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CAMPUS GUEST — Louis Lomax nationally known author and civil rights leader, spoke to Green River College students and faculty Tuesday in the Performing Arts Building. He is shown here after his speech talking to students who packed the auditorium and gave him a standing ovation at the end of his remarks.

— Photo by Bill Staley

## “Law and Order” Big Issue In Lecture By Louis Lomax

Louis Lomax, author of *To Kill A Black Man* and former shoeshine boy from Georgia, launched his speech given Tuesday Nov. 12 by attacking the so-called slogans of today's society.

On “Law and Order” Mr. Lomax repeatedly asked, “whose law?” and “what order?” He implied that law and order in the present society was created solely for the American middle class, and that it was just a camouflaged way of saying “nigger” to the black community. Even despite all the talk of integration less than 10 percent of the black children in the deep participate in integrated education. He also brought out the fact that in American heritage most of the great events came about through breaking the law. In the deep south integrated were illegal but through violators the schools should now be integrated.

The big question in America today is that, “Are Negroes going to get violent?” Instead of asking these we should understand that violence is a form of protest over what

hasn't been done for the Negro community. Violence is a gang-up with the American middle class because they are fooling ourselves into thinking they can live without it, Lomax went on to say, “Everything we are everything we have is a result of violence.” He quoted John F. Kennedy in clarifying these, “We have yet to tame the basic beast in man.”

The middle class's hang-up about the ever-present threat of Communism, made Mr. Lomax's third criticism of society's slogans.

He brought out that this paranoid hang-up has “rendered us incapable of talking in terms of right or wrong.” That everything takes on the appearance of Communism versus Capitalism. Lomax then brought up Viet Nam, implying that the U.S. importances there is just another example of our hand-up about Communism. He then asked why in the face of reason the U.S. would spend \$35 billion a year on an immoral war in Vietnam but not to aid the impoverished at home. He suggested that if the U.S. were so indignant at the abuse

of the South Vietnamese people's right why couldn't they be equally indignant about South Africa, where blacks outnumber whites ten to one but where the whites rule.

Coming back to morality, Lomax said, “A brick is a brick no matter who throws it. Evil is evil, wrong is wrong, no matter who does it.” In effect he was saying morality in race and class relations should be entirely separate from the blindfold of accusing a Communist conspiracy.

Mr. Lomax concluded his speech with the reflection that this election year of 1968 represents the last stand of the old guard. He asked if a new kind of involvement of man with man can be expected from youth. He said that the present big middle class has led to the disaster of racism at home and immorality abroad; that the middle class has been so busy to protect the middle class that human values have been lost. He asked youth to take an Barbra Streisand's outlook and think the new gospel of, “People who need people....”

## ‘Violence: Problem or Answer’ To Be Discussed Tuesday

Four of Seattle's best known radio, television, and newspaper personalities will appear on a panel discussion at Green River Community College at noon Tuesday, Nov. 19, in the college's Performing Arts Building.

Don Duncan, Seattle Times columnist; newscaster Ted Bryant of KING-TV, and Bob Hardwick and Bob Roberts of radio KVI, will discuss “Law and Order” on a panel entitled, “Violence: A Problem or an Answer?” Student moderator for the discussion will be Keith Williams, a sophomore at Green River from British Guiana.

All four members of the panel have been quite vocal on the subject of law and order. Both Roberts and Duncan have written articles that have appeared on the Times' Opinion Page; Hardwick comments frequently on the morning disc jockey program; and Bryant recently spent a week in the Central area of Seattle doing a depth study on race relations in Seattle.

The Tuesday program is part of a regular Tuesday noon series at Green River. During October, political candidates appeared; Chick Sanifer, Highline College speech instructor, opened the November forums Nov. 5 by reading poetry dealing with social criticism. Last week, Nov. 12, nationally known novelist and civil rights worker Louis Lomax talked about “The Negro Revolt: A Race or Class Struggle.”

The public is invited to the weekly forums.

## Foreign Student Enjoys School

Paul Gikonya, a foreign student from Kenya was directed to Green River by a friend and first attended this school during spring quarter last year.

He is taking Business Administration, Natural Science, Speech, and Volleyball this quarter. He said he will either major in Business or Conservation.

Paul mentioned that the school systems in Africa and here are very different. In Africa a student must choose his major before he enters college

and then he will only take classes pertaining to that subject. For instance, if he majors in science he will only take such courses as chemistry, biology, and physics. Also, there are not many weekly or monthly tests. The finals are after whatever number of years of school attended.

Paul likes school here, but misses his family. After his two years he will transfer to Washington State University. He is now living with a family in Auburn.

## “The Crucible” To Be Performed

“The Crucible”, the story of the Salem witch hangings, will be presented on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22-23, by the drama class in the Performing Arts Building. Curtain time for both evenings is 8:00 p.m.

Members of the cast include Isabel Bruce, Smiley Hatcher, Buzz Cole, and Michael Parker from Federal

Way; Jim Hartley, Franklin Pierce in Tacoma; Maureen Herald and Toni Patton from Puyallup; Kathy Kohse, and Patrick Cimino from Auburn; Lauri Boulton, Tom Lathrop, Sandi Knight, and Wendy Pilato from Kent; Gordon Ip, Redlands High in California; Patti Scott, Tacoma; Mel Luckie, Ballard; Jill Gislason, Buckley; David Baroh, Mercer Island, and Kevin Marin, Seattle.

Green River students will be admitted free to the performance. The price for adults is \$1.25 and other students \$.75.

“The Crucible” directed by Gary Taylor, was written by Arthur Miller in 1954 during the time people were being tried and accused of supporting the Communist movement. By writing “The Crucible,” Miller was “trying to tell people that the great ‘issues’ which the hysteria was allegedly about” in colonial as well as in contemporary America, “were covers for petty ambitions, hard-headed political drives, and the fantasies of very small and vengeful minds.” — as quoted from Twain's United States Authors Series.

## Downstream

Nov. 15...Journalism Workshop, Tacoma C.C., 12 p.m.-4 p.m.

Nov. 16...WPCT Test 8 a.m.

Symposium I-68, Creative Arts High School Conference 9 a.m.-1 p.m. P.A. 8

Annual Wrestling Clinic, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., College Gymnasium

Nov. 18...College Council, 6 p.m.

Nov. 19...Panel Discussion “Law and Order” noon, P.A. 8  
English Proficiency Test 8-10 a.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.

## Trainees To Begin Schooling

Thirteen Japanese farm trainees will arrive in Auburn December 2 to begin a three-month schooling at Green River Community College.

Robert Lawrence, director of continuing education at the college, is busy trying to arrange housing for the 13 students in the Auburn area. “Any family who would like to have a Japanese student stay with them between December 2 and February 28 should contact my office immediately to make arrangements,” said Lawrence. Financial arrangements are made to cover the expense of the three-month stay.

Persons interested may call the college TE 3-9111 or UL 4-0780, Extension 231, to get the necessary details about housing one of the international visitors.

The students, in America for two years of training, visit several areas in the United States to study in their respective fields. This group of students is specializing in vegetable production.

The program, under the sponsorship of the National 4-H Club Foundation, has been part of the Green River curriculum several times in the past two years.



Editorial

William Allen White's  
Words Apply Even Now

With our several discussions about law and order, about dissent, we feel it is appropriate to print the following Pulitzer-Prize winning editorial, published in the *Emporia, Kansas, Gazette* on July 27, 1922.

TO AN ANXIOUS FRIEND

You tell me that law is above freedom of utterance. And I reply that you can have no wise laws nor free enforcement of wise laws unless there is free expression of the wisdom of the people — and, alas, their folly with it. But if there is freedom, folly will die of its own poison, and the wisdom will survive. That is the history of the race. It is proof of man's kinship with God. You say that freedom of utterance is not for time of stress, and I reply with the sad truth that only in time of stress is freedom of utterance in danger. No one questions it in calm days, because it is not needed. And the reverse is true also; only when free utterance is suppressed is it needed, and when it is needed, it is most vital to justice.

Peace is good. But if you are interested in peace through force

and without free discussion — that is to say, free utterance decently and in order — your interest in justice is slight. And peace without justice is tyranny, no matter how you may sugar-coat it with expedience. This state today is in more danger from suppression than from violence, because, in the end, suppression leads to violence. Violence, indeed, is the child of suppression. Whoever pleads for justice helps to keep the peace; and whoever tramples on the plea for justice temperately made in the name of peace only outrages peace and kills something fine in the heart of man which God put there when we got our manhood. When that is killed, brute meets brute on each side of the line.

So, dear friend, put fear out of your heart. This nation will survive, this state will prosper, the orderly business of life will go forward if only men can speak in whatever way given them to utter what their hearts hold — by voice, by posted card, by letter, or by press. Reason has never failed men. Only force and repression have made the wrecks of the world.

Work-Study Group  
Makes Second Attempt

By EDWARD L. POOLE

A funny thing happened on my way to the typewriter the other day. Like the drowning man whose whole life flashes before him in an instant, a nagging question suddenly came back to haunt and doubt and sneer; and, although not exactly definable, it boiled down to something like, "What's a nice guy like you doing in a place like this?" The "nice guy", in this case, was an amalgamation of all the youngish middle-aged students in the Boeing work-study under-graduate program, and the "place like this" was, of course, GRCC. This question, will probably academic to the typical college student, is a complicated one when applied to the motives of the students in the work-study group and has no pat or easy answer.

That there must be a reason for making a second try at college first came up for discussion during a counseling session for an English class in which, of course, our instructor, Mrs. Seeman, was trying to learn us how to rite and spell good. "Just exactly what do you want out of college?" was the simple question which, at the time, seemed almost rhetorical. Everybody knows you go to college to get a diploma. But, as Mrs. Seeman pointed out, and as continued exposure to college curricula has born out, it just isn't that simple. And, when you are already established in a career, when you're past the age of draft eligibility, when you're already happily married, the scope of reasons for becoming a student again is considerably different from Joe College, Jr. of 1968.

One of our group said that he is in school for relaxation and enjoyment. He finds the discipline of classwork relaxing in contrast to the pressure of the factory; and, the interaction of ideas between Boeing contemporaries and GRCC faculty is, indeed, enjoyable. Another work-study student said that he finds his college work is enabling him to keep up with his kids academically as they grow up in this dynamic world of computers, fission and "New Math". Still another finds the direct exposure to the contemporary college atmosphere helps explain the attitudes and actions of youth today, which, without this exposure, is frequently puzzling and sometimes unexplainable.

It goes without saying that this is only a partial list. One thing however, does come through. There is a distinct advantage to starting, or continuing, college after 30. The appreciation is greater, the understanding easier and the enjoyment incomparably better. So keep it in mind, undergrads. Try some more college classes ten years from now. It sure beats daytime TV.



COUNSELING STUDENTS AGAIN — It's that time in the quarter again when students come to their advisors for counseling. Mrs. Georgine Golberg is shown here helping a student plan his winter quarter schedule.

Physicians  
Study Text

Doctors are going to school again at Green River.

As part of the GRCC community service program, a class is offered annually to local physicians who want to keep abreast of developments in their field.

The class this fall, taught in cooperation with the University of Washington School of Medicine, is called "Orthopedics for the General Practitioner". Registration fees for the postgraduate course are paid to the Valley Medical Education Association.

Speakers include Lyn Stahli, Arthur Ratcliff, Alfred Blue, Marr Mullen, Ivar Birkeland, Jr., Kenneth L. Martin, Michael Eggin, Ivan Loughlen, Richard Convery, and Joseph Mexistrano, all doctors.

Conference  
Brings Out  
Relevancy

"Relevancy" was the key idea given by Chester Barry, President of the Association of College Unions, at the Regional No. 14 Association of College Unions held Oct. 31-Nov. 2 in Ashland, Oregon. The goal of the conference was mainly to help students in planning and programming activities on their campuses. Workshops were held, including publicity, big-name entertainment, and student body publications, in which students were able to take an active part and freely exchange their ideas as to how activities should be handled.

Those involved in the College Unions Conference representing Green River College were: Jan Zimmer, Rob Bennatts, Chris Harron, Dan Hunt and Mr. McIntyre, faculty advisor.

SPRING QUARTER TO BE DIVIDED  
INTO THIRDS UNDER MILLER PLAN

The item which ran in the paper last week failed to indicate which classes will be available in the special program to be offered Spring Quarter. Any student wishing to sign for the "Miller Plan" which features classes meeting for a third of a quarter at a time, allowing the student to concentrate on one subject at the time, should check three of the following classes he is interested in and return this coupon to Mrs. Evelyn Butters in the Science-Technology Office Building.

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## Gators Place, Wright On Top

Saturday, Nov. 9, Green River Community College put its top cross country runners in the state tournament at Skagit Valley.

The Gators put in a hard season taking losses along with the more needed victories.

The top runners entered in Saturdays meet were Don

Wright, George Casanova, Bill Mendenhall, Norm Snodgrass, and Tim Wallen finishing respectively. The Gators finished fifth in a field of eight with Seattle C.C., Highline C.C. Spokane C. C., Shoreline C.C., G.R.C.C. Tacoma C.C., Yakima

C.C. and Bellevue C. C. finishing in that order.

The top runner at the meet was Riley Shirey of Seattle. Don Wright gave the best performance placing 12 in a field of 75 runners.

## Renton to Offer Evening Choir Winter Quarter

Harley Brumbaugh, Hazen High School music teacher, will direct a community choir at Renton winter quarter, sponsored by the GRCC Renton Branch.

"Many parents have expressed an interest in singing some of the same music their children sing in choir," Brumbaugh noted. "This is their chance."

Jerry Johnson, director of the GRCC Renton Branch, said that details are still being worked out as to which night of the week the community choir class will be offered. It will meet in the evening at Hazen High and can be taken for credit or audited with no charge, he said.

Much of the same music used by the high school students will be featured, said Brumbaugh, plus other special selections picked to suit the group that turns out. Anyone interested in singing in the group should contact Brumbaugh or the Renton Branch office, BA 6-9210.

## Chemistry Club Invades Brewery

An expedition, promoted by the Chemistry Club, left the campus Friday Nov. 1, at two o'clock destined for the Olympia Brewery. Twenty stout volunteers, which were not hard to find, braced and conditioned themselves for the difficult task at the brewery of thinking beer! The most popular method of conditioning was to eat a couple of sandwiches before embarking on the journey, for more beer can be put away on a half full stomach than a full one.

The tour allowed the volunteers to see how the grains, hops, and water were combined to make the beer. An enthusiastic guide showed the group a "27 thousand gallon cooking and bending tank. Upon descending in to the cellars, where the brewery keeps some three-hundred storage tanks all holding 35 thousand gallons apiece, body temperatures were lowered to 40 degrees fahrenheit.

After the tour of the operation of the brewery the company gave out samples to all those over 21.

The chemistry Club plans more such enjoyable expeditions in the future and all interested are urged to join before the next excursion.

## Wash. Pre-College Test Saturday

The Washington Pre-College Test will be given Saturday in the library and Student Lounge from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. No one will be admitted to the test late, according to Don Isaacson, chairman of the Counseling Division which administers the test.

The fee of \$7.00 must have been paid in the Counseling Center by yesterday.

## English Proficiency Test Set

The English Proficiency Test for students who wish to qualify for English 101 will be administered Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 8 to 10 a.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in ST-5.

Students must have paid a \$1.00 fee and signed-up in the Registrar's Office before Wednesday. Students must present their receipts at the time of testing. A description of the test is on reserve in the library.

## French Film Scheduled Tuesday

"Jules and Jim," a story about a modern woman, amoral and classically beautiful, who loves two fraternal friends and must have them both, will be shown in PA-8 Tuesday, Nov. 21, at noon. There will be no charge.

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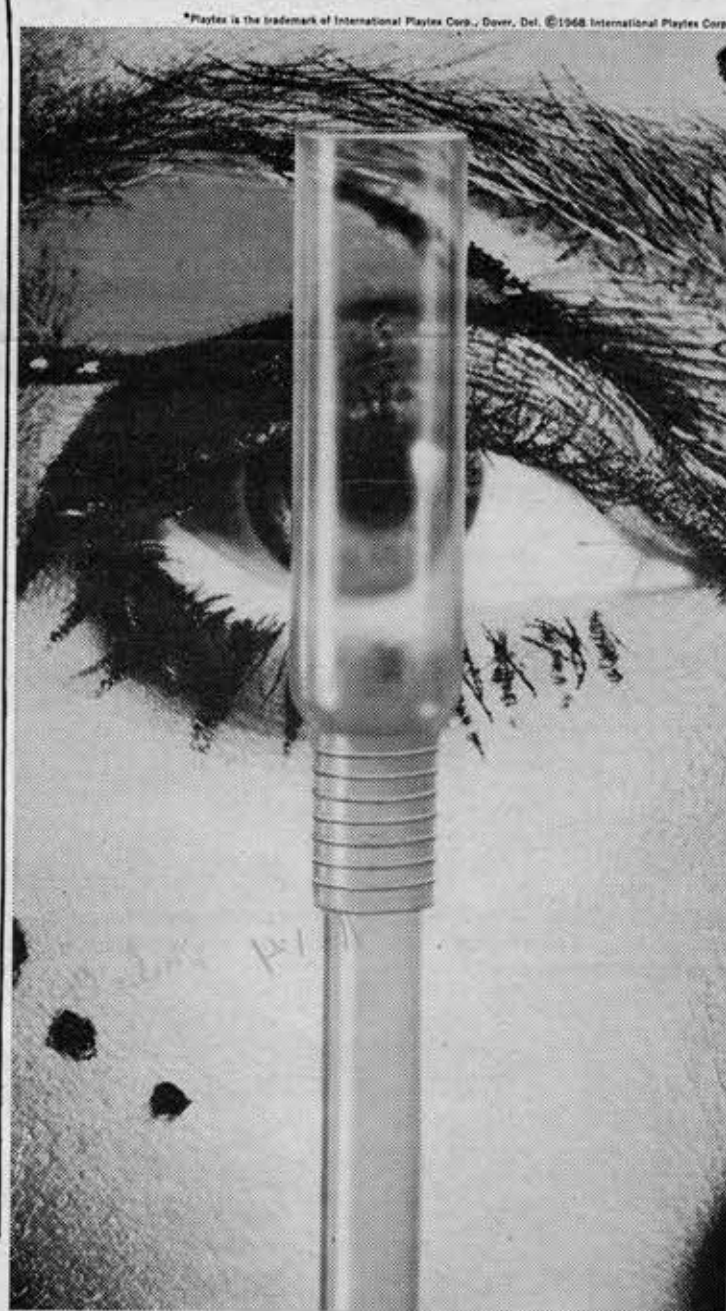
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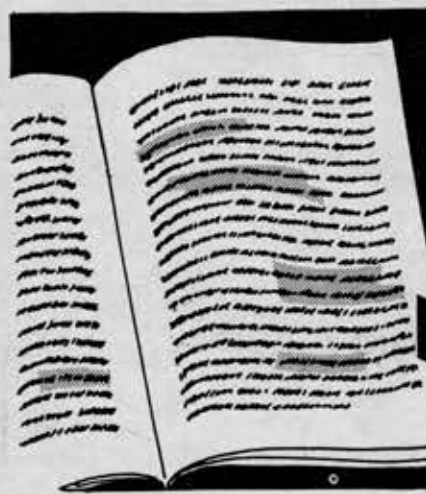
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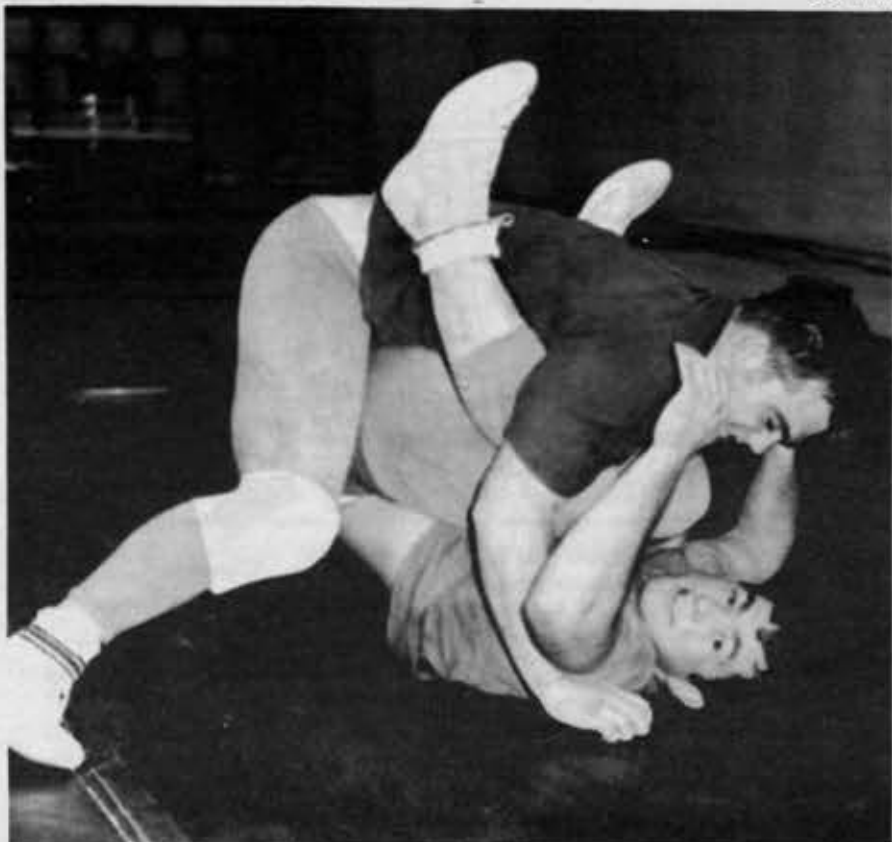
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**PREVIEW PERFORMANCE** — Wrestlers give a demonstration of the upcoming season in practice held Wednesday.

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**LAB BEAUTIES** — Two chemistry students work on a lab assignment at Green River. They are not cooking for the students lounge.



**NEW INVOATION** — New equipment is used to show Gator matmen their mistakes and weak points. The wrestlers watch themselves on video-replay after practice to help improve wrestling techniques.



**BLOOD DONOR** — A brave Gator gives blood in the King County Blood Drive as the end draws nearer. Green Guard won the drive with 35 pints donated.

— Photo by Bill Staley



**PRACTICE** — The band practices in the Commons in getting ready for a concert in December.



**DOCTOR SPEAKS** — Dr. Alex Comfort after speaking at Green River College talks with students about society. Dr. Comfort a noted writer and lecturer, was one of the speakers in the Artist-Lecture Series

— Photo by Bill Staley