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Questions remain unanswered about transit system

By ROSAMOND HODNETT

Staff Writer

There is a strong possibility that College Joe will be in for a big shock Fall quarter. He may be expected to complete a two-mile trip to class in ten minutes.

The controversy over the transit bus system developed as a result of one question: Who will pay the \$14,000 per quarter to operate the transit system? Should students foot the bill or is it the responsibility of the University administration and state?

The bus transit system began when the Student Government Association went to the Board of Trustees and asked for an additional increase in student fees. Money was appropriated for two buses—one running from campus to the boys' dorms and Minges and the other running from campus to the girls' dorms and Pitt Plaza.

SGA President Rob Lusiana vetoed the appropriated money for the buses for next fall. "I would recommend," he commented, "one bus to run from campus to Minges and the Allied Health Building. This would cost \$148 a day and \$8,000 per quarter. A few people in my cabinet wanted to cut it off completely until the administration helped to assume some part of the bill."

Rick Atkinson, Vice-President of the SGA

added, "If the buses don't run, it will be because of two main reasons. The first is financial reasons—the cost of two buses running would be \$256 per day. The second reason is that the students have been sluffed off long enough. If the University expands, it should accept the responsibility."

ECU Vice-President of Business Affairs Clifton Moore, when questioned about the possibility of the state or university footing the bill for the buses, replied, "There are no appropriated state funds for the buses. I don't know of any school in North Carolina that uses state funds for this purpose. They are either appropriated by students or a combination of students and pay-when-you-ride. If the SGA abandons the bus system, I'll recommend that the student fee be reduced."

James Tucker, Dean of Student Affairs, commented about the bus system: "I would like to see a bus transit system, but it will have to come through student government. The money could be held from students if not used for this purpose."

Lusiana and Atkinson both expressed a desire to exert pressure by cutting off the bus.

Assuming that the bus will not be running Fall quarter, how will this affect the student who has a class scheduled at the Allied Health Building? What provisions are being made for him?

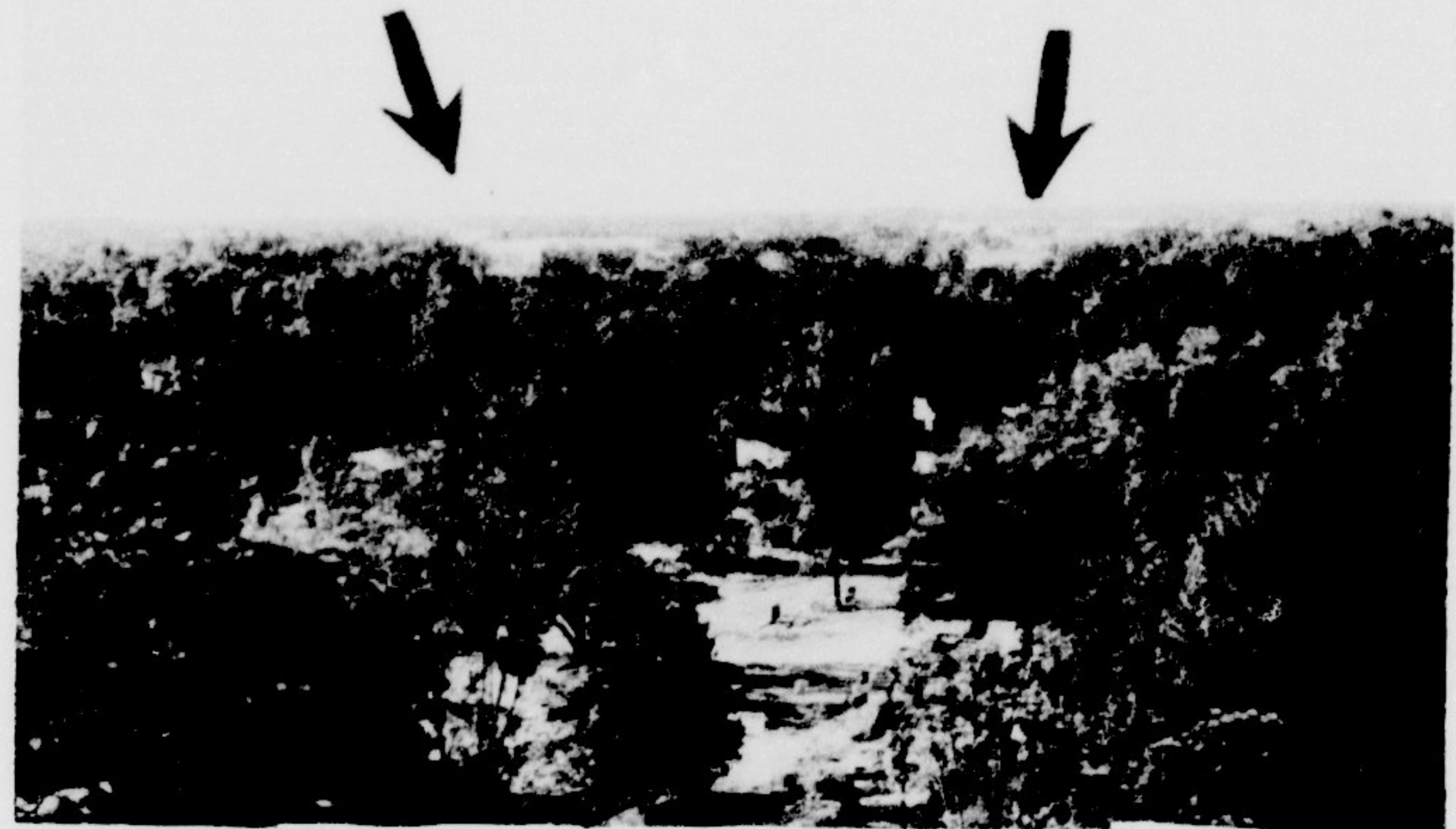
Various proposals have been tossed in the air. One proposal is blocking classes. Dean Tucker said that this would block a student from any classes the hour before and after his class at the Allied Health Building. When asked if this could possibly keep students from getting into a class that they needed, he said, "Probably they would enjoy having free hours."

Mr. Baker, ECU Registrar, said, "There are various types of blocking. We could do different types each quarter; it must be decided upon by appropriate officials. Arrangements will have to be made by the department chairmen and deans. No provisions have been made for the Fall quarter; it is too late."

A second proposal is that of a bike trail. Moore commented about this plan, "I have looked into the possibility of a bike trail along Charles Street so that students wouldn't have to run through a warehouse. Obviously, this plan has become impractical."

Almost everyone agrees on the difficulty that the student will face in trying to get to and from his two-mile class. "It," said Moore, "is a physical impossibility to go even by car from the Allied Health Building to the Nursing Building in ten minutes."

"A decision," said Lusiana, "will be made by the Executive Council within the next two weeks as to whether the bus will run."



ARROWS INDICATE Minges Coliseum on the left; Allied Health on the right. (Staff photo by Bill Riedel)

School of Nursing awarded federal grants

By SYDNEY ANN GREEN

Staff Writer

ECU's School of Nursing will find things a little easier financially this year due to several grants they have received from the U.S. Public Health Service.

The largest grant for financial aid was \$42,500 for loans and scholarships for nursing majors. According to Evelyn Perry, Dean of Nursing, a good deal more nursing students will be able to go to college than in the past because they will be able to get this financial help. "All of the money was applied for and promised to students before we even got the money," says Perry. According to her every accredited school is eligible to apply for these grants. She says the reason ECU got more this year is because they applied for more.

There are also traineeship funds for the registered nurse to return to school and get a baccalaureate degree. About \$28,000 goes to nurses who are graduates of hospital schools or junior colleges. "Most of these nurses are working women with families who find it difficult to get their degrees," says Perry. "The funds make it possible for them to not have to work while going to school."

A grant from the federal government of \$90,000 will assist in the operation of the School of Nursing. ECU qualified for this money for two reasons. The school has to

Suit asks for free education for retarded children

(AP)—The North Carolina Association for Retarded Children has asked a federal court to require the state of North Carolina to provide "free public education and rehabilitation" for school-age retarded children.

Jere Annis of Raleigh, president of the association, said last week a suit filed in federal court last May has been amended to include the demand.

Annis said the original suit was amended to "call the attention of the court specifically to the conditions in our four institutions."

According to Annis there are 50,000 to 75,000 school-age children in North Carolina with some degree of mental retardation.

The suit as amended now asserts that "free public education, training and habilitation shall be made available to all school-age retardates without any basis of discrimination and regardless of whether they reside in the community or centers and institutions for the retarded."

The 1971 General Assembly approved spending up to \$1,200 per child to pay tuition of some retarded children in private schools, but did not appropriate funds to finance the program.

At a news conference, Annis said that parents of mentally retarded children in the state centers must pay a fee for the children's care, according to their financial ability.

Communists lose bid

(AP)—North Carolina Elections Director Alex Brock says that the Board of Elections has unanimously rejected a bid by the Communist Party for a place on the November general election ballot.

Brock said that only 1,216 names on the petitions submitted by the party were certified by county elections boards as being bona fide registered voters.

State law requires that a minimum of 10,000 signatures of certified voters be submitted.

Brock said the board members voted against the request for recognition at a meeting Wednesday.

increase enrollment in 71-72, and there was not any money available from other sources. Perry states that this September there will be approximately 100 more students enrolled than the '71 enrollment, and there is no way in the middle of a biennium to get state funds by increased enrollment.

The funds will be used to purchase equipment and to pay salaries of additional faculty personnel. "We have been setting up independent study labs with carrels and single concept films," says Dean Perry. "We will buy quite a large library of films for students to use for their own study. We have had the equipment but no films." At this point, it is not known how many new faculty personnel there

FCC protects candidate's speech

(AP)—The Federal Communications Commission has ruled that J.B. Stoner may continue campaign broadcasts saying, "The main reason why niggers want integration is because the niggers want our white women."

The Constitution protects such language even though government officials may find it personally repulsive, the commission decided Thursday in a case arising when Atlanta Mayor Sam Massell urged broadcasters to reject the ads on grounds they presented a "danger of violence."

Stoner is affiliated with the National States Rights party, but is running in the Democratic primary for the U.S. Senate seat held by Sen. David H. Gambrell. One of 15 candidates in the balloting Tuesday, Stoner is not expected to make a strong showing.

will be. The ECU nursing school averages 40 or 50 students in the graduation class each year. According to Perry, a good deal of these graduates stay in North Carolina. "You can find our graduates in all places in eastern North Carolina," comments Dean Perry. "There are also some that scatter to all parts of the globe, usually going to wherever their husbands job is."

Education in nursing is changing says Dean Perry. A lot of the hospital schools are closing due to lack of funds. There is an increasing number of students seeking associate baccalaureate degrees in Junior and community colleges.

Scott suggests primary move

(AP)—Governor Bob Scott has suggested that North Carolina's primary election date be moved from spring to fall and that elections or state offices be switched to off presidential years.

The governor's comments came in a welcoming address to a meeting of the North Carolina Associated Press Broadcasters Association in Raleigh.

Moving the primary date to fall he said "obviously would shorten the period between the primary and the general election."

He said, "It would help reduce the cost of campaigning and help carry forward the momentum of the primary into the general election."

Bike theft poses security problem on campus

By PATTI PAUL

Staff Writer

With the one thousand bicycles expected in September, registration will be mandatory for all students riding bikes to classes.

Compulsory registration will enable the ECU Traffic and Police departments to apprehend thieves easier. Each bicycle will receive a vehicle registration serial number. Bicycle registration is \$5.50 per year.

In previous years, students were required to register their bicycles at ECU and with the city of Greenville. This stipulation is no longer

enforced, but the student must have at least one bike registration, according to head of Traffic, Joe Caulder.

10 PERCENT RECOVERY

Bike theft has always been a problem. According to Caulder, the average of one bicycle a week is stolen, and only 10 percent of these are ever recovered. If a bike is stolen, it should be reported to the campus security and the Greenville Police, who can track the bike by

Richmond court rules that police may carry on surveillance

(AP)—A federal appeals court ruled today surveillance practices of Richmond police at various public meetings and demonstrations do not violate the constitutional rights of the participants.

In a 2-1 decision, the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the ruling of U.S. District Court Judge Walter E. Hoffman in a 1970 class action suit brought by the American Civil Liberties Union.

The suit challenged the presence and use of police photographers at demonstrations and other public meetings and vigils and the retention in police files of photographs of the participants in such meetings.

The appeals court's majority opinion written by Judge Donald S. Russell said there was "nothing in this record to establish harm or injury actually sustained by the plaintiffs

themselves." In addition, the opinion said, other witnesses called in the case failed to show that they had been "either directly or apparently even subconsciously deterred in the exercise of their First Amendment Rights" by the challenged police practices.

The plaintiffs sought a legal block to the photographic surveillance on the grounds it hampered persons attempting to express their constitutional rights of free speech and expression. They also asked that police be required to "produce and destroy" all photographs they had made in connection with various gatherings.

Defendants in the case, including Police Chief Frank S. Duling and Safety Director Jack M. Fulton, had argued that the surveillance was a valid and necessary means of insuring that public order is maintained.

HEW grant will help create new degree

A federal grant of \$96,193 has been awarded the East Carolina University School of Allied Health and Social Professions to develop a curriculum program for community health educators.

The award, originating from the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, is the first of several to support the program for a five-year period.

Dr. Ronald L. Thiele, dean of the ECU school, said receipt of the award will allow the development of the community portion of a new degree in School and Community Health Education now conducted jointly with the ECU Department of Health and Physical Education.

Students majoring in the program will participate in a three month internship program, in addition to on-campus studies.

Graduates will be prepared to assist in the planning, implementation, coordination and evaluation of health and health-related services provided by school and community agencies. Dean Thiele noted that there is considerable demand for persons trained in the area. Three additional faculty members will be employed to instruct community training in health education, he said, and a director of the project will be named in the near future.

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New bill would increase benefits to veterans

(AP)—The Senate has passed a measure sharply boosting the benefits for veterans to attend school under the GI Bill.

The Senate passed the measure 89-0 Thursday. It provides an increase of 43 per cent more than the amount the Nixon administration requested and approved by the House.

If the difference can be worked out by a House-Senate conference committee before the fall term, a single veteran attending a college or vocational school would receive \$250 a month. Currently the GI Bill pays \$175 a month.

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CHAINING YOUR BIKE is one way to insure that it will remain safe on campus. (Staff photo by Bill Riedel)

Government to clean up tundra debris

Tons of garbage heaped at one of man's northernmost points by government agencies are finally going to be cleaned up. The Interior Department has joined with the State of Alaska and the U.S. Navy to rid the remote eskimo village of Barrow of 30 years of collected government trash.

The residue began collecting in the 1940's with the Navy's exploration for oil, and then was added to by the Air Force's construction of the DEW line, plus the day-by-day waste of a primitive population sustaining life in a "harsh, forbidding climate, without the benefits of modern water and sewage systems."

Interest in the Barrow waste problem was reportedly stimulated when Secretary of the Interior Rogers C.B. Morton paid a visit to the area in July 1971. He was appalled by the acres of oil drums (used to store human waste), broken-down machinery, and other junk, not to mention the animal carcasses and human and household waste littering the landscape around Barrow.

While making plans for a clean-up with the U.S. Navy, it became obvious that the village council of Barrow could not do the job without government help. There had already been

much talk and a great deal of interest, but no money. Congress allocated \$28,800 to Barrow under the Emergency Employment Act of 1971 and, in other legislation, made available \$25,000 from funds for cleaning up Indian reservations. The Bureau of Indian Affairs also helped, redirecting some of its limited resources to remove an old gas line which had been abandoned in place some seven years before, with 4,000 empty oil drums holding it above the tundra.

To keep the area clean, plans have been made for a landfill which will contribute to an erosion control project

near the village. Since the permafrost extends from the surface down to a level of 1,300 feet, anything buried to a depth of two or more feet becomes permanently frozen and contamination of other areas will not occur. A new incinerator will be installed about a year from now for both liquid and solid waste, serving both the village and the adjacent Naval Arctic Research Laboratory. Also, the Department of Housing and Urban Development is sponsoring construction of 100 new homes in Barrow, with a requirement that a modern water and sewage system be designed for the village.



PARKING STICKERS for 1972-73 go on sale Monday for those students who would like to avoid the fall crush.

Viet Vet poets:

Poetry cries out against war

"I heard my meatless bones / clunk together / saw the ants drink / from my eyes / like red ponies / at brown pools of water / and the worms in my belly / moved sluggishly / delighted."

These words, by Don Reeveur, appear under the title "night fear" in "Winning Hearts and Minds - War Poems by Vietnam Veterans" edited by Larry Rottmann, Jan Barry,

and Basil T. Paquet (McGraw-Hill, \$3.95, \$1.95 paperback).

Originally published a few months ago under the imprint of First Casualty Press, a company formed by members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, this anthology consists of works by 33 poets, who have contributed from one to a dozen poems each.

"Previous war poets have traditionally placed the blame

directly on others," the editors note. "What distinguishes the voices in this volume is their progression toward an active identification of themselves as agents of pain and war - as 'agent-victims' of their own atrocities...It is poetry written out of fire and under fire."

"Winning Hearts and Minds" was an official slogan of the American pacification and relocation program in South Vietnam, as were "Rural

Reconstruction" and "Revolutionary Development."

Edited from a much larger body of writing collected over the past four years, the poetry in "Winning Hearts and Minds" is arranged as a series of shifting scenes which describe a tour of combat duty in South-East Asia. The first anthology of its kind, it is a scathing, intense cry of protest against injustice and wasted lives.

Psychologists study space travel reactions

A team of psychologists studying the effects of human crowding for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has turned around the adage "Three's a crowd."

Instead, the behavioral scientists have been making suggestions about sending large teams on future manned space flights to help prevent debilitating psychological stress on astronauts.

Before embarking into the anxiety-producing milieu of outer space, each astronaut would be given a carefully formulated series of tests to make sure of compatibility with others in the group.

The study of social behavior in confined environments was completed recently at the Naval Medical Research Institute in Bethesda,

Maryland. Careful observation of 56 volunteer subjects provided the psychologists with ammunition in the form of solid data with which the problems of intra-group hostility and other emotional symptoms can finally be dealt with.

The psychologists found, surprisingly, that subjects confined together in groups of two for periods of three weeks developed more hostility toward the partner than when placed in more crowded rooms.

The subjects, carefully screened Navy enlisted men, often showed signs of stress early in the experiment. The subjects were provided with roughly the same amount of room astronauts have in a space capsule.

The psychologists found that larger groups were more

compatible as long as the amount of "territory" remained the same for each of the participants. Project RIM (restricted, isolated monotony) data should help scientists to reliably predict the psychological condition of astronauts, deep-sea scientists, and even prison inmates.

Project RIM provides scientists with proof that man can successfully adapt to confinement for weeks, even months, at a time by adjusting the environmental "controls" such as space, bodily needs, and group size.

The study stated that stress and anxiety from prolonged confinement can reach a critical point that may result in disaster unless specific individual needs are met. A fatal shooting of a scientist on a lonely Arctic ice floe recently

is theorized to have been the result of what the study called "hostility toward isolation partners."

The psychologists concluded that having a variety of partners, as would be the case in the planned United States-Russian joint moon expedition, is an enrichment of an otherwise bland social situation for astronauts. This could help pacify normally expected stress during space missions. The study was the culmination of seven years of research in close-quarter confinement. Drs. Seward Smith and William W. Haythorn, psychologists at Florida State University, authored an article on the project appearing in the April issue of the "Journal of Personality and Social Psychology."

Chinese mummy discovered in fair preservation

(AP)—The body of an aristocratic woman who died 2,100 years ago has been found in China amid more than a thousand burial accessories of untold historical value.

She apparently was the Marchioness Li Tsang, and she died in middle age leaving no special mark on her times.

Around the mummified remains, described as in a fair state of preservation, were accessories including silk fabrics, lacquerware, bamboo and wooden utensils, pottery, grain, food, and specially made funerary objects.

The discovery was made in a tomb on the outskirts on Changsha, the capital of Hunan Province.

Hsinhua, the Chinese news agency, described the finds with uncharacteristic enthusiasm: "These are among the most important and extremely rare relics recently found. They are of great value to studying the history, culture, handicrafts, agriculture and medicine and preservatives of the period."

Japanese experts commenting on the report

go further and call this the discovery of the century. The corpse and its accessories will give an unparalleled glimpse into the science, art, technology and handicrafts of the time, they predict.

Hsinhua's account says: "Half immersed in reddish fluid, the fairly well preserved corpse is wrapped in 20 silk clothes of various types. The fibers of the subcutaneous loose connective tissue remain

distinct and elastic..."

The tomb was 66 feet deep, with six coffins placed on within another. Heaped around the walls and on top of the outermost coffin was a foot or so of charcoal weighing about five tons and sealed by white clay two to four feet thick.

"It is probably due to these air-tight layers and some other treatment that the corpse, coffins and many burial accessories are free from decay," said Hsinhua.

PBS said to cater to "eggheads"

(AP)—The national president of the Associated Press Broadcasters Association has called for tax-supported public broadcasting to "divorce itself from the journalism arena."

Tom Powell, news director of WDAU-TV Scranton, Pa., told the annual meeting of the North Carolina Associated Press Broadcasters Association Saturday that public broadcasting's "principle occupation recently has been a

deepening involvement in the news and public affairs area." He referred to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB).

"It has been attempting to set itself up as a competitive fourth network for news, even to the extent of hiring name newsmen who established themselves in commercial broadcasting.

"This is a trend that is completely intolerable. The emergence of a government-sponsored news service is simply incompatible with our traditions of democracy and freedom," Powell said.

He said commercial broadcasting must recognize its enemy and its "secret enemy is the liberal community, at least a significant influential segment of it.

"The strident support in academic and liberal quarters has resulted in ever increasing government appropriations for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting," Powell said.

"This had pointed us down the road toward a government-controlled broadcast press and a First Amendment disaster," he added.

Liberals support more government regulations and less freedom for broadcasters, Powell said.

He also charged that PBS pitches its broadcasts exclusively to "eggheads."

Powell said, "Broadcasting must recognize that their most dangerous enemies are liberals who, well-intended or not, have in their desire to improve the mass media have become spear carriers for forces that would substitute a government press for our free press."

Japanese-Americans get reparations

(AP)—The government will have to give back the money it took from some 2,000 Japanese-Americans forced into internment camps during World War II if Congress approves a pending bill.

A House subcommittee heard appeals Friday for quick action on the measure to return the total \$4.5 million confiscated from accounts in U.S. branches of a Japanese bank.

"Not a single one of them had committed any crime or act of sabotage against the country which they had learned to love and which they called their own," said Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga, D-Hawaii.

Matsunaga, at a House commerce and finance subcommittee hearing, urged approval of his bill to remove a legal road block preventing the Japanese-Americans, many now in their 80's from recovering the confiscated family savings.

The Justice Department, which holds the confiscated assets, says it supports the bill if amended to give the attorney general final

power to decide the validity of claims instead of involving federal courts which have jurisdiction in related cases.

Backers of the bill testified they would go along with the Justice Department's amendment to speed passage of the legislation.

Joseph L. Rauh Jr., attorney for a group called the Committee of Japanese-American Yen Depositors, called the bill "one more step in the long and continuing effort to vindicate the rights of Japanese-Americans in the wake of the tragedy of 1941-1942."

Home opened to cats

(AP)—A Provo housewife who opened her home to doomed kittens earlier this week says she "never had any idea there were so many cats."

Jane Robinson says she has been given 81 cats since she advertised in a Provo newspaper that persons planning to drown or smother their cats should turn them over to her instead.

Weekend to offer musical show

Several well-known bluegrass music groups will be featured at the Second Annual Mountain State Bluegrass Festival hosted by Melvin and Ray Goins of the Goins Brothers act. Lake Stephens Park in Beckley, West Virginia will be the location, situated approximately 10 miles out of Beckley on Route 3 West. The festival will run for three days—August 18, 19, and 20 and will feature such artists as Bill Monroe and the Blue Grass Boys, Jim and Jesse and the Virginia Boys, Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys, Don Reno and Bill Harrell and the Tennessee Cut-Ups, the Jones Brothers and the Log Cabin Boys, James Monroe and the Midnight Ramblers and many other groups.

Prizes will be given to the oldest and the youngest married couples.

As an added attraction a live greased pig will be turned loose on Sunday afternoon and anyone wishing to capture this ham had better bring along some running shoes and some sticky fingers.

An amateur Bluegrass Band Contest will also be held on Friday and all entries must be registered by 4:00 p.m. Friday afternoon.

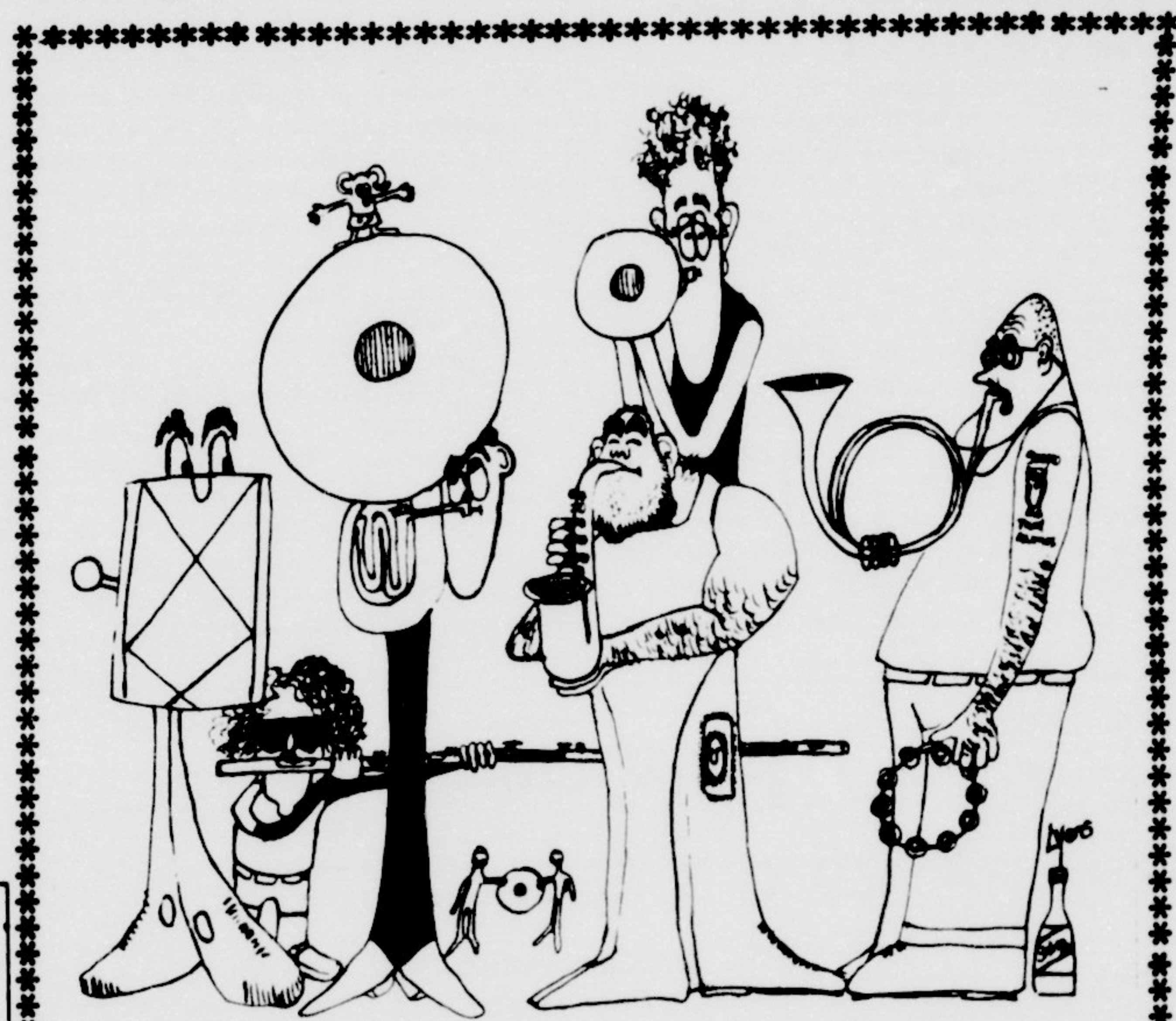
"Three Dog Night" headlines a weekend of concerts, beginning Friday August 18, at the North Carolina Motor Speedway, Rockingham, N.C.

Joining them are The Faces, Poco, Black Oak Arkansas,

Bloodrock, Savoy Brown, The Dillards, The James Gang, Fleetwood Mac, Rory Gallagher, Tower of Power, and Goose Creek Symphony.

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editorials/commentary

Bus costs must be shared

The pressing question of transportation to and from the new Allied Health classroom building at Pitt Plaza has yet to be seriously considered by any prominent administrator.

While September is coming perilously soon, no plans have been laid by either the SGA or the administration to provide any sort of public transportation for the students who must commute the two mile distance from the building to main campus.

General classes in Minges Coliseum

already suffer a loss of usable class time because of the transportation factor, and the problem will be even more severe when full classes are begun in the Allied Health complex, which is considerably beyond Minges.

We applaud the SGA's tough stand on financing the buses. The administration, who placed Minges and Allied Health buildings where they stand, should foot the bill of transportation to these facilities.

POWs won't be returned

The POWs are not coming home, not until North Vietnam is ready to release them. This very simple statement is not a defeatist announcement of repentance for moral error; it is only a rational recognition of a very real situation.

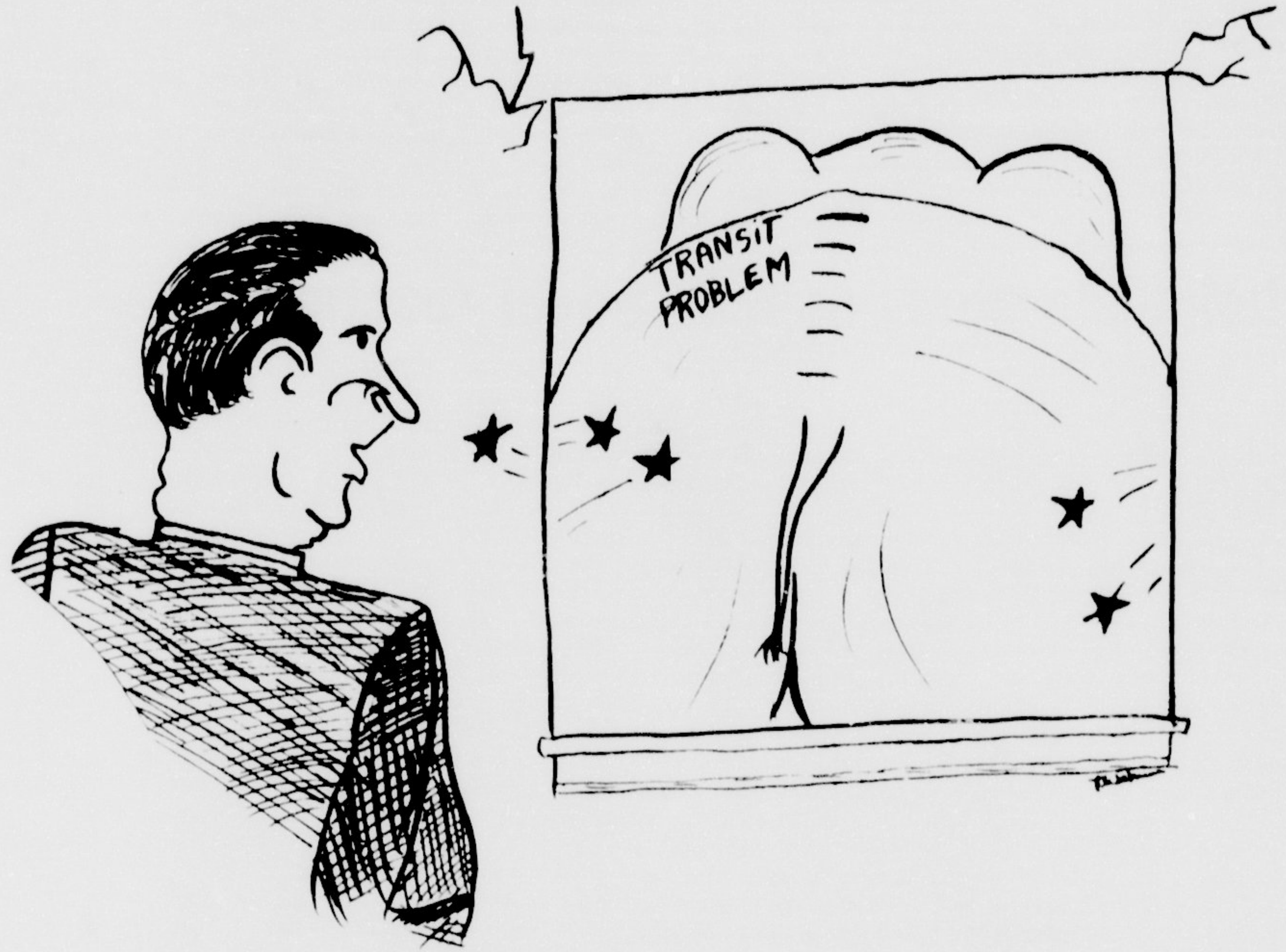
No amount of bombing will pry open the closed palms of the North Vietnamese; the POWs play an essential role in the Communist plan for gaining the upper hand in the inevitable negotiations.

As long as the American public values those men held captive more than it values the lives of those "free men" who die to sustain the war in the name of the captives, the North Vietnamese could not be in a better position to extract a settlement on their terms.

We are unwilling to abandon the POWs because their continued captivity is an affront to the power of the United States and a thorn in the American

conscience. POWs are the bastard sons of an illegitimate war.

Unrealistic campaigns such as Richard Nixon's war of attrition upon the peasantry of the North will cause more damage in America than Vietnam, by bolstering the public's mistaken notion that naked tyranny will suffice to bend the will of any insolent yellowman.



Let's just ignore it and it'll go away!

McGovern legions lose momentum

By DANIEL WHITFORD

What's happening in the upper echelons of the Democratic Party anyway? First, they offered it to Kennedy, then to Muskie, then to Ribicoff, then to God only knows who else. But nobody took it!

Then they offered it to Tom Eagleton. Tom Who? Tom Who took it... too soon. So they offered it to Kennedy again, then to Humphrey, then to Muskie again. Who knows? Maybe they even offered it to Richard Daley. Finally, they offered it to good ol' Sargent Shriver.

What's going on? Is that famous species known as "willing running mates" becoming extinct? Or is the species just burrowing under for the next four years in the face of a hostile electoral climate?

The last inquisition probably strikes nearer to the heart of the matter. Political self-preservation has undoubtedly been a major factor in the decision by many of the prospective Democratic vice presidential candidates to reject Senator George McGovern's plea for a running mate with unifying connections to the party establishment. The McGovern-sponsored platform and the McGovern-bred ideology are, to say the least, mild anathema to many Democrats of the "old school" who would prefer to ride out the impending storm on their own individual rafts

rather than risk sinking with McGovern's experimental ship.

Consequently, in sharp contrast to momentarily successful preconvention escapades the apparatus of the McGovern machinery appears, as of late, to be functioning about as efficiently as a submarine with screen doors.

The sequence of events, in brief, follows: (1) McGovern had obvious difficulties in properly screening prospective running mates after he won the party's nomination; (2) He was caused much embarrassment by comments from his own staff concerning the "honorary" stature of Larry O'Brien in his campaign organization; (3) He failed to win the AFL-CIO endorsement he so desperately needed; (4) He was forced to step on a lot of important toes when faced with the dilemma of finding a graceful way in which to drop Tom Eagleton from the ticket; and, (5) His renewed pleas for a credible running mate fell on many deaf ears before being heard by Sargent Shriver.

Senator McGovern's organization now faces what could prove to be the critical test, a test which involves the ability of McGovern and his public relations men to repair the damage done. Without such a crucial occurrence it is highly unlikely that the McGovern forces will be able to regain any significant degree of the momentum that carried their candidate to the Democratic presidential nomination.

Republicans receive special legal treatment

By JACK ANDERSON

Every citizen, regardless of politics, is supposed to get a fair shake from our legal authorities. But the Justice Department is a little more fair if you happen to be a Republican. Here are just a few examples.

Over two years ago, I presented conclusive evidence that Republican Rep. Jim Collins, a Texas millionaire, was squeezing salary kickbacks out of his staff. The FBI reluctantly investigated and an indictment was handed down. But it wasn't Collins who was charged. It was his administrative assistant, George Haag. Last month, Haag was found guilty in federal court. Collins, who masterminded the plot, remains free.

I also reported that Arch Moore, the rotund Republican governor of West Virginia, had stuffed political contributions in his own pocket. The Internal Revenue Service investigated and found Moore had under-reported his income by at least \$131,000 over a five-year period. Yet the Justice Department quietly allowed Moore to settle his tax case out of court.

Over the past few years, Teamsters boss Frank Fitzsimmons has developed a close relationship with President Nixon. Fitzsimmons's son, Richard, is a local union official in Detroit. He has come under investigation for allegedly purchasing gasoline for his personal cars with union funds. But Fitzsimmons senior promised to deliver the Teamsters' endorsement to Nixon. At the same time, the federal investigation of Fitzsimmons junior suddenly stalled.

The statue of justice wears a blindfold—supposedly to prevent discrimination. But the Republicans have provided justice with a GOP seeing-eye dog.

CHINA CONFIDENTIAL

House leaders Hale Boggs and Gerald Ford recently returned from a trip to Communist China. Here are excerpts from their confidential report to the President.

Boggs and Ford held more than six hours of private talks with Premier Chou En-lai. They informed the President he had favorably impressed the wily, old Chou during their summit meeting. The Chinese leader respects Nixon particularly for his grasp of international affairs.

Boggs and Ford also relayed the astounding report that Red China doesn't really want the United States to disarm. They want us out of Vietnam, but they want us to withdraw carefully. They definitely do not want us to leave the Pacific entirely. The reason for this is China's fear Russia would move into the vacuum.

The Soviets will never disarm, the Chinese feel, and our disarmament would serve only to upset the current balance of superpowers and threaten world stability.

Boggs and Ford also told Nixon that Chou doesn't approve of suggestions to pull U.S. troops out of Europe. As long as we are there, the Chinese reason, Russia will have to keep troops on their European front. This, in turn, diminishes their strength along the Chinese border.

MISSION JERUSALEM

Israeli diplomats here are quietly passing the word among their American-Jewish friends that Israel prefers President Nixon over George



McGovern in the 1972 presidential race.

Alarmed that Jews may defect in large numbers from the Democratic party this November, George McGovern has sent top aide Myer Feldman and Idaho Senator Frank Church to Israel to talk with Golda Meir.

Meanwhile, Egypt's decision to expel thousands of Russian military advisers is causing several of its Arab neighbors to re-evaluate their relations with the United States.

Some Arab leaders expect the United States to move back into the Arab world as the Soviets are compelled to withdraw. The Arab country most actively seeking better relations with the United States is Sudan. One intelligence report suggests that Sudan may begin negotiations to exchange ambassadors with the United States as early as this year.

Arab overtures to the United States are taking place despite steadfast opposition from Egypt's President Sadat, who would prefer both the Russians and the Americans to stay out of the Arab world.

The question remains, however, whether President Nixon will actively seek a rapprochement with the Arabs. The atmosphere in the Middle East is supercharged. This is also an election year when President Nixon is more concerned about the Jewish voters in this country than the Arab potentates on the other side of the world.

CASH BACKLASH

The money crisis in the Democratic party apparently is having a backlash effect on the

Republicans. The Democrats are so badly in debt that the GOP money men are having problems convincing potential contributors that they too need cash for campaigning.

Congressman Bob Wilson, the Republican congressional campaign chairman, sent out a recent fund-raising solicitation to past GOP contributors that rang with desperation.

Wilson's appeal was printed on telegram paper, but sent through the mails. In the clipped tones of Western Union, Wilson wrote: "Radical liberal organizations are putting all they have behind a plan to elect even more liberal Democrat Congress in November. Cannot match that big money but believe we can win bare majority in Congress in 72 even on tight budget. Emergency TV film costs, not yet covered. I am grateful for your past contributions...but must ask again."

Equally urgent is the plea recently sent on behalf of South Carolina's Republican senator, Strom Thurmond. Enclosed with the letter is a snapshot of Senator Thurmond's campaign office in Columbia. "It's been empty like this for several days now," says the letter, "because we don't have the money to put in desks, chairs, tables and phones."

It remains to be seen, however, whether the spectre of a radical Congress or empty, dirty campaign headquarters will loosen many GOP purse strings.

NATIONAL DISGRACE

The National Archives building, home of the original Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights and the Constitution, displays an impressive front to the public. But, behind the scenes, it is a housekeeping disgrace.

Insiders go so far as to call the building a fire hazard. Hallways, elevator landings and loading platforms are cluttered with supplies and miscellaneous materials. Regular employees frequently can be seen smoking in front of no-smoking signs. Many doors, clearly labeled "Keep Closed," have been found permanently propped open.

In addition, rats and insects have been seen throughout the building. The rats are particularly populous around loading platforms, but even on the higher floors, employees have spread poison around their offices to keep the rodents out.

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