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Human clones still far in the future

CREATIONS: Despite the hype, SIUC scientists say human duplication is a lifetime away.

> DANA DUBRIWNY DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In spite of Richard Seed's claim to dupli-cate humanity, one SIUC researcher believes a world of genetically copied humans is far from reach.

"There is no way that we have the capa-bility right now to clone human beings," said Leonard E. Maroun, a professor of advanced cellular microbiology at the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield. "The clone of Dolly was just one example and is not enough to make a conclusion. We are still 25, 50 even possibly 75 years away from cloning

On Jan. 7, Seed, an independent Chicago On Jan. 7, Seed, an independent Chicago scientist, announced his intention to use the same technique used to clone the sheep, Dolly, to produce a human clone. Seed said he wants to begin his work as soon as possible, but he is waiting for private funds.

Last year, President Clinton issued a ban on federally funded human cloning research.

After Seed's announcement, Clinton insisted Saturday that Congress move to ban all human cloning research through legisla-tion. On Monday, 19 nations signed an agreement to prohibit the genetic replication of

humans.

The idea of genetic cloning evolved from scientists' search for cures of human diseases.
Scientists looked towards animals to produce

By mutating animal cells, some believe that organs produced in animals could be used in humans. The cloning of Dolly entailed taking an unfertilized egg from an adult ewe and removing its genetic contents. The scientists then inserted the genes from another sheep's cell, carrying the genetic code of both its parents.

The hybrid egg was implanted into a third ewe, and eleven months ago, an exact

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Gus Bode

Gus says:

Accept no

imitations.

be one real Gus.





PLUG: Former Sen. Ralph Dunn, R-Du Quoin, lends his support to U.S. Senate candidate Loleta Didrickson at the opening of her downstate campaign headquarters in Carbondale Tuesday afternoon. (Bclow) Didrickson presents one of her new campaign commercials which includes endorsements from Gov. Jim Edgar and former Sen. Bob Dole.

Didrickson touts flat tax

THE STATE MODEL:

Republican senate candidate comes to Carbondale pushing plan based on Illinois' code.

KIRK MOTTRAM DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Underscoring her campaign theme of "smaller, smarter" government, Repub-lican candidate for U.S. Senate Loleta Didrickson railed against the embattled federal tax code Tuesday, calling for a flat income tax system similar to that of Illinois.

In an election year when politicians are clinging to tax reform proposals like babies to security blankets, Didrickson's proposal comes as no surprise to tax experts like David Johnson, SIUC profesexperts the David romson. Store protes-sor of law. As Johnson points out, a flat tax does nothing to simplify government, but serves merely as a superficial cam-paign promise. Notions of streamlining bureaucracy through the implementation of a flat tax is political rhetoric at its finest, says Johnson.

"It's pure politics," he said. "It has nothing to do with anything except poli-tics. The simplification argument is

"If you have a tax code, it's going to be complicated.





Election

Didrickson argues the current tax code breeds a high level of corruption and unfairness. A progressive tax, she says, discourages economic growth and allows for the wealthy to circumvent the system. Furthermore, it undercuts the American dream in an attempt to redistribute income, penalizing the affluent merely because of their affluence.

Johnson, like Didrickson, views a proessive tax as unfair. However, instituting a flat tax is implausible because it would never survive congressional scrutiny, he said. In its place, Johnson contends a two-tier system resembling Reagan's ill-fated 15,28 plan instituted in 1986 be considered as an alternative. The system, which lasted only a year, eliminated graduated tax rates in favor of two fixed rates. 15 and 28 percent.

Tebow, Didrickson supporter from Carbondale, favors Flat tax a flat tax rate, but says its success depends upon how it is structured. Tebow contends a flat tax inherently is fairer and proposals. would be instrumental in streamlining the Internal Revenue Service.

latest in wave of IRS reform page 6

"It really depends on what the legisla-tion is though, and how it might apply," Tebow said. "But let's face it, a tax is a tax. Why should you be penalized for

making more money?"

Didrickson could not pinpoint a desirable flat rate. Rather, she said, Congress must sponsor an extensive debate on the subject and determine an acceptable

Didrickson touted her tax proposal and other economic initiatives during a campaign stop in Carbondale Tuesday. About 70 people attended the press conference, which also served as an unveiling of Didrickson's new downstate headquarters, located at 2015 W. Main.

In discussing fiscal management, Didrickson touched on the need for overhauling endangered programs like Medicare and Social Security. With the

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Police Blotter

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- •At 10:07 a.m. Monday there was a two-car accident on North University Avenue and West Peaan Street involving a Carbondale City squad car. There were no reported injuries at the time of the accident. Roth volvides were towed.
- A 27-year-old SIUC student reported Monday that between Dec. 17, and Jan. 12 someone stole items and damaged other items in their room. Police were unable to provide a location. The estimated cost of unable to provide a location. The estir loss is \$100. Police have no suspects.
- A student reportor, that between Dec. 17 and Jan. 12, a text book v as stolen from a dorm room in Moo Smith. The estim and asst of loss is \$30. Police have
- •An 18-year-old SIUC student was telean to Memorial inspiral of Carbondole of 7:27 pm. Monday after making comments about horming benefit. A montal evaluation was done at the time of arrival by Jackson County Montal Health Contar. No further information was available.
- •A 21-year-old SUC student reported Monday that between 10 and 10:45 a.m. her purse was stellen from a room in Faner Holl. A credit card that was in the purse was later used to make purchases. There is no estimated cost of loss. Police have no suspects.

Almanac

On this day in 1988:

Son. Paul Simon was on the SIUC campus campaigning for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination. I'm not running for president because I want to live in a big white house, hoar choose or have 'Hail to the Chief' played for me," he said. "I'm running bocause I want to make a better nation, a better world."

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- College Republicans meeting, January 14, 5 p.m., Student Center Thebas Room, Contact Erik at 549-9771.
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- Library Affairs "Introduction to Constructing Web Pages (HTML)" Seminar, January 14,
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- Gril Airpatrol meeting, Thursdays, 7 p.m., Marion Airport. Contact Wayman at 684-6838.
- Student Environmental Center first meeting of the somester, everyone welcome, January 15, 7 p.m., Interfaith Center. Contact Scan at 549-
- Equestrian Riding Club and Team regular mooting, January 15, 7 p.m., Student Center Soline Room. Contact Sherri at 457-2324.
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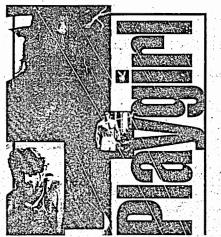
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Exhibitionists bare essentials in SIUC museum showcase

BRIEFED: Students, alumni display their "undergarments" through March 7.

JASON ADRIAN
DE ENTERTADMENT EDITOR

Just saying the words "inter-active underwear" can elicit exactly the type of mind wandering from people that artists sometimes strive to achieve in their artwork

But in the new art exhibition "Underwear" at the University, Museum through March 7, terms such as "interactive underwear" need to be taken as seriously as "didactic color sequence." After all, some of the pieces in the exhibition will be worn after their stint on dis-

This is an exhibition in combination of your interpretation or impression of the underwear theme," assistant museum curator Michael Beam said. So, it can be functional meaning you can wear it representational, photographic

or a painting."

The exhibition features artwork from SIUC students and alumni that thematically revolves around undergarments ranging from gym socks to thong lingeric.

Beam wanted a theme that was unique to a museum that had normally focused on tradi-tional art themes.

Though the underwear issue could be seen as too risqué or even obscene, Beam said there s nothing indecent about 'Underwear."

"It was my suggestion on a topic such as this that would raise people's cycbrows and pretty much gain interest," he said. "It's all pretty safe. There's nothing real perverse at least in my opinion.

One particular piece that could raise a few cycbrows mainly from its creativity and sparkling colors — is Lisa Sharp's stained glass paper doll "Underwear Dance." The piece depicts a girl in a free and spirited pose, and, like most girls, the doll possesses a variety of different colored underwear she can don.
"All the different underwear

glass pieces are kind of funky. There's a bikini and a kind of granny looking one for whatever mood you're in," said Sharp, a senior in art and design.

The idea for "Underwear

Dance" came from an image in an old magazine that showed a



FLASHPANTS: A stained glass paper doll by Lisa Sharp, a senior in art and design, is on display at the new art exhibition "Underwear." The exhibition is taking place through March 7 at the University Museum.

woman surrounded by under-wear in a paper doll format. Sharp enhanced the image from the magazine a little to fit a typical routine people sometimes go through while getting dressed.

"I changed the position of the figure into a dance because sometimes when you're getting ready you just kind of dance around in your underwear," Sharp said.

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CONTAINMENT: Panties on hangers exhibited as art at the University Museum for the "Underwear" art show that features SIUC students and alumni.

Museum features faculty first-timers

JASON ADRIAN DE ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR.

The annual Faculty Art Exhibition at the University Museum, which runs throug. April 5, has received a refreshing, artistic boost this

Michael Beam, assistant curator of the museum, said the interesting aspect of this year's exhibition is that it offers more artwork by instructors that had not displayed pieces in the exhibition before.

"Some of these professors are new, and I think they're going to bring some new and fresh excitement to the exhibition," he said. "There's going to be some exciting things to see.

Beam, who has organized the exhibition for three years, said this year is the best one he has worked on because of the wallop being packed by the new faculty artists adding work to complement that of exhibition veterans.

"This is a big changing time, It's been old school for a real long time," be said. Art and Design Professor

Joan Lintault's contribution to the exhibition is a massive 56-square-foot quilt in the shape of an old-fashioned manu-

script. A medieval style alphabet is displayed, and each letter is represented by an object that

begins with the letter.

Lintault said she gets a lot of feedback from students and people from the University about her work, and she will display her work every year.

This is something I'll do

until I drop dead or run out of ideas," she said, "Whichever comes first."

BOLOGNA, ITALY

Hot flashes less likely with intake of soy beans

Daily soy protein in the diet can sig-nificantly reduce the frequency of hot flashes in postmenopausal women, a new study has found.

Japanese women whose diet is rich in

soy protein have a low incidence o breast cancer, osteoporosis and hot flashes — possibly because soy contains phytoestrogens, natural hormone-like co pounds: Researchers at the Universities of Ferrara and Bologna in Italy decided to investigate whether adding soy protein to the diet of postmenopausal women in Italy would help alleviate hot flashes.

To be eligible for the study, women

had to have a minimum of seven moderate-to-severe hot flashes per day. Patients were randomly assigned to consume either 60 grams of powdered soy protein. daily or 60 grams of powdered casein, a milk protein. A total of 104 women were

The frequency of hot flashes declined steadily throughout the three-month study in both groups, but after the sec-ond week of the study the soy group experienced significantly fewer hot flashes than the casein group. By the end of the 12th week, hot flashes had decreased by 45 percent in the soy group and by 30 percent in the casein group. Soy protein had no discernible effect

on other menopausal symptoms, such as anxiety, joint or muscle pains, headaches

TOKYO, JAPAN

Man seizes hostage at Tokyo Stock Exchange

A man believed to be armed with a pistol seized a hostage Tuesday and bar-ricaded himself on the 14th floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, demanding that stock trading be halted, a Tokyo police spokesman said.

Police were negotiating with the man, who is described as being in his 20s or

early 30s and wearing a suit.

He entered the building at 1:03 p.m. and was holding his hostage in the stock exchange's executive suite, which was surrounded by police.

"A stupid man is doing an idiotic protest because he lost money in the mar-ket," said one dealer, who declined to give

Japanese media reported that the man was also demanding that Finance Minister Hiroshi Mitsuzuka come to the exchange floor and that the police leave.

Japanese media reported that the man arrived at the exchange's executive floor, handed over his name card and asked to

When Abe appeared, the man pulled out what Abe appeared to be a pistol. The receptionist fled and heard what she thought was a shot. She called to Abe. through a closed door and he said he was all right.

Nation

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Federal agencies extend Family Friendly Leave Act Federal agencies will continue to let

orkers use their own sick leave to care for a family member who is ill, even though the "Family Friendly Leave Act" expired in December, Congress enacted the legislation as a three-year test, but didn't get around to extending it last year. Even so, the Office of Personnel Management has told agencies it is "appropriate" for them to allow workers to use their own sick leave to care for family members. That liberal leave prohas been been in effect since the 1994 leave act was passed, and it continues currently.

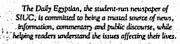
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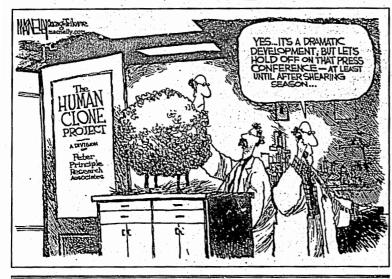
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Our Word

What makes a good chancellor?

Chancellor Beggs' tenure at SIUC is about to come to a close as the chancellor search nears completion. As his last day approaches, it seems that the race is on. Four individuals will make their way to Carbondale in the course of the next month to interview for the position, which will undoubtedly lead into a series of debates about the responsibilities of the new chancellor in relation to the goals of SIUC.

Although goals are important, what is more pertinent is the philosophy upon which those goals are built. Chancellor Beggs' commitment to SIUC has left many to wonder if the new chancellor can retain those qualities while creating new ones.

What needs to be remembered is that the job of chancellor is more than implementing new policies. It is representing the University and the student body as a whole.

With that in mind, the title of chancellor is a much deeper and important role than most might

The incoming chancellor should be aware and

ready to respond to several things.
SIUC and Southern Illinois have a history that is looked at with pride. The new chancellor should be willing and ready to respect that history when implementing new policies, and a conscious attempt should be made to retain SIUC's uniqueness—to push SIUC forward without molding the school into something that it is not.

SIUC is a Carnegie II Research Institution, and that status should be retained without neglecting

the needs of students

A university's blood is the students. Without them the institution might as well not exist. Chancellor Begs made it a point to have a "handon" approach to dealing with students. The incoming chancellor should be aware of the success to this approach. Caring for the students may require a chancellor that is willing to put thenselves on the line with the Board of Trustees if an idea is unfavorable with students.

The faculty also requires a amount of attention, so the chancellor must be willing and able to work with the faculty union in hammering out specific contracts.

The position of chancellor is a twisted maze of responsibility. It stretches far past the boundaries of the University. The relationship with students is important, but the relationship with the surrounding communities is also important. A chancellor must able to juggle all these complex issues and not just gloss over them. A chancellor must be able to nurture diversity, while maintaining a historic image. And a chancellor must be able to raise money to support all of these ideas.

In the long run, the new chancellor needs to have dealt with a variety of issues, and it can be guaranteed that a variety of issues will be raised in the selection process.

"Our Word" represents the consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.

Social Security in need of repair

Why would college students save for retirement when they can barely afford unition? We need money now for an education to make enough later, then save for retirement, but since our government assumes we are too simple-minded to do so, you have been taxed for retirement since your first job. It is called Social Security, and it is going bankrupt:

Ironically, a new plan to save Social

Inonically, a new plan to save Social Security would also put that tax back in your hands. 7.5 percent of your paycheck goes to retirees. Retirees checks are dependent on current workers. Retirees get back what they put in within five to 10 years, but keep collecting. Simultaneously, the number of American retirees is skyrocketing.

Without change, the trust fund will go bankrupt. The media tells us we have 30 years. This assumes the current rate of American economic growth will continue indefinitely. You do not have to be an economist to realize this is optimistic beyond reason. The Social Security Agency's expectancy is 20 years. Considering Social Security comprises 25 percent of the national budget, it is not unrealistic to project government bankruptcy and depression if this is allowed to happen.



Bill Mamer

Are they crazy?

Bill is a junior / in English and history. Are they crazy? will appear weekly on Thursdays. Bill's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian.

Politicians love "solutions" such as means-testing (the higher a retiree's interest income, the lower the monthly payment). These measures would buy the system an additional few years of life, not "save" it.

What does this mean to 20-somethings? A 20-year-old has easily paid more than \$1,000 into the trust fund already, which might have been saved for college. You will not see one cent upon retirement under the current system as it would be long bankrupt. But what about the soon-to-be-retiring and retired generations? If you are around 55, rest assured that Social Security will last through your lifetime. However, by the time you are 80, your grandchildren will be in a situation where the government would require one-half their income to pay your generation's Social Security benefits. Yes, really.

How can the system be changed without jeopardizing the elderly or making life impossible for working Americans? Rep. Jehn Porter, R-III., proposed a bill which privatizes Social Security as other nations have done. Under this bill, workers would choose either to stay with the current system, or invest their 7.5 percent in stocks or bonds. Potential returns from private investments are far higher than from Social Security, and dividends go straight to your pocket. Stocks are more risky, but Uncle Sam would guarantee a minimum

The bill provides for a 10-year transitional period. Those older than 55 would be managed under the current system and those younger would have the investment option, with a 10-year, 2-percent deduction.

The result? Current retirees lose nothing, all working generations enjoy increased returns and control of your money is taken out of the government's hands and put back into yours. Opponents to change love to use scare tactics, but as the creator of Social Security President Franklin Roosevelt said, "All we have to fear is fear itself."

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Overheard

"We originally thought it was a ridiculous display of human recklessness."

Bill McMinn, director of the REcreation Center, on jumping into Campus Lake Monday.

"The first thing to consider with the University as opposed to an industrial setting is that we can literally produce every kind of waste imaginable, but in rt il small quantities."

Erik Talley assistant director for the Center for Environmental Health and Safety, on hazardous waste production

"It costs time and money, but we don't have any other option. We can't give away the tens of millions the feds send us each year."

Jahn Jackson, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, on the new WF grade at SIUC.

"I heard somewhere that 80 percent of heat is lost through your head, and I believe it."

Dan Brennan, first-year law student, wears a hat in the cold.

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Five candidates vie for international director

PRIORITY: International student enrollment figures deserve special attention.

> HAROLD G. DOWNS DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The need to increase international enrollment at SIUC likely will be a critical factor when the new International Programs and Services Director is chosen one Services Director is chosen, one administrator says.

"We need to give special atten-tion to the number of international students "we have lost." Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost John Jackson said. "We need someone to do that full time.

Undergraduate enrollment for international students dropped from 1,117 in Fall 1994 to 684 in Fall

The decline means recruitment is a priority for the department, Jackson said, particularly in light of the recent Asian stock market crash.

The economic downswing has ham-mered Asian currencies to an all-time low against the U.S. dollar.

Consequently, the University is expanding its efforts to attract overseas students.

"We are sending more people to international recruitment fairs," he said. "We are working with area community colleges where there are a number of international students and we are trying to get them to transfer here."

Five candidates are in place to

take over as International Programs and Services Director. The position was created because Rhonda Vinson, who currently heads International and Economic Development, will concentrate her Économic duties on the economic sector of the department.

The five candidates are:

 David Ayers — He received his doctorate in higher education administration and student personnel from Kansas State University in 1996; his Ed.S. in counseling from

Pittsburgh State University Pittsburgh, Kan., in 1991; his mas ter's degree in English as a second language/pre-counseling psycholo-gy from Ball State University in gy from Ball State University in 1985; and his bachelor's degree in business from the University of Colorado in 1977.

Ayers has served as the assistant vice president for Student Affairs Enrollment Services at

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Drug lords buy beauty queens

BOGOTA, Colombia Girls in Colombia dream of growing up to be queen.
They imagine hearing their names being called and walking down the runway to be crowned queen of rice, queen of the sea, queen for a harvest or a day.

Within these millions, there is a hierarchy. Being queen of a local festival is not the same as being queen of tourism. The queen of Bambuco, a folk dance, is recognized for having talent as well as beauty.

as well as beauty.

The Cartagena pageant, known as "el reinado," the reign, paralyzes Colombia every November. The army may bomb the Supreme Court — as it did days before the 1935 contest and presidential candidates be assassinated - as they were in 1989 - but the whole country stops to discuss measurements, smiles

and gaits.
"The queens are a sort of oasis, an opiate of the mass-" Uribe says.

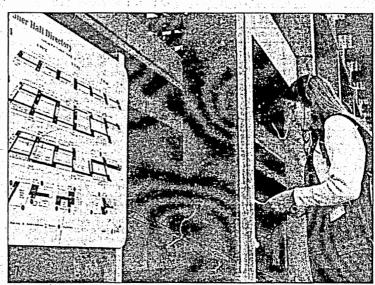
But in recent years, separating el reinado from Colombia's national problems has become nearly impossible. This Colombian become obsession has infested with a Colombian

woe: drug moncy.

As the focus has moved from the pageant to the scan-dals surrounding the contest, organizers' efforts to clean up the pageant have spawned their own controversies, with charges of elit-

ism and invasion of privacy.
The problems stem from narcotics traffickers who sponsor candidates, paying tens of thousands of dollars for the designer clothes, haircuts and training needed to compete in Cartagena.

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Flat-rate tax nothing but political smoke screen, expert says

REFORM: Congress! investigation of IRS renews political efforts to change tax structure.

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Mounting criticism of the Internal Revenue Service is prompting legislative candidates to promise income tax reform, but one SIUC tax expert says that politicians are jumping on a flattax bandwagon that they hope to ride to the Capitol.

A flat-rate income tax has been

tossed around for years, but it received national attention in 1996 when presidential hopeful Steve Forbes used the notion as the dri-

ving issue in his campaign.

The ongoing U.S. Congress investigation of the IRS has churned up stories of families torn apart after failing to meet requirements of grueling audits.
William Schroeder, an SIUC

law school professor and tax expert, says that in the wake of the IRS investigation, some politiciars have been touting a switch to a flat-rate tax as a solution to cumbersome paperwo k required for graduated tax computation.

But, he says, a flat rate tax does little to eradicate paperwork.

The promise of a flat tax is a red herring of sorts," Schroeder said. "It won't eliminate the need

for paperwork."
Schroeder said people who receive income from sources that require depreciation evaluation, such as rental properties, must calculate complex formulas to determine net income.

The calculations are time consuming and must be retained in case of an audit.

"It takes practically forever to assess depreciation and cost of repair," he said.

Other minor problems are inherent in a flat tax plan, such as a lack of deductions for a home mortgage or charities.

e of Schroeder's colleagues, Keith Beyler, another law school professor, differs with Schroeder saying that a move toward a flat tax would improve the quality of

Beyler said that some affluent individuals paying higher rates hire tax accountants to find loop-holes to reduce the tax they must

pay.
"Basically what we have now is a system where people in similar economic situations are paying different amounts of income tax," he

Schroeder said that eliminating income tax and creating a national sales tax would alleviate current problems.

He suggests a rate of 15 to 20 percent would make up the money lost from an income tax.

Beyler said that a national sales

tax could be implemented as a value-added tax, where a tax is levied on each component of a product and the final product. Consumers would have no idea how much they were being taxed,

His other criticism is that the tax burden of a national sales tax ould fall hardest on the poor.

But Schroeder said that such a plan could provide exemptions for food, medicine and other basic necessities.

Though he sees his plan as a better solution than a flat-rate tax, Schroeder said he is not optimistic about any politicians endorsing a national sales tax because of the popularity of flat-tax rhetoric.

'It might get someone in office, but it doesn't address the real prob lems of income tax," he said.



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money derived from a budget surplus, Didrickson would attempt to stabilize these programs.

That has to be our first priority," she said.

Didrickson also spoke about the showdown in Iraq, calling the nation state "a hot spot." Though she did not offer a spe-

cific course of action, Didrickson said that weapons inspections must

The issue of campaign finance also surfaced as Didrickson chastised rival candidate State Sen. Peter Fitzgerald for spending more than \$2.5 million dollars on media since September.

Didrickson admits she can not compete with the Inverness millionaire in fundraising but said she has the edge in a grassroots cam-

paign.
"Our counterpunch is to have real people, in real counties, in real precincts out there campaigning for ' she said, "Elections aren't for sale

Didrickson Republican primary, she will face incumbent Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun in November.

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University retains Student Center Dookstore

PROFITABILITY:

Policy change, price matching provide increase in sales.

J. MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Administrators say that the University Bookstore will remain under the management of the University, disposing talks that the Student Center location soon could be leased to a private company.

to a private company.
Gregory Tatham, Student
Center director, said the bookstore is in good standing, and
that he does not see the store
being leased anytime in the
near future.

"We're still remaining profitable and we're staying competitive in the market," Tatham said. "We're still remaining at our normal level if not increasing our market share."

Reports that the University Bookstore could be privatized surfaced last spring. The bookstore experienced some financial woes last year when revenues declined slightly.

Jim Skiersch, director of the University Bookstore, said that the decline has turned around, and that sales were up in the first semester because of a new policy that allows the store to pre-order books for students. He said an advertising campaign where the store matches competitors' prices also helped the store.

"The University Bookstore] is pretty stable right now," he said.

Ile said that although many private companies have expressed interest in leasing the bookstore, no offers have been taken from private companies.

"The University is not sure if they are wanting to lease it out just yet," he said.

Skiersch said that leasing the store likely would result in a decrease in permanent positions and mean more students would be hired to work only during peak periods.

"The net number of student jobs would go down," Skiersch said. "The nature of student jobs through leasing can cause more jobs to become temporary positions. Most employers would only hire students at the beginning of the semester and at the end."

Skiersch said that the selection of merchandise also would decrease and that it would be hard to tell if students would see an increase in merchandise prices.

"It's hard to say if prices of books would increase," he said. "That would depend on the new operators."

Tatham said that although there are no plans to lease the bookstore now it always remains an alternative.

"We always look at all of the options to offer the best service to the University." Tatham said. "Whether we decide to take that option or not, it will always be an option."

Switzerland denies Jewish refugee claim

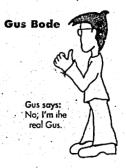
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The Swiss government said a U.S. historian's report accusing Switzerfand of having discriminated against wartime Jewish refugees by locking them up in labor camps and subjecting them to a special tax was insulting, simplistic and laced with errors.

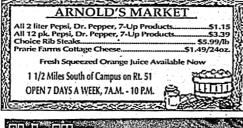
"Any former refugees who were in Swiss camps today express gratitude toward Switzerland for the fact that they survived the war because they were accepted in Switzerland," said Linda Shepard, an official spokeswoman in Berne, the Swiss federal capital.

On Tuesday, the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles released a historical monograph that accused Switzerland of confining more than 20,000 Jews fleeing Nazi tyranny in forced labor camps where conditions were so rigorous that some died.

The author of the report, Alan Morris Schom — a veteran American historian who is also the author of a recent biography of Napoleon Bonaparte — asserted that the Swiss facilities, were in truth "slave labor camps."













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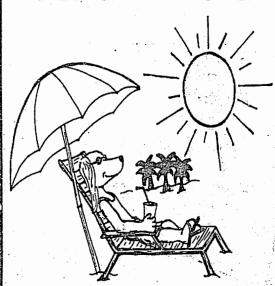
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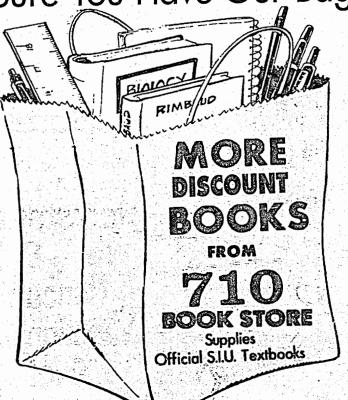
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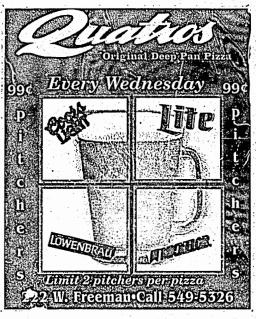




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UNITY: Classes will create understanding between citizens, police.

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The Carbondale Police Depart ment is sponsoring its eighth Citizen's Police Academy in hopes of creating improved communica-tion and dialogue between the community and the department.

The free session, which is limited to 25 people, begins Feb. 2 and runs 11 consecutive Mondays from 6 to 9 p.m. There also will be two Saturday classes that will be scheduled at a later time.

The classes offer the opportuni ty for citizens to understand how the police department works and provide them with connections, so that if they ever wanted to touch base on what is going on in the community, they would know who to go to with-in the department," Carbondale Police Community Resource Officer Jeff Vaughn said.

The class topics, ranging from judge perspectives to criminal jus-tice, are taught by Carbondale Police officers and professionals in related

"No one goes in and teaches unless they are considered proficient in that field," Carbondaic Police Sgt. uanne Brown said.

Vaughn said that one of the only problems is that people want more information from the ctass than can be provided in the limited time.
"It will be 10 at night and people

will still be sitting there wanting to know more," he said.

Most of the classes are held at the Southeast Waste Water Treatment Plant, which is the department's

Participants also get to tour the crime lab and the police department

and experience other out-ofthe-classroom training. They are instructed

contact Jeff Vaughn at the Carbondale what an officer's equipment includes, Police and what stan-Department, 457-3200 ext. dard operating procedure in 428. situations such

DUI, hostage negotiations, youth opera-tions, internal operations and patrol

"People walk away with a good understanding of our police depart-ment, how it works and how it's structured," Vaughn said. At the end of each session, a

graduation ceremony is scheduled that all alumni are invited to attend.

"People usually complete the program singing it's praises,' Brown said.

Some German economists want Euro currency halted

WASHINGTON POST

BERLIN — A group of prominent economists filed a petition Monday with Germany's highest court seeking to block plans for a single European currency on the grounds that it would violate the

ation's postwar constitution.

The challenge, posed by four professors, including an ex-member of the Bundesbank, Germany's powerful central bank, argues that the historic project would jeopardize a basic right to economic stability by forcing Germans to swap their revered mark — a symbol of national prosperity for five decades — for the untested euro.

Although the suit is not expect-ed to derail the timetable that calls for European monetary union to start next year, with euro coins and bank notes in full circulation by 2002, the case has underscored apprehensions expressed by Germans who believe they will suffer economic hardship with the euro's launch at a time when joblessness has reached 11.9 percent, a level not seen since the 1930s.

A poll published last week by er Spiegei magazine showed that opposition to the euro has increased, rising to 56 percent from 49 percent a year ago. Three out of four Germans said they expect the euro will be weaker than the mark; only one in five expect to benefit from the change.

The skepticism reflects the failure of a campaign by Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government to persuade Germans that the euro will nurture European unity. In speeches, Kohl says he believes a single currency could even spell "the difference between war and peace" in the next century.

Despite popular concerns, polls also show that a majority of Germans are resigned to seeing the euro become a reality. All of the country's major political par-ties have endorsed it. Along with coalition, the opposition Greens and Social Democrats back the euro as a way to ease anxieties among Germany's neighbors about its enhanced power and influence in the wake of the nation's unification in 1990.

Germany is expected to be in the vanguard of as many as 11 European Union (EU) countries that will embrace the euro next year. Leaders of the 15-nation EU will choose the participating countries at a meeting in May when they assess who has ful-filled criteria of low inflation, debt and budget deficits.

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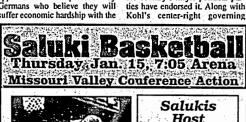
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ESSENTIALS

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While most people would not consider other people's underwear a reason for dancing, much less are utistic source of inspiration, L. M. Wood has found out that computer generated images look rather interesting when stitched to old-fashioned under-

Inspired by stitching some of her husband's pants and a creativity block, Wood began removing fabric panels from vintage ladies' underwear and sewing in computer generated images.

The final product is nothing short of a cleverly crafted girdle abstraction.

"Even though you can tell it was made from underwear, it becomes a new object altogether," Wood, a graduate student in

This show lends itself to my work because I'm very much interested in vintage underwear and have been working with it for quite awhile, along with computer imagery."

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From the anatomically detailed transpar ent transvestite outfit to the "collage" of bronzed briefs and socks, Beam, Sharp and Wood agreed that the pieces displayed create a fresh theme and an interesting showcase.

The exhibition will have an awards competition that will be judged by a panel from the University Museum, the Clothing and Textiles Department, the Theater Department and lingeric retailer Victoria's Secret - perhaps the true expert of the

group.
"I think it's really strong. When the work came in I was surprised by the variety,"

Wood said.
"Students would be surprised at the variety of work. I think there's something here for everyone."



FINISHING UP:

Art and Design Professor Joan Lintault (right) and an assistant make final touches Monday afternoon to Lintault's 56 square foot quilt on display at the Annual Faculty Art Exhibition at the University Museum. Devin Maller/ Daily Egyptian

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Pittsburgh State University since 1996. From 1988 to 1996, he was the director of International Programs at PSU, responsible for immigration concerns and international exchanges.

In 1997, Ayers led a delegation of 15 students and 10 faculty members to visit sister institutions in South Korea and China, From 1985 to 1986, he taught English in China.

· Jared H. Dom -- He received his doctorate in higher education from SIUC in 1973, his master's degree in history from SIUC in 1966, and his bachelor's in History from Bethel College, St. Paul,

Since 1988, Dorn has served as director for the SIU campus in Nakajo, Japan. From 1984 to 1988, he was director for international programs and services at SIUC.

Dom has worked in the Middle East as a consultant to the University of Jordan and also has taught in Taiwan.

George Eisen — Eisen received a doctorate in education

from the University of Maryland in 1979, a doctorate in social psychology from Eotvos Lorand University in Budapest, Hungary in 1990, his master's degree from the University of Massachusetts in sports studies in 1976, and his bachelor's in kinesiological sciences from the University of Massachusetts in 1973.

Eisen has served as professor at California Polytechnic University in Pomona since 1979. From 1985 to 1988, he was associate director of International Center at California Polytechnic. He has served as visiting professor at the University at

Helsinki, Renvall Institute, since

• Robert Gurevich — He received his doctorate in international development and education from the University of Pittsburgh in 1972; his master's degree in Educational Foundations from the University of Hawaii in 1967; and his bachelor's in international affairs from City College of New York in 1960.

Gurevich has served as director of International Programs and Services for Western Carolina University since 1990. From 1969 to 1970, he served as Faculty of Education consultant at Khon Kaen University in Thailand.

Gurevich traveled to Kenya and the United Kingdom in 1996 for project supervision of international student recruitment. From 1971 to 1973, he also worked in the Far

• Ray D. Ryan, Jr. — He received his doctorate in vocational-technical education from the University of Missouri in 1975, his master's degree in vocational and adult education from the University of Missouri in 1973, and his bache lor's in individual education and vocational-technical education from the University of Wisconsin in

Ryan has been an associate pro-fessor in workforce education and Lifelong Learning Program in the College of Education at Ohio State University since 1986. From 1986 to 1996, he served as executive director of the Center on Education and Training for Employment at Ohio State University, during which time he was principal investigator for over 570 million in projects. Jackson said the department is in the process of moving all the offices

International Development

under one roof. Currently, five buildings spread around campus house the department.

The offices are scattered among Anthony Hall, the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center, a house north of the Communications Building and a house on Oakland Avenue.

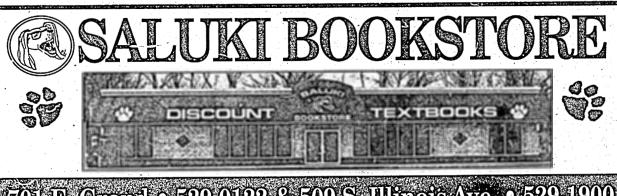
The University will conduct public forums for two of the candidates this week and next. Eisen will be on campus Thursday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Gurevich will visit Jan. 22 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The other candidates already have visited

Jackson said the candidates will come to campus to meet with the public. The person selected will be challenged to halt declining interna-

tion. * trollment, he said.

"Ve hope the director will give more leadership when chosen," Jackson said.

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University places priority on student retention

ENROLLMENT: SIUC's new strategy to boost sagging figures means bringing students back year after year.

> WILLIAM HATFIELD DE MANAGING EDITOR

The University's focus on enrollment has begun shifting toward retention with the development of a University retention plan that incorporates individual college's methods for retaining their best students

John Jackson, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, said the dean of each college has submitted their retention plans to his office.

"Out of that I am going to synthesize a single set of some sort of overall plan for the University based on what these colleges are doing," he said. "This whole year we've been trying to up the ante on retention, and this is one way of accomplishing that,"

Jackson said each colleges' retention efforts should be compiled into a University

plan within 10 days.

James McGuire, dean of the College of
Agriculture, said the plan will help coordinate University retention efforts.

"We've always had a good retention per-centage in the College of Agriculture because of the attention we pay to students, but over-all this plan will help us do an even better job ning students

McGuire said the College of Agriculture's retention plan includes personally inviting students to a reception that helps them acclimate to University life. The college also provides employment possibilities, and makes tutoring available to any students who need

the college of Business' plan states that course restructuring is one way of retaining students. The plan cites the college's restructuring of the "Principles of Accounting" course which in fall 1995 retained only 45 percent of students.

The course was restructured into three segments, which permits students to take more time to finish the course and to retake areas in which they have difficulty. In the first semester since the restructuring, the course retained 70 percent of its students.

Anita Hutton, coordinator of recruitment retention for the College of Liberal Arts, said her college's primary retention tool is a course for students readmitted after academ-

She said the course started in fall 1997 with 14 students. She said that four students dropped the course.

The class is not conditional, yet," she said. "But we are hoping to move in that direction so that it becomes a condition of rearlasission.

Hutton said a University retention plan

should encourage students to ask questions.
"No one on this campus is a mind reader, and v = don't always know that students have problems because they do the work and assignments but then suddenly don't come back," she said, "Students need to be encouraged to see us if they need help or need questions answered."

Hutton also cited the faculty mentoring program, specifically the Theater Department, which has a mandatory mentoring program for their majors.

Sarah Blackstone, chairwoman of the

Theater Department, said the mentoring program is mandatory so that students learn to

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sequence themselves in classes and can subsequently graduate on time. It also allows faculty members to coach students about improving their grades and which career paths to pursue.

The mentoring occurs once each semester, and all theater classes are canceled that day so that mentoring can occur. Blackstone said students must attend the mentoring sessions. "The enforcement mechanism is an advi-sor in COLA," She said. "Theater majors are

not allowed to register without the signature of their mentor on a form.

"Overall we think this is beginning to have a real impact on students and students are beginning to pick up on this. For the first couple times we had to drag people in there by the ear, but now they know it is useful to

Jackson said the comprehensive University plan, though not including all college's retention efforts, will create guidelines for the whole University.

He said the plan will be geared towards academically-minded students, and that some students will always flunk.

"I have basically made it plain from the start that you always lose some students from academic difficulties that are justified," Jackson said. "We are not trying to absoluteyears and we are not trying to absolutely prevent anybody from flunking out because inevitably some are going to flunk and should flunk, but we have lost good students that were not in academic difficulty when they left."

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CLONING

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duplicate of that second sheep was born. In October, the Associated Press reported that British researchers successfully created frog embryos without heads. This was a test designed to prove that animals — and possibly humans — could be cloned without heads, so internal organs could be used as transplants.

Yet the cloning of animals is quite dif-ferent from the cloning of humans not simply for biological reasons, but for ethical reasons.

"The ethics of the cloning issue, involving the potential likelihood that the child would be normal is extremely unlikely." Maroun said. "Rather, it will most likely be mentally retarded."

Aside from ethical issues, Andrzej Barke, professor of physiology at the School of Medicine in Carbondale, like many in the scientific community, says the recent public outery about human cloning is because of wild stories. Like Maroun, he does not believe the technology, is available to clone humans.

"The media has taken this situation and turned it into a sensationalistic news event," he said. "It's the kind of news you could find in a grocery checkout line.

Nevertheless, Bartke believes someday human cloning may be used in fertilization research.

"If a man could not produce sperm, in assisted reproductive technology, theoretically, you could use some other cell to create a baby," he said. "The child would look identical to whoever's cell was

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In February, Dr. Ian Wilmut and a team of scientists of the Roskin Institute announce that they have closed a lorinb from an adult mammal known 1997 In March: President Clinton imposes a temporary bon on the use of federal funds for the research on human cloning

troversy, Maroun finds the relationship

between the science community and the general public disheartening.
"We, as scientists, work for the public," he said.

"We want to look at the information and how it concerns the general public. The fear the public now has for science must be cured by education."

Mexican police commander charged in slaughter of Chiapas Indians

WASHINGTON POST

MEXICO CITY — A police commander has been charged with assembling the weapons stockpile used in the massacre of 45 Indian peasants in the southern state of Chiapas on Dec. 22, as well as ordering the use of police trucks to collect the arms, according to federal prosecutors.

Federal prosecutors allege that Felipe

Vazquez Espinoza, commander of the state police in Los Chorros, a village near the site of the massacre, Acteal, ordered his officers to use police vehicles to collect AK-47 automatic assault rifles and other

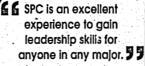
weapons from surrounding villages.

And in continuing fallout from the massacre, a peasant protest in Chiapas ended in violence Monday. In the town of Ocosingo, about a three hours' drive east of Acteal, state police opened fire on a crowd of rockthrowing demonstrators, killing one woman and injuring two other people, including the dead woman's 3-year-old

The shootings, which were filmed by the Mexican network TV Azteca, occurred as villagers protesting the earlier massacre pelted a truckload of state police with rocks. The police fired into the air and tried to escape, but as the barrage of stones continued, they turned their guns toward the

The charges against Vazquez say the police chief told his officers to allow villagers associated with the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, to carry illegal weapons. Vazquez has said in statements to prosecutors that he was acting on the orders of higher ranking state authorities, according to a statement by the federal attorney general. He is the latest official in a widening web of authorities to be implicated in the murders of the unarmed Indian peasants - most of them women and children.





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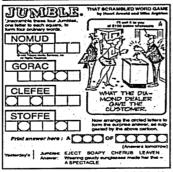
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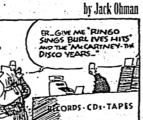


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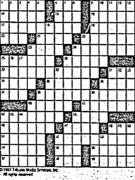






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points per game, was absent from Monday's

The fact that the Salukis beat the most inex perienced team in the conference is not a big deal. What is a big deal is the leadership the

veterans provided to win that game.
Coach Cindy Scott benched starte's Jackson and Melaniece Bardley at the start of Monday's rame. Scott wanted to see some different combinations, and she did not think her veterans

were performing well.

Maria Niebrugge got the start in Jackson's place. Niebrugge did well with eight early points, but she sustained an ankle injury midway through the first half.

Jackson then got a chance to prove why she

should be in the starting lineup.

For the first time all year, Jackson provided the leadership she needs to give the team as a veteran player. Her 20-point game proved she not only deserves to start, but also that she is capable of stepping up and leading in the midst .

of adversity.

The Salukis could have easily lost the Evansville game — they only won by a mea-ger four points. But it was leadership by veteran players such as Jackson that helped them get

! If the Salukis want to have continued success, they have to be able to depend on Jackson and Hasheider to be leaders in difficult situa-

The Salukis have some time to vindicate themselves this season, but it will never happen unless the veterans continue to play with the kind of intensity they displayed Monday night.

The talent is there. The desire is there. The leadership could be there, but it is up to Jackson, Hasheider, Hudson, O'Desha Proctor,

and Bardley — if they are ready to provide it.

They showed what they are capable of doing in Evansville, but they need to continue to lead. The road ahead only gets tougher, and they won't be playing last-place teams every

CBS recovers NBC's fumble

HIATUS: Football returns to CBS after four year drought.

WASHINGTON POST

LOS ANGELES — First NBC lost "Seinfeld." Now it has been sacked again

CBS, which lost the NFL to Fox four years ago, wrested it away from NBC on Monday.

According to scurces, CBS will begin carrying the the AFC package next season as part of a television contract that could generate nearly \$15 billion over the next eight years.

All the pieces won't be in place for a few days, but the new contract could generate \$1.87 billion per year in rights fee for the NFL. That breaks down to more than \$60 million with the NFL on Monday, agreeing to continue to carry the NFC at \$550 million per year, an increase of \$160 milon per year.

CBS agreed to pay \$500 million a year for the AFC package over eight years after NBC balked at that price, NBC was paying \$234 million a year for the AFC package, which it has had since the the merger of the NFL and the old American Football League in 1970.

Before that, NBC began televising the AFL when it was formed in 1960.

The only way NBC can coninue to carry pro football is if it can outbid ABC for the prized "Monday Night Football" package. But that is unlikely because ABC, as the current rights holder of that package, has the right to match any NBC

night package just went up, said one television executive.

ABC has been paying \$240 million a year for Monday nights. That price could double, but ABC is expected to accept the price increase in order to keep NBC out of the football

NBC, which is not only losing "Scinfeld" but also facing threats of "ER" going else-where, may view "Monday Night Football" as an appealing acquisition.

We're still negotiating with the NFL, so we can't com at unis time," an an NBC spe kesman said.

But there's the issue of just how deep are NBC's pockets. Two years ago, NBC agreed to pay \$4 billion to wrap up Summer and Winter Olympic rights through 2008. And last November, NBC agreed to a tract with the NBA

In the past, NFL television contracts, as a rule, have been four years in duration. But the NFL is offering eight years this time in order to generate more revenue. However, the final three years of the new and will be option years, but only the NFL's option.

Gus Bode

Gus says: No, I'm the real Gus.



Mountain bikes not just simple machines

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Few contraptions are more deceptive. From five yards away, the bicycle is a no-brainer, a model of simplicity. But up close, moving fast, it becomes a teetering physics lab of forces and counterforces, an engineering puzzle more confounding than a spider web: angles, stress points, cables, levers, whirling hubs and spokes, a chain leaping up and down sets of sprock-

Countless tinkerers

inventors have toiled for generations to perfect a gadget that the Encyclopedia Britannica calls "the most efficient means yet devised to convert human energy into propulsion." Follow the jagged line of its evolution over the last two centuries and you find bikes of all types and sizes, from chainless big-wheelers and iron-framed velocipedes to clunky old Schwinns and banana-seated Stingrays and anorexic 10-

and-out phenomenon, a mutation 20 years ago that changed the biking world. Like the personal computer, the moun bike was one of those advances so stunning it started a chain reaction: a multibillion-do!lar parade of ever-faster machines, spiffier designs, the technological improvements piling up one on top of another on top of another.

It came out of nowhere, a product of the counterculture ceds. —invented by a ragtag cast of Then you come to an out-pot smokers and Haight-

Ashbury drifters who barely got through high school. A bunch of them, in the early 1970s, began taking old clunkers up to the top of Mount Tamalpais, in Northern California's Marin County, and hurtling down over rocks and ruts at breakneck speed.

Guys like Gary Fisher, who flaunted a sniper's self-assur-ance and hair like a ragged windsock, and Joe Breeze, cool as the winds off the bay, fixed up their bikes with triple chainrings and heavy-duty brakes.



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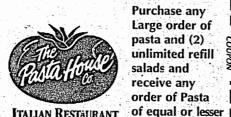
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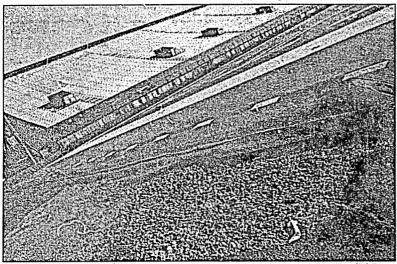
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ON THE WRONG TRACK: Because hazardous conditions pose possible injury to athletes, the outdoor track at McAndrew Stadium is scheduled for a major renovation that is expected to be completed in September.

A run for the money

Officials hope new \$700,000 all-weather track will help boost recruiting, reduce travel expenses

COREY CUSICK
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC's track and field teams will know what it feels like to compete at home rext season when a new allweather track is installed at McAndrew Stadium.

The Salukis have been unable to have a major meet in Carbondale in recent years because of the track's poor condition. Holes in the track where the supporting concrete has surfaced pose a major injury threat for the athlete.

Both teams hope that will change soon because the Salukis are scheduled to play host to the 1999 Missouri Valley Conference Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Men's coach Bill Cornell said he hopes the track is installed by September, but it possibly may not be completed until the summer of 1999. That would force the Salukis to move the competition to another MVC school for the second time in four years.

In 1995, the MVC Championships were scheduled to take place at McAndrew Stadium, but because of the poor track conditions, the meet could not take place at SIUC.

Cornell said the new track has been one of the highest priorities for the Athletic Department in recent years.

"Money doesn't grow on trees, but this is a major need for our program," Cornell said. "It's just a deplorable sight to look at and try to run on."

The SIU Board of Trustees approved \$700,000 to replace the worn-down track at McAndrew Stadium Dec. 11.

Of that amount, \$500,000 will come from the \$2.3 million the Saluki Futures fund-roising campaign has set aside for athletic improvements. The other \$200,000 will come from the athletic facility reserves.

The project will be constructed by Design Architects Inc. of Hillsboro, the company that designed the new floor at SIU Arena. The design will move the field events to the east side of the stadium. Field events had been contested outside the stadium in the past.

Women's track and field coach Don DeNoon said not having home meets forces the Athletic Department to spend more money for the team's transportation. "We have a greater need for travel money because we don't have home meets, and we have to travel to every meet," DeNoon said.

The addition of the new track will-

The addition of the new track will be a valuable opportunity for the SIUC track and field program and the University. The track will allow the school to schedule home track and field meets every spring and build public interest in the school and athletic program.

Cornell said the new track will be a major aid in the recruiting process. "It will make a tremendous dif-

Cornell said. "We are ashamed to take new recruits to the track we have now."

Saluki runner Joseph Parks said track conditions play a vital role in a recruiting visit.

"When I looked at schools, I looked at the track and facilities because everyone wants to run on a quality track," Parks said.

DeNoon avoids letting recruits visit the track.

"I don't even take my recruits to the stadium," DeNoon said. "I drive by and tell them, "There's our outdoor track.' And then I tell them, "We're getting a new one this summer."

Lakers' Van Exel makes case for All-Star inclusion

LOS ANGELES TIMES

INGLEWOOD, Calif.— Candidate: Nick Van Exel. Affiliation: The Forgive &

Forget Party.
Platform statement: "They know players go through processes, and hopefully they can understand I went through a process and it's over with and I've moved on."

Endorsements: Several, the biggest coming from his coach, Del Harris: "I don't know how his stats compare. I know without him, we'd be around .500, I suppose."

No one ever said a grassrots campaign is easy, but it's especially difficult when the electorate has a history of using the ballot box as a hammer against bad citizenship and the candidate has never been anyone's good guy. Until this season, that is, when Van Exel has not only been the Los Angeles Lakers' most valuable player but has been as emotionally stable as he promised at the outset.

Next thing you know, he's deserving of serious consideration to be selected by Western Conference coaches as a reserve for the All-Star game Feb. 8 in New York. And getting it.

ting it.

"Absolutely," Sacramento
King Coach Eddie Jordan said
"He certainly should get some

consideration. He's a whole lot more mature and running the show. This team could not have gone as far, without Shaq (O'Neal), if he had not played the way he has. That's the sign of an all-star."

The actual sign — Van Excl's being picked — will be determined at the end of the month. Fan voting for the starters will end Thursday and the results will be announced 10 days later, on Super Bowl Sunday. Ballots then go to coaches, who will pick two guards, two forwards, one center and two players regardless of position as reserves for their respective conferences. Those are due back the next day.

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If all 14 coaches, unable to vote for players on their own teams, respond on time, those results will be announced Ja. 27. If some don't, which has been known to happen, the outcome will be released the next day.

In the meantime, Van Exel, though having declared making the all-star team as his major personal goal, won't get his hopes too high.

his hopes too high.
"The way this league is run..." he said, laughing.

"When I'm there and I'm walking down the tunnel and I've got on the all-star uniform, then, that's when I'll be excited. Until that happens, it means nothing, really."

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listening to rap artists such as Master P, Wu-Tang Clan or Tupac Shakur.

"I need some hard music,"
Tilmon said. "I can't really
listen to no soft or mellow
stuff. I need something to get
me rockin'."

But he prefers to leave his energetic demeanor on the court. When not playing basketball, he spends most his time in his room away from the everyday pressures of life. Instead, he would rather compete in a fierce game of NBA Live '98 on the Sony Playstation with teammates.

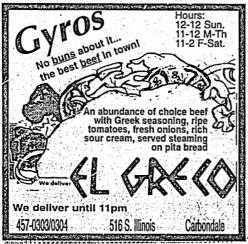
"You really don't have time for yourself when you're not practicing. I'm probably doing some kind of schoolwork or playing a game," Tilmon said, "I'm just low-key — not trying to draw too much attention to myself." SIUC has become a sec-

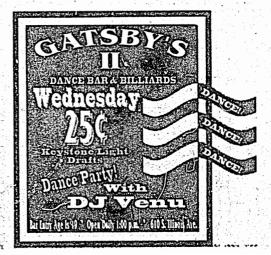
SIUC has become a second home for Tilmon. The team's trips to Hawaii in December and visiting Pearl Harbor have been some of the high points for him this year. But he just wishes Lackey could be here to see it all.

"I can just be sitting down, and then it just pops up in my mind," he said. "Sometimes, I'll think I'll

"Sometimes, I'll think I'll see him and say, 'Why do you keep playing with us like that?' You know it won't happen like that, so I just try to keep moving forward every







Officials hope new track will be ready for 1999 MVC meet.



Sports Talk

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Leaders must shine forth for women cagers

It was a month.

It was six games.

It was a losing streak But now it is over. The SIUC women's basketball team beat

Evansville Monday night — barely.

It was not pretty. The Salukis had a seven-point lead going into halftime, but they allowed the Aces to stay in the

They were outrebounded 15-9 on the offensive boards. But a win is a win and I am sure the Salukis will take what

they can get.
There were some encouraging signs in the game. The Salukis shot better than 50 percent from the f. ld and played fairly solid defense.

But the only reason the Salukis won is they got something they have lacked

year — leadership.
If it was not for Beth Hasheider's three clutch free throws in the closing seconds of the game, they probably would have blown the game. If Meredith Jackson had not scored 20 points, the Salukis still may be dealing with a losing streak.

Both Jackson and Hasheider are leaders on the team, and they showed

why Monday night.

It is Hasheider's job to set up the offense and get the ball to either Theia Hudson down low or Jackson on the

Jackson has to shoot the ball. That is her job. If she fails, then the whole offense suffers.

Hudson's job is to play the post and score in the blocks.

But lately, they have not been doing their jobs.

During the six-game losing streak,

the team shot below 30 percent in some games. In other games, the team had many unforced turnovers and shot

poorly from the line.
All of those factors are difficult to handle during a ball game. They are impossible to handle without leadership from veteran players.

What is impressive about the victory at Evansville is not the fact that they won. Evansville is in the midst of an

eight-game losing streak.
The Aces are 0.5 in the Missouri Valley Conference, and their star play er, Shyla McKibbon, who averages 13.7

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NUMBER 42: Saluki forward Tilmon dedicates season to friend lost in car accident.

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aluki forward Derrick Tilmon was o his way to play basketball last summe when he was stopped by a knock at th

When he realized it was an old friend Tilmon had no idea that what his friend had to say would affect his life forever.

One of my friends came over and sain von know what happened?" Tilmo 'Hey, you know what happened?' "Tilmo said. "So, I'm laughing, and I'm like, 'No. don't know what happened, what are you talk ing about? Then he told me 'Boo' died. And at that point it was like the world ha stopped.

Boo", whose real name is Aldric Lackey, was Tilmon's closest friend. Lacke was killed in an automobile accident at ag

Tilmon's first reaction to the news was tha it was untrue. So, later he phoned his mothe who worked at the hospital, and found

who worked at the hospital, and found Lackey's death a reality.

"We were just playing ball the night before." Tilmon said. "It probably took months for me to get over this. My mom told me that I was just walking around in a trance after it happened."

Tilmon admits he has had difficulty adjusting to life without Lackey. The two vaguely knew each since junior high, but became close as time progressed. At Clarksdale High School in Clarksdale, Miss., the two were virtually inseparable.

"We did everything together," Tilmon said.
"If we weren't playing ball, we were out trying to make fun because the town was so

Tilmon and Lackey split up after high school graduation. Tilmon played one season at Hiwassee College in Madisonville, Tenn., prior to coming to SIUC. Lackey went to the University of Texas, then transferred to Mississippi Valley State.

This season, Tilmon changed his jersey number to 42 in Lackey's honor. He has dedicated to the control of the control of

icated his sophomore year with the Salukis to

SIUC coach Rich Herrin, who lost his brether Ron to a brain aneurysm last summer, knows Tilmon's pain. But Herrin said Tilmon's strong will has helped him to con-tinue on with life.

"To let you know what type of person le is, he had this summer class, and he had to go to class 15 times," Herrin said. "There was



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REMEMBRANCE: Saluki forward Derrick Tilmon, a sophomore from Clarksdale, Miss., practices free throws Tuesday afternoon at SIU Arena. Tilmon is wearing the number 42 in memory of his friend Aldrick Lackey who was his high school teammate and was killed in a car accident last summer.

only one day he missed class, and that was to go to the funeral."

A foot injury suffered in a November loss to the University of Miami caused Tilmon to miss seven games this season. He reaggravated the injury later that month against Virginia Commonwealth University, causing a stress

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SOPHOMORE SALUKI FORWARD

During the injury, Tilmon was unable to perform routine jumping or walking exercises. But Tilmon worked vigcously in the weight room and swimming to pool to get back in playing shape. Trainer Ed Thompson

said Tilmon's desire to get back on the court

made Thompson's job easier.

"For some people, it's like pulling teeth to get something out of them," Thompson said. Derrick Tilmon is a very driven young man, and it's hard to find someone that approaches not only basketball but just about everything you do like that. So I appreciated working with him.

Tilmon averaged 4.5 points and 3.1 rebounds per game in eight games of action. But in his limited playing time, Tilmon has served as the team's emotional leader. He became one of the more the voca! Salukis on

the team this year.
"Everybody's got a different approach to
the game," Herrin said, "He's got an outward emotion, and he's got some enthusiasm when he plays. He shows it probably a little bit more than somebody else."

Music is one source where Tilmon gets his added energy. Before a game he can be found

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