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KANSAS



STEVE TRAYHOR, THE UNIVERSITY DAILY KANSAN, U. OF KANSAS

Studying up the wrong tree . . . U. of Kansas senior John Boys climbed a tree to read Neitzsche and found himself stuck 25 feet off the ground. About 20 people gathered to watch as fire fighters extended a 24-foot ladder to help Boys descend. Boys said he had climbed many of the trees in the area but never that particular tree. "It was kind of a chal-lenge," he said. "I just really didn't think about getting down when I climbed up. While in the tree, Boys had to field questions from entertained onlookers and fire department workers, who said they did not receive many calls to rescue people from trees. "Yeah, I feel kind of stupid," Boys told the fire fighters. "I guess they could get me down with a chain saw. Obviously I was not the one who called you." . Steve Bailey, The University Daily Kansan, U. of Kansas

MASSACHUSETTS

Mainframe manipulation . . . U. of Massachusetts, Amherst, administrators are drafting regulations to combat forums devoted to the exchange of sex stories on one of the university's most powerful mainframe computers. Four forums, called "CyberLust," "SEX," "Sexstories" and "Lusty One," were disclosed last March and contained files of graphic sexual exploits on the CYBER system which is intended only for "instructional and research activities." The sex story forums occupy less than 1 percent of total system usage and are "owned" or operated by their creators. Any university-affiliated person who pays a \$10 fee and has access to a computer may connect with the CYBER system. Administrators also confirmed the existence of forums devoted to discussions of Christianity, science fiction, poetry and even one that outlines the underground tunnel system of the university. ■ Preston P. Forman, The Massachusetts Daily Collegian, U. of Massachusetts, Amherst

OREGON

Pleading insanity . . . Academically dishonest students who are found to be mentally ill will not have disciplinary sanctions brought against them, according to a new student conduct policy approved at the U. of Oregon. UO spokeswoman Elaine Green said the policy distinguishes for the first time between academic and disciplinary sanctions. "The problem is, what if someone has a mental disorder and is accused of academic dishonesty?" Green asked. While such students will not have any disciplinary sanctions brought against them, they will receive academic grades based on the fact that they were dishonest. "Insanity is not a defense for getting a grade dishonestly," Green said.

Peter Cogswell, Oregon Daily Emerald, U. of Oregon

WISCONSIN

No cows allowed . . . In an effort to persuade students to stop walking across the grass on campus, Marquette U.'s Resident Hall Association Environmental Committee hosted a Cow Path Prevention Day. Committee Chairman Steve Cole said students cutting corners and walking on the grass costs the university \$22,000 a year for up-keep. A university budget list shows that Marquette spends \$14,414 each year maintaining the campus environment and an additional \$7,200 a year on labor. The cost of replacing grass, shrubs, sod and flowers could be reduced if students would walk on the pavement, said RHA committee member Amy Schaefer. Jaimie A. Fraser, Marquette Tribune, Marquette U.

CALIFORNIA

Flushing the evidence. . . California State U., Long Beach, may have the richest sewage in the world. Responding to complaints of a plugged sewer, university plumbers discovered eight or nine \$100 bills floating at the bottom of the manhole, said Toni Beron, senior director of public affairs at the university. But the excitement did not last long. The bills were counterfeit. In the process of unclogging the sewer, approximately 30 to 40 pounds of wet, shredded bills were confiscated, said Lt. Ron Perron of campus security, adding that possibly \$250,000 to \$1 million was found. U.S. Secret Service agents investigated two places on campus where the bills might have been printed.

Jenny Cleveland, The Maneater, U. of Missouri, Columbia



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