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**New roots:** Community members plan to rejuvenate city’s greenery.

**Southern Illinois University at Carbondale**

**Wednesday, February 5, 1997**

**Nigerian takes stand against oil**

**TAKING ACTION:**
After speech, protesters rally at Shell gas station.

**TEMS AIN**
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Noble Obani-Nwibari said he took a stand and was beaten, tortured and forced to his homeland to escape the oppression of the military government in Nigeria wishing to silence his struggle for environmental rights.

"I left my mother, my country, and I was hiding in the bush for 19 months," he said. "I had no alternative but to flee." Localized in the southeastern delta region of Nigeria, Obani-Nwibari said the Ogini people are a peaceful race who expect fair environmental conditions. On Monday in Lawson Hall, he spoke about the environmental issues that have caused his exile to a group of about 25 people.

Obani-Nwibari said he left Nigeria in 1995 because his life was in danger after the execution of Ken Saro Wiwa, who was the founder of Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People, a Nigerian political activist group. Obani-Nwibari is now the vice president of the group.

He said Shell Oil Co. bribed witnesses to testify against the Wiwa. Obani-Nwibari said Shell Oil Co. armed the military in Nigeria. Wiwa was executed on Nov. 10, 1995, by the Nigerian government.

Don Cannon, the Royal Dutch Shell Co. representative in the United States, said Shell cannot under the Nigerian government to do anything.

"We have not allied the military," he said. "People have argued that because we pay taxes for the oil we produce, we have armed them. But we do not influence them, and we cannot tell them what to do."

Cannon said Shell asked for a fair trial and humane treatment of Wiwa and the other leaders of Movement for the Survival of the Ogini People.

After the speech Monday, a demonstration involving about 15 people took place at the Shell gas station, located at 530 E. Main St.

Standing in the rain and holding a sign, Patrick Poslewaite, a junior in English from Paris, said Shell's business practices in Nigeria are typical of corporations.

"I think this is a good example of how large companies do business on the backs of people," he said. "We have to do something to bring change. I am not saying we should go protest every day, but this is a start."

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**Forest area closed**

**NATURAL RESOURCE:** Recreational use restricted in 40 of 81 areas in Shawnee.

**TEMS DNEAL**
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The Forest Service restricted all recreational uses but hiking in 40 of the Shawnee National Forest's 81 natural resource areas in a closure order signed Friday, a Forest Service spokeswoman said.

Horseback riding, camping, mechanized vehicles, rock climbing and rappelling are prohibited in the 40 closed areas, Becky Banker, Forest Service spokeswoman, said.

One of the 40 areas closed is the Labrador Pine Hills Otter Pond area, located between Carbondale and Anna. The area is home to American burl reed, White Mountain mint, and one-flowered hyacinth, all endangered plants.

Visitors of the closure order could face fines up to $500. The closure order will protect 8,714.4 acres of forest.

**Violators of the closure order could face fines up to $500.**

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**Ninety-seven percent of the forest remains open to multiple uses.**

SEE FOREST, PAGE 5

**Finances hamper faster Internet connections**

**WORLD WIDE WAIT:** Residence halls still in line for quicker networks.

**WILLIAM HATFIELD**
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Financial constraints are part of the reason a faster Internet connection for computers has not been installed in the residence halls at SIUC, the Information Technology director says.

Albert Allen, Information Technology director, said the Ethernet or a physical connection to the campus area network would allow students in housing a faster and immediate connection to the Internet and electronic mailing services, rather than having to call the network by modem.

Charles Campbell, associate director of Information Technology, said the Ethernet would allow students a wider variety of services like shared printing, programs or mailing.

"You could even print your homework assignment on your instructor's printer," Campbell said.

Allen said to use an Ethernet connection, students would have to purchase an Ethernet card for their computer. Which is a hardware installation, like a sound card. "It has become a basic component for most computers," he said of the card, which can be purchased for less than $100 at computer stores.

Allen said last fall, University Housing officials and Information Technology examined proposals to supply the connection to housing, but the plans were put on hold because of financial constraints.

SEE INTERNET, PAGE 6

**Gus Bode**

**Gus says:** I've got another use for ether.

**Our Voice:** New football coach urged to keep promise to stay, build team.
Growing green thumbs

BEAUTIFICATION:

New volunteer group to turn Carbondale into a "Gardendale."

JASON K. FREUND
DAILY E V I N A N
REPORTER

With donated garden tools, seeds and plants, members of a new volunteer group say they will work to convert Carbondale into "Gardendale." The Gardendale Community Gardens plan to beautify at least five Carbondale areas, Kathy Ward, the group's coordinator, said at the gardeners' meeting Wednesday. Ward, an SIUC sociology professor, said the garden's flowers and herbs can be enjoyed by all, and the vegetables can be distributed to those in need by Shawnee Food Share and other organizations.

Ward said some of the sites have requested certain types of plants, such as the Women's Center, 408 W. Freeman St., which has requested fragrant flowers. Ward said the sites chosen have no set floral arrangements.

"What's going to be planted is up to the people involved," she said.

Ward said there are more than 500 similar projects across the United States. The Gardendale Community Gardens has about 40 volunteers so far.

Groups from New Zion Church, Hopewell Baptist Church and the Eunna C. Hayes youth and day care centers all have volunteered to help, Ward said, and single volunteers also are welcome.

"This is for people who like to garden, but might not have a space," Ward said.

Kathleen Tracey, a senior in social work from New Lenox, said she is working on the Interfaith Center's garden, 913 S. Illinois Ave., for her internship.

"We draw a lot of people who are interested in growing things and eating organic foods, so I am thinking that this will expose the gardening idea to a lot of people," Tracey said.

Karen Stoessel-Midden, an SIUC associate professor in plant science, spoke about the advantages of community gardens at the meeting.

"If you're living in an environment that's pleasant," Midden said, "the people are happier."

Midden said that community gardening is not a hard process, but it takes dedication.

"The rewards are immeasurable," Midden said.

Midden said gardening also is a good way for both young and old people to learn environmental education through hands-on experience.

City Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan, a member of the group, said New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 803 Barnes St., and Hopewell Baptist Church, 400 E. Jackson St., are more sites for the gardeners to work on.

"We want to bring people together in gardening and beautify as many areas as possible," Flanagan said.

In addition to the Women's Center, Interfaith Center, New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, and Hopewell Baptist Church, Ward said the group plans to beautify the Eunna C. Hayes Center, 441 E. Willow St.; the Good Samaritan House, 701 S. Martin St.; and at least one senior citizen center.

Donations of seeds, tools and plants are being accepted by Hillside Nursery & Garden Center, 300 W. Sycamore St.; The Family Tree Garden & Gift Center, Route 51; Wildflowers, 5591 U.S. Rt. 51, and the Eunna C. Hayes Community Center.

The group's next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Feb. 17 at the Eunna C. Hayes Center. After the meeting, there will be a lecture on planting seeds.

Faculty debates need for unionization

BAD IDEA: Politics and union dues are some of the reasons faculty dislikes union.

JENNIFER CAMDEN
THE STATE EXTRA

University politics, the cost of dues and dislike of bureaucracy are some reasons SIUC faculty say they have not joined the faculty union, though the union president says their membership is needed.

At last week's first faculty union meeting, president Jim Sullivan said about 150 people, mostly union members, that the union needs to double its membership to about 450 before contracts negotiations begin in March.

However, David Clark, SIUC microbiology professor, said University faculty should not be unionized.

"Unions are for unskilled labor," he said, "I don't think people who are scholars or researchers think of themselves in that sense.

Clark said most faculty who care about research do not want to join the union.

"It's for losers and lazy people who want a free ride," he said.

Ronald Navenes, an SIUC associate theater professor, said the move to unionize could impede the changes that might have taken place naturally under the new chancellor, Donald Beggs, and John S. Jackson, the new vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost.

"I'm not sure it was the best signal to send (the administration)," he said.

Sullivan said the SIUC Illinois Education Association-National Education Association has about 200 members, up from about 60 members the association had at SIUC before the Eunna C. Hayes Center.

Navenes said he voted for unionization in 1988, when the faculty voted to defeat a proposal to unionize.

"I felt very strongly then that it was very necessary," he said.

However, Navenes said he changed his mind in November's faculty vote, when a majority voted against unionization.

"I voted against it," he said.

"With the new administration, I didn't think we'd have the same problems we had in the past.

Clark said he did not participate in the November union election.

"In 1988, I took the trouble to go and vote," he said. "This time, I couldn't be bothered. On

SALUKI BASKETBALL

Wednesday, February 5
7:05 pm SIU Arena

Salukis vs. Wichihta State

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UPCOMING GAMES

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Feb 24 S.W. Missouri
SIU STUDENTS GET IN FREE!
Dear Editor:

I wonder where Kyle J. Juna'11 (Geast Cologne, I258) got the idea that African Americans were forbidden higher education until 1945. Where did black academics, ministers, journalists, etc., get their training if they were forbidden higher education?

Many Southern states have segregated colleges for African Americans. As many supported cob building, some states and colleges for separate and equal were. Perhaps he is trying to suggest that court decisions in 1945 may have ended segregation in higher education. It is a pity that he seems not to know about the black colleges in this country. After all, it is the Negro College Fund that advertises “A mind is a terrible thing to waste.”

George Washington Carver got two degrees from Iowa State Agricultural College (1894, 1896) and then taught for many years at Tuskegee Institute.

The increase of enrollment of African Americans in American colleges and universities probably was the result of the G.I. Bill, which allowed veterans of World War II to obtain a college education.

I hope the rest of this history major's remarks are more factual and worthy of respect.

Hensley Woodbridge, Professor emeritus

Column had factual errors

Dear Editor:

I didn’t even know the (housing) fee had gone up until after I had actually signed the contract. It’s like a sucker punch.

Greg Wilcox, freshman in accounting from Decatur, on the unexpected fee increase that will go into effect next fall.

“I've had to give one of you up.”

Josh Robinson

Groundhog is glorified rat

Sunday was Groundhog Day, which happens to be one of the more misunderstood of our national holidays. Probably one of the reasons Groundhog Day is so misunderstood is that animals in general are not really big on it, but actually a disturbingly lonely rodent. It also doesn’t live in the ground permanently as the name might suggest, but spends most of its waking hours in tress searching for mice. The groundhog jumps out in its underground burrow a few hours a day, but is usually just for hiding the nuts and to check its voice mail. The groundhog comes out of its burrow at the designated time every Feb. 2 to perform its eerie shadow routine out of the groundhog’s loyalty to connect signat

Groundhog Day is one of those rare and intriguing holidays that, for better or worse, Americans can take all the credit for. Other nations have similar observances, but because they aren’t Americans, they’re probably sly and not worth mentioning.

The first Groundhog Day took place quite by accident in 1723 in a town in Virginia owned by Kenny Washington George’s younger brother. As the legend goes, Kenny, triggering the groundhog’s burrow for a recycling bin, dumped some aluminum cans into the burrow seconds later, a slightly perturbed groundhog immediately began to scurry into the mostly empty afternoon. Kenny claimed that after emerging from its lair, the groundhog immediately began to bite him furiously on his left leg and had goosebumps all over his face.

Jefferson quickly realized that this winter duration indicator had just arrived, and to begin to count the days until the end of cold weather. Those months later, spring finally arrived. Out of locality so Washington, Jefferson decided to pretend that it took six weeks for winter to end, and then pretended that the day the groundhog interrupted his meal was actually Feb. 2 and not Feb. 11, which was the true rate.

The rustled it had a new holiday, complete with an immediately hilarious consequence. Since that date, the groundhog has been able to predict the duration of winter with about 24 percent accuracy, which is not bad for a glorified rat with a brain the size of a walnut.

Josh Robinson

Voices

The Daily Egyptian, students-run newspaper of SIUC, is committed to being a moral source of news, information, commentary and public discourse, while helping readers understand the issues affecting their lives.

Our Word

Commitment

New coach should pledge to stay, build football program

NEW SALUKI FOOTBALL HEAD COACH JAN

Quarless has said he intends to stay around SIUC for awhile to rebuild a program that has suffered for years without a long-term leader.

We are holding him to that statement.

QUARLESS HAS HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF being a lower coach, and he has wanted the head coach position here since 1994. After former head coach and area native Shawn Webster left SIUC for back-coach position with Northwestern after only three seasons, Quarless has been placed in an uncomfortable position of evaluating and revamping the Saluki football program, recruiting quality players, plus moving his family from North Carolina to 367 Ewing, in time for the 1997 season. It may sound difficult, but Quarless says he is confident of what direction his Saluki program could become — a winning one.

The Salukis have not had a winning season in six years, and SIUC has not had a national title in 14 years. Quarless, a former SIUC assistant coach, has come back to SIUC to fulfill a Division I-AA national title dream. He says he only will recruit quality athletes who want both an education and a successful team. In the meantime, he wants to establish confidence in the program, plus an experienced staff, which also is expected to stay for awhile.

WHILE THIS SOUNDS NICE, AND PERHAPS it could sell someone on becoming a Saluki Athletics booster, the question is, will he stay around long enough to achieve all this?

Quarless has had various coaching positions at both I-A and I-AA, including Northwestern. He was an assistan

Mr. Quarless, we are holding you to that.

“Our Word” represents the consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.

Overheard

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David Clark, SIUC microbiology professor, on the University’s new faculty union.
Shelly Oil that produces oil in Nigeria enjoys the Obani-Nwibari’s control over it. "He said, ‘I'm not concerned about anything to gain by protesting. There's no need to protest. I have nothing to lose. It's a waste of time and resources.'"

"If people have reached negative conclusions about the faculty association, they might want to consider joining it to change it. They should not leave it just because they want to vote on their contract, and some may join reluctantly."

"There is a general apathy from the administration, either. Na'versen said union dues, signed by the union recently sent to all faculty members, telling the faculty leaders what he likes and dislikes about working at SIUC. He said he did not know if his responses to the survey's questions would represent all his thoughts on the subject."

"Several faculty members have decided to comment on their thoughts on the union, saying they are not sure. Chalk said the union does not think he will receive a pay raise as a result of any union. The idea that a union will get people a lot of pay raises is a lot of rubbish," he said. "The money has to come from somewhere. The union doesn’t create it, and the University doesn’t create it. ‘You’re not going to get more money just for complaining.’"

Shell U.S. has nothing to do with Nigeria," he said. "There is no connection."

"Shelly Oil is different from the Dutch Royal Shell Oil that produces oil in Nigeria."

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House committee passes term-limits amendment

TWELEVE AND OUT: Amendment faces uncertain future in House and Senate

WASHINGTON — The House Judiciary Committee voted Wednesday to send a constitutional amendment that would limit to 12 years lawmakers' service in Congress to the full House for a vote, likely next week, without a recommendation that it pass, as even supporters said their chances for passage were uncertain.

Reflecting the deep divisions the term-limits issue has generated in Congress, the panel voted 19 to 12 to send the amendment to the House for a vote, likely next week, without a recommendation that it pass, as even supporters said their chances for passage were uncertain.

Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., a leading proponent of term limits, acknowledged that getting the 290 votes required to approve a constitutional amendment may be "a little beyond the grasp of this Congress."

To be adopted, constitutional amendments require the approval of two-thirds of the House and Senate and the ratification of three-quarters of the states.

The measure would limit House members to six-two-year terms and senators to no more than six-year terms. Votes in offices before the amendment took effect would not be counted against the limit.

Proponents said term limits would allow lawmakers to base their decisions on what is best for the nation rather than what is best for their re-election. Proponents said term limits would allow lawmakers to base their decisions on what is best for the nation rather than what is best for their re-election. Lawmakers should be "working for the good of the nation," said Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla.

Opponents said term limits would thwart the will of the people to elect the representatives they wanted.

Edward Markey, a Massachusetts Democrat who supports term limits, said, "When you have three different pro-Internet groups planning something, they feel like there is competition with each other." Tweedy said, "We need to get information flowing between the different groups."
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**Jumble**

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*By Daniel J. Reed*
Jenkins leads Dawgs against Wichita State

CONSISTENCY: Sophomore Jenkins is one bright spot in this up and down season.

DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

After serving in a limited role last season, SIUC men's basketball forward Monte Jenkins has progressed into one of the Salukis' consistent performers this season.

"Heading into the Salukis' matchup with Wichita State University at SIU Arena at 7:05 tonight, Jenkins is the squad's third-leading scorer behind junior guard Troy Hudson and junior forward Rashed Tucker, and he has proved to the Salukis with another capable scoring threat," said Saluki coach Rich Herrin.

Jenkins played in 28 of the 30 games this season for the Salukis, averaging 28.8 minutes per game and averaging 13.6 points per game.

"Jenkins has been a valuable contributor for us this season," Herrin said. "He's been consistent and has shown up in big games for us."
PostGame

NFL

Parcells hired as Jets coach

The New York Jets have hired New England Patriots assistant Bill Belichick as their new head coach for the remainder of the season.

The Jets also have named defensive coordinator Gregg Williams as their new assistant head coach.

Belichick has been the New England Patriots assistant since 1997.

Another Falcon leaves nest

Atlanta Falcons' vice president of player personnel, Ken Horack, has announced his resignation to pursue other career opportunities.

NBA

Rodman returns after All-Star break

Chicago Bulls forward Dennis Rodman returned to the Bulls for their home game against the San Antonio Spurs.

Co-captain and guard guard Kasey McElroy kept the Saluki in the game much of the first half, scoring 14 of his eventual 20 points, to lead SIUC.

Basketball: Salukis prepare to face the fifth-ranked Shockers tonight.

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Commodores crush Salukis

CRASH AND BURN: Vanderbilt blows the Saluki women away, putting SIUC's season in jeopardy.

DONNA GUTTER

The Salukis have lost their last five conference games and now enter a month-long break before their next conference game.

Legendary Giant dies

Former New York Giant Harold "Bo" McNull died on February 11.

Salukis lose to Shockers in fifth straight loss

The Salukis' fifth straight loss was a difficult one to swallow for the team and fans.

Oilers want out of Houston

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The Oilers want out of Houston and charge with driving while intoxicated.

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Other conditions: the Salukis will see at the NIC meet.

SIUC swimmers dominate Evansville

Making History: SIU swimmers break two records at the NIC meet.

Brad Webber

The SIU swimming and diving team's regular season ended in a dramatic fashion as two Saluki divers broke records at the University of Evansville in a dual meet Saturday.

The Saluki divers broke a record in the 3-meter dive with a score of 230.40. The previous record was held by the Salukis.

Other conditions: the Salukis will see at the NIC meet.

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