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CROSSING GATES...for the Dralle Road crossing of the Illinois Central Gulf R.R. have been requested by GSU again. Three years ago, the University was told that there was not enough traffic to support the cost to the Ill. Dept. of Transportation, which bears the cost. Now with the Vick Farmhouse about to be used for a child care center and a recent train-truck collision at the crossing, the University has reasserted the necessity of placing crossing gates to warn motorists of the slow and high speed trains. Crossing gates were installed at Stuenkel Road after GSU began operating in the vicinity. Additionally, a pedestrian underpass will be part of the new Governors State University station of the ICG at Stuenkel Road. The station is expected to be ready some time in 1975 with the two mile extension of the line from Richton Park.

POSSESSED LUNCHEON..."The Exorcist" will be discussed by the Theology for Lunch Bunch on Monday, January 28 at noon in Room 830 of the Mini-campus. Everyone is invited to join a psychologist, historian, and theologian evaluate the book, the movie, and exorcism. Brown bag lunch for those who feel like eating.

ELECTIONS...for University Assembly Representatives from all constituencies will be held the week of January 28. Faculty positions are one each from CCS and CHLD and two from the Faculty-at-Large constituency. One student each from the Colleges of Business and Public Service, Cultural Studies and Environmental and Applied Sciences, and two from the College of Human Learning and Development. In addition, there are two positions open from the Support Staff and Civil Service constituencies. The newly elected representatives will be seated at the Feb. 28 Assembly meeting.

COMMENCEMENT SPECTACULAR...Over 1,000 in attendance at the GSU Winter Commencement had the pleasure of seeing what GSU Pres. ENGBRETSON called the finest commencement address he had ever witnessed. Almost everyone agreed. The star of the program was an ICC-produced approximately 20-minute multi-media presentation on the birth and growth of GSU. Primarily responsible for the production was RALPH KRUSE with hefty assistance of JERRY REICH and BECKY KELLER under the general direction of DAVE WIGHT. Degrees were picked up by 118 at this last mini-campus commencement.

ACCOUNTABILITY SESSION...Another in the series of Public Accountability Sessions by GOVERNOR WALKER is set for Thornton Community College in South Holland on January 31. The 7 p.m. session will be held in the Theater Building No. 21 on the Thornton campus.

GOVERNOR BIRD...a visitor to the Hall of Governors for the last two weeks has been an unidentified bird. The free flying exhibitions were seen by some as a holding pattern. Bird watchers in the Administrative Area were startled, indeed, when a cat charged through the area at top speed. The bird has not been seen lately.

THE PRE-LRC DAYS... "Erathostenes, more than any other person in the world in 250 B.C., was in a position to know the facts about the earth. Alexandria, at the mouth of the Nile, was the cultural center of the known world. As such, it had the largest library in the world (believed equivalent to about 600,000 volumes). Erathostenes, as head librarian, had access to all the information in this great library.

As a matter of general interest, one of the principal reasons the Alexandrian library had become so important was that the sweet, little old librarian who immediately preceded Erathostenes had not only maintained a quiet reading room, he had also operated a small overdue-book goon squad.

Because of his efforts, travelers arriving in Alexandria were met at the quayside by a batch of illiterate, armed, and hairy library aides looking for overdue books. Any book they found in baggage or on person was automatically overdue at the library in Alexandria.

When the manuscript had been properly catalogued and shelved, it was copied. The copy was then returned to the owner of the original manuscript with no particular thanks. It was a low-budget operation for a big library, but it gave Eratosthenes the information needed to determine the size of the earth."

DIMENSIONS OF A PLANET, by O.T. Hayward et. al. McGraw-Hill, 1971. P. 8.

GSUings...TONI WEI (LRC) lecturing at Olympia Field's Temple Anshe Sholom on "Archaeology in Israel"...PETE FENNER (CEAS) attending the NSF evaluation meetings in Washington D.C... DICK VORWERK (LRC) guest speaker at the PTO meeting at Hickory School in Park Forest South...JOHN CANNING (COMM) critiquing the Rotary International's official magazine before about 75 at the Chicago Heights Rotary Club...JOHN CUNNINGHAM (CBPS M.A. Cand.) announcing candidacy for Republican nomination in the 15th Congressional District...Competency education in the human services featured in the first issue of Chronicle of the Academy of Human Service Sciences based in Naperville, Ill...MARSHALL REAVIS (CBPS) addressing the Chicago Chapter of the Society of Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters on "The Consumer Product Safety Agency, the Insurance Industry and You"...BILL HIGGENBOTHAM now Acting Manager of the Computer Center...MEL MUCHNIK (COMM) writing sample University broadcast station policy in an appendix to LAW AND THE STUDENT PRESS by Stevens and Webster of Purdue and just published by Iowa State Univ. Press...RALPH WINSTON (CBPS) hospitalized for tests.

THE TELEVISION CULTURE...A study reported in the Jan. 21 issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education by George Gerbner and Larry Gross of the Annenberg School of Communications claims "If you don't watch television four hours a day, you're in the culture, but not part of it...for most Americans, most of the time, television is popular culture." Other intriguing parts of their project called "Cultural Indicators" note that half of all the characters on primetime television commit violence in one form or other with 20% perpetrating a crime, 6% killing someone and 3% getting killed.

CALLING ALL ICC EQUIPMENT...The ICC reports that those persons who have not returned equipment to the ICC will be denied registration. Also, those who have lost equipment are required to pay for its replacement before they are permitted to register.

GSU STYLE JAZZ...Wondering where to find more of that award-winning GSU jazz? The jazz sextet (alias Cancer-Leo) performs Thursdays at the Living Room from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. (83rd and Cottage Grove) and Sundays from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Jimmy D's in Park Forest. Last Sunday's session was to a sell-out crowd which included many from the University Community. The jazz musicians have not only brought international acclaim to GSU, but have also served to recruit students to the University.



--EVENTS--

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

- 8:00 a.m. Academic Affairs Staff
Dr. Endres' Office
Main Campus
- 12:00-1:00 p.m. Theology for Lunch
Room 830
Mini-campus
- 3:00-5:00 p.m. CHLD Dean's Advisory
Committee
Dean's Conference Area
Main Campus

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

- 1:30-3:00 p.m. Academic Wing
Mini-Conference Room
Mini-campus
- 2:30 p.m. LRC Staff
Main Campus

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

- 8:30-10:00 a.m. Dean's Meeting
- 10:00-12:00 SCEPP
D1120-Main Campus

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

- 7:00 p.m. Public Accountability
Session-Gov. Walker
Theatre Bldg. 21
Thornton Comm. College

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 12:00 noon Executive Committee
D2202-Main Campus

QUOTABLE... "A system that cannot pursue a common purpose cannot long survive."

--John Gardner

State's figures on black students

These figures on black student enrolment in a selected number of colleges and universities in the state were taken from information gathered by the State Board of Higher Education.

	Number of blacks	Percentage of blacks	Total students
Public senior universities			
Eastern	420	5.2	8,085
Governors State	658	29.0	2,220
Illinois State	1,070	6.0	17,790
Northeastern Illinois	589	7.8	7,514
Northern Illinois	1,154	5.8	19,971
Sangamon State	154	5.4	2,811
Southern Illinois [Carbondale]	1,376	7.2	19,147
Southern Illinois [Edwardsville]	1,329	11.8	11,210
U. of I. [Medical Center]	231	5.7	4,061
U. of I. [Chicago Circle]	2,185	11.4	19,109
U. of I. [Urbana]	1,299	3.7	34,651
Western Illinois	445	3.1	14,218
Chicago City Colleges			
Kennedy King	7,779	93.0	8,284
Loop College	5,454	46.0	11,740
Malcolm X	4,061	94.0	4,290
Mayfair	201	5.2	3,888
Olive Harvey	4,572	89.0	5,140
Southwest	169	3.4	4,989
Wright	553	6.5	8,512
Private senior universities			
De Paul	1,092	11.4	9,567
I. I. T.	477	7.5	6,325
Loyola	922	6.8	13,545
Northwestern	989	6.7	14,852
Roosevelt	1,656	25.0	6,606
Private senior colleges			
Barat	66	9.0	730
Lake Forest	96	9.1	1,047
Mundelein	102	8.9	1,145
National College of Education	164	13.0	1,232
North Park	37	2.8	1,342
St. Xavier	133	10.9	1,219
Private junior colleges			
Central YMCA	865	19.6	4,421
Felician	2	.56	356
Kendall	66	15.5	424
MacCormac	28	16.8	166
Private professional			
Chicago Medical School	11	2.3	477
John Marshall Law School	20	1.1	1,753
Rush Medical School	31	9.7	317

FROM THE ILLINOIS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION:

Significant Features of the FY1975 Operating Budget Recommendations

Public Senior Universities

- .. Salary increases of five percent of FY1974 personal services base.
- .. Allowance of three percent for non-personnel price increases and 11 percent for utilities.
- .. Downward adjustments of base to reflect lower enrollment levels at some campuses.
- .. Productivity adjustment of one percent of base for improved instructional effectiveness in FY1975.
- .. Special adjustments for program and operating funding deficiencies at some campuses.
- .. Increases in income fund requirements for all systems.
- .. Funding of operations and maintenance for opening of new buildings.
- .. Substantial expansion of health-related programs.

Student Aid

- .. Extension of Illinois State Scholarship Commission aid to half-time students.
- .. Increase ~~maximum~~ Illinois State Scholarship Commission award to \$1350.
- .. Increase of Illinois State Scholarship Commission award entitlement to fifth year for certain classes of students.
- .. Extension of Illinois State Scholarship Commission application deadline to October 1.
- .. Increase in guarantee funds for Guaranteed Loan Program.

State Universities Retirement System

- .. Recommendation of amount sufficient to cover the payout requirements.
- .. Recommendation of program to achieve full funding.