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Graduation Set For June

A Green River coed from Kent, Barbara Brokovski, will lead the 1968 Green River College graduating class when she graduates with highest honors June 12 at 8 p.m. in the Green River gymnasium.

Four other students will graduate with high honors in the ceremony. They are Dencio Caban, Lon Deffert, Terri Mihel-itch, and Maynard Pillie. Nine Green River students will graduate with honors in the Second Annual Green River College Commencement exercize. They include: Jerry Baker, Judy Camp, Gene Colburn, Adele Had-Camp, Gene Colourn, Adele Had-ley, Al Harris, Penny Kleven, Ron McKinsey, Dwight Saiger, and Frances Wheelock. Dr. Albert A. Canfield, Di-rector of the Washington State Association of Community Col-

leges, will be the main speaker for the event. Green River students. Jon Ferguson and Jody Olson, will also speak. Instructor Gerald Hedlund will be the faculty speaker at the ceremony.

The Freshman Class is responsible for supervizing the graduation ceremonies. It will provide ushers, guides, decorations, and a reception for the graduates directly following the graduation. The Auburn String Quartet and the Green River Choir will provide music for the event

College gym. Weather permitting, the reception following will be held in the Plaza.

Dean of Students Earl Norman said, "There will be no limit to the number of guests attending, and everyone is welcome to attend."

The 1968 Green River gradu-Aga, Ted Argraves, Jerry Baker, Glenn Bearson, Doris Beck, Gary Benz, Robert Bleker, Mathew Blow, Bill Bond, Barbara Brokovski, Deborah Bowling, Alan Brooks, Patricia Bronson, Steve Brown, Ronald Buol, San-dra Burgett, Gail Burrel, Dencio Caban, Judy Camp, Robert Campbell, Robert Capovilla, James Carter, Carol Cavanaugh, Scott Christensen, Gene Colburn, Candace Collins, Lynn Conner, Naomi Conner, Lee Cousineau, Lon Deffert, William Diamond, Timothy Earney, Gary Ehler, Norm Erlendson, Jon Ferguson, Rynold Fleck, Alan Fujita, Gary Gadwa, Rodney Graham, Lonnie Grimm, Adele Hadley, Alvin Harris, Dale Haynes, Gary Holm, Terry Holm, Ron Loffer, Ron Hudson, Darrell Hurn, David Jones, and Loretta Kelley.

Other Green River students scheduled to graduate are: Charles Kelso, Ron Kendall, Penny Kleven, Harvey Kortman, Jr., Kenneth Kosko, Darrell Kruize, Marvin LaCoss, Ron Leventon, Commencement exercizes Susan Lewis, Diana Linda, San-are sheeuled for the Green River dra Lundberg, Carol Mandt, Ron



Gerald Hedlund

McKinsey, Terri Mihelitch, Kenneth Miller, John Monk, Stuart Monson, Gary Murphy, Dale Nei-fert, Leonard Obert, George Oja-la, Jody Olson, Bob Olson, John Overby, Raymond Pelzel, Steven Phelps, Maynard Pillie, Sharon Roe, Terry Rudnick, Dwight Saiger, Roberta Scherich, Jerry Schmid, Leslie Selanders, Walter Sidick, James Smith, Roscoe Strimple, Nicholas Stumpf, Bill Tanner, Gary Tillman, Shelby Tuttle, Jr., Charles VanSickle, Larry Veer, Garret Voorhees, Mike Wakefield, Dennis Waltner, Fran Wheelock, Gary Whiteley, Michael Wood, Joan Zielinski and Thomas F. Zitzer.

Jody Olson

Sue Kummer will receive a Certificate of Proficiency (Professional Secretary) and Judy Minish will receive a Certificate of Proficiency (Clerical Specialist).

Jon Ferguson

Sixteen Green River students will receive Certificates of Practical Nursing. They are: Dena Cleveland, Sandra Duris, Marion Edison, Inez Ford, Carol Gowen, Mary Harrell, Geraldine Jorgenson, Velma Keaton, Bertha Mullins, Marjean Rogers, Myrtle Wells, Marion White, Evelyn Wisbey, Nicholene Woodall, Irene Yackley, and Freida TaySpring Festival Opens Today

The GRCC "Spring Mont-age" will begin today with lectures on photography by Greg Gilbert and an art lecture by Peter Raven. They will be held in HS 12 and HS 9 respectively.

There will be art, ceramics and photrrai s shows by students and faculty, a closed bid auction on optical designs, and some Jazz combo selections.

The climax of each of the two days of activities will be a special production by the Drama and Music departments of Green River. It will feature dramatic excerpts from "The Lakr" and "No Exit," which are plays being currently produced by the col-lege players. "The Lark" is being produced by Gary Taylor's day class in rehearsal and per-formance, and "No Exit" is being produced by Ron Swifts night class. The choir and vocal ensemble will present selections from "Man of La Mancha."

Biology Instructors Meet at Cle Elem

Dennis White, Green River Community College biology instructor, represented the college last weekend in a two-day meeting of college and university biologists meeting at Cle Elem.

Biology instructors from throughout the state met Saturday and Sunday at Hidden Valley Ranch and discussed common problems and curricula development in biology education.



13 Delegates Attend WACCSG Hunt Is Unimpressed

Thirteen GRCC students and their advisor attended a three day WACCSG convention in Spokane May 12-14. Green River students attending the conference included the organization's State Secretary, Terri O'Grady; the Green River WACCSG representative, Ellen Stendal; the old and new Student Body Presidents, Gary Gadwa and Dan Hunt; and Jon Ferguson, Bob Olson, Mike Willis, Chris Harron, Gordon Ip, Chris Goodman, Lin-Jerry Piper, an a Boil

members want to see WACCSG as a powerful organization with political pull in Olympia. To accomplish this would mean subverting the individual characteristics of each school. In order to present a united front WACCSG would have to have a lot of control over Green River and every other school. I'm not sure this is what we had in mind when we joined this group. In fact if the regional meetings in the fall do not prove out any better than





INDIAN YOUTH LEADERS - Ron Halfmoon and Linda Aga, Green River College Indian students, participated on a Pre-College Youth Conference at Seabeck May 10-12, taking part on a panel discussing adjustments the Indian has to be prepared to make when he goes to college

GRCC Students Help With Youth Program

Two Indian students attend- Miss Jean Hunt of the Seattle ing Green River Community College are involved in a program in the Northwest to help Grinnell, Iowa. interest high school graduates among-the Indians to pursue higher education.

and Linda Aga of Alaska participated in a three-day Pre-College Youth Conference May 10-12 at Seabeck, Washington. Both leadership and administration. took part on a student panel Guest speakers included May 11 that talked about college Therese Waiholua at Western and the problems of adjustment Washington State College; and for the Indian college student. Dr. Tom Billings, of Washington. Others on the panel included D.C.

Indian Center; and John Wabaunsee of Grinnell University.

Forty hand-picked youths took part in the conference, participating on panels and discussion Ron Halfmoon of Ravensdale groups, listening to speakers, and socializing.

Other panels concerned college financial aids and tribal Chisum.

The WACCSG (Washington Assocation of Community College Student Governments) is designed as a serivce organization to provide for the exchange of ideas and problem solutions that effect all the member schools.

Green River ASB President-Elect Dan Hunt, commenting on the conference, said, "Of course this was my first contact with this organization and I'm told that the state convention doesn't help as much as the regional meetings do. However, based on what I've seen so far, I would be hard put to justify the expense of \$500 which we spent to listen to debates on parliamentary procedure; wordings of inane, ab-stract, and usually nonsensical resolutions directed to the State Legislature, and the constant bickering among regions.

"If new ideas and help in solving our particular problems would come out of such an organization then I would be all for it. Unfortunately, many the state convention, then I will recommend that GRCC pull out of the WACCSG. A service organization should serve and not govern."

Director of Student Activities Bob Aubert accompanied the group at the conference.

Dan Hunt will be installed as the new GRCC ASB President along with the other newly elected ASB officers during the May 28 meeting of the Student Council. That meeting will be the last student council meeting during spring quarter.

	xamination Schedule
Monday, June 10	
8 - 10 a.m.	All 8 a.m. classes
11 - 1 p.m.	All 11 a.m. classes
2 - 4 p.m.	All 2 p.m. classes
4-6 p.m.	Available test time for classes
	with schedule conflicts
Tuesday, June 11	a contract the second second
8 - 10 a.m.	All 9 a.m. classes
11 - 1 p.m.	All 12 noon classes
2-4 p.m.	All 3 p.m. classes
4-6 p.m.	Available test time for classes
	with schedule conflicts
Wednesday, June	12
8 - 10 a.m.	All 10 a.m. classes
11 - 1 p.m.	All 1 p.m. classes
2 - 4 p.m.	Tuesday-Thursday classes that do no
	fit into regular schedule time
4-6 p.m.	Available test time for classes
	with schedule conflicts

Editorials

Veterans: Will They Fade or Rust?

In the past three weeks, two campus organizations have withdrawn (or attempted to withdraw) their charters from the Green River Student Council. In each case, one of the reasons cited in explanation of the move was the accusation that restrictions placed on the organization involved had seriously impeded any effort to promote or maintain student participation in the club.

It would seem, however, that in at least one of these cases not all the blame belongs to those persons who have administered the so-called restrictions.

In the case of the soon-to-be defunct Veterans' Association, only complete ignorance of the facts or belief in an utter prevarication can convince one that the demise of that organization is due in its entirety to restrictions, impediments, or hinderances placed upon it by the administration, faculty, or student government. On the contrary, that organization's demise was probably dependent much more on miscalculations within its own framework than it was on administration policies.

It is a matter of fact that a week before the Veterans' Club initiated the first move to withdraw an officer of that club, Vice-President Jim Smith, announced that the next Veterans' meeting would be a "roothog-or-die" affair. The Club was having problems, he said, because of lack of participation on the part of members.

It is unfortunate that apathy exists on the Green River campus. But it would seem that that specific attitude is not restricted solely to Green River College. Other groups on campus have had to learn to deal with it. It would be comforting, indeed, to suppose that every organization, club, council, or activity would suffer from an over abundance of interest. But it has been demonstrated before (and in more diverse forms than this) that apathy exists among much of this nation's population. It has been shown previously that such a problem is not a solitary entity characteristic only of the Veterans' Association.

Organizations are only deluding themselves when they find their membership waning and attach total blame to something or someone outside the organization. In many cases, the problem (and the solution) lies within the organization's own boundaries.

In the case of the Veterans' Association, Vice-President Smith issued only a series of empty accusations calculated to charge, without evidence, something or someone outside his organization for the problems it had encountered. At no time did Smith choose to cite specifics, or to state facts.

To place blame on an administration, a faculty, or even a student government because one's organization suffers from what in this day and age has often seemed to be a somewhat universal condition is an outright, and outrageous, attempt to deceive oneself.

In a statement to this paper last week, Smith said, "As a famous general said, 'Old soldiers never die,' and in this case we may not 'just fade away'."

Considering the tears that have been shed by at least one of these "old soldiers," the "old soldiers" may rust before they have time to fade.

Ripples On The Current Olson Comments On Apathy

Dear Editor;

Much writing and comment has taken place concerning student apathy at Green River College. I can see many reasons for this apathy on campus. In general, this problem revolves around the lack of responsibility given student government. An example of this is that in the Student Activities Office (lower lounge) the phone in our office is without a dial. We must, therefore, obtain permission to call out from the administration, who is not always available. In addition, there is no working lock on our office door while all other office doors have workable locks. We are given no keys to any of the offices or supply cabinets we utilize almost every day.

These problems caused an unfortunate incident on the night of the last dance (May 18). On this night there were several items necessary to set up the dance i.e. extension cords and the petty cash box for change. For the reason stated above, we were unable to get our supplies out of the cabinet and secretary's office. We thereupon, mistakenly but without malice, used means other than non-available keys to obtain these supplies. At the same time we used the faculty phone (the one with a dial) to see if we could find the Student Activities Coordinator. Finding that the coordinator had left home we proceeded toward the gym with the supplies in hand.

When we reached the gym we were confronted by the coordinator for gaining access to the supplies in an improper manner. I felt his reactions were inappropriate to the situation and that his sentiments should have been expressed at least in private.

While I do not mean to absolve the students involved of blame, I do feel that the situation could have been avoided if the student leaders were treated as such. We should be able to get to our supplies without faculty approval and have the dial restored to our now defunct phone. I do, however, feel the A.S.B. officers should be held responsible for the duties and privileges of their offices.

I hope that next year's officers will be able to obtain more of their rightful privileges and responsibilities. I further hope the administration will begin to respect the duties of the officers and spend more time in assisting the future officers of Green River College. If this is done I think the problem of student apathy will be alleviated. Students who can feel they are responsible and trusted will take a more active interest in their own affairs.

> Robert R. Olson A.S.B. Vice-President

WACCSG Elections Ducked By Thunderbirds

Shades of the Green River College election difficulties! Highline Community College, in a move to show how little a candidate's qualifications are checked before he is allowed to run for office, ran a rubber decoy duck as its candidate for governor of the recent WACCSG convention in Spokane. The following is a report on that election.

A contraversy arose at the WACCSG convention when Highline's candidate for governor, Harold Ducke, was kidnapped on the eve of the elections. Mr. Ducke had seemed a shoo-in until a Question arose as to his Qualifications.

The whole mixup occured when Rob Balzarini, Highline's original candidate, withdrew in favor of Mr. Ducke and agreed to serve as his campaign manager. In a statement at that time, Rob said, "Harold is the better qualified. He has been the leader of our annual north-south excursions for many years. He is very flexible, able to expand and contract accordind to the problem at hard." The president of Bellevue was prevailed upon to give a nominating speech and though he had never met Harold Ducke, he was generous in his praise. "Harold is not a quack although your first impression may be that he is full of hot air. However if you get to know him he actually very quiet if there is nothing important to say."

Some delegates expressed concern because Hoarld was not present at the nominations. It was explained that his mother was injured in a flying accident and that he would be absent from the convention for a few days. "He was the short delegate from Highline with the big nose and the protruding rear. I'm sure you would remember him if you saw him."

However when Harold returned to the convention again, Bellevue withdrew its support. They realized that Harold was not going to be a rubber stamp to their policies. In a fowl move they asked for the removal of Harold Ducke's name from the ballot on the grounds he was basically different from the rest of the delegates. This was seen as a prejudical viewpoint since it was based on Harold's race, creed, sex, and national origin. The Highline delegation was very insulted and initiated a wirte-in campaign to get Harold the governor's chair. But on the eve of the election, Bellevue abduckted him so that he would be unable to caucus with the various delegations and so get the necessary votes. At the close of the convention, Harold was not returned and so Highline, which attaches a lot of semental value on him, delivered an ultimatum to Bellevue. It gave Bellevue 24 hours to return Harold or the triple alliance; Highline, Seattle, and Green River, would moblize and get him back by force. Bellevue returned Ducke within the speci-fied time and has been the subject of many economic and social sanctions as a result of their rash act. Highline, on the other hand is thinking of entering Harold's name in the Oregon primary.

Keep Your Mouth Shut. .

In springtime, when our predominantly overcast, rainy skies become clear and sunny, it is understandable that peoples' attitudes will change. Usually this change is a realistic one, but in too many instances I think "spring fever" is used as an excuse for students who are not really concerned with education as their prime motive.

My complaint is that they not let their own apathy interfere with those in the classroom who are seriously concerned with what the teacher is trying to say. Lately, in many classes, it has been a chore for the teacher to compete with the conversation that is passing between these immature and rude offenders.

It seems rather embarrassing to

me, and it should to all, that an instructor has to ask college level students for their attention so that he might present the day's lecture. I have yet to witness a teacher "blow his cool" over this situation as he politely asks, day after day, for some sort of consideration.

In dealing with the situation perhaps a blunter approach would be effective because it appears to me to be a basic lack of discipline and politeness. It seems feasible that if these people have no sense of consideration for anyone other than themselves, they have no sense.

And so my suggestion is: If you are one of the aforementioned individuals, would you kindly keep your mouth shut or get out of class

Last Day To Withdraw

Today is the last day for students to withdraw from classes according to Green River Registrar Richard Barclay.

No official withdrawals are change made. permitted during the last two

weeks of the term. Students withdrawing from

classes today should be prepared to pay \$2 for each schedule change made.

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GRCC Student Gets \$1500 Scholarship

A Green River sophomore, Carol Mandt of Kent, has been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship for her first year of study at Whitman College.

The coed, who earned a 4.0 grade point average at Green River last quarter, is a psychology major. She will graduate with an Associate of Arts degree this June.

Carol has been guaranteed admission to the school. Her scholarship award came in conjunction with a recently established Two Two plan. Under this program a community college may recommend a student for the award. The student receives automatic acceptance at the college. This is the first year of the program at Whitman.



Trackmen Head for State Meet

Guy Woods and Greg Brovold represent Green River's two best chances of first place finishes in the State Community College track meet scheduled for tonight and tomorrow in the University of Washington stadium

Ten Gator thinclads qualified for the state meet as Green River placed sixth overall in the Western Division qualification meet

Brovold placed second in the javelin with a throw of 201 feet, but he has a season best of 212 feet which is the best in the state this season. Woods turned in a time of 1:52.2 in the 880 to finish second by only one tenth of a second

Preliminaries are this evening with the field events scheduled to begin at 5:15 and the track events at 6 p.m. Tomorrow the field events get underway at 1 o'clock and track events get going at 2.

Attention: The Green River Current Cruiser is missing! If found, please return to the Journalism office. There's no reward but we might treat you to a lifesaver.

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Gators Lose Make-up Games; Shoreline Wins

The Shoreline Samurai, a team Green River's Gators defeated four out of six games, this week is representing the Northern Division of the state community college baseball at the state tournament.

A combination of rain, errors, Shoreline, errors, Skagit Valley, and errors kept the Gators out of the state tournament in this, their first year of varsity baseball competition.

Coach Marv Nelson's Gators had a half game league lead against Skagit Valley, the bottom

The other day, while in a tu

of unequaled insanity, I was of-

fered a challenge unmatched

since Robert Kennedy ran the

Colorado River rapids in the

family yacht. Certain unscrupu-

lous people asked me to join

them and spend a warm Satur-

day afternoon quietly meditat-

ing and cruising up the Blue

"Dirt," I said to myself, "Every-

one thinks of you as being only

sober and industrious. Here is

your chance to show them you

are daring and resourceful as

to enter my name, along with a

motly crew of eight, in the Sec-

ond and a Half Annual Cruising

and Meditation Race. (The 'Half'

was necessary because Medita-

tion is a new classification this

Being assured our craft was

completely remodeled and thor-

oughly tested. I went to the Red

Barn Ranch (funny place for a

pleasure boat) and gave it a

meticulous inspection, suggest-

ing only slight alterations. These

changes required 15 men almost

five days to complete so when

we shipped it to the starting

line, just minor repairs were

Consequently I allowed them

River.

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year.)

Hanging Out The Weekly Wash

By DIRTY DAN

going into Saturday's doubleheader at Kent against Shoreline but either team had to win two games in order to be declared the league-winner. When they split, Green River winning the first one and Shoreline winning the second, the Gators still only had a half game lead which, according to league rules, meant they had to make up the rained out games. Shoreline had two games to play with Everett and Green River had three to play

team in the league and a club that had already lost to the Gators three times.

Monday the single game scheduled at Skagit was called off because of rain; meanwhile, Shoreline and Everett managed to play one game before being drowned out. Shoreline won. Tuesday Green River traveled to Mount Vernon for the make-up of the doubleheader and lost twice while Shoreline was again beating Everett to give the Samurai a 12-6 record, compared to Green Rivers 10-7. The third Green River-Skagit Valley game was then unnecessary.

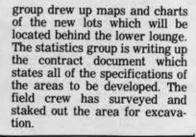
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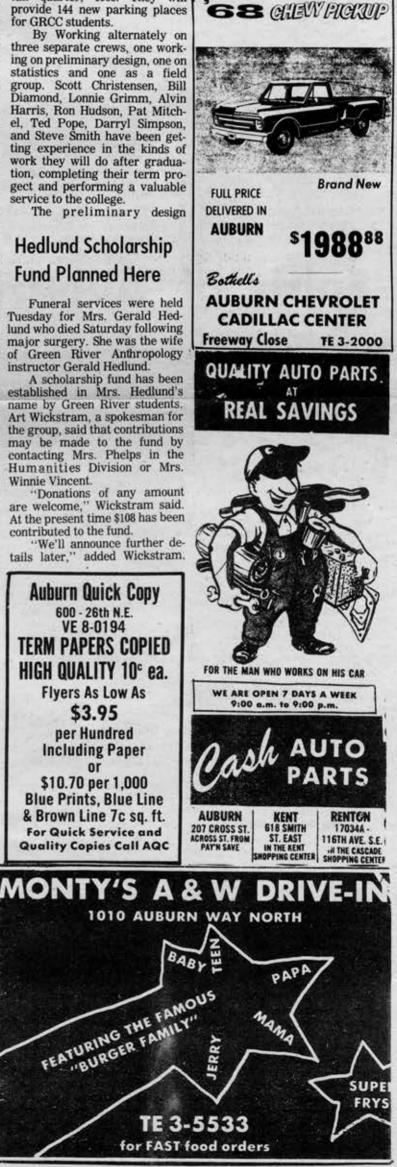
Green Rivers' second year engineering-technology students are designing two new parking lots for the GRCC campus. These plans are taking shape as a contract document that will be completed and submitted for a bid by the end of this quarter. The new lots are expected to be completed by the beginning of fall quarter, 1968. They will

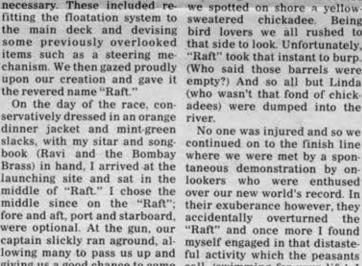
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name by Green River students, Art Wickstram, a spokesman for the group, said that contributions Humanities Division or Mrs.

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picked up in Tibet, called "Row. Row, Row Your Boat." Inspired by the lyrics, everybody started doing exactly that and soon we were on our way. Realizing a rudder was an unfair advantage in a cruising race, we threw ours overboard and watched it pass us up using its superior knowledge of the river currents. The finish line was a popular gathering place of the elite of the community and was alter-nately called "Beer Bottle Beach," "Whiskey Point" or the Student Lounge.

By now it was understood we were in second place in the cruising race. Suddenly from behind us came a gross and unwieldly monstrosity that was appropriately named "Faculty." The crew of the "Faculty" was going to attempt to latch onto the "Raft" and kidnap some of our crew to help slow themselves down. We opened up with cannon fire and blew big holes in the "Faculty" and they floated past us. This later became a sanitation problem when it was discovered that the "Faculty" had holes in its head. We were now in the lead and sure of the trophy

Nearing the end of the course ve spotted on shore a yellowsweatered chickadee. Being bird lovers we all rushed to that side to look. Unfortunately, "Raft" took that instant to burp. (Who said those barrels were empty?) And so all but Linda (who wasn't that fond of chickadees) were dumped into the

continued on to the finish line where we were met by a spontaneous demonstration by onlookers who were enthused over our new world's record. In their exuberance however, they accidentally overturned the "Raft" and once more I found myself engaged in that distasteful activity which the peasants giving us a good chance to come call, 'swimming for your life'. I home first in the 'cruising' cate- was extremely angry, but in gory. We knew "Raft" would light of our victory I decided to come through here but it soon subdue my hostilities. I was unbecame obvious our crew would able to control myself a little win no prizes in the 'medita- later however, when an official tion' race. Gary started taking rushed over and invited me to pictures, Moose and Mike played enter the Third and Three-Dianne and Linda a game of Fourths Annual Cruising, Med-

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OFF AND RUNNING - Pictured above is the start of the final heat of the third annual Green River College raft race. The rafts on the extreme left and extreme right are second from left, finished ahead of the facult from Highline and Tacoma Community Colleges and finished ahead of the faculty raft its time traveling down the current sideways.

in the middle, trying to bully its way through. In fact, the four-man Green River raft, second from left, finished ahead of the faculty raft, in spite of the fact it spent much of

- Photo by Mrs. Earl Norman.

'Spirit of Auburn' Wins Raft Race

New Record Established By GR Raft

Six Green River students set a new world's record in the second heat of the Third Annual Green River Raft Race last Saturday. The "Spirit of Au-burn", captained by Ron Fass-bind, covered the course in 30:45 minutes. The old record of 31:37 was set last year by the Green River Chem Club. Crew members on the winning raft includ-ed: Fassbind, Bruce Cooksey, Dick Deal, Bob Eastling, Bill Dean, and John Holman.

In the first heat Mel Lundstad's 3M, which featured three rowers and a cockswain, covered the course in a time of 35:14 to take first place. Fassbind's raft won in the second heat. In the third heat, "The Great Orange,"



THE BIG 'KAHUNAS' - Big wheels running the raft race as chief assistants to Larry Knipschield were, from left, Bob Olson, Jon Ferguson, and Steve Vradenberg.

the fourth heat with a winning time of 32:16. In the fifth heat, the "Highline Turkeys" ran the course in 31:53 outdoing even the



THE FINISH LINE - It was easy to tell when a raft reached the finish line. A squad of enthusiastic, but wet, students greeted most of the crafts. Here they greet one of the faculty rafts with a special gusto.

GOING FOR BOEIN.

- Photo by Mrs. Earl Norman

another Green River raft cap tured first with a time of 32:36

In the last two heats, Highline College took over. A raft captained by Claude Ritchie took

faculty raft.

Trophies were awarded to heat winners. A plaque was presented to Fassbind and his crew for their efforts.

FACULTY WIVES - Bill Taylor, director of continuing education (which must include raft races), looks on as the faculty wives get ready to embark.

GOING FOR BOEING - Boeing employees who are going to Green River College built a raft and didn't win any prizes, but if originality in costuming and decoration were recognized, they would have packed off the honors. - Staff photo - Staff photo