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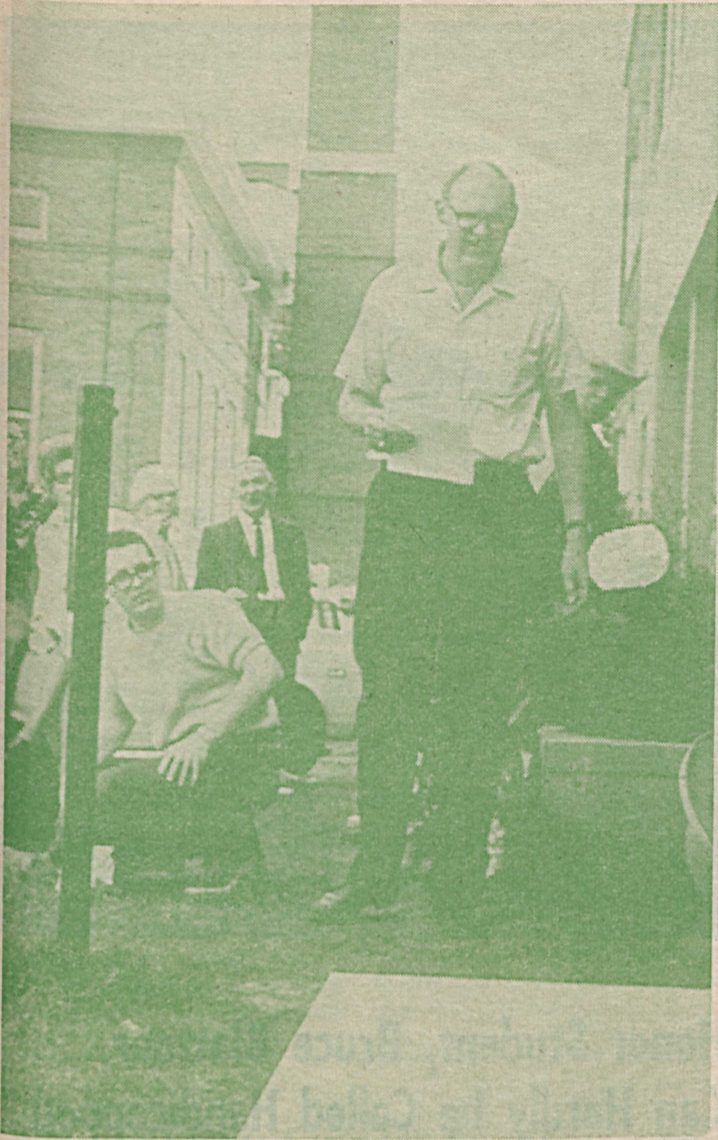
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Prof. Herndon observes an egg capsule as it speeds earthward, while crowd steps back. (Photo by Mike Parent).

M-DAY 1970

M-Day has always been looked forward to with anticipation for its water festivities (right) and kangaroo court, its Copper Guards sponsored picnic, the Fraternities softball game, the election of the new representatives of the student body (lower left), and the quenching of a year-long thirst (no photo necessary). This years activities were supplemented by an egg dropping contest (upper left), activated by Professor Herndon of the Engineering Science department. The eggs, in their protective (?) capsules were dropped from the top of the Geophysics-Petroleum building. Leonard Maki, took first place and a thirty dollar handbook certificate, with Charles Speake, Steve Martin, and Gail Maxwell, placing second, third, and fourth. Scrambled eggs, anyone?

From left: Darrell Metz, delegate; Bob Westermark, vice-president; Bruce Williams, president; Carol Trythall, secretary; Jim Styler, justice; Mel Brekhus, delegate. Not pictured: Rick Dale, justice.



— Mike Parent

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TECH DOES NOT PROTEST. She continues to do what industry expects of her — and the older generation praises her for her non-concern for national affairs. Her self-expression is stifled, and a cry for aproval by the masters of earth wimpers from the hill. Her's are the leaders of tomorrow, who are taught blind obedience by

those who do not realize that blind faith in an infallible government does not ensure democracy, but destroys it! Praise her, for you have taught her well, but pray that there will be the seers, the saviors — the true patriots — of America, who will show her blind the light of true freedom — for her's are the leaders of tomorrow.



Steve Czehura, Montana Tech student from Helena, receives the \$350 Prudential Federal Savings and Loan Association Scholarship from Senior Vice President Robert Amrine. This is the second year in a row Czehura has been awarded this scholarship. (Montana Tech Photo)

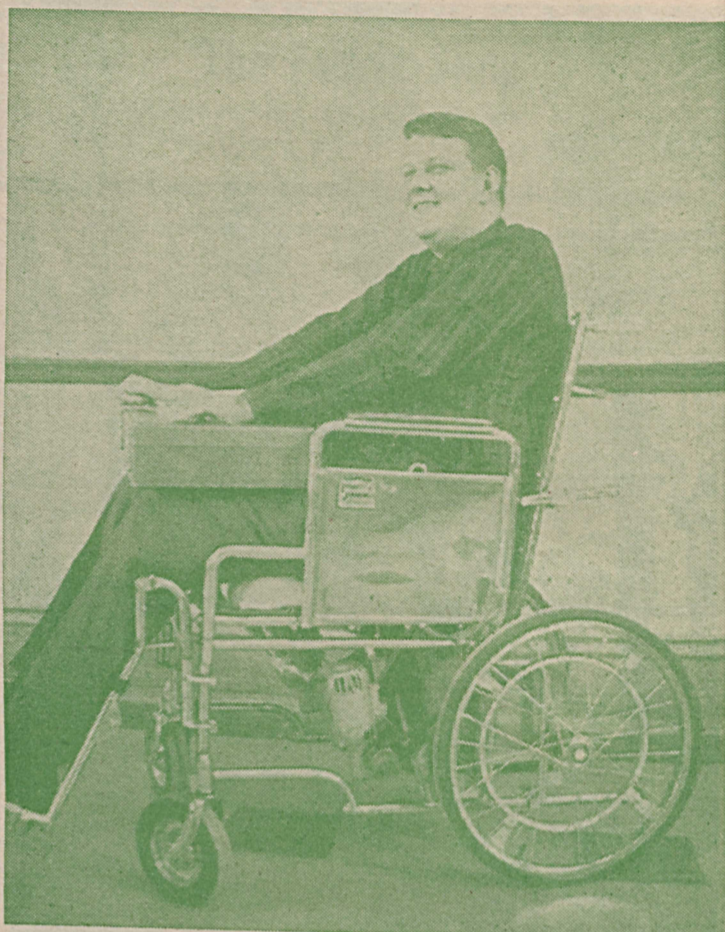
Czehura Awarded \$350 Scholarship

The \$350 Prudential Federal Savings and Loan Association Scholarship has been awarded to Steve Czehura, Montana Tech junior in geophysical engineering.

Czehura, who also was the recipient of last year's Prudential Scholarship, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil V. Czehura, Helena.

He is vice president of the Montana Tech Mountaineer Club and a member of M Club, Copper Guards and Sigma Rho Fraternity.

The Prudential scholarship is authorized and administered by the Board of Directors of the Prudential Federal Savings and Loan Association and is presented annually to a student in any field at Montana Tech.



Haley Speaks On Mathematics

Dennis R. Haley, assistant professor of mathematics, was a featured speaker for the state meeting of the Montana Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

He spoke Saturday, April 18, in the College of Great Falls Theater. His talk entitled "Mathematics: Pure and Applied Magic" was directed to the high school section.

The meeting of the professional organization of math teachers was held April 17 and 18 on the campus of the College of Great Falls.

This is Professor Haley's first year at Montana Tech. Prior to coming to Butte he was an assistant professor of mathematics at the College of Idaho in Caldwell.

8 Attend Utah Geophysics Meet

Charles J. Wideman, assistant professor of geophysics at Montana Tech and seven Tech students recently attended the third annual meeting of the Utah Geophysical Society in Salt Lake City.

The conference, which was set up primarily for student participation, dealt with mining geophysical methods and procedures. Among the other schools represented were Colorado School of Mines, University of Utah and University of Arizona.

Students attending from Montana Tech were John Suydam, Butte, graduate student in geophysical engineering; Tom Jonas, Laurel and Fred Hoffman, Whitehall, seniors in geophysical engineering; Tom Brady and Mike Pentilla, Butte, juniors in geophysical engineering; Eric Johnson, junior in geophysical engineering, Livingston, and Terry Heard, Vancouver, B.C., junior in geological engineering.

Honor Student, Bruce Blattner, Can Hardly be Called Handicapped

by Neil J. Bolton

An abundance of fortitude and unending desire would appear to be the driving forces behind Mr. Bruce Blattner, one of the courageous handicapped students now attending Montana Tech.

Bruce became disabled as the result of an accident while attending Northern Montana College in 1962. Since this time he has had an uphill pull to achieve a normal, active, and purposeful life in the community.

Two years in the hospital and another year of convalescence took its toll on Bruce's morale. However, with the aid and counseling services of the Montana Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Bruce was set up in a photo-static copying business in his home. The success of this venture served to propel him toward more realistic goals.

Through his business he earned enough to return to school, and in his first semester was an honor-roll student at Montana Tech. In addition, the highlight of his first year at Tech, he participated in the Speech Meet held in Missoula this spring. He was not a medalist in his first attempt, but states quite enthusiastically that he will "be back again next year."

Leisure time is seldom part of Bruce's daily agenda. He is an avid football fan, likes to fish, shoot pool, does leather-craft work, target shoots with his pal John Shea, and he hunts (bagged his deer last fall).

Civic activities include being an active member of the Anaconda Jaycees, serving on the Board of Directors for the year 1969.

Academically Bruce plans to

attend Montana Tech for another year and then transfer to the University of Montana in Missoula, where he intends to receive his B.A. and enter the counseling services field for the State of Montana.

H. S. S. Courses To Be Offered

Students desiring to pursue majors in the H.S.S. area should be pleased to note the following addition of courses to be offered in the Fall semester 1970-71.

- H.S.S. 105 Contemporary Thought—Mr. Albertson
- H.S.S. 337 American Renaissance—Mr. Albertson
- H.S.S. 321 History of Public Address—Mrs. Alt
- H.S.S. 347 Major Writers (William Faulkner)—Mr. Cooper
- H.S.S. 331 British Literature New Prof.
- H.S.S. 335 English Novels from Defoe to Dickens—New Prof.
- H.S.S. 333 Shakespeare to 1599—Mr. Taylor
- H.S.S. 347 Montana History Mr. McGlynn

These courses are being offered for the first time (or for the first time in recent years) and are made possible by the changes in composition and the addition of one more faculty member.

These course offerings make possible a third year program in studies leading to possible degrees in English and history.

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Talk on Computer Use in Medicine

Dr. Jack Goebel, head of the Mathematics Department at Montana Tech, spoke recently to the American Nursing Association-Montana Nursing Association District No. 2.

His topic for the meeting at Silver Bow General Hospital was "Bio-medical Applications of Computer Technology." Dr. Goebel's discussion involved applications of computers to hospitals, intensive care wards, pharmacies, detection of heart trouble and analysis of chest x-ray.

Following his talk, Dr. Goebel was given a tour of the hospital.

Platypus — Australian aquatic monotreme.

Shun Drugs When Traveling Abroad

Young Americans (under 30) traveling more widely than ever before, represent the greater number of U. S. nationals arrested in foreign countries on narcotic charges. The number of arrests have tripled in the last year. Most of them are unaware of the grave potential consequences of violating the laws of a foreign country.

Americans traveling abroad are subject to the laws of the country they are visiting and are not protected by U. S. law. Penalties for violators in foreign countries can be severe and impose a great tragedy upon the victim.

Those arrested have the support of the American consul but under U. S. law, U. S. funds cannot be used in any way to pay legal fees or other expenses for an indigent American who is being detained in a foreign country on a drug charge.

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Athletics and Appropriations

There is a growing concern on campus over the problem of appropriating funds to the athletic department. The problem results from the fact that the athletic program, and in specific football, requires the expenditure of the major part of the budget allocated to that sport before the majority of the students return to school in the fall. The Amplifier has never held a favorable opinion of the concept of paying players to play, however after a year, we will admit to there being some tangible beneficial effects of the new program, as it is presently being carried out. To assist both the athletic director and the A.S.M.T., we propose that the athletic department be guaranteed 60% of the money's derived from student activity funds.

As applied to last year's budget this percentage would have yielded more than the athletic program received this year in addition to the \$1,000.00 special allocation made this spring by the A.S.M.T. to cover the over spending of the department. If Tech were to increase to 1,000 students next year and provid-

ing that 800 of these were full-time students paying the activity fee, then the athletic department would receive \$19,400.00. That would be a net increase of \$5,000.00 over the past year.

There also arises a reasonable question of what to do if the department overspends. We would suggest that the budget for the year following the over-expenditure be reduced by an amount equal to the sum of the money overspent plus an interest charge in the amount of the going bank rate to be charged on the over-spent capital.

This program would allow the athletic department to prepare a tentative budget based on the registrar's records on the incoming students for the following year, and to purchase the necessary equipment legally during the summer. Fortunately the past athletic department head and the business manager of the school were not prosecuted by the A.S.M.T. for having illegally spent unappropriated funds. A program instituted as proposed would help to alleviate this problem.

Some Old News Articles Never Die

With the 69-70 school year soon to be buried and forgotten in the seemingly everlasting struggle against time and the elements (professors, quizzes, Lucky Lager) in the pursuit of that all-important degree, the Amplifier feels it would be interesting (how few things are these days) to take a quick snoop into some of its past issues.

To get your saliva glands flowing, let us first consider the article **Athletics and Appropriations** appearing on this page. Ah! Would you have sworn that it was about this years gross misappropriation of athletic funds by our beloved coach Charley Arme? Are the never-ending requests for increase upon increase vaguely familiar? It is amusing to note that this article, by Michael Dewey, appeared in the May

7, 1969 issue of the **Amplifier** — long before Arme misappropriated any funds. It would appear that Dewey wrote a timeless article indeed. Considering the trend at Montana Tech, this article might even become immortal. Certainly this is progress, for look at the reduced work load on the editor when he can reprint articles which are current year after year.

If we have the courage to look beyond the hills surrounding Butte, we will see that **Amplifier Backs Pentagon** from the March 26, 1969 issue, is as current today as it was a year ago (five years ago?) For a brief moment the past year showed promise of a foreseeable end to the draft, and a change in U. S. cold war policy; but alas, we are marching forward stronger than ever. We have bought a new ally — Cambodia. Again we will sell our sons to cover the cost. Is American life so cheap?

Thylacine — About 18 inches high at its shoulder.

Writer's Note: This is a brief writing which exposes a conclusion in directed thought. It contains no supporting facts to substantiate its implications. But instead it simply speaks out the words of a critical observer who sees the facts, whose intent is to establish an attitude for man's implementing justice in life, that all living beings might live together in harmony.

Assumed: As a reader of this article, you must be aware of man's past and present endeavor to conquer the earth and its resources in his attempt to make life easier and better for himself. And you must be at least vaguely aware of man's careless attitude regarding the subtle aftermath of his industrial revolution, in part, the unhealthy contamination of virtually every realm of the biosphere, life.

And it was said:
Thou shalt have no other Gods before Me.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his name in vain.

Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.

Honour thy father and thy mother, that the days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Thou shalt not kill.
Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Industry "Improves" Available Water

Union Camp Corporation's Jacksonville, Florida chemical plant received the local Jaycees first award for "outstanding positive steps" toward the control of pollution.

The system has an impressive aeration reservoir that turns over 4 million gallons of water every hour. No federal or state funds were involved in the project which cost \$250,000.

The waste water discharged into Jacksonville's Moncrief Creek is actually purer on discharge than when it was pumped from the ground originally, according to a company spokesman. A similar pollution control system is being constructed in its plant in Valdosta, Georgia.

The Math department has a new book, it's called "The Tropic of Calceus."

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The Emancipation of Life—

HUMAN CONSERVATION

by David Fink

Thou shalt not bear false witness against they neighbor.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

These are very meaningful words indeed. But, what do they mean? As so often interpreted and as they so readily appear to mean, these words should signify the guiding virtues by which men are to live amongst mankind.

Living in the world of today readily gives an open-minded spectator an appearance of the world situation so as to be the "Golden Era" of man's rebellion against nature. Man has become quite proficient at utilizing the laws of nature to subdue its workings. It is ironically too evident that man's subjugation of nature has resulted in more of a destroying of nature than any other interpretation will allow. Man appears to be inspired to exploit to his immediate benefit, his domain while assuming the positions of writer, director and producer in order to play the leading part in the play of "Life." While doing so, man has unwittingly become the most ruthless rapist imaginable, thinking and acting by far and by large in terms of himself. This very animalistic tendency will have to be outgrown before man can become to judge "Life's" situation from an unadulterated point of view. In our consideration, the "Ten Commandments" apparently fall short of proclaiming a complete form of justice in their recently positioned era of today, in regards to man's duty in his environment, the factors of nature

rapidly becoming extinct about him.

For a possible remedy attitude, let us take a more refined consideration of "Thou shalt not kill," than that which we normally accept at granted. Excluding the act of killing our human counterparts, man must certainly kill life for food in order to live and exist. An escapist vegetarian does not evade the act of killing for food. His near-sightedness simply prevents him from seeing his slaying the products of plant life for his diet, as an act of killing. To pick fruit could easily be interpreted as an act of killing, by one's preventing the chance for the fruit to take root in the ground, to grow, and to make abundant of itself. Yes, we perform the subtle act of abortion in many indiscriminate ways. Man's acting out the role of a judge is nearly always unknowingly prejudiced in his behalf. It is perhaps an unfortunate fact of life for an idealist to realize that man must kill life for food to live, but such is the reality of nearly all that of animal life, and this reality should not be denied nor overly concern us.

In our search for justice, a more appropriate consideration of killing in respect to "Thou shalt not kill," is more to our reckoning, which admittedly is to the extreme of a liberal interpretation. From "Webster," to kill: to put an end to; to cause to stop; to destroy the vital or essential quality of. To destroy the vital or essential quality of, to kill. These words may readily be applied to the questioning of many of the activities of "modern?" man in his act of be-

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AMPLIFIER BACKS PENTAGON

by Michael Dewey

In the last issue of the Amplifier there appeared two articles concerning the draft. Unfortunately various students, ex-military men, and several teachers derived the idea that the paper was attacking the legality of the U. S. involvement in Viet Nam.

Let me make it clear that the Amplifier without any reservation acknowledges the United States of America's right to intervene in the local affairs of any nation of people and to commit the adulteration of that country. We acknowledge America's power to plunder and murder a people to such an extent that the people will be crippled economically, culturally, and social-

ly for generations to come under the Hilarian Invasion. We further acknowledge America's ability to level every house, community, town and city in Viet Nam and the fathering of thousands out of wedlock half-breed children. However, we most of all laud America's ability to constitutionally disregard the precepts of the Geneva Accord and to destroy the common hope and aspirations of a people for their unification, independence, sovereignty and self-determination.

The Amplifier, however, continues to be puzzled over America's refusal to acknowledge the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic's right to be in Czechoslovakia.

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coming, without outside challenge and with little reconciliation, the "best" or should we say "the leading man?" in "Life's" play upon the land.

We, men, are the scourge of the land, sitting in our egotistic, self-esteemed arm chair of luxurious living, having little more than a hope of doing the entire act a better way. From the deer-slayer to the vegetarian, from the industrialist and his smog producing, stream polluting industrialization to the conservationist and his two-million kilowatt flood control dams or his population controls of the disease infested, web-footed, seven-legged, one-eyed, pidgeon eating Utopian tree. All of us are either outright or subversive killers, contributing to the destroying of the essential, so vital quality of nature, ourselves. In our quest for quality in life, what many often fail to realize is that the true nature of life's situation can not be recognized when it is altered by hypothetically derived controls, improvised because of their first-hand results.

We are killers! We must kill in order to live. We will find new methods of killing to supersede inefficient, often ridiculous old ways. But not denying our inherent right to be and to be better, we should have conveniences of a comfortable easy living which provides many benefits for all in a progressively evolving society by providing the essential time for us to contemplate new ideas. Man has long reaped the benefits of time off the hunt, leisure time, for his recreation, religion, and technology, ever since the first campfire broiled a steak.

A brief interlude at this point I deem necessary to derive a fundamental attitude with which to enhance an understanding of the ideas which are to follow. Conservation. Just what is this act of ours which (for the lack of better words) is to save and protect our environment. Our prevailing attitude in conservation is to save and protect the various factors of nature in danger of extinction as we see fit. This attitude proposes conservation as an act thought of in terms of the desired effect, the salvation of whatever we are to consider. These ideas are not bad, but I feel that the subtle derivatives of the ideas of conservation, the motives for conservation are what we are to utilize in our thinking for promoting our act of conservation. It is a conscientious, responsible attitude which promotes the aspects of a conservationist ideology. It is then in the terms of a conscientious and responsible mankind, that the effect of conservation will become a real and meaningful reality.

What it is that we are to consider wisely, is our relative position in and portion of our bountiful homeland, I feel that in this

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With every tick of the clock the United States moves closer to chaos.

With every motion of the minute hand, America moves faster downhill.

It seems almost unavoidably true that the U.S. will face some kind of tragic political or economic breakdown before the Orwellian year of 1984. And the future of the world depends on what happens between now and chaos.

For the United States of America, once the bastion of freedom in the world, is now in one of those unmistakable historical transitions where a free country becomes dictatorial.

Dictatorship is not only possible in the U.S., it is a very large probability given current circumstances and current leadership.

America is in a situation that is not unlike the years following 1763 when the British government tried to reestablish strict control over a democratic structure and men like Sam Adams and Tom Paine were pouring revolutionary words on an uncomfortable public.

It is in a situation that resembles the years directly before the Civil War when the national unity of the Jacksonian period was shattered by the weight of the slavery issue; when women emerged as a force in politics; when social Darwinism and science were promoted for the sake of defending the status quo.

It is in a situation that also resembles the 1930's when the nation's workers demanded redress from the national government and brought the nation to the edge of a socialist revolt.

All of the elements of these three great transitions are present in the current situation. There is a revolutionary dissatisfaction with democracy, there is a great racial split, there is the dissatisfaction of millions of people with the kinds of lives they lead.

Germany: 1932**America: 1970**

But there is an even sharper historical parallel: that with Germany of the early 1930's.

The Germans had lost a war. America is now facing the reality that the Indochinese war can't be won.

The Germans had lost an economic struggle. The U.S. is in such turmoil that rally of 80,000 in Boston last week hardly rates the national news.

Politically, the parallels are astounding. There is vast polarization and totalization by everyone involved in political activities. The radicals totalize liberals as cowardly bleeding hearts, the liberals see conservatives are something less intelligent and therefore not to be taken seriously.

Conservatives totalize radicals into monsters and liberals into egg-heads. No one respects each other's seriousness or intentions, rather there is just a quick rejection and a refusal to listen.

This is the same kind of thing that happened in Germany as the country sped through the Depression. But there is one difference, one that does not make things any the more easy for the United States.

In Germany, the Weimar Republic was weak and fragmented, thus allowing the country to fall apart at its own rate. And up until the elections of 1933 there was a chance that the chaos would not result in a dictatorship of the right.

In the United States, all the potential for that dictatorship is right now entrenched in Washington, D.C. A dictatorship in the making is not out of power, as in Germany, rather it has control now.

Compare for a moment the characters of Richard Nixon and Adolf Hitler. Both were insecure men, both with a driving ambition for recognition and for security.

Both came through a war that made them extremely nationalistic and anti-leftist. Both suffered defeat after defeat before eventually winning closely contested minority victories.

Both were caught up in historical circumstances that called for a wide view of events, for a flexible approach and yet the experiences of the young Hitler and the young Nixon mitigated against anything like an international, wide viewpoint.

Both men display a theory of government that is highly elitist; Nixon has in his government men who talk about a "natural aristocracy," men who see those concerned about social problems as "criminal minds," men who would deal with fundamental problems with a non-active "benign neglect."

Hitler had his "natural aristocracy" theory in the superiority of the Arian race, he saw communists and Jews as international criminals, he felt that society's ills could only be solved by eliminating what he saw as conspirators against the state.

And, even more fundamentally, both Nixon now and Hitler in pre-war Germany felt that the social chaos in their respective nations

Facing the Death of

was coming not from fundamental contradictions, but rather put the blame for turmoil on those that protested the problems.

The Nixon administration blames the students and the blacks for the problems in the country and does not appear willing to recognize that the slowing of American expansion, traditional American racism and the attempt to stifle dissent are what is moving millions in this country to oppose the government.

In the two years that Nixon has been in the White House, the United States has moved a considerable way toward dictatorship. Lyndon Johnson was isolated and paranoid concerning the Vietnam war, but he felt that in order to solve domestic turmoil the root problems of racism and economic inequity had to be solved.

The Nixon regime does not even take this half-step. Justice in the country is in the hands of rabid anti-communists like J. Edgar Hoover and John Mitchell. Political rhetoric is almost solely coming from Spiro Agnew.

And these four men—Nixon, Mitchell, Agnew and Hoover—add up to an Adolf Hitler.

Gestapo In the Making

The Associated Press reported in Sunday's P-I that the military and FBI intelligence has filed information on 1,500,000 people, that the FBI daily goes through underground newspapers clipping information on "subversives."

The AP talked about the FBI's "subversive data bank" and how the Secret Service investigates any letter to the President that can be defined as "threatening."

The FBI, as the official state police, is a Gestapo in the making. It is run by a rabid anti-communist who sees even a man like Charles Garry, as a man engaging in "subversive activities."

The Army as well, the article said, keeps a data bank and with the FBI has infiltrated into every radical group. No one is safe, no one is free from the eyes of the government.

Given all this, given the mentality of the Nixon administration, the depth of the FBI information network, given the problems that will be caused internally as the Third World stands stronger in the face of the United States; given these factors there is no other expectation for the future than more of the same from the Nixon government.

Peace and Freedom In the USA

And in the two years Nixon has been in power the policies have resulted in what can be seen as a national purge of dissenters and the attempt to lay the groundwork for a police state.

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a Nation, 1970-1984

The Johnson administration began the attacks of the radical movement, but Nixon has broadened them and resulted in the following:

- The death of 28 members of the Black Panther Party in unexplained murders;
- Armed police raids on Panther headquarters in New York, Los Angeles, Detroit, Chicago and Oakland;
- The jailing of Huey P. Newton, Bobby Seale and H. Rapp Brown;
- The introduction of legislation that would allow preventive detention and the "no knock" law;
- The growth of the National Guard and local police forces with the introduction of domestic use of CS gas and mace;
- The subpoenaing of records from national newsmagazines and newspapers;
- The request by the president to the Rand Corporation to find out what would happen if no election took place in 1972;
- The emergence of judges like Haynsworth, Carswell and Julius Hoffman;
- The use of the national anti-riot law to indict first national radicals and now local radicals on charges of conspiracy.

All of this indicates that the Nixon administration has become politically paranoid and sees a vast and powerful conspiracy that is determined to seize state power. Nixon would concur with the following statement:

"The streets of our country are in turmoil, the universities are filled with students rebelling and rioting, communists are seeking to destroy our country, Russia is threatening us with her might and the republic is in danger. Yes danger from within and without. We need law and order. Without law and order our nation cannot survive."

Spiro Agnew did not say that, Adolf Hitler did, in Hamburg in 1932.

Soon it will be dangerous to use the telephone due to wire-tapping or to mail a letter due to postal surveillance.

Soon there will be something that approaches the alien and sedition acts of 1798 to squelch the press.

Soon the anti-riot law will extend further into the radical movements and arrests of followers and friends will come on the heels of the leaders.

Soon the military will be made into a professional army and thus cut off from civilian control and checks on its power.

At that point the President will have removed all facades to democratic government. The governmental-military bureaucracy, under the guidance of the President and the Justice Department, will

then have effective control over our lives and will have dictatorial power.

The Free World's Unfreeness

Remember what happened in Greece, three years ago today.

A military government, spurred on by a false threat of communist take-over, staged a coup that has sent thousands to torture chambers and has ended Greek liberty.

The same thing could happen in the United States. But it will be more subtle, slower, and yet just as efficient.

The liberals, who are willing to applaud for "Hair" and cry at "Z" are not yet willing to admit that mere reform of our system does not work.

The conservatives are willing and ready to accept dictatorship in the form of "centralization for national security." A William Buckley or a Ronald Reagan could easily be absorbed into the Nixon government.

Only the left can stop the coming tyranny.

But the chances of stopping dictatorship in this country grow slimmer every time there is new bickering in the left, every time the YSA and the SLF call each other names, every time the worker-oriented groups denounce the student-oriented groups.

The left must concentrate on the Nixon administration, on historical analysis of the period we are in, on ways to protect itself and increase support. The left, which now numbers somewhere around 5 million in this country, must put together a program aimed not at other leftist groups but rather at the silent majority.

For the only hope of avoiding dictatorship in the U.S. within the next 15 years is to convince the silent majority that it is being taken.

Taken by consumer prices, by war-time taxes, by an electoral process run by money, by appeals to insecurity and fear.

The silent majority must be made to realize that problems are the fault of the government's continuance of war, of its inability to implement racial solution, of its inability to make industry pay for pollution, of its unwillingness to allow dissent.

It is not the dissenters that are causing problems, it is the problems they are dissenting against that are the real causes of turmoil.

Amerika: 1984

The U. S. will be thrown into either economic or political catastrophe in the next 15 years.

If nothing is done between now and then to erode some of the power of the presidency the result of the chaos will be dictatorship, either by the military or the president himself.

If nothing is done, freedom in the United States will come to a halt.

The only way to avoid such an end to freedom is for the left and those that see problems to put pressure on the government now. The pressure must come from a unified left presenting unified solutions to the government by getting the support of the mass of Americans.

Support for the left and thus the ability to head off 1984 will only come through practical solutions to practical problems. For example, the new SLF tax proposal to redistribute the wealth, encouragement of strikes among workers with an attempt to get them to go beyond purely wage demands; the formation of a revolutionary party to maintain a united presentation on local levels; the continued criticism of corporate capitalism in terms of war and ecology; massive leafleting campaigns to new areas of the city. In other words, support of the attempt to gain a mass base for a revolutionary frame of mind.

Dictatorship can happen right here in this country, it can come slowly or with suddenness. Time is running out, Big Brother is already in power and if enough people keep ignoring what is happening to them, 1984 will arrive 10 years early.

It is time we saw Nixon and administration as the real enemy to democracy in the United States. It is time for radicals to form a unified response to this threat.

If we don't feel the urgency soon, if we continue to bicker and try to score debating points on one another, 1984 will no longer be a prediction, it will be a reality.

And Big Brother doesn't love us, he doesn't love me and he doesn't love you. He wants only to exploit us, to take away our humanity to get us to serve his needs.

—Bruce Olson
U. of Washington Daily

HUMAN

(Cont. from P. 4)

regard, man has already far out-distanced his rightful domain in the realms of sheer quantity. Man's quality is yet at its unstable foundation. It would be insane for man to make the earth a mechanism simply for the perpetuation of the glory of himself. This attitude, being very near-sighted, leaves far too much to be desired. We will in this end, our presently esteemed act, have lost our identity and irreplaceable heritage. The earth, being the stage for the play of "Life," has unwittingly become devastated by man, where the rights of the other characters have become stifled by the blind beyond near-sightedness, aggressive mankind. This animal, man, has much to learn in order for his enhancing the production of the harmonious story of "Life."

To refrain from being too radical, I will leave the answers to the questions of human character now burgeoning in quantity to challenge your integrity, to rightfully become our concern. The answers to our problems, as we come to recognize them, will become of a united effort of us all. In our situation, the solutions will not become reality without each individual's contribution to the effect. I believe that human quality will limit and provide an integral means for a tolerable quantity of human endeavor.

Where are we?

Who are we?

What are we?

Why are we? . . .

Certainly these are trying questions for us to answer. We all inherently have the same end in mind, a harmonious happiness. Many are diligent in their efforts, attaining new paramounts in success and failure. We must live and learn by our attempts at realizing the elusive vision of happiness. We all are killers, and in certain respects, this is an essential to life, essential to all that exists. Change-evolution is the subvert destroyer of that which had existed to be that which is now, to become that which we and our contemporaries of all sorts and fashions will be.

To be or not to be, to be and not become, the controls are all too often in our hands. But shouldn't we become open-minded in our conservationist ideologies so that we may see beyond ourselves to provide a meaningful means for "The Emancipation of Life," through a conscientious, responsible act of "Human Conservation." With our conscientious responsibility we should carefully evaluate our position as an inhabitant upon this unceasingly wonderful earth we share, and wisely consider just what it is that rightfully should be conserved or proliferated, that our highly esteemed endpoint of happiness may not completely diverge from the virtues of God and haphazardly, irresponsibly become the dead end for any and all.

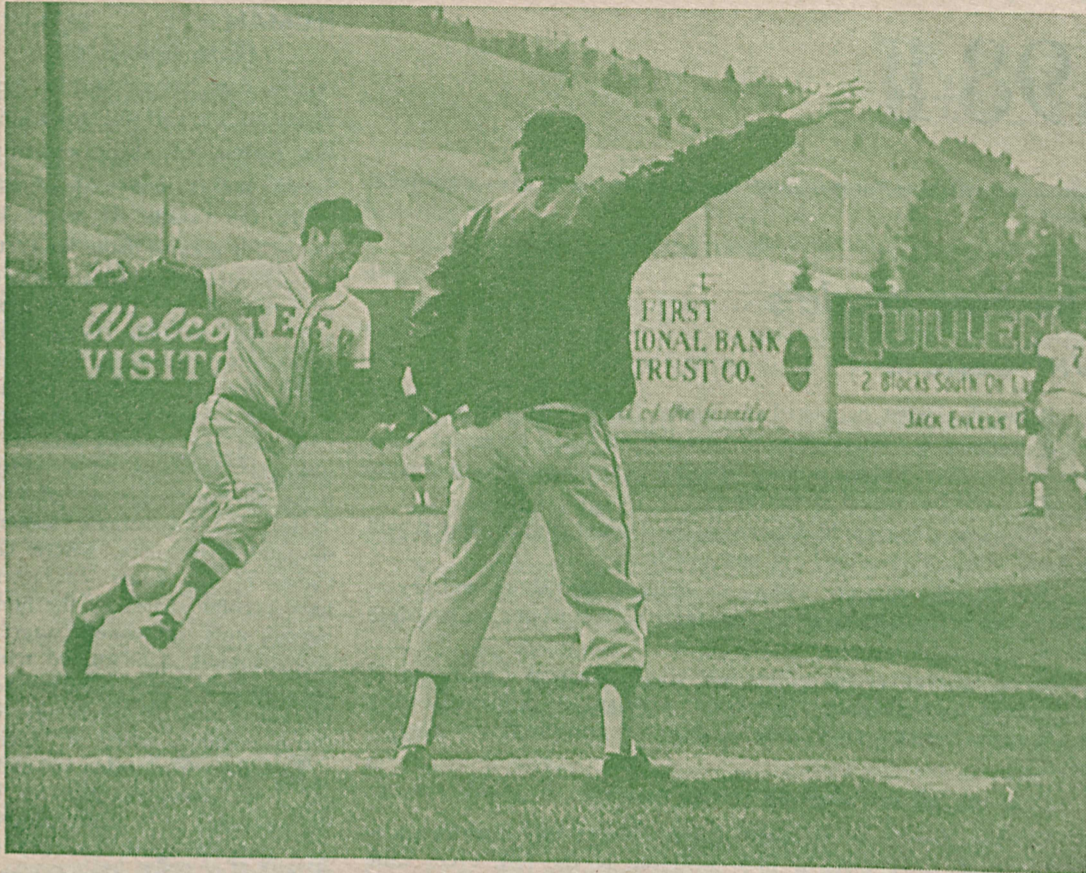
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Tom Williams heading for home, at Missoula

— Mike Parent

A HERO'S HERO

by Buzzard

Athletes are winners and losers. However, upon observation of the "athletic job" I've found that everyone is a winner. In other words most guys have scored the winning touchdown, shot the winning basket, hit the winning homer and run the winning leg of the mile relay.

This is a normal response for all those who participate in the "bragging festivals". I, myself, participate actively telling all of my heroic feats. However, the other night I realized that the real heroes of the sports world are the guys who make themselves the goat — the dramatic losers. Let me give you a few examples of how the real hero tells his story.

First, Mr. Football.

"Well, there we were, playing these cats for the state championship and because I was fifth string, I was on the bench watching. Now my friends are bellowing 'We want Bernie!' and there's 10 seconds left in the game. So the coach yells, 'Bernie, Bernie! go in for Johnson and run 43 toss.' Seeing my chance to be a real hero, I sprint onto the field yelling 'Johnson, Johnson!' As I burst into the huddle, I tell the QB 43 toss. We break toward the line of scrimmage with 5 seconds left, the ball is hiked and pitched to me. I use my catlike moves and elude the tacklers, finally breaking into the open: No one's between me and the goal line—the crowd begins to cheer and I run and run — I finally reach the 5-yard line, and then it happened — I trip, the ball squirting loose. The other team recovers, and the gun sounds, and we lose 66-0 instead of 66-6."

Second, Mr. Basketball.

"We were playing for the state championship and there's 3 seconds left on the clock. The score

is tied and there's a jump ball on the free throw line. Now, I know we're going to win the tip, so I position myself just below the basket and I'm really going to win the game. The ball is thrown up and tipped to me. I know that this cat guarding me thinks I'm going to hook with my right hand, so I fake right and hook left. Just as the ball leaves my hand and starts down through the basket — I think 'Oh, no, wrong basket!' I was right and we lost."

Or third, Mr. Track.

"There I was running the last leg of the mile relay for the state championship. Now our team is tied with this other one for the lead, and I get the baton. I look at this guy I'm running against and he is 6'5", of which 6'3" is legs. So I says to myself 'If he gets ahead of me, I'll just pull a muscle.' We start out and I'm taking 30 steps to his one. So I say, 'Self, you better pull up lame.' Just then, the man on the P.A. blares 'Ladies and gentlemen, running the last leg for Tech is Crazy Legs Jones. Now I says 'that's me and man, I don't care who I'm running against, I'm going to win because, I mean, they just announced my name.' So I do the impossible — I pass this cat on the curve, and now I'm just striding out relaxed and increasing the lead. There are just ten yards remaining when all of a sudden it happens — rigor mortis sets in. I can't move, but knowing I must win I fall and win by a nose. I fooled you, didn't I?"

These are the highlights of our heroes' careers. Sometimes, we in the world of sports tend to take the game too seriously, and it is at that time that a winner steps forward to lose dramatically.

Does This Bring Memories?

(from E.M.C. Retort)

A note to EMC hecklers:

While our spirit at basketball games is fair to good, we are forgetting some of the basic rules of heckling that in the past have earned Eastern students the honor of "Rudest in the State."

After consultation with George M. Razz — known throughout the country as the "Father of Modern Razz," I have noted the following factors which should help our heckling galleries.

Basic heckling rules:

1. Try to call opposing players something that will irritate them. Sometimes this is their first name, although it can be their last name, home town, etc.
2. Use descriptive terms only at the right time. Terms such as "hot dog" "gunner" "hatchet-man" "big-boy" or "rabbit-ears" should be timed to fit the situation.
3. Be loud and persistent.
4. Razz the refs as well as the players. If a ref makes an obvious bad call against our team, let him know about it for the rest of the game. In fact, make him dream about it that night. And call him by his name, too, if possible.

In addition to these basics, Razz has disclosed to me the three great accomplishments any razzing section can achieve.

Here they are, let's try our best to achieve them.

1. The first greatest accomplishment is to start a "group razz"—that is be the leader of some heckling term or sentence that sweeps its way through the crowd.
2. Second greatest accomplishment is to cause an opposing player to make some kind of gesture of acknowledgment to the crowd. Then you know he's really bugged.
3. And, the greatest accomplishment of 'em all—to actually have a technical foul called on the crowd. Then you know that not only the other team is bothered, but the refs, too.

Of course there are other factors which can be termed outstanding razzing efforts, too. Like being kicked out of the game when you aren't even a player.

But if we keep these in mind, we should have a successful razzing season next year.

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FOUL BALLS

by Mike Parent

Lee Fasso hates to have anyone bringing up the time he got picked off second base by six long feet. To bring back this horrible memory and letting everyone else know about it, the Montana Standard ran a two picture sequence of Lee's pick-off a few days after the game. The two pictures highlighted an entire page of Tech baseball photos. Lee would have been satisfied if they didn't run it at all, or if they did, as small as possible. But the pictures of his pick-off ran over half the page in width and over a foot deep. When Lee thought that everyone had finally forgotten about the shots, he received a letter from Metal's Bank containing the pictures and mentioning that he had been in the news. Let's help him forget this episode and mention to him that he is a candidate for All-Conference outfielder.

If a sheriff's car with red flashing lights and a real sheriff comes running across the highway toward your car, what would you think! A breakout at Deer Lodge's prison, or he has a warrant for your arrest! This happened to the baseball team on their way for a game with Missoula, and it turned out to be a note from Coach Riley stating that someone had left his uniform back on the steps of the gym. What player would forget his most valuable piece of equipment? The coach, that's who, third base coach, John Dunstan. It's a good thing he didn't leave his wallet behind too.

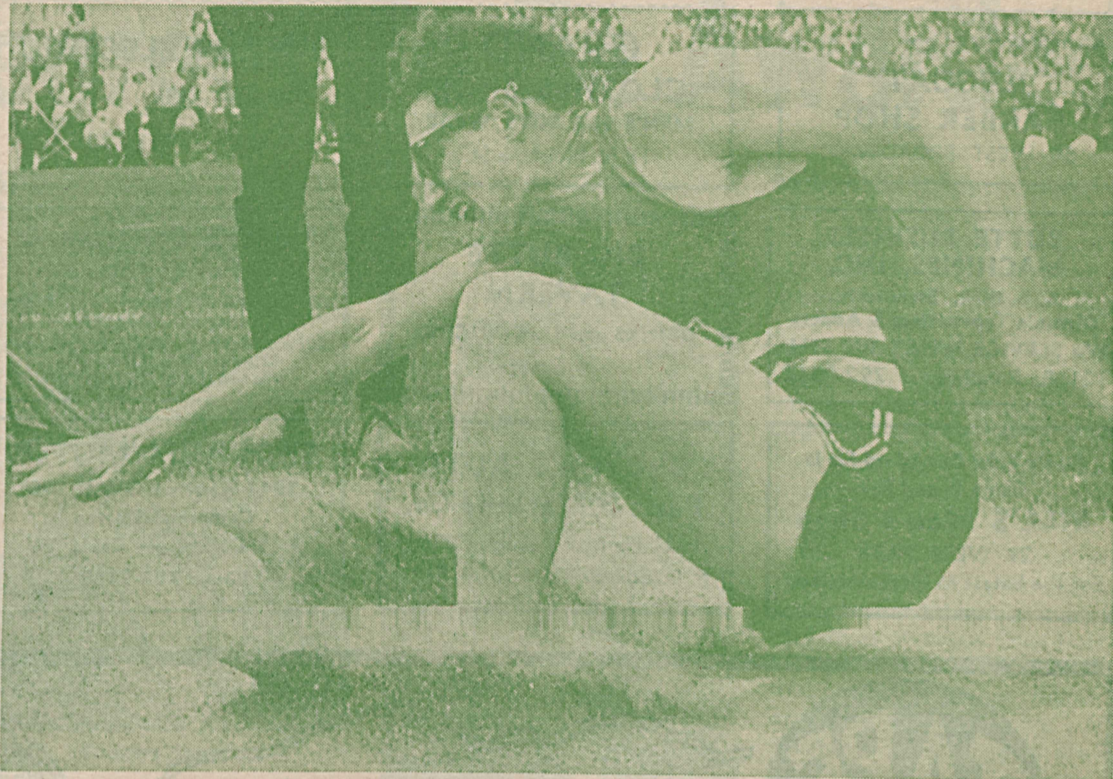
Ernie Burby is Tech's great left-fielder. The age-less Burby runs like a scared jackrabbit chasing fly balls and running around the bases. Hopping around the bags in Helena he missed 1st and 2nd base on one of his four doubles for the afternoon despite warnings from Coach Cullen before he got up to bat. He was batted in by another Tech hitter and he distinctly hit third base, but coming towards home plate he out ran his memory and ran right over the catcher, not touching home plate. None of the umps noticed anything wrong though it was obvious, and Ernie Burby tallied another touchdown for the baseball team.

A few innocent looking Tech students were at the game cheering with their mouths full. They came in late each lugging a half-gallon of milk and a loaf of bread. Most people suspected something besides milk inside that carton. But to settle all issues, they went and sat in the row directly in front of the athletic director Bob Riley.

Great candidates for the All-Conference squad from Tech this year might look like Larry Brumit, Lee Fasso and Ernie Burby. Ernie led the entire team in batting average, which after six games read .463. He has hit one game homer, but had hit the fence above the football bleachers the very first day of practice last February. It was estimated at about 450 feet.

Lee can really play that outfield. He makes all fly balls seem like easy pop-ups because he knows just where to play the hitters. Lee also has great speed, he helped the track team one meet when the baseball game was rained out.

Larry made the team last year, and is sure to do it again this year. His smooth motion pick-up to throw on grounders made the opposing coaches druel. He is the smallest player on the team, but hit a home run over the center fielder's head against Eastern.



Montana Tech triple-jumper, Dale Wilson, in action

— Mike Parent

Track Team Dedicated

Montana Tech's track season is off to a running start for the 1970 season and Coach Wayne Paffhausen, the new track coach, is pleased with the enthusiasm and dedication exhibited.

An exceptionally fine turn-out for the track team has promised Tech track boosters one of the most memorable seasons in recent years.

- Team members and events are:
- Ray Brown—Events and 440
 - Tob Roberts—Events and 440
 - Lee Alt—Sprints and Relay
 - Dale Wilson—Events and Relay
 - Ed Pettigrew—Events and Relay
 - Kermit Behnke—Relay and 440
 - Steve Walls—Events and Relay
 - Tom Bjerkrum—Weights
 - Mike Thurman—Weights
 - Nick Obstar—Weights
 - Nick Schnieder—Weights
 - Gary Jones—Weights
 - Tim Schruth—Javelin, Relay
 - Marc Bossard—Javelin
 - Lee Fasso—Sprints
 - Brad Gunderson—Sprints
 - Clayton Olmstead—Sprints

A late but most welcome addition to the team is Ray Shaw, former Sheridan, Montana and Rick's Jr. College standout. His major accomplishments to date have been a :49.9 — 440 and a :10.1 — 100.

Requirements for Varsity 1, 2, 3

by Mike Parent

Many boys going to school at Tech have refrained from playing varsity athletics because they don't really know whether or not they are eligible to play. The Frontier Conference, the conference that Montana Tech participates in, is affiliated with the NAIA which set down the three basic rules for eligibility for varsity sports. These are: 1) The 12-hour rule 2) The 24-hour rule and 3) Present Semester rule. To be eligible, each participant must satisfy all three rules along with a few smaller ones.

The 12-hour rule states that any person who wishes to participate in athletics must pass 12 credit hours with a "C" average (or 2.0 grade point) the semester previous to that semester in which the sport falls.

The 24-hour rule says that any person who wishes to participate in athletics must pass 24 credit hours, but not necessarily with a "C" average, he is so far eligible.

The last basic rule that the participant must attain is, he must be a full-time student, not a part-time student. To be a full-time student he must be at the present semester taking at least 12 credit hours.

If the student satisfies these three rules, he will most likely be

eligible for varsity competition, such as Football, Basketball, Track, Baseball, and Tennis. Intramural sports are for those who cannot attain these rules.

If there are any other questions concerning eligibility, Coach Lester or Coach Riley will gladly answer them.

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Lunch-in had valuable side effects

by Janet Fraser

Recently our campus witnessed a concerted effort to bring about reforms. I am referring to the Lunch-In that was held in an attempt to force the snack bar to lower its prices. Although this protest, didn't accomplish its main objective, it did have valuable results.

The most important result was the unity that it brought to this campus. This is one of the few times that all students have co-operated to achieve a worthwhile goal.

The Lunch-In also demonstrated that the notorious Tech apathy could be beaten. It

showed that students could be motivated to participate when there was a reasonable goal.

In order for this campus to have a progressive student body, we should expand on the ideas behind the Lunch-In.

Motivation would be an asset to all student affairs. Just think of the reforms that could be initiated if everyone who supported the Lunch-In would become active in student government! Unfortunately, it is always the same people who are interested and involved.

If the co-operation experienced in the Lunch-In was extended to all areas of campus life, our school would certainly progress at a much faster rate in many areas.

The Lunch-In's organization is another idea that could be put to use. At Tech, this is all too often lacking. Why not take a little more time and get things organized so there won't be so much confusion?

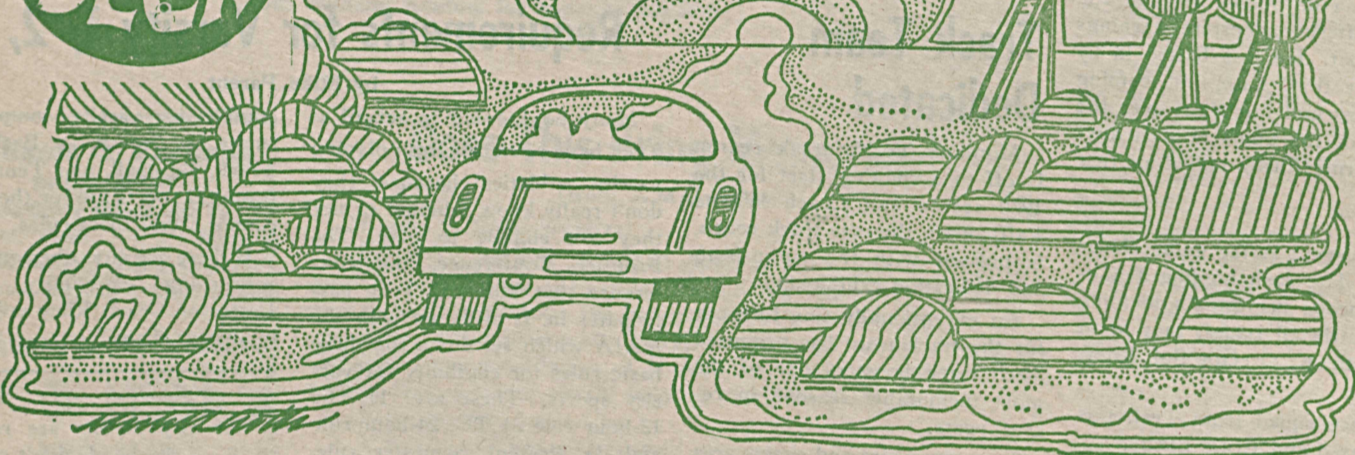
In the future, let's see more participation in every aspect of Tech life. After all, it is YOU, the student, who stands to gain.

Good Days Remembered

by Bill Nettles

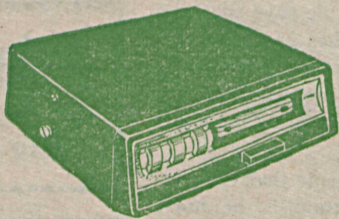
Remember the good old days at Montana Tech when our most pressing problem was nothing more than apathy on the part of the student body? How many of us remember the famous Mancuso-Koch confrontation in the sub? Some of you juniors and seniors may remember the ill-fated under-ground newspaper, "The Sub-Vocalizer", and its mysterious editor "Scaramouche". And who of us would forget the very appealing "Impeach Koch Movement", inspired by a small number of senior insurgents just a few years back. Anyone who attended Tech last year, was able to read the Amplifier and follow the great debate between the reactionary Mr. Little and the liberal editor Mike Dewey. The '67 elections will never be forgotten by those of us that were in attendance at that time. In addition to the Theta Tau party, the Sigma Rho party, and the Independent party, the students were confronted by the independent-independent party set forth by the rebellious upstart John Fargher.

It is true. Things were not always this droll at Montana Tech. Apathy is no longer our most pressing problem; rather we have slipped into the depths of stoicism. I feel sorry for you students that were unable to experience those days here at Tech. The whimsical Lunch-In would not have even interested us in those days.



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