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Poems are made by fools like me But only God can rend a tree.

Underground press sprouts

by DAVE BRINK Nebraskan StaffWriter

What does a cultural revolutionary do when he feels the establishment press isn't printing all the news? He gets his friends together and publishes the Informer.

The Informer is a mimeographed underground news sheet that is printed on both sides of a single paper. It is published weekly (more or less) on Friday afternoons and handed out near the Nebraska Union, in some classes and at a few sympathetic businesses.

The Informer staff members, who prefer to remain anonymous, have felt a need for an underground media since last year they said. Some of them visited Ann Harbor, Mich. and Chicago where they picked up ideas and suggestions from Youth International Party (YIP) members.

One staff member reported that "things are much better organized in Chicago than Nebraska". He noted examples such as free food, free clothes

Lost sailor hits island

Four hundred and seventyeight years ago today an itinerant Italian named Christopher Columbus reached islands off the eastern coast of the American continents.

About 100 years ago Mark Twain wrote in Pudd'nhead Wilson's Calendar, "It was wonderful to discover America, but it would have been more wonderful to miss it."

Although people are still wondering if this is true, the continents seem in little danger of disappearing.

Happy Columbus Day.

and underground communications.

Back in Lincoln about 20 people joined together and decided to attempt a similar organization. Communications was considered the most important factor in the "revolution" — so the Informer was born.

They also took steps to form an official YIP chapter but it hasn't been approved by the national party yet.

The Informer's philosophy is similar to YIP's — non-violent cutlural revolution. In the words of one staff member, "the new culture is, of course, illegal and unsafe; it is illegal to have rock festivals, use drugs and live in communes." He said the old system is based

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Railroads fetter Malone growth

by GARY SEACREST Nebraskan Staff Writer

The possibility of further University expansion into the Malone area has been raised by a recent Lincoln railroad transportation study.

The study, prepared by St. Louis and Lincoln consultants, recommends a b a n d o n i n g segments of Lincoln railroad tracks in an effort to solve some of Lincoln's most pressing transportation and urban problems.

The consultants recommend abandoning segments of the Rock Island and the Missouri Pacific railroad tracks in the center of Lincoln and the City Campus.

Railroad management involved say the relocation suggestions are feasible if adequate resources are made available. The consultants noted that NU expansion problems are related to the physical constraints imposed by existing railroad lines and adjacent rail-related private business.

Current University expansion plans call for extending the City Campus northward across Lincoln's major railroad corridor and eastward to the proposed Northeast Radial, which will pass east of the present campus.

If the railroad tracks are relocated it could greatly affect University expansion plans in the Malone area, located east of the City Campus.

The University is actively acquiring land in the Malone area, which has a large black population. University expansion in the area has caused conflict between the Malone residents and the University.

The proposed railroad relocations, north of the City Campus, will increase the potential conflict for University traffic movements between the existing campus and the proposed northward expansion. The consultants thus recommend that an attractive

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That's glass, not grass

Glass blowing for fun+profit

by MICK MORIARTY Nebraskan Staff Writer Many college students choose curious hobbies. Some make leather crafts, others work with beads.

Don Adams, a junior majoring in English, has the curious



Don Adams working at "curious hobby"

hobby of blowing glass.

He considers his hobby creative, as well as lucrative. It is Adams' medium for art.

Glass blowing not only interests and fascinates him, but other students living in Harper Hall find his hobby curiously captivating.

"My room is usually open, and there are always people around," Adams said. "I spend about three hours a day working with glass."

Much of Adams' other time is spent being a student assistant on the fifth floor of Harper Hall and selling his works from his room, the busiest room on the floor.

In fact, the demand for his work is so great that Don doesn't have to solicit or advertise. The only outside selling that he does is to the Morrill Hall Museum gift shop.

Presently, Adams is teaching some of his friends the art of glass blowing. He became attracted to glass blowing at Kimball County high school.

Last year he taught a course in the Free University and his plans for the future include teaching his hobby as a recreation course in the University of Nebraska. Looking ahead a year or so, Don would like to see his course credited in the art department.

He isn't thinking of academics at this time of the year, though. Don's glass blowing emphasis will soon be centered on Christmas. Last year he made over \$300 during the jolly season.

"The trouble is that during Christmas, it is no longer a hobby. It becomes a real hassle," he said.

"It's definitely more fun just playing and creating, rather than cranking out 30 swans an hour like I do during the Christmas season," Don said.

Swans and little ornaments are nice, but Don modestly admits that he can make just about anything out of glass, within reason.

Last year he just made a limited number of things. This year he is trying anything and everything. With the new demands of students, Don is now blowing pipes.

Don has one ultimate amibition in glass blowing. He wants to make ships, "huge ships with glass sails." he said.