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Tuition hike proposal raised

By Mike Anton
Staff Writer

A projected budget deficit of $5.3 million expected next year will force a 5 percent increase of 12 percent at SIU, 2 percent more than the 10 percent increase already proposed. Chancellor Kenneth Shaw said Thursday.

Shaw, in a report to the Board of Trustees, said he would ask for the full 12 percent raise when the board meets in March. He also expressed a need to give the priority to the proposed 9 percent salary increase for faculty and staff in July along with a 2 percent catch-up plan in January.

Gov. James R. Thompson's recommendation of a less 6 percent increase still make "a serious amount of belt tightening necessary" if the Illinois General Assembly reduces SIU's $13 million fiscal 1983 budget to the $126 million recommended by Thompson.

"I do not wish to leave the impression that a 12 percent tuition increase will solve all our problems," Shaw said.

"The system as a whole still must economize in order to make up the difference between the original IBHE recommendation and the governor's level.

Shaw said that savings would be made by cutting nearly all of the $1.1 million budget for new and expanded program support, by cutting utility costs by 5 percent and by cutting general price increases by $1.5 million next year.

In addition, he said that since the IBHE has recommended an additional 1 percent drop in the salary base to 80 percent when figuring faculty toeholds, SIU will need to "revenue" about $1.5 million in salaries.

Shaw said that cutbacks wouldn't mean layoffs, but that SIU might consider not filling positions as a way of "recovering money." He said See RAISE page 20

Somit's athletics plans get positive reaction from officials

By Randy Rogalski
Staff Writer

University officials are reacting positively to President Albert Somit's recently-revealed recommendations for intercollegiate athletics.

Administrators contacted Tuesday showed consistent support for a sustaining the current SIU athletics program by more than for and allowing students to vote in March. The, platform next fall to express their feelings on the future of the fee.

Support also was expressed for a recommendation that women's athletics receive only 46 percent of the total athletics fee collected. Instead of the originally planned 50 percent.

Somit unveiled those and other plans Wednesday night before graduate and underaduot student government groups. He will also detail his plans next month to the Board of Trustees, which has the final say on whether to continue the current fee level.

John King, chairman of the board, said the athletics commission which reported to the board last month, said he was "very pleased" with Somit's plans. Nearly all the plans are in line with recommendations made by the commission.

Jerry Lacey, associate vice president for university relations, has been intimately involved in the formation of Somit's plans and has consistently maintained that the current fee must continue.

"Today's students if they want their fees increased must ask me if I want my taxes increased," Lacey said. "If students are given as adequate choice, and if the wording of the referential adequately expresses the situation, then I think there's a good chance that it will pass.

Men's Athletics Director Gale B. Sayers said he will support the president on the student referendum, although he said he disagreed with the idea.

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Agent Orange

Defoliant's effects still unknown

The controversy over the effects of Agent Orange has the Veterans Administration caught between the crossfire of Vietnam veterans and the federal government.

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Professor says defoliant is safe

An SIU-C professor in soil and science, who worked on Agent Orange projects for Dow Chemical Co. during the Vietnam war, says the defoliant is safe for most people.

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Vet blames chemical for illness

A veteran living in Carbondale, who claims his illnesses are the result of exposure to Agent Orange, says he watched planes dump Agent Orange over his platoon while he was involved in a special military operation in South Vietnam.

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Legal action taken against AO

Two of the most complicated and potentially expensive lawsuits in American legal history have been filed on behalf of veterans who are trying to win compensation for what they claim are Agent Orange-related disabilities.

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Alleged victims offered counsel

Veterans groups designed to aid alleged victims of Agent Orange and their families are united in their effort to provide legal, medical and psychological counseling.

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WALKIN' THE PLANK- Colleva Blaeser, replacement in social studies education, enjoys a dip in Campus Lake Thursday. Despite a chance of rain, Colleva may be swimming Friday, as a 70 degree forecast is in forecast. Saturday should be partly cloudy with a high in the 60s.

Staff photo by John Cary

Board attorney wins motion

Open meetings suit dropped

By Randy Rogalski
Staff Writer

The open meetings lawsuit against the Board of Trustees was finally dismissed Thursday. 20 months after it was filed.

The suit was dismissed from Jackson County Circuit Court on a motion filed Jan. 9 by the board's attorney, John C. Feirich. The case was dismissed when Madison County State's Attorney Don Weber failed to appear Thursday at the hearing on Feirich's motion.

Disposal of the suit has been expected since last month when Weber said he intended to drop the case.

The suit alleged that the board violated the Illinois Open Meetings Act when it met on January 22 and 23, 1979, to discuss a institution of a chancellors system of governance at SIU. According to the suit, the board made its decision to move to a chancellor system in closed sessions on those days and announced the decision at a five-minute open meeting the following day.

Weber said Thursday that he decided to drop the case because he didn't think the court would grant the writ of mandamus sought in the suit. The suit asked the court to order the board to record executive sessions in the future and to make the tapes subject to review by the Madison County state's attorney.

"The writ sought here is not used very often," Weber said. "It would require a showing of very compelling cause. I feel that because of the situation, the writ would not be granted."

The suit also charged that the changes in a chancellor system had been discussed in phone calls between board members, a situation which the suit said violated the Open Meetings Act.

In a letter to Vonder on Jan. 30, Assistant State's Attorney Marshall Smith advised, "It would be very difficult to pick what county prosecution should take place. And, if a county was selected, would the prosecutor there prosecute?"
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Civil service employees question step plan salary proposal

By Mike Anton
Staff Writer

A referendum scheduled to end Friday on a proposed civil service pay step plan was criticized by some employees at hearings Thursday as being unfair and a "kick in the teeth" to workers with seniority.

President Albert Somit, who approved the proposal Feb. 13, asked that the referendum be completed before March 1.

The proposal, requested by Chancellors Barry Spears and Jerry Gaston, seeks to revise the civil service pay plan. If approved, a worker's pay would increase six times every 18 months through step seven.

Employees questioned the step plan, saying it was unfair as it would not place more emphasis on seniority.

Academic VP applicants considered

By Randy Rogaski
Staff Writer

A field of at least 74 candidates, including two from SIU-C, will be considered by the position of vice president for Academic Affairs and Human Resources, according to Jerry Gaston, chair of the search committee which is considering candidates.

Nominations for three other campus positions were received Thursday, and those candidates will be interviewed by the Academic Affairs and Human Resources committee members. The committee will make a final decision Wednesday.

Somit chooses job study committee

By Liz Griffin
Staff Writer

Civil service and academic employees were chosen to be members of the SIU-C job study committee Monday by President Albert Somit. The committee will evaluate 75 benchmarks among the administrative and professional positions at SIU-C under the direction of the Chicago-based Hay Associates, a management consultant firm.

The committee will provide equal pay for equal work at all administrative and professional staff on the Springfield campus.

Carbondale to receive first year HUD grants

By Tony Gordon
Staff Writer

Carbondale appears to have at least one more significant federal grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to become a thing of the past.

Donald Monty, assistant city manager for community development, said Thursday at a news conference that HUD officials had informed him the first year allocation of the city's pre-application for a three-year, $3 million Community Development Block Grant had been approved.

The approval means that "the first year's $1 million is safe, and the second and third year money is subject to our performance with the first year money and future appropriations at the federal level," Monty said.

The city completed the pre-application process late last year. And now the city will have 90 days to review the final application, Monty said, and the money could be available to the city sometime in August.

Although he said he was "reasonably comfortable" with the assumption the funds would be approved in the final application, Monty declined to say he was "100 percent sure" that the funding would go through at the $1 million level.

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SIU-C employee files lawsuit

By Scott Cason
Staff Writer

A sex discrimination lawsuit was filed against the Board of Trustees Thursday by a female SIU University employee who claims she was denied employment benefits that were granted to a male colleague.

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Daniel Young's job with the Illinois Fair Employment Practice Act Commission will end March 15, 1981.

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Carbondale and Springfield campuses of SIU

Gene Buck, chairman of the Instraining and Professional Council Committee Monday, said the committee has been studying the recommendations of the chancellor's officer, J. Fred Block, and will present its findings to the chancellor.

Buck said the SIU-C campus would be divided into the University's salary scale for range employees into seven pay step plan in the state, which has resulted in a raise in three ways:

- Employees in steps one through six would receive "satisfactory performance increases" of 3 percent, or one step, each year on the anniversary of their hiring.

- Employees in step seven through nine would receive "merit increases" of 3 percent every 18 months after being recommended by their department head or director.

- Employees in step seven through nine would receive payments on the anniversary of their hiring that would be eligible for "satisfactory performance increases," but would be up for consideration the next year.

Employees criticized the fact that workers in step seven would not be eligible for the "satisfactory performance increases" because they were not in step seven.

SIU-C approved the step plan on March 3, 1981.

The entire pay plan would also be subject to "market movement" with salaries pegged to increased state appropriations.

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Agent Orange problem needs prompt answers

AMERICA TURNED ITS BACK 10 years ago on its soldiers returning from Vietnam. The young men who risked their lives to fight for the intangible called democracy were a dark reminder of the moral degradation our country was committing in Indochina. Rather than concede these men, many people tried to forget them. Rather than help, many hid from them.

But America can’t hide anymore. The war ended years ago but many of the ex-soldiers are still fighting a battle. A battle to find out if the defoliant Agent Orange is corroding their bodies and minds.

DURING THE HEIGHT OF the war period during the latter part of the ’60s, 10 million gallons of Agent Orange was sprayed over Vietnam jungles and rice fields. Soldiers and children from both sides were exposed to the toxic chemicals that would turn green, fertile jungles into brown, barren deserts. Some of the ex-soldiers say Agent Orange ruined their lives (and they believed) they were safe from contamination.

And though many returned home convinced of symptoms common to most veterans exposed to Agent Orange, they really believed that there was no proof that this herbicide is unsafe to humans.

When the Environmental Protection Agency banned the spraying of forests with 3,4,5-T (a primary chemical in Agent Orange) in 1970, the correlation between the increase of the number of women who had miscarriages in Alaska and the number of forested acres treated with Agent Orange, the military held firm to their belief that Agent Orange is safe to humans.

And a VA researcher disclosed that out of 20 Vietnam veterans he performed a tissue biopsy test upon half were found to have had 50 parts per trillion of dioxin (a deadly poison produced by Agent Orange). The VA and the military didn’t change their positions on the issue. The only proof that a definitive ‘Agent Orange syndrome’ exists in our Vietnam veterans. What little we know about Agent Orange is quickly...and the symptoms disappear after the initial exposure.” — Max Cledan, Veterans Administration chief, said last year.

THE VA IS STUCK in a difficult situation. As an employee of the former Delta Variant Vietnam veteran, he could stand to lose millions of dollars if Agent Orange is proven to be harmful to humans. Because of this, many believe the VA isn’t responding quickly enough to investigate and find the truth behind the Agent Orange problem. While in afice, Jimmy Carter directed six agencies to study dioxin health effects but the results are not scheduled to be released for at least six years.

But have to this date, the VA has never been able to correlate more miscarriages, more deformed babies and more mental and physical anguish with Agent Orange.

And even if the results show that Agent Orange contributed to the problems the vets and their families have encountered, the VA is not quick to do anything about it. Compromise will not replace lives or change deformities, but it will show to these vets that somebody cares.

Branches of the military faced a decline in morale and enrollment after war. For years they have been trying to bolster their image. But how can they expect favorable reactions when they don’t take care of their personnel?

A representative of Veterans of Vietnam wrote answers to the Agent Orange problem. But if it is too difficult for them to admit to a deadly mistake, they owe it to themselves to better their image.

Violent reform not the answer

I now have a better comprehension of some reasons leading to the unwarranted massacre of Communist Workers Party demonstrators by the rulers of Nicaragua in July of last year. The group was picketing the city hall in Managua. The demonstrators were demanding the release of the prisoners. When they were not released, a violent confrontation ensued. At least 24 people were killed and over 50 were wounded.

It looks as if the Communist Party has lost all hope in the normal electoral processes which the majority of us greatly cherish; this is unfortunate. Political rights and decisions ultimately reside in the people and these are exercised to ensure societal tranquility and continuity. No group of persons, therefore, has the right to force its ideologies on others through force or anarchy. This is a fact that the CWP members should learn as is demonstrated by their Western European counterparts.

Even though the present systems and institutions are not perfect enough to meet everybody’s aspirations, reforms, nevertheless, can always be peacefully effected rather than through unnecessary violent conflicts and the resultant social disorderization. I have a strong belief that the doctor should be grateful for all the freedom he enjoys in a country despite some imperative constraints. It is very doubtful that he could go about communist universities preaching against Marxism-Leninism without the society anchoring him in the labor camp. At least this is a major difference between the bourgeoisie and the communist. —Deda Diewa, Liberal Arts Professor

Letter from a fanatic

Monday night, Feb. 23, in the fourth floor Video Lounge of the Student Center, Dr. Paul Bermanzobn presented a videotape of the Klu Klux Klan-Nazi alliance on Communist Workers Party members in Greensboro, N.C., on Nov. 2, 1979, in which he was seriously injured.

Bermanzobn said that the media portrayal of the event in which five of his fellow CWP members were killed and which they said was allegedly made up to be a clash between two extremist groups, "was a total distortion!"

"It makes me wonder: exactly what is Bermanzobn’s definition of extremism, if he considers the clash between his group—dedicated to the overthrow of the U.S. government by proletarian revolution, and that of the Klan—dedicated to white supremacy by any means including race war—not that of two extremist groups.

If what Mr. Bermanzobn reported by the American press, even while weighing the views of the CWP and the CWP associates, then we have no other alternative than to find that what Bermanzobn presents to us is nothing. Dr. Or, I should say, nothing more except for some ridiculous charges that are not backed with solid evidence.

These charges are: that the FBI conspired with the KKK and Nazi Party to kill the five prominent members of the CWP, that the U.S. government is forming right wing death squads modeled on those now employed in El Salvador and Guatemala, that the local police purposely withheld protection from the CWP anti-Klan demonstration, and that the killings were deliberate and not in self-defense as the jury verdict said.

The last two charges have merit. Municipal police forces have in the past hindered the exercise of free speech and assembly, Chicago was a glaring example of such hindering due to the efforts of the Democratic Convention. But the last charge is more surprising, even of all, the tape clearly showed a slaughter of unarmed citizens exercising their first amendment rights by right-wing extremists supposedly in the act of defending themselves. The trail of these murderers, who got off scot free, was exposed and the mass media gave the legitimate media portraying it.

However, to make accusations about federal government complicity in an affair which so obviously, in my opinion, was so much more than local, demonstrates Dr. Bermanzobn’s fanatical tendencies to color the truth as he sees fit so as to win followers. He will even make martyrs of the dead, and why should we feel justice from the dead? That could only prove that the system he despises so much works, even though it takes time. I am afraid that Bermanzobn will brag and brag and brag his rhetoric about the poor and the underdog to the point of going beyond his cause in the process. Well, I feel the humanistic life is worth much more valuable than some ridiculously unattainable cause—Joe Walter, Journalist

Would we be better off if we had an ex-cabinet minister, a former leading Soviet scientist, a gravedigger, etc. —by Garry Trudeau

Quotable quote

When the chemical companies sent Agent Orange to Vietnam they knew that it was contaminated, absolutely. They should be punished for that—Victor Yamashita, Veterans’ attorney, Newswor. 1980.

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THE VETERANS administration is caught in a dilemma. While its aim for the past 50 years has been to serve those who served their country, the VA is now looked upon by some people, civilians and veterans alike, as a villain.

Some see the VA as just another agency that washes out the government, an organization that isn't telling all it knows out of self-interest and that would like to forget about Agent Orange.

The official policy of the VA concerning Agent Orange is that, based on evidence in VA files, there is no reason to believe exposure to the herbicide in Vietnam has any long-term detrimental effects, with the possible exception of skin conditions known as chloracne.

S. M. Appleman, senior press officer at the VA central office in Washington D.C., explained the implications of this policy for veterans.

"Sure we're caught in a dilemma," Appleman said. "But because we know something else, that is, because no one has proved that there is a connection between Agent Orange and any long-term symptoms.

"OF COURSE WE'D LIKE to help the vets," Appleman said. "The VA is made up of 319,000 people, and all of the people in policy making positions are veterans. Any one of us would rather say yes than no, but the proof just isn't there.

"More than 30,000 Vietnam veterans have been in connection with exposure to Agent Orange and 3,500 have filed claims against the VA for their exposure. Appleman said.

Of those who filed claims, only 23 were awarded VA compensation.

"Now this doesn't mean that only 23 were treated for any existing symptoms," Appleman said. "The VA has no policy in regard to Agent Orange that differs from any of the rest." Appleman said. First, he must be able to prove that the veteran has a disability, and second, he must prove a "reasonable basis" for relating the disability to his time in service.

MICHAEL LANE, assistant chief of medical administration at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Marion, explained the implications of this policy for veterans.

"What this means is that vets can receive treatment without proving that their symptoms are Agent Orange-related," he said. "If they have a medical condition and they can prove it occurred while they were in the service, they can have the disease treated.

"It is not the VA's policy that said if the symptoms developed while the veteran was in service, but the condition was not documented on his medical file. The VA has not used that as a reason to turn people away. The VA is not treating veterans in the service, and the VA usually has a disability only for related, he said. Appleman said. 

"If a veteran prior to his military service was treated for asthma, and VA is also receiving educational projects for them. One such project is a 10-minute videotape made by the VA entitled "Agent Orange: A Search for Answers."

The videotape gives a brief history of Agent Orange, which is similar to herbicides used in agriculture and forestry. About 30,000 Vietnam veterans have been exposed to it and about 30,000 veterans are affected by health effects from human exposure to Agent Orange.

"AND SO THE LEGACY of Vietnam veterans may still be with us," Lane said. "Not in the tape continuous, "No longer in the body, but in our society counts or nightly footage of combat action, but in the legal and political arena and the scientific and public controversy.

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Veteran’s claim denied in Agent Orange case

By Dan Starn
Staff Writer

Dannie Louis Williams fought in Vietnam from 1966 to 1967. Wounded in action and honorably discharged, he returned to civilian life in August 1968, and has been fighting ever since to have the Veterans Administration acknowledge that he claims Agent Orange has caused his health problems.

"I’ve been fighting them till I die," Williams, 35, said in a recent interview. In 1964, when he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, Williams was 18 and in poor health, according to his physical examination.

Since his exposure to Agent Orange in the jungles of Vietnam in the late 1960s, he has suffered from "swelling and stiffness in right and left knee, numbness, kidney problems, sexual inadequacy, blurry vision, kidney condition, sexual inadequacy and active ulcers, according to his military medical records.

For the past 12 years, the VA has contended that only his skin condition is "service related." Williams, a Carbondale resident and former SIU-C student, was exposed to Agent Orange in 1966 near Phu Bai, and in 1967 near Chu Lai, South Vietnam.

The herbicide spraying, he said, came while he was in Vietnam's 1st Marine Division, in Operation Golden Fleece, near the DMZ (the demilitarized zone on the northern border of South Vietnam).

"We’d be in the bush and the planes would come over and spray right down on us," Williams told us not to worry, that the stuff wasn’t harmful to humans," Williams said. "After I got back, the VA told me I was crazy when I said I saw the planes flying over and spray it down on us. They told me my outfit (1st Recon) started coming down with these lesions.

He pointed to his arms, which are still covered with brown patches—a condition called chloracne.

Williams, who is a correctional officer at the Marion Federal Penitentiary, said he has been afflicted with chloracne since 1967. Ninety percent of his body is affected, and the open wounds and old sores are evident.

"Chloracne is the only Agent Orange disability that the VA has allowed benefits for. Williams, and other veterans afflicted with the skin condition, are allowed a 10 percent disability—$4 per month.

"My skin was totally clean before I went to Nam," he said. "Then it started. I thought they would get better after I got out of the jungle, but it’s gotten progressively worse. My fingers and toes are getting more and more numb. I can’t even make a fist anymore.

"The wounds in my hands are gone. Most of my fingers are gone. I can’t even make a fist anymore." Williams said.

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Focus

Vet feels hostage crisis over; Agent Orange still overlooked

Editor's note: This is a letter Denise Williams recently wrote to the Daily Egyptian.

Not long ago, I was sitting in my living room watching a TV show on the topic of Agent Orange, which I was shown in Vietnam. I served in the United States Marine Corps for four years with an honorable discharge.

In the middle of the program, it was interrupted to show the hostages returning home. Now on one hand, here is a program showing the end results of a cancer-causing agent on God knows how many people. The program goes on to tell that it may take more than five years to find out if it is harmful to humans—and I think about when I returned from Vietnam, being viewed by many people as an outlaw for going—and then I watch these 52 people return home from Iran as heroes.

God knows I am as patriotic as the next fellow, but let's really examine this situation. I feel that I was a hostage in Vietnam, because I could not go home when I wanted to and was denied the right to return if I hadn't gone when ordered to. The still living were designated—killed—and there is a difference. If the government spent more money in research finding a cure for Agent Orange as they did on resolving the hostage situation, there would be many, many more people in the United States. The hostage situation has now ended, though, I don't think there is a cure of Agent Orange that thousands of veterans are showing up with after it.

I am as happy as the next person to see the hostages come home, however, they are not. Over the last few years, the people who will be taken care of, whereas those of us who went to Vietnam are still alive. And we are still trying to fight just to stay alive. Although I wish I could sit here and think about it. When I came home from Vietnam, I came back "medic", which means wounded in action, and the guy in the next litter was returning home with one arm and leg. There were six bands playing and no one waving the American flag. Just people calling us murderers and boozing at us. I have the symptoms of exposure to Agent Orange over 90 percent of my body and my children are affected by it, too. But it's going to take the government years to find out if this agent has any effect on humans. And I just sit down in my living room and try to kill me because the hostages came home. The thought I have may not be true, but it's food for thought. By this I mean the program interruption implied to me that I was a member of the doomed. But let's take a break and get back to the living.
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concerns of Vietnamese veterans who fear possible ill health as a result of Agent Orange exposure. The videotape tells what servicemen were most likely to come in contact with Agent Orange, what types of exposure were common, what research has been done and is being done.

"At this time the data that are available do not warrant any kind of panic reactions or treatment," the narrator states. "At the present time there is no good scientific evidence linking birth defects in children of Vietnam veterans with herbicide exposure."

The research done by VA and others is also a source of controversy. An Air Force study shows that the herbicide is facing heavy resistance from those who think military studies will provide results the military wants. Appleman said the VA, by congressional order, is opening bids to independent scientific organizations for an in-depth study of the effects of exposure. A similar study was delayed eight months by a Washington, D.C., veterans group that protested the objectivity of the organization awarded the bid, Appleman said.

HE SAID THE VA is also in the process of compiling all the existing data on herbicide exposure to be studied in conjunction with any new findings. Almost all the existing data found so far shows "no long-term effects" from exposure, he said.

Appleman said he expects the collection of existing literature to be completed sometime this summer, but does not expect the in-depth study to be finished until at least a year from now.

Lan said the most important thing is that veterans concerned about possible herbicide exposure go to VA hospital or outpatient center and have a checkup. He said any veteran who thinks he was exposed can sign up on a national registry of all veterans expressing concern about Agent Orange. The registry will help the VA get out any new information found about Agent Orange to those veterans who are most concerned, he said. "I don't know where this whole thing is going to lead," said Lane. "Agent Orange has been around for a long time, though I'm not sure that's necessarily good. Sometimes I think as a society we mess around with things a long time before we realize their total impact upon us."

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"The latest information I have seen indicates that the funds will not change for this year, but the award document is a contract with HUD which we will not see until July or August. Before that, everything is subject to appropriations, and it is within the realm of possibility that the funds could be cut," Mason said.

The CDBG funds are used by the city to support development programs aimed at the low and moderate-income sector of the population. Mason said this year's $1 million is planned to support health and child care programs at the Erma C. Hayes center, housing rehabilitation grants, code enforcement, demolition of substandard structures and the beginning of the reconstruction of East Chestnut reaction. The second and third year funds were figured into the five-year budget, but no further CDBG funds have been projected by the city staff. "Among the other indicators, we probably stick out like a sore thumb in that area so far, it hasn't jeopardized our grant," Mason said.
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Vet's cancer death spurs huge AO suit

By David Murphy
Staff Writer

Paul Reuterahan, a Vietnam veteran from Stamford, Conn., died of cancer three years ago when he was 35 years old. He believed the cancer that led to his death was caused by exposure to the defoliant Agent Orange during his tour of duty in Vietnam.

In the time since Reuterahan's death, a lawsuit filed on his behalf has evolved into one of the most complicated and potentially expensive class action suits in American legal history.

"The suit now involves 19 chemical companies as defendants, with over 5,000 veterans suing for damages," said Steve Platt, a Chicago attorney who has represented over 300 Midwestern vets in the suit. "We're seeking for $40 billion, which makes it the greatest net worth of all the companies combined."

In addition to the class action against the companies, a number of individual veterans have filed suits against the companies, claiming that the VA falsified medical records of possible Agent Orange victims and failed to give them proper medical testing.

The case began in January of 1976 when Victor Vannacoone, a Long Island attorney, filed suit for damages on behalf of the deceased Reuterahan and his living relatives. Named in the suit were five chemical companies which were involved in the production of Agent Orange.

The suit was filed against the Dow Chemical Co., Hercules Inc., Diamond Shamrock Corp., Monsanto Co., and Thomsen-Rayward Chemical Co., as defendants. Today, a total of 19 companies who were involved in the manufacture and sale of Agent Orange are involved in the suit, according to Platt.

The suit, which is being presided over by U.S. District Court Judge George Pratt, in Westbury, N.Y., became a class action in December 1980. At that time, Pratt granted a motion by Vannacoone that other veterans filing suit against Agent Orange be consolidated.

The plaintiffs seek the establishment of a trust fund to be created by the companies and administered by local courts to compensate veterans for injuries they claim are caused by Agent Orange. Some of the hazards that have been attributed to Agent Orange are cancer, nervous and skin disorders, and birth defects.

The companies have responded to the charges against them by contending that they are immune from damage claims because they produced the chemical during wartime under contract from the federal government. Federal statutes prohibit veterans from suing for damages incurred during wartime.

Judge Pratt has ruled that the question of whether the companies are immune from damage charges should be decided by a jury trial.

"A trial date has been set for sometime in May or June," Pratt said. "Everything has been consolidated in one federal courtroom for the purpose of proving the fault of the companies.

If Vannacoone and the other..."
to control the seizures," he said. "We feel that the kid's problems are a direct effect of my exposure to Agent Orange, but how the hell can we prove it? All we get from the VA is a response. That's why vets are so upset about this. The VA of all groups, should be helping us, but all we get from them is evasion and indifference. It's absolutely scandalous. I'll probably be dead before I hear from the VA about my benefits!"

Inadequate to oil," 'Bad

Williams' three children also suffer from extensive skin problems. In addition, his 7-year-old child has suffered from respiratory problems and his 3-year-old child is afflicted with seizures. "She'll probably spend the rest of her life on phenobarbital

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never given me pills, never taken any x-rays, never done a biopsy on me, never even taken a blood test since Nam." In November of 1980, he received a letter from the VA that stated, "The burden of proving your claim rests with you. You must secure and submit the required evidence." Williams said, "They've got all my records, but they're not showing me now that it's up to me to prove that I was exposed and that Agent Orange caused my injuries. I thought they were supposed to be on my side."

On Dec. 12, 1980, he submitted to the third VA Agent Orange related examination at the VA Medical Center in Marion. This exam, he said, was totally inadequate. "It consisted of a doctor saying 'how's it going?' I said 'bad and getting worse' and he said 'OKay, that's all we need.' I never even took my clothes off," Williams said.

Williams was again denied benefits. Having had the basis of this exam. Seeking further medical care, he went to St. Louis University Hospital for a complete examination. The results of this exam confirmed the extent of his difficulties, but

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Despite scientific research, defoliant's effects still debated

By Dan Starr
Staff Writer

In 1961, the United States military began a methodic program of defoliation and crop destruction in Vietnam which lasted nearly a decade. The main weapon for this in the U.S. arsenal was Agent Orange. Treated with 2,4,5-T for 26 years after the program began, the effects of Agent Orange remain being debated. Despite much scientific research, the belief that Agent Orange is capable of causing birth defects in humans the Vietnam Administration has refused to allow the full range of disability benefits to veterans who say they were damaged by exposure to it.

There is no debate, however, over the destruction of crops and plants. It destroyed them—in quantities unsurpassed in history. According to the Department of Defense, between 1961 and 1970 nearly 3 million acres of South Vietnamese crops were successfully defoliated by the United States and nearly 500,000 acres of crops were destroyed during Operation Ranch Hand (officially titled Operation Hades). Over 19 million gallons of Agent Orange were sprayed over Vietnam in this operation. Agent Orange is officially classified by the U.S. Army as an anti-plant agent—a chemical compound which destroys vegetation. It is a mixture of n-butyl-2,4, dichlorophenoxyacetic acid and n-buty1-2,4,5 -trichlorophenoxyacetic acid or 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T. These two chemicals were considered to be developed during World War II at the U.S. Center for Chemical and Biological Warfare. Dow Chemical Co. and Monsanto, under Defense Department contract, produced most of the military Agent Orange that was used in Vietnam.

The defoliant's purpose was based on "destroying the enemy food and concealment," according to the Army Training Manual on Agent Orange usage. In Vietnam, this meant attempting to destroy the jungle canopy which provided cover for the Viet Cong, and attempting to wipe out the rice crop, which provided sustenance for the enemy. When applied to plants, Agent Orange disrupts the cellular growth of the plants—promoting uncontrolled cell division or vegetative cancer. According to the Army, "death of a given plant may occur within a week or less."

Its effects on the vegetation of Vietnam were devastating, but it is the effects of Agent Orange on humans that is at the heart of the controversy.

The 1925 Geneva Convention totally and completely banned the use of chemical and biological weapons. America's use of Agent Orange in Vietnam was based on the universal interpretation of the convention that herbicides were not classified as "chemical and biological weapons." In 1969, at the height of Agent Orange use, President Nixon stated that the United States were using it.

Editor's note

The military isn't the only group that used defoliants. Public utility and forest products companies use defoliants for elimination of brush to clear right-of-way paths and to clear wooded areas for rerouting.

Up until 1970, the companies could use the weed control agents 2,4-D, 2,4,5-T, 2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic acid—a substance used to make Agent Orange—for defoliation. The Environmental Protection Agency, in March 1970, suspended the chemical for all uses. The studies showed that the rate of miscarriages of women in an Oregon town increased during a month 2,4-D was sprayed in nearby forests.

The suspension of the chemical included its use in label and ditch and liquid formulations of the chemical for use around the house, recreation areas and similar sites and for all uses in forests, right-of-way and pastures.

However, the chemical isn't completely banned. 2,3,5-T is still allowed for restricted use by labeled applicators on rice lands, range land and non-wooded areas.

Another substance, 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, or 2,4-D, was combined with T to make Agent Orange. The use of 2,4-D is not suspended or banned by the EPA. However, the EPA restricted to licensed applicators. The EPA regulates containing 2,4-D, which are used for clearing areas where small grasses such as barley, oats, rye or wheat grow. A "cautionary label" which states that humans should not forage or graze treated grass fields within two weeks after application of 2,4-D.

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Veterans join forces for Agent Orange fight

By Melody Cook
Staff Writer

The old saying "If you want something done, do it yourself," seems to apply to the American Vietnam veterans in their struggle with the Agent Orange controversy.

Unsatisfied by the Veterans Administration and unfunded by the federal government, a group of veterans have organized for themselves for the purpose of helping and aiding veterans who served in Vietnam between 1967 and 1970 and who suffer from Agent Orange-related ailments. The Agent Orange-related illnesses, the vets claim, range from mild tingling sensations to birth defects and even to terminal disease.

The veterans' groups, located in cities across the country, are the appendages of the New York-based National Veterans Task Force on Agent Orange. The two-year-old NVTFAO was formed by the Council of Churches and the National Association of Concerned Vietnam Veterans to focus studies and other efforts on problems that might have been caused by exposure to defoliants in Vietnam.

"Our task force is prepared to be something that can provide veterans and their family members with a documented package of information available, including lists of organizations and medical referrals, legislative issues under study, medical surveys and studies on what the group claims to be the toxic qualities of Agent Orange.

The smaller groups do the "real work," actively providing aid to veterans, McCarthy said. Besides offering services such as referring patients to doctors familiar with Agent Orange symptoms and providing genetic counseling, the groups also provide a crucial informational service. This type of work is the "most harrowing" service because many veterans are almost suicidal by the time they contact NVTFAO, McCarthy said. But the most tragic situation is birth defects in children, which many believe are caused by Agent Orange damage to veterans' genes.

"The children are suffering for a war they never fought in," McCarthy said.

Last year there were 310 outreach groups, but the number has shrunk to 176 today, McCarthy said. The remaining groups can only survive through private funding and donations.

"We are funded by no one. It is run out of the pockets of the victims," said McCarthy, who claims he has accumulated $50,000 in debt maintaining the organization.

McCarthy said the task force has been fighting the government and the VA ever since it was formed, and not only about funding. By the time most potential Agent Orange victims contact the NVTFAO, they have already gone through the normal channels by way of their own and VA doctors and received no help, he said.

"We have a strong tie with the VA, the same as we had with the North Vietnamese Army during the war," McCarthy said. "They are our enemy. They're allowing us to die in the streets."

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would not engage in chemical and biological Vietnam her­
bicide and defoliants were specifically exempted from this
order. The U.N. General Assembly rejected this
exempting resolution. On the
same day as Nixon’s an­
nouncement, the World Health
Organization condemned the
use of defoliants, citing them as
the "most probable cause of birth
defects in children."

Early in that year, the
Department of "faith, Educa­tion, and Welfare
committee on standards called for
a complete ban on 2,4,5-T—a
powerful agent in Agent
Orange. This report also cited
possible birth defects in humans
as the reason. Also at this
time, a report from the
President’s Office of Science
and Technology surfaced and
called for the restricted use
of 2,4,5-T. This report noted
"higher than expected
concentrations in the
laboratory animals
exposed to 2,4,5-T Agencey
Department was exempted
from this report.

The concern expressed
in these reports was over a by-
product of 2,4,5-T—dioxin. In
experiments conducted by
Bioengineers Laboratory and
organized by the National
Cancer Institute, dioxin was
shown to be a powerful
teratogenic chemical—cause
of birth abnormalities. The ex­
pertments by Bioworks showed
dioxin to be one of the most
powerful teratogenic chemical
substances to man, so levels of
2,4,5-T exposure could be
found that did not lead to birth
abnormalities in laboratory
animals.

These facts, combined with a
report from the Harvard
Medical School stating that
dioxin persists in the ecosystem
and builds up in the fatty tissue
of animals, much like DDT does,
led the American Association
for the Advancement of Science
to urge the Defense Department
to ban Agent Orange. "The
possibility that the use of
herbicides in Vietnam is
causing birth malformation
among infants of exposed
mothers" was cited as a major
reason.

The outcry from the world­
wide scientific community
combined with the reports of
widespread birth defects
among children of Vietnamese
mothers, finally forced the
United States to halt the use of
Agent Orange in August of
1970.

But the use of a much-diluted
form of 2,4,5-T continued in
the United States until March of
1979. At that time, a Colorado
State University study deter­
dined that the abnormally high
rate of miscarriages in the area
around Abes, Oregon, could be
attributed directly to the use of
the herbicide. This report
prompted the Environmental
Protection Agency to take
stronger measures in its
history—a total emergency ban
on any use of 2,4,5-T.

To the thousands of Vietnam
veterans who were exposed to
levels of 2,4,5-T that were 10
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Grad Student Council opposes merger of athletics programs

By David Murphy
Staff Writer

Although the Undergraduate Student Government had called off its boycott of men's athletics events, the Senate met, opinion among senators and executives of the USO was sharply divided over the issue.

"I have come, Somit speak here, and be promised us nothing," said Bill Johnson, an East Side senator. "I guess calling off the boycott is all right, but we should be left in the dark if we don't get more concessions here later."

Somit addressed the student senate before the meeting and told him plans for funding the athletics program. He said he would ask the Board of Trustees to maintain the present $50 student athletics fee, but added that he would call for a referendum next fall to get student opinion on future fee increases.

After hearing Somit, the senate voted to end its boycott of men's athletics events. The boycott was called two weeks ago by USO President Paul Johnson and was a protest against what he felt was a lack of student input into SIU-C's athletics program.

Expressing fears of appearing to be a "passive student," some senators said the boycott should have been continued.

"I'm not satisfied with what we've heard," said Diane Johnson, a senator from the College of Communications and Fine Arts. "Calling off the boycott makes us look like a passive student government which follows the administration. I think we should stick up for our beliefs and the needs of our constituents."

Deanna Talbuki, an East Side senator, said, "I don't think we can back out on this new. We really haven't been promised anything."

Despite these protests, the senate voted 22-4 to approve a resolution which called for an end to the boycott.

Matalonis said, "I think Dr. Somit said some good things, and now it's time for us to work with him."

Gary Shadid, a senator from the College of Business and Administration, said, "Anything we can accomplish now as far as boycotting goes won't be negative. People ask me what we're trying to do by boycotting, and I can't answer them."

USO members divided over athletics boycott

By Carol Knowles
Staff Writer

Voicing concern that the women's athletics program may suffer from a proposed merger with the men's program, the Graduate Student Council and a group opposing the combination of the two programs intervened.

In passing the resolution at their meeting Wednesday night, the council members said that until the men's program could show the same fiscal responsibility the women's program has demonstrated, the council would go on record as strongly opposing the merger.

In the past the GCC has gone on record as supporting fully the women's program, while having serious doubts about the men's program.

A merger of the two programs was one of the recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics which gave its report on the future of athletics at SIU-C to President Albert Somit last Thursday. The commission called for the merger of the men's and women's physical education departments in 1977 as an example of the dilation of the women's program which could occur.

When those two departments merged, women faculty in the department had an opportunity to vote on the merger, but they were temporarily lost voting rights. Charlotte West, head of the women's Intercollegiate Athletics department, became ineligible to vote on the personnel committee of the department, which was in charge of the hiring and retention of faculty. Several women faculty members lost their jobs.

"The merger of the two programs is not always done in practice," said Bums, who spoke at the meeting, said he was aware of the pressures the women athletes had and termed their concerns "a reasonable fear."

The council said although there were some advantages to a merger, overall a merger would be detrimental to the women's program. Members said mutual fund raising and publicity departments might be advantageous for both groups, however.

In other action, the council voted 32-1-1 opposing the financial cuts proposed by President Ronald Reagan.
Greensboro deaths called work of ‘government-trained squad’

By Pete Koeck
Staff Writer

The shooting deaths of five Communist Workers Party members at a Ku Klux Klan march in Greensboro, N.C. were the work of a government trained and organized right-wing death squad, said Paul Bermanzohn, a CWP member and survivor of the march. Bermanzohn, who is partially paralysed, was wounded during the incident, told about 120 people in the Student Center Monday night that the Nov. 3, 1979 killings were not an isolated event.

“It should be a warning, an alarm, for all the people around the country, all the minorities, all foreign-born, for what’s going on in America right now,” Bermanzohn, a past organizer of the CWP’s anti-Klan movement in North Carolina, said.

The five prominent members of the CWP killed at the march were targeted by the government as threats to the existing capitalist order, where a handful control the wealth, and the others must barely make do, Bermanzohn said.

A videotape of the rally shootings, compiled from four local television stations present at the event, was played at the presentation, and showed the attack on unarmed CWP sympathizers from a caravans of Klanmen and Nazis. The victims of which were played on local news stations, is called "CWP," and CBS aren't going to show you," said Bermanzohn, who, along with his wife, has written a book on the event.

Six Klansmen and Nazis acquitted of murder charges Nov. 17, 1980, after five month trial, had claimed "self-defense," Bermanzohn said. The defendants claimed they had been CWP people in trees and an overhead living down on them while they were in the vicinity of the rally.

The CWP marchers who witnessed the shootings didn’t testify at the trial, Bermanzohn said, because they didn’t want to support or add credibility to what they called a "sham" trial.

"The trial was not a real attempt to do justice," Bermanzohn said. "It was a cover-up trial. We were foolish to expect justice.

The CWP eventually learned, based on who was shot and how they were shot, that the incident was an expedition organized by federal agents, including the FBI and other Intelligence agencies, Bermanzohn said.

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Wife of Eugene Kamarasy, SU-C assistant professor of political science,

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Six Klanmen and Nazis acquitted of murder charges Nov. 17, 1980, after five month trial, had claimed "self-defense," Bermanzohn said. The defendants claimed they had been CWP people in trees and an overhead living down on them while they were in the vicinity of the rally.

CWP marchers who witnessed the shootings didn’t testify at the trial, Bermanzohn said, because they didn’t want to support or add credibility to what they called a "sham" trial.

"The trial was not a real attempt to do justice," Bermanzohn said. "It was a cover-up trial. We were foolish to expect justice.

The CWP eventually learned, based on who was shot and how they were shot, that the incident was an expedition organized by federal agents, including the FBI and other Intelligence agencies, Bermanzohn said.

"Everyone who was shot was with very precise shots to the head or to the heart," he said. Bermanzohn was shot in the head and in his left arm, about four inches from his heart.

An agent from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms was a key figure in the event, said Bermanzohn. Before the November shootings, the agent had been sent to North Carolina to infiltrate and recruit a Nazi unit.

The agent offered the Nazis commando training and weapons advice, Bermanzohn said. After the shootings, the agent saw one Nazi in jail and offered sanctuary to all other Nazis involved with the incident, he said. The agent also offered to have a Nazi’s house burned down and make it look like the CWP had done it, he said.

Another key agent was Edward Dawson, an FBI informant who worked closely with the Greensboro Police Department, also in conjunction with the Nazis and See DEATHS. Page 20

Services set for wife of professor

Services for Mrs. Edith Kamarasy, who died of a gunshot wound earlier this month, will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Presbyterian Fellowship House, University and Elm avenues.

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Group plans mainstreaming lecture

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Klansmen, Bernannzio said. Those recruited, Klan and Nazi members and personally lead the caravan that attacked the marchers, Bernannzio said.
Police were absent at the scene of the march, Ber-
annzio said. Police said they were "confused," and the caravan drove away unchallenged, be-
said, "The Klan and the state got together and planned this," shouted one woman filmed seconds after the shootings.
"That's why there were no cops here. The state protects the Klan, and thus makes it clear.
None of the Klansmen or Nazis were arrested at the scene, Bernannzio said, but Nelson Johnson, a CWP leader in Greensboro, was arrested on the spot for inciting a riot.
The work of the Party was so strong, was so great that they became afraid," said a black CWP member on the video tape. "So what they tried to do was knock out our props. They said, 'Hit the main leadership. Kill the heart of the movement."
Citing turbulent economic times in the country, Ber-
annzio said, "the government doesn't have the money to clamp down on Americans."
They're preparing for growing up racism and growing up with an iron fist on the American people.
Bernannzio, who advocates a confrontation with the country by peaceful means, said the possibilities for a new socialist system will open as people become increasingly discontent with economic hardships.

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that despite the 5 percent salary cut, which level was then two years ago.

"Unfortunately for all of us, the fiscal situation of the state is now more dire, and the tax improvement is projected for fiscal 1982," he said. "There can be no doubt that the legislature will attempt to ameliorate a fiscal package for the state."

Student Trustee Mark M. Bohn, a fourth-year student, termed the "tanking of students for salary increases," saying that a 5 percent increase in state and lower income students will be "a shot out from an education."

"I'd like to see it not go through because of all the fees that have been put on students already this year," Michale said. "But realistically there's nothing you can do about it. The IBHE and the governor have made their recommendations. "I just don't think the students should be taxed," he added. "There should be more done by the IBHE to get ad-
ditional funds from the state. It seems that more and more of the responsibility is being put on the students. The IBHE should be more of an advocate, rather than making the governor happy with his budget."

The IBHE is expected to approve its revised budget proposal at its meeting Tuesday.

There will be a meeting of the Handicapped Student Rights Organization at 3 p.m. Friday in the Woody Hall Conference Room.

Pi Sigma Epsilon, a marketing fraternity, will sponsor a happy hour and casino games (poker, crap and black jack) from 5-7 p.m. Saturday at Second Chance. Prize have been donated by Coos, Just Panta, Side One Records, The Outlet, Hair Performers, Shawnye Distributors and Bar Distributors.

The Delta Chi fraternity will have a rush party at 8 p.m. Saturday at 166 Small Group Housing. Call 549-5561 for further information.

The final Wheelchair Boccia clinic will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday in room 158 of the Recreation Center. All students are invited to attend. The clinic is designed to prepare students for the March 7 tournament.

Rev. G. Vincent Lewis will be the guest speaker at the Soul food banquet to be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Carbondale High School, east campus. Lewis is the special assistant to the executive director of the Foreign Missions Board of the National Baptist Convention. Tickets are $1. The banquet is sponsored by the Ministerial Conference of Carbondale and Vicinity, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Tuscan Lodge No. 44 and the NAACP. Contact members of sponsor organizations for tickets.

The Carbondale Clinic will show a film on pre-natal care at 6:30 p.m. March 9. The film was originally scheduled to be shown March 2. For room assignments call 549-0723, extension 130.

BEAT will have a meeting at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Kaskaskia Room. All interested may attend.

Students in the dental laboratory technology program in the School of Allied Technical Careers will have a display set up from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at University Mall. Students will demonstrate the types of work they do and will be available to answer questions about the program. The display and demonstrations are in con-

The SIU Veteran's Club will hold an evening at 2 p.m. Sunday at Second Chance, 311 S. Main.

Student Services and the Student Programming Council will sponsor a series of workshops, panel discussions and seminars entitled "Transitions: Coping With Change" to be held March 5-7 in Room 208 Recreation Center. The workshops will concentrate on changes in roles and relationships. The activities are free and require no registration.

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"Birdy" offers unique chance to visit the subconscious mind

By Colleen Moore
Staff Writer

The play "Birdy" is definitely a unique concept because it lets you get into the minds of the main characters, Al and Birdy, by presenting the sub-consciousness of each character in a tangible, human form.

The play, directed by graduate student Bill Pavlik, began Thursday and will be shown again at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday on the Calibre Stage.

At the opening of the play, Birdy, played by Frank F. Trimble in an effective, introspective style, is found in an army hospital room as he stares hard into his own world. He is perched on a green cube with his elbows bent and his hands behind his head as if he wishes to fly away. His sub-consciousness, played by W. Rico Schilling, is close by.

His friend Al, played by Tom Nance, has come to the hospital to see him and to try to relate to his bird-like pal. Al's sub-consciousness, played by David Angel, often takes the substitute role to "the good old days" shared by the two friends.

One of his flashbacks shows the two and another friend, having a troublesome time as he gets his toe stuck to ice on a railroad track and then as stranded by an oncoming train. The flash illustrated the extremes that children will go to just for a laugh and the comradery the two buddies once felt.

Birdy's sub-consciousness wanders to the past too, but he is preoccupied with his fascination of a troublemaker when he gets his toe stuck to ice on a railroad track and then as stranded by an oncoming train. The flash illustrated the extremes that children will go to just for a laugh and the comradery the two buddies once felt.

Dancers representing canaries up and down the road whip around streamers of yellow, orange, and red as Birdy drifts in remembrance of his canary friends.

Al is also preoccupied with life and feels sex, age, and race are what keep people apart. "Competition seems to be all we've got," Al says. "We become like the people with whom we compete."

The play provides humor when Al discusses himself and Birdy with a doctor. David Angel portrays the unfortunate kid on the tracks as well as the numerous doctors who can capture the audience's attention with his disbelieving examination of Al and constant smile, which Al refers to as an "ain't-life-awful-but-we-can-make-it-together" kind of smile.

Life's gruesome side is also presented. The audience is taken to Al's time as a soldier during World War II when his emotive weak voice and quivering body cry out against war during a flashback.

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Cagers look forward to St. Louis 'reunion'

By Dave Kase
Staff Writer

It will seem like old times for many of the people involved in Saturday night's game between the SIU-C women's basketball team and St. Louis University. The West End Gymnasium in St. Louis, a throwback to Saturday's pre-remodeling days, will provide the setting.

The game has special meaning for several Salukis, including Head Coach Candy Scott, who attended Lindbergh High School in St. Louis. SIU-C freshman Roslyn Barkley and Connie Price also will be coming home, if only for a few hours.

Barkley was a star player at University City High, and Price attended St. Charles College. "I'm from St. Louis, and it's the first time I've been able to bring a team here," Scott said. "It definitely means a lot to me."

SIU-C, 14-15 following its 103-90 loss at Western Kentucky last Saturday, will be playing in its last regular-season game. Likewise for the Lady Bills, who are 15-15 following their win over Central Missouri Wednesday night. SIU-C also defeated Redbird Invitational earlier this month.

If Western Kentucky wrecked the Salukis' hopes of finishing the regular season with a winning record, but Scott hopes the team can regroup and defeat SLU in order to gain momentum going into the Illinois AIAW state tournament next weekend.

"We're still shooting for a winning record," Scott said. "We just won't be able to do it in the regular season. With Roslyn and Connie being up for the game, it'll hopefully rub off on the rest of the kids.

"We really need the win for state. If we win, it will give us bragging rights in St. Louis, especially since we've already beaten Missouri." Scott added that St. Louis, along with Memphis, Tenn., is one of the major recruiting areas she's drawn from, especially in the past two seasons. Terry Schmitzgen, a senior at Kennedy High School in St. Louis who's scored 485 points this year, is Scott's No. 1 recruiting priority and should be at the game Saturday night.

Only a week ago, it was doubted that Price would be able to play the rest of the season because of a torn shoulder muscle she suffered against Missouri. Scott said Price would dress for Saturday's game and would definitely see action during the game.

"But for every healing, there seems to be a balancing injury," Scott said. "Vicki Slife, a junior guard who has been an important offensive player for the Salukis against zone defenses, is out for the season because of a knee injury she suffered in the Western Kentucky game. Although she had only started in two games this year, Slife was usually one of the first players to come off the bench for SIU-C. "Sandy Martin and Sue Wright both have good shots at Most Outstanding," Scott said. "So I hope they can do the job if they're needed."

SIU, meanwhile, is led by 5-11 sophomore forward Kate Blackman, who is averaging 15 points per game for the Lady Bills. Senior June Johnson also has provided necessary leadership for the team, according to SIU Coach John O'Brien. He was quick to point out, however, that this team hasn't been very consistent.

"It's hard to tell about us," O'Brien said. "Either we're very good or very bad. There hasn't been a lot of in-between for us this year."

The Lady Bills finished sixth in the Metro Conference Tournament earlier this season, and only lost by one point to Missouri earlier in the season. SIU-C's starting lineup will feature Barkley and D.D. Plab at guards, Alondray Meader at center, and Mary Boyes and Lesia Greer at forwards.

Women tracksters to compete in 15-school meet at Eastern

By Red Furlow
Staff Writer

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Big and little men represented on this year's all-state cagers

By The Associated Press

Mike Payne of top-ranked and unbeaten Quincy and Todd Porter of Edwardsville 7-3 center for Effingham, were unanimous choices on the Associated Press Class AA All-State Illinois High School basketball team.

Blab and Payne, a 6-10 senior who was the only repeater from last year's All-State team, received 12 votes each from a panel of sportswriters and sportscasters throughout the state.

Bruce Douglas of Quincy received 13 votes and was followed by Carl Golston of Chicago Phillips with 11. Rounding out the 12-man dream team were Mike Williams of Chicago De LaSalle, Dan Duff of Lincoln, Paul Beene of Chicago Collins, Dean Crawford of Proviso West, Todd Porter of East St. Louis Lincoln and Ernest Hubbard of Proviso East.

Douglas and Porter were the only juniors named to the otherwise all-senior team.

Blab, Payne and Goode give the team quality size along with Goode, Porter and Williams, give the team tremendous rebounding strength. Led by Winters, every player on the squad is capable of tremendous scoring bursts.

As is the case with most all-star teams, a number of outstanding players failed to make it. Missing by one vote was Paul Schaefer of Edwardsville and failing by two votes was Darron Brittan of Chicago Vocational.

Others receiving strong support but failing to make the team were Anthony Williams of Danville, Dan Coddington of Wood River, Dave Gubrell of Hersey, Steve Hidden of Loves Park Harlem, Dick Schofield of Springfield Griffin and Ken Williams of Westchester-St. Joseph.

No players from the Carbondale area made the team, but Ted Patrick of Centralia, Mike Piper of Mount Vernon and Derman Spearman of Carbondale received honorable mention.

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these events a great deal," he said. "Then it could make an awful lot of difference."

But, Hartzog said, "There are some events that we will score rather freely in and if we do this well in our capabilities will be very important to us."

Obviously, Hartzog will heavily count on the talents of senior David Lee. Last year, Lee was the first trackman to win four events in one championship meet. He will compete again in the high hurdles, 60 intermediate hurdles, long jump and triple jump. He will also run the anchor of the mile relay.

In the field events, Hartzog said returning pole vault champion John Haire, high jumper Stephen Wray and shot putter John Smith could fare well if they perform to previous standards.

Hartzog said a team total of 150 points or more should be enough to win the contest.

"I have gone through my scale and given him everything and you nothing and we still scored 140 points," he said.

"I don't think I am going to have any problem getting these kids up," Hartzog said.

Gymnasts

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Sports information) keeps reminding me before every meet that the record for floor is 9.6 and the record for vault is 9.8. I'd like to beat the school record but it would be nice to have your name up for everyone to see.

The Salukis are hoping to beat Illinois and Indiana because of their four meet winning streak. The Salukis have a 6-5 record and had a tough time against Illinois at the Illinois Intercollegiate meet. The Salukis beat the Cardinals by only 45 of a point in the optional division of that meet.

Mone will follow the lineup again this weekend in order to maximize the Salukis' score.
Cagers hope to avoid winless MVC record

By Scott Stahmer
Sports Editor

Not even the New Orleans Saints could have been moreconsistent than the SIU-C Salukis this season. But that's something the Saluki basketball team will do if it wins its opener tonight against the Arizona Wildcats (at the Arena 7:35 p.m. UPI/Pop) in the third round of the NCAA tournament. If SIU-C, 7-18 overall and on a 16-game losing streak, can defeat the Wildcats, it will become the first Missouri Valley Conference team to finish with a winless league record since Memphis State also went 0-18 in 1969-70.

While the Salukis hope to avoid a dubious honor, Drake, 8-6 in the conference and 16-7 overall, has incentive of its own. Going into action Thursday night, the Bulldogs were in fifth place in the MVC and a game behind fourth-place Creighton and a game ahead of sixth-place Illinois State. If the Bulldogs finish fourth, they'll earn the home-court advantage for the first round of next week's Missouri Valley Conference post-season tour-

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Fact No. 1: SIU-C men's track and field program contends conference championships at least once in each of the last three years.

Fact No. 2: Harrington's SIU-C sample, which also won an MVC indoor or outdoor track championship since entering the conference in 1970.

Fact No. 3: Harrington and SIU Cortex head coach, Roger A. Roth, centered his weekend's meet could be one of the most key conference track championships in five years, with SIU-C and first-year competitor Indiana University-Purdue at least much closer than the Saluki-Redbird indoor season record.

Histories.

Currently, the record would show a decisive Saluki win, 75-66, while SIU-C is just six points behind. The Salukis have never gone to the MVC championships, 9-55.

But the mere five-point difference in the Illini Interscholastics, 13-14, really indicates how close the teams are. Harrington said, "I would be a mistake to rest on the proverbial laurels." This is like us saying we are a sure winner because we have beaten them three times each this year. That is stupid," Harrington said. "If we went up there with that attitude, we would get our tail feathers burnt in a hurry. We aren't going with that attitude."

Harrington said the team that can come out on top of the tightly contested events will win the meet.

One of toughest races may be the mile run, which has attracted a strong field, which has been cleared by Saluki entries in every distance faster than the Salukis, will have little trouble with the competition.

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