Mr. Robert Schlegel, President of Mesa College, has selected Mr. John Robert Johnson, a senior history major, to receive the Phi Beta Kappa Society's Gold Medal Award for 1971.

The Phi Beta Kappa Society is a national organization that recognizes outstanding academic achievement among college students. The Gold Medal Award is given to one senior student from each participating college who has shown exceptional academic promise and potential.

Mr. Johnson was selected based on his outstanding academic record, involvement in campus activities, and leadership qualities. He will be honored at a special ceremony at the College on May 6th. Congratulations, Mr. Johnson!
The World Around Us As We See It

Big Brother Wants Your Body

Kept! We have all been saved from yet another of our suicidal follies by our ever-vigilant Big Brother.

Gone from our television screens are all advertisements for those pernicious cigarettes. In righteous fear for the welfare of his wards (subjects?), our Big Brother has denied cigarette manufacture access to the most important communications medium in this country for the purpose of advertising their deadly, vicious, cancer-producing products.

When announcing the ban, our Protector made much noise about motives of wanting to protect us from the dangers of cigarette-smoking. And, in truth, no intelligent person can deny that smoking cigarettes is hazardous to one's health.

There is, however, a darker portent behind the ban on cigarette advertising. This is actually one of the latest in a long series of tactics purported to protect the American public but really serving only to eliminate our right to determine our own destiny. Big Brother has decided that the best way to protect the people is to take away their right to take any risks with their own bodies. He is taking our bodies away from us!

Laws requiring motorists to wear helmets have been adopted by many states and are another case of the government exerting its authority to "protect the people from present danger." In this case the government has made it illegal for a person to risk his own life on a motorcycle.

Akin to this regulation are the soon-to-be enacted requirements that all automobile passengers wear their seat belts. This will be accomplished by requiring all cars to be modified so that they will run only when the belts for all occupied seats are fastened.

A government is justified in restricting the activities of citizens only when those restrictions are necessary to prevent a citizen from harming other citizens by his actions, Regulations such as those discussed here, however, do not protect citizens from each other, but rather protect the citizen himself. Smoking a cigarette, not wearing a helmet, or not wearing a seat belt endangers no one but the person committing the so-called crime.

The implications are terrifying. Our government is supposed to serve the people, but Big Brother views the situation a little differently, believing that citizens exist for the benefit and preservation of the government. Our bodies are being stolen from us to preserve and increase Big Brother's power.

Since governments get their power from the people, Big Brother will rape and castrate us only so long as we let him, except that if we let him continue much longer, he will have gained too much power for us to stop him.

Let us strive to quickly return government to its rightful place before Orwell's nightmare becomes reality.

BY JOHN ESPINOSA
Zigz, Pow and Zing! Do you remember when comic books were comic books and we were men? You know the old comic books where Cap, Kilferkitt was the first single-handedly wipe out an entire German or Japanese Army for no apparent reason. And who could forget the endless times Captain America saved the world, just in the nick of time, from kryptonite radiation and rescued Levi Law? It was during the winter weather (you knew, the years when a child grows to more than 50 per cent of his adult height and needs a new pair of jeans) that our entire elementary school community would gather around the comic book rack. It was during these years that a kid could get a stolen copy from the comic store. He couldn't tune in the 5 o'clock news because few families had television, besides, the Korean War had ended and Vietnam hadn't even been heard of yet. At the movies John Wayne was still fighting WWII and Vice President Nixon was being rotten tomotaed out of South America on a one-man mission. No one even thought about the cold war until it was over. And there just wasn't enough violence to read about in the 5 o'clock news.

Ah, but those were the good old days. Today, the news is the 5 o'clock news and we do have Vietnam (not to mention the Kirk) and Korea and endless other sources to fill the air with the latest unreadable dose of violence.

Enough of the floating of the violence market has hit comic books where it hurts. Have you picked up one of these publications recently? They have undergone quite a change since my wonder years.

Over the holidays I was fortunate enough to pick up a copy of Marvel Comics, entitled, "Our World's BIGGEST STAR!" featuring the Fantastic Four. There was the normal diabolical character, Magneto, who was trying to control the world with his superior knowledge of magnetism.

The Fantastic Four was made up of those marvels: the Sub-Mariner, Richards, the stretch, Torch; the scorch, and Thing, the indescribable.

Ironically, Magneto (the diabolical character) has threatened to take over Amahrica and the world. The president of Amahrica then commissions the Fantastic Four to fight or war with Magneto.

In the beginning Magneto won the first few encounters and the president of Amahrica was being put under pressure to give them the goods. You see, this would have it the president's usual unreliable military advisors informed him that Magneto is an enemy, but of course everyone knows he is not, and the president wants to expand the present conflict with Magneto to include the Sub-Mariner.

Of course Richards has not lost faith in Amahrica and the president's regiment. Namor is his own boy and he is ready to fight for his own folks. The president says, "Never. I should have heard something along the lines of Tricia said!"

Then Richards asks the president to trust him and his judgment. Namor will provide no war and keep one word of caution. He warns, I ask you to remember one thing, we've never lost a war before, and I don't think we'll start now.

Then Thing says, "Why worry? This is our world we want to see one...you...find another!"

Richards quiets him at this point by saying something like, "This is no time to be funny." Now the action gets rough. Magneto has captured two of the Fantastic Four's girls and Richards has invented an electric converter which nulls Magneto's power.

The Fantastic Four jump into their Fantasticar and head for a showdown in Central Park. Well, as fate would have it and as you all know the electric converter, overrides Magneto and the girls are restored to life. Amahrica and the rest of the world.

Now for the moment of trio- umph. Richards and Tricia announce a major step in the foiling of Magneto's plans.

"But can we never be friends?" cries Richards.

"Never...so long as you breathe-brothers hate and distrust all who are different! I leave you to your world of strife and violence. We are better abroad those who differ from us!"

"We, who have reached the moon. we yet to find brotherhood here on Earth!" observes Richards.

"I guess our job is done," remarks someone as they zoom away in the Fantasticar. "I'm afraid not, we've never been to Mars, we've yet to find that single battleground, Earth, finally. I'm afraid..." and he is cut off.

I think I liked it better when you had to pay 10 cents for a magazine to learn to fly your home free via satellite and live!

Is Flag Symbolic Of Peace, Freedom?

By DENNIS TRUJILLO
Background: The first thing of mine had the United States flag with a peace sign and a nickname. I used to put them off the window of his car by a gas station attendant. From this act alone I gained the nickname of the man didn't care for the peace symbol, he didn't care for the flag, or he didn't care for me. The last attempt seems to be the closest to the truth for the peace symbol is now and has always been defiantly displayed; "Old Glory" in the back window of his car. With the words, our flag, love it or leave it, I'm gonna keep it, I say it seems a bit fascist.

I know some people, friends of mine even, who use the flag for a patch on the seat of their pants, sleep in it, smoke joints in flag papers, some even have toilet paper with a flag design, but all my friends are for peace and a better America.

On the other hand, we have our own personal experience which is a direct crash into the real world. In Topeka the Sub-Mariner begins to fight and the real world is over the public's head. In the street, construction workers, "no hats", our flag and Topeka police cars bear the slogan, "Peaceful flag, love it or leave it, you can't have both."

Now the flag is defaced by the slogan: Love it or leave it, it's a protocol govern­ning the use of the flag that it should not be used as a costume, what about Uncle Sam? The situation might be summed up by saying something like, "it was too bad the Sub-Mariner didn't fight for the flag. I fought for the freedom we were supposed to have, but I'm out of a job now."

The management of the Criterion has fallen into the hands of John Espinoso and Gina Koskinensa. Co-Editors, with previous editor, Kevin McGrath's transfer to Colorado State University, the rest of the world.

The basic policies of the Criterion will remain the same and we will strive to keep changes of personnel from becoming a habit, as it seems to have become in Sih circles.

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Rice, Yonker Participate in TV Education Project

FORT COLLINS — Two faculty members of CSU have helped put cameras in motion at Colorado State University. Dec. 14 for a new statewide televised educational project in biology for junior colleges.

The program, entitled BioCO-TIE, or Cooperation via Televised Instruction in Education, is a pioneering, cooperative effort among six Colorado junior and community colleges to assist sophmore biology students with second-year core courses as developed at CSU.

On the CSU campus were seven faculty members from four of the participating institutions, including Robert Rice and Donald Yonker of Mesa College. They were helping to produce the first videotapes for "Population and Community Biology," an initial course being produced by students at Colorado State University as a major project using color television.

Participating later in the major project will be six other two-year institutions: Aims Community College, Greeley; Colorado Mountain College, Glenwood Springs; Community College of Denver, central, north and west campuses; Lamar Community College (Granby), Rangely Junior College and Trinidad State Junior College.

Bob Daniell, project director at CSU, said that Northeastern initiated the project idea because the two-year institutions "felt a need to supplement second-year biology courses.

A shortage of certain equipment and some lack of knowledge about what four-year institutions were offering in similar courses made this necessary, he said.

Dr. John Sparrow, project director at CSU, said the Boettcher Foundation's pilot project allows development of a coordinated team of teachers and professors. Funds totaling $75,000 have been requested from the National Science Foundation for a major program using color television.

Dr. Sparrow pointed out that BioCO-TIE will provide "a larger grant" to the project. CSU is prepared "to offer a nucleus of the necessary equipment, teaching faculty and professional television personnel through its office of educational media."

Johnson emphasized that television tapes will be supplement- ed by periodic conferences, via special telephone line, involving CSU biology and junior college instructors. Dr. Sparrow said the program will run 25 minutes each and will occupy only one-half of a scheduled class period. The balance of class time will be used by local instructors.

The program also will be utilized to augment and support laboratory experiences, the codirectors pointed out. CSU will make its facilities and laboratories available to students in the participating institutions, and visual aids and use of regular studio production techniques will be involved.

Centers and effectiveness of the program will be evaluated both internally among participating colleges and externally through an evaluation committee organized by the American Institute of Biological Science.

Evaluation will test curriculum content, effectiveness of procedures and coordination needed in second-year core courses as teaching aids and not as teacher substitute.

Testing and grading, they said, "will be determined by the junior college instructors, although CSU will make available sample tests and packets on request for the two-year colleges.

Neither plaques nor prizes are attached to the application. The deadline for filing applications is February 1, 1971. All applications should be submitted to Elks Lodge No. 575, 4th & Ute, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501.

Additional information, if needed, may be obtained from either Mr. mural, S. M. or from Mr. Adelbert Pence, Secretary, Elks Lodge No. 575.

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Mesa College Wrestling team opened its 1971 season on the road as it traveled to Colorado School of Mines in Golden and the Air Force Academy January ninth and tenth.

In the Friday night contest against Golden, the Mavericks fought to a 19-19 tie. As it traveled to Colorado School of Mines in Golden January ninth and tenth, the Mavericks lost to the Gauchos 10-5.

In Saturday night action Air Force Academy defeated Mesa 24-14. Martinez, Salazar, Thell and Rich Coleman were victorious in the dual meet.

Mesa put on a fantastic rally in the final five minutes to down the Hokams, 28-19. Martinez defeated Don Woster 7-4. John Starker was defeated by Salazar 5-2. Mike Sarcid received a cut over the eye in a match against Thell and was forced to forfeit. At 195 pounds Coleman 80-62 defeated Ron Crenshaw 3-0.

Mesa has lost three players before Christmas. Clark was the fifth leading scorer in the season for the Mavericks. He was an impressive player. He was an All - Metro, All - Conference and All-State selection in 1970. The 5-11 guard averaged 28 points and 12 rebounds on the squad. Stovall was the leading scorer on the Mavs. He was an All - Conference Selection and All-State Selection in his senior year. The talented crew from Casper has had numerous setbacks. The Mavericks have had difficulty in the early contests but has won the last four games. The Mavericks have had a 21-3 record and won two matches in the national tournament. This season he is undefeated in two matches.

Martinez had a 21-3 record and won two matches in the national tournament. This is the same record last year's squad had at this time in 1970.

Although the squads' records are identical, this year's team has had numerous setbacks. The Mav's are the turnover in players. Mesa has lost three players for the remainder of the season and one indefinitely. Three of the losses have been starters. Reese Stovall and Jim Cherry are the two starters lost for the season.

Stovall was the leading scorer on the 1971 Mavericks with a 32 point average. The 6-5 stand-out from San Antonio, Tex., also was the fifth leading scorer in the nation. He was the leading rebounder on the squad. Stovall returned home after the Mesa holiday tournament because of personal reasons.

Jerry Clark quit the squad before Christmas. Clark was the first man off the bench for Mesa in early contests.

Two new players have been added to the Mavericks' roster since the beginning of the Christmas vacation. Rich Zimmerman and Charlie Season are the additions. Zimmerman was injured at the beginning of the season but has an impressive past. He was an All - Metro, All - Conference and All-State selection in 1970. The 5-11 guard averaged 26 points per game at Denver Institute of Technology.

The Mavericks basketball team is 11-2 on the season. This is the same record last year's squad had at this time in 1970.

The win over the Hokams from Mesa was the fifth leading scorer in the nation. Reese Stovall was the second leading scorer in the nation. He was an All-Metro, All-Conference and All-State selection in 1970. The 5-11 guard averaged 26 points per game at Denver Institute of Technology.

The Mavericks defeated the Gauchos by a narrow 28-19 margin. A stolen ball in the final minute was all that counted. The Mavericks took the lead in the final minute but lost it after a foul and a three-point shot.

The deciding factor in the game was the superior poise of the Mav's. The Mavericks' superior poise was the deciding factor in the game. They were able to mount a scoring threat in the final minutes due to fouls and goal tending penalties. Northwestern was the high scorer in the last five minutes of play. Reese Stovall again led the scoring with 36, while Stovall was the second leading scorer in the nation. He was an All-Metro, All-Conference and All-State selection in 1970. The 5-11 guard averaged 26 points per game at Denver Institute of Technology.

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