

Computer aids career planning

By **MELISSA KORBER**

Staff Writer

Meet SIGI.

SIGI, or the System of Interactive Guidance and Information, is the Career Placement and Planning (CPP) office's newest career information tool.

SIGI is a sort of pseudo-counselor. It stores occupational information and can help students to clarify their own values, explore career options, develop educational plans, and learn how to make informed decisions.

Starting fall quarter, SIGI will be available to MSU students free of charge.

The CPP office is leasing SIGI for \$1,200 per year from Educational Testing Services. SIGI's data was developed over a 10-year period and will be updated annually.

Mark Haviland of the CPP office said that it is still too early to estimate the extent to which SIGI will be used, although the office has experimented with it this summer.

He anticipates that students will be able to set up appointments through the CPP office to work on SIGI. It will take a student about two hours to complete SIGI's career planning process, Haviland said.

The process consists of six steps through which students analyze their values and learn about various jobs and occupational strategies.

The first step is to assess the student's values through a series of games and hypothetical questions.

Next the student can put in specifications on five values at a time to locate a list of possible occupations.

In the third step the user compares occupations, either those found in the previous step, or any others from the SIGI memory bank.

Planning is the next step. The user is shown routes of preparation for entry to various occupations, such as courses to take and appropriate work experience.

The final step is strategy. SIGI rates the student's opportunity offered by each occupation. The student can examine relative risks and rewards of any particular occupation.

SIGI offers the user several opportunities to get a print-out of information listed on the screen during the process.

Haviland is particularly impressed with SIGI's interactive functioning.

SIGI allows students to go back and change any value rating. A new list of possible occupations is then generated, based upon the new values.

The user can also find out why a particular occupation was not included on the list, and add or subtract from values so that that occupation is included.

"Although students will probably be able to run SIGI without help from the staff, the staff will be available for follow-up work," Haviland said.

He expects the demand for SIGI's services to be great.

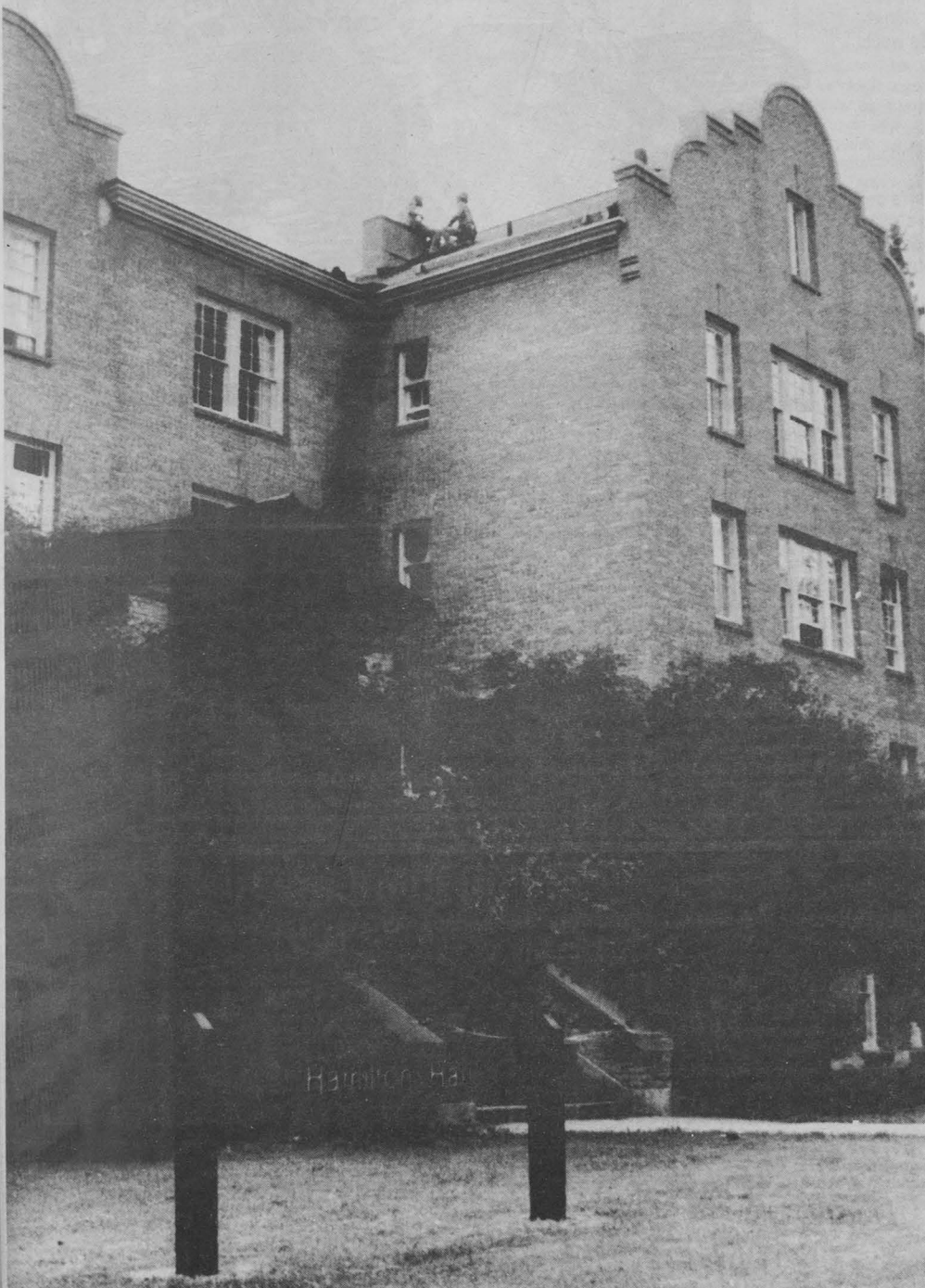
The CPP office is working on ways to improve their services, following a report by a task force submitted to Tom Robinson, dean of student affairs and services on July 30.

Included in the report is a recommendation to assign responsibilities for the administration of SIGI and set aside some type of SIGI support budget to provide for professional training in the use of the system.

The CPP office has not yet acted on any of the recommendations.

"We're putting more effort in career in life planning," Haviland emphasized.

SIGI is one device through which the CPP office is hoping to improve its services to MSU students, he added.



Men at work

Workers have started renovation of the roof of Hamilton Hall this week. (Staff photo by Tom Lowe)

OPINION



Olympic's best and worst

A few impressions of the 23rd Olympiad:

- **Most Remarkable Performance**—Edwin Moses winning his second gold medal in as many Olympiads. Over the past 10 years, Moses has dominated the 110 M hurdles like no other athlete in any event in history.
- **Most Surprising Performance**—Who would have thought Valerie Brisco-Hooks would be wearing three gold medals, after her performances in the trials. If there were a 'Come-back Athlete' award for this Olympiad, Brisco-Hooks would certainly be deserving.
- **Best Boxer**—Pernell Whitaker fought the most strategic fight of the entire tournament in his gold medal knockout of Luis Ortiz of Puerto Rico. Whitaker's boxing style and punch should land him a few healthy paydays in the professional ranks.
- **Clutch Performance of the Games**—Mary Lou Retton's perfect 10 on the vault in her final routine could not have come at a better time. Retton needed the perfect 10 to edge out Romania's Ecaterina Szabo for the women's all-around gold in gymnastics.
- **Most Dominant Performance**—The U.S. Men's Basketball team was never really challenged, and for good reason. Bobby Knight prepared the U.S. team in typical Knight fashion. Defense and discipline allowed the Americans to dominate all challenges. Knight is only one of about two or three collegiate coaches capable of assembling a team of jocks into a bona fide basketball team.
- **Most Graceful Loser**—Boxer Evander Holyfield accepted his disqualification against the New Zealand fighter in the semi-finals of the light heavyweight division in admirable fashion. Holyfield's acceptance of a questionable decision speaks well of the Olympic ethic and spirit of competition.
- **Least Gracious Loser**—Understandably, Mary Decker's unfortunate fall in the 1500 meters was a big disappointment for the veteran runner. But her accusations of a foul being committed, and her rejection of Zola Budd's apology do not speak well of the Olympic spirit of competition.
- **Best Commentator**—Dwight Stones' work as the track and field commentator was well done and full of insight. His days as a competitor may be numbered, but a career in broadcasting appears to be promising.
- **Worst Commentator**—Beyond a doubt, Kathleen Sullivan's smile did not mask her ignorance of sports competition. ABC's selection of Sullivan as the female counterpart of their anchor team did more harm than good for women in sports.

—Curt Prchal



VIEWS

By BENJAMIN J. STEIN

Los Angeles— When I told two of my college student assistants, Juliette Capretta and Vicki Stewart, that I was going to write something to mark the 10th anniversary of Watergate, each one looked at me with her big brown eyes and said, "What was that?" as if I were mentioning one of my usual "Brainio" teasers on them, like "prohibition" or "Two Jima."

But after a few minutes of talking to them, I realized that I was learning the lesson-as usual. Because when I tried to tell them what Watergate was about, I became like Old Kasper in Southey's "Battle of Blenheim." Try as I might, I could not say what it was about.

As I have made my way around the city by car and the nation by phone, I find that my problem is not unique. Really, who knows what Watergate was about. What was all the shouting about?

It has been 10 years. Temperatures in Washington that August were as hot inside the air-conditioned halls of the capitol and the nation's great newspapers as they were on the sidewalks. A committee of the House of Representatives had voted to impeach a president for only the second time in history. There were dark rumors of the president's putting troops and tanks around the White House. There were smoking guns and conspiracies and resignations and heroes who broke the news.

But after all this time, who can really say what was going on? We know who bombed Pearl Harbor after 43 years. We know who shot John F. Kennedy after 20 years. Most of us know what the depression was after 55 years. But it has only been 10 years since Richard Nixon resigned, and who knows why he had to do it?

Really, after we say that Watergate was the name of an office building where there was a burglary, what do we know of the storm that followed? Could it have been about a president who lied? Surely not, because presidents are still lying, about what their tax cuts do to the working man, about why U.S. Marines get blown to bits in their sleep. Even presidential candidates lie openly about what their fathers did, what their names are, and why they were in the military. Even vice presidential candidates lie about where their money comes from and who their husband's business associates are.

Could it have been because he spied on his campaign opponent? Surely not, because one of the most loved presidents of modern times had his opponent's most secret campaign briefing books, and no one says "boo." Could it have been that he misused the CIA? Again not possible,

since after him, the CIA was sent to wage secret wars and unseat governments, and no one asks for impeachment now.

But it was a famous victory, surely. It proved the strength of our investigative journalists. It showed "the system worked." But now, in light of time, who, who in a hundred million, can say what any one revelation of any Washington Post article was? Bernstein and Woodward have grown great and rich from their work, and they deserve it as much as Cher does, but what did they they do? What was the one bombshell they exposed? What was the one threat to the republic that they caught just in time. What did it show about investigative journalism except that reporters can become stars too, just like used-car salesmen? After all this short decade, what sticks to the ribs as something they did that was heroic?

But, finally the system worked. That positively was what Watergate proved. Satisfied now, little Peterkin?

Yes, but how did it prove the system worked? If whatever Nixon did was so obscure that no one can even remember what he did any longer, if it shrouded in the mists of forgetting after only 10 years, how drastic could it have been.

More to the point, if we cannot even remember what Richard Nixon's crimes were, why did we kick him out? If he didn't do anything memorably terrible, how could the system have worked by removing him from office? In the retrospect

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Bloom County

BY BERKE BREATHED



CNFR awarded tourism grant

What do the Scobey Threshing Bee and the Tobacco Valley Rendezvous Days have in common? They're both exciting community events, and their promoters have recently been awarded funds to increase festival attendance. Together with five other tourism promotion projects, these festivals are recipients of matching funds from a state program designed to increase tourism activity in Montana through cost sharing promotional campaigns with non-profit organizations.

In their July 31 meeting, Governor Schwiden's Tourism Advisory Council recommended funding the seven promotions which totaled \$22,863. The organizations and dollar amounts awarded include:

—\$1,000 to the Daniels County Museum Association for promotion in Canada and North Dakota of the Scobey Threshing Bee and Antique and Art Show.

—\$2,925 to the Montana Cross-Country Skiing Centers Association for advertising in national nordic magazines.

—\$750 to the Tobacco Valley Board of Commerce for out-of-state promotion of their spring Rendezvous Days.

—\$8,000 to Gold West Territory for publication of an all-seasons travel guide for southwestern Montana.

—\$3,500 to Glacier Country for publishing a cooperative tour map with two Canadian Provinces, Northern Idaho and Eastern Washington.

—\$5,000 to the College National Finals Rodeo Association of Bozeman for advertising the 1985 Finals in out-of-state markets.

—\$1,688 to the Fort Missoula Historical Museum for the production and distribution of a traveling museum display entitled "Greetings from Montana" featuring historical tourism postcards.

The Montana Department of Commerce will administer the matching funds and assist the organizations with promotional advice. For further information about the matching funds program, interested non-profit organizations can contact Lynne Albright, Montana Promotion Division, 1424 9th Avenue, Helena, MT 59620, 444-2654.

Gallatin Air Show tickets available

Tickets for the Air Show '84 at Gallatin Field on August 18 and 19 are on sale at all Bozeman financial institutions and the Bozeman Area Chamber at 1205 E. Main.

Air Show '84, sponsored by the Military Affairs Committee of the Bozeman Chamber, will feature the Confederate Air Force. This group of civilians has restored vintage World War II aircraft and performs reenactments of battles. The Bozeman show will present the "Tora! Tora! Tora!" battle from the Pearl Harbor attack of 1941. Japanese Zeroes present a mock dogfight with American Corsairs, as the emcee describes the battle. Other aircraft in the show will include modern day F-111's and F-16's, many more military aircraft including the Cobra helicopter (similar

to the "Blue Thunder"), antique and experimental aircraft, and flybys as well as static displays. Concessions will be available through the entire show.

Cost of tickets is \$3.00 adults; \$2.00 children (6-12); and under six, free (per day).

Get your tickets ahead and use the express lane at the show. Two entrances into the airport this year will assure viewers a front row seat. Five lanes of ticket takers will be located inside of each entrance. Enter the Airport from the main access road off Highway 10 or the second entrance on the West side of the Airport by the Belgrade water tower. Watch for signs.

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Caution needed when visiting ghosts

By KASH LOVEC
Contributing Writer

Southwest Montana is filled with ghost towns. Many are close to Bozeman and are accessible to the public.

A visit to a ghost town can provide an enjoyable day of learning, reflection, and outdoor activity. Should you decide to visit a ghost town there are, however, a few words of caution to keep in the back of your mind as you wander about.

The first thing to remember is that you have to be careful about climbing upon buildings, staircases, dredges and flumes. These structures are old and have deteriorated. They could collapse at any time.

Also, never under any circumstances enter a mine shaft. Not only are you very likely trespassing upon private property, but the danger to yourself from entering is obvious.

In the larger ghost towns you are very likely to find tanks of cyanide and other dangerous chemicals which were used in the refining process. Be careful where you poke about.

Be careful where you place your feet. Look before you put a foot down. There are likely to be nails and other pointed objects around. Also, you could damage more than a foot. I know of what I speak. I once saw a calf disappear down a soft, air shaft.

The single most important thing to remember is to heed warnings. If you see a sign telling you to KEEP OUT, then do so. If you don't you may become the most recent ghost to populate the town.

One other thing to remember is courtesy. Many ghost towns have living residents in them. These people own

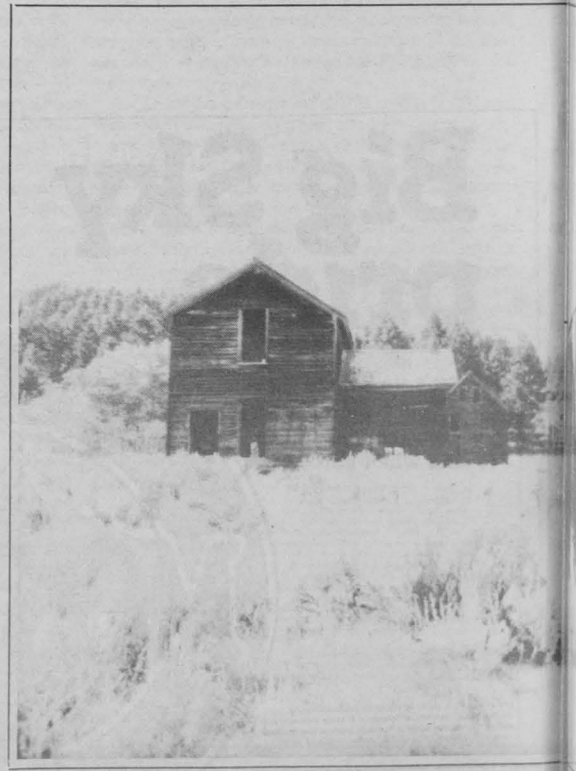
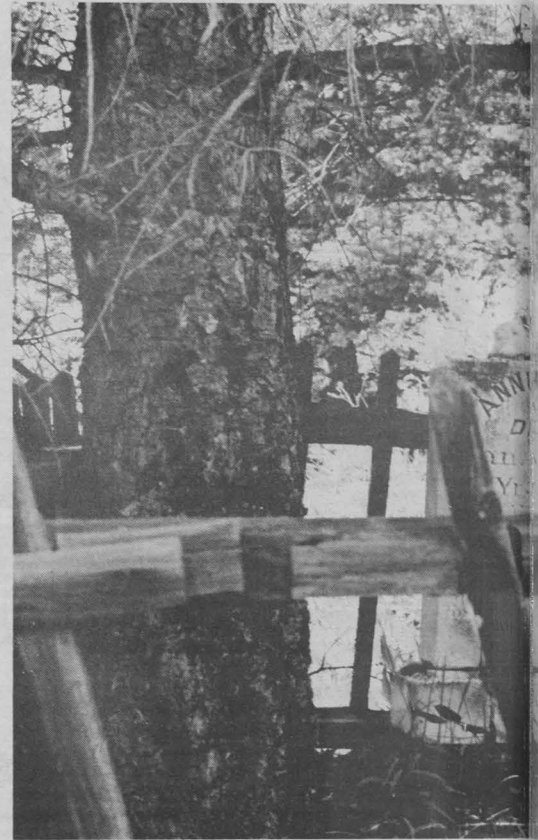
property in the town and pay taxes upon it. Their property deserves the same respect as yours. A building may look old and worthless to you, but it may be owned by someone who does value it.

The cemetery at Elkhorn deserves a special note. Remember that someone's loved ones are buried there. Also, there have been recent burials in the cemetery. Those of the Bell family whom were long time residents of Elkhorn.

In short, treat the cemetery with reverence.

This means that you don't let your dog wander and whiz his way across the cemetery as I have seen one band of tourists allow.

One other thing to remember is that there are still many working mines around the ghost towns. Miners of today, like the miners of the old west get very touchy about trespassers. In the old West claim jumpers were often dealt with through the methods of hemp and lead. Keep that thought in your head.



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INSIGHTS

Montana ghost towns tell tale
of old time mining boom and bustBy KASH LOVEC
Contributing Writer

Boom and bust is a tale that has been told many times in Montana. The tale has been told with lumber, cattle, gold, silver and copper. The tale was told in Elkhorn in the 1890's. The tale is being told today in Anaconda and Butte. It is a tale filled with contradiction, fortunes and starvation, triumph and suicide, immutable gold and corruptive disease.

Once the tale has been told, it leaves scars upon the land. The earth grudgingly holds untended graveyards, dilapidated homes and the glory of industrial machinery lies rusted, rotted and useless.

Southwest Montana has had a number of the scars laid upon it. Most often the scars are very subtle, such as the weed covered roadbeds of narrow gauge railroad tracks. Occasionally, the scars are obvious, as evidenced by whole towns that were hastily deserted.

A few of these deserted towns, like Virginia City, have been given another chance and now prosper as a haven for the stray dollars of tourists. Most often, however, either the towns were never given another chance or they died on their last chance and were laid to rest with the epitaph of "ghost town."

Elkhorn and Castle are two towns which have been given this epitaph. These ghost towns, which are close to Bozeman, on U.S. Forest Service land and are open to the public.

Elkhorn, which lies to the northwest of Boulder, is a classic ghost town. There are saloons and dancehalls, sagebrush and false-fronted hotels, and of course, there are walls with bullet holes in them.

The Elkhorn mine was discovered in 1870. In 1875 it was developed by A.M. Holter, who was an Alder Gulch pioneer and one of the few men to survive being held up by the infamous Henry Plummer.

In 1887, the Elkhorn mine was purchased by an English syndicate for \$500,000. The syndicate proceeded to expand the mine's operations.

By 1900, the mine had produced a fortune. Over 8,902,000 oz. of silver had been recovered from the mine. The mine also produced 8,500 oz. of gold and 4 million lbs. of lead.

The amount of gold and silver that was recovered from the Elkhorn mine proves that the mine was not a small-time operation. A large sum of money was invested in the mine. A huge mill, over 5000 sq. ft., was built on the outskirts of town to process the ore that came from the Elkhorn mine.

Another costly investment of special interest is a large, partially decomposed, wagon which lies on the edge of town. This wagon was constructed for the sole purpose of carrying, from the railroad head to the mill, a transformer that weighed 30 tons. Twelve head of horses pulled the wagon while another twelve head pushed. The wagon was used once.

The remains of the mill, the gigantic wagon, and other machines and structures are evidence of the monetary investment which was made in Elkhorn. The only evidence of human lives, which were invested in Elkhorn, lies in the graveyard which sits on a hill above Elkhorn.

The graveyard has many wooden markers have been ravaged by the weather and no longer tell of the grave's occupant. There are also many stone markers in the graveyard which still bear testimony as to who lies beneath them.

What is most striking about the graveyard is that the graves of children seem to outnumber the graves of adults. This is because of a diphtheria epidemic, which raged through the town of Elkhorn in the Summer of 1889.

The ages of the children laid to rest in the cemetery vary. One child died the day of its birth. It probably did not live long enough to catch diphtheria.

Other graves tell of children that died when they were 6 years old during the summer of 1889. One multiple grave bears silent testimony to the fact that two brothers and a sister, aged 10 through 14, were taken by the epidemic on three successive days.

Despite a long period of neglect, many of the buildings in Elkhorn are well preserved. The most interesting and beautiful is the two-story Fraternity Hall. This building, with its castellated cornice and suspended balcony over the doorway, hosted prize fights, club meetings and dances.

Tragedy occurred during one of the dances at the Fraternity Hall. One dancer asked the orchestra to play a waltz, another dancer requested that a square dance be played instead. The two dancers argued until the square dancer won the argument by shooting and the killing the waltzer.

Another interesting building in Elkhorn is the Grand Hotel. Legend has it that William Jennings Bryan stayed in this hotel while he delivered his famous "Cross of Gold" speech. It is left to our imagination to assume that this speech moved the townspeople of Elkhorn as much as it did the delegates to the 1896 Democratic Convention.

Seven miles to the northwest of Lennep lies Castletown. This ghost town was named after the castle-like rocks which are found on Castle Mountain near White Sulphur Springs.

Although Castle has fewer buildings standing than Elkhorn, it is an interesting ghost town.

The Castle mine was discovered in 1885 by F. Lefe Hensley. The success of this mine and four others resulted in the town of Castle in 1887 when Hensley and George Higgins built a cabin. By Christmas they had been joined by 200 other settlers.

Castle reached its peak in 1891, the year of its incorporation. At this time the town could boast of not only a mill, but three smelters as well.

The town also contained nine stores, one bank, a school and two butcher shops. After a hard day's work, our pioneering forefathers relaxed in the town's dance hall, one of its ten saloons or perhaps in one of its seven brothels. One of these brothels, Minnie's Sporting House, is still standing. It is the building with many small rooms in it.

To combat Minnie and her kind, the forces of good consisted of but one small church and the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Unfortunately, Minnie and the women of the W.C.T.U. had to continue their battle for the souls of ranchers and miners in other locales. Castle and Elkhorn were dead by 1914. By 1930, the towns were given up to ghosts and a very few residents who were either stubborn or too tired to move on.

The two towns died at different times but in the same manner. First, the gold and silver began to play out because it became more and more expensive to recover smaller quantities of the precious metals. Then, there was a drop in the price of precious metals on world markets. The world market was glutted by discovery of new mines in South America.

The boom had come and then bust. Once again, the miners drifted away looking for new "pay dirt." Once again, the ranchers and merchants, that depended on the miners income, went broke. Once again, the people of Montana were victims of distant political and economic forces that are vaguely, if ever, understood. Once again, the tale was told.

Photos by Kash Lovec

Photos are clockwise from the top left: an old, abandoned house at Castle, an unmarked wood grave marker located in Elkhorn, an old shack and yet more houses in Castle, and an enclosed tombstone at the graveyard in Elkhorn.



MSU continues bilingual education program

By **TIM BENSON**
Staff Writer

Although its current, federally-funded grant expires August 31, MSU's center for Bilingual Multicultural Education received another three-year grant to support a teacher training program.

A \$209,781 grant was awarded to the center by the U.S. Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs for creation of a bilingual vocational instructor program (BVIT), at MSU.

MSU was given a bilingual training grant similar to the one that runs out this month except for new provisions excluding study of careers in nursing, computer science and Film-TV because none are considered vocational fields according to Bobby Wright, who enters his second year as BVIT Program coordinator.

Wright said MSU had to comply with stricter requirements outlined in its new grant.

Because of a tremendous demand for vocational instructors who specialize in teaching students whose primary language is other than English, grants are provided by the government to help educate Native Americans, Asian immigrants and Hispanics with limited English skills.

MSU's vocational teacher training program is designed to prepare 10 bilingual pre-service and five in-service instructors annually in agricultural education, business education, home economics and industrial arts.

Wright explained that in-service participants are practicing instructors who attend a summer institute designed to improve their teaching skills and strategies, offered by MSU.

However, those in pre-service are MSU students pursuing either an undergraduate or graduate degree.

MSU, Montana's sole applicant for the program, targeted its program to Indian reservations Wright noted, because Native Americans outnumber other language groups with limited English skills in Montana.

Besides demonstrating a proficiency in six targeted Indian languages, applicants must show their commitment to teaching in reservation schools, Wright said.

Representing seven reservation communities in Montana and South Dakota, program participants will receive funding for registration fees, a book allowance and a monthly stipend during their undergraduate or graduate level training.

Wright said that South Dakota students participate in MSU's program because Arlys Clarke, an education faculty member has done similar work in that state.

In addition to their studies for education degrees, pre-service participants

are required to enroll in 18 credits offered by the bilingual center. However, students not participating in the program are welcome to take these classes, which Wright described as beneficial to anyone working with Native Americans or others not proficient in English. MSU's grant pays the salary of one instructor for these courses.

MSU's College of Education has offered a bilingual teacher training program since 1978, but the center has only been in existence for three years.

Summer school survey given

By **MELISSA KORBER**
Staff Writer

For the first time in several years MSU students have been given the opportunity to voice their opinions about summer school.

A questionnaire circulated to students by the Summer Session Advisory Council will have some effect on future summer school sessions, according to Ralph Brigham, assistant registrar and acting summer session director.

Brigham said that the aim of the questionnaire is to get a broad base of information about summer school through student input.

"I hope it shows that some of the services provided are adequate," Brigham said. "I also hope it provides suggestions for improvement."

The two-page questionnaire covers the whole spectrum of summer school, ranging from class content to student satisfaction with various campus activities and services.

One section of the questionnaire deals with what influences students to attend summer school, while another asks students to rate courses compared with those offered during the regular school year.

Composed by Brigham, the questionnaire includes input from the Summer Session Advisory Committee, the office of the academic vice president, and several other departments on campus.

The results of the questionnaire have not yet been compiled, Brigham said that results will not be available until fall quarter.

He hopes the the questionnaire will help the summer session office to determine student demands for future sessions.

Views on Watergate

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of 10 years, it all looks more as is the system did not work. If the nation chased a president out of office for the only time in 200 years and no one clearly remembers why, something went drastically wrong not drastically right.

But perhaps even that is beside the point. Perhaps the only point now is that everyone has forgotten. Richard Nixon is respected again, at least in influential quarters. The press is back to reporting about man bites dog. The relentless wars between the free and the unfree go on at the margins of each as they will

until one side exists no more.

When my Valley Girls ask me why I have a file of letters from Bob Halde-man or how I got my shiny White House cufflinks, I will no longer try to tell them what happened. No one knows and no one remembers any longer, after all, except that it was a famous victory. Benjamin J. Stein, a Hollywood writer and producer, was a speech writer for presidents Nixon and Ford, specializing in economic and transportation issues.

This article was reprinted from the Washington Post.

Coming up: Aug. 16 through Aug. 31

Thursday, 16

Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to noon, at Bogert Park Pavilion.

The Montana Woman radio program will be broadcast at 6:05 p.m. on KGLT, 92 FM. The program will be "Women and Outdoor Recreation," an interview with Kim Blommel.

Friday, 17

Summer session ends. Fall quarter classes will begin Sept. 20.

West Coast Trail backpack in Pacific Rim National Park on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, is scheduled today through Aug. 26.

Saturday, 18

Images, the sixth in a 10-part series on creative teaching and significant research in Montana, will be broadcast on the MTN

Network at 4 p.m.

Thursday, 23

Farmers Market, 10 a.m. to noon, at Bogert Park Pavilion.

The Montana Woman radio program will be broadcast at 6:05 p.m. on KGLT, 92 FM. The program will be "How to Succeed in Business Without Being a Man," an interview with Carol Shelton Walker.

Friday, 24

Michael Bazin will speak on "Studies on Microbial Predation: An Application of Catastrophe Theory" in 708 Cobleigh Hall, at 10 a.m.

Saturday, 25

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Friday, 31

National Junior Ski Patrol, a program on the educational opportunities, leadership training and public service function of the National Junior Ski Patrol, will be broadcast from 8 to 8:30 p.m. on KUED-TV.

Footsteps, the 23rd in a series of programs on relationships between parents and children, will be broadcast from 8:30 to 9 p.m. on KUED-TV.

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Nixon will not attend fall barbeque, Babcock says

HELENA (AP) — Former President Richard Nixon has not been invited and will not be a guest at a Republican Party fund-raiser being hosted by former Montana Gov. and Mrs. Tim Babcock at their Wolf Creek Ranch Sept. 1, Babcock said Wednesday.

Babcock held a news conference in Helena and said news reports that Nixon was coming to the "Republican Roundup" barbeque were false speculation.

"President Nixon has not been asked by me to be at our Republican Roundup at my ranch Sept. 1," Babcock said.

"If I would have asked him, I am sure he would come. I consider the former president a close personal friend."

Babcock added, "After what he's been through, he deserves a little bit of Montana."

He said he did not ask Nixon to come to Montana because Nixon is too busy writing a new book.

Babcock said that actor Charlton Heston will appear at the barbeque and that a number of former governors who served during the same era in the 1960s when Babcock served had been invited to attend. Babcock said he expects to invite other Republican luminaries as well when he goes to the GOP national convention in Dallas next week.

"This fund-raising event is something we want to do for the Republican Party to raise money for our state of candidates," he said, adding that the fund-raising goal for the event is \$50,000.

Babcock said that with President Reagan's continued popularity and a

good slate of GOP state candidates, "the climate is ripe for a Republican sweep" this year.

He said Republican gubernatorial candidate Pat Goodover's campaign is "gaining steam."

"We will have a very good Republican year," he said, expressing hope that Reagan would visit Montana during the campaign as he did twice in 1982.

Babcock took the occasion of his announcement of a non-visit by Nixon to praise the former president.

"If you fairly measure the good things he accomplished against the mistake he made, then history will place him as one of our great presidents," Babcock said.

He said Watergate was "insignificant" when compared with what Nixon

accomplished: ending the social "chaos" of the 1960s, ending "an unwinnable war" started and escalated by two Democratic administrations, and taking bold new steps in foreign affairs, including opening ties with China.

Babcock said Nixon's increasing visibility in recent months is probably due to the fact that America is now "out of the passion of Watergate" and is taking a more objective look at Nixon's accomplishments.

Acid rain legislation signed

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — New York's governor has signed the first pollution control law in the nation aimed specifically at fighting acid rain, with the goal of prompting federal action on the environmental problem.

The measure, signed Tuesday by Gov. Mario Cuomo, requires a 30 percent cut in sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions in New York state by the 1990s. Every power plant and industry that burns oil and coal in the state will be required to comply.

New York and other Northeastern states have been pressing for more stringent emission controls for oil- and coal-burning facilities in the Midwest, where much pollution that creates acid rain originates.

Along with lowering emissions in New York, a main goal of the law is to prod the federal government in to imposing nationwide curbs against pollution that causes acid rain.

Scientists say acid rain occurs when airborne sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide combine with water droplets, creating acidic precipitation. Acid rain has been blamed for making more than 200 lakes and ponds in the Adirondacks incapable of supporting fish. The pollution is thought to have had the same effect on waterways across the Northeast and Canada.

Supporters of the measure said it would force electric utilities to raise the price of power no more than 40 cents a month for the average home. But opponents said the increases would be more like several dollars a month.

Politician does own investigating

BALTIMORE (AP) — State Sen. Troy Bailey believes in pitching in personally to help his constituents, like conducting his own test to see if city parking meters are giving motorists their money's worth.

The meters, he says, flunked.

He conducted his investigation in response to a dozen complaints that meters had cheated people out of five minutes of parking time.

He says he fed three meters on three different streets, timed them to see if they were working properly, and got short-changed by five minutes on all three.

Anthony Wallnofer, chief of the city's parking meter section, said several hundred defective parts were found last September when the city had to replace the coin segment of 1,110 meters in order to increase rates to 25 cents for every 20 minutes.

He said the defective meters' parts couldn't run for a full 20 minutes.

Kissing gay cop charged

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A policeman may lose his job because he kissed a male friend while in uniform during the city's Gay Freedom Day Parade in June, an investigating officer says.

An internal investigation is under way to determine what punishment, if any, should be handed out to Paul

Seidler, a 17-year veteran of the San Francisco Police Department who works as a liaison between the force and the city's gay community.

Seidler has been charged with "conduct unbecoming an officer."

The charges against Seidler could result in his dismissal, said Sgt. Robert Jones, a police investigator. Jones refused to discuss the investigation.

"It was a little peck on the lips, the sort of thing you would give to a friend at a party," Seidler said of the kiss.

The incident occurred during the parade June 24 as Seidler, while on duty, was watching from the sidewalk.

Fires extinguished across Montana

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Crews were ready to begin mop-up operations Wednesday on all but two of 18 grass and timber fires across Montana, including ones near Roundup, Malta, Helena and Missoula.

A fire on private land in Musselshell County was reduced to a few hot spots after burning through 1,100 acres since Saturday.

"We have a few minor outbreaks, but it's pretty much over," according to Leonard Majerus, owner of the ranch where the fire burned near Roundup. No buildings or crops were destroyed.

The 700-acre Garlan Creek fire north of Malta was still burning Tuesday on federal and private lands. Bill Bishop, spokesman for the Bureau of Land Management office in Lewistown, said the firefighters "are not quite ready to call it contained."

The grass fire was ignited Monday by lightning.

BLM crews were also fighting a 100-acre grass and timber fire about 25 miles northeast of Shelby. The Gold Butte fire was burning in grass and scrub timber and was not contained Tuesday afternoon.

Harry Spurgeon, spokesman for the Interagency Fire Office at Butte, said a 192-acre fire burning near the Smith River 35 miles east of Helena was contained Tuesday afternoon through the work of 115 firefighters.

The lightning-caused fire was first reported about 10

a.m. Monday and should be under control by 6 p.m. Wednesday, Spurgeon said. Crews used retardant drops and two helicopters to fight the fire.

Thirteen smaller fires on Helena National Forest or state land were either controlled or extinguished Tuesday, Spurgeon said. The largest of the fires covered 20 acres in the Bull Run area of the Big Belt Mountains about 20 miles northeast of Helena, he said.

Mount Sentinel above the University of Montana campus in Missoula caught fire Tuesday for the second time this summer.

Jim Costamagna, Department of State Lands spokesman at Missoula, said the fire began about 2 p.m. just above the "M" on the west slope. The flames traveled eastward up the mountain, charring some 60 acres before being contained at 6 p.m., he said.

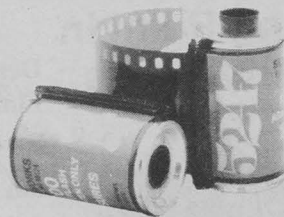
The fire was under control two hours later.

An estimated 40 firefighters were on the scene Tuesday and would probably remain overnight, Costamagna said.

Six retardant drops were made and two helicopters dumped water on the fire throughout the afternoon, he said, adding that the cause of the fire was not immediately known.

Dale Mrkish, a 36-year-old Forest Service smokejumper from Missoula, suffered burns on his arms and face and was to be flown to a Seattle hospital for treatment.

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Herman: I'm looking forward to this weekend! BVR

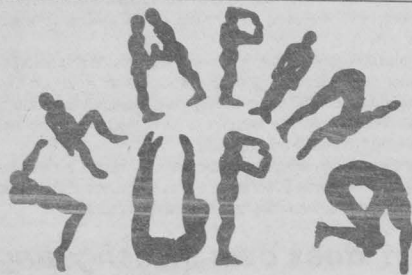
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Most special methods used for spot reducing are of little value. Vibrators cause little caloric expenditure, therefore causing no weight loss! Steam baths and saunas remove body fluids and cause a temporary loss in body weight. Drinking water immediately after a "sweat" results in an immediate return to normal weight.

Since exercising in a rubber suit also causes sweating, people mistakenly assume that weight loss occurs. This method can be potentially dangerous. The suit retains body heat and core temperature can rise to a dangerous level during exercise. Since air does not contact the sweat, evaporation, which is the most effective means of cooling the body, doesn't occur. In addition, the rubber suit does not increase the number of calories burned, therefore no extra fat loss occurs.

Rapid weight loss due to loss of body fluid exceeding 5 percent of body weight is dangerous; it causes changes in water metabolism and in kidney and circulatory functions.

Massage also burns very few calories, although it is relaxing and may help with circulation.

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