Tacoma. He now works junior high, high school, and college level football and basketball.

FOR HIS WORK as a high school official, he attends Wednesday weekly state meetings held at the Tacoma Athletic Club where fellow referees go over certain interesting

test. During that time they go over the mechanics, of positioning of the referees on the field and what situations may develop during the game. The responsibility for each call is specifically designated.

WHEN ASKED WHAT it is like being on the field with some of the most exciting athletes in the country Johnson replied, "It is quite a thrill. I get nervous and realize the importance of my job on the field." Because of a possible biased decision on the field he related he would rather not know who the athletes are on the field.

Of the football organizations he has seen this year, Johnson felt the University of Oregon was the most impressive. He related, "They play a good and exciting brand of football. Bob Moore is a fine runner and the Ducks have a good passing attack. The University of Washington will be reckoned with this year and are respected up and down the coast."

During the UCLA-Oregon football game last week, everything happened including an onside kick and a simultaneous catch, both difficult calls for the officials that had a direct affect upon the game and its' final score. In that game, Oregon came from far behind in the final minutes to upset the Bruins.

JOHNSON WENT OUT of his way to compliment the fine head coaching of Jim Owens of the Washington Huskies. He used such terms as "tactful" and "more pleasant to work for" to describe Owens. As all other coaches on the coast, Johnson added that Owens is also very concerned.

The remaining schedule includes for Johnson the Oregon State - Houston University game in the Astrodome, The University of California at Berkeley - Washington State game in California, and the Southern Cal- Washington State contest at Spokane.



JACK JOHNSON

situations that might come up during the heat of competition. These meetings are held during the year for baseball, basketball and football of which Johnson attends the later two.

The discussion of the psychology of the referee was an interesting topic for Johnson. He feels it is his job to interfere as little as possible and keep the contest progressing within the rules. "The idea," said Johnson, "is to make the game as interesting as possible. After all, the game is for the athlete and the fan, not the referees." Calls which consist of many angles and may have a direct result in the final score of a contest are all part of the field judges' difficult job on the field, he indicated.

IN SITUATIONS CONCERNING COACHES, he said that at times a psychological warfare can develop between the sideline and the ears of the officials. When tempers get excited in that respect he related the absolute necessity for no argument. As long as the coaches do not swear or run out on the field in protest, normally no penalty will ensue. He also felt and strongly emphasized the fact that the referee is supposed to be the last one on the field to keep a cool head.

The Pacific Intercollegiate Officials Bureau in Los Angeles assigns the referees to a schedule during the year which for Johnson includes six varsity "big time" football games. Depending on the contract set up by the involved schools, during intersectional play officials may be assigned to split crews in which many different areas of the country may be represented at a certain game. At the Washington-Navy football game this year one of the officials came from Boston.

PACIFIC EIGHT REFERES homes can be found from the Seattle-Tacoma area to as far south as San Diego.

Pay for working games fluctuates from a low of \$20. in high school action to \$200 offered by the Midwest's Big Ten Conference.

For Pacific Eight Football, the referees are expected to arrive at the stadium an hour and a half ahead of time to prepare for the con-



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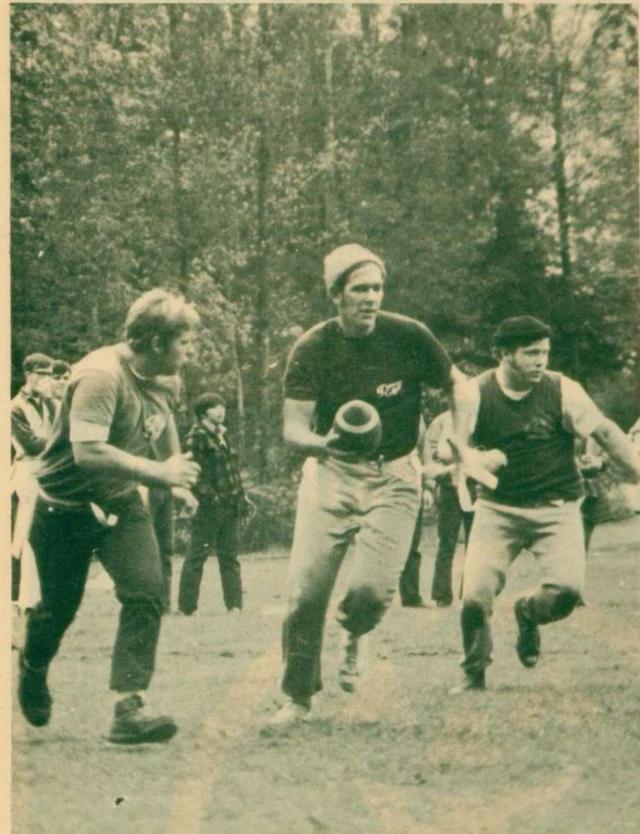
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SWEEPING THE END

Young's Troopers formed a right end sweep against the BMT for a good yardage gain in Friday's game, won by BMT, 8-0.

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