

Nuclear holocaust hits prime time

by Ned Walkman

ABC-TV announced today, in the wake of the overwhelming reaction to its presentation of "The Day After," plans to unveil a Day After weekly series, tentatively titled, "The Day After-again and again and again...."

The planned new show, slotted as a summer replacement, is based on the movie which depicted the obliteration of Kansas City during a nuclear war.

Representatives of ABC called the new program a serious drama with light-hearted human touches - kind of like the "Waltons face doomsday." The Day After - again and again and again will feature a different American city being demolished by Russian ICBM's each week. The show will spotlight guest stars like Dennis (Emerald Point-NAS) Weaver and Gavin (Love Boat) MacLeod playing city officials desperately trying to save their cities before being fried to a crisp after the last commercial break.

When reached for comment, ABC Entertainment Head Harry Brandon said he was excited and enthusiastic about the project, commenting "I feel people want to know more about nuclear war and what better way than by seeing their favourite stars fight the red menace."

"And the really neat thing," Brandon chuckled, "is that 'one

week a city might narrowly avoid being reduced to rubble and the next, zappo! it's lights-out." "For instance," he continued, "we have one episode planned where guest stars Larry Hagman and Bill Daily (both formerly of "I Dream of Jeannie") are reunited to play American agents in Moscow who foil an attempt to blow-up Fargo, North Dakota."

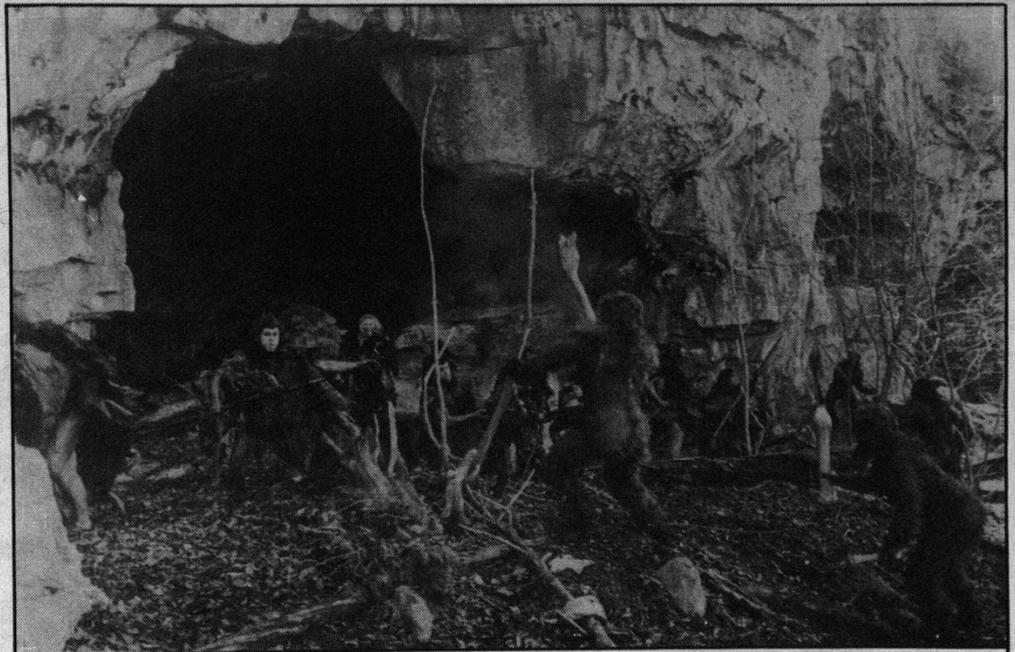
"That's one I'm looking forward to myself," laughed Brandon. "And I can tell you one thing," promised Brandon, "we'll keep you in suspense."

Although the new program will cost staggering amounts to produce each week, Brandon is committed, "I feel ratings, I mean public education, is worth any price."

When asked if he felt this new show was slightly irresponsible in that it might lessen the public's perceived danger of nuclear war, Brandon said, "I don't understand the question."

Brandon said cities targeted for "irradiation" in upcoming episodes include Terre Haute, Des Moines, Rockyford and the city everyone loves to hate, Cleveland.

As an added feature, the syndicated program, "Entertainment Tonight" has agreed to set-up a telephone poll whereby viewers will call in voting on the city they would like to see blown to smithereens on a future episode.



University President Myer Horowitz (centre) addresses Students' Council in the new council chambers, during last Tuesday's meeting. Students' Council meets every other week and all students are urged to participate.

Getaway buys U of A

The Getaway recently concluded negotiations to buy the financially troubled University of Alberta.

"I'm just so glad the whole thing is finally over," said former University Vice-President Finance and Administration Lorne Leitch.

"We were so far in debt that

there just wasn't any hope."

The university is expected to lose more than two million dollars this year and the Provincial Government had threatened to appoint a receiver unless something could be done.

"We sure surprised them with this move," said Leitch.

The exact price of the University has not been revealed, but "it was a steal," according to Getaway editor Brent X.

"Power, power, and more power," chanted X as his eyes lit up.

X says steps must be taken to

run the University more cheaply but wholesale lay-offs are not in the works.

"Instead we are going to make all University administrators Getaway staffers and give them a corresponding cut in pay," he says.

"The situation was obviously out of hand," says Getaway staffer Myer Horowitz. "Something had to be done. I am glad that a responsible and sound organization like the Getaway took an interest."

The U of A will be renamed Brent's Place.

Falwell gets AIDS

LYNCHBURG VA — Sources revealed yesterday that Moral Majority Leader Jerry Falwell is suffering from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Falwell was visibly shaken when he met with reporters this morning. He admitted that his doctors had informed him that he was suffering from the disease but he denies ever having had homosexual relations.

"It is a plot on the part of the forces of secular humanism," said Falwell, "they must have infected me in my sleep or something."

"I would never have sex with a woman let alone a man," protested Falwell. "Why, just the thought of two hot sweaty bodies passionately embracing each other until that moment of ultimate happiness....why, just the

thought of it is disgusting."

The news of Falwell's illness has caused numerous problems for the Moral Majority.

The Washington headquarters have been flooded with irate letters of complaint from people threatening to withdraw from the organization.

Falwell's multi-million dollar Jesus First Corporation which markets pins and other religious paraphernalia, dropped ten points on the stock market before trading was suspended this afternoon.

The poor showing of Jesus First is considered by many experts to be the main reason for the Dow Jones Industrial Average decline today.

"We thought the John the Baptist shower curtains and the

Mary Magdalene steak knives were sure sellers," said a company spokesman, "but with this latest scare who knows what could happen."

Despite these setbacks, work is continuing on Falwell's pet project, The Jerry Falwell Annotated Bible.

"It should be on the shelves in time for Christmas," said Falwell's personal secretary Lucifer Jones.

"A lot of people misinterpret the Bible because the language is antiquated," explains Jones.

"The King James version is a good book but people just don't talk that way anymore."

"A rather vague expressions like 'he who lives by the sword dies by the sword' is much clearer in its modern English equivalent: 'Nuke the Ruskies till they glow before they can do it to us.'"

"Another problem is that people often quote Jesus out of context," says Jones.

"For example, to someone such as myself who has studied the teachings of our Lord extensively, it is clear that when Jesus said 'Love thy Neighbour,' he actually meant, 'Love thy neighbour unless he is a faggot, a commie or in the under fifty per cent tax bracket.'"

"If someone read this famous saying in isolation, it is easy to see how they could be misled," says Jones. "We hope to prevent such confusion in the future."

"And the best part is that you can get your own personally autographed copy bound in genuine naugahide for only \$19.95."

AIDS is a disease which attacks the immune system. It is found mainly in the gay community and is transmitted sexually although some Haitian immigrants have also contacted the disease possibly through unsanitary hypodermic needles.

Indications are that the disease is 100 per cent fatal.

Falwell's personal staff of researchers is presently tracing their leader's geneology in an attempt to ascertain whether Falwell has any Haitian ancestors.

Bob Jr. goes to court

by Big Al

Yes-CFS campaign manager Robert Lunney is taking the CFS referendum to the People's Court.

The announcement follows the Supreme Court's decision last week to uphold the Federal Appeal Court's ruling to support the University Disciplinary Panel's decision to uphold the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement (DIE) Board's ruling to overturn the results of the October 21 referendum which saw students at the U of A vote to join the Canadian Federation of Students.

"There is not much else we (CFS) can do," said Lunney, "the UN will just not return my calls."

"Besides can you think of a better place to settle petty

squabbles (than People's Court)?" says Lunney.

Judge Wopner of the People's Court says he is "fascinated by the case."

"I think it's just ducky," says Wopner. "I've never done a referendum before."

But no date has been set for the case to appear on television.

"It sort of depends on what time Bora and Shah (Bora Laskin of the Supreme Court and Shah Pemberton of DIE Board) have free," says Lunney. "But also a popular show like People's Court always has a backlog."

But Judge Wopner insists CFS is "high on the waiting list, right after the case of the woman who had her pet chicken run over by a moped."

Keegstra silenced

by Biff Roppel

Former Eckville mayor and high school teacher James Keegstra was at the University yesterday to protest his firing by the Alberta Teacher's Association (ATA).

Speaking at a HILLEL sponsored forum, Keegstra said, "It was all a great misunderstanding, the ATA had no right to fire me."

Keegstra was fired for allegedly anti-semitic teachings, but he says, "I've got nothing against those sort of people."

"What happened," explains Keegstra, "is that my Social Studies class comes just before lunch and I was getting hungry."

"I asked someone to go get me a chicken salad sandwich with sprouts."

But Keegstra says he must have "mumbled or something, because some of my students wrote it down as 'Hitler had the right idea.'"

Keegstra says he didn't learn

of the misunderstanding until it was too late.

"Before I could do anything, the ATA police were at my door. Naturally I was shocked when I found out what had happened."

"My heart goes out to anyone who has been hurt by this terrible mistake."

Keegstra emphatically denies that he has any prejudices towards Jews.

"Some of my best friends have known people who are Jewish," he says.

The Forum was interrupted by Arab Students' Association President Oscar Ammar.

Carrying a large placard proclaiming "Keegstra the Traitor," Ammar shouted "Down with the Zionists."

"I never thought the voice of James Keegstra would be silenced by the forces of Zionist Nazism," said Ammar.

Eckville is a small town of approximately 800 people near Red Deer.

