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ELECTION '96

Balloting problems may lead to recount

By Shawna Donovan
DE Government/Politics Editor

Barbara Brown will decide by next week whether she will ask for a recount of votes in the 58th Illinois Senate District election, in part because of alleged ballot problems in Perry County, a campaign official says.

Brown lost to state Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, Tuesday by 127 votes in one of the closest races in the area.

Luechtefeld won with 40,689 votes to Brown's 40,562 votes.

Steve Pittman, Brown's campaign manager, said Brown is meeting with attorneys about possibly asking for a discovery recount because of the closeness of the race and some alleged ballot problems in Perry County.

Perry County Clerk Don Hirsch said a ballot-counting computer malfunction interrupted the vote count late Tuesday night.

He said at one point, the ballots that were not being read by the computer had to be manually duplicated by office workers.

He said office workers manually punched in ballots that were identical to those that were not being read by the computer.

An exact number was not available Thursday, but he estimated that an average of one or two ballots per precinct had to be duplicated and repunched.

There are 27 precincts in Perry County. He said between 250 and 600 ballots were cast in each precinct.

Hirsch also said that two-thirds of the ballots were recounted by the computer after there was a discrepancy between the number the computer and election judges counted.

After that happened, judges from both parties recounted the ballots.

"Normally they (ballot cards) go right through the computer," Hirsch said. "Our (computer) pretests went well."

Brown carried Perry County with 4,988 votes to Luechtefeld's 4,876 votes. Brown, an SIUC political science lecturer, also carried Jackson, Randolph and Union counties.

The district seat was one of targeted races in the state by party leaders. The district spans 100 miles and covers seven counties.

After Tuesday night, Republicans still controlled the

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ANNETTE BARK — The Daily Egyptian

Assistant Coach Ron Herrin and four members of the Saluki basketball team told children at Lewis School, 801 S. Lewis Lane, to spend more time reading and to listen to their teachers.

READING INTO THE FUTURE

Athletes promote educational values to children

By Mikal J. Harris
Daily Egyptian Reporter

When Saluki basketball forward Chris Wright was in the second grade, he said he was in danger of not passing because his reading skills were not up to par with those of his classmates.

"When I was a kid, all I cared about was going home after school to play," Wright, a sophomore in primary education from Edwardsville, said.

Wright and fellow Saluki basketball players Lance Brown, Monté Jenkins, Chris Thumell and Assistant Coach Ron Herrin trekked to Carbondale grade schools Thursday to encourage students to read.

The Salukis visited Thomas, Parrish, Winkler and Lewis grade schools, passing out Saluki basketball posters and motivating hundreds of schoolchildren with pep talks stressing the importance of reading and education.

Students bringing books to Friday's 7:05 p.m. exhibition game against SAK Moscow will get in free.

"I didn't understand how important (reading) was then, but my parents did," Wright said.

Wright said he worked hard on his reading skills and eventually caught up to a third-grade level by the next year.

Thumell, a Saluki forward with a double major in history and education from O'Fallon, told the students books are important key to their futures.

"Thinking about your future starts now," the 19-year-old sophomore said. "Nintendo's not going to

get you far in life. Books will."

Herrin told students with dreams of playing sports concentrate on reading and studying as well as athletics.

"Playing sports is a lot of fun," he said, "but you have to realize that later on, school rules state you have to pass at least four subjects with a 'C' or better to participate in athletics. It's important to learn how to read and study while you're young. Education is important — no question about that."

Herrin, who said he has been coaching for 40 years, told the children reading and education will give them endless opportunities, whereas sports might provide only limited outlets. He said there were only about 400 jobs basketball players can pursue in athletics.

"As good as these guys are," he said, referring to the Salukis, "they're not likely to make it to the NBA. Your chances of becoming a doctor, a teacher, or a lawyer are much greater," he told the students.

Two 8-year-old third graders from Lewis School said the Salukis' visit helped them think about reading.

Alessandra Nicholson said words from Jenkins, her favorite Saluki basketball player, helped her understand how important reading was.

"I think reading is fun, but I didn't know how important it was," she said.

Classmate Miguel Urive agreed that reading is fun, but said he liked Jenkins' special addition to the assembly.

"I liked it when he dunked," he said, referring to when Jenkins dunked a ball after requests from students.

Search sliced to four

Committee for provost position in final stages

By William Hatfield
Daily Egyptian Reporter

An internal search committee for a new vice chancellor of Academic Affairs and Provost has narrowed the candidates to four as the Jan. 1 deadline approaches, the chairwoman says.

Sarah Blackstone, chairwoman of the internal search committee, said the final applicants were narrowed from six to the following: John S. Jackson III, dean of the College of Liberal Arts; Thomas L. Keon, dean of the College of Business and Administration; Donald R. Tindall, professor of plant biology; and Margaret E. Winters, associate vice chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Blackstone said candidates were chosen because they demonstrated fiscal responsibility, responsibility for tenure and promotion and records of cultural diversity and affirmative action.

"The search was internal because there was not enough time to search nationally, and the job requires skills that are specific to the University," she said.

The search committee was formed after Benjamin Shepherd announced his resignation this summer following the resignation of Chancellor John C. Guyon. Shepherd has said he will return to teaching at SIUC.

Blackstone said the vice chancellor of Academic Affairs and Provost oversees the mission of the University, tenure and promotion, the academic budget and strategically plans methods for recruitment and retention.

She said the committee also evaluated each applicant's philosophy of administration and statement of vision.

"We picked the candidates who see SEARCH, page 6

Gus Bode

Gus says: I've been here for more than 40 years; they should make me provost.



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- AEGIS Book and Bake Sale, Nov. 8, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Humanities Lounge Faner 2302. Contact Sarah at 453-6823.
- Volunteers needed to assist at the ACUI Conference, Nov. 8, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Nov. 9, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Nov. 10, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Student Center. Contact Susan or Debbie at 536-6633.
- Interfaith Center Happy Hour, Nov. 8, 4 to 7 p.m., Interfaith Center, corner of Grand and Illinois avenues. Contact Karen at 549-7387.
- Spanish Table - ¡nos venos!, Nov. 8, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Cafe Melange. Contact Maria at 453-5432.
- French Table - allons-y!, Nov. 8, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Booby's. Contact Rosalita at 529-5561.
- African Students Association general meeting, Nov. 8, 5 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Awa at 549-5192.
- African Student Council general meeting, Nov. 8, 5 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Awa at 549-5192.
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship worship, prayer and talk on "How to be a witness on campus," Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m., Student Center Mississippi Room. Contact Tricia at 536-7066.
- Hillel Foundation for Jewish Campus Life Evening Out, Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m., Quatro's. Pay your own way. Contact Betsy at 549-7387.
- Cinema MFA Thesis screening

films by Stephen Ream, Nov. 8, 7 p.m., Biological Sciences Auditorium. Contact Steve at 549-9362.

UPCOMING

- Volunteers needed to assist with the Book for Every Home for Children at Head Start program. Contact Saluki Volunteer Corps at 453-5714.
- Practice Graduate Record Exam, Nov. 9, 9 a.m., Woody Hall B204. Fee \$10, pre-registration required. Contact Testing Services at 536-3303.
- American Indian Association Storyteller Day and American Indian exhibition dancers, Nov. 9, 10 a.m., noon, and 2 p.m., Quigley Hall. Contact Iris at 549-0006.
- Black Togetherness Organization 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, Nov. 9, 6 to 10 p.m., Rec. Center. Contact Lori at 549-5917 or 536-2054.
- Community Contra Dance - each has a walk-through, Nov. 9, 7 to 10 p.m., Carbondale Senior Center, corner of Sycamore and Springer. Contact Joe at 457-2166.
- Volunteers needed to assist at blood drive, Nov. 10 - 15. Contact Kathie at 453-5714.
- Blood Drive, Nov. 10, 1 to 6 p.m., Rec. Center. Contact Vivian at 457-5258.

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Two bomb threats were reported to campus police late Wednesday. Someone called in a bomb threat to the computer lab in Faner Hall at 11:14 p.m. The lab was cleared, and the area was inspected by police. No bomb was located; and the lab

was reopened. About seven minutes later, a bomb threat was telephoned to Neely Hall in Brush Towers. The caller indicated that the bomb was on the second floor. The building was evacuated, and police did an inspection. No bomb was found, and residents were allowed back in.

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

CALIFORNIA

Warrant will force Neal to return to Illinois

Sacramento—A former Carbondale teen charged in the Aug. 11 deaths of two local youth chose not to waive extradition to Illinois at a hearing Thursday in California.

Labron C. Neal, 17, had a hearing Thursday to face drug possession charges.

Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec said he has been informed that California Gov. Pete Wilson has signed a governor's warrant that will force Neal to return to Illinois to face murder charges. Wepsiec said the warrant will be presented at a future hearing. A hearing date has not been set.

Neal faces six counts of first-degree murder.

MURPHYSBORO

Two SIUC students pled guilty to cocaine charges

Two SIUC students pled guilty Thursday in federal court to a four-count indictment charging them with conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine and distribution of crack cocaine.

Hasan S. Smith, a sophomore in civil engineering from Rockford, and Pierre Loving, a junior in elementary education from Chicago, face sentencing Feb. 6.

The violations occurred between April 1995 and July 1, 1996, in Carbondale.

The conviction carries a minimum penalty of five years in prison and a maximum penalty of 40 years' imprisonment, a \$2-million fine and a four-year supervised release.

CARBONDALE

Smashing Pumpkins to return to SIUC arena

SIUC Arena officials announced Thursday that Smashing Pumpkins will perform at SIUC Arena on a date yet to be confirmed.

Information concerning the concert date, ticket prices, ticket sales dates and an opening band should be released shortly. Arena officials said.

This will be the Smashing Pumpkins' second visit to Carbondale.

University jurisdiction discussed by GPSC

By Christopher Miller
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Revisions to the Student Conduct Code may spell out the University's jurisdiction in handling off-campus infractions that reflect negatively on SIUC.

The Graduate and Professional Student Council discussed changes to the code Wednesday regarding jurisdiction in light of last month's riots on the Strip.

On Oct. 26 and Oct. 27, about 700 people were involved in a riot that resulted in more than \$10,000 in damage to local businesses.

Mark Terry, GPSC president, said the ambiguity in how the Student Conduct Code defines jurisdiction gives the administration the power to pursue infractions related to the riots and other off-campus violations.

Paul LeBlanc, GPSC vice president for Graduate School Affairs and member of the Committee to Amend the Student Conduct Code, said jurisdiction may be defined to include infractions that occur while a student is participating in an event affiliated with the University or a Registered Student Organization.

"What (the committee is) trying to get at is any kind of behavior that reflects negatively upon SIUC," he said.

Terry Huffman, coordinator of Student Judicial Affairs, said at the Oct. 9 GPSC meeting that the committee is looking at jurisdiction as well as at the appeals process as it reviews the Student Conduct Code.

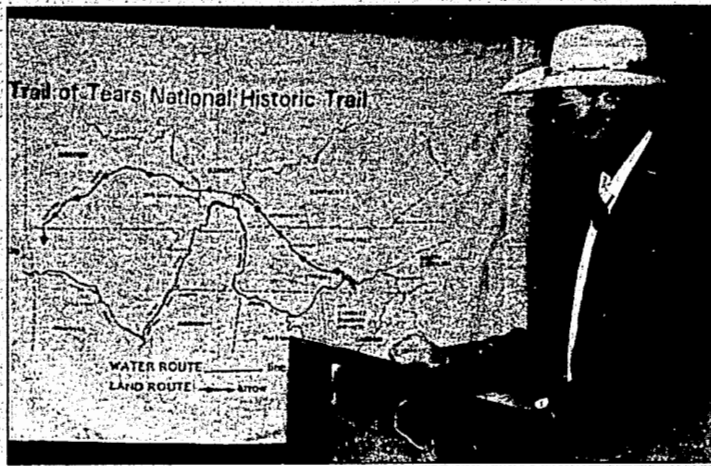
He said the committee may expand the jurisdiction geographically to include the city of Carbondale.

Terry said the code is vague enough to allow the University to engage in fact-finding hearings, which began this week, that seek disciplinary action against students who may have been involved in the Oct. 26 and Oct. 27 riots.

Those who are found in violation of the code could face suspension from the University regardless of whether or not they are charged with any crimes.

Harvey Welch, vice chancellor

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CURTIS K. BUSH — The Daily Egyptian

Cherokee Indian historian Ray Morris speaks about the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail Wednesday night in the Illinois room at the SIUC Student Center. Morris was part of an ongoing lecture series in honor of American-Indian Heritage Month.

'Trail of Tears' remembered

By Mikal J. Harris
Daily Egyptian Reporter

On one leg of the 1988 reenactment of the "Trail of Tears" journey, historian Ray Morris said a fellow participant walked the trail just as thousands of Cherokee had 150 years before.

"He said he could walk it, and he paid a big price for it with his feet," he said. "You could smell him before you could see him coming."

The man, who eventually walked across the state of Tennessee, reeked of Ben Gay, Morris said.

Morris, who took part in a reenactment of the "Trail of Tears" and has extensively studied its history, gave an informational seminar on campus Wednesday as part of American Indian Month festivities.

The seminar, sponsored by the SIUC American Indian Association, attracted about 65 people to the Student Center.

The "Trail of Tears" was the forced removal of 16,000 Cherokees from their native territories east of the Mississippi River in October 1838. The U.S. government's decision to dishonor a Supreme Court ruling and its later use of soldiers to drag the Cherokees from their land eventually



led to the forced migration to Oklahoma, Morris said.

More than 4,000 Cherokees died on the "Trail of Tears" along the way to Oklahoma. The Cherokee Nation refers to the forced migration as "Nunna da ul-tsun-ji" (Trail where they cried), Morris said.

Morris said a reenactment of the Trail of Tears began on Sept. 17, 1988, with 21 wagons closely following the trail on which Cherokee before them kept moving 24 hours a day.

Morris participated in the entire 120-day journey in which he said thousands of people joined along the way.

"That was one of the things that kept me going day to day," he said. "You never knew who was going to show up."

Among the people who accompanied Morris through parts of the journey were his mother, wife, son and 3-year-old daughter.

Morris said the journey started out in a Georgia rainstorm and ended in a commemorative

parade in Tahlequah, Okla.

The modern Trail of Tears goes through and along interstates and different towns as opposed to the perils of streams and trails the Cherokee faced almost 160 years ago.

Morris said some of the supplies for the journey, such as several tons of horsefeed, were donated by reenactment supporters. Other luxuries like space heaters were not.

"Some wagons were heated; the rest of us in other wagons froze," he said.

Morris said one of the things that motivated him during the reenactment still motivates him to speak to groups about the Trail of Tears today.

"What also kept me going was finding people who were interested in learning about the Trail of Tears, from the very young to the very old," he said.

In spite of suffering a stroke last year that impaired his speech, Morris, wearing a feathered hat and Native American jewelry, said he enjoys talking to groups about Cherokee Nation history.

"This time last year I was paralyzed and couldn't talk at all," he said. "But if I have the time now, I really enjoy talking to people

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Tighter computer security can stop e-mail harassment

TECHNOLOGY IS MAKING THE WORLD MUCH smaller. Today, all someone needs to do is to log onto an e-mail account and the entire world is there for them to talk to. But with such an advanced capability also comes people who misuse it. And what was once associated with anonymous phone calls in the middle of the night, sexual harassment has found its way to the Internet.

The University receives about a complaint a week about e-mail harassment, and the people who are suspected of harassment are locked out of their accounts until further notice. While this seems like a good system, there needs to be more action taken when dealing with e-mail harassment. Many of the cases are a result of people using the accounts of others in order to harass people anonymously. People need to be made aware of the vulnerability of their e-mail accounts and more computer security is needed for those accounts in order to stop this problem before it gets out of control.

AN E-MAIL ACCOUNT PROVIDES SOME PEOPLE with a complete sense of security that is different from using the telephone. Sending harassing e-mail may not seem like that big of a deal to some people because of that security, but harassment, in any form, is against the law. And what makes matters worse is that people using the accounts of others provides harassers with even more security, making them virtually impossible to find.

One of the ways to help control this problem is making students and faculty aware of how vulnerable their computer systems are. For example, many times in the computer labs, students will not quit the option when they are done with their e-mail. Once they leave, that account is open to anyone who happens to sit down at that terminal. That person is then able to send messages to others with complete autonomy.

Also, people need to be more careful when typing in and choosing passwords. Often, people will change their password to something simple, such as their name, their birthday or the name of their pet. In 1995, according to statistics from the FBI, more than 90 percent of computer crimes involved hackers guessing the passwords of company employees. The advice of computer security specialists is to use a password that may not even be a real word with a combination of capital and lowercase letters mixed in with numbers.

THIS MAY SEEM LIKE A LOT OF WORK WHEN it comes to a persons mail, but people need to understand that their e-mail accounts can be used by an unwanted party. People leave their accounts open to others to send harassing messages, but they also provide an easy door to other personal information.

The University should implement stricter security measures in the computer labs as a cautionary measure. A person needs to enter a password to read their e-mail, but a separate password to send e-mail would be very effective. This simple solution would be one step to stop people from sending mail from other people's accounts that they have gained access to.

Many people may not realize the vulnerability and fear a person can feel when being harassed. It can be a very emotional time that may leave the victim feeling helpless. E-mail harassment should not be looked at any differently. It is a serious offense that needs to be dealt with accordingly.



L ETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader rejects racist religion

"Thanks, but no thanks" is my response to Matt Hale's invitation "to bring every white person into (the World Church of the Creator)." See "Racist religion seeks converts," in the Nov. 5 *Daily Egyptian*.

I have found such tremendous pleasure and satisfaction through the "good news" taught by Jesus, the Christ. He states that all rules for life can be summed up in two

rules: 1) Love God with your entire being, and 2) Love your neighbor as much as you love yourself.

If you start with concerns about liking or not liking your neighbors, then your theology and belief structure will have no future. Loving God is the first rule. Without that love, it becomes much more difficult to love your neighbor or yourself. With that

love, you want to love your neighbor.

Loving God and knowing that you are loved by God brings the inner peace and sense of worth that all of us desire to have. My invitation is to those of all races to know the good news of Jesus, the Christ, and to love God.

Lawrence A. Juhlin
vice chancellor of Student Affairs

Rioters disregarded others' rights

This was my first Halloween in Carbondale. I've been living in and working around college and university campuses since my college days in the mid-1970s. I've seen my share of parties, protests, sit-ins, celebrations and general rowdiness. I spent 14 years in Miami, a cultural hotbed of violence and unrest. I directed the Catholic Student Center at the University of Miami during my last eight years there. I have never seen college students act the way they did here the weekend before Halloween. I do not understand what happened that weekend.

Is the "right to party" the issue? Is the "lack of respect" the battle cry? Is the issue more akin to "whose town is it anyway?" Do random acts of violence further the cause or hinder it? What is all this about "tradition"?

I can't help but think that the *Daily Egyptian* is partially responsible for what happened. For the

past several weeks, I've been reading letters to the editor and front page articles with quotes lamenting the loss of SIUC's top 10 party-school rating, or bemoaning the loss of the "good old days" when the Strip was taken by students whenever they wanted it. I believe these articles incited and helped provoke the activities of that weekend.

Don't get me wrong. Students sometimes have a need to cut loose and party. Nevertheless, I happen to believe their right to party does not supersede our right to have intact windows when we come to work in the morning. I believe that their right to party should not infringe on my family life or anyone else's.

I shouldn't have to be called by police at 2 a.m. to be told that I need to come out and secure the Newman Center because the entry door's windows were smashed. None of the business owners or

directors should have to deal with this.

Our damage estimates here at the Newman Catholic Student Center for the students' "right to party" exceed \$1,500. The Interfaith Center had several windows broken. The Wesley Center (United Methodist) incurred severe damage to the cars in its parking lots. All of this because we were "on the way" to where the students wanted to go.

This is a great school! SIUC's debate team recently beat out Harvard and Yale for the No. 1 ranking in the nation. This the "No. 1" we should be proud of. We have wonderful students doing great things in this community! Let's focus on this. Let's have some peace.

John B. Scarano
director, Newman Catholic Student Center and the ministers of SIUC Campus Ministries

Q UOTABLE QUOTES

"Nothing overshadows truth so completely as authority."
— Alberti

"To live outside the law you must be honest."
— Bob Dylan

"The greatest lesson in lie is to know that even fools are right sometimes."
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No reputation to damage

During the past two weeks, we have heard a number of arguments regarding the pre-Halloween riots on Oct. 26 and Oct. 27. A few people have supported the rioters' actions as a fitting response to the intolerable injustice of city and school officials' restrictions of students' "liberties" by effectively leaving those under 21 with nothing to do in their free time.

But I won't attack their position by comparing their actions to a 6-year-old who gets all worked up and throws a temper tantrum because his older siblings won't let him play with them.

No, what I want to do is spend some time working through the more frightening position of those who condemned the rioters' behavior. In almost every instance, those who condemned the rioters appealed to SIUC's reputation as the grounds for their position.

They claimed that the bad publicity generated from the rioting would tarnish the image of the University. Consequently, every SIUC student would suffer because employers and graduate schools would not consider applicants from a school with a reputation for its hell-raising, partying students.

So, because of the antics of a few hundred rogue students during the waning days of October in the year 1996, those SIUC students who finally earn their degree will be earning it from a school with a damaged reputation.

There are two problems with this position, and they both have to do with SIUC's reputation. It might come as a shock, but SIUC's reputation is and never has been very good.



THE LAST WORD

-by jeff howard

except in Southern Illinois where there are no other universities. So the argument that the University's reputation has been damaged by the riots assumes that it had a good reputation prior to the riots.

Some people may argue that individual departments like aviation and other vocational departments have strong reputations that rub off on the whole University. And while that may be true, when only one or two universities in the entire state have such programs, invariably the reputation of the program is going to be good. It's kind of like taking first or second place in a track event when only two people entered the race.

And it's not just students who have made the reputation argument. The very administrators — who support an open-door admissions policy where admission is granted to just about any breathing body who can pay a bursar bill or fill out a financial aid form — have reproached the rioters for sullying the reputation of the University they have worked so hard to improve.

The quality and reputation of a university is only as good as the quality and reputation of the students who make it up. So it is absurd and contradictory for administrators to bemoan rioting students when it is their own policies that have allowed such intellectually disinclined people

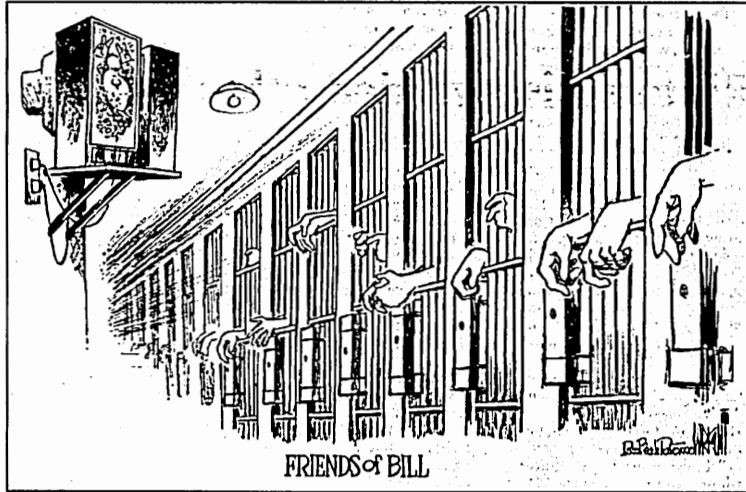
to be here in the first place!

The second problem with the reputation argument is that it misses the point of condemning the rioters' actions. Essentially, it has been argued that the rioters' actions were bad because now graduates won't be able to get a job, or at the minimum, as good a job as they might have before the riots.

This line of thinking is really scary because it suggests that the rioters' actions were wrong because SIUC graduates won't be able to get jobs and not that the rioters' actions were wrong because temper-tantrum rioting is intrinsically wrong. It's kind of like arguing that stealing a book from a bookstore is wrong because then all book buyers have to pay more for books to offset the bookstore's loss, and not that stealing books is wrong in and of itself.

To be sure, rioting is not always wrong. But the kind of rioting that took place two weeks ago was wrong. It was wrong because it lacked an ethical basis and not because of some perceived damage to SIUC's reputation.

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Bastion of excellence?

-by alan schnepl

Today is a special day for the *Daily Egyptian*. Our faithful columnist Jeff Howard actually has a good point, which is something we've learned not to expect around here.

One thing Howard takes on in his piece today needs to be expanded on and scrutinized — the effect the "party school" image is having on the job prospects of SIUC graduates. It seems to me that this "problem" is completely contrived.

Are there really employers out there that see "B.S., Electrical Engineering, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, 1993," on a resumé and abruptly throw it in the trash? I know it's an employer's market out there, but don't qualifications for a job still mean something? Employers want to hire people who will do a good job. Will they, in reality, forego this in favor

of hiring someone from an institution that doesn't have a party image? I really can't see the following conversation taking place:

Executive one: "What do you think of this applicant? I like some of her ideas, and she has the skills we're looking for."

Executive two: "She seems very smart and has a 3.9 GPA, but her degree is from SIUC, so she must have an alcohol problem."

Executive one: "Hmm. Well... I guess we'll have to hire someone else even though this applicant is perfectly qualified for the position."

Everyone talks about this supposed danger to the value of SIUC degrees, but I have yet to be presented with a single concrete example of this phenomenon in action. No one has written this newspaper a letter explaining how he or she was

turned down for a job because of SIUC's party image. No, all we have are undergraduates making unsubstantiated claims that their job search will be severely hampered because a group of idiots gets unruly and violent every so often.

Howard is right on another point, too. When was SIUC known as a bastion of academic excellence? Let's face the facts — this institution has a liberal admissions policy. I'm willing to bet that has more to do with any negative perception of SIUC than a party school image.

We have some serious work to do with the idiocy that passes for partying in this town. When we are looking for ways to approach that problem, we'll be better off paying attention to truism instead of unproved theories like "damaged employment possibilities."

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Aid for disabled children could be cut

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON—In the coming days, the Clinton administration will answer a question that has prompted enormous anxiety since Congress began debating welfare legislation nearly two years ago: How many children will lose federal disability benefits as a result of the new law?

Families and advocates for the disabled have known since the welfare law was enacted in August that eligibility would be tightened for

the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) children's disability program. But Congress gave the administration discretion in determining which disabilities will qualify for benefits, which average about \$430 a month.

If the administration sets a narrow definition of disability, around 200,000 of nearly 1 million children now in the program would likely lose benefits. With a broader definition, the number could fall below 100,000, advocates say.

Those in the disabled communi-

ty have been actively lobbying the administration to cut off as few recipients as possible.

"There is a distinct risk of overkill, putting in jeopardy children even the vocal critics would not want to be terminated" from the program, said Jonathan Stein, a Philadelphia attorney and leading advocate for disabled children.

The decision is before officials at the Social Security Administration and could be announced within a week or two, said Phil Gambino, an SSA spokesman.

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about it."

During the speech, Morris used a map of the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail to guide his audience through the Cherokee's six-month journey across nine states.

Morris' map depicted both land and water routes used by the Cherokee. The land route showed the Trail of Tears passing through the Southern Illinois area.

Kelly Davidson, a pre-med student from Ramsey and a member of the SIUC American Indian Association, said Morris' seminar was very different from learning about the Trail of Tears from textbooks.

"It was a totally different perspective," she said. "He actually rode the trail, even if it wasn't the same as in earlier times."

Davidson, a member of the Native American Aleut tribe, also said the seminar was different from what she learned in school because Morris encountered actual historical

sites. Morris presented slides of his trip that showed burial sites and memorials to the Cherokee who perished on the Trail of Tears.

Jim Docki, a former SIUC graduate student and Carbondale resident, said he found Morris' seminar an exciting and valuable tool for understanding.

"This kind of event helps to loosen the grasp on ignorance," he said.

"We should study each other's heritage like we study American history. All of us have a heritage, and it's important that we celebrate it."

GPSC

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for Student Affairs, said 40 letters have been sent to students informing them they are to appear for a fact-finding hearing. More than 35 students face criminal charges in connection with the riots.

Some GPSC members voiced concern that the University's jurisdiction should not become so far reaching that a student would face University disciplinary action for

misdeemeanors off campus while school is out of session.


Michael Speck, a GPSC School of Law representative, said he would object to an expansion of jurisdiction if it allowed the University to pursue disciplinary action for off-campus misdemeanors unrelated to a University activity.

In other business, GPSC accepted an offer that would provide a free Student Advantage Card to all graduate and professional students at SIUC. The card, which has a

\$20 face value, allows holders to get a discount on Amtrak and Greyhound bus tickets as well as discounts at participating local businesses.

GPSC agreed to the proposal under the condition that the names and addresses of students would not be sold to telemarketing and direct-mail agencies.

Terry said the company that issues the Student Advantage Card has been pressured by Amtrak to get SIUC involved in the program by offering the free cards.



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PREVIEWS

SIUC plays last exhibition tonight

The Saluki men's basketball team wraps up its preseason schedule tonight with an exhibition game against SAK-Moscow at the SIUC Arena.

The Salukis are coming off of a 93-69 loss to Athletics in Action Tuesday. The Salukis were paced Tuesday by forward Rashad Tucker, who scored 18 points in 30 minutes of action. Forwards Jamie Veach and James Jackson added 10 points each for SIUC.

SIUC Coach Rich Herrin said the Salukis displayed solid rebounding play and shot the ball well Tuesday, but lacked a solid defensive effort because they only were able to play eight plays.

"We played poorly the other night," Herrin said. "We had a good rebounding effort, but we were poor defensively. We played some guys out of position, but Monte (Jenkins) is back, and we'll play a lot better."

Jenkins, a 6-foot-5-inch sophomore forward, sat out Tuesday's game, but will play tonight. Saluki guard Troy Hudson will serve the second game of his three-game suspension for violating team academic standards.

Following tonight's action, the Salukis are idle for two weeks before heading to Fairbanks, Ala., for the Top of the World Classic Nov. 22.

More Saluki weekend sports events follow:

Swimmers head to U of I's Dual Meet Extravaganza

The SIUC men's swimming and diving teams take off for Champaign today for the University of Illinois Dual Meet Extravaganza.

The meet will feature competition as tough, if not tougher, than what the Salukis faced in their home opening loss against the University of Kentucky Saturday.

Men's Swimming Coach Rick Walker's young team will have to face the likes of the University of Alabama, ranked No. 24 in the nation, the 23rd-ranked University of Iowa, Northwestern University, Ball State University and the University of Missouri.

Although some of the competition will be tougher than the Kentucky meet, Walker said the early meets of the season are designed to teach the team experience.

Walker said the Dual Meet Extravaganza resembles the MVC Championship meet and should also teach his team some lessons about big competition. The MVC Championship will take place at the SIUC Recreation Center Dec. 6 through Dec. 8.

"It's a good learning experience, and it will be a good experience to get ready for our conference meet," Walker said.

The men will dive into competition against Iowa tonight at 7:30,

then face Alabama Saturday morning and Northwestern Saturday evening.

The Salukis will close the meet Sunday against Ball State and Missouri.

The Saluki women's swimming and diving teams will accompany SIUC's men's teams to the Dual Meet Extravaganza at the University of Illinois in hopes of improving upon their 0-2 season start.

The women lost their second straight meet Saturday against Kentucky at the SIUC Recreation Center pool, 207-93. But Saluki Women's Swim Coach Mark Kluepfer is not unhappy with his team's effort. Saturday, the women will face teams such as The University of Alabama, Northwestern University, University of Missouri, U of I and conference rival Illinois State University.

After the Dual Meet Extravaganza, both the men and women swimmers will have four weeks to ponder the results before competing again.

Kluepfer said the team should be able to hold their ground against ISU and Missouri, but will have to pull off an upset to pick up a third win.

The women open the meet tonight at 7:30 against U of I and will face Alabama Saturday morning and Northwestern in the evening. They will close the meet Sunday after facing ISU and Missouri.

Basketball

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it. Plus, she is always encouraging everyone else to do better."

Junior co-captain Beth Hasheider said there are endless possibilities for Bardley and Jackson, and only time will tell how they will fulfill the expectations set for them.

Hasheider said there have been some concerns about how the Salukis are working together because of the team's little experience, but she is certain the adjustment will be made.

"Since we have five new players, it may take us a little time to come together," she said.

The Salukis may be young, but Hasheider said she believes the lack of collegiate experience could be a distinct advantage that SIUC has

over other teams.

"Having a young team may be an advantage because we will peak later in the season when it counts," she said.

Some may think exhibition games are just practice, but Hudson said she believes the exhibition game remains very important for the team.

"The freshmen will need the exhibition games to get the feel for what it is like to play at a Division I level," she said.

Hudson said the presence of veteran talent will affect how the team plays this season, but Thursday's game will give them a chance to work together.

"The experience will take time, but I am confident we can start the season out quickly," she said.

So far this season Scott said she only has had one tough decision—the starting lineup. Aside from that

she believes she is blessed.

"I am enjoying coaching this team," she said.

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Prediction: Bledsoe will have another stellar performance against the Jets while Denver will easily prevail over the wing Bears.

Kevin DeFries 81 - 53
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Prediction: The Hams will play the 1-8 Falcons and lose. The Falcons are coming off a big win over the Panthers and the Hams are from St. Louis—I think that says it all. Falcons 21- Hams 0.

Donna Colter 81 - 53
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Prediction: I am still trying to figure out how Dallas could lose to Philadelphia. But their toughest game yet is Sunday in San Fran, and I picked them anyway, forsaking my chances of going undefeated this weekend.

L. Bruce Luckett 81 - 53
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Prediction: Since I've been falling off here lately and my buddy John says picking the Vikings no matter what will bring me good luck, I will.

BASKETBALL

Depth provides lineup options

By Donna Colter
Daily Egyptian Reporter

This year's SIUC women's basketball team has presented Coach Cindy Scott with a dilemma she is happy to face.

Scott is faced with the choice of who will be her starting five, and given the talent pool to choose from, she's looking forward to it.

"If someone asked me who my unit would be, I couldn't name a starting five," she said. "It is a rarity at this point, which is a good thing."

Scott said she will use the team's exhibition game Thursday against the St. Louis Express to learn some things about her team that she cannot learn in practice.

She also is hoping the exhibition game will help determine who her starting five will be.

"The (exhibition) game is not a win-lose situation because it will be good to play someone else who doesn't know our plays," she said. "The game will also give me a chance to see how the different combinations in the starting lineup work together."

The game against the St. Louis Express also is going to give Scott a chance to see how her two top freshman recruits — Melaniece Bartley and Meredith Jackson — play in a game situation.

"They are both going through common things that all freshmen go through," she said. "We are throwing a lot at them, and it's a difficult adjustment. But they will play early, contribute early, and I think they are ready to do that."

Bartley, who is 6 feet 3 inches tall, will be using her height to play the center position for the Salukis this season. Jackson, who also is 6 feet 3 inches tall, will be concentrating on the guard and forward positions.

Junior center Thea Hudson, who has been working closely with Bartley, said she has noticed the example Bartley sets for the team.

"She is improving every day," Hudson said. "She tries to make a shot in practice and keeps trying until she makes



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Saluki women's basketball guard Beth Hasleider, a junior from Okanville, practices her jump shot Monday at the Arena in preparation for Thursday's game with St. Louis Express.

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VOLLEYBALL

Spikers aim for fifth invitational victory

By L. Bruce Luckett
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Winning its own Saluki Invitational Tournament has become a favorite pastime for the SIUC women's volleyball team.

The spikers have won the fall event four years running under Coach Sonya Locke and are not about to give up the winning tradition.

"It's our invitational," senior middle blocker Jodi Revoir said. "We'll do everything possible to win it again."

Winning the tournament, now in its 19th year of existence, in each of the past four years has been no easy feat. And this year's competition promises to be strong. The tournament gets underway this afternoon at 4:30, pitting American University against Arkansas State.

The spikers' bid to record their fifth straight invitational crown and end a six-game losing slide starts with Missouri Valley Conference rival Evansville University at 7 tonight.

Saturday, the Salukis face non-conference foe Arkansas State University at noon. Evansville will then battle Arkansas

State at 2 p.m. American and Evansville clash at 4:30 and SIUC returns to the court against American University at 7 p.m., wrapping up the night.

Locke said while keeping the invitational winning streak going is important, the team has not lost sight of its post-season goals.

"At this point in time, my total focus is on Evansville," Locke said. "After that, there are basically just going to be matches that we want to win."

Yet Locke said a victory at the invitational may represent more than just a win for the Salukis. With the MVC race slowly winding down, a couple of wins this weekend will provide a little leverage toward making it into the MVC Tournament Nov. 22-Nov. 24.

After tonight's match with Evansville, the spikers have only two conference matches left in Bradley and Northern Iowa. As predicted by pre-season conference polls, Evansville is in last place in the league with a 3-12 record.

The Salukis beat the Aces in three games on the road earlier this season. Evansville has never won a series against SIUC.

But senior defensive specialist Becky Chappell said unexpected losses of the

past have taught her not to underestimate any team.

"This (invitational) won't be a smooth ride," Chappell said. "We'll have to earn everything."

Salukis will match up against Sun Belt favorite Arkansas State University.

Arkansas State finished first in the Sun Belt Conference last season with a flawless 9-0 record, and this year the Lady Indians are back on top of the SBC. Arkansas State leads the overall series against SIUC 6-2.

Revoir said a win against ASU will not come easy, and the Lady Indians are not to be taken lightly.

SIUC will meet American University for the first time Saturday night. The Eagles finished third last year in the Colonial Athletic Association Conference with a 20-12 overall record. Four AU starters have returned from last season.

While the Salukis anticipate a favorable outcome this weekend, Chappell said they will not lose sight of their immediate obstacles.

"We don't want to lose track of the individual games by trying to focus on winning the invitational," Chappell said. "We need to focus on one game at a time."

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