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Sly Named Spring Editor

Douglas Parks Sly has been named the new editor of The Easterner by the Publications Commission. Sly, the only applicant, was named last Thursday to replace former editor Robert Streng who relinquished the position following a two-quarter term.

Streng included among his reasons for leaving the strong desire to graduate as soon as possible.

Sly, a graduate of Sallisaw High School, Sallisaw, Oklahoma, assumes the post with two quarters experience as news editor of The Easterner. He completed courses offered by Eastern's Journalism Center in Spurken last year.

Following a three hours of deliberation over wording and content, the AS Legislature last Monday a&ed a letter to the Board of Trustees outlining their grievances over the Isle Hall issue.

In 1972, Isle Hall was changed from the Isle Student Union Building to the academic classification of Isle Hall.

Upon advice of attorney Daryl Phillipson, a member of the State College Council of which Eastern is also a member, the letter will cite an apparent violation of the Washington Regulatory Code and request that the violation cease.

The legislature believes a violation of statute occurs in the part of the statute which states that Service and Activity fees may be used to pay for bond payments, but specifically omits payments for academic buildings.

S and A fees have been used since the building's classification in October of 1972 to pay for bond payments on the facility.

The legislature believes that all bills after October of '72 meet the requirements of the statute, but all subsequent payments are in violation.

At the February BOT meeting, AS President Tom Hawke informed the Trustees of the students opinion regarding the situation and was instructed at that time to work with Vice President of Business and Management Fred Johns in obtaining services and payments for the building.

At the meeting it was learned that Hampson was in the process of drafting a letter to John's office.

The legislature had earlier requested that Hampson contact the advice of attorney Phillipson by submitting a draft of the letter to go the Board for consideration and possible amendment.

At the start of the meeting, it was learned that Hampson was in the process of drawing up the letter, much to the chagrin of many legislators.

While waiting for Hampson to finish his draft, the legislature proceed to work on an amendment to a letter submitted by legislator Louis Musso.

The Hampson letter was a letter taken from the garbage can in his office after Hampson had left and was rejected as being too vague.

In adopting the final version of the letter to the Board, the legislature requested that Hampson place his signature along with the others that will appear on it.

On Tuesday, Hampson reportedly objected to the attitude of the legislature in sending the letter and refused to sign it.

The legislature feels that action is now needed to get the issue before the Board because the bond payments on Isle Hall will be completed in the next six months and any hope of getting back monies already spent and future payments will be lost.

Whitfield is Acting V.P.

Dr. Raymond P. Whitfield, Dean of Graduate Affairs, was recently appointed Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Whitfield fills the position vacated by Dr. Philip P. Marshall who was named executive vice-president following the appointment of President Emerson Shuck.

Dr. Duane G. Thompson will increase from half-time to full-time his assignment as Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and will be in charge of that office.

The temporary appointments of Whitfield and Thompson along with a few secretarial changes were announced recently by Dr. Marlene T. Frisby, acting President of Whitfield was approved by the Board of Trustees while the appointment of Thompson is expected to be approved soon.

Marshall said this week he was recommending the appointment of Whitfield because of his experience, confidence in him as a member of the faculty, and in general he was the man best suited for the short-term appointment.

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A.S. Filing

Filing for the office of AS president and legislative positions closes at 3 p.m. on April 14. Applicants must file in the AS office on the third floor in the PUB.

Qualifications for AS positions include a resident or graduate student and a 2.00 cumulative grade point. Legislative positions require one-quarter residence and the president and legislative positions require a five-quarter residence.

Applicants who wish to submit a petition to have the term of office for the Easterner must do so by April 13. Arrangements for a photo session must be made by the same date.
Plan Ahead for Air Travel

Coffee, Tea or Cheaper Rates?

Howard Hughes Succumbs

EWSC's fieldhouse was condemned last Friday just two weeks before the Legislative Budget Committee is scheduled to arrive in Cheney to consider appropriating $2.5 million for a new fieldhouse. The swim team will have to commute to Gonzaga for future workouts.

Coffee, Tea or Cheaper Rates?

Plan Ahead for Air Travel

What are you doing this summer? It may seem a little early to be thinking about that question, but if you're planning on flying somewhere, now is the time to start planning.

There are several requirements you must meet to take advantage of this low rate. First, you must fly round trip, and stay at your destination at least seven days, and not more than thirty. You must also book your flight at least 14 days in advance. Since the airlines only allow a minimum number of excursion fare passengers on their flights, it's a good idea to book as far ahead as possible.

Once you have made reservations, you must purchase your ticket 10 days later, or two weeks before departing, whichever comes first.

If the U.S. isn't beckoning you this summer, you might want to check out a charter flight to Europe. The most popular way to get there from here is on WardAir, a Canadian charter company offering flights to London, Amsterdam and Frankfurt, with departures from Vancouver and Calgary.

The fare varies depending on departure date. You must book departures for June at least 45 days in advance; for July, August and September at least 60 days notice is needed.

Charters are by far the cheapest way to get to Europe, but sometimes you don't want to be restricted to a definite departure and return. If you don't know how long you'll want to stay, and you're a last-minute person, you may be able to use the youth fare.

The youth fare is for persons under 22 years of age. They determine who's eligible by your passport, not by how old you look. The fare is good for a year, so if you fall in love with Europe (or a European) you'll be able to stick around a while.

Finally, if you want to travel anywhere outside the U.S., there are often little details like passports, Eurail passes, Mexican tourist cards that any travel agent can help you with. Travel agents tend to be much more helpful if you are buying your tickets since their commission is derived from airfare and hotel costs.

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for the '76-'77 academic year

agreement, Williams said.

"I think I've done a reasonably good job," Dolan

"Maybe a fulltime person
could do a better job."

The College catalog for next

year will contain revisions to

reflect the current BEP offerings.

Those revisions have been started.

Tutorial Services Planned

The college is currently in

the process of investigating the

possibility of setting up tutorial

services in every department

where the need is evident.

Williams is consulting with various
dean to set up the ser­
vices. He prefers a program of
forming a good program is off to
a "promising start," according to new
Vice President for Academic Affairs Ray Whit­
field.

One other aspect of the agree­ment concerns the
possibility of reducing
class size for minority faculty
members in order to deal with
the problems of minority stu­
dents.

Currently, the University of
Washington has reduced loads
for their minority faculty.
The need is the reduction that
once a minority faculty
member is located on campus,
instructor who can afford to
attend those people for easier com­
munication of problems.

With the agreement, the curricu­
ulum development for the BEP
is being and at the same
time in line with the efforts
and direction of the college.

In describing the efforts of
setting up an effective program
Williams said, "the purpose of
these programs is to show
black students what they have
to do—and show white students
what we have to do."

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New Program Offered

A new graduate program in Public Administration has been approved for EWSC by the Council of Post-Secondary Education.

The program, approved March 2, is the two-year joint effort of the Government and Economics departments. It was approved by the Board of Trustees last year.

Although public administration graduate programs have no accrediting organization in the US, the program was reviewed by Dr. Randy Hamilton, President of the American Society for Public Administration, and Robert Wilcox, former President of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration.

"The Masters in Public Administration Program is designed to prepare students to work in all levels of government," said Dr. Henry Kass, director of the program.

The program is open to all graduating students interested in public administration. It is also open to people currently employed in public service jobs who would like to become full-time students.

Because the program is open to working public servants, most of the classes will be held at night and only once a week.

"The curriculum is interdisciplinary in that a student takes graduate work not only in public administration and economics, but business and psychology as well," said Kass.

The curriculum goes beyond the basic operational skills of management. It focuses on the practice of public administration.

It is a two quarter program. This is in contrast with the six quarters usual for a full-time student to complete such a program.

There will be an information meeting about the new graduate program on April 12 at 12:00 noon in the Political Science lounge of Patterson Hall.

Interested students can obtain more information by contacting Dr. Henry Kass or Dr. Kenneth Hossom.

Prof. Teaches Self-Defense

By Renee Martini  Staff Writer

Ju Jitsu, an excellent means of self defense for women, enables a woman with a minimum of two quarters of study to successfully defend herself against a mugger or rapist.

It would, however, take about two years to become proficient in the various techniques such as rolling, striking vital parts, dislocating bones, choking, as well as learning how to defend against an assailant armed with a gun or knife, said Dr. James Moynahan, Ju Jitsu instructor at EWSC.

Moynahan, one of the few people in the U.S. who have obtained a black belt in Ju Jitsu, has been instructing classes since Fall quarter, 1975. The Ju Jitsu program is sponsored by the Cheney Parks and Recreation Dept.

Since Judo is an off-shoot of Ju Jitsu, examining the two arts gives a better idea of what Ju Jitsu is. Judo is a relatively new sport, with rules and special considerations geared for competition.

Ju Jitsu, on the other hand, has the main objective of keeping an assailant from harming you. It incorporates the use of weapons, and is potentially more dangerous than Judo. Many of the moves and rolls are the same or very similar. Judo is a competitive sport and rarely will the old "break opponent's arm before throwing him" move be exhibited in a Judo match.

Ju Jitsu is taught in most police academies. It was chosen over Judo and Karate because with Karate it is too easy to seriously hurt people, and Judo is too much of a sport.

When actors on TV police shows look like they are using Judo, they are actually using Ju Jitsu. Because Ju Jitsu is potentially more dangerous than either Karate or Judo, people under 18 years of age are rarely accepted as students. Younger people often don't realize how much harm they can cause if they use their skills while playing around or showing off.

Ju Jitsu students earn belts according to their level of skill. There are three levels—white, brown, and black—with different classes and grades in each.

If a student practices two hours a day, three days a week, he or she will be able to achieve third class brown belt in one year. It takes approximately four years of study to become a black belt.

Ju Jitsu has never been as popular in the United States as Judo because it is non-competitive. At present, there are fewer than 250 people who have qualified as black belts in the art of Ju Jitsu in the U.S.

Moynahan began the study of this art in 1948 with the Japanese police. He has taught Ju Jitsu, Judo, and Karate for nineteen years, and at one time conducted several schools in the state of Washington.

The class Mr. Moynahan teaches on campus is small and includes all levels of students. He incorporates the teachings of Professor Hiro Okazaki (nicknamed "Henry" by Moynahan's students) to give students psychological and philosophical principals as well as the physical aspect of Ju Jitsu.

The class is open to the general public. Interested persons may sign up at regular registration times.

Balloon Bombers Receive Warning

Campus policy decrees that no water balloons are to be thrown, beaved, or accidentally dropped onto unsuspecting victims.

The practice of bombarding innocent parties with such weapons may be an exciting source of amusement for the bomber, but it is not near as exciting or amusing for the innocent parties involved.

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Grades By The Gross

By Sunni Freyer
Associate Editor

The reckless distribution of above-average grades to below-average students is a gross injustice, an injustice based on logic as gross as the grades themselves.

What wisdom is exercised in leading students to believe they are prepared intellectually to contribute to a bureaucratized society that demands well-trained persons, when in fact they are not?

What is accomplished by allowing students to slip easily through college-level courses with the assurance that if they pick the right professors for the right classes they will receive "A"s or "B"s with a minimum of effort?

Talk of grade inflation is not based on fallacy, nor is it equally applicable to all professors or restricted to this campus in particular.

But the fact that it does exist on this campus in varying degrees of application, cannot be justified with any merit.

Examples of this type of sloppy grade distribution have been brought to the attention of many students who are critical of EWSC grading systems. Within one department at Eastern, a tenured professor hands out blanket "B"s, though this cannot be validated. With or without facts to verify this, two quarters personal experience as well as contact with students sharing a similar experience, is validation enough.

In addition, statistics provided The Easterner by a professor who prefers anonymity indicate that 55 per cent of the grades given to students attending this college are above average.

Could it be possible that such a high level of intellectualism exists on this campus?

It has been maintained that necessity dictates that grade inflation be perpetuated. Students are a source of revenue. Failure of students would cause withdrawals and ultimately loss of revenue and lay-off of professors.

In other words rigorous standards of education have been forsaken in the name of the almighty dollar. It is unfortunate that student money is paying for such lackadaisical education.

Another reason for grade inflation is that some professors feel the need to engage in a popularity contest. An "A" for the quarter makes them a good guy for the year, as well as increasing attendance in their classes.

Abuse of the grading system to serve the selfish motives of a teacher is certainly the most abominable of causes for easy grading.

Whatever justification may be given, it seems that it would better suit any college or university to concentrate on aims relative to its existence as an institution. Quality education and rational distribution of grades to deserving students should be a number one priority.

It would be most encouraging if, in the near future, grade inflation would come to mean that whatever justification may be given, it seems that it would better suit any college or university to concentrate on aims relative to its existence as an institution. Quality education and rational distribution of grades to deserving students should be a number one priority.

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Are EW Grades Too High?

According to grading statistics for the fall of 1975, 55 per cent of the grades given at EWSC were "A's" and "B's" and two per cent were "F's". What is your opinion of the grading system at EWSC, and do you feel the recent "grade inflation" present at most colleges decreases the value of a diploma?

Prof. Donald Barnes, Chairman, Dept. of History: I suspect the grading system at EWSC is no worse than at other institutions of higher learning, though this is not to say that the system is a good one. No, I do not believe that the value of the diploma has been decreased. I do, however, firmly believe that the system of awarding "Honors, High Honors etc." has become utterly farcical in all but the smallest minority of cases.

Jeffrey Clark Lassen—Sophomore, Accounting: The inflation of grades shows possibly that the teaching standards are improving or that the students are learning more. If so, I feel that the value of the diploma is as good, if not better, than those in the past.

Scott G. West—Senior, History: I'm in favor of a pass/fail grading system because it doesn't emphasize such strong competition among students. Eastern should re-evaluate its system. Yes, I feel that the current system devalues a diploma.

Rod G. Williams—Sophomore, Psychology: On the overall I do feel the value of the diploma has decreased not just because of grade inflation, but also because of the whole social and economic situation of the U.S. I do believe the grading system at Eastern does have room for improvement in such areas as professors and more balanced teaching systems.

Jean Harris—Senior, Dental Hygiene: Through personal experience, I believe that any grade, whether it's an "A" or below is well earned, especially in the health-science fields, and in no way decreases the value of a diploma.

John P. Dickson, Assoc. Prof. of Marketing: There is no question in my mind that the "grade inflation" ultimately hurts the students and decreases the value of the diploma. Firms and graduate schools find themselves in a position whereby grades no longer reflect competence and therefore little emphasis can be placed on grades in the selection of students for jobs, etc. The student who pays the greatest penalty is the outstanding student who can no longer be recognized and is merely one of the "pack" receiving an "A".

Keith Jones—Sophomore, Special Ed.: Grading systems are relative. There is too much emphasis placed on grades and not the knowledge that a student should be able to apply to their prospective professions. It is quite possible to attain good grades anywhere, yet not have enough know-how to secure a job.

Raymond Whitfield, Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs: Grade inflation does not necessarily decrease the value of a diploma. It does, however, decrease the value of scholarship in the minds of student's potential employer and/or his (student's) use for entering graduate school.

Julie Miller-Freshman, Nursing: The professors on the whole expect a lot of each student to learn the material presented in class and out of class. But, it is up to the student to be present and not do something else instead. Each student that gets an "A" usually deserves the grade. But, there are Profs who give easy "A's" to students who don't deserve the "A". As a nursing student, "A's" do not come easy! In the outcome, the diploma is still of great value, especially for those of us who have worked our butts off to get it!

Brian Peterson—Sophomore, Physical Therapy: I feel the grading system at EWSC is insufficient for the reason that the present system puts more pressure on the student to earn decent grades rather than getting the student to learn material. I believe the student would learn more if classes were given pass/fail grades, which would relieve the student from the pressure of earning grades and allowing him to learn the needed material more easily. It is for these reasons that I think the value of the diploma has decreased. Because earning a diploma under the present grading system does not necessarily mean the student has learned what he should have.
Seattle Group Makes Waves

By Ray Spanjer
Entertainment Editor

The Metropolitan Opera's co-production of rock and roll opera has added a new dimension to the classical music world. The Seattle Opera, which has been performing concerts with Supertramp in the Convention Center, is now presenting their own production of the opera, "The Famous." The opera features a new quartet, the Seattle Sound, which has been performing with the band since their first concert in Seattle.

The opera is a modern take on the classic rock opera, with a storyline that involves a group of teenagers who are trying to form a band. The story is told through a series of songs, which are performed by the Seattle Sound and other guest performers.

The opera has been well-received by audiences, who have been calling for more performances. The Seattle Opera has announced that they will be performing the opera again next season.

The Seattle Sound has been well-received by critics, who have praised their musical talent and their ability to convey the emotions of the opera.

In addition to the opera, the Seattle Sound has also been performing at other venues around the city, including the Moore Theatre and the Elks Theatre.

The Seattle Sound is a group of young performers who are dedicated to bringing classical music to a new generation. They have been performing concerts in the area for several years, and have gained a reputation for their high-quality performances.

The Seattle Opera is excited to be able to present such a unique and exciting production, and encourages everyone to come out and support the Seattle Sound as they continue to bring their music to the people of Seattle.
Supertramp Returns
American Jazz, British Rock Staged

The city of Spokane hosts two great concerts this weekend. On Friday, the Billy Cobham/George Duke Band is coming to the opera house at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, Supertramp makes a return performance to the Convention center at 8.

Billy Cobham and George Duke are both talented, inventive jazz musicians, having played with the likes of several infamous rock-jazz entities as well as cutting solo albums of their own. Cobham played drums/percussion with the Mahavishnu Orchestra featuring John McLaughlin and Duke was a keyboard and vocal ‘Mother’ with Frank Zappa for many years.

Cobham has a current album on Atlantic Records titled A Funky Thide of Sings, while Duke’s current recording on BASF is I Love The Blues, She Heard Me Cry.

Cobham’s tight drumming combine with Duke’s highly energetic keyboards and vocals in this once-in-a-lifetime jazz concert opportunity.

On Sunday evening, the British rock phenomena Supertramp, will display its incredible form of rock and roll to the Convention Center. Supertramp was postponed for March 21, (with Seattle group Heart, who will not be performing with Tramp on Sunday), Supertramp was postponed until the 11th because of the feeling of the great flying daredevils of the Twenties.

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On Sunday evening, the British rock phenomena Supertramp, with their new release, Crisis? What Crisis? has already reached gold in sales, showing what an influence this new-born band has on their newly-adapted, appreciative listeners.

Supertramp’s music is incredibly individual and unique. Their on-stage tightness (in vocals, instrumentals, everything) fools one into believing he is listening to a recording rather than an on-stage performance.

This isn’t trashy; it’s clean, refined, well thought out and executed rock and roll, and it’s a delight to hear the notes instead of the noise. Chairs will be set up in the Convention Center for the Supertramp Concert, and there will also be some festival seating.

Tickets are $5.50, $6.50 day of show.

Redford Film to Show in Pub

One of Robert Redford’s 1974 films, “The Great Waldo Pepper,” will be showing Friday and Sunday in the PUB.

Called one of the best sleepers of that year, “Waldo Pepper,” stars Robert Redford as a daring World War I aviator who returns to civilian life.

Bored with the change in his environment he turns to barnstorming and thrills audiences across the country with his dazzling aerial acrobatics.

Film footage captures incredible air交织 aviators, fraught with danger, speed and surprise. The air photography was supervised by veteran aviation cinematographer Frank Talmantzi who realistically depicts the feeling of the great flying daredevils of the Twenties.

The film co-stars Bo Svenson whose other films include Walking Tall Part Two. The public is invited to the two 7:30 showings. Admission is 50 cents.

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Company Shows It’s Bicentennial Program

Spokane’s college Bicentennial Dance Program are Edith Bucklin, Assistant Professor and Leonard Fowler, artist-in-residence.

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Collegiate Tennis

Tied three matches each after the singles followed in the doubles competition and met their second defeat at the hands of the Idaho Vandals here Monday, this one by a narrow 5-4 margin. Wally Heidenson gave the Eagles an early lead as he handed Vandal Steve Davis his first loss of the year by a 6-4, 7-6 score. Rod Loeand downed EWU’s Sid Porter 6-1, 3-6, 7-5, and Gary Emeskie powered by Dan Yount 6-3, 6-0.

Ed Williams gained back some Eagle pride as he attacked John Griffin 6-4, 6-1, and Don Johnston followed William’s lead by knocking off Dan Shaw 6-4, 6-3, and 7-6. Idaho’s Jim Seavall evened the singles competition record with a win in 62-60 defeat of Royce Goyette.

In the doubles competition, the Eagles could fair no better than a first doubles victory by Heidenson and Johnston aced Dan Shaw 6-4, 6-3; and 7-6.

Dan Shaw 4-6, 6-3; and 7-6. Coaching Emetskies

Once here on the court, it was all Idaho as Emetskies and Griffin defeated Yount and Williams 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, while Porter and Dave Leah fell into the clutches of Vandals Shaw and Shaw 6-2, 6-4.

In the opening match of the season, the Eagles destroyed Spokane, Wash., by a 9-0 mark’s Wally Heidenson defeated Paul Craig by a 6-0, 6-0 count. Sid Porter defeated Mike Hoefel 6-3, 6-4, and Dan Yount acesd Brent Wanamaker 6-0, 6-0. Ed Williams crushed Floyd Johnson, Don Johnston pasted Rob Paulson, and Roychi Shihabzad erased Dan Beckman, all by 6-0, 6-0 scores.

Eagles playing indoors in the Kibbie Dome, vandalized the Eagles in their second match of the season last Thursday, this one by an 8-1 count. Dan Yount salvaged the only Eagle victory of the day as he needed a tiebreaker in the first match, then went out and dominated the second position 6-0, 6-2 win over Gary Emeskie.

Eagles play two matches this weekend on their home court. On Friday, the Western Washington Vikings invade the Eagle nest for a 2:30 contest. Then on Saturday, Montana State takes the Eagles in a 2:00 p.m. clash on the varsity courts.

Quote of the Week — (Tommy John, Dodger Pitcher) "When they operated on my arm I asked them to put in a Koufax fastball. They did, but it was Mrs. Koufax fastball."

Golfers Set Busy Week

Eastern Washington’s slow-starting golf team travels to Richland’s Meadow Springs Course Monday and University of Puget Sound Wednesday. The Eagles, coached by Don Kallen, have gotten off to a shaky start—finishing last in the first two tournaments. The EWSC roster includes letterman Randy Allen, Larry Ham, Steve Storey, Paul Stringer and Bill Beutler; plus Gary Allen, Roger Stephens, Doug Howell and Bruce Stiller.

wer over either WSU or Gonzaga can’t happen, their cause. They’ve already beaten the University of Washington twice. The Eagles’ EvCo title hopes received a mid-season jolt at Ellensburg last weekend as the Cats took the first game 9-1 and split a pair of exciting extra-inning duels Saturday.

They turned back a fierce Eagle rally for a 6-5 triumph in the opener, but lost the nightcap 3-2 when Eastern’s Keith Snyder and Bob Chalmers ripped back-to-back doubles.

The EWSC wins even the Eagles-Wildcat season series at 2-2 and is anxious for the three-game series to be held here April 23-24.

"We are competitive with ‘em," declared Chissus. "They are here for three games later this month and we want to be the lion’s share of ‘em or forget it."

Central’s got a real good, hard-hitting, experienced ballclub. I don’t think they have any freshmen at all... most of ‘em are juniors and seniors.

"We just didn’t get anything in that first game," complained Chissus. "Our baserunning took us out of the second one although we could have won it... we got 12 hits."

Veteran Eagle pitcher John Petelioioi did not travel with the squad because of an injury sustained during a doubleheader loss at Gonzaga last weekend.

"It hurts when you lose an all-conference pitcher," Chissus said.

EXTRA BASES — Jim Magliola continues to lead the league in hitting with an average... Steve Meyers is at .345, Larry Brown .302, and Ford Yost .286. "It’s a real good time," Chissus says of the EvCo race. "We go to two for Washington and do as we Central."
Eastern's Wade Walter skyrocketed to a high Northwest small-college ranking after turning in a 22-5 long jump at Moscow, Idaho last Saturday.

By Dave Stocker
Sports Writer

Intramural softball leagues have begun forming with over 30 teams entered in the men's leagues. A meeting of all coaches, team captains, and umpires will be held today at 3 p.m. in room 103 of Phase I.

Deadlines for all softball leagues, men's, women's, and coed, are still tomorrow, Friday, April 9 at 4 p.m.

Due to the closure of the Fieldhouse, the coed swimming and the water volleyball have been cancelled.

Racquetball singles competition deadline is in two weeks at Friday, April 23. All persons wishing to enter and try to dethrone last year's champion Paul Stredwick must get their entries in before April 23.

Favorites Win
Racquet Test

Defending champions emerged victorious from last weekend's Pacific Northwest Racquetball Tournament at the Special Events Pavilion.

Portland's Jeff Smith provided last Sunday's only finals upset when he knocked off top-seeded Portlander Bob Lai 21-17, 21-9.

Jeff Larson of Vancouver, Wash., won the junior singles; Jennifer Harding of Portland, the women's singles; Bob Peterson of Boise, the senior singles; Pat Whitehill of Cheney, the masters and Don Goddard, Glasgow, Mont., the grand masters.

All champions except in B singles and open doubles qualify for the national championship in Chattanooga, Tenn., May 28.

It's not too early to be thinking about your choice for AS President. In the campaign just beginning, I hope you'll take a look at the fact sheets I'll be providing, as well as whatever information the other candidates offer. Some extremely important, hard-hitting issues will be addressed. Believe me, this year, its worth your time—and money.

--Louis Musso

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**CASE Seeks Nuke Safety**

By Steve Hanna  
Assistant Editor

EWSC's Center for Environmental Understanding has joined in the effort to place an initiative on the November ballot which would seek certain safeguards, according to Dr. Frank Nicol, director of the center.

Volunteers from the center will be in the PUB today asking for signatures and talking to students about the severity of the problem.

The effort is in collaboration with a statewide drive to collect 150,000 signatures to assure energy, action on nuclear safeguards, and promotion of safe, renewable energy sources.

The initiative, which provides regulation of construction of all future nuclear plants in Washington state (except for Hanford, which is under federal jurisdiction), states:

"Shall future nuclear power facilities which do not meet certain conditions and receive two-thirds approval by the legislature be prohibited?"

These conditions are: 1) successful testing of safety systems, 2) development of safe, permanent storage for radioactive wastes, 3) demonstrated need for power, and 4) assumption of full liability by nuclear plant operators in the event of an accident.

The first three of these conditions must be demonstrated to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the state legislature after a process of extensive public hearings.

Dr. Nicol pointed out the initiative gives citizens an opportunity to voice their opinion on something that would otherwise be decided by businessmen and bureaucrats.

He said it is important that the public be well educated on the subject because of the so-called experts lined up on both sides of the issue.

Nicol said one of the key items being stressed by CASE and their initiative is the assumption of full responsibility by nuclear plants in case of an accident.

"If nuclear energy is so safe, why do they refuse to take full responsibility," Nicol said echoing the words spoken last week by consumer advocate Ralph Nader.

Another major point being argued by CASE is that the catastrophic results of nuclear disaster are virtually unknown. CASE says the government's claims of nuclear safety are unrealistic.

The National Regulatory Commission (NRC) says it expects a nuclear accident to occur about once every 500 years. Yet CASE points out there has been several near misses. In 1974 alone, there were 1,400 reports of "abnormal occurrences."

Last year, a fire in an Alabama reactor caused the failure of the emergency-core cooling system, which resulted in the near melt down of the reactor core, which would have allowed a substantial release of radioactivity. The NRC said the chances of this accident happening were one in a trillion.

In the event of a major accident at a nuclear power plant, the NRC estimates that 90 per cent of the people living near the reactor could be evacuated. Most experts, as well as CASE, consider this unrealistic, especially in heavily populated areas.

Death and acute illness from a serious accident are assumed to be limited to radiation "downwind" from the accident. While latent cancers, thyroid illnesses, and land and water contamination supposedly would not occur beyond 50 miles.

Ten million people live within 20 miles of currently operating reactors in the U.S. and almost 100 million live within 50 miles of reactors.

In Washington state, the cities of Bellingham, Chehalis, Everett, Longview, Olympia, and Tacoma are within 50 miles of existing or proposed reactors and with a strong wind Seattle would also be in danger.

Another problem with nuclear plants pointed out by CASE is the storage of radioactive wastes, including plutonium H a deadly substance which must be stored away for 50,000 years from people and the environment.

Radioactive wastes are hard to contain. Leaks have occurred at Hanford where some of the wastes are near the water table of the Columbia River.

Added to the list of nuclear energy drawbacks is the threat of sabotage. Each large nuclear plant produces every year the equivalent of 1,000 Hiroshima-sized atomic bombs, vulnerable to theft in time of war or terrorists.

Dr. Nicol pointed out the problem is increasing with demand for nuclear energy and the subsequent allocation of research and development monies by the federal government.

There are currently 57 nuclear power plants in the U.S., but construction of up to 1,000 are planned by the end of the century.

"If we continue to stress nuclear energy," Nicol said, "we will get ourselves in the position of having only a single-energy source.

"We must learn to control our demands and find alternatives to present energy consumption such as walking and riding bicycles," he said.

Meanwhile, Nicol said, "the government must allocate more research and development monies toward development of an unlimited source of energy—the sun."

Catapult Contest  

**Kegs to Fly High in Idaho Sky**

By Diane Tuttle  
Staff Writer

Here is your chance to stand behind your catapult and cheer your war machine on to victory.

The idea was first introduced the day Eastern's Industrial Technology Department received a letter from North Idaho College. It read as follows:

"In the spirit of human endeavor, we students of N.I.C. do hereby challenge the students bodies of Zaga, E.W.S.C., U. of Idaho, Wash. St. Univ., Spokane Com. College, M.S.U., Spokane Falls Com. College, and C.B.C. to a contest of war machines, namely catapults, in accordance with the following statutes:

1) Thou shalt not exceed $1,000 in the materials by the federal government.

2) Thou shalt not procure chemical, thermal or electrical assistance. All shall be self contained.

3) Thou shalt use radioactive Marlin H a thermal or electrical assistance. All shall be self contained.

4) Thy catapult shall not exceed 25 cubic feet (175.5 ft.) in size.

5) Thou shall not exceed 25 cubic feet (175.5 ft.) in size.

6) Thou shalt employ only 3 persons for the operation.

7) Thou shalt arm thy machine with one empty 16 gallon brew keg.

8) Thou shalt prepare to hurl thy projectile from the field of N.I.C. to the waters of the Coeur d'Alene.

9) Thou shalt measure the distance achieved by triangulation.

10) Thou shalt make only three attempts at hurling thy projectile.

All operators of the catapults are required to wear Roman costumes during the day of the contest. The first statute stating that only a maximum of $1,000 can be spent on the completion of the catapult has been lifted, and presently no limit has been set.

Because of its originality the catapult contest has drawn the interest of many students. The National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) in Washington, D.C., has contacted North Idaho College showing an interest in including an article about the contest in the (NSPE) magazine. For additional coverage N.I.C. has also contacted the Wild World of Sports for possible television and radio broadcast.

The materials consist of 18 railroad ties, six tons of lead, 200 yards of steel and a main beam which is 28 feet long, and 9 inches wide by 17 inches across. The beam was donated by the owners of the Rospen Ranch located in Wilbur, Washington.

Assemble your team and build your catapult. The contest is tentatively set to take place April 24th at N.I.C.