

Police Feel Motorists Are Slowing Down

The new 55 mph speed limit, passed by the Kentucky Legislature, goes into effect next Friday, March 1.

The bill was passed, over the objection of truckers, to conform with an energy crisis-inspired federal law, passed last month by Congress.

One of the most prevalent reasons for the passage of the law was the threat of losing millions of dollars in federal highway construction funds, however, Northern Kentucky police officials see it in a different light.

"From a safety standpoint," Kenton County Chief James E. Callahan said, "I think it is the best thing that could have happened. I think it will reduce deaths and serious injuries and probably the continuation of chain reaction-type accidents like on super highways by about 40%. I hope I am right."

Chief George Arnold in Campbell County thinks the new law is a good thing, too.

"As far as I'm concerned," he said, "we don't have any roads in the county

that are safe over 55 mph. Take Highway 27, you drive 60 or 65 on it, the way it is falling apart, and you are really taking a chance."

Co. Tom Schwartz, Boone County chief, believes there will be a decline in serious injuries and fatalities, but total accidents will not see a "severe reduction."

Callahan disagrees.

"I think it will reduce the total number of accidents. Take mechanical failures like a broken tie rod or flat

tire," he explained, "at 55 mph the least experienced driver could probably control the car, but at 70 or 75 it is a lot more difficult."

All three chiefs feel motorists are already slowing down.

"I have been running 50 mph from Cold Spring to Alexandria every day," Arnold said, "and very few people are passing me. I posted a notice on our bulletin board that no cruisers are to go over 50 mph except in an emergency. All my men have reported they thought traffic had slowed down."

It is difficult to determine if traffic accidents were down in the three counties during January as people voluntarily slowed down. Most of the month the area was plagued with icy roads which produced a greater number of "fender-bender" accidents.

Chief Ralph Bosse in Covington has a different view of the new speed limit. The only area within his jurisdiction that is affected is a short stretch of the 3-L highway, but he feels it will be a benefit.

"When you exit from an expressway on to a road with a 35 mph speed limit," he said, "it is difficult to make the adjustment from 70 mph to 35 mph. I think if you are traveling at 55 mph you are more likely to drop down within the posted speed limit."

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Concerned Nurses Take Pro-Life Stand

By Drew Vogel

EUTHANASIA

You are a nurse. You enter the operating room to assist in surgery. When you get there you are told you will be assisting an abortion. You do not believe in abortion. What do you do?

You are a nurse. You are on duty in the nursery. A seriously ill new born baby is brought in. You are told to not give it any food. The baby starves to death. What do you do?

Those questions are not hypothetical. The situations occur more often than most people know.

Concerned Nurses for Life of Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati is a new organization in the area.

"Nurses are extremely concerned — hence our name —" explained Mrs. Leah Curtin, chairman of Concerned Nurses, "not only about abortion problems but also about this so-called new ethic with its push toward mercy killing. The nurse is caught in the middle."

Euthanasia or mercy killing is legal and is currently being practiced in the United States.

At Johns Hopkins Medical Center, a baby was born with Downs Syndrome (mongolism). The baby's esophagus also was not completely hooked up — a rather simple operation could have repaired it.

The child's parents, however, refused permission for the operation. The baby was pushed to one side of the nursery and starved to death in 15 days.

"There are laws that could have protected that baby if the nurses would have known where to go or who to contact," Mrs. Curtin said.

"It is fine for parents to sit back and say 'I don't want this child' and it is fine for the doctor to say 'we won't treat him.' But how would you like to stand in that nursery and watch that baby starve to death?"

"It's dandy to make these decisions, but to participate in them stinks."

The Johns Hopkins incident is not the only one. The October 25, 1973 issue of the "New England Journal of Medicine" reported that between 1971 and 1972, 43 babies had been permitted to die.

Eight of the babies were suffering from Downs Syndrome, the others from a variety of maladies.

One case involved a five-month-old child with a heart and lung disorder. The baby had had surgery and needed

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POCO Booked For Concert

Three NKSC representatives, Terry McCreary, Greg Hatfield, and Steve Roth attended the seventh annual meeting of the National Entertainment Conference in Houston, Texas on February 2-6.

The National Entertainment Conference is an organization that began in 1968 with a group of educators, primarily from the southeastern United States, to develop the format of a new national educational organization. Its purpose was to provide professional development training and services in the broad area of college and university out-of-class programming. Initial

emphasis was directed at educating programmers in the area of concert management.

Since then its programs and services have grown immensely. The NEC National Conventions have seen attendance grow from less than 500 to 2500 delegates. The February conference provided an educational base consisting of ten areas — Arts and Exhibits, Classical and Contemporary concerts and events, Research Services, Films, Lectures, Outdoor Recreation, Theater, Travel, and Video.

At the convention, the Northern representatives booked POCO for April 25 and are tentatively negotiating with Procol Harum for a concert on May 20.



Beta Phi Wins Again!

For the second year in a row, Beta Phi Delta fraternity won the Spirit Night competition.

Armed with kazooes and led by their

hairy legged cheerleader, Beta Phi was voted the most spirited campus organization at Monday's basketball game by the NKSC cheerleaders.

(Photo by Karl Kuntz)

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A Question Of Priorities

A great many faculty members have approached us concerning last Thursday's faculty meeting. At this meeting, the faculty was told they were not maintaining proper academic standards in their grading policies.

It was explained that grades given at Northern were far too high and that there was an inordinate proportion of A's and B's given last semester (in the neighborhood of 46% or so).

The computed mean grade point average at Northern was stated to be 2.9 and it was emphasized that this figure should be more in the area of 2.0.

They were told something HAD to be done and that grades should henceforth conform more closely to a "normal curve."

Members of the faculty have indicated they feel the administration has blown the whole situation out of proportion. They have also pointed out to us that these statistics presumably include part-time students taking, for example, 3-6 hours. Under these conditions, a 4.0 GPA is quite reasonable.

Also, the faculty was told that, in the future, they will have to justify grades awarded and that grade breakdowns are to be checked over with the appropriate department chairmen.

"Off Limits" Lockers Unfair

The P.E. classes at Northern are co-educational. That means there are boys and girls in them, boys AND girls.

The P.E. classes meet in Regents Hall which has two locker rooms. One for the boys and one for the girls. Right? Wrong.

The boys change and shower in one locker room and the girls change in a rest room ... and, of course, can't get a shower.

The other locker room is for the basketball team, which uses it only during practice. The rest of the time it is "off-limits."

The girls have complained and been told that they cannot use either of the locker rooms because even in the smaller of the two, most of the lockers are already taken.

"We don't even care about having a locker," one of the girls told The Northerner, "if we just had some place to sit and shower and didn't have to leave our clothes lying on the floor."

Regents Hall cost \$1.7 million to build. Two locker rooms were thought to be sufficient to handle the needs of the college ... whether they be boy-girl or home-visitor.

It seems inconceivable to us that the locker room used by the basketball team cannot be opened two hours a week to be used as ... of all things ... a locker room.

Is There A Reason For Cheating?

There has been a 400% increase in law school applications in the past ten years. Of the 121,262 persons who took the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) in 1972-73, only 35,000 were admitted to the nation's law schools.

This numerical phenomenon has, of course, resulted in stricter standards for admission into law colleges. There are only so many spaces available and some of those who want to fill those spaces will stop at nothing to gain admission.

Five years ago, a 500 was considered to be a respectable score. Now, most law school registrars find such a score totally unimpressive. Some schools still take the grade point average into consideration but instead of relieving some of the pressure, this might well simply double it.

People now study long and hard using commercial test manuals designed to aid the aspiring lawyer in scoring well on that all day endurance test called the LSAT.

Again, five years ago, this was a virtually unheard of endeavor and indicated, at the least, compulsiveness and, at the most, hysteria. The LSAT, at that time, was just another aptitude test like the SAT and the ACT. No one studied and there was very little real trepidation. Today, this same process is approached with stark terror.

The great number of applicants prohibits personal interviews and increased reliance upon test scores, and test scores alone, has become evident.

It is a desperate situation and aspirants are taking desperate measures to assure themselves a place among those being considered for acceptance. This has recently manifested itself in cheating, more precisely, in the hiring of a smarter or more experienced test taker to take the exam in place of the applicant.

This dishonesty is not limited to the LSAT, of course, but also occurs with respect to the Medical College Admission Test, the Graduate Record Exam and the College Boards.

Testers, as a result, are now demanding presentation of identification with photographs and, in some cases, fingerprinting is being instituted.

We do not know which is worse - the fact that people would take the unfair advantage of cheating to further themselves at the expense of others or that the pressure is such that it has driven them to this extreme.

We do know it is a pathetic situation.

Further pressure was added by inferences that certain instructors give high grades as bribes for high student evaluations.

This has all led to "much fear and trepidation," in the words of one faculty member.

There is apparently a fear that Northern will get a reputation as an "easy" school thereby ruining our "image."

There has been considerable boasting by the administration about Northern's high percentage of Ph.D.'s. Anyone who has attended other colleges where the percentage is not nearly as great knows that the most difficult instructors are the Ph.D.'s.

However, the question should not be how "hard" or "easy" a course or a school is, but how much a student gets out of it. The essence of a college should be learning - not grading.

It appears the idea is to manufacture an "elite." We feel the emphasis on image (what image and to whom?) is to the detriment of learning at this institution.

We can understand the faculty's concern about being put in this situation for this admonition is not unlike that given to teachers in secondary schools.

Also, it would be tragic if we win our goal of being a "hard" school by turning out a majority of students unprepared for the (shudder) "real world."

If the proper academic atmosphere is to be truly maintained, the faculty members should not have to use a slide rule to determine if they have the proper grading system and they should not have to be constantly looking over their shoulders.

It would be very nice if they could concentrate all their attention upon teaching.

Northern

Notebook

Remember swallowing goldfish, party raids and stuffing phone booths or Volkswagens? Remember water balloons, beer chugging contest, draft card burning and taking over the administration building? Well, there is a new college fad in the east. It's called streaking. One simply takes off his (or her) clothes and dashes outside. The colder the weather, the better the sport. Someone wrote a song about it a long time ago ... "Blue Moon."

Here's a note on higher education ... John Kirkland, a senior at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, says he has a Masters in the art of throwing the frisbee. He claims to be the only person in the world to have won a master's rating from the International Frisbee Association. Frisbee-ing has got to be as practical as many of the courses you take in college, anyhow.

The "Baltimore Sun" published a story this week that claims former vice-president Spiro Agnew spent \$250,000 of the taxpayers' money for golfing vacations. Remembering some of his forays on the golf course, we think 95% of the money must have gone for medical bills.

The Northerner encourages letters to the editors. Letters must be of reasonable length and signed. The Northerner reserves the right to edit.

A committee of the Kentucky House approved a bill this week that would require voter approval before an area's water supply can be fluoridated. Somehow we picture a guy in his friendly neighborhood oasis, tossing down a double with a beer chaser and telling his cohorts "Ain't nobody gonna put nothin' in my water."

Clay Wade Bailey, the dean of the Frankfort Press Corps, died Tuesday morning. He was 68 and had been covering Frankfort for 40 years. The newest bridge across the Ohio River from Covington will be named for him. As with all men who are the best for a long period of time, there are many legends about Bailey. It is said that bureaucrats at the Capital kept a blank piece of paper next to them while they were working, because Bailey could read a paper upside down and backwards from across the room.

Don't look for Reds General Manager Bob Howsam to get too shook up if Hank Aaron doesn't play here in the first three games of the season. The way Bad Henry hits against the Reds, it will be like a gift.

If your girlfriend has had a strange fragrance about her lately ... check her class schedule, she probably is enrolled in a P.E. class.

A Student Speaks Out

Regents Hall A Real Winner?

By Mark Dusing

It was stated in the February 15th issue of "The Northerner" that Regents Hall would be receiving national as well as international exposure this year in exhibitions throughout the world.

This multi-purpose structure "has received much acclaim for its architectural design, interior, acoustics, and appropriateness of design to purpose of the structure." None of this acclaim has come from those who utilize this building.

Here are some aspects of Regents Hall that must be considered before a competent appraisal of the building can be given:

- 1) During concerts a 40 x 24 ft. stage is erected, eliminating 450 seats of available bleacher space.
- 2) The smaller dressing area designed for Intramurals must be used as visitors' dressing for basketball, wrestling, and baseball. (All of which overlap in the fall).
- 3) This dressing area must also serve as a bar and grill for our concert guests, maintenance storage area, and men's dressing area for Physical Education classes. No

dressing facilities whatsoever were even considered for women. The Golden Girls now have their "private" section of the storage room, not permitted for use by anyone else. The Cheerleaders have confiscated the "never-been-used" Projection Room and must keep it locked as protection against thieves.

4) The Athletic Department, being the only full-time residents of Regents Hall, has its space problems, too. These I will deal with later.

5) For Student Affairs, Regents Hall serves as a Concert Auditorium, and facilities for Indoor Intramurals.

Among the problems encountered by the Athletic Department are:

1) The dressing area specially designed for Athletics has become a laundry room, athletic storage room, a training facility, and it also houses five varsity teams simultaneously.

2) The Athletic Office itself is only 8' by 8' and must serve an Athletic Director and five other coaches.

3) During intercollegiate events held at home, referees must dress among the mops and cleaners in the maintenance room and later shower with the home team after walking through the departing crowd in a towel.

The Athletic Department tried to help alleviate part of the space problem by requesting overhanging swingaway bankboards. One reason for being denied these was given by the architects. They believed the bankboards would detract from the interior of the building. Yet a hydraulically-controlled movie screen has been installed at an expense of several thousand dollars but has only been lowered once for testing. The same holds true for the microphone lines in the middle of the ceiling. At least the bankboard would have been used for two years.

Other problems are arising with maintenance of the building. Large areas of open space are needed for practices by Athletic Teams as well as the Golden Girls, Cheerleaders, and Physical Education classes. Therefore, we have portable roll-out bleachers in Regents Hall. The fact that they cannot be pushed onto the carpets underlying them was somehow unforeseen by our "acclaimed architects." Original Concession Areas were planned for installation under the bleachers. But Fire Laws prohibited this, so the plans were eliminated.

A few of the other "oversights" are:

- 1) No ticket-taking areas were planned.
- 2) No loading dock or large entrance-ways to bring in equipment was built.
- 3) Only two clocks were installed in the building. Both of these were placed at the same end of the floor.
- 4) Exits from three sections of the building open onto mud and grass outside, and are constantly being used to reach the playing field for baseball and flag football.
- 5) Only four areas on the ground area have bare concrete floors, two of which are dressing areas and are usually walked upon with bare feet when coming from the showers.

But some credit should be given where it is due. The acoustics are very good in Regents for a building with its openness.

The quadrantal heating and air conditioning is superb in its efficiency, but rising costs and shortages may cause problems soon. Also, its lack of use during the summer months reduces the necessity for conditioned air.

The architectural design and interior are to be commended only from the standpoints of nice appearance and ability to withstand dynamite blasts. But there is definitely nothing favorable to be said about this building concerning practical purposes. In this student's opinion, the title, "multi-purpose" is not at all applicable to Regents Hall, and it surely can't be called A Real Winner!

Calendar

FEBRUARY

- 23 - Basketball game: NKSC vs. Bellarmine. Home. Kentucky Inter-State Oratorical Association Speech Contest, Rooms 412, 414, 416: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- 25 - Campbell County Conservation District, Presentation of Campbell County Soil Survey, Nunn Auditorium, 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- 27 - NKSC Lecture Series presents a harpsichord recital by Mrs. Nina Johnson of the University of Cincinnati. Nunn Auditorium, 4:00 p.m.
- 27, 28, March 1, 2 - Southeastern Theatre Conference at Netherland Hilton hosted by NKSC.
- 28 - Biology Lecture, "Benthic Dynamics of a Small Freshwater Lake in Ohio," 4:00 p.m., Room 313, Nunn Hall.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

To the Editors:

There's an event occurring on campus every other Friday evening that not many students seem to be aware of ... the Pearl Harbor Coffeehouse. Or if they are aware of it, they don't really know what it is. Those students who have been to one have been very receptive to the whole idea of the Coffeehouse and have come back.

What is the Pearl Harbor Coffeehouse? Well, it's something different. It's dim lights ... a relaxing atmosphere where you can actually talk to other people without screaming over a blaring sound system ... it's friendly people ... and mostly, it's good music. The PHC is a place to get away from it all.

Last Friday Lipp and Lisak provided some fantastic entertainment. They don't play hard rock. You don't dance to their music. But you listen, and you enjoy it. Much of their material is original, based on their own life experiences. They played one song Friday (I think it was titled "Children"), which was an expression of the dedication they have seen in people who are willing to help others, namely, the mentally retarded children of the world. Lipp and Lisak are able to transform into music and lyrics the full range of human emotions. Their music has meaning. No one can sit and listen to them without relating in some way to what they are saying.

Lipp and Lisak represent the kind of good entertainment offered by the PHC. At the next Coffeehouse, March 1st, the Apple Butter Band will be featured, another good group. For just 50 cents you can stretch out in a comfortable chair or on the floor with your friends and hear a full evening of contemporary bluegrass music. Why not try the PHC? The most you can lose is 50 cents; the most you can gain is ... well, come and see for yourself. Give it a try. Let's not let a good thing die.

Sharon A. Fledderman
Special Education Major

Another letter praising the Coffeehouse was sent to us by Marty Strickler.

Speak Up

If you plan to attend summer school, but don't want to drive up John's Hill Road, your intended course may be taught at the Covington or Boone County campuses.

Use our handy form and indicate day, time, and course that you are interested in. The Northerner is providing boxes to deposit your suggestions on the first floor of Nunn Hall. This is the last week for your responses.

If you would be interested in seeing more summer school courses offered at the Covington and Boone campuses fill out this form.

COVINGTON.....Days.....Evenings.....
BOONE.....Days.....Evenings.....

What courses would you like to see offered at these campuses?

Chattanooga Routs Norsemen

By Terry Boehmker

The NKCS Norsemen fell victim to the University of Chattanooga's relentless full court press Monday night and suffered a 99-78 defeat at the hands of the nationally ranked Moccasins.

The upset minded Norsemen came on strong in the opening minutes of the contest and managed to run up an 18-8 lead before Chattanooga began applying the pressure.

The Moc's zone-press completely disorganized Northern's offensive game, as Chattanooga outscored the Norsemen 38-20 in the final minutes of the first half to take a 46-38 halftime lead.

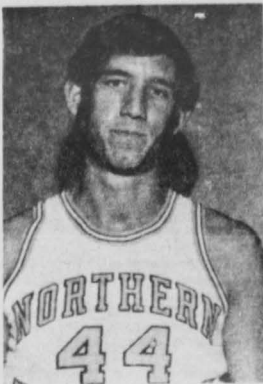
In the second half, the Moccasins persistent press continued to force Northern into costly turnovers improving their lead to 22 points which turned out to be the winning margin.

Clearly it was the 30 turnovers committed by the Norsemen that turned the game into a rout.

Taking advantage of Northern's floor errors, Chattanooga took 16 more shots

from the field than the Norsemen which resulted in a twenty point field goal advantage for U of C.

Unfortunately, the sparkling performance of NKCS's center Denny Egan was marred by the loss.



SENIOR DENNY EGAN

UT-CHATTANOOGA (99)

Players	pts	fgs	ft	reb	ast	tp
Gordon	9	12	3	4	3	21
Berry	2	5	0	1	0	2
Gray	3	7	0	1	6	6
Snow	2	6	0	2	1	4
Golden	9	14	5	6	3	13
Russell	3	5	1	2	1	7
Stitch	1	6	4	6	8	3
Davenport	4	6	0	5	0	8
Rayhle	2	3	0	2	0	4
McGarry	7	16	0	10	1	14
McCray	0	0	0	1	4	0
Muckenler	1	1	0	2	0	2
Totals	43	81	13	19	47	99

* fr up

*Includes 5 team rebounds.

NORTHERN KY. (78)

Players	pts	fgs	ft	reb	ast	tp
Derkson	10	25	2	2	5	32
Meier	1	3	0	0	3	2
Noil	2	5	2	6	8	3
Berger	4	8	0	0	3	8
Egan	8	13	0	12	2	16
Ewald	0	3	2	4	0	2
Stowers	1	3	0	1	2	1
Mitts	0	1	0	1	0	2
Perin	0	2	2	2	1	2
Von Hoene	0	1	0	0	0	2
Wilcox	5	9	3	4	0	13
Piening	1	2	1	2	2	0
Totals	33	65	12	19	48	78

*Includes 6 team rebounds.

Egan, a 6-5 senior who made his initial start of the season for Northern Monday night, poured in 16 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for the Norsemen.

The Norsemen now stand 12-10 on the season with only three games left to play.

The cagers will travel to Wilberforce, Ohio, on Wednesday to play Central State and then come home to finish out their season with games against Bellarmine on Saturday and Kentucky State next Tuesday.

Although Northern has no hope for a tournament bid, which is what most college teams have their eyes on around this time of year, those remaining games are still very important to the Norsemen.

A victory in any one of the three remaining games will assure Northern their first winning basketball season since the sport was instituted here three years ago.

Playbook

By Joyce A. Daugherty

The Norsemen are closing out their basketball season with two home games left on the schedule.

The first one will be Saturday, February 23 against Bellarmine and the second Tuesday, February 26 against Kentucky State.

A win against either team will give the Norsemen their first season above .500.

Admission is free for any student with a validated ID so why not come out and cheer the Norsemen on to victory in this last home stand.

The new color commentary man for this year's Reds broadcast will be ex-Red shortstop Woody Woodward, a long time favorite of Cincinnati Reds' fans.

SPORTS QUIZ

by Mike Wilcox



1. What team in the N.B.A. led the league in scoring last season on a per game basis?

- A. Boston
- B. Atlanta
- C. Houston

2. True or False? During Willie Mays' 22 years in baseball he never won the runs batted in crown?

3. Which team in the N.B.A. has the all-time record for most rebounds compiled in a single season?

- A. Boston
- B. Philadelphia
- C. Cincinnati Royals

4. In what year did the Indianapolis 500-mile car race begin?

5. In the history of baseball only two men have won the Triple-Crown twice; can you name them?

6. Which boxers defeated Muhammad Ali (born Cassius Clay)?

7. True or False? Hank Stram, Kansas City Chiefs head coach, is the only man to serve as head coach throughout the 10-year existence of the American Football League?

8. This former Cincinnati Red holds the major league record for most home runs hit during his rookie year. Who was he?

- A. Ted Kluszewski
- B. Frank Robinson
- C. Wally Post

9. When the Cincinnati Reds won the National League Pennant in 1961, and played the Yankees for the World Championship, the Reds won only one game; can you name the pitcher who won the only game?

10. Which player in the N.B.A. holds the record for most field goals during a single season?

- A. Wilt Chamberlain
- B. Bob Pettit
- C. Oscar Robertson

ANSWERS

1. Houston 112 points per games
2. True
3. Boston 6,131 rebounds, 1960-61
4. 1911
5. Roger Hornsby 1922, 1925; Ted Williams 1942-1947
6. Joe Frazier, 1971 - Ken Norton, 1973
7. True
8. Frank Robinson 1956, 38 homers
9. Joey Jay 2nd game score 6-2
10. Wilt Chamberlain 1,597, 1961-62

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Intramural Basketball Standings

(As Of February 17)

DIVISION I

	Won	Lost
8 Pack	9	1
Faculty	9	2
Tips	5	5
99'ers	4	6
Raiders	2	8

DIVISION II

	Won	Lost
Mean Green Machine	8	2
Indians	8	3
Stroh's	7	4
Athletics	5	5
Midgets	2	8

DIVISION III

	Won	Lost
Bucks	9	0
Canadian Club	6	2
Rednecks	3	6
Hackers	2	7
Colonels no. 1	2	8

DIVISION IV

	Won	Lost
Nads	10	0
Guiduglios	9	1
Colonels no. 2	5	5
Old Bulldogs	3	7
Stroh's Party	2	8
G.F. ers	1	9

DIVISION V

	Won	Lost
Pi Kappa Alpha no. 1	11	0
Beta Phi Delta	8	3
You Know's	4	6
Alpha Delta Gamma	4	6
Nu Kappa Alpha	3	7
Pi Kappa Alpha no. 2	1	9

DIVISION VI

	Won	Lost
C	8	1
Cagers	5	3
I.C.'s	5	4
No Names	4	6
Blowouts	1	8

Sign Up For Spring Sports

Several of Northern's spring athletic teams are recruiting and holding tryouts now for their coming seasons.

Listed below are the teams that are recruiting and who should be contacted for a tryout.

GOLF—Jim Krueer is the man to contact at ext. 145.

The golf team has already started working out in Regents Hall and has most of its meets already scheduled.

Coach Krueer is confident his team will improve upon last season's 5-8-1 record and is looking forward to using the Boone-Aire Country Club golf course for home meets.

WOMEN'S TENNIS—Mrs. Linda Mullen coaches one of the most successful teams on campus with a 7-2 record last fall.

Tryouts and practices for the spring campaign are still a few weeks off for the women and as of yet, the site for "home" matches has not been determined.

Coach Mullen can be contacted at 781-1610.

MEN'S TENNIS—Jerry Outlaw is once again coaching the men's team and can be reached at ext. 236.

The Norsemen's schedule has been

beefed up for the '74 season and with a more experienced team the men might easily improve upon last year's 7-5 record.

No practices have been held as of yet, but Coach Outlaw has scheduled a meeting for those interested in playing tennis for Monday February 25 at 12:00 in office 577 of Nunn Hall.

TRACK—Track is not a sport actually sanctioned by NKSC. The thinly-clad participate in meets under the title of the Northern Kentucky Track Club.

Jerry Outlaw is acting as faculty advisor for the club and anyone interested in running or participating in field events this spring can contact Outlaw at ext. 236 or Charlie Cleves.

WRESTLING—By the time you read this Northern's first wrestling season will have ended.

The men struggled through their first season, but Coach Larry Giesmann stated that coaches from many of the schools they competed against thought that NKSC had the finest first year team they had ever seen.

Dr. Giesmann would like anyone interested in participating on next year's wrestling team to contact him now at ext. 143.

Sports Notes

By Mike Wilcox

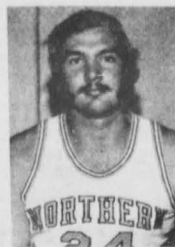
When NKSC slipped to a 10-16 mark last season, one reason for the disappointing campaign happened during the 12th game of the season.

That's when Steve Meier, a starter for the first 12 games, suffered severely torn ligaments in his ankle, putting him on the shelf for the season.

Before his injury, Steve was shooting a blistering 56 percent from the floor. He is also noted for his aggressive defense and his ball handling. Before the season started, Steve was slowed in pre-season by a mild concussion.

Meier is another one of Coach Hils' youngsters that is being counted on for the future here at Northern.

Steve is from Covington Catholic High School. A 6'-5" — 180 lb. sophomore forward.



JIM McMILLAN

On most sports teams, whether amateur or professional, there is usually a team clown. The Reds were blessed with the late Chico Ruiz, and Northern is no exception with their own Jim McMillan.

Mac is a 6'-4", 190 lb. junior forward from Newport High School. In his two previous seasons, his scoring average has been in double figures, 13.2 as a freshman and last season slipping to 11.5.

Jim's fortes are his outside shooting and his strong offensive play. Mac shares an individual game record in that he pick-pocketed the Berea ball-handlers six times in a game last season.

Jim is majoring in business at Northern.



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A New Approach In Student Organizations

By Lori Schnieders
and Steve Roth

Traveling seems to be a sign of spring as different groups begin to voyage beyond Northern to such areas as Lexington, where the entire sorority of DELTA ZETA will go this Saturday to participate in "Delta Zeta State Day." The four DZ chapters from Kentucky are coming together to work on and exchange new ideas. The DELTA ZETA pledges meet at 7:30 p.m., and the actives at 8:00 p.m. each Wednesday night.

THE ART CLUB, eager to visit the country's Fin' Arts centers, as it did last year when it went to Chicago, will go a step further this Spring Break when it leaves Friday, March 22, for New York. The four day trip is open to anyone who has about fifty dollars and wishes to go. An Art Forum will be held every Thursday in the Ceramics Building at 12:15 to arrange for the trip. Reservations are needed ASAP for the fun time alternative to Florida. See Janie, Amy or Diane in Ceramics Building.

New York is also the object of THE COUNCIL OF WORLD AFFAIRS next trip, this spring, as it meets this Sunday at 2 p.m. with participants from U. C. This meeting, discussing the anticipated visit to the United Nations will occur at 186 Dixsmith Drive, Clifton.

And for those who want to stay at home, but want to find out something new and interesting around our neck of the woods, the HISTORICAL SOCIETY plans to tour the Queen City March 2. If you're interested in joining them contact Don Goodrich at 261-4446.

THE FOREIGN STUDENT UNION just returned from INTERNAT at Camp Joy, Ohio. This was the Fifth Inter-cultural Workshop held for foreign

students from the tri-state. FSU will come together again this Saturday at their International Dinner at the Florence Baptist Church. At that time, there will be three speakers featured.

On the local scene, CIRCLE K, in cooperation with NKSC's Womans Society, are about to embark on a Recycling Drive. Both groups are scheduled to receive discarded newspapers, aluminum and tin cans, and possibly glass by March first. The campus depository locations will be announced later. Stay tuned and start collecting and give that material support to a good cause.

If your into films, AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY will feature "The Strange Case of the Cosmic Rays" this Friday when it meets at 2 p.m. in Room 304. This cosmic flick is only one in a series for all students to view. ACS is also planning to attend the Sixth Annual South-Eastern Sectional Conference of Undergraduate Student Chemists on April 19. ACS meetings are open to ALL interested students.

THE BIOLOGY SOCIETY has invited a guest lecturer to its meeting on March 2 in room 313 at 4:00 p.m. They are also planning to tour the Meyers' Wine Cellar, the Cincinnati Zoos' Medical Center, and go spelunking in the near future. Everyone is invited.

For those who like to dine right, NATIONAL SECRETARY ASSOCIATION celebrating its' 27th anniversary will host a banquet at the Revolving restaurant in the Quality Inn, Covington, for the members and advisors of FUTURE SECRETARIES ASSOCIATION, which includes many of our Covington Campus friends. Next Wednesday's program, which will also be attended by the Cincinnati Chapter, includes a question and answer discussion with a special panel of four noted secretaries from the executive, medical, and legal fields. Second year students are reminded to attend the March 26 meeting in Bldg. C, Covington

Campus at 10:30 a.m.

ALPHA DELTA GAMMA recently was visited by Ben Orlando, its' National Chapters President. Not only did Oranda meet various college celebrities, but he was able to advise and encourage ADG's upcoming projects, one of which takes place this Friday when their pledges construct a new ping-pong table for the frat flat at 708 Monmouth Street. For those basketball buffs, our chapter of ADG will host a tournament this Saturday at 10 a.m. in Regents Hall. The Bellemine and TMC Chapters will be competing. Our frats need a good cheer to win.

Speaking about cheer, this last Mondays' Spirit Night was the place to be for the Phi Mus', Beta Phis', Pikes and other Greeks. Thanks gang for the spirit, not to mention that additional blonde cheerleader buzzing up and down the court with her pom-poms bouncing.

Next In Lecture Series

The Lecture Series presents a harpsichord recital on Wednesday, February 27, at 4:00 p.m. in Nunn Auditorium.

Mrs. Nina Johnson, harpsichordist, is a former pupil of Gustav Leonhardt and has performed extensively here and abroad, both as soloist and as continuo player for such artists as Don Smithers, James Bowman, and Helen and Howard Boatwright.

She holds a B. Music degree in organ from the University of Oregon and a M. Music degree in harpsichord from the University of Illinois, in addition to her two years of study in the Netherlands on a Fulbright grant.

Mrs. Johnson resides in Cincinnati with her husband and two children and, besides teaching harpsichord and piano, holds a position as church organist.

Mrs. Johnson's program will include music composed by Froberger, Bach, Dageinour, and Rameau. The recital is free and open to the public.

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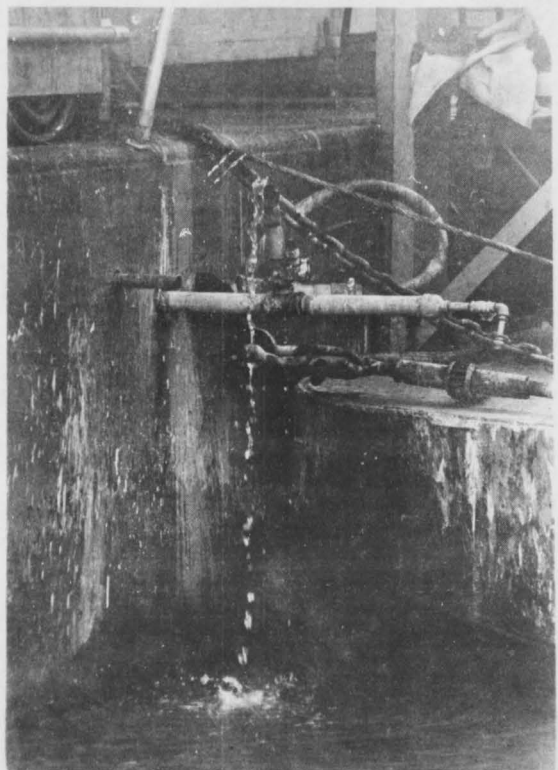
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Mine Air Could Be Heat Source

In a recent Courier-Journal article by James R. Russell, Farm Editor, the possibility of heating greenhouses in Eastern Kentucky by mine air and small, unused pockets of natural gas was discussed.

Sums totaling \$34,000 have been contributed by those with coal interests toward an experimental greenhouse built at the opening of a deep-shaft coal mine in Pike County to capture the warm mine air.

The greenhouse is the result of an agreement between the Kentucky Surface Mining and Reclamation Association and the University of Kentucky, according to Donald Johnson, Pike County coal operator and president of the reclamation association.

The mine-air greenhouses not only use a "fuel" that is otherwise useless, but could cut the cost of producing greenhouse plants, since heat represents about three-quarters of the total production costs.

Temperature of the mine air ranges from 3 degrees to 5 degrees above the average 55 degrees of the area's deep well water.

According to John Walker, University of Kentucky agricultural engineer and principal researcher in the project, the added heat comes from the oxidation of the remaining coal in the mine shafts.

This same oxidation that heats the air enriches its carbon dioxide which contributes to rapid plant growth, also.

Other advantages of mine-air heated greenhouses are, according to Walker, being away from highly industrialized areas where smog decreases natural sunlight and using resources—the mine air and level strip benches—which are available and have no other apparent purposes.

There are a couple of problems. One is the high humidity of the mine air—between 95 per cent and 98 per cent—which can add to disease problems in the plants and another being a water supply for the mountain greenhouses.

Apparently, Walker feels there is the possibility that high humidity of the air might be condensed for irrigation water, thus turning both problems into advantages.

It is estimated that there may be as many as 10,000 natural gas wells, with 1,000 or better on privately owned lands, sprinkled throughout Eastern Kentucky.

Not all mine shafts could be used for

the greenhouses, since southern exposure is required for the added sunlight needed during the winter months, according to Walker.

Wakker said that early fears of toxic gases, especially ethylene and methane which are deadly to plants, are apparently unfounded. UK agricultural engineers will continue to make additional tests with more sensitive instruments to detect any traces of the

heavy hydrocarbon gases.

The project was conceived two years ago, but has taken on new significance with the energy crisis emphasis.

It is felt that preliminary research is advanced far enough so that plants can be moved into the experimental greenhouse next summer for direct observation of the effects of mine air on growing plants.

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Greeks Speak

By Mac McIntosh

Greek week, the week set aside every year in honor of the Greek organizations is coming up and all the Frats and Sororities are planning big this year. The Interfraternal Council (IFC) has set up a committee to plan this big occasion. The members of the committee are "Boob" Hassman, Mike Fischer, Dan Antrobus, Gary Taylor and Dave Duncan. If anyone has any questions, contact the gentleman and they'll be glad to help.

Congratulations to all new pledges.

Pi Kappa Alpha has started their pledge program with some very ambitious young men. They are as follows: Reed Scott, Pre-Med; Bill Zimmerman, Pre-Med; Bob Webster, Dale Hofe, Accounting; and Jim Braun, Biology.

There is a new sister in the ranks of Phi Mu. She is Mary Arlinghaus. Also the Field Secretary from the national headquarters of Phi Mu is visiting NKSC's chapter.

Several new members were admitted into Theta Phi. These were as follows: Debbie Schwiencus, Brenda Herald, Joann Spence, Toni Simmons, June Campbell, Sandra Johnston and Linda Rosing.

Concerned Nurses Take Pro-Life Stand

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more. But because of what was termed "high expenses" a "threatening of the marriage bond," and "sibling behavioral disturbances," the nurses were ordered to shut off the child's oxygen supply. He died three hours later.

"There is no way to describe what it does to a person watching a baby gasp for air for three hours," Mrs. Curtin said. "Again, if the nurses would have known who to contact this would not have been necessary.

"I'm not implying that this is illegal," she cautioned, "but these decisions are being made and people are walking away and we are left holding the bag."

This passive euthanasia, that is, allowing a person to die. It is not necessarily a bad thing.

Laws presently permit a person with a terminal illness to sign a "living will" that no extraordinary means will be taken to prolong that person's life.

The Concerned Nurses and other groups are worried that the "living will" concept will go farther.

"One of the problems," explained Covington attorney Robert C. Cetrulo, chairman of the Northern Kentucky Right to Life Committee who taught Constitutional Law at Northern Community College, "is the definition of terms. The pro-euthanasia people are presenting the hard case. They argue that people are being kept alive against their will which is not true. The

question is what part is the law going to play. We don't feel you need a law for passive euthanasia, it is practiced all the time.

"The difficulty with the anti-life mentality," Cetrulo continued, "is that they do not define their terms carefully and what they advocate is active euthanasia -- positive killing."

A bill before the Florida Legislature now states that life should not be sustained beyond a point where it is no longer meaningful. If a person is incompetent and cannot make the decision himself, his next of kin or a panel of physicians can.

The problem, according to Cetrulo, is that "incompetent" is not defined.

"As a lawyer, I can tell you incompetent can mean a number of things," he said, "insane, retarded, unconscious or a person who is a minor."

The Concerned Nurses feel certain that if active euthanasia becomes a reality, the families and doctors will again make the decisions and walk away leaving the nurses to give the fatal treatment.

ABORTION

On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court ruled in two abortion cases.

"The Wade and Bolton decisions, in my judgment," Cetrulo explained, "strike down every state statute in the

United States concerning the restriction of abortion."

"What the Supreme Court did was draw an artificial distinction divorcing personhood from human life."

Mrs. Curtin feels the decisions have had little effect on the actual act of abortion.

"Most abortions were being done by doctors when they were illegal," she said. "Now they are being done in the front room instead of the back room."

Assisting in an abortion, something that a nurse may be required to do, is not pleasant.

"It is fine to sit in a nice office and say 'go ahead with your abortion it is the best thing,' she said, "but it is quite another thing to assist with one."

There are four methods of abortion currently being used in the United States.

About 75% of the abortions are done by the suction method in which a powerful suction tube is inserted into the womb and the fetus is literally sucked out in small pieces.

The second most common type of abortion is the saline method. A long needle is inserted through the mother's abdomen and a solution of concentrated salt is injected. The baby will usually die about an hour, its outer layer of skin burned away by the solution. The mother will abort in about a day. Unfortunately, 5% to 10% of these babies are born alive, though virtually

all will die within a short time.

Another method is the D and C. It is like the suction method except a very sharp spoon-shaped knife is used to cut the body into pieces and scrape the placenta from the inside wall of the uterus.

"The nurse has the 'happy' job," explained Mrs. Curtin, "of reassembling all the parts to make sure the uterus is empty."

The fourth method is the hysterotomy or Caesarean Section in which the baby is almost always born alive.

The method is the same as a C-section birth except the baby is not taken to the nursery but allowed to die in the delivery room either by bleeding to death or by being smothered by the placenta thrown over its face.

"Anyone who thinks abortion is a humane thing," exclaimed Mrs. Curtin, "has got to be nuts!"

The Concerned Nurses seek to inform nurses where they can get help when they are ordered to do something that they feel is ethically or morally wrong.

They also are striving for the establishment of a conscience clause in contracts that would not compel them to take part in the abortion or euthanasia process and prevent discrimination against a nurse for refusing to do so.

There is a bill before the Kentucky Legislature now that would provide this protection.

Still, the Concerned Nurses do not want to be known as an anti-abortion group.

"We are not anti," explained Mrs. Curtin. "We are not political activists. We are not going to be manning picket lines or waving signs. We are a professional organization that would prefer to be called FOR preservation of life, FOR good medical and psychiatric care for persons, FOR rehabilitation of the handicapped, and FOR continued research in all diseases including prenatal problems, which are on the decline because of abortion activities.

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LOST: A notebook and a history book entitled "Greek and City States" was taken in the men's lavatory on the third floor. If you have taken it, please return to The Northerner office.

"Mean Streets" Is Masterpiece

By Tim Funk

Just when a year of several very fine films leaves one duly impressed with the possibilities of the American cinema, a strikingly original, exquisitely powerful film like Martin Scorsese's MEAN STREETS (now showing at the Skywalk cinemas) comes along, stretching this impressiveness to an openmouthed respect.

At first inspection, MEAN STREETS seems to suggest what THE GODFATHER might have been had it been directed by John Cassavetes. Thematically, MEAN STREETS is akin to THE GODFATHER in its observation of the tragic contradiction present in the lives of those in the Mafia. Yet, it rejects the sweeping, romantic treatment of THE GODFATHER in favor of a deeply personal, even intimate style reminiscent of John Cassavetes (especially his HUSBANDS).

Martin Scorsese, in this, his first widely heralded film after four commercial failures, ultimately transcends these comparative limitations, proceeding not only to present an acutely accurate vision of

New York's "mean streets" (i.e. Little Italy) but, also, to provide the screen with one of its richest, most moving studies of complex humanity in the modern cinema.

MEAN STREETS, like AMERICAN GRAFFITI, is a subtle combination of "slice of life" exposition and traditional narrative. The story, itself, concerns Charlie (Harvey Keitel), a morally conscientious hood on the rise. He is aware of the sad contradiction in his life, which he seeks to alleviate by demonstrating a genuine brotherly concern for his reckless, generally disliked, friend, Johnny Boy (Robert de Niro) and continuing his relationship with Johnny Boy's cousin, Teresa (Amy Robinson) whose bout with epilepsy makes her a socially unattractive mate. Both affiliations endanger Charlie's hope of being "something", which to him means being given his own restaurant by his "godfather."

Charlie is a perfect example of the man stunted by his environment. Deeply religious, he nevertheless, can conceive of no life outside the one he's living, wasting his hours away in low-lit bars and cheap flats. He views his life as

a "penance" but he can't seem to recognize that the godfather he emulates is an inferior person, a moral dwarf. Because of his corrupt environment, Charlie is constantly tempted to put money, the stuff that makes Little Italy tick, ahead of love and morality, a position he knows it does not deserve.

Scorsese's direction is undeniably precise in his creation of a violent atmosphere where awesomely powerful-almost electric-scenes seem to erupt out of the volatile story. Particularly brilliant are these scenes in which Charlie tries to bring Johnny Boy in line, conjuring up memories of the Marlon Brando-Rod Steiger scenes from ON THE WATERFRONT. It is in these scenes, too, that the realistic dialogue, much of it ethnic banter, is most effective.

The acting, with Scorsese's influence always felt as he shapes the performances to the rhythm of the story, is flawless. Charlie's agonizing dilemma is beautifully realized in Harvey Keitel's brilliantly understated portrayal. Invaluable support comes from Amy Robinson as Charlie's girl, realizing the futility of living on the "mean streets" but refusing to understand Charlie's motivations; and Robert de Niro as Johnny Boy. De Niro performs so charismatically in this flamboyant role that he reminds one of the young Brando, immensely likeable even when he's destroying himself and others.

In sum, despite some minor loose ends in the plot, MEAN STREETS cannot escape being termed a virtual masterpiece—one of the two or three the American cinema has produced in this now-aging decade.

brilliantly vibrant Zorba) and David Niven.

Some people feel that THE GUNS OF NAVEURONE is a spoof of the suspense film, like the recent THE LONG GOODBYE was a spoof of detective stories. And indeed, THE GUNS OF NAVEURONE will make the viewer laugh at times.

Yet the laughter here is the same kind that provoked the giggles when Ali McGraw solemnly reassured Ryan O'Neal that "Love means never having to say you're sorry."

To be shown in Nunn Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Admission is a dollar.

"Naverone" To Be Shown

Action, albeit empty "manufactured" action, characterizes this week's Film Series offering, THE GUNS OF NAVEURONE (to be shown February 27) is the best cinematic of an Alistair McLean novel to date, a fact that surely doesn't prevent it from being boring and impossible.

Its special effects are indeed impressive, but the countless explosions within this very ordinary World War II suspense set in faraway Greece only serve to remind the viewer how much money is wasted on clichés like this.

The all-star cast, stock characters all, includes Gregory Peck, Anthony Quinn (in quite an unexciting performance compared to his other "Greek" role: the