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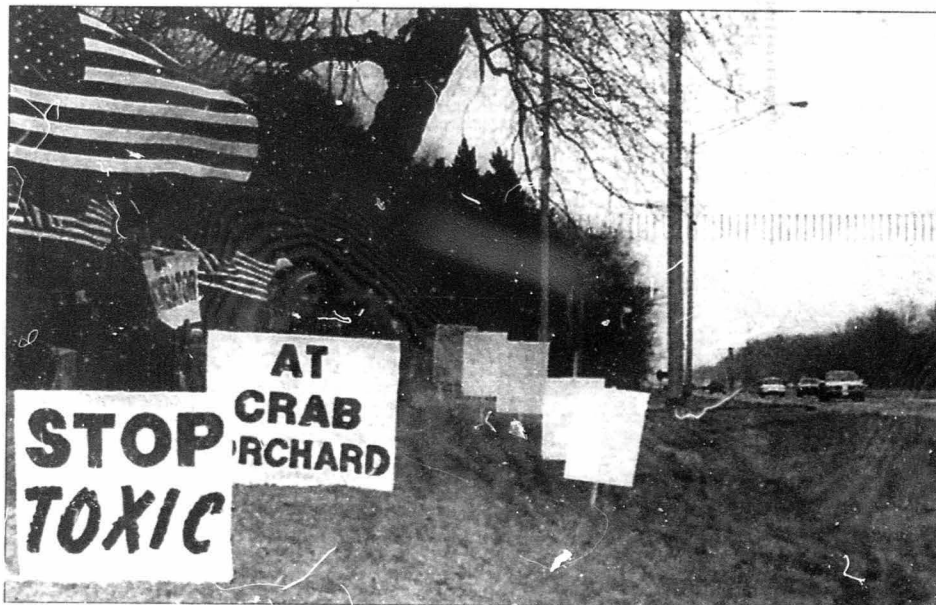
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Up in smoke: Incinerator battle rages



Environmentalists gain public support at roadside protest

By Stephanie Moletti
Environmental Reporter

Bearing the cold wind blowing across Crab Orchard Lake Monday, about 20 local environmentalists posted their message about the potential dangers of a proposed PCB incinerator during a peaceful rally along Route 13.

Drivers honked their car horns and passengers waved in response to the environmentalists' message — the one protesters hope will encourage more people to write Congress in protest of the incinerator.

Rose Rowell, chairperson for the Southern Coalition on Protecting the Environment, said Monday marked the first Justice Day, and four local environmental groups banded together asking citizens to take action and stop the proposed toxic incinerator at Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge.

"Justice Day was created to give citizens the opportunity to bring local issues to the community's attention — this is our message," Rowell said. "We want to inform people that it is not too late to stop the incinerator and action needs to be taken."

The incinerator heats soil contaminated with poly-chlorinated biphenol to temperatures hot enough to break down PCB. When PCB is broken down, toxic emissions such as dioxin are released into the environment, Rowell said.

"There is overwhelming evidence that incineration will cause harm to human health, harm to wildlife and endangered species and devastate our hunting and fishing economy," Rowell said.

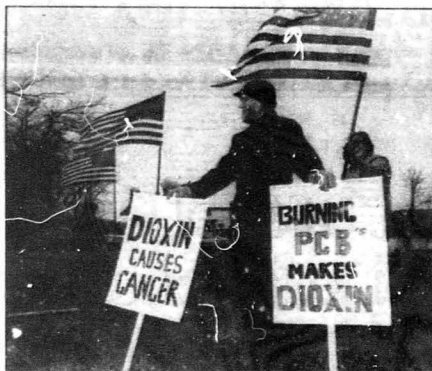
Rowell said no concrete evidence exists to prove incineration is safe.

"The EPA's experts say it is safe, our experts say it isn't. We want the two factions of experts to come together to research incineration," Rowell said. "We have called for a congressional investigation of the EPA's assurances, because our concern is what the incinerator will do to the community."

Steve Christianson, a member of the SIUC Student Environmental Center, said he believes political motives are behind the



As cars pass by the Pirates Cove Marina on Route 13 East, environmental groups urged drivers to support their protest against the Crab Orchard incinerator proposal. Mindy Harmon, left, of Pomona, and another member of the Regional Association of Concerned Environmentalists, right, voice their opinions about the possible environmental hazards of PCB during the first Justice Day rally Monday afternoon. Supporters of the rally encourage people to write Rep. Glenn Poshard, D-Carterville, with their views concerning the construction of the incinerator.



Staff photos by Matthew Waltsgott

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NAACP says school district promotes unequal practices

By Angela Hyland
Minorities Reporter

African-American community leaders are charging a Carbondale school district with unequal representation of students in special classes and unfair hiring practices toward teachers and administrators.

Albert Simon, NAACP spokesman, also questioned whether the employment of the superintendent of school's daughter as playground supervisor could be considered nepotism.

If the school board is interested in examining unfair hiring practices, this seems like a situation they should look at, Simon said.

Larry C. Jacober, Carbondale's superintendent of schools, said he did not play any role in the hiring of his daughter, so the charge did not apply.

Carbondale School District 95 currently employs six African-American teachers and administrators. An academic advancement program of 135 students includes only two African Americans, while 28 percent of African-American students in the district attend special education classes.

During an Illinois Board of Education hearing Monday, Jacober said the school district is actively working to include more

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PQP cause of further cuts

Five programs deemed educationally unjustified

By Katie Morrison
Administration Reporter

The PQP initiative is a statewide effort

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Gus Bode



Gus says if we do any more streamlining, SIUC will become airborne.

To further conform with the Illinois Board of Higher Education's Priorities, Quality and Productivity recommendations, SIUC is cutting a bachelor of science, master's and three doctoral programs.

Programs being eliminated are a bachelor of science in consumer economics and family management, a master's degree in administration of justice and doctorates in physical education, sociology and political science.

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CHINESE POLITICAL PRISONER HOSPITALIZED — Wang Wanxing, 44, a veteran Chinese political dissident, was confined in a police-run psychiatric hospital after staging a one-man demonstration in Tiananmen Square in 1992. Without a trial or independent medical examination, his wife, Wang Junying, said, the police have detained Wang to treat him for "political paranoia." Wang Wanxing has smuggled letters out of the Ankang Hospital for the criminally insane complaining that doctors are forcibly administering drugs to him daily and "trying all the time to destroy my body and spirit."

FINNISH SUICIDES CAUSED BY ALCOHOLISM — If today is like any other in Finland, four people will commit suicide, whether by hanging or shooting themselves, swallowing pills or inhaling carbon monoxide. A few others might attempt to kill themselves. And an unknown number will think about ending their lives, driven by mental illness, personal tragedy, alcohol, the weight of events or some dark trait in the Finnish national character. Among would-be explanations of the rate—alcoholism. While the country's overall level of alcohol consumption is not particularly high, Finns have a decades-old habit of drinking hard liquor in fierce binges.


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FIRST AMENDMENT CHALLENGED BY YARD SIGN — In December 1990, as a U.S.-led clash with Iraq appeared imminent, Margaret Gilileo put up an anti-war sign at her house in this fashionable suburb of St. Louis. A fight in Ladue over that 2-by-3-foot yard sign only escalated. This week, what began as a local dispute over a city's sign prohibition becomes a major First Amendment test at the Supreme Court. Ladue prohibits its residents from erecting political and social signs at their homes. The case, to be heard by justices on Wednesday, casts free speech proponents against a municipality's desire to control visual blight.

DEFENSE WORKERS BUYOUT THEIR JOBS — The Defense Department, Uncle Sam's biggest agency, is gearing up for a new round of buyouts coupled with expanded early-retirement authority. The expanded authority okayed by the Office of Personnel Management will let Army, Navy and Air Force offer civilians early retirement anytime and anywhere the department needs it to nudge old-timers to leave. About 121,000 of Defense's 859,000 civilians could take early retirement at age 50 with 20 years' service or any age with 25 years. The buyouts will be used to create vacancies so younger workers, new hires and nonveterans won't have to be fired.

WORKERS UNABLE TO SAVE RETIREMENT MONEY — During the 1980s, thousands of businesses handed over to their workers the job of managing their own retirement savings. The trend was made possible by Congress, which authorized a broad array of tax-deferred retirement savings plans, most notably the so-called 401(k) plan, which allow workers to put aside money and avoid paying taxes on it or on its earnings until they withdraw it in retirement. It now turns out that many of the workers aren't doing a very good job of handling these savings, a recent study suggests.

ADMINISTRATION MEETS WITH LABOR UNIONS — Vice President Al Gore lead a parade of Democratic politicians here Monday on a peace mission to win back labor's love lost over the North American Free Trade Agreement. Gore, White House advisor George Stephanopoulos and the top Democratic leaders of both the House and Senate appeared individually before the AFL-CIO executive council, each preaching unity to a labor movement still licking its political wounds at the hands of a Democratic president and a Congress firmly in Democratic control.

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Everyday People...



Student enjoys environmental efforts

By Jamie Madigan
Special Assignment Reporter

Curiosity can get people into sticky situations, but no one ever told SIUC student DeLondon Hawthorne that it could land him knee-deep in a pile of slimy, stinking garbage.

That is what happened to Hawthorne when he and his co-workers at the Center for Environmental Health and Safety, next to McAndrew Stadium, decided to perform an experiment.

Hawthorne, a senior in biological science from Schaumburg, said he and his co-workers collect recycling bins full of paper on campus.

"We go around and collect white paper and newspapers for recycling and take them to a recycling center," he said. "Then we record the amount of pounds and let the school know. It comes to about 50,000 pounds a year—that's a lot."

Hawthorne and his co-workers started to wonder how much garbage was not being recycled, and decided to find out.

"We were curious about how much wasn't being recycled," he said. "We did a garbology study. We took dumpsters from different areas on campus and sorted through the garbage."

Because of their curiosity, the group spent a month sorting through trash and found 10,000 pounds of recyclable material.

"It was kind of tough—pretty disgusting," Hawthorne said, laughing. "But

Name: DeLondon Hawthorne
Hometown: Schaumburg
Major: Biological Science
Job: Recycler
Hobbies: Weightlifting, working with youth groups

it was a good learning experience."

Hawthorne has worked at the center for about six months, and normally works 15 hours a week.

In addition to school and his job, he has been on SIUC's diving team for three years.

"I've been diving for about six years, since I was a junior in high school," he said. "I'm like those guys you see doing the flips. It's terrifying, but I like it—I think it's a thrill thing."

Hawthorne said although diving is scary, he enjoys the feeling of diving through the water and knowing he did well.

He said one of the best things about diving is the other members of the team.

"(The team) has good coaches, and my teammates are great," he said.

Hawthorne also spends time with his 15-year-old brother who lives with him in Carbondale.

Hawthorne said he wanted to quit college his sophomore year, but knowing his brother



Staff Photo by Matthew Waltsgott

DeLondon Hawthorne, a senior in biological science from Schaumburg, works as a recycler at the Center for Environmental Health and Safety.

looked up to him helped him stay in school.

"He's my inspiration to stay in school," he said. "Now he wants to go to college because of me."

Perhaps because of his brother, Hawthorne likes to work with children, and does so along with Iota Phi Theta, his fraternity.

"(The fraternity) has only been around since 1963," he said. "We work with youth

groups and have fund raisers."

"We're into community service and GPAs," he said. "I'm really proud of my fraternity."

Hawthorne said his job is like any other business.

"It's basically routine," he said. "We go from building to building and get all the demands met. It's a business atmosphere."

Cable systems attract many

Billions of revenue result of low television pricing

By John McCadd
Business Reporter

Cable systems nationwide are attracting more customers annually, according to a Department of Commerce study released Monday.

Cable systems posted a revenue gain of 10 percent in 1992, representing \$25 billion in total revenue, commerce officials said.

Randy Brown, General Manager of TCI of Illinois, said sales on a local level for cable continue to rise.

He said more customers are subscribing to cable because of lower prices and higher quality of programs, which seemingly improve with time.

"We've had more customers during the past three to five years," he said.

"The programming offerings have improved over time, meaning the quality of programs on networks has improved."

Annual TCI statistics were not available, Brown said.

He said the level of basic services has changed to suit viewers of all income levels. The least

expensive are basic and expanded basic cable, which cost about \$10 a month, depending on the viewing area.

Basic service includes regular network channels and local community channels. Expanded basic also offers these services, but adds satellite channels such as TNT, ESPN and USA.

This version of basic cable began in 1992, as a result of a Federal Communication Commission mandate, Brown said.

Commerce spokesman Tom Zabelsky said the largest nationwide revenue increase came from basic cable subscribers.

Cable-system operators reported a basic service revenue of more than \$12 billion in 1992, up 13 percent from 1991, he said.

Brown said monthly specials also attract customers if marketed correctly. Such specials usually offer installation for less money, or provide premium channels, such as HBO and Cinemax, free during the first month.

Commerce statistics also indicated a 19-percent rise in advertising revenue, and 5 percent from pay-per-view and premium-channel subscribers, Zabelsky said.

He said annual payroll among cable companies increased 19 percent in 1992 and employee benefits rose 20 percent.

Mid America Service sustains fire damage

By Stephanie Moletti
Special Assignment Reporter

Black soot spotted the outside of the Mid America Service building Monday and a damp smell of smoke lingered in the air, but the phone continued to ring as it was business as usual at a Carbondale appliance parts and repair service.

Nevlyn Reiman, office manager at the business, 210 W. Willow, continued to take service orders over the phone outside the building Monday morning, after a fire gutted the business Sunday night.

Harry Threlkeld, assistant fire chief for Carbondale Fire Department, said the station received a call from a passerby at 9:25 p.m. Sunday.

Two engines, an aerial truck, equipment truck, two squad cars and 18 firemen were at the scene, he said.

Threlkeld said the fire caused about \$140,000 in damage to the one-story building with the most damage in the front, southwest corner.

No one was in the building at the time of the fire. Fluorescent light fixture ballasts were the cause of the fire, Threlkeld said.

"It's a common problem," he said. "The fixture burns out and overheats, but the insulation and ceiling tile above the fixture caught fire and it spread from there."

David Jacobs, owner of the business, said a construction trailer will be brought in Wednesday to serve as a temporary office.

Everything in the building was destroyed except for some paper work in filing cabinets, which Jacobs will be able to transfer for future records, he

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Small RSOs learn how to get share of funding

By Marc Chase
General Assignment Reporter

Small resident student organizations packed into activity rooms A and B of the Student Center Monday night to learn how to get their share of RSO funding this fall.

A program entitled "Get Your Share" sponsored by the American Marketing Association filled the two activity rooms with representatives from some of the 450 SIUC priority two organizations.

Dr. Janis Brandt, faculty advisor

for the American Marketing Association, said priority two organizations are smaller than priority one organizations such as USG or SPC, but added that they are no less deserving of funding than larger RSOs.

"Priority two doesn't mean second class; it means first class," Brandt said. "There are many valuable smaller organizations that need more funding to improve and increase their programs—this also helps the University."

Brandt said guest speakers Mike Spiwak, Undergraduate Student Government president, Susan Hall,

Graduate and Professional Student Council president, and John Shull, senator and chairman of the USG finance committee, came to the program last night to inform smaller RSOs how to obtain funding.

Since most funding is channeled through USG and GPSC, Shull said it is very important for priority two organizations to notify student government as soon as possible to obtain funding for next year.

"Last semester we (USG) had requests within four weeks for funding well in excess of what we had to give," Shull said. "It's

imperative that organizations get their funding requests to USG as soon as they can."

Applications and guidelines for priority two funding is available in the USG or GPSC offices.

Spiwak said since USG approved a \$3 tuition fee increase for RSOs this fall, total funding for RSOs will increase from \$340,000 to about \$443,000.

Shull said he is proposing a bill to USG to reallocate these new funds so that priority two organizations receive 53.8 percent of the total funding while larger priority one organizations would

receive 46.2 percent.

Currently priority one organizations receive 69.1 percent of the total funding and priority two organizations receive 39.2 percent.

Two types of funding that priority two organizations can obtain, yearly allocations and general funding for unexpected events, should be prioritized on the application forms from most to least important.

Spiwak said yearly allocations are the most crucial funds to apply

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Balance animal cost against science gain

AS THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES prepares to revise its guide on animal research, animal rights advocates and scientists await new standards. For animal rights advocates, stricter research guidelines could be an important victory in a battle to recognize animal rights. For scientists conducting federally funded research, they could mean higher costs, more bureaucratic obstacles and less control over experimental methods.

The 13-member committee considering the revision includes 12 animal researchers, so earth-shattering policy changes are unlikely. However, the recent trend in animal research has been stricter, more humane regulations. When released next spring, the revised NAS guidelines may reflect this trend.

WHEN CONSIDERING NEW GUIDELINES, NAS must balance the importance of encouraging relevant scientific research against the moral obligation to respect animal rights. The challenge is to create stricter guidelines without hindering scientific discovery, a difficult task.

Suggestions for stricter standards include: housing primates in groups, unless specifically inappropriate for a study; forbidding procedures that cause undue pain to animals; increasing cage sizes for primates and dogs; and requiring researchers to justify the costs to animals versus the benefits of performing an experiment.

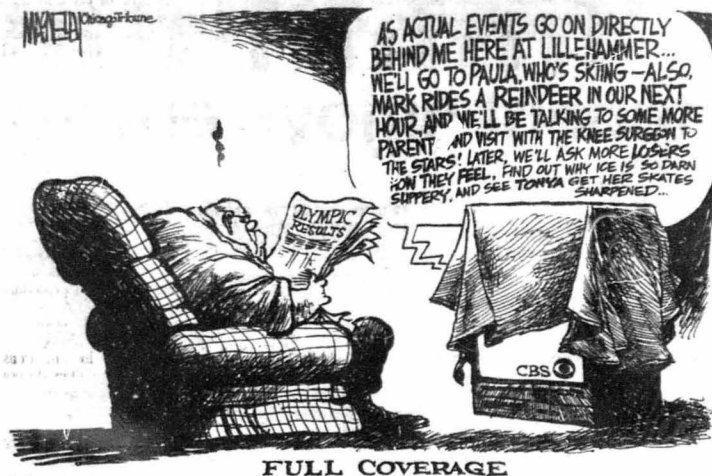
THESE SUGGESTIONS, IF APPROVED, WOULD do little to hinder scientific research at SIUC. According to a member of SIU's animal care committee, the University does not conduct research that causes undue pain to animals. The University also does not conduct experiments using primates or dogs. SIUC already requires researchers to justify the value of any experiment that uses animals as research subjects, a stricter standard than animal research guidelines require.

However, these same suggestions could prove costly for other universities and research institutions. Increasing cage sizes and housing animals in groups would be expensive and could jeopardize some research projects. Forbidding research that causes undue pain in animals could eliminate useful areas of study such as brain damage, recovery from surgery and spinal cord regeneration. Ironically, much of the most controversial animal research provides the most useful and helpful scientific information.

Strict and rigid enforcement of animal research guidelines could come at the expense of valuable scientific data.

DOES THE POTENTIAL VALUE OF A SCIENCE experiment warrant using research methods that harm animals? This is a question that all scientists should be required to answer.

It is reasonable to expect scientists to weigh the value of an experiment against the cost to animals. Currently, this requirement only applies to research that subjects animals to unrelieved pain and distress. By applying the same standards to all experiments, NAS could promote animal rights without seriously undermining research efforts.



FULL COVERAGE

Letters to the Editor

Few openings at Health Center

When you're feeling ill, nothing else seems to matter. Even something as minor as a cold can affect your performance throughout the day. You think, "Hey, I'll just make an appointment at SIU's Wellness Center!" But a problem that many college students at SIU have faced, including myself, is the complicated process one must go through in order to receive medical care.

The location is not the problem, in fact it's conveniently next to Greek Row, but the process it takes to make an appointment, to see a doctor is very difficult.

Last semester, I became very ill with flu like symptoms. Many times I tried to make an appointment, but not once could I get in. I constantly hear, "Call early tomorrow to see if anyone cancels." After days and days of calling early, I finally was able to make an appointment.

One of my close friends had a more irritating and serious case. She had a reason to believe that she contracted an STD, but had no symptoms. She too had tried many times to make an appointment to get tested, and again could not get in; that is not until a week later. They said because she had no symptoms, it wasn't necessary to test her immediately.

Personally I feel that with symptoms or not, someone who believes that they contracted an STD

should receive attention right away. How frustrating it must have been for her. I do understand! though that there are over 24,000 students attending SIU, and having only one Wellness Center makes it impossible to fit everyone in at convenient times, but it is unfair that someone has to go on for weeks feeling ill.

After all, the Health Center is made for the convenience of SIU students, but its not living up to its standards.

What this campus needs is a way to serve everyone when they need to be. Maybe the Health Center eventually should expand, or possibly a second one should be added.

Doing this has its set backs though. More experienced doctors and nurses need to be hired, along with all the equipment, supplies and medicines. This could be costly, but a students' tuition expense should cover these added services.

A person's health and well being is a serious matter. Some cases can be more serious than others—and need immediate attention. Our university's health service has to eventually change so everyone can be treated when needed.

Please help to make a difference so students can perform to their fullest. After all, your health comes first.

— Sara Prombo, freshman, communications

Liberal programs foster dependence

I am responding to the February 10 opinion expressed by Michael D. Caldwell on the Democratic Party.

Mr. Caldwell's opinion was well stated, however, I don't believe that such a large percentage of "Black Americans live their lives as Conservatives."

If this is true, then blacks wouldn't have as many problems, and wouldn't put on the liberal act of being irresponsible. Just because one goes through an unconscious daily routine of going to work, going to church, obeying the law and other things, does not mean that they live their lives as Conservatives and have individual responsibility.

For example, liberal democrats think they know "everything," but realize "nothing." This doesn't mean that they know "anything," nor that they are the ones that blacks should look up to for "everything." Liberal democrats have convinced blacks that their "rights" have been so infringed upon, that some blacks have substituted conscious irresponsibility for their so-called "rights". Being black, poor, and naively trusting liberals does not give one the "right" to be irresponsible.

Mr. Caldwell asked an insightful question: "Why do 90% of all blacks vote democrat (if they go to the polls)?" The civil rights

movement of recent years had become locked in the view that race was the cause of all problems and that government was always the solution.

What happened was that government was always the solution.

What happened was that government handouts, "quotas," and "affirmative" preferences did more to make blacks dependent on government and did nothing to make blacks become more self-reliant, independent, and responsible.

I'm sick and tired of all the crying!

— Dennis B. Williams, graduate student, political science

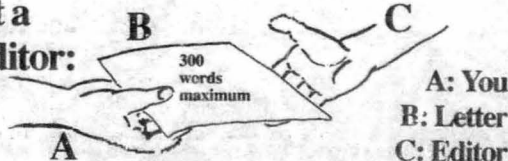
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Calendar

Community

SIU LIBRARY AFFAIRS will meet from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. today in Room 1225, Moore Library. We will be discussing Social Science Citation Index-multidisciplinary index of the major social science journal literature. For more information call Judy at 453-2818.

"EFFECTIVE COV'R LETTERS," a seminar presented by Dr. Leo Persico, A-1993 Associate Dean for the College of Liberal Arts, will be presented at 5 p.m. tonight in Lawson 231. Sponsored by College of Liberal Arts and University Career Services.

THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH Development and Administration and the Graduate and Professional Student Council are sponsoring a "Great Writing Workshop" at 7 p.m. on Feb. 24 in the Cambria Room at the Student Center. To reserve a place or for more information call Connie at 435-4540.

THE VETERANS CLUB OF SIUC invites all Men and Women Veterans to a meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the Kaskaskia Room of the Student Center. Officer Elections for the 1994-1995 school year will take place at this meeting. For more information contact Chris at 985-6263.

THE AMERICAN MARKETING Association's Promotions Department will have a meeting at 5:30 p.m. tonight in the AMA Office on the third floor of the Student Center. For more information call Carrie at 453-5254.

SALUKI ADVERTISING will be having a regular meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in Communications 1214. For more information call Ted at 529-1672.

THERE WILL BE A PRACTICE Graduate Record Examination at 9 a.m. on March 26. The fee for taking the test is \$10. For further information and registration, contact Testing Services, Woody Hall B204 or phone 536-3303.

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Doctor hopes to patent use of 'gay' genes

Newsday

SAN FRANCISCO—The scientist who last year discovered a possible genetic marker for male homosexuality Monday said that if his team members find the gene they'll hold the patent on its uses and "won't license it for use in amniocentesis" to screen fetuses.

As biologists zero in on the gene, debate is heightening within the scientific and gay communities over the validity and potential utility of such research.

Dr. Dean Hamer of the National Cancer Institute said Monday at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science that he couldn't "guarantee that anything will be prevented by my actions, but I'm going to do everything within my ability to make sure that (aborting fetuses that carry a gay gene) isn't done."

Although the United States and other governments have said they won't patent genes themselves, it is possible to patent genetic tests.

Hamer's work has ignited a firestorm of controversy over not only the origins of homosexuality, but also the general search for genes for human behavior. Scientific critics have charged that Hamer's studies, published last August in the journal Science, were flawed.

Hamer's group studied 76 gay men and their families, finding that homosexuality tended to run in families, as did a particular gene on the female X sex chromosome.

Critics, such as Dr. Daniel Kevels of the California Institute of Technology, charged that Hamer failed to study a large enough group of people, and didn't have strong enough data to reach the conclusion that a gene for homosexuality even exists.

Monday, during a news conference, Hamer said he is studying 40 more families of gay men and 78 families in which one or more members were lesbians.

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incinerator project. "There is no safe technology proven, it's more of a political game," Christianson said. "Congressman Poshard has \$25 million on the line."

Rep. Glenn Poshard, D-Carterville, stated he will not stop the incinerator from being built and operating at the refuge. If Poshard brings this money into his district, it will help the economy of the district, Christianson said.

Rowell said the groups would like the agency to look into alternatives, agreeing money is the cause for the push for incineration.

"The EPA is dead set on incineration — someone's pound has been graced heavily," Rowell said.

The agency still is in the design stage of the incinerator and the environmental groups' efforts have helped delay its construction, Rowell said.

"I believe we'd already have the incinerator here and possibly even running if not for the environmental groups' protest," Rowell said. "We have very informed groups down here and I don't think the EPA knows how to handle us."

Kristi Hanson, a board member of the Regional Association of Concerned Environmentalists, said

living near the Liquid Waste Disposal in Paducah, has taught her a lot about incineration.

"We've been fighting Liquid Waste Disposal for eight years," Hanson said. "I feel incinerators should not be anywhere. They need to wait until a safe method of disposal is proven."

RACE member Bill Cronin said the agency's tests are run under controlled conditions, allowing for near perfect results.

"The test runs are so controlled — when the incinerator is operating, they don't know what is going in or coming out. It's kind of like taxes," Cronin said. "Doing nothing with the PCB would be better than what they are proposing."

Center member Dan Piper said it is the agency's standard procedure to allow incinerators to run for 10 years before being tested again.

"Incinerators have historically been located in low income areas because these communities do not have a lot of political power and they are not very organized," Piper said.

"Here in Carbondale, we're organized and fighting back."

The Concerned Citizens of Williamson County also was involved in the rally.

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Jacobson said he has told local principals, when choosing between two equally qualified candidates for a teaching or administrative position, they should first look at the racial and gender balance of their staff before making a recommendation.

"My advice to them was look at the make-up of their staff and if they were short on males, they should recommend a male and if they were short African Americans, they should recommend an African American," Jacobson said.

Jacobson said the IBE also has approved the initiation of a pilot program to actively recruit more minorities to add to the hiring pool.

Applying for a position, however, is no indication a person will get a job, he said.

"There can be no assurances for any applicant that just because they are of a particular race or sex they are going to get a job," he said.

If the number of qualified applicants in the hiring pool increases, however, the chances of an African-American teacher or administrator getting a job will increase, as well, he said.

The number of students in the class for academically talented students, however, is something

Jacobson said cannot control.

Entrance into the class is based upon criteria such as standardized tests, he said.

"It's a very difficult set of criteria to meet," Jacobson said.

The disproportionate number of students in the special education classes also is a factor Jacobson said he cannot control.

Students are not placed in special classes unless parental approval is given, and in many cases, it is the parent who makes the request to include the child in these classes, he said.

Jacobson said last year an evaluation team headed by the IBE examined the placement of children within the school and found all but one child was appropriately placed.

The child who was not appropriately placed was there due to insistence of his parents, Jacobson said.

NAACP Vice President Elbert Simon said the fact that so many African Americans are in the special education classes should make educators wonder what is going on.

"If the numbers are this alarming, somebody should want to know why," Simon said.

The hearing will continue at 8:30 a.m. today in the Student Center Video Lounge.

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by the board to cut excess program spending at state colleges and universities.

According to a report from the Graduate and Professional Student Council, the programs were cut because of low enrollment.

Programs with little or no demand by students are considered by the board to be "educationally and economically unjustified."

At the Feb. 10 SIU Board of Trustees meeting, SIUC President John C. Guyon said IBHE was displeased with the lack of improvement in three areas: focusing priorities at the doctoral level, phasing out state support for intercollegiate athletics and the revamping SIUC's College of Technical Careers.

SIU trustee Harris Rowe questioned the board's recom-

mendations as singling out or "abusing" the University with its barrage of proposals to streamline programs.

SIU Chancellor James Brown said that SIU was being treated fairly.

"It looks like we're being abused, but we're not — it's equitable," Brown said.

Brown also reminded the trustees that IBHE was just making recommendations and the proposals are not carved in stone.

SIU Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs John S. Haller said while the University is working hard to comply with the board's recommendations, there is a sense of disappointment that the board has not recognized the program changes, cuts and consolidations that already have been made.

Consensual sex age lowered in London

The Washington Post

LONDON—Parliament voted Monday night to lower the age of consent for sex between men from 21 to 18 after a contentious debate over whether the change would create equality before the law and improve

public health or merely encourage sexual exploitation of young men.

The decision was a compromise between a drive led by gay activists to reduce the consent age for homosexual men to 16—the same as it is for heterosexuals and lesbians.

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said. "Between the fire and the smoke, the building is pretty much gutted," Jacobs said. "But we're already looking for general contractors for estimates. We're just waiting to see what the insurance adjuster has to say."

Jacobs' business is covered by Diederich Insurance.

Shari Johnson, customer service representative of Diederich's commercial line, said Jacobs has a special policy.

"He has extensive coverage," Johnson said. "We'll pay for the damages and the extra expenses for continuing the business. He also has coverage for business income, we will pay him for his business loss. However, how much we pay is up to the adjuster's estimate."

Jacobs said he already has plans for a new store.

Dean Weaver contributed to this article.

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for right away because they involve more money.

"There is a problem with continuity (for funding with priority two organizations)," Spiwak said. "Organizations don't know that they need to fill up a form and get the funding money now."

The deadline for USG funding

applications is March 4. Still said there are no available from USG this semester because most of the RSO money was used last semester.

Hall said GPSC funding applications must be turned in two weeks in advance for special events and added that most GPSC funding is given to graduate student organizations.

Mexican rebels negotiate with leaders

The Washington Post

SAN CRISTOBAL DE LAS CASAS, Mexico—Rebel leaders and the Mexican government opened negotiations Monday in hopes of resolving peacefully a 7-week-old peasant uprising across the southern state of Chiapas, but neither side reported progress.

The Catholic Church-mediated peace talks between government peace commissioner Manuel Camacho Solis and leaders of the Zapatista National Liberation Army convened in private here at the cathedral.

At least 19 masked and uniformed Zapatista leaders, including two women, attended with Camacho and church mediator Bishop Samuel Ruiz, a source close to the talks said.

Some rebel leaders were photographed at an arrival ceremony Sunday with pistols and assault rifles.

It was not clear whether they carried arms into the talks.

Camacho has said discussion would be limited to grievances in Chiapas as outlined by Zapatista leaders in communiques since the start of their New Year's Day uprising.

The Zapatistas contend, however, that any peace settlement must include political and social reforms on a national scale.

Until Sunday, there had been no Zapatista presence here since the rebels briefly held this and three other towns.

They withdrew before dawn on Jan. 2 after setting fire to government offices and destroying thousands of official documents.

Rebel leaders vowed at the time never to surrender their weapons and pledged to fight for the overthrow of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

Salinas responded initially by dispatching nearly 15,000 soldiers

Los Angeles rebuilding after quake

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES—Anyone who knows how to use a hammer, it seems, has acquired a new specialty: earthquake repair. Across the Los Angeles Basin, at roadsides and on chain-link fences, contractors are posting signs touting their skills.

"Quick Earthquake Repair!" shouts a hand-painted sign. "Quake Aid Contractors," reads another.

In their zeal for work, builders and would-be builders have been leaving flyers in mailboxes and on windshields, and shoving them inside tents where families slept outside damaged homes. Handymen have 800 numbers.

"You're not even awake, and they just attack you," said Nancy Spitz, who camped for several days with her family outside a home that lost two chimneys, a block wall and part of its roof in

the quake. "They don't let you sleep."

In 10 seconds of tumultuous shaking Jan. 17, the Northridge quake has unleashed a residential construction boom not seen in this basin since its citrus fields were cleared for tract homes decades ago.

The promise of work, millions upon millions of dollars of it, is drawing licensed and unlicensed contractors, day laborers and handymen, from other countries and states, to this new-found land of opportunity.

An incomplete tally by building inspectors in Los Angeles and Santa Monica suggests the magnitude of the residential reconstruction job ahead: nearly 6,500 single-family homes have been declared seriously damaged or unsafe for occupancy in Los Angeles alone.

The repair tab for homes, condominiums and apartments

exceeds \$2 billion.

In neighborhoods spared severe damage, the quake tumbled chimneys and toppled block walls that must be rebuilt or replaced.

Los Angeles is issuing 150 building permits daily, five times the usual number, a pace certain to quicken when homeowners receive insurance money and loans to finance major repairs.

With so much work up for grabs in Los Angeles, unqualified builders—and outright con artists—are transforming themselves into "contractors" for the cost of printing flyers or business cards.

Authorities say homeowners who already have lost much in the quake stand to lose even more if they are not careful about whom they hire.

Officials already have logged about 300 complaints about gouging on prices for everything.

Macy's bankruptcy in court, proceedings may intensify

Newsday

NEW YORK—The plodding chess game that has become R.H. Macy & Co.'s bankruptcy proceedings, already more than two years old, may intensify Tuesday in a Manhattan courtroom.

That's when the troubled retailer, hoping to fend off increasingly restive creditors who want a faster payback, will seek court approval for another extension of the time in which it retains the exclusive right to design a reorganization plan.

Contrary to a recent court filing, though, Macy's is now hoping to win only four extra months. That compares with the six-month period the department store chain had initially planned to pursue.

Currently, Macy's exclusivity

period ends March 15. Macy's new deadline might be July.

By seeking less time to file a plan than expected, Macy's might avoid a potentially bruising fight with its secured creditors, including such large mutual funds as Fidelity Investments.

With about \$2.4 billion in claims, these creditors want the retailer to emerge from bankruptcy more quickly.

Some had quietly threatened to file objections to what is now Macy's fourth request for additional time since seeking bankruptcy protection in January 1992.

These squabbles have great sway over Macy's approach to reorganization now that its archrival, Federated Department Stores Inc., is a big creditor.

to Chiapas, sealing off Zapatista-held towns and using aircraft to strafe and rocket villages ahead of advancing troops.

Between 100 and 150 combatants and civilians were killed in the fighting, according to government figures.

The overwhelming negative public reaction to the army's crackdown prompted Salinas to abort his attempt at a military solution, oust several officials and declare a unilateral cease-fire on Jan. 12, coupled with an amnesty for the Zapatistas.

Although ranchers say Zapatistas continue to rampage through southeastern Chiapas, allegedly stealing cattle and food, no fighting has occurred since Salinas announced the cease-fire.

"If these negotiations are successful, the danger (of more violence) will disappear. But if they fail, there will be unprecedented trouble" here and in other states,

warned Heriberto Castillo, a national leader of the social-democratic opposition Party of the Democratic Revolution. The Zapatistas invited Castillo's party and seven other parties to attend the talks as observers.

"This is a historic day for Chiapas," said Juan Jose Rueda, president of the state congress and a leading member of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party. "We know the negotiations will not be easy ... but we are certain that intelligence and good will are going to prevail. Chiapas needs a dignified, true peace founded upon mutual respect between men and women with different ways of thinking."

In the formerly rebel-held town of Altamirano, about 40 miles east of here, wealthy ranchers Monday denounced the cease-fire and peace talks as a guise to permit the ransacking of their property by Zapatistas.

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Police Blotter

A Missouri man was arrested last weekend for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

According to a police report, a Carbondale Police Department received a call for shots fired at Thomas School, 1025 N. Wall. Upon arrival, police located Berry C. Cleveas, 17, and found him to be in possession of fireworks and a substance resembling rock cocaine. No weapon was found.

A witness said Cleveas was shooting off fireworks and not firing a weapon.

The substance tested positive as cocaine and was held as evidence. Cleveas was processed at the Carbondale Police Department and incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail.

Student coalition keeps working

By Angela Hyland
Special Assignment Reporter

In a university community, officials rarely need to change policies students oppose because they know that, within a few years, the activists who worked so hard to promote change will be gone.

Amit Srivastava, training director for Student Environmental Action Coalition, said the structure of campus organizations does little to eliminate this problem.

"We all get involved in what I call one-shot activism," Srivastava said. "We get pissed-off about something, and we go out and protest and make a lot of noise, and then we come back."

Once students get back from the protest and the initial energy that went into rectifying the problem wears off, and the issue often is forgotten, he said.

"The University has a lot larger collective memory than the student body," he said. "They (University officials) get used to a policy of appeasement."

A workshop sponsored by the coalition, a national grassroots group of 2,000 student groups will be Friday through Sunday at Washington University and will teach strategies to prevent problems from resurfacing, Srivastava said.

Many of the grassroots organizing skills taught in the program have been around for decades, Srivastava said. Skills to be taught include deciding which issues to work on, developing strategies to achieve a group's goals and learning to get more participation from members.

"It (the workshop training) helps students make the transition from one shot activism to a systematic, long term process," he said.

Wendy Krajewski, group facilitator of SIUC's

Feminist Action Coalition, said although her organization has existed for 20 years, new leadership annually provides the group with an entirely different agenda.

"Every time we have a new facilitator, we have new goals and a new direction," she said. "There's not a constant direction. One year, we may be really radical and the next year we may be really education focused."

This year, Krajewski said she hopes to provide a sense of continuity for the feminist coalition by keeping written documentation of activities and encouraging students to provide leadership and direction.

Student Environmental Coalition member Chris Fordonski said although his group uses tactics taught by the coalition, without community support, members find it difficult to achieve lasting change.

"We can scream all we want, but nothing will really change until the majority of the public is affected," Fordonski, a junior in geography from Joliet, said.

The student coalition is working to shut down an incinerator at Crab Orchard, to stop logging in the Shawnee National Forest and to host a local coalition conference.

Fordonski said he believes the key to achieving goals is to educate the community about the seriousness of a particular problem. Few people, however, seem to listen, he said.

"They don't listen to any environmental organization," he said. "We see the same things happening again and again; not much changes."

Student groups interested in taking part in the training sessions, scheduled from 6 p.m. Friday through 4 p.m. Sunday, should contact Amit Srivastava at 457-8096.



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Official says appointment-only helps

By Christian Kennery
Student Reporter

The appointment-only system at the SIUC Student Health Service causes some students to feel like they are on their own when it comes to health care, but a University official says that is not the case.

Robert Johnston, a graduate student in therapeutic recreation, said he feels the appointment-only system, which was instituted last semester, makes it more difficult to be seen in a timely manner.

"Last semester it took me nearly a month to get in to see Dr. Perkins to have my knee checked out," he said.

Johnston said he injured his knee playing sports, and he wanted to see Perkins, who is the health service's sports medicine specialist.

Because of all the sports teams and other people getting athletic injuries he's usually busy, so it's hard to get in to see him," he said.

Johnston said calling to get an appointment often is difficult, too.

"I got put on hold for about 20 minutes when I called two weeks ago for this appointment," he said.

"It seems like they just don't have the resources or staff to handle the demand."

However, Judy Jo Borgsmueller, assistant to the director of health services, said the change to an appointment-only system last semester was a decision made in the interest of all the patients.

"Our staff physicians reviewed the methods with which we were currently handling our patient load and recommended the change," she said. "They felt we could use the time of the students and doctors more efficiently by doing it this way."

Borgsmueller said getting more information about what is available to students is a current goal, in addition to correcting some of the misconceptions about health service on campus.

"Some students think that without an appointment they won't be seen no matter what the situation, but that is not the case," she said. "If someone calls in with a serious problem they will be seen that day by someone."

Health services had accepted

walk-in patients and same-day appointments, but that caused scheduling conflicts with previously scheduled appointments, she said.

She said by requiring students to have an appointment it allows doctors to give each patient the needed time to solve their health problems. Some students see the appointment-only system as another thing to prepare for in advance in campus, but not a real problem.

Ben Bonojo, a junior in criminal justice, said he plans ahead if he wants to see a physician and avoids most aggravation by doing it that way.

"I know what to expect now so I automatically call ahead to get in as soon as I can," he said. "They're usually pretty good about getting me in within a couple of days to a week."

Bonojo said other students who never have dealt with health services probably are the ones who complain about the wait for an appointment.

"I think the problem is that students don't make appointments soon enough, and then they wait to be seen 'right now,'" he said.

SIUC Arena ready to host arrival of Smashing Pumpkins March 24

By Bob Chiarito
Entertainment Reporter

Halloween may be months away, but SIUC students will get a treat when some popular pumpkins come to the SIUC Arena March 24.

The Smashing Pumpkins emerged from Chicago in 1990 when they recorded the song "I Am One," which would later reappear on their first album "Gish" on a seven-inch record for independent label Sub Pop.

According to Rolling Stone magazine, Sub Pop's attention sparked major label interest, leading to the band's eventual signing with Virgin Records.

"People in our A&R department heard a tape of Smashing Pumpkins and liked it a lot. They checked out some live shows of the band in Chicago, and based on that they made the decision to sign the Pumpkins," a spokesperson for Virgin records said.

Smashing Pumpkins released its debut album, "Gish," on Virgin's

independent label, Caroline Records, in May 1991. According to press releases, album sales soared past the 300,000 mark, phenomenal for an independent debut.

Critical acclaim and a sudden abundance of followers may have been too much pressure for the Pumpkins. Paralyzed by the rampant next-Nirvana tag, lead singer Billy Corgan hit a massive writer's block after the release of "Gish."

According to Rolling Stone, Corgan's state of depression enabled him to write the song "Today," one of the hits off their new album, "Siamese Dream."

"I was really suicidal," Corgan said in Rolling Stone. "I just thought it was funny to write a song that said today is the greatest day of your life because it can't get any worse."

With the release of "Siamese Dream" in 1993, days got better for the band as it earned the respect of critics and fans alike. The band was nominated for two

Grammy awards for best heavy-metal band and best alternative band.

The album debuted at No. 10 on the Billboard 200 chart and rose to the top spot on the College Radio's College Album Chart. "Siamese Dream" currently is the No. 20 album in the country and the No. 2 album on the college chart.

"The last time they played here they did three sold out shows in a row. The line for tickets wrapped around the block — they are really on fire," John Bell of Chicago's alternative mecca, the Cabaret Metro, said.

Arena Assistant Director Michelle Suarez said booking talent as hot as the Smashing Pumpkins often is impossible, but it was Jam productions who informed the SIUC Arena about the tour.

"We felt it was a worthwhile venture because of the type of music and the popularity of the band among students," Suarez said.

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Digital-imaging ethical dilemma for journalists

The Washington Post

In the young world of computerized image manipulation, the lion lies down with the lamb (a commercial being aired during the Olympics); Marilyn Monroe flirts with Abraham Lincoln (the cover of February's Scientific American); and the U.S. Capitol looms behind a reporter who is miles away inside a studio (Jan. 26 ABC News broadcast).

The computer hardware required to accomplish these illusions is getting cheaper and more widely available, at the same time the software is getting more sophisticated. These days, it seems, if you can imagine it, you can image it.

With taps on a keyboard, or the sweep of a mouse, the new breed of image-maker can take an object in a real photograph and clone it, move it, paint it a different color, rotate it, flip it, or switch it to another photo scene entirely. Or the manipulator can dispense with the original photo and, using another kind of computer program, create synthetic images that mimic real photographs, with angles, textures and shading in gradations that provide distance perspective.

Along with a flurry of creative experimentation and playfulness, this capability has triggered

concern that images are becoming as unreliable as words, no longer defensible as records of criminal behavior, political sin and other historical reality. People know that advertising, art and supermarket tabloids are often fanciful. But when used in news reports or otherwise presented as slices of truth, experts caution, manipulated images tell lies about the world.

Phoned photographs are nothing new. The concern is that the latest technology makes deceptions much easier and faster to accomplish and much harder—if not impossible—to detect.

Until a few years ago, it was difficult to alter the original photographic image. Captured on film, the image existed in chemically altered grains of silver salts suspended in a gel. Prints could be changed, but only by mechanical methods (air brushing, cutting and pasting) that are relatively easy to detect.

Digital technology has changed that. In digital imaging, the elements of a picture are converted into computer language—numbers made up of zeros and ones. The image then produced is a montage of square electronic dots (pixels). By changing the numerical value of each dot—a process that leaves no "footprints"—the software can be

used to alter the picture at will: matching tones and colors and blending edges. (A similar, though much more complicated process, is used to manipulate video images, as depicted, for example, in the hit novel and movie, "Rising Sun.")

It may be impossible to tell how a digitized image has been manipulated, except by comparing it to the chemical original.

With the advent of cameras that take electronic photographs, many images now begin in digital form. There is no permanent original. Analysts have compared the process of image manipulation to genetic reengineering, or surgery at the molecular level.

"Photography is dead" in the role it has played over its 150-year existence, William J. Mitchell, dean of the school of architecture and planning at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said in an interview.

"Traditional photography is not going to go away. But (the new technology) changes its meaning." In an article in the current Scientific American, Mitchell says it is up to the image consumer to beware: "The question of how to distinguish visual fact from fiction is becoming increasingly urgent as we witness the explosive proliferation of digital-imaging technology. We are approaching

the point at which most of the images that we see in our daily lives, and that form our understanding of the world, will have been digitally recorded, transmitted and processed."

Scientific American features a striking cover "photograph" of Marilyn Monroe arm in arm with Abraham Lincoln and cozily integrated into his 1863 surroundings.

Brushes and inks have long been used to retouch, improve color, remove warts and so on. American civil war photographers sometimes rigged battlefield scenes. Stalin-era Sov. etc. expunged inconvenient faces from official photos.

In the past decade or so, media executives, photojournalists and others have been swept up in the seductions of the emerging technology—and in controversy over how to use it ethically while preserving credibility. National Geographic magazine moved the pyramids of Egypt closer together on its cover. Ted Turner began to colorize old movies. Humphrey Bogart and other deceased movie stars were reincarnated electronically to party with the living in television ads. TV Guide put talk show host Oprah Winfrey's head on actress Ann-Margret's body. When actress Helen Hayes died, The Washington Post

published a picture of her alone on stage, after electronically erasing another actress from the scene.

Last month, correspondent Cokie Roberts of ABC News donned a coat and pretended to broadcast from the Capitol lawn on State of the Union Address night. She was actually inside a studio, with an image of the Capitol electronically inserted in the background the way computer-generated weather maps are projected behind television weathercasters.

Each of these events created a stir. Most news organizations have a policy prohibiting alteration of images that are presented as depicting reality. The difficulties arise when people try to define the wavy boundary that distinguishes news photos from those used for other purposes. New York Newsday defended the doctored cover photo it ran Wednesday (a composite that made it appear figure skaters Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan were skating side by side) on grounds it ran a disclaimer in the photo's caption.

For what it's worth, Mitchell noted, the more information (detail, color, light reflections, shadows, etc.) a picture contains, the harder it is to manipulate without introducing internal inconsistencies that signal deception.

Human rights still violated; China denies

The Baltimore Sun

BEIJING—Despite the release of some prominent dissidents from Chinese jails last year, repression here worsened with almost 250 documented cases of new political arrests or trials, a major new report on Chinese political prisoners says.

The report—released Monday by Asia Watch, the human rights group—contains information on about 1,700 persons known or believed to be imprisoned in China for their political, ethnic or religious views and activities.

Asia Watch says it represents "the most complete available accounting of political and religious imprisonment in China today."

The list contains more names of prisoners than those submitted to China in recent years by U.S. diplomats seeking an accounting of political prisoners here.

The Asia Watch report comes out as Congress is about to open hearings on whether China has made enough progress on human rights to warrant annual renewal of its favorable trade status with the United States this June.

A recent U.S. report found China's progress insufficient.

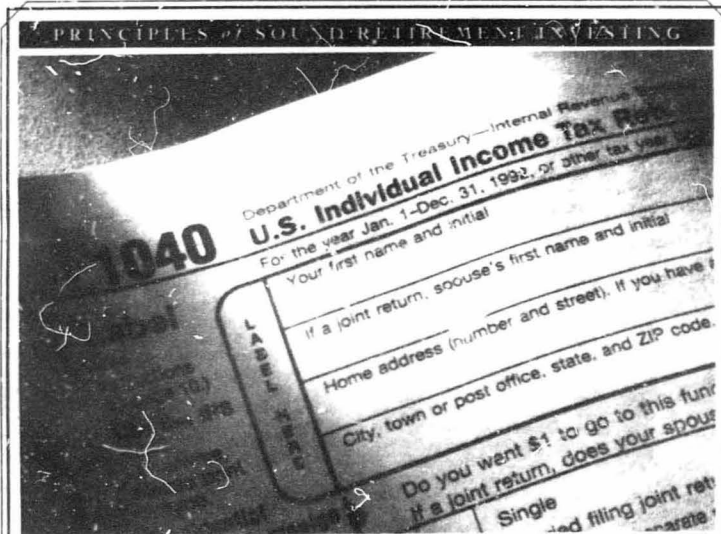
The Chinese Communist Party newspaper, People's Daily, last week called that U.S. report an unprovoked "accusation and attack" on a different society. "This will accomplish the exact opposite of what they hope," the state organ vowed.

The Asia Watch report also comes as high-ranking State Department officials are here by the end of this month for a round of talks with China on the human-rights issue.

Breakthroughs are not expected from this round.

In issuing the report, Asia Watch called on China to release from prison: all nonviolent political, religious and ethnic dissidents—a U.S. demand as well.

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Weather, deforestation linked

The Washington Post

Trees and other vegetation in many of the world's tropical forests appear to be growing faster, dying sooner and being replaced still faster, according to a new report by two botanists who studied forest changes since the 1950s.

Scientists speculate that the cause is the so-called fertilizer effect of the rising concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

And, they say, the faster rate of "forest turnover" could be making the CO2 problem still worse by releasing some of the carbon that is now locked up in slower-growing trees until they die and rot. Vegetation that grows faster tends to consume less CO2 before reaching its maximum size.

"This is a new kind of ecological problem that hasn't really been assessed before," said Oliver L. Phillips of the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis, who published the report in the Feb. 18 Science.

The report was co-written by Alwyn H. Gentry, the garden's senior curator, who died in a plane crash in Ecuador last August.

Gentry was widely regarded as perhaps the world's most knowledgeable expert on Latin

American plants.

Stuart Pimm, a University of Tennessee plant biologist, said, "This is a unique study in that it links for the first time the changes in the planet's chemistry and the changes in the tropical forests."

The study was done by analyzing reports made by botanists who repeatedly visit marked plots of forest and conduct the botanical equivalent of a census.

They count and measure the trees of each species and record deaths. Typical plots range from one to four acres.

Because so many factors such as droughts and windstorms affect forest growth rates during short terms, Phillips and Gentry excluded plots known to have been damaged by storms or droughts.

They selected only plots that had been studied for two periods of at least four years each. They compared the turnover rates of the earlier period with the later period.

"We can't really say how fast the turnover is increasing but it must be substantial for us to see it in 14 of the 19 sites we studied," Phillips said. In five of the sites, the turnover rate declined. He said that if there were no global phenomenon at work, he would expect

the normal fluctuations of various factors to cause half the sites to show a rise in turnover rate and half a decrease.

Because the change was seen in all parts of the tropical world, the Missouri botanists suspected possible causes that would act on a similar scale.

These include progressively more extreme fluctuations in weather, adjacent deforestation, other alterations in environmental conditions, and rising carbon dioxide levels.

Of these, the researchers concluded CO2 was the most likely factor.

There is no controversy about the fact that levels are rising and that the gas stimulates growth in many plant species, though to different degrees.

The climatic warming that would be expected from rising CO2 concentration is not considered a factor.

The computer models used to project such trends show little or no warming in tropical regions. Instead, the forest-altering effect is thought to be a direct result of carbon dioxide on plants.

CO2 is consumed in the process of photosynthesis.

Nuns' unique background, culture originates in Africa

The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE—As wintry light filters through the stained-glass windows of Mount Providence, several dozen nuns reaffirm their devotion.

On the wall behind the altar are words that have helped to define them: Therefore Go And Teach All Nations.

These women belong to the world's first order of nuns of African heritage, the Oblate Sisters of Providence.

Founded in Baltimore 165 years ago with a mission to teach "colored" children, the Oblate Sisters have served schools and orphanages in as many as 35 states.

Now, as is the case in other religious orders, their numbers have dwindled and their members have aged.

But their sense of purpose remains strong, bolstered by a history of forbearance.

The sisters have worshiped in basement chapels. They have weathered the animosity of white Catholics who objected to seeing black women in habits.

They have survived periods in which church officials, pessimistic about their survival, advised them to "return to the world."

One 69-year-old sacristan remembers the days when black nuns were permitted to take communion only after white communicants had finished.

The Oblate Sisters' belief is rooted in the order's extraordinary beginnings. In 1817, Elizabeth Lange, founder of the

order, came to Baltimore from the Caribbean with two major handicaps: She was a free black woman in a slave state and a Catholic in what was then a predominantly Protestant city. Furthermore, she spoke only French.

At the time, Baltimore had become home to thousands of refugees from political upheavals in Santo Domingo and other islands.

When the emigrants arrived, they found a segregated society where their children could not attend schools.

With the help of the Rev. James Joubert, a priest of the Sulpician order, Elizabeth Lange started a school that offered free education for black children.

Next, she persuaded the Vatican to approve a convent to serve this mission.

When Rome officially recognized the Oblate Sisters of Providence as a religious order, it became the first within the Catholic Church to devote itself to teaching black children.

Over the next century, the Oblates opened and operated many schools around the country.

Today 147 nuns carry on the work, and most of them live at the motherhouse. About half are foreign-born. (The order's founding rules state the Oblate Sisters cannot turn away aspiring nuns because of race.)

Fewer than 10 nuns are under 40, says Sister Claudina Sanz, the order's superior general.

Parks reopen despite tight budget

The Washington Post

When the ice covering much of Virginia's Shenandoah National Park melts and spring comes, most campgrounds will open.

It was different last year, when park officials closed two campsites, opened Big Meadows campground late and halved the number of visitor programs because of budget cuts.

They took those steps after being rebuffed in their original money-saving proposal to close Skyline Drive, which runs for 100 miles through the center of the park, from December to June.

The local tourist industry and the state congressional delegation objected.

The recently announced budget for the current fiscal year is up 7.1 percent, to about \$8.3 million, and

"we're in good shape for this year," said Shenandoah spokesman Sandy Rives.

The park's two visitor centers will open March 25. Big Meadows campground, which opened on Memorial Day last year, will open March 31.

Park officials have not decided whether to reopen Matthews Arm campground and Dundo campground this year.

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TCI, Bell Atlantic negotiate details

The Washington Post

Raymond W. Smith, chairman of Bell Atlantic Corp., normally gets what he wants. But perhaps no one has told John C. Malone, chief executive of Tele-Communications Inc.

Smith was propelled into the public spotlight in October after apparently pulling off a stunning coup. He announced that after face-to-face bargaining, he had persuaded Malone to sell TCI, the nation's largest cable television company, to Bell Atlantic, making the regional phone company the player to beat in the race to build a national information highway.

Smith put the TCI deal on the fast track, promising that the details would be hammered out by the end of the year. But three deadlines have passed, and still no deal.

The problem? The price that Bell Atlantic will pay for TCI's cable

properties is to be based on the cash flow of those operations just before the deal is closed, probably a year from now. Back in October, that would have made the value of the total deal at least \$26 billion.

But federal efforts to cut cable prices could reduce that flow of cash available after most operating expenses. That would mean TCI shareholders would be entitled to a smaller number of the class B shares that are being created for the deal.

That possibility doesn't sit well with TCI officials, who have watched Bell Atlantic's common shares drop from \$57.62 to \$53. TCI officials argue that their class B shares will be worth less than originally planned, meaning they should get more shares, according to sources close to the company.

"It's difficult trying to negotiate in this environment," with federal and state policy-makers planning

radical changes in the way telephone and cable companies are regulated, one source said.

The Federal Communications Commission is considering cable price cuts, while Congress is poised to act on legislation that would both open up new businesses for telephone and cable companies and force them to face new competition. These potential changes make it hard for negotiators to calculate the true value of telecommunications systems, a source said.

In addition, throw into the mix the fact that these are two hard-nosed negotiators accustomed to winning. With TCI averaging at least one deal a month over the past 20 years, Malone has honed his negotiating skills.

While the Bell Atlantic team cannot claim that experience, Smith has brought a reputation for aggressiveness to the table.

Slip popular evening wear; fashion industry follows suit

The Washington Post

It doesn't say much for progress that fashion continues to hang by a skinny slip strap. Little is left to the imagination, and apparently all that one needs for adornment is a tousled mane and a hint of a tan.

While European designers are now pushing for more construction in clothes — m.c.e. artifice, more curves — the slip remains the rule at night, at least in America.

At the annual gala of the Council of Fashion Designers of America — where one might expect a little fashion diversity — variations of the ubiquitous slip appeared on Cindy Crawford, Iman and Kelly Klein.

While it's hard to argue against simplicity, or clothes that require a minimum of undergarments, there's something rather terminal about nothingness.

As for the minimal male, Calvin Klein continues to provoke wonder and disbelief for having gone shirtless to the gala.

Indeed, there was nothing between the designer and his four-button dinner jacket except a white scarf, which reminded one retailer of the scarves that used to be sold with tuxedos.

Said the merchant of the designer: "It was not a pretty look."

The fall collections begin this week in London, with stopovers in Milan, Paris and New York.

The big news in Milan may be the limo crush outside the Four Seasons Hotel, which has become (at something close to \$400 a night) the place to say for models and fashion editors.

Gianni Versace plans to show at his palazzo on the Via Gesù. This leaves the Fiera, the city's trade arena, without a heavyweight, apart from Gianfranco Ferré.

Giorgio Armani already shows at his house, and Jil Sander and Prada have their own offbeat venues.

Meanwhile, Rifat Ozbek and Zoran have joined the international list of designers who will present their collections in Paris this season rather than in Milan. Zoran will have a cocktail-hour showing in the Chanel suite at the Ritz.

John Galiano, the British designer whose October show was partially funded by

French socialite Sao Schlumberger, is not on the upcoming schedule.

Although there was talk of putting on a small show at Schlumberger's house, a publicist said it didn't work out, and Galiano's clothes will be seen in a showroom.

Filming of Robert Altman's "Pret-a-Porter" begins March 6 in Paris.

The director plans to shoot the collections as they roll down the runway in the new Carrousel du Louvre and then include some of the footage in the feature film.

But no schedule has been worked out for cameo appearances by designers and models, and a production spokeswoman said she didn't know when the actors were supposed to appear for work.

"The schedule is pretty loose right now," she said. Apparently, some magazine editors have notified the director of their willingness to remain in Paris after the collections so they can do their part for the film.

So what's it like to be a supermodel? Director Robert Leacock followed Christy Turlington through thousands of phone calls and Marlboro Reds last fall for an insider's view of life on the catwalk.

Fashion pros may have wished for more gossip, especially from superpals Naomi Campbell and Linda Evangelista, but Turlington, as usual, was perfectly polite. "Christy Turlington Backstage" runs Feb. 27 on Lifetime Television.

Coincidentally, Vogue photographer Arthur Elgort has put Turlington on the cover of his new vinyl-bound book, "Models Manual" (D.A.P., \$35).

There's plenty of chat from models and editors, and Elgort includes images from impromptu "go-see" sessions. Aspiring models will find all this intoxicating.

Finally, something to unite Friends of Hillary nationwide. Hyp Hats is bringing out a Hillary cap for those who don't wear their opinions lightly. "Hillary's Kind of Like Notre Dame," says Hyp co-founder Josh Weiler.

"People have a real strong opinion about whether they like her or not."

The hat, available at Nordstrom in early April, is \$15.

Late-night booking wars over

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD—A week ago Friday, Steven Seagal made his first appearance on David Letterman's "Late Show" to hype his new action film, "On Deadly Ground."

Last Tuesday, Seagal visited the syndicated late-night talk show of his friend, Arsenio Hall, for the same reason. Two nights later, Seagal could be seen chatting up his movie with Jay Leno on "The Tonight Show."

So, whatever happened to those late-night Booking Wars?

Like most great battles, the often fierce behind-the-scenes struggles among late-night TV producers to secure exclusive bookings for top stars has run its course. There's a late-night armistice in effect, and guests are now roaming freely between Letterman, Leno and Hall.

"We're in a new age here," said Paul Bloch of Rogers & Cowan, who worked on the publicity campaign for "On Deadly Ground."

"Everybody understands that you can do two or three of the shows and, provided the actor wants to do them, it doesn't hurt anybody. It certainly helps us."

Not as clear, however, is which show is the favorite among Hollywood celebrities and the publicists who arrange their appearances.

Ratings, demographics, physical proximity and personal preference all are factors that get weighed in the decision.

After six months of ratings preeminence at 11:35 p.m. on CBS, Letterman is landing high-profile guests who never appeared on the

host's more caustic 12:35 a.m. NBC program, such as Seagal, Sean Connery, Rosie O'Donnell, Jeremy Irons and Sally Fields. And he gets some of them to engage in daring stunts and gimmicks. Alec Baldwin was recently seen driving a snowmobile on the roof of a nearby parking garage, and Connery flew in on a jet pack in October to disprove worldwide reports that he was terminally ill.

But Letterman does not get all the best bookings, by a long shot.

"The show that everyone looks up to creatively and wants to be on is Letterman's show," said the head of one major talent agency.

"The show that you're on because you're on the West Coast and it does a rating and you want to promote something is Leno's show."

Letterman tapes "Late Show" on Broadway in New York, while Leno tapes "The Tonight Show" in Burbank. There's little doubt that location plays a key element in booking both shows. "It's purely geographic," said Pat Kingsley, president of the public-relations firm PMK.

For example, she placed Tom Hanks on Letterman in December when he was doing an Eastern publicity tour for the film "Philadelphia," while Roseanne Arnold will do Leno this week because she's still shooting the ABC sitcom "Roseanne" in Los Angeles. "If clients are back east, it's an automatic opportunity to do Letterman. Out here, it's easier to try to put them on Leno," Kingsley said.

"In the case of Tim Allen, who has done both shows, and of course can do both shows, the location in

New York just becomes a headache," offered Allen's manager, Rick Messina. Allen did "The Tonight Show" last week to promote his ABC sitcom "Home Improvement," TV's top-rated program, for the February ratings sweeps.

"As it is, when Tim does 'The Tonight Show,' he runs over during a lunch break at Disney (in Burbank), does it really quick and then runs back," Messina said. "So the convenience is much better for a West Coast-based artist with a business schedule."

Publicity strategists also look at the different audiences they want to reach. Letterman is hot right now, with a heavy concentration of educated young adults watching. Leno has maintained his broader, older audience.

And Hall, whose ratings are much lower than those of the other two, scores with young urban viewers, especially women.

"What you basically try to do is cover all demographics," said Marleah Leslie, who handles publicity for a stable of comedians.

"The strategy is you want to look at the demographic of the movie, and you want to figure out which talk show is geared toward the audience of that movie."

When Leslie booked Jim Carrey, whose film "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" was the surprise winner at the box office the past two weekends, she believed she could hit a wide enough audience by just scheduling him with Leno and Hall, who tapes his show in Hollywood.

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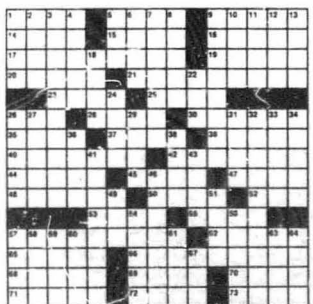
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 9. Angry
 14. Scheme
 15. Capitol feature
 16. Duck in Peter and the Wolf
 17. The ___ of Miles Standish
 19. Hermit
 20. Texas A&M student
 21. Storytellers
 23. Cat
 25. Blessing
 26. Judo
 28. Much better
 30. Invented in Mississippi
 35. Miscellaneous
 37. Secured valley
 39. Fencing swords
 40. Part of the USA
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 2. Sleep like
 3. Tacky
 4. Roosevelt for one
 6. Central courts
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 11. Good-natured
 18. Certain printing proof
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 10. Beer or carrot
 11. Part of A D
 12. Row
 13. At ___ (adjective)
 15. Part of MIT
 22. Fish eggs
 24. Burns
 26. Leno, for one
 27. Court plea
 29. Can prov.
 31. Heric
 32. Used
 33. Former as/ance
 34. Low Grant
 36. Man ___
 38. Designate
 41. Installed
 43. ___ of Flying
 46. Like some trousers
 49. Burnout's title
 51. Ring
 54. ___ da gambo
 56. Loser in Dwight
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 58. Hip bones
 59. Endur's
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Los Angeles Times

HAMAR, Norway—At 1,500 meters, speedskater Bonnie Blair is a sprinter stretching out. It is not her distance but she almost turned it into her sixth Olympic medal Monday.

Supported by the Blair Bunch, her cheering section of friends and relatives, Blair skated her best time at the distance and missed the bronze by only .03 of a second.

"That would have been special, but I can't be disappointed," she said. "It was a real strong race for me.

"The one thing I wanted to do was skate a personal best, because I had been so close all season, and to do it by over a half-second makes me real happy. I hadn't skated a personal best in six years."

Having won the 500 already, Blair is expected to win the 1,000 Wednesday for a fifth gold, breaking a tie with Evelyn Ashford, Janet Evans and Pat McCormick as the U.S.' most victorious female Olympian.

Her coach, Nick Thometz, was asked if the strong effort in the 1,500 might take a toll in the 1,000.

"For her to skate that strongly at 1,500 can only give her more confidence in the 1,000," he said. "She's skated a lot all season and always recovered well. She's very strong, physically and mentally."

Blair agreed.

"The first part of the race came so easily, and I felt so

right technically, I have to feel it can only help me in the 1,000," she said.

"I died on the last lap, but that's a given. That always happens to me (in the 1,500)."

Skating in the second period, Blair did 2:03.44 compared to her previous best of 2:03.92.

She was third, behind Emese Hunyady of Austria and Gunda Niemann of Germany, when Svetlana Fedotkina of Russia, skating in the ninth of 15 twosomes and benefiting from re-surfaced ice, came in at 2:02.69, almost two seconds below her career best, bumping Blair to fourth and Niemann to third.

That was the way it ended, with Hunyady's 2:02.19 providing Austria with its first gold in speedskating.

"I had been so close and so strong in that race all season that I felt if I could skate a career best, I'd have an outside chance at a medal," Blair said. "I also knew with the re-surfacing and the way the pairings were, Fedotkina was the only one who could bump me out.

Blair finished fourth in the 1988 Olympic 1,500 but her 1992 pace was so far off medal contention that Peter Mueller, her coach then, shut her down over the final 400 meters and she finished 21st in the rain at Albertville.

"I think we made the right move," Thometz said of the decision to go hard. "She wanted to skate and she skated outstanding."

U.S. skiers surprise judges

Men take 3 spots in Aerial ski finals by narrow margin

Los Angeles Times

LILLEHAMMER, Norway—Aerial skiing is as American as the Fourth of July so probably it should come as no surprise that all three American men entered made the field of 12 for Thursday's finals in Monday's elimination round.

But surprising it is, because only two of the U.S. skiers, Trace

Worthington — the favorite — and Kris Fedderson, were considered strong bets. Eric Bergoust was given only an outside chance. A chance is a chance, though, and he made the most of his, picking off the last spot in the field by 1.56 points.

The American women were equally surprising, but for a different reason.

Tracy Evans, who had competed in the morning with the B group, qualified eighth. But neither of the leading lights, Nikki Stone and Kristean Porter, made it.

Stone, the leader after the first

jump, botched the landing on her second and fell to 13th, missing the finals by one position.

Porter landed face-first on her second jump, cutting her chin and nose, and finished a distant 20th.

Aerial skiing is making its debut as a medal sport here. The competitive outgrowth of old-time hotdog skiing, it combines elements of gymnastics and diving, the skier launching himself high into the air off a steep, slightly concave snow ramp and performing somersaults, flips and twists while in the air. Judges assess the takeoff, height, distance, execution and landing.

Americans finally come up empty on Alpine slopes to Euro veterans

Los Angeles Times

OSLØY, Norway—No one expected American skiers to win a medal in every event, right? Get the Swiss more steamed than they are?

Why not toss Sweden a bone?

American Alpine excellence made a nice run on the world stage last week, but everyone knows all gold things come to an end.

Skewered after watching the U.S. collect medals in the first four Olympic Alpine events, the Euros stepped up to the gates Monday and announced their presence, sweeping the women's combined.

Sweden's Pernilla Wiberg took the gold at the Hafjell course, defeating Swiss veteran Vreni Schneider by a total of .13 of a second in the two-day event, which combines the times of a downhill and two slalom runs. Alenka Dovzan of Slovenia took the bronze.

Picabo Street, second after Sunday's combined downhill, finished 10th, not a surprise given her lack of slalom experience.

But during the U.S. hot streak, nothing seemed impossible.

After Street's "disappointment," U.S. ski team surgeon Richard Steadman told Paul Major, the Alpine director, "Greed is a very ugly thing."

Europe broke through with a series of firsts: — Wiberg, a 23-year-old pop singer and former mail carrier, earned the first Alpine medal for Sweden before a crowd that included her country's King Carl XVI Gustav and Queen Silvia.

Although she did not face "off-her-head" pressure, Wiberg was relieved.

"I'm happy to have them here," she said. "I like them very much. It's a fine king and queen we have." — Schneider, 29, still gat-crazy after all these years, broke

Switzerland's exasperating cry spell, no Olympic medals dating back 12 events to the Albertville Games. Schneider was a double gold-medal winner, in slalom and giant slalom, at Calgary in 1988, when the Swiss team won 10 Alpine medals. Here, before Monday, you could have cut the Swiss tension with an army knife.

Questioned about a mistake that might have cost her the gold in her first run of slalom, Schneider responded politely, "I did not lose the gold, I won the silver." — Dovzan, who turned 18 on Feb. 11, earned the first Olympic medal for Slovenia since it gained independence from former Yugoslavia in 1991.

Dovzan was not prepared to tackle the political significance of her bronze.

"I think this is a big Olympic medal for Slovenia," she said. "We are a little state, two million, it means a lot."

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NFL plans to scramble signals

Los Angeles Times

On fall Sundays, the ritual repeats itself in bars and restaurants from California to New York.

Fans decked out in the colors of their "hometown" team — Bears, 49ers, Cowboys, et al — huddle in clusters, sipping beer while watching National Football League games that they can't see at home because they don't own a satellite dish.

Come next season, the ritual may undergo a radical transformation, changing the viewing habits of thousands.

On Feb. 11, the NFL announced plans to "scramble" its satellite signals, meaning fans hoping to watch out-of-market games will have to shoulder a new expense. Tavern and restaurant owners — as well as homeowners who own satellite systems — will pay a season subscription fee to have the games "unscrambled."

League officials say the cost of subscriptions will be reasonable, but they are not disclosing prices. However, sources within the NFL said individual dish owners would pay as much as \$150 a year while bars and restaurants would pay several hundred dollars to several thousand, depending on seating capacity.

The news has jarred dozens of businesses, many of which may post a cover charge just to show the

NFL games that attract much of their clientele.

"It's going to hurt the pocketbooks of the guests that come in," said Steven Zeller, general manager of Legends, a Cesta Mesa, Calif., sports bar and restaurant.

"Pretty soon, watching a football game in a place like ours will be like going to a movie. You'll pay an admission price."

"It definitely makes it tough," said Jim Maresca, general manager of Charley Brown's sports restaurant in nearby Anaheim. "We may not be able to show those games any more."

From the NFL's perspective, bar and restaurant owners have obtained the league's copyrighted signals for free and earned profits from greater patronage, according to Tola Murphy-Baran, a former satellite executive with the Showtime movie channel who has been hired by the NFL to make the plan a reality.

Murphy-Baran said subscriptions will actually help business owners because NFL paraphernalia and signage will adorn their establishments, creating a kind of NFL superstore each Sunday.

"Our desire is to drive business into their establishments, not away from them," she said.

The NFL's scrambling policy will have no effect on fans watching games on their network affiliates at home.

Media accommodations typical, less than plush

Los Angeles Times

LILLEHAMMER, Norway—The sign says Vormstuen and it marks the new apartment complex on the outskirts of Lillehammer where many of the 8,000 journalists are staying while covering the Winter Olympics.

New, but hardly plush. In fact, the word utilitarian springs directly to mind.

The building housing the Los Angeles Times troops is typical. There are three bedrooms and two bathrooms downstairs, four bedrooms and two bathrooms up, a small common area on each floor. Decor is stark white—unpainted wallboard — with — in a bow to Beatles fans — accents of Norwegian wood. Each room includes an army-style bunk, a desk with clamp-on lamp, a small bookcase, a chair and a freestanding metal closet.

There is electric heat, with a control knob, praise be, in each room. There also is a framed crayon drawing of the schoolkids of Norway.

The seasoned European traveler soon learns not to expect shower curtains around the tub area. Here, though, they have reversed that concept. There are shower curtains, but no tubs. The shower head is mounted but can be snapped off and hand-held in a corner of the bathroom.

There's no real shower stall, just the curtain and bare floor with a drain covered by a hard-on-the-feet plastic grid. A long-handled squeegee is provided in each bathroom and the bather is expected to tidy up the place after his shower.

Downstairs, the common area is comfortable — short couches facing one another across a coffee table. Upstairs, for some reason, the lone couch faces across the coffee table to a stunning view of the bathroom.

Russians win skiing event, lead Olympic medal count

The Washington Post

LILLEHAMMER, Norway—The days of lavish subsidies, free cars and plush apartments paid by the mighty Soviet sports machine may be over, but Russia's athletes are proving at these Winter Games that adversity can breed success.

Even though funds are so short that the bobsled team had to rent their sleds and the skiers could not afford high altitude training, Russia has managed to sustain tradition as an Olympic powerhouse. More than halfway through the Games, the Russians stand at the top of the medals table with 17, including eight golds.

Lyubov Egorova, a 27-year-old student from St. Petersburg, won her third gold medal of the Games and the sixth of her career Monday by leading Russia's 4x5-kilometer

cross-country ski team to victory over host Norway. Egorova tied an Olympic record for the most golds ever by a female athlete and could equal the record for total career medals when she competes in the 30-kilometer race Thursday.

Valentin Sich, the head of Russia's Sports Federation, believes the country's athletes are racking up a bumper crop of Olympic medals because they are hungrier and more determined than ever before.

"Take a French athlete who is well-dressed and well-fed and put him next to a Russian who is badly dressed and eats nothing but bad food," Sich said. "Then place \$1,000 at the finish line and you can guess who will get there first."

Egorova's remarkable showing has overshadowed other dazzling performances by Russian athletes.

Alexander Urmanov won the men's figure skating competition and upstaged previous gold medalists Viktor Petrenko of Ukraine and American Brian Boitano. In the pairs, Ekaterina Gordeeva and Sergei Grinkov captured gold and justified their reputation as the most majestic couple on ice.

In speed skating, Alexander Golubev displaced U.S. favorite Dan Jansen and picked up gold in the 500-meter race, as did Svetlana Bazhanova in the women's 3,000. And in the biathlon, Sergei Tarasov shot and skied his way to a gold medal in the 20-kilometer event.

But Sich warned that Russia's large medal harvest may turn out to be its last.

Unless more funds from state and private benefactors are soon found, many of the 24 elite sports academies that have churned out several generations of Olympic champions may soon have to close.

"It's a tragedy because the old system is breaking down and there is nothing to replace it," Sich said. "We need funds from the private sector, but we cannot survive without state money. It's not a question of communism versus capitalism, because many Western governments pay subsidies to support sports programs that will bring medals."

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Saluki standout Catherine Pietsch's performance was hampered due to injury but still managed to make it through two tough matches. Pietsch was seeded in the No. 3 slot over the weekend as her record now moves to 0-2 in tennis competition.

The new doubles team of Fofanova and Saitta clicked, as they finished the weekend with a doubles record of 2-1.

Coach Auld said she was quite surprised in the way Fofanova and Saitta played together.

"It was very encouraging to see such a young team perform so well even though they had never played

together in a doubles match," she said.

"They complimented each other very well."

The Salukis have a long road schedule ahead of them, as they travel to Oklahoma State on Friday and head for conference play on Saturday and Sunday against Tulsa and Drake.

Auld said she is happy her team has a chance to improve against some tough teams.

"We are just going to get better and better as the girls play more tennis," she said.

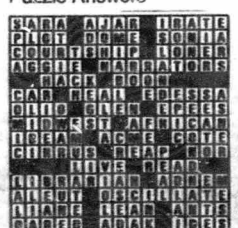
Chris Walker contributed to this article.

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with certain aspects of the '94 schedule and he has specific ideas to improve it in the future.

"Our opener is perfect against Tennessee-Martin because I like to play IAA teams," he said. "Down the road I'd like to play some teams from the Ohio Valley Conference and some of the better Division IAA teams."

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Date	Opponent	Time		
Sept. 3	Tennessee-Martin	1:30 p.m.	H	
Sept. 10	Mississippi	6 p.m.	A	
Sept. 17	Arkansas State	7 p.m.	A	
Oct. 1	Western Illinois	1:30 p.m.	H	
Oct. 8	Indiana State	1:30 p.m.	H	
Oct. 15	Southeast Missouri State	1:30 p.m.	H	
Oct. 22	Western Kentucky	1:30 p.m.	A	
Oct. 29	Illinois State	1:30 p.m.	A	
Nov. 5	Southwest Missouri State	1:30 p.m.	A	
Nov. 12	Northern Iowa	1:30 p.m.	H	
Nov. 19	Eastern Illinois	1:30 p.m.	A	

A — denotes away games H — denotes home game

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Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

Fans given peek at football schedule

By Grant Deady
Sports Reporter

Baseball's spring training may be in full swing, but football enthusiasts can already take a peek at the upcoming SIUC schedule.

SIUC's 1994 gridiron schedule has been released and first year head coach Shawn Watson said he is excited about what it has to offer.

"There's some teams I have some familiarity with and some I don't," he said. "But we're in one of the best Division IAA conferences in the country, so our schedule will always be strong."

The Salukis open at home against Tennessee-Martin on Sept. 3, which is SIUC Hall of Fame Day at McAndrew stadium. UTM

Coach excited about season's opportunities

boasts some good individual talent and is one of the up and coming IAA teams in the Midwest.

Game two for Watson and his troops will provide a great opportunity to show off the future of Saluki football when SIUC travels to Oxford, Mississippi for a showdown with Ole' Miss. The Rebels are a Southeastern Conference powerhouse and the non-conference highlight of the schedule.

"It will be a good test for us since we're a new program, a new team and a new era," Watson said. "Ole miss is a very good program and my philosophy is we have to play one or two games like this a year."

After the game at Mississippi, SIUC will remain on the road for another non-conference match-up with Arkansas State. ASU has defeated the Salukis three-straight times and is no longer the doormat of Division I football.

SIUC will spend the last weekend in September idle before opening up a three game homestand beginning on Oct. 1 with Western Illinois. The first two contests will be against Gateway Conference rivals, with the WIU game also serving as Family Weekend's main event for Saluki students.

The Great Saluki Tailgate returns to the McAndrew parking lots on Oct. 8, as the Salukis

entertain Indiana State and an improving Sycamore squad.

Southeast Missouri State invades Carbondale on Oct. 15 and the fun will continue for Saluki fans, as the weekend also marks Homecoming festivities.

It's back to the road for SIUC on Oct. 22, when Watson leads his team on a crucial three game road trip that includes two Gateway Conference games.

Western Kentucky will help get the stretch underway after pouncing the Salukis in Carbondale last season.

After WKU, SIUC heads to Normal for a game with the Illinois State Redbirds on Oct. 29, and then to Southwest Missouri

State on Nov. 5, to battle the Bears.

Watson said the consecutive road games will be a main factor in determining the success of this year's team.

"That's tough (three straight away games) and scheduling is the key to a program," he said. "Who you play and when you play them is very important, but wins and losses is the whole thing."

National Division I-AA powerhouse Northern Iowa will help welcome the Salukis back to Carbondale on Nov. 12, before the season finale for SIUC in Charleston against Eastern Illinois on Nov. 19.

Watson said he is very pleased

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Tourney brings encouragement to Saluki tennis

By James J. Fares
Sports Reporter

It was an encouraging weekend for the SIUC women's tennis team. They participated in the first tennis meet of their spring season in the Eastern Kentucky Individual Invitational Tournament.

This non-team scoring meet had some tough schools participating with the likes of Louisville, Tennessee Tech, Austin Peay, University of Toledo, Murray State, West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky.

Head coach Judy Auld said Louisville and West Virginia gave her team most of the trouble this weekend.

"We will compete against Louisville again in early March," she said. "If we stay healthy it will be a good meet, they are a tough school."

Auld was also very pleased with the way her team performed for the first tournament of the spring season.

"I was very pleased in the way our team played," she said. "Being so young we have a lot of time to work for improvement."

Senior Irena Feofanova performed well in the No. 1 singles seed as she made it to the championship round before falling to Mary Nelson of Louisville 6-3, 7-6, 7-5.

"I was pretty happy I took second place in the No. 1 draw," Feofanova said. "I was feeling kind of sick, but I don't think it effected my performance. I was pleased in the way I hit the ball."

Another outstanding performance was by freshman Liz Gardner. SIUC's first southpaw in some time, as she also made it to the championship round of the No. 2 singles bracket. Gardner performed well in the match against Louisville's Beth Foote, but Gardner still fell 6-4, 6-0.

Other standouts for the Saluki women were No. 5 and No. 6 seeds Melissa Saitta and Jenny Rubin.

Saitta finished the day winning the consolation match 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 against a tough opponent in Louisville's Karen Mojeski. Saitta finished the weekend with a record of 2-1.

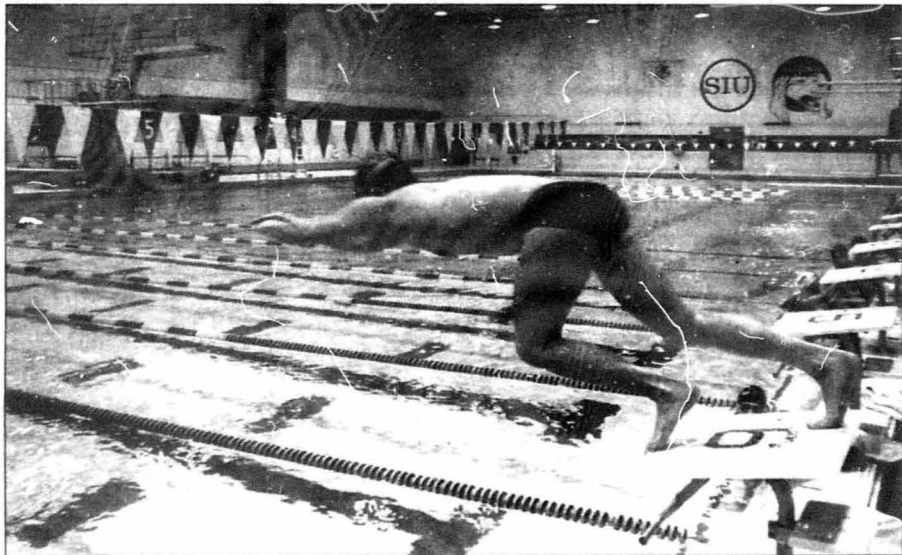
Rubin also won the consolation match in her bracket as she just overpowered Heather Nave from Tennessee Tech with scores of 6-0, 6-0.

Rubin finished the meet with a final record of 2-1 also.

Coach Auld was pleased in the way Rubin has made progress to becoming a more complete player since the fall season.

"She played exceptionally well," Auld added. "And has improved tremendously since the fall season."

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Staff Photo by J. Bebar

Gaining by leaps, bounds

Senior Kevin Rosepapa, from Bellaire Ohio, prepares for the Salukis final meet by practicing his off the block start in the Student Recreation Center pool. The team will wrap up the season with the conference championship.

Teams show skills in track, field meet

Men grab 4 first finishes to make proud showing at 4th Saluki-USA Open

By James J. Fares
Sports Reporter

The SIUC men's and women's track and field teams strutted their stuff this past weekend at the Saluki/USA Track and Field Open.

There were over 450 participating athletes in the Saluki/USA Track & Field Open, which was hosted by SIUC for the fourth straight year.

The Saluki men had an impressive showing as they finished the meet with four first-place finishes.

The meet was brimming with area SIUC stars, as the cream of the crop came together to compete.

Local star Brian Miller topped all scores with a toss of 59-1 in the shot put. The National Collegiate Athletic Association provisional qualifying throw now ranks him No. 9 nationally and at the top of the MVC.

Marion, Ill., star Kyle Parton showed he could rise to the occasion by stepping up to place a personal-best jump of 15-8 in the pole vault. That was good enough to let him finish the meet with an overall placing of 8th.

Ziegler-Royalton standout Clint Connor finished 3rd in the 55 meter high hurdles, and Cameron Wright won the high jump with a leap of 6-9.

Other Saluki men who fared well included Neil Emberton, who finished second in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:53.15, which ranks in the top 10 on SIUC's all-time best list.

Dan Mallon won the mile and set a personal-best with a time of 4:13.38 and Ken Norkus won the 35-lb. weight throw with a toss of 53-7/4.

For the SIUC women, freshman sensation Lesley Batson came through again for the Salukis as she broke another SIUC record. Batson set a new school record in the 55 meter dash when she broke her own record of 7.04, which was set last week at the Saluki Invitational, with a time of 7.03.

SIUC had three first-place finishes. Senior Rhonda Brown won the high jump (5-6), and the distance medley relay team of Deborah Deahler, Mary Amy Hornik, Jennifer

Kostelny and Elissa Pierce took first-place with a No. 5 all-time clocking of 12:35.53.

Junior standout Jennie Horner won the mile and also clocked a No. 5 all-time mark (5:01.33).

"I think we are all feeling pretty good about ourselves going into the MVC Championships."

—Don DeNoon

SIUC head coach Don DeNoon said he was very happy with the way Horner performed.

"She is one kid that has worked very hard over the years to get to where she is today," DeNoon said. "I was very pleased with her performance."

The Saluki women showed that they will be ready for the MVC Championships by placing in the top three 16 times.

DeNoon said the number of top three finishes show his team is ready.

"I think we are all feeling pretty good about ourselves going into the MVC Championships," DeNoon said.