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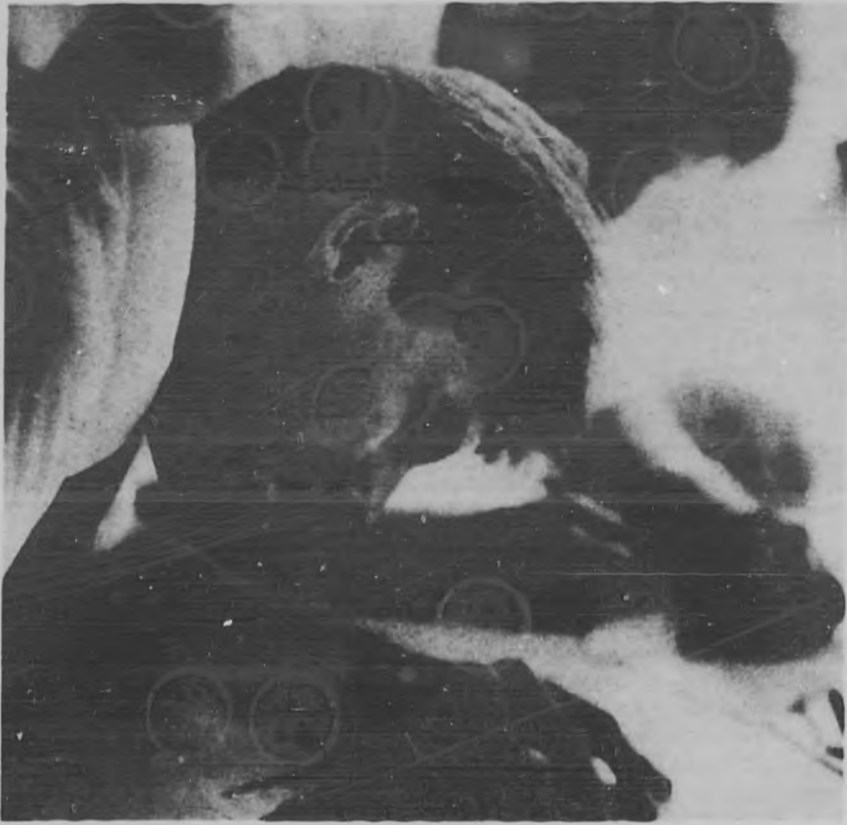
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A young man registers for the draft at the Grand Rapids post office Monday (photo by Paul Worster).



Outside the downtown Grand Rapids post office, 18- and 19-year old men were advised by those opposing the draft registration (photo by Paul Worster).

## Draft Registration Goes On Despite Federal Court Ban

Despite a federal court ruling that the Selective Service Act is unconstitutional, an estimated 900 area 18- and 19-year old men signed up for a possible military draft early this week, according to Post Office officials.

Across the nation it was reported that the registration of four million young men was proceeding as planned. In Grand Rapids and elsewhere groups leafleted and lobbied registrants as they approached post offices, apprising them of options to registration.

Just last Friday a three-judge federal court in Philadelphia barred the government from carrying out the registration program because it excluded women.

Then on Saturday at the request of the Justice Department Supreme Court Justice William F. Brennan stayed the Philadelphia court's ruling.

Brennan's ruling, however, does not overturn the earlier court finding that the Selective Service Act was unconstitutional. It merely allows the government to carry out the program pending review by the full Supreme Court next fall.

Because of this many Constitutional law experts are saying that the registration program is proceeding on a voluntary basis only, since the government would be hard-pressed to prosecute a person for refusing to comply with a law that has been ruled unconstitutional.

President Jimmy Carter signed the draft registration proclamation July 2. He

said it would demonstrate national will to resist aggression, particularly the Soviet aggression in Afghanistan.

Several suits have been filed to block the resumption of registration, including one by the American Civil Liberties Union.

The three judge federal court in Philadelphia, however, was ruling on a case first filed during the Vietnam War when it called the registration unconstitutional.

The case was undertaken in 1971 as test of the exclusion of women from compulsory military service.

"We set out to establish that the Selective Service Act is unconstitutional, and that is what we have done," said Donald Weinberg, the plaintiff's lawyer in the nine-year lawsuit. The objective, according to the 34-year old lawyer was to "make the political cost of declaring war much more immediate for a President and for a Congress, and much more costly."

The Philadelphia court's decision was based on the 5th and 14th Amendments, primarily the clause ensuring "equal protection under the law."

The registration of women, the court said, would not necessarily mean they would be used in combat. But the court said that it could not accept the notion that "women can contribute to the military only as volunteers and not as inductees."

## Drinking Age Law on Ballot Again

Are more students drinking in cars and at parties rather than in bars?

Representative Richard Fitzpatrick thinks so.

Thanks to Fitzpatrick's months-long campaign, the issue to lower Michigan's legal drinking age from 21 to 19 will be before voters in November, just two years after the drinking age was raised by a 57-43 percent vote of the people.

Fitzpatrick (D-Battle Creek), headed the campaign to obtain 286,000 signatures by July 7 to put the amendment on the November 4 statewide ballot.

The House approved the proposal on July 1, followed by the Senate's approval two days later.

Fitzpatrick's drive was backed by the governor, the State Board of Education, the Michigan Sheriffs Association, the bar industry and thousands of young people throughout the state.

Now, Fitzpatrick is encouraging voters. "This drinking age law in Michigan is unfair to young adults who have been deemed mature enough to vote, marry, commit to long-term bank mortgages, and register for military service," he said. "I believe the people have the right to correct the law by signing petitions and voting to change the Michigan Constitution this November."

"The record shows traffic fatalities for drinking drivers are not different in states with legal drinking at 19 compared to those states where 21 years of age is the designated law," Fitzpatrick continued.

Eleven states have raised the minimum age in the last three years, six in the last 12 months. Momentum is building. There are more than 50 bills under consideration in a dozen state legislatures from Connecticut to Hawaii calling for a higher drinking age.

All the states that have raised the drinking age in the last three years had previously lowered the legal age.

Reverend Richard E. Taylor Jr., from Kansas, is one of the many citizens opposing Fitzpatrick's beliefs. "Anybody who votes against raising the drinking age, is voting for more teenage deaths on

our highways," he argued.

Most proponents of a higher drinking age insist that raising the legal age to 21 could help take beer out of the hands of many high school students.

On the other hand, hundreds of student workers are out of jobs. Dozens of bars have been shut down, and college students have had to find new ways to spend their time.

Some teenagers have even been arrested for something that was previously legal.

Officials say the fake ID business is booming.

State officials claim that Michigan has lost several million dollars in sales tax revenue because of the higher drinking age.

However, college officials in states where the drinking age has been raised report that attendance records are being set at school-sponsored events since the legal age was raised to 21.

## Grappler Goes to Japan on National Team

by Richard Plowden

In this year of America's Olympic boycott, international sporting events of any sort have more significance than ever.

For Tim Horn, a member of Grand Valley's wrestling team, a recent trip to Japan, and hearing the National Anthem played exclusively out of respect for him and his team members made him especially proud of representing the United States. "I really felt like a patriot," said Horn. "It made me proud to be an American."

The trip for the 5-foot-7-inch Horn came as a result of being chosen from the top three wrestlers in his weight class as judged by their performance in the NAIA National Championships.

The team started the trip by training at Biola College in Los Angeles, California, for three days. While there, the

team wrestled during the day and was entertained at night by visiting places such as Disneyland.

When they left Los Angeles, they flew to Tacoma, Washington for an orientation camp where they were taught the basics of the Japanese language and were given a general outlook of what to expect.

After leaving Washington on June 17, Horn and his teammates flew over Mount St. Helens before laying back for the nine-hour flight. "The flight was long enough," mused Horn, "but when we got there it was an overall difference in time, a difference in days."

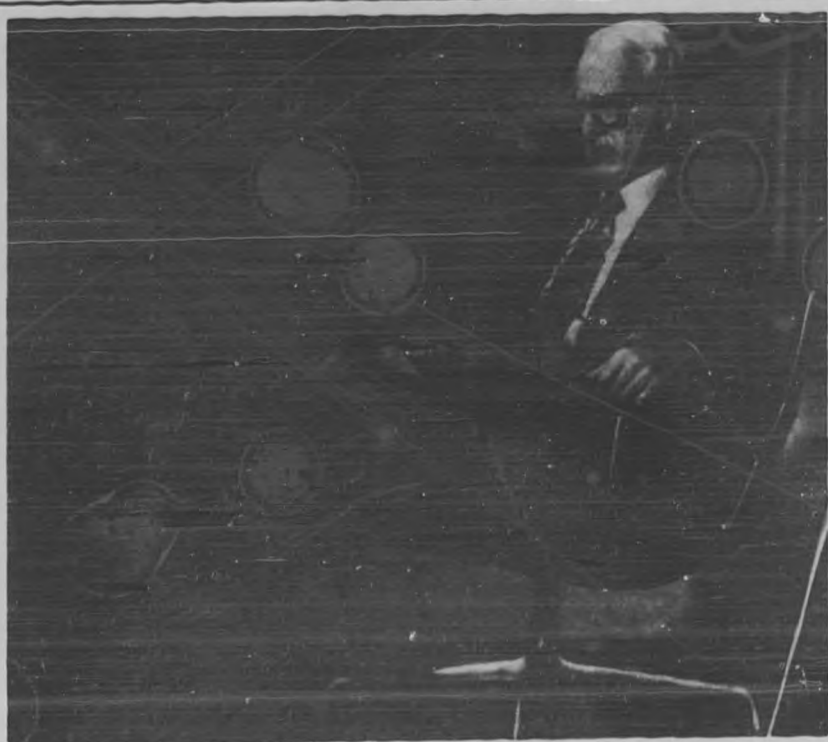
The team did not have much time to get over the jet lag before wrestling at Miegie University, one of Japan's largest institutions, the next day.

Competing largely in Central and



Tim Horn (Photo Courtesy of Media Relations)

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"He came to dinner and stayed for six years," President Arend Lubbers said as he introduced Philip Buchen, who was here Tuesday for the Adlai E. Stevenson Seminar being held through Aug. 7. Buchen, one of GVSC's founding fathers and its "first employee" according to Lubbers, did some of the early legal ground-work before the college was established. Later Buchen was a GVSC trustee.

He spoke at Tuesday's seminar on "Inside the Ford Administration; Informing and Advising the President." Buchen was President Gerald R. Ford's legal advisor, and the man who drafted Ford's pardon of President Richard M. Nixon.

Noting that there were 1,500 reporters stationed at the White House during Ford's administration, that Ford received 7,000 letters each day, that it was "amazingly easy" for a large number of "sometimes crazy" phone calls to reach Ford's top advisors, and that Ford gave "1,142 speeches or remarks" amounting to 2 million words, Buchen bemoaned what he felt were trivial activities of the President.

"If people were less interested in whether he (Ford) made his own breakfast or went swimming that day, the President would have more time to do more thinking and less talking," Buchen said (photo by Paul Worster).

## Students Owe \$732 Million To U.S.

The U.S. Education Department, whose headquarters are in Washington D.C., says 875,000 former students, who took part in a major student loan program, still owe the government \$731.7 million—a default rate of 16 percent.

This debt, as of last September 15, is about \$840 on the average for each individual who took part in the National Direct Student Loan Program (NDSL).

Michigan is reported to have 47,675 students owing \$36.5 million, for a default rate of 18.7 percent. Alaska has

the worst default rate of 27.1 percent, while North Dakota has the best (4.5 percent).

The announcement covered loans administered by colleges and other institutions, with the government guaranteeing the entire loan, and subsidizing the interest.

The latest figures on default rates at individual colleges have not yet been released.

Colleges have turned over \$289 million worth of the overdue loans to federal officials for collection.

## Grappler from page one

Eastern Japan, the United States team wrestled five dual meets. As a team, they won three, lost one and had one draw.

And Mr. Horn? Wrestling at either 136 or 149 lbs. (international weights), the Grand Valley senior went undefeated in all five matches, finishing 5-0 against some of Japan's best.


"The trip itself was super," said Horn. "We stayed in the homes of some of Japan's citizen's and learned different cultures. In this way, I believe that we got more out of it than we would have as tourists. The first family that I stayed with were Buddhist, and in that short amount of time I learned a lot."

The trip had a number of sponsors, such as the Amateur Athletic Union, the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics, and the Los Angeles Rams. Even so, the wrestlers had to raise \$1,800—a problem Horn is still trying to solve. "I am still looking at different fund-raising efforts," he said.

Even with that problem over his head, Horn, who will be an assistant

to Laker coach Jim Scott in the fall, remains optimistic.

In summing up his feelings, Horn noted, "In the past, I felt like wrestling was a minor sport, but it is very demanding mentally and physically. It also gives the least amount of rewards, but I have gotten a lot out of it. I have represented my country, learned about different cultures, and have friends on the other side of the world. I am thankful for the opportunity."



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# Grads Studying in D.C.

Seven Grand Valley graduate students from Seidman College are studying the workings of the federal government firsthand this month as participants in the Washington Campus Program based in the nation's capital.

The program, now in its second year, is a joint effort of nine colleges and universities. These include, in addition to Grand Valley, Cornell, Dartmouth, the University of California at Berkeley and Los Angeles, Indiana University, Ohio State University, The University of Michigan, and the University of New Mexico.

Begun in 1978 with grants from the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, The Bank of America Foundation and Grand Valley's Seidman College, the Washington program offers intensive study in economics and politics for graduate students as well as business executives, managers, administrators and teachers.

The program faculty includes federal policymakers, politicians and regulatory agency personnel. Course work is offered in domestic and international economic policy, government regulation, and the effects of special interest groups on the legislative process.

In addition to class work, students attend congressional and regulatory agency hearings and visit various government departments and agencies. Classes are also supplemented by seminars led by members of Congress and congressional staff, lobbyists, business leaders and representatives of the media.

Two Grand Valley students were among a total of twenty-one participants who enrolled in the program's initial one-month session last summer. This year, the program has been expanded to two four week sessions. Approximately fifty students from around the country are currently enrolled in this summer's program.

## Band Camp Here To Offer Recitals

Band students will be offered an opportunity for two weeks of intensive study of all phases of music in the fourth annual Summer Band Camp sponsored by Grand Valley's Performing Arts Center.

The July 27 through August 9 camp will include private lessons and instruction in music theory, music appreciation, and conducting, as well as jazz band, concert band, solos, and ensembles. Faculty members will present recitals and lecture demonstrations and there will be two public band concerts.

Grand Valley Band Director William Root will serve as director of the camp, with assistance from Grand Valley faculty and others.

Students may participate in the camp as resident campers for a fee of \$240 or as day campers for a fee of \$120. Persons seeking more information should call the music department at ext. 484.

The Grand Valley graduate students now in Washington are Kevin Vanden Bosch, Maryanne Hartman, David McArthur, Michelle Menetti, Martin Timkovich, Diane Van Hammen, and Alan Myrtle. Myrtle is also director of federal relations for Grand Valley.

The students will receive graduate credit from the Seidman College of Business and Administration for their Washington work.

President Arend D. Lubbers represents Grand Valley on the Washington Campus Program's Board of Directors; Marvin DeVries, Dean of Seidman College, is a member of the program's Curriculum Committee.

## Rape Crisis Training

The Rape Crisis Team of Kent County is a 24-hour crisis intervention and community education program.

Volunteers have telephone contact with victims, meet with them in person, accompany them to the hospital and/or vice squad office, and attend court sessions, if necessary.

There will be a training session for volunteers from August 15-23, 1980. Persons interested in becoming a volunteer can call Switchboard at 774-3535 for further information.

## Letters

Editor,

Congratulations to you and your staff for receiving the top honors from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

This is a tribute to your imaginative reporting and outstanding photography.

We wish you well.

Sincerely yours,  
Arnold Ott, Chair  
GVSC Board of Control

(Editor's note: The C.S.P.A. citation was for responsible reporting. Thanks just the same, Dr. Ott.)

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# On-Campus Solicitation Policies Draw Court Scrutiny

The relationship between educational institutions and outside commercial or political groups is being redefined following recent court cases.

Meanwhile, GVSC has revised its policy for persons wishing to distribute products or information on campus.

At issue are First Amendment questions, as well as legal definitions concerning private and public areas within on campus buildings, particularly residence halls.

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruled recently that regulations allowing students to ban political canvassers from dormitories are justified because dorm hallways and rooms are legally private areas. The court upheld a Penn State U. policy allowing dorm residents to vote at the beginning of each year on whether they will allow canvassing of individual rooms. Canvassers are still able to contact students in public areas, such as dining and lecture halls and dorm lobbies, the court said.

Princeton U. officials are still awaiting a New Jersey Supreme Court decision that could determine if private schools have the right to regulate political activity on campus. The American Civil Liberties Union, which entered the case on behalf of a Labor Party worker charged with trespassing while distributing literature, claims the university is comparable to a "company town," because students live and work there. If the court agrees, the university may have to extend free speech guarantees to all persons, even though the campus is private property.

A U.S. District Court in Illinois recently declared a public school policy regulating the sale of political literature on-campus unconstitutional. The court struck down an Illinois Industrial U. (a division of the U. of Illinois Circle Campus) policy requiring non-students to furnish identification and obtain permission before selling literature on campus. Because most literature being sold is pol-

itical and not strictly commercial, the court said, the distributors have a right to remain anonymous. To maintain the prior approval policy, the court said, specific standards must be developed to guide university decisions on who can sell literature. The school can, however, require that all literature bear the name of the sponsoring organization.

At Grand Valley persons wishing to distribute information on campus are required to fill out a form including the name of the person making the request for permission, as well as the name, address and phone number of the person actually doing the distribution.

The sales and solicitation policy was recently revised increasing the number of times any group is allowed to set up a booth on campus, from 12 times per year

## The Lanthorn Wins Columbia Press Kudo

The Lanthorn was awarded a first-place rating in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association's 56th annual competition among weekly newspapers at four-year colleges and universities nationwide.

The contest was based on the papers' content, coverage, editing, design and display.

The Lanthorn was praised for its "in-depth stories that reflect student interest," its "well-rounded coverage of all sports," and its "clear and sharply-detailed photography."

These and many other factors were included in an extensive critique prepared for The Lanthorn.

"The Lanthorn's staff does a very solid job with the general content and coverage of its newspaper," wrote a CSPA judge. "The Lanthorn was given extra (special) credit because of its responsible reporting and fantastic photography."

to 13 times per year.

The Illinois court noted that universities have a legitimate interest in regulating purely commercial activities. In a recent Pennsylvania court case, American Future Systems challenged Penn State's right to prohibit sales demonstrations in dormitory rooms. AFS, which sells cookware and china on campuses nationwide, lost the case on its argument that the ban violated its right to free speech. AFS President Edward Satell says, however, that the company will try again this fall, on the grounds that Penn State is violating the students' right to do as they choose within the privacy of their rooms.

Satell argues that AFS only goes on campus when invited by students and that most schools recognize the students' right to make such invitations. While it is fair for a university to have standards as to who can come on campus, a blanket ban of commercial firms violates the right of privacy, he says.

AFS agrees to submit any student complaints to binding arbitration by the Better Business Bureau or a college ombudsman, he says.

On other campuses, administrators say past experience led to a ban of certain commercial firms. Grand Valley State Colleges this year took out a trespassing warrant against representatives of American Marketing Association, an Indianapolis parent company for several china and cookware distributors. Robert Byrd of the housing office says that strategy succeeded in keeping AMA off campus.

At Lafayette College and several other schools, housing officials warn students against inviting AMA firms to give demonstration-parties in the dorm. "We've told them several times they have to come through our office before coming on campus but they never do," says Douglas MacEwan, director of student residence at Lafayette. "We've warned all our students now that if the firm is from Indianapolis, they shouldn't have anything to do with them." That action came, he adds, after complaints from a parent whose daughter bought \$586 in cookware and after other students said that free gifts and trips were promised but didn't materialize.



Laker wide receiver Nate MacDonald gives some high school students a couple of pointers on wide receiving. The students are at Grand Valley to participate in a summer football camp (photo by Paul Worster).

## Sunday Arts Series Starts

Grand Valley State Colleges' Performing Arts Center is presenting a series of four Sunday evening events featuring dance, mime, and a theatrical reading at the Urban Institute for Contemporary Art, 1064 Race St., N.E., Grand Rapids, through August 10. The series will feature faculty members from a series of summer workshops offered

by the Performing Arts Center.

James Roose-Evans, a noted British director and author, will read poetry and Biblical Psalms on July 27.

All performances will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets will be \$1 at the door. For more information, call the Performing Arts Center, 895-6611, ext. 486.

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