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Spring Quarter Cancelled

BY JAMES P. NELSON

Due to a severe outbreak of "senioritis," officials at the UW-River Falls campus have canceled the remainder of Spring Quarter 1981. The disease, which usually inflicts seniors sometime during the final year of their college education, has stricken large segments of the junior, sophomore and freshmen student population.

"We first noticed something was wrong when only two students picked up their books during the first week of spring quarter," said Mary Budman, head of the textbook library on campus. "It's like everybody went to Florida five weeks before Spring Break!"

L. Gordon Giddy, assistant dean of student affairs, reported that many classrooms were virtually empty and the halls of most campus buildings were empty. "However," he added, "I counted 478 Frisbees last Tuesday noon on my way from North Hall to have lunch at the Student Center."

Giddy said the unusually nice weather may have caused this year's senioritis epidemic. He

added that other campuses around the state have reported similar outbreaks.

Many of the instructors on campus have expressed concern of the students' apathy to this spring quarter. In addition, one instructor now has been carrying a lifesized blowup doll to class and seating it in the back of the room.

"Unlike some of my colleagues, I simply cannot teach to a classroom filled with empty desks," explained philosophy instructor Ann Tiquity. "I prefer those desks to be filled with students who are enthusiastically awaiting my awesomely boring lectures on the writings of Whoppee John."

Jim Nelson, a senior taking up space and one of the two students to pick up their books this quarter, explained that "I always pick up my books early during spring quarter. Especially with the nice weather this spring, I'd be lost without those books! Besides, without them, I wouldn't have anything to prop my windows open with."

The other student to pick up books was Dave Copeland, a junior majoring in human relations with a broad interest.



Classroom scenes like this have plagued teachers all over campus this quarter. This has forced UW-RF officials to cancel the remainder of spring quarter. See you in the fall.

Copeland said the main reason he picked up his books was because there was no line. "Besides, I had to get a copy of Darwin's 'Origin of Species' so I could start teaching my monkey how to read."

Chancellor Yard made the announcement of the cancellation of spring quarter at a press conference Thursday, April 1. He said if students don't want to attend classes there is

no reason to hold classes. By canceling spring quarter, the university will save approximately \$150,000. "This money will help to finance my sabbatical to Monte Carlo," explained Yard.

Yard also denied rumors that he had signed a contract with Twentieth Century Fox to play the role of college dean in the upcoming sequel of the movie "Animal House." However, he

added, John Belushi has been hired as food supervisor at Rodli for the 1981-82 school year.

Students interested in continuing their education should pick up and fill out the inside cover of the match books available at the Student Center information desk. The outside cover of the matchbooks say "SUCCESS WITHOUT COLLEGE."

LSD kills plans for Vet school at UW-RF

by Kit Kiefer

The Wisconsin Assembly voted 115-37 yesterday to cancel construction of the proposed veterinary medicine school at UW-River Falls.

Three legislatures were confused by the roll-call vote and voted present, and four other

legislators were reportedly listening to the strange people on the State Street Mall.

The measure killing the school was sponsored by Rep. Steven Schmiel (D-Ashippun), who said Wisconsin should not pay for the school because "River Falls is part of that damned state of Minnesota anyway."

At that point, a surprised and contrite Rep. Bjorn-David Hjelkstad (R-River Falls) apologized for being in the wrong legislature and left the chamber.

Schmiel continued, "These people read Minnesota newspapers, watch Minnesota television, root for those stupid golden Gophers—they're not Wisconsinites. They need help, but they don't need our vet school. Let Minnesota pay for it."

When Rep. Orville Schmozzel (D-Racine) said that he had seen numerous small, furry animals from the Prescott area rooting for the Badgers, Schmiel replied, "Yeah, but do you see any Gopher fans in foxholes?" Schmozzel was later helped from the chamber to a waiting bar.

Schmozzel supported a rider to the Schmiel bill, sponsored by Rep. "Little Joe" Cartwright (R-Ponderosa), which would allow the vet school to be built at UW-RF after the university met a series of "residency" requirements.

The requirements included placing a portrait of Wisconsin Gov. Lee Sherman Dreyfus in every room of the university; ending all sentences with "y'know;" confiscating and burning all hockey sticks in the area; closing the Minnesota-Wisconsin border to all but nonessential traffic; burning all books containing references to Hubert Humphrey, Bob Dylan, or taconite; and confiscating all Viking paraphernalia.

The Cartwright rider was shot down by Rep. Donald Hasenpfeffer (I-Tigerton), who carries a gun for such purposes.

Hasenpfeffer is a member of the outlawed Posse Comitose, which performs frontal lobotomies on all its members.

Local reaction to the bill was mixed.

Rep. Hjelkstad said the folks in Minnesota treated him "real good," and he hopes to serve the people of his constituency "real good, too" from his new state.

Orrin Anderson, chairman of the Minnesota Liberation Front, said the decision to kill the school was forced upon the legislature

after many years of guerilla warfare between the MLF and local badgers.

Anderson said, "You don't see any badgers, though, do you? We did our job real good."

University officials were pleased that the legislature decided against building a vet school at River Falls.

UW-RF chancellor Ed Yard said, "We got this nifty snow fence and these two neat trailers for free. Why should we complain?"

Yard added that the vet school cancellation fit in "real good" with the university's plan of utilizing space by driving people away.

Acting Agriculture School Dean Swan (or is it Duck?) said the school is unnecessary because animals don't get sick.

Acting Dean Swan (or is it Duck?) said, "They're just acting like they're sick. They're real good actors."

Other university officials said they thought they were already working for the state of Minnesota and would not comment on the assembly's action.



On hearing of the decision to cancel construction on the proposed UW-RF Vet school, this would-be employee barked, 'I'd rather have a frontal lobotomy than a bottle in front of me...but you can't have everything.'

Spring concert a reality

By JAMES P. NELSON

In a stunning political maneuver, Student Senate President Gary Laszki cast the deciding vote in a motion to have a spring concert in River Falls. The final vote on the motion was 1-0 with the 17 remaining senators abstaining.

The senate-sponsored concert became a reality when Dan Swan, son of Dean Swan, told those present at Tuesday's senate meeting that they could have the concert in his parent's backyard. In response to a question about how his parents felt about having the concert, Swan said, "Oh they're going to be out of town that weekend and they won't even know about it."

The concert is scheduled for May 24 at 4 p.m. It will follow graduation ceremonies, rain or shine. Graduating seniors are encouraged to bring their parents to the concert and to show up in caps and gowns.

Because of an amendment that was tacked on to the original motion, music will be provided by the members of the senate and other campus organizations.

Terry Cloth, who sponsored the amendment, said "it would give everybody the chance to blow their own horns." He added that the senators have been practicing all year long.

Former senators, Scot Pethersun, Mary Marshak and Lorrey Blents have already formed a trio. They will sing traditional American ballads about backstabbing, favoritism and petty feuds.

Bob Lupus, vice president of the Inter-Resident Hell Council, said that he and other IRHC members have started organizing a "no wave" group to be called the False Alarms. The lead vocalist for the group is a blue-tick hound named Crockett. Crockett is doing a residency on campus this quarter and is working with the UW-RF Choir.

His residency is sponsored by S.I.E.S.T.A..

Some senators favored hiring a nationally known band to headline the concert, but the idea was dropped after Senator Laura Laszki threatened to not abstain from voting. Possible acts originally included Elvis Presley and the Grateful Dead.

Beer and refreshments will be available at the concert site. Non-alcoholic refreshments will be sold by members of the Wilted Willow Ko-op, distillers of the nationally known "Lake George Elexer", a health tonic sold in suspicious brown bottles. In an attempt to keep order at the concert and to reduce the possibility of rain, the senate voted to ban members of that much maligned, wildcat fraternity known as the TIE Society from attending the concert.



Those who remember the excitement of Musicquack 1979 can look forward to the upcoming spring concert.

Bill M. Later, president of the No Business Society and in charge of concert publicity, said they have already placed an ad in the upcoming 1981 phonebook. "Tickets," he said, "can be obtained by patting a student senator on the back and telling him or her what a great guy or girl he or she is."

In other action, the senate voted in favor of sponsoring a survey to see how students feel about being surveyed.

The upcoming DUH movies will be "Ordinary Elephant People" and "Urbane Cowpie" starring John Revolva.

New college opens this fall

In order to uplift the image and expand the educational dimensions of its curriculum, the University of Wisconsin has announced that a College of No Direction will be founded in the Fall quarter of 1981. It will coexist with the College of Arts and Business, the College of Agriculture and the College of Education.

Jerry Mander, assistant dean in charge of dean's, said, "It's our way of saying 'scrape your boots before ya wipe' on the welcome mat, ya big dummy!" Besides, Ed thought the idea was groovy."

Mander said that the new college would give its graduates a Bachelor's or Miscellaneous (BM). The course load will consist of 192 credits of basic studies courses or the option of taking Art 100 63 times. The major will be classified as



WOODY KEROVAC has been appointed as new Dean of the College of No Direction at UW-RC.

professor of sociology, have been picked as Dean and Assistant Dean, respectively of disrespectively, depending on your point of view.

Caufield said he feels he will be able to instill enough confusion into the program so that the students enrolled in the program won't be able to figure out which day of the week it is. In order to do this, he said, students will be required to set their watches to the clocks in North Hall before they register.

"Classes will be held as usual, but we're going to encourage the students to skip out and enjoy life. We'll have bus trips up to see the dancin' girls in Somerset and outings over to the cities so the girls can see the dancing guys. We're also planning to take students on a field trip were they are required to cruise the white collar bars of Minneapolis," Chatman pointed out from his cell in the campus security building.

When asked what the continued financial aid and budget cuts to the universities would do to the life of the new program, Chatman said, "Me and Caufield ain't worried about that. We're both on unemployment. Besides, these college kids will be joining the Peace Corp and going to El Salvador before you can spell 'relief.'"

"That's R-O-L-I-A-D-S, isn't it?" said Caufield.

"I'm not sure. You got a dictionary?" asked Chatman.

we're going to answer those cries. We're gonna show the scholars of this world that the University of River Falls is where that "free spirit prevails." Where kids cannot only get an education but they can have a chance to dress up as the school mascot...." explained Woody Kerouac, newly appointed dean to the college of No Direction. Kerouac attended prestigious West Beldenville High School in Beldenville and is a former Kirby vacuum cleaner salesman.

Holden Chatman, professor of English, and Mark Caufield,



Former State Senator Michelle Radosevich and former Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland prepare for an upcoming campaign poster photo session.

WRFW

Dead air eliminated

BY JUMPING JIMMY
J.J. JOHNNY
JETHRO JOE NELSON

Three UW-River Falls students committed suicide yesterday, apparently as a direct result of an announcement by University officials to close down the campus radio station WRFW. The students leaped from the third floor of North Hall where the station is located.

Eye witnesses said the three students held hands as they jumped, and, before they hit the ground, they screamed "FM 89 where the future is now!" Two of the students hit the pavement while another hit the Chancellor's car. The students were identified as Venus Flycrap, Johnny Feverish, and Ima Dork.

In response to the tragedy, Chancellor Yard tearfully explained, "I was shocked and distraught at first, but then I remembered that the car had to be washed."

Mickey Nordan, journalism professor and station manager, said the decision to close the station down came after a community-wide listener survey. From the survey, it was estimated that .001 percent of the 3000 people surveyed in River Falls listen to WRFW. After an

autopsy was performed on the deceased, Nordan said it was discovered that the three victims were that .001 percent.

"I guess we knew it had to happen sometime. That's why we moved the radio station from the basement of North Hall up to the third floor," said Nordan. "You see we expected the ratings to eventually drop to nothing. Once we saw this, we had to move it. You see, radio people are very dedicated, put up with a lot of pressure and usually have deep voices. However, if anything went wrong in the basement there wasn't any place to jump!"

In memory of the three students, Kid Keeper, promotion director at the station, said that WRFW would carry the funeral services live from a hot air balloon. "Originally," he said, "I thought of using a helicopter, but decided on the hot air balloon because it fits our image better."

The station will remain on the air for another 48 hours. During which staff members will hold a vigil where they will read the weather forecast continually.

Pierce county police undercover operation crushes local drug ring

(This developing story will be reported as soon as our reporter is arraigned.)

Letters

FRAUD

To the new editor of the Student Voice and the students of UW-River Falls:

Rio de Janeiro is nice these days with temperatures in the mid eighties and the sun beating down on my little red nose. The people are great in this city and they are especially gracious to foreigners with lots of cruzeiros (bucks).

And it's about bucks that I am writing this letter to you naive midwestern college types. All of this could not have been possible if it were not for you. The \$23,123 that the senate allocated to the Voice for the 81-82 school year will come in handy.

Anyone in their right mind would have done what I did and I'm sure you understand. But as you all know \$23,123 is not really all that much money and I think that I will need more money to survive. If, out of the kindness of your heart, you feel compelled to mail a few cruzeiros to my address in Rio I will be glad to send you some real South American clay.

Also should you send a contribution of more than \$100 I will send you a photograph of me with Robert Vescoe. I know that you're thinking that it would be a waste of money, but you never know how far a little mud and a picture will get you.

My address is 613 Sao Paulo Street, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. That's 613 Sao Paulo Street, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Act quickly and get a free dried worm to drop in your tequila.

Muchas gracias,
Jeff "Gringo" Holmquist

DRUGS

From The Student Voice staff (minus one sun burnt editor in Rio de Janeiro) and to the phantom Tylenol-coupon-person:

Thanks for sending in all of those left over "get-your-free-Tylenol" coupons which were inserted in our papers a few weeks ago.

Although this medicine can be used, 1,000 bottles of this pain reliever does seem a trifle much.

The stack in the ex-editor's office will come in handy, however, on Wednesday nights, and even Thursday mornings and possibly Tuesday nights.

Ah, heck, the whole staff will be using them everyday now that the paper's future has been endangered by an embezzling editor.

Our heads thank you again.
STUDENT VOICE STAFF
MEMBERS

Money missed - editor ain't

by Julie Buscho

Trustworthy friends are hard to find. Take my word for it. The mild-mannered Jeff Holmquist I've known for two years is a total fake!

Who would have thought, while we both sat in that first journalism class, that he would end up as The Student Voice editor embezzling \$23,123 and leaving the bag with me?

Jeff, you twisted person, how could you leave River Falls for Rio de Janeiro? How could you scar the journalism department like this?

I know now that you were plotting this from the start and were only play acting the role of a patient and committed editor. You realize, of course, what has been lost. The entire staff will suffer while you bask in those Rio rays.

No more pizza, wine or volleyball on Wednesday nights. No more Sunday night hatchet jobs on raw copy. No more Voice "Mexican Extravaganza" parties. No more bylines, or desks with little wire baskets. No more free Pioneer Presses, and worst of all, no more excuses for not doing homework.

KAREN CHRISTIANSON

When I committed myself to continuing my education at UW-River Falls, I was not naive. I knew it wouldn't be easy, but I didn't realize I would be confronting a language barrier.

I expected to be ridiculed for my "to the death" Viking loyalty and my inborn talent of sinking-like-a-cement-truck-in-water even though I come from the land of 10,000 lakes. But I never imagined that I would be scoffed at because of my native tongue.

I had to face the situation my first week in the dorm. Finding myself in the condition of thirst, I approached a native Wisconsinite and asked where I might find a water fountain. The poor gal just stared at me like I was from Mars and told me the closest water fountain was in front of the student center.

Well, I was soon informed that what I was referring to was actually a bubbler. Now, I couldn't comprehend the connection of the object being discussed and the term bubbler. I kept getting a mental picture of Lawrence Welk trying to drink bubbles.



It doesn't matter that we ordered Voice jackets. The Student Voice has ceased to exist. For the next year, the black and white newsprint will be only a memory. By the way, Jeff, your jacket is here, and even though you don't really need it in Rio, we've sent it with your appropriate title across the back—RAT FINK TRAITOR.

It is my assumption that the National Guard had something to do with the corruption of your personality. Were you trying to escape those army weekends and the leave-nothing-but-the-fuzz haircuts?

It couldn't have been the Voice. Journalism has always been good to you. Sure there have been those pasting-up sessions lasting until 4 a.m.

And yes, I remember the Wednesday night of the political issue. So what if we saw the sun rise through the windows of South Hall? At least the wasps were asleep.

I know all your pencils were stolen and your GPA fell. At least you didn't have to cover the Student Senate.

We journalists must be tough, Jeff. We must survive the criticism, the late nights, and the crooked boxes we miss on Thursday mornings while we skip our classes.

Frankly Jeff, I'm shocked and appalled at your disgusting behavior. You made a promise and you broke it.

I had my bags packed with enough swimsuits, beach clothes and suntan lotion to last five years. That's what I get for being a friend and planning this awesome Rio escape.

You have the nerve to leave your right-hand newswoman behind and then ask for donations! You could at least send me a postcard for my collection.

Holmquist, you're despicable, but at least I won't have to call you Lou anymore.

Hey ... duck, duck, that gray what?

It wasn't long before I found myself in my first "Wisconsin-Minnesota Language Debate."

(NOTE - Terms referred to in this article are not necessarily restricted to their side of the river, but in general, the terms I cite are either used in this portion of Wisconsin or to the east of here.)

Once the initial confrontation was made, I found myself participating in debates often.

Sometimes I faced my opposition alone and at other times I received reinforcement from my Minnesota counterparts. A few incidences even included violence. The worst of these involved the child's game of Duck, Duck ...

It seems unbelievable, the uproar that can arise over whether the game is played Duck, Duck Goose, or as I recall from my earlier days, Duck, Duck, Gray Duck. It began mild, with one side "Ducking" their opponents with a tap on the head and the appropriate term according to their beliefs. It then progressed to pinching, kicking and water throwing.

I, biased though I may be, felt this debate was won for

the "gray duckers" by my final blow, which some might consider a guerrilla tactic.

I entered the lady's facility on my floor and quietly positioned myself in the stall next to a "gooser". I carefully leaned over the stall and disturbed her private moment of peace with an unexpected "Duck!" To say the least, she was taken a little off guard.

Another debate involved the terms soda and pop. Those rooting for soda claim the term pop has nothing to do with the object itself, which would be a soft drink. Hard as I try, I can't come up with an answer in defense of pop, but I maintain that the proper definition for soda is the mixture of soda water, ice cream and a flavoring.

Other debates included snuggies vs. hinderbinders and tenni runners vs. sneakers. On the former, it was pretty much a stalemate since both snuggy and hinderbinder are fairly descriptive of the condition being referred to. I must also admit, although I'm an avid tenni runner fan, how does one answer the question - "How do you run a tenni?"

My toughest battle through all these debates was, and is, one in which I find myself

standing totally alone. It deals with the small southeastern portion of Minnesota from which I come. Mind you, I never once thought my local Vernacular odd.

I am referring to the use of indrive and the phrase putting gas on the car. An indrive is the same as a driveway. Here, I am told that I am backwards and it should be drivein. My only problem with this is that when I think of drivein, I think of hamburgers or movies. Neither of which you would find if you were to drive into my indrive.

Luckily I was forewarned about the phrase putting gas on the car by a neighbor who has also attended UW-RF. He told me that one day in speech class the students were asked if any of their parents ever told them to put gas on the car. When he answered yes, the rest of the class broke into sneers and laughter. One yelled from the back of the room, "Doesn't it hurt the paint?"

I may support by dialect, and if my dad asks me to put gas on the car, I'd obey with no questions asked, but while attending UW-RF, I will never, ever, ask a friend to put gas on my car. For they just might put gas ON my car.

Sports

Pinball team first place

by James P. Nelson

Crooners compete

by Kristi Peterson

Have you ever seen the UW-River Falls team that can move with sudden agility, flexibility, daring, and control while **STANDING** on the bleachers, not, to mention have clean uniforms **AFTER** the game?

If your answer is no (or yes) come see the UW-RF Concert Choir vocal team in action Sunday at 3 p.m. and Thursday at 8 p.m.

The team will return for these performances after a week-long tour of exhibition games in Seymour, Racine, Waukesha, Franklin, and Janesville as well as the "big game" in Detroit, Mich.

Head coach, Elliot Wold, works his team, from whom he requires, and receives 100 percent participation, at least six hours each week.

The vocal muscles, Wold said, are probably the most well-refined and frequently used muscles in the human body.

These muscles range in size from one-half inch, to three fourths of an inch, and must be put through hours of rigorous training and calisthenics daily, if they are to get and remain in shape, Wold said.

Wold has coached the UW-RF vocal team for more than ten years, and has officiated at more than 200 vocal clinics.

The team also has four full-time assistant coaches, two for each the front-line, and the back-line.

The enclosed arena, located in the Fine Arts Building, allows fans to relax and enjoy the performances, to which they receive **FREE** admittance, and **FREE** programs.

There is always a half-time break for fans to stretch their legs, and critique the first half.

The UW-RF Concert Choir Vocal Team needs your support. Welcome them home Sunday and Thursday (at their "Home From Tours Concerts") with a big cheering section!

In its first year of existence, the UW-RF pinball team has captured the first place title in the 14th Annual National Organization of Pinball Enthusiasts (N.O.P.E.). The Falcon tilts managed to use their "body

"We've been riflin' paper machines and muggin' paperboys all year long..."

english" to their advantage and simply let their opponents tilt themselves out of the competition.

"Going into the tournament, we were rated very poor in the electronic game events. However, our team members have been hanging out in the

Game Room and skipping class more this quarter," said Falcon coach Fred Flipper. He added that the team has been consistently good in the flipper pinball competition.



COACH FREDDIE FLIPPER

"We've been riflin' paper machines all over town and muggin' paperboys all year long to get funding to attend the tournament," explained Bill Fold, team captain. "So we had our pockets full of quarters and our goals set for the best games of the tourney."

He said that the team should be in good shape next year if the members who don't flunk out can keep their grade point average high enough to stay off probation.

'Muddy'

Tryouts for this year's UW-RF faculty women's mud wrestling team will be held on Friday, April 3 at the rodeo arena on Lab Farm 1. All those trying out are encouraged to show up in suitable clothing. Participants showing up in designer cloths, such as Gloria Steinum signature designer fatigues, will not be allowed to tryout. In case of rain, tryouts will take place in the English teachers' lounge.

In order to help the new students on campus and to eliminate the confusion that often occurs when students and faculty are trying to find seating in the dining area of the main floor in the Student Center, a map has been provided in hopes of clearing this situation up. The map details the various areas that certain groups on campus have claimed as their territory.

The map gives, in scale detail, a floor plan of the dining and lounged areas. Because of the recent outbreaks of "clique wars," both students and faculty are urged to go to their respective corners.

Anyone having trouble finding their right spot should seek out a geography major for further assistance. they can be found wandering aimlessly around the third floor of the Fine Arts Building. They are the one's with the "road map eyes," and should not be confused with the economics students. The economics students are the ones that walk into the walls and say "so this is the dismal science!"

S.C. Territorial map ...

