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CSUSB
New Major: Human Development Major

by Michelle Gache

After five years of planning and battling with the State, Cal State finally has a Human Development major. The coordinator of the B.A. program is Dr. Charles Hoffman, Professor of Psychology. The Human Development major is essentially an expansion of the Child Development major.

Cal State has had for five years. It has been a natural progression to build up the program to include a broader scope of studies in regards to the changes people go through throughout their lifetimes.

After such a long time, Dr. Hoffman is excited about it's final approval. He said the new major is the "study of developments in how people change and grow." The interesting thing about the program is that it has an interdisciplinary approach. The courses involved include Biology, Psychology, Sociology, and Anthropology. Each student can choose their own approaches which gives them "more breadth of training which enables them to use the degree towards the career they've chosen," Dr. Hoffman said.

Students may select to specialize within the program by choosing a concentration in either Child Development or Aging, but a concentration is optional. The upper level core of electives focuses on certain career objectives. There has always been a need for people with backgrounds in child development, and in recent years there has been a call for people knowledgeable on dealing with the growing numbers of problems experienced by the elderly.

The Human Development major is for anyone who wants to work in a setting with people around. Being able to understand and interact with other people is a valuable asset. Anyone who may be interested in Cal State's new program should contact Dr. Hoffman in the Psychology department.

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Pioneer Faculty Member Dies

Dr. Robert R. Roberts, 83, one of the first faculty members to help the planning staff for the future California State College, San Bernardino, died Monday afternoon, Feb. 13 at St. Bernadine's Hospital.

Dr. Roberts, professor of history and first chair of the Division of Social Sciences, had taught his classes through the end of the fall quarter. He had been hospitalized for about a month after leukemia was diagnosed.

"The entire campus community joins in extending deepest sympathy to the Roberts family," said President Anthony H. Evans. "Dr. Roberts was vitally involved in the creation of this college. He and the other planners who labored diligently to ensure an academic foundation to the new institution left a legacy for future generations to carry forward."

"He also was the first chair of the Division of Social Sciences, and taught his classes through the end of the fall quarter," said President Evans.

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"Dr. Roberts was described as a very considerate and kind person by his colleagues as an academician who gave strong leadership in curriculum review and development."

"Speaking for the faculty, at the inauguration of Dr. Pfau, Dr. Roberts said, 'The staff at the new state college was dedicated to the finest possible kind of humanistic education.' In the college's first yearbook, Tauri, he wrote: 'A large and well-equipped campus is in our future, but few who were here will forget the novelty of this primitive campus, both the foolish and effective efforts to organize and to build. I do not know which decisions we may regret or which ones we will look back upon with satisfaction, but I do know that the whole year was a unique experience in college life."

Dr. Roberts was chair of the Division of Social Sciences until 1971, when he was elected to the U.S. Congress. His successor as division chair, Dr. Ward McAfee, became the first dean of the School of Social Sciences when titles were changed in 1972.

Born Oct. 9, 1920 in Changsha, China of missionary parents, Dr. Robert R. Roberts, enjoying the company of one of his ten grandchildren.

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COYOTE CHOSEN OFFICIAL MASCOT

The coyote is now the official mascot for Cal State. President Anthony H. Evans approved the coyote as the symbol for the college following completion of an extensive survey by an ad hoc study committee.

Under the direction of Dr. Tom Rivers (Educational Support Services), the committee sought opinions from students, staff, faculty and alumni on their favored symbol.

Originally, the St. Bernard was the school mascot, but in the late 70's some students initiated a move to change it. Students were polled during winter quarter. Registration staff and faculty were included in the January 1984 alumni newsletter, the Panorama. Survey results were agreed to one in favor of the coyote. Since the coyote is an animal common to this region and the campus and is also the preference of those groups surveyed, it was approved by Dr. Evans.

Black History Week: "A Time to Come Together"

Music, the arts, a film festival and featured speakers will be included in the Black History Week activities at Cal State, Feb. 19 through 24.

"A Time to Come Together" is the theme of this year's functions, which are arranged by the Black Student Union of the college.

Events are free and the public is invited.

black business men and women will share their ideas with students interested in entering the business field from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21. The theme for this event, held in Student Union Multipurpose Room, will be given by Ms. Jackie Hempstead, corporate officer of Security Pacific Bank's inland administration Division. Other speakers will represent the areas of art/design, banking, journalism/advertising, law enforcement, the armed forces, retail and medical.

Student talent will be featured in the activities beginning at 5:30 p.m., Feb. 22 in the Social Hall, A group of students will present one act from the play, "A Raisin in the Sun." Included in the activities will be the fashion show featuring designs by designer Anna Maddox of Riverside County, will speak that evening on the week's theme "A Time to Come Together.""Beginning at 1 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 23, will be a black film festival.

Concluding the week will be a speech at noon Friday, Feb. 24 Yvonne Braithwaite Burke, the first black woman elected to the U.S. Congress from California and past Los Angeles County supervisor. She also will discuss the week's theme, "A Time to Come Together," which is not a luncheon, will be in the Lower Commons. Mrs. Burke is now an attorney in Los Angeles.

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Workshops Offer Advice to Teachers

by Michelle Gock

Last week all perspective elementary and secondary school teachers who attended either of the two workshops held on campus were treated to discussions that were both practical and informative. Sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement Center (CPPC), the workshops were designed to help those just considering a career in teaching or on up to those who were beginning to look for jobs in schools.

On Monday, Feb. 13, the San Bernardino City Unified School District co-sponsored a Teacher Interview workshop in the Lower Orvall Winters, Director of the SBCUSD Personnel of the SBCUSD, told the prospective teachers what they should expect and what to do during a job interview. Also a former principal of Pacific Crest Elementary School, Ms. Winters had experience on both sides of the interview table. She used this experience to give advice on everything from writing resumes to personal appearance.

Even though there is currently a teaching shortage in California, the competition for interviews is still intense. On average, about 80 percent of the applicants in any given position expect to be interviewed during a job interview. Also a former principal of Pacific Crest Elementary School, Ms. Winters had experience on both sides of the interview table. She used this experience to give advice on everything from writing resumes to personal appearance.

On Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cal State Lower Commons, Ms. Orvall Winters, will be discussing the current job market and all that is connected with it. She will also be answering any questions that people might have. The workshop is open to all interested parties.

Winters stressed the need to prepare thoroughly and concisely, and to keep them updated. When asked her opinion on the writing of just one page, she replied, "I think they're great. I'm impressed by what you did in 1963. I'm interested in you again. But it was important to work closely with the college to keep placement files up to date, and praised the staff at Cal State saying, "You're in good hands with the people in the placement office and the career center."

Just two days later the CPPC sponsored another discussion, "How You Think You Want To Be a Teacher." The informal discussion was held on Monday, Feb. 20, at 6 p.m. in the Student Union. The group was open to students, faculty and staff, and invited people to attend Intramural Poker at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center.

Intramural Poker will be held at the Student Union on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. The group is open to all interested students, faculty, and staff.

There is no cost, in fact each player will be given $100 to spend. An Intramural T-shirt will be awarded to the winner.

In addition to the workshops, the CPPC has many other services available to help students find jobs in the field of education. These services include resume writing, interview preparation, and job placement assistance.

New Schedule Alters More

by Greg Timpany

This week's four class schedule that is in the works for next fall will bring about changes in other areas as well. Many organizations may have to change their schedule or deal with student activities, if both receive adequate consideration.

With the increased utilization of classroom space, there will be the possibility of adding more class sections. This could be of real benefit to those of us who find no trouble getting the classes we need in the past. More class sections will also be needed for more faculty positions.

What will happen to traditional "Thursday Night Dancing?" Dexter Wash, A.S. Professor of Dance, feels that next year's administration will have to take a re-considered view. There may be a period of experimenting between Thursday and Friday nights. There will also be an increase in the number of student activities, if both receive adequate consideration.

Other agencies of the school will also notice an increase in business. Theresa Rico, Business Manager, feels that next year's administration will have to see more traffic coming through the bookstore on a regular basis. Administration in the Student Union will also see more business on Fridays. Students may have to change their schedule. They might have to move the daytime sports to Saturdays. The change in the class schedule will bring about much confusion at first, but in the long haul it should prove beneficial to the school.
70's Dance for Thursday Night

On February 23, the HIGH—Energy band PERL will be making a stop here at Cal State. Sponsoring the event will be A.S. and Alpha Kappa Psi. The theme behind the dance will be a return to the 70's. The evening's entertainment will center around the return of PERL to Cal State. The band has played here before, in addition to Valley College, Arrowhead Country Club, and the now defunct Swing Auditorium.

Band personnel include Ray Atencio on Bass guitar, Don Parnell on guitar and vocals, John Tarbaux on guitar and vocals, and Ray Glider on drums and percussion. The band is versatile in their song selection. They can play everything from Van Halen to The Clash, and Sammy Hagar to U 2. So if you are into having a fun time, and reminiscing about days gone by make sure you are at the Super 70's Dance on February 23 in the SUMP.

CSSA

It is that time of the month when most everything has been said about the last CSSA meeting. For this reason, this column will be used to tell you what is planned for discussion this month.

An initial CSSA discussion should be made to the computer science issue mentioned last week. Your BOD voted in opposition to such a fee. The governor's budget will also be a prime topic for discussion.

If you feel there is something that CSSA should be discussing or doing something about, then make your opinions known! Bring them by the AS office today.

Did You Know?

We all know that a major portion of our college expenses, especially here at Cal State, are tied up in textbooks. But hope is on the way! For the "typical college student," among us with the "typical college student budget," S runs a FREE Book Co-op service. As a prospective "book seller," you set your own price for the books you want to sell and turn it over to the co-op on consignment. As a buyer, your savings could be tremendous! Students are not charged for this special service so S fees help to pay the student assistants who run the co-op. The co-op and fund the paper work involved.

You can now cash in on your investment so that you can REINVEST! Watch for future announcements about the S Book Co-op and save yourself a pretty penny!

Black Students Union at Cal State. How do others get involved in the celebration? "Culturally speaking, Black History Week provides an awareness to others in the society about the contributions in art, music, politics, literature and religion of famous black American from the past and today," said Copeland. Can't on page 5

Film Festival

Why Black History Week?

by Lizzie Thomas

Why do we have Black History Week? After all there is no White History Week? "Black History Week is needed to celebrate memories of significant Black Leaders, the civil rights movements of Blacks, the music, the arts and to remind the nation about the struggle of Blacks in America," said Bridget Copeland, president of the Black Students Union at Cal State.

The Graffiti Club and the Department of English will sponsor Diane Wakoski's reading of her works on Feb. 27. Wakoski is recognized as one of the foremost poets in America today. The reading, open to the public, will begin at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Wakoski, one of the most imitated poets of the 1960's and 1970's, has published numerous slim volumes of poetry and has appeared in about 15 other collections, one of which was translated into Romanian. She is the recipient of a prestigious Guggenheim grant as well as other honors including a National Endowment for the Arts grant and a Fulbright scholarship for writers to go to Yugoslavia this fall.

Now a writer in residence at Michigan State University, Wakoski has had similar affiliations at 13 other universities throughout the country. She is a native of California, born in Whittier and a graduate of UC Berkeley. Much of her poetry is based in California.

Some of her previously unpublished poetry will appear in this year's edition of the Pacific Review, the college literary magazine.

A reception for the visitor will follow her poetry reading. Arrangements for the visit are being made by Dr. Larry Smith. Sponsors are the Graffiti Club, the college writers' club, and the Department of English.
All They Wanted Was Some of Your Blood

Laura Henry was one of many students who donated blood at the Blood Drive.

"Even though this is flu and cold season, last week's Blood Drive was a success! We had a total of 131 people stop by and donate, which resulted in 99 pints of blood credited to the Cal State Blood Reserve Fund. The intramural t-shirt was won by ROBERTA ROMANO, DOUG HANKINS, MICHAEL SLATON, DAN ROMANO, and 6 faculty members that donated. "We would like to thank everyone who took the time to contribute, whether or not they were successful. Because of people such as you who help to keep our blood fund supplied, we were able to provide 22 pints of blood for one of our faculty members," added Thurman.

Cal State's Organization for College Women provided recruiting and three $10 cash prizes. The winners were MICHAEL SLATON, DAN ROMANO, DOUG HANKINS. The intramural t-shirt was won by ROBERTA BARNES. The Blood Drive plaque will stay at MOJAVE, since that house had the most donors.

The next blood drive will be held next fall quarter. For those who were unable to donate this time, the local Blood Bank in San Bernardino will accept donations. "Ask that your donation be credited to the Cal State Blood Reserve Fund. Many of our staff and faculty are regular donors who contribute to this fund year-round. Again, thanks to everyone who helped make this drive so successful," concluded Thurman.

HEALTH CORNER

LEG AND ARM CRAMPS

This is a weekly column. If you have any health-related questions that you would like answered, drop your questions in the box in the Health Center lobby.

What is the Contraceptive Sponge? How effective is it?

The contraceptive sponge is an old method of contraception that has been revived with the use of the newer spermicidal agents. Many years ago cotton balls, sponges, etc., soaked in acetic acid (vinegar) or impregnated with other agents were used for contraception.

The contraceptive sponge is marketed under the name TODAY and retails for approximately one dollar a sponge. If you are active, the sponge is a bargain since one can be used for 24 hours.

Like the effectiveness of the sponge, recent studies have revealed a 16.8% failure rate. This was compared with a 12.5% failure rate in a control group of diaphragm users. More information about the birth control method will be given in a future issue.

I frequently wake up with cramps in my feet and legs. They don't last long, but they disrupt my sleep. Can you suggest a way to prevent them?

Yes, by stretching your leg muscles every night before going to sleep. Here's an excellent routine: Stand facing a wall, about two or three feet away. Place hands against wall and lean forward, keeping feet flat and legs straight. Hold five seconds, then stand straight. Repeat three to five times.

FILM FESTIVAL

The purpose of Black History Week at Cal State. On Feb. 22, "Blacks in the Film Festival" will be displayed in a variety show presented by students. "A fashion show will be featured by designer Anna Maddox of Rialto," said Peacoak. And on Feb. 23 is the Black Film Festival. A series of black films will be shown especially concerning the March on Washington, said Ms. Peacoak. Yvonne Burke will speak on Feb. 24. "We are proud to have her, because she was the first black woman to be elected to Congress from California," said Ms. Peacoak.

The series of films, to be shown in Student Union rooms A and B, will include:

1:00pm  Black History, Lost, Stolen or Strayed?
2:00pm  King, the Man and His Meaning
2:30pm  The Tenement
3:30pm  Langston Hughes
4:00pm  The George Family of New York
5:00pm  In Search of Real America
5:30pm  Black Progress

LIBERAL ARTS MAJORS...

You're Needed All Over the World.

Ask Peace Corps volunteers why their ingenuity and flexibility are as vital as their degrees. They'll tell you they are helping the world's poorest peoples attain self sufficiency in the areas of food production, energy conservation, education, economic development and health services. And they'll tell you about the rewards of hands on career experience overseas. They'll tell you it's the toughest job you'll ever love.

PEACE CORPS
The American classic "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" will open Thursday, Feb. 23 in the Theatre at Cal State.

The Theatre Arts Department's winter production will continue Friday and Saturday, Feb. 24-25 and Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 29-March 3. Curtain time is 8:15 p.m.

The play, which opened on Broadway in 1962, demonstrates playwright Edward Albee's ability to involve the audience on many emotional levels.

Senior theatre arts majors William Greeley of Corona and Nancy Learmonth of San Bernardino will portray lead characters George and Martha. Both actors were featured in Cal State's production of "The Hostage" last November. They also have been seen in many productions at the college.

Completing the cast will be junior theatre arts major Marc Dietrich of Fontana as Nick and Tamora Monohan, of San Bernardino, a sophomore majoring in theatre arts, as Honey.

The play draws its audience into the intense dramatic conflict between George and Martha and their two late evening guests, Nick and Honey.

Reservations may be made through the Theatre Arts Office at the college beginning Feb. 13. Tickets are $4.25 general and $2 for students and senior citizens.

CSCSB Creative Arts Theatre
8:15 pm
February 23-25, 29
1-3
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Record Rack: 90125 by "Yes"
by Greg Timpany

The music industry is riding on the wave of simplicity. It takes little musical talent to create a hit record nowadays. Fortunately, YES does not subscribe to this trend. Their sound is very much updated, but they still maintain their musical integrity. A musician can appreciate 90125, but you do not have to be a musician to enjoy it.

In remodeling their sound, YES has opted for a more guitar oriented sound. The guitar chords are being handled by Trevor Rabin. He brings to the band a powerful, blues-based guitar sound. Despite the power chords that dominate "Owner of a Lonely Heart," Rabin is not afraid to lay back, and use broken chords and acoustic guitar lines.

90125 marks the return of vocalist Jon Anderson. Previous to rejoining YES, Anderson completed several solo efforts including an album with composer Vangelis. Anderson's vocals have been a trademark of the YES sound. Producer Trevor Horn has brought Jon's vocals to the forefront in their new YES sound. Complementing Anderson's vocals are the rich, choirboy like harmonies.

Side one opens with "Owner of a Lonely Heart." This is a real departure from the YES sound of old. It is that change that has brought them more airplay than any other single released by them. "Hold On," is the next track. This song is dominated by Rabin's blues-based guitar lines. "It Can Happen," has also been added to the heavy rotation play lists of many radio stations across the nation. In keeping with past tradition, the lyrics on this song have a deep and very pertinent meaning. "Changes," closes side one. On this track Trevor Rabin has the opportunity to display his vocal as well as instrumental prowess.

Side two opens with the energetic instrumental, entitled "Cinema." Chris Squire's bass work is (highlighted) on this track. The band was considering using the name "Cinema" before Jon Anderson returned. "Leave It," uses an interesting polyphonic vocal technique for an introduction. "City of Love," is an engaging piece of melody with a spoken dialogue between the keyboard player. "Hearts," is the longest track on the album, a mere seven and a half minutes. This is in stark contrast to their earlier song "Gates of Delirium. Delerium," which ran 22 minutes.

By far this is a new and improved YES. I would expect to see them around for at least another few years. Special thanks goes out to Brandon and George for their help on this review.

Last Word's Answer:
1) "Ruthless by the Light," was originally written by G. King and D. K. Mason. The song was recorded for the 1975 film "Voyage of the Damned.",
2) "The Boss." Bruce Springsteen. It can be found on his "Tunnel of Love" album.
3) "Joyous." Roger was not born in Florida, he was born in Minnesota.

Movie Review
Uncommon Valor

by Emily Hanisko

The plot begins with a father who is interested in finding a POW son he believes is still captured somewhere in Vietnam, and asks the financial help of a banker (played by an aging Robert Stack), who also believes that the same place as the aforesaid, begins plans for a rescue. The father of the first POW searches and finds veterans of the war that were in the same troop as the two missing and convinces them to help get in the rescue he is planning to do without the aid of the American Army or any governmental institution. The business, prison inmate, California skateboarder, and weed killer who is taken away for rigorous training and when it is the time to go, the resurrected soldiers shaven, shaved and have their shoulders pushed back. Their rescue mission is halted somewhere there after they get into the foreign country because of one reason or another. Eventually they come close to the village where the prison camp is supposedly located.

The story becomes unbelievable after the first Vietnamese are shot and killed. The plot becomes even more pointless as person after person is shot in order to save the three or four American POW's that are believed to be in the area. Not only the Vietnamese military men killed but also innocents from the peaceful area. I would dare say that the lives of these people were more important than American lives. I thought seriously of walking out at this point and told myself if YES' really were rescued. After the California surfer and the prison inmate died in the battle, three American prisoners were found, and their explanations were dredged from their underground prison cells..."
SPORTS

This Month

In Intramural Family Feud, The Joshua Outpatients won by winning $10,773 on Jan. 19.

In the first week of Intramural Basketball Action:
Early B League
Slow Breakers 64
Brownskins 32

They received tickets to attend the show. Also winning tickets were the "Administrative Apocalypses," " Lambda Sigma" (Biology Club), and "Joe and Joe plus 3," The "Pemm Club" and "Rod and the Associates" both won official Family Feud games as door prizes.

Extramural Volleyball team won its first two matches Thursday night.

HOCKEY

Extramural floor hockey was defeated 4-1 in its first match Sunday against the Loma Linda Academy.

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Services were held last Friday. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Faculty and Staff Scholarship Fund in the College Foundation.

ROBERTS------
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Diary parents, Dr. Roberts earned his B.A. from Whitman College and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. His field was history and his dissertation was on "Political Economic Issues in the Social Gospel Movement."

After beginning his teaching career at Drury College in Missouri in 1949-51, he taught at Mankato State College in Minnesota from 1952-59 and moved to San Jose State in 1959.

His widow, Ruth, also is a graduate of Whitman College. They have four children and 10 grandchildren, who survive. Son, David, is the president of a computer company in Los Angeles. Daughter Leslie and her husband, Gene Clements, live in San Francisco, where Leslie is employed by the State Division of Labor Statistics and Research. The two youngest children, attorneys. Donald practices in L.A. and Nancy in Washington, D.C., where she lives with her husband, Neil Grunberg.

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Sponsoring Speakers

This Friday the Black Student Union and Associated Students will sponsor a talk by Yvonne Brathwaite Burke as part of Black History Week. BSU and A.S. should be commended for bringing a speaker of prominence to our campus. Ms. Burke was the first black woman elected to the U.S. Congress from California and is a past Los Angeles County supervisor.

Unfortunately, however, the event is to be held in the lower commons which accommodates only 200 people. For the $1,000 fee that A.S. is paying, more than 200 people should be able to benefit. With heavy advance publicity and having the event on a different day, the event could have attracted more than 200 people.

Hopefully the next time A.S. allocates large sums of money for speakers, more than 200 people will be able to participate.

Progress In Science

Encouraged

Several weeks ago a baby was born to a childless couple as a result of an embryo transplant. Although most people view this as a real benefit, there are those who disagree, arguing that "science is playing God," makes them feel uncomfortable. It is true that there are always both negative and positive aspects in every new innovation. But we need to remind ourselves of the unanswerable feelings people had with the introduction of anesthetics during surgery, and when vaccines were developed. These also were accepted slowly by the general populace, yet the good we have derived has far outweighed any negative results.

We need to keep this in mind, and be thankful (as indeed the parents of the child must be) that science has never been discouraged or stopped by those few who would have felt uneasy with the invention of the wheel.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Americans Can’t Retreat Behind Borders

Staff:

I would like to address this letter to the editorial staff. In an article entitled, "Is World Peace Near?" you implied that the U.S. Arms Deployment is responsible for the problems between us and the Soviets.

I am sure that the Soviets would make real nice neighbors, unless you happen to be in Afghanistan or Poland, and when was the last time anyone asked the Cuban people how they like the generous and benevolent support of the Soviet government?

But what the heck, those people are on the other side of the world, right? Well maybe you can reach anywhere in the world in 2 days, but I’m sure that the Soviets can be stopped. After all, the opposition in Poland and Afghanistan seems to be disappearing pretty fast. Oh, a word of warning; should you be in one of those countries don’t ever suggest that a new leader is called for, it’s very unhealthy.

Anyhow, my point is that we can’t retreat behind our borders and watch the world spin. We are now a part of this world and have to deal with it. Sometimes you can’t talk your way out, so you have to apply a little muscle. Also, if this muscle shows, people are a lot more willing to talk. I say leave the arms stashed where they are. As for the President, how about asking for a few more opinions? Like maybe in November?

Keith Chambers
Senior, Computer Science

Creative Thought Can Solve Major Problem

Sometimes a tiny creative thought can solve a major problem for thousands of people. If my ideas seem off the wall to any reader, I hope you try to think up some of your own ideas that may make more sense.

Problem Number One: Pollution. At the center of every heavily industrialized city we can place giant activated charcoal air cleaners. This would not only help clean out air, but it would also create more jobs.

Someone would have to replace and maintain the air cleaners when they ran down.

Problem Number Two: The Energy Crisis. Since we hate nuclear energy, and we don’t know much about solar energy, and we appear to always be running out of natural resources, I believe we should figure out a way to get giant windmills up into the Jetstreams of our atmosphere. Thus we have a guaranteed constant flow of air to turn the mighty windmills to generate large amounts of electricity.

Problem Number Three: To End The Possibility Of Nuclear War. If we can learn how to concentrate beams of electromagnetic radiation at a target we choose. We can use this weapon to fry circuits at the control panels that can fire nuclear weapons. What concentrated amounts of electromagnetic radiation can do is destroy the working ability of an electric circuit. Thus, if someone wants to push "the button," nothing will happen. The missile won’t fire because the circuit board under the button panel was destroyed.

John J. Brun
Senior, Computer Science

Life Begins At Conception and Merits Protection

Dear Editor,

This letter is in response to your editorial of Feb. 8, 1984.

The reason Right To Life groups have not accepted the Supreme Court’s decision legalizing abortion is that life begins at conception and therefore merits protecting.

Proponents of abortion strongly believe that women should not be told what to do and ought to have the “right to choose” that they ignore the fact that human lives are destroyed.

Your editorial implies that one reason abortion should be legalized is that it will always occur. Because some women will always find a way to have abortions, we must make sure abortion is legal, regardless of whether it’s right? This is analogous to saying that people are always going to steal cars and, since we cannot stop them, why not make car theft legal?

The unbound child’s right to life supersedes a woman’s “right to an abortion” and is the sole reason for the anti-abortion movement.

Bonnie Thorne
Senior, Psychology