

Holmes coming



Left to right: Sherlock (Jerry Cohagan), Professor Moriarty (Jeff Bell), Lord Swandom (Bryan Williams), Charlott Fairchild (Bev Lonn).

by J.E. Vail

Every spot is set. All the lines are memorized. Programs were printed yesterday. Earl Owens and his players have finished the preliminaries with last night's dress rehearsal. Tonight is opening night.

Sherlock Holmes, personified by Jerry Cohagan, hits NNC's Science Lecture Hall stage at 8:00 this evening and runs an additional four nights spaced out over the next ten days.

Thomas Hinton's "Sherlock Holmes: A New Adventure"

centers around the classic Sir Arthur Conan Doyle character and his companion Dr. Watson, played by Steve Hicks. Holmes' adversary for this particular round is the evil (naturally) Professor Moriarty. Jeff Bell tackles the criminal lead.

This two-hour confrontation of good and evil is prompted by the mysterious disappearance of the new wife of Lord Swandom. Holmes, after rejecting the case, takes up the challenge after a maid is

murdered in his flat. The rest of the drama chronicles the struggles between the pipe-smoking detective and the Napoleon of crime.

A piece of escapist entertainment, the play is pleasant enough with interesting insights into Holmes' cocaine-consuming habits. He indulges to escape his commonplace, dreary existence from which his cases provide only passing relief.

Moriarty, on the other hand, turns out to be quite self-poss-

essed and a philosopher to boot. His best line is when he states that "one is closest to the essence of life when one contemplates death."

Jerry Cohagan's Holmes is excellent as is Steve Hick's Dr. Watson. He too combine for some great one-two exchanges and add a touch of comic confusion to the dramatic developments of the evening.

It is too bad that the acting level is not consistent with that of Cohagan and Hicks throughout the entire cast, but the other players combine to do a more than adequate job in getting the occasionally melodramatic script across in palatable form. The only really sore spots in the play are when people are required to die. I suppose the technically realistic slaughter in the movies and on T.V. make it hard to buy anybody getting shot without blood and guts flowing or splattering in ample amount.

Holmes, as a literary figure, has appealed to readers since his introduction by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle in 1887 with the publication of *A Study in Scarlet*. This modern version of the Holmes odyssey debuted in Mill Hall, Pennsylvania in 1973.

In addition to tonight's 8:00 performance, Sherlock will run tomorrow night at the same time; Wednesday, November 24 at 9:00 p.m.; Thursday the 25th at 1:00 p.m.; and the final production will start at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 27. □

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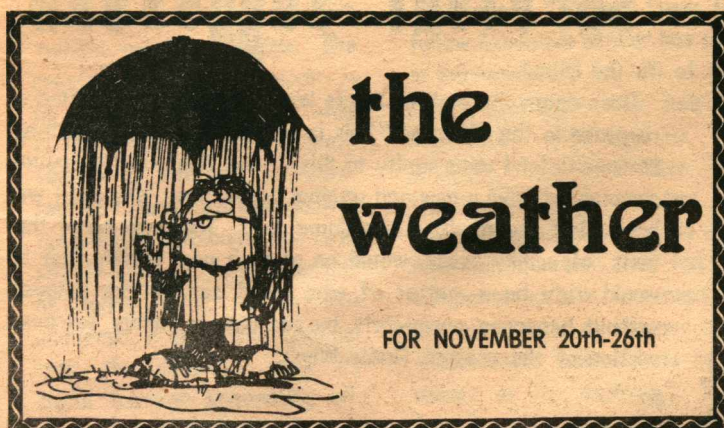
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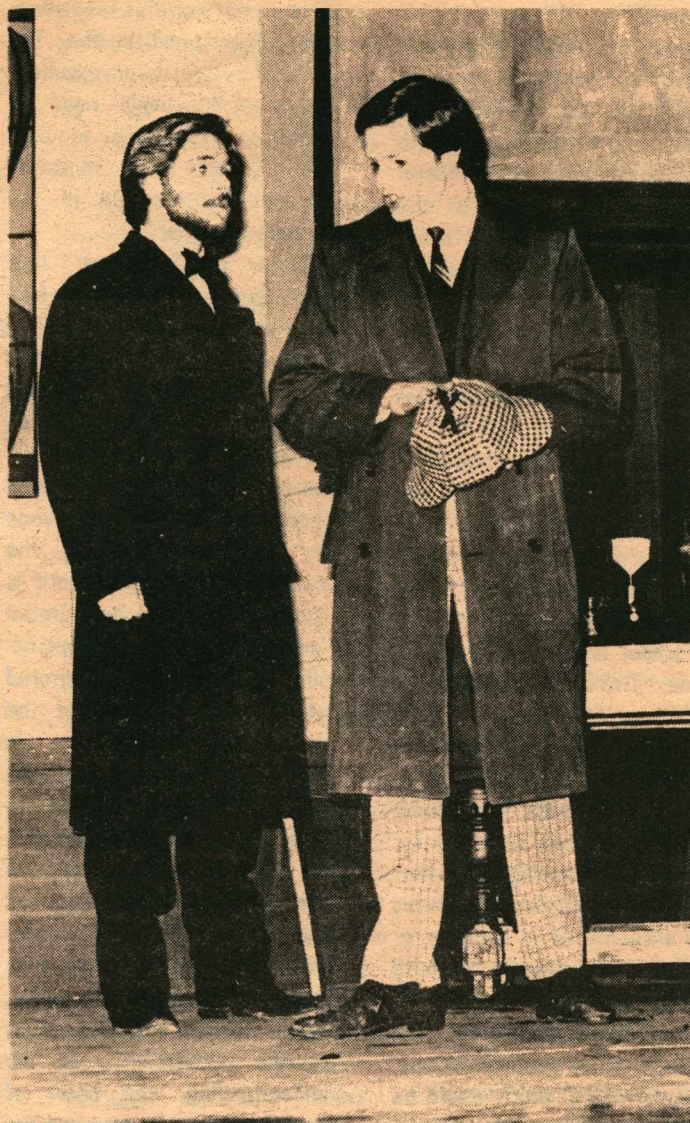


After a brief respite, the weather has again returned this week. A period of overcast skies with sunshine is the general forecast for the first few days, though we will soon find ourselves immersed in the usual beginning of the term fog with concomitant doldrums. Some relief from this situation might be an increase in the "social dynamic" quotient though the dates for this have not yet been set.

Our calendar indicates that the annual turkey migration for all you thanksgiving fans will be coming home this weekend. For non-bird lovers this will be of little significance though many of us will enjoy it when the occasional really beautiful chick, a truly rare bird, may come home to roost.

The weather satellite, Eros IV, has broken free from its engagement over the Virgin Islands, seemingly with no ill-effects, though some of its memory banks seem to be burned out as it responds sluggishly to the controls, it is behaving erratically and each picture it sends back has a happy face in the corner. We hope that Eros IV will settle down to business after having such a stimulating weekend.

A recent storm left a baseball sized hail stone on the lawn of Rep. Steve Symms lawn this week. Within the stone was found a Pursley for Congress button. When asked to comment on the stone Symms was said to comment, "What in the hail?" □



Left to right: Dr. Watson (Steve Hicks), Sherlock (Jerry Cohagan).

Amendment Big Mistake

by J.E. Vail

Circumstances differ, but the question remains the same. Will NNC maintain a student press free from censorship?

A series of Pub. Board constitutional amendments has passed that body and is now headed to the President's Cabinet. If they pass there, the student body will then have to approve them by a two-

thirds vote.

Most of these amendments are good or, at least, harmless.

But one of the amendments gives the right to prior censorship to the faculty advisor of the publications. That is neither good nor harmless. It is a big mistake.

This amendment gives the faculty advisor the prerogative to withhold from publication

any peice of journalism that he views as questionable. The editor may then appeal the advisor's decision to the pub. board for a final ruling on the material in question.

When the present pub. board was created by a joint committee of students, faculty and administration, it was specifically stated that there would be no prior censorship and that the advisor, "shall not be responsible for material appearing in the CRUSADER." I can think of no valid reason to change that provision.

It is my contention that the Publications Board functioned as it is supposed to, there would be no need whatsoever to place the burden of censorship on the shoulders of the faculty advisor.

Legally, it is the Pub. Board's duty to develop a body of policy pertaining to our publications editorial policy and content. It is also the duty of the Pub. Board to make this policy known to the editors of the respective publications. If this directive were carried out, and if the pub. board maintained confidence in their editorial selections as responsible adults the apparent "cure-all" aspects of this junior high censorship trick would fade away.

If a coherent body of policy would be relayed to the editors, and if the board would work at carrying out their end of the bargain as established in the constitution, we wouldn't need to have all this fuss about hand-slapping and the like. The present system is an excellent set-up. We don't need to introduce censorship to cure our ill, we need to start operating the set-up in the intended manner.

Some people worry that there is not an adequate way of monitoring the publications more specifically, (the CRUSADER) to avoid controversial situations. If more attention had been paid to the present set-up, one would have found that provision has been made for this activity. (In the Constitution) the Pub. Board is instructed to form an Editorial Committee which is to specifically "see that the editorial policies and contents of the various publications are in keeping with the policies established by the Pub. Board; to keep the Pub. Board informed on all matters pertaining to editorial policy and content of the publications; and to confer with and advise editors on such matters as editorial policy, administration, and the content of the publication." To my understanding, the chain of events has not occurred and the Pub. Board is now suggesting

Turkey Debate

by Adele Powell

While all across America families are gathering for reunions, mothers are stuffing turkeys and children are exchanging secrets with long lost cousins in the warm atmosphere of an aroma-filled home, approximately one thousand students will be grounded on the campus of NNC. The reason is that administrators require students to be in attendance at classes on the Friday morning following Thanksgiving Day. I contend that this requirement is unreasonable and should be reconsidered. I call for reconsideration of this matter (1) because a holiday is a special day and should be celebrated as such, (2) because students will not significantly profit from the short time spent in the classroom, and (3) because it discourages family participation on the part of the student.

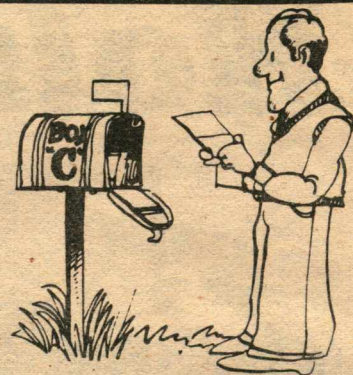
The first thing that should be considered is the importance of Thanksgiving both traditionally and spiritually. Traditionally it is a holiday, and holidays are occasions for rest, times when people gather for fellowship and celebration with their loved ones. It seems only reasonable that the student who spends 264 days a year going to school should be released for this very short period of time in which to commemorate a prominent American holiday. This is especially true since the conventional Monday holidays throughout the year are not observed here. Yet even more than a traditional holiday, Thanksgiving is one of spiritual significance. Originally it was set aside as a special day of prayer and giving thanks to God for His blessings and goodness throughout the year. It seems however, that students are scarcely going to be allowed more than a few hours from the busy college schedule for this purpose. If, however, students were allowed the weekend for the celebration of Thanksgiving they could return to school both socially and spiritually refreshed.

Not only are students being denied the opportunity for a suitable celebration of the occasion, but they will profit from the short time that is spent in class. First there are the varied distractions that will be occurring in the mind of the student. Homesickness is likely to be prevalent and students will have a difficult time keeping their thoughts on the classroom instruction. Secondly, the shortened classes, which count as cuts if missed, are burdensome. They will meet for such a brief period of time that it is unlikely that students and professors will be able to cover any substantial amount of material. Therefore, we are sacrificing what could be a weekend of vital memorable import for a few meaningless hours in the classroom.

Not only are students being denied the opportunity to commemorate the holiday in a traditional manner, and expected to attend unprofitable class periods, the majority of them are unable to spend the meaningful family celebration in their own home. The reason most students cannot return home under the present situation is because the one day (Thursday) that students are released from school is not sufficient for round trip travel and time at home. Therefore, the students are forced to spend the holiday away from home. As a Christian College, NNC should encourage intrafamily activities and homelife. Denying students the right to spend such an occasion in their own homes is unhealthy for family relationships. Since this holiday is a special one set aside for the sole purpose of sharing blessings and thanksgiving, what could be more appropriate than a young adult sharing with his parents the blessings that he has encountered in his stay at school? Such activity would be an encouragement to both students and families alike. However, under the present circumstances, such a valuable opportunity is possible only for an elect few who are fortunate enough to live close to campus.

It is unfortunate that such an opportunity, which would be possible with the abolishment of the Friday class requirement, cannot be given to all students. □

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FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE—Perhaps the most successful new creation from ASNNC and the Social Vice President's office in the past two years; a night filled with sarcastic and wifful humor in addition to quality entertainment; a night to remember, stained only in the last remaining minutes by a certain slide used in poor taste. Regardless of who it may have been funny to, the fact remains it was not funny and even repulsive to many others. These are the thoughts I have had to wrestle with the past few weeks since October 29th. I have come to the conclusion that my judgement was in grave error and I owe not only the student body an apology, but also an apology to students and their parents who were visiting our campus that weekend. I will not explain the production and conception of the "Whopper" idea, but rather I simply wish

to ask forgiveness of those to whom I may have offended by allowing such a thing to be included in our program. I take full responsibility for it and place the blame on no one but myself. Our biggest responsibility as Christians is to show Jesus in all facets of our lives, I'm afraid sometimes our consistency leaves a little to be desired. So, I ask of you as a student body and the constituents out on the zone that you rally behind the ASNNC in prayer that God will shine through all of our activities. It's a tough job and a lot more goes into it than at first meets the eye, so pray with me that the rest of this year will be as spiritually rewarding as this first term has been, and that we will indeed show Jesus in everything we say and do.

Steve Guy
ASNNC Social Vice President

survival suggested

To the Editor:

Once again the rush of Finals Weeks at NNC has elicited a response to the effect of "This is terrible!" Can't something be done to lend some sanity to this? But this is not the usual complaint—I have a new and original suggestion. Why don't we have all of the finals on the same day? That way all of the tests, especially essay, would be of such poor quality that it would truly be a matter of who could survive the longest without becoming completely burned out—a slightly extreme version of the present Finals Week.

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that the advisor perform these duties.

I think the original ideas is much better. I wouldn't think that an over-worked and under-paid faculty member has the time or the will-power to perform all those duties. I think it's a much better idea to concentrate the board's efforts in doing the job they're supposed to be doing instead of pawning off all that work and responsibility on one person.

We had better think long and hard before we glibly open the door, even if it is just a crack, to censorship. It would be an easy way out for the Pub. Board that would most likely placate but, in the long run, the NNC student press would

suffer. I say it again, we don't need censorship. But we do need a Pub. Board willing to work hard for a free student press. We need to shed the distrust of students to competently run their own affairs that some at NNC feel. We need to throw out the idea that if there is a faculty member peering over the shoulder of the CRUSADER editor, all our so called problems will vanish. I'm sorry, but it just will not happen.

Lets take the excellent framework that is available for our use. Let's put into operation a structure that will encourage, not hinder, a free student press at NNC. Let's say no to censorship. □

V.P. voices view

by Steve Guy, ASNNC Social V.P.

In the last edition of the Crusader (pg.2) appears the heading, "Hunter Stifles Senate," an editorial comment by Jr. Class Senator George Beals.

The comment considers the presidential veto of a Senate bill which requires the Social Vice President to: 1) list those people directly involved in production of concerts and/or any other paid activity, 2) admit only members of the ASNNC Executive Council (ASNNC Pres., V.P., Secretary, and Bus. Mgr.), Circle K ushers, Crusader staff (2 members), and Oasis staff (1 member) to the above functions free of charge. The dates of the afore mentioned people are not to be admitted without paying unless they are included in one of the above categories.

Perhaps a new article should have been printed prior to the release of Mr. Beals' comment—the article should have explained the bill and been titled, "Senate Stifles Social Vice President."

The Senate either does not understand or disagrees with the philosophy behind the office of the Social V.P. Repeated references are made to the amount of money "lost" at ASNNC functions, overlooking the basic premise followed by this Social V.P. for the last 2 years. This Social V.P. was elected with the philosophy: 1) ASNNC does not lose money but rather subsidizes its expenditures, 2) an increase in concerts by Christian artists will be a main goal, and 3) the prices for these concerts will remain relatively stable. The reason behind this philosophy is as follows: The student body is large enough that a great variety of interests is represented. Therefore, the goal of the present administration is to satisfy each of those interests at least once during the academic year. This guarantees the minority voice its social function preventing alienation through vocalization of the majority.

It is then obvious that an average concert will draw only a small portion of the campus population (usually 25-40%). The objective then is to at sometime see to it that 100% of the campus at sometime attends one of these functions—in this way all facets of the campus community are satisfied.

The average cost of a Christian Concert is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1150. (based on a comparative average of last years concerts). In keeping with the "stable prices" idea all concerts last year and this year both were priced at \$2.00 per student. Assuming 33% of the campus attends we then gross \$660. at the gate—a net subsidization of

\$490. These figures should not be taken literally but rather relatively. they should suggest the fact that "we do not intend to make money." Naturally as many steps as possible are taken to see to it that we come close to breaking even. It was this philosophy that elected the present Social V.P. the first time (running unopposed by a 95% margin) and the same that enabled me to be re-elected last spring by almost 4 to 1 over my opponent. Therefore, I feel my philosophy is supported by the students. Mr. Beals contends the "lists" of people admitted free of charge will cut down on the amount of money "lost." Obviously there is either a misunderstanding or a basic disagreement in philosophies represented here. The fact is, no one gets in "free." Everyone either works or has had someone else work for them. For ticket sellers and Circle K ushers the work/pay ratio figures out to approximately one ticket per hour of work. The photographers work is more indirect in that we (ASNNC) actually are paying a pretty cheap price for the excellent coverage of these events in the Crusader and the Oasis. Mr. Beals alluded to the fact that it should only be part of the Executive Officers jobs to help the Social V.P. and therefore, should not be compensated for their efforts by allowing their dates in free. Evidently the fact that the Executive officers have their own jobs to do has been overlooked. Many times a fellow Executive officer has put in several hours (plural) of his or her personal time helping the Social V.P. set up an activity. I do not believe this type of work is included in their job description. Is it not only fair then that they too be compensated in a like manner and equal ratio as the average student who sells tickets or ushers at the activity? The fact is, if the work/pay ratio were actually figured out the Exec. officers would not only get themselves in and their dates, but several others too. Thus, I feel it is only fair that the Exec. officers not be asked to pay for their dates at the door. In addition, as the bill stands, not even the date of the Social Vice President himself will get in without paying!

Mr. Beals contends also that the Senate is not worried about abuse of power from this Soc. V.P. but rather wants to safeguard against future Soc. V.P.'s giving away free tickets to all their friends. It is at this point I react most vehemently. the very thought of this kind of action poses a question of credibility not only in this Soc. V.P.'s actions but in future Soc.

V.P.'s. Furthermore, if the integrity in the caliber of individuals who inherit this office is questioned, how long will it be before that of the other officers is likewise questioned? The Senate is tampering with the very heart of student government, that is the morals of those who are elected to Executive positions. For this reason then I believe the reasoning behind the bill to be treading on dangerous ground.

The last point at which I choose to speak in concerning student opinion. ASNNC President Sam Hunter stated as one of his reasons for vetoing the bill was his belief that the

student body as a whole did not support it. I tend to believe that the student body as a whole was totally unaware of the bill in the first place. Mr. Beals states the Senate had 10 full days to study and deliberate over the bill before it came to a vote and thus had adequate time to feel out student opinion. If this is the case then why in those 10 days did not one of the Senators approach the Social V.P. and get first-hand his reactions to the bill and to the feasibility of the guidelines it laid down? I can hardly believe truly conscientious legislatures would fail to contact and discuss the

proposed legislation with the very person it was to affect! Thus I am inclined to believe that on the whole, most Senators did very little real studying of the constituents feelings about the bill.

Thus it is to you the student body that I write in the asking of your support for President Hunter's veto of Senate Bill 763-12. Be vocal, find out who your class senators are and let them now how you feel. The next Senate meeting is Tuesday Nov. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center Conference Room. All students are welcome to come and share their opinions. □

From The SOAPBOX



By Dave Edwards

It would be fairly safe to state that all are concerned with economic issues. Money does not seem to be worth as much as a few years ago. Newscasters keep us in touch with the cost of living index. We manage to get less for more than ever before. Economic prophets are the most abundant commodity (approximately a dime a dozen) and make their living by telling us what we already know: money is cheap and food is expensive (soon we will be eating money and spending food.)

Most of them seem to live either in New York or Washington, D.C. It appears to me that their credibility is seriously threatened by their misplaced emphases. If they are such experts, then why are those two cities such economic disasters?

I do not pretend to be very knowledgeable economically. It is far easier for me to spend money on non-essentials than to save it. And it is easier to go into debt for something I want than to do without. Here lies the key to my economic problems. It is easy to surmise that that is precisely many other folks' economic problem, too.

We insist upon good social standing, fine clothing, the best stereo on the market, the most popular foods, the car in style (be it Cadillac or VW) and friends in high places.

When this little piggy goes to market, the last consideration on his mind is how his purchases affect other facets of the economy. So the biggest money—if you are going into business—is in non-essentials.

For a moment I am going to pick on a couple of the worst culprits on the non-essential markets: cars and stereos. For years it was fashionable to own the biggest, longest,

plushest automobile one could find—or two of them. Cadillac, Rolls Royce, Oldsmobile and others geared their entire production to that end, while Ford, General Motors and Rambler did their best to compete in the same production for those who could not afford the higher priced limos. Chrysler did their share but managed to concentrate a little more on power. Then power was popular. The bigger the engine, the higher the status. A car that could not cruise at 140 had no class at all. Fuel economy was unheard of and unthought of. Meanwhile, the little foreign jobs were putting along at 60 getting close to 30 miles-per-gallon (doing good business, too.)

Then came the fuel shortage(?) and the 55 mile-per-hour speed limit. Suddenly everyone was advertising smaller cars, better mileage—all kinds of advantages never thought possible in a block-long limo. It is strange that Ford and Chevy can still get just over 30 mph on their smallest, lightest, stripped-down models. Then they put an engine in and blow the mileage all to Detroit. I saw a car advertised which averaged all of 17 mpg in the city. You can bet the manufacturer brought that up from 8 mpg. And those little foreign jobs are still putting along at 55 getting close to 50 mpg. American producers seem to be slipping into the old big-fast-powerful mentality again.

We will never settle for an auto which will not give us comfort and power as we drive the two blocks to work or school.

The stereo market will probably not have to face the fluctuations in demand as car manufacturers have. They, however, conform to the All-America big-powerful mindset. Sound equipment cannot be

very good if it is small; or, it cannot be quality if it is not expensive. The situation has become such that the big names are just that: big names. They have specifications and warranties and too much power to use and are, for the most part, too large and cumbersome to even be attractive. Two hundred watts per channel rms is non-essential for a dorm room or for nearly any home in the US. And where can one put a six-foot speaker where it is out of the way? I never cease to be amazed by people who demand a stereo with a frequency response of 15 to 25,000 cycles-per-second but cannot hear more than 50 to 10,000. They require an oscillator to even know the sound is there. I know about overtones, but that is a weak argument to justify the extra expense. Quality can come small and inexpensive.

We Americans rant and rave about our economic hardship. The incongruence is that we give a few paltry pennies to pacify the pangs of a perishing peasant while we complain about the high price of steak and lobster. We eat bedtime snacks so we will not go to bed hungry. Fast food is a way of life. Why complain if your hamburger is made of soybeans? It could be made of rice!

Some folks are beginning to live simply: walking to work (yes, across town,) settling for Goodwill clothing (it is warm,) the foods they can afford (more nutritious,) and high friends in places (the undesirables are sometimes the most loyal friends.) It is not popular, but it is cheap. □

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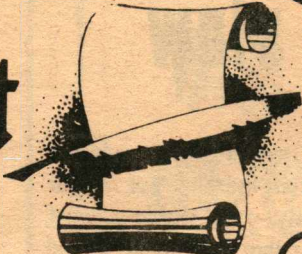
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F. Scott Fitzgerald's first novel, *This Side of Paradise*, published in 1920, ushered in the Jazz Age with such a clear and honest portrait of the times that Glenway Wescott later said it "haunted the decade like a song, popular and perfect." The book's publication also catapulted Fitzgerald into fame at the age of 23.

This Side of Paradise is not Fitzgerald's best work. The novel is uneven, and freshness and vitality come in spurts which grow less frequent toward the end of the book. Especially late in the work, Fitzgerald solemnly attempts some abstract discussion on literature, war, and socialism. In spite of its clumsiness, the book was a sensation when first published. Charles Shain points out that *This Side of Paradise* assumed the responsibility of allowing the hero, Amory Blaine, to report "like a cultural spy from the inside of his own generation." Amory's bland announcement that "None of the Victorian mothers--and most of the mothers were Victorian--had any idea how casually their daughters were accustomed to being kissed," forced any of these mothers to make uncomfortable realizations. When one of the novel's blase young heroines confesses, "I've kissed dozens of men..." the Jazz Age of the younger generation became an Age of Enlightenment for their elders. However, the daring young libertines, both male and female, and the hot passion that Fitzgerald coolly contemplates hold little shock value for today's reader. His characters have strong and easily discernable moral codes built right in. The lasting quality in *This Side of Paradise* is found in Fitzgerald's ability to catch an exact moment in American life without making it a still-life.

The novel is an autobiography. Through the character of Amory Blaine, Fitzgerald reflects his own experiences from early adolescence through Princeton, vividly a young man's process of becoming. Amory begins as a stuffy, vain, but unusually perceptive boy of 13 and at the conclusion, is stuffy, vain, but unusually perceptive in an older, wiser, and more indefinite way. This is due in part to the indefinite ending of the novel, in which Fitzgerald indulges in a great deal of philosophical commentary which rolls lead-heavy off the tongues of his manipulated characters. Not wishing to be unduly harsh, the book accomplishes the task of examining Amory's emotional readiness for life. As the book is an autobiography, an indefinite ending would be appropriate as an expression of Fitzgerald's own inability to reach a conclusion about himself and the purpose of life. *This Side of Paradise* succeeds in its portrayal of the effect of the mood of the times on the mood of the individual.

Fitzgerald's first novel has moments of greatness which make it worthy of serious reading. He injects delicate satire and humor, often laughing gently at his characters while exposing their little vanities to the reader. Though it dies a little at the end, *This Side of Paradise* is filled with life. □

Homecoming Schedule

by Bonnie Craig

The 1976 Homecoming schedule is full of exciting activities, beginning with registration Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Student Center Lounge.

Dinner for students and guests who are not attending the NNC Family Banquet will be served from 12:00-1:00 in the cafeteria. The Thanksgiving NNC Family Dinner will begin at 4:00 p.m. in SAGA. Admission will be by ticket only. Students will need to decide which meal they will attend and pick up tickets Wednesday in the Student Center Lobby (this is an exchange, not a purchase).

For those who are interested in drama, there will be a special presentation of "Sherlock Holmes: A New Adventure" in the Science Lecture Hall.

Open house, all over campus will be from 6:00 to 7:30 for family, alumni and friends.

Thanksgiving evening, at 8:00, Ann Kiemel and NNC's "His" will provide a time of fellowship and Thanksgiving. To end a special day, there will be a bon-fire and student rally beginning at 10:00 p.m.

In the Student Center Lounge a coffee hour will be hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Ford from 9:30-11:30.

The Homecoming Parade starts at noon in downtown Nampa. This parade features Homecoming Court, cheerleaders, and the basketball team.

At 1:15 the Alumni Convocation will be held in the gym with special speaker Ann Kiemel.

At 4:00 p.m. NNC J.V. basketball team will challenge the alumni. Wrestling against College of Idaho will begin NNC's wrestling season at 6:00 p.m.

Coronation of the queen will be at 7:30 p.m. in the gym, with the Crusaders jumping into the basketball season against Pacific Lutheran at 8:15. □

Organists travel

A concert by the nationally recognized organist, Dr. Marilyn Mason, highlighted a recent field trip by Miss Connie Hensley's organ class. The students traveled to the University of Idaho and to Washington State University in order to tour the facilities there. At WSU the students attended an organ concert and workshop. The concert was held in dedication of a pipe organ that had been restored by Shantz Co. and featured Dr. Mason of the University of Michigan. Miss Hensley termed the concert "excellent" and felt it was very profitable for the students who attended. □



Back (l. to rt.): Clayton Funk, Dale Golden, Nancy Park, Cliff Martin. Front: Becky Wolstenholm, Raven Reed, Barbara Lea, Miss Connie Hensley.

The black briefcase



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by Sam Hunter



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WEEKLY SPECIAL

with Joe Spear

WASHINGTON—Jimmy Carter will soon begin his presidential briefings. The most sobering will be on nuclear war.

Carter will be given the best estimate that U.S. intelligence can produce. He'll be told that nuclear war is unlikely. But the world isn't as safe as its masses may think.

The president-elect will be warned that a breakdown in relations between Russia and China could lead to nuclear warfare. The Russians might decide to strike before China builds up a nuclear counterforce.

Carter will also be told that nuclear weapons may appear in the Middle East, in the event of a prolonged Arab-Israeli war. The Israelis already have nuclear warheads and the Egyptians are developing them.

In the past, the president was shadowed wherever he went by a warrant officer, who was ready to spring instantly to his side with a slim black

case. This was called "The Football." It contained the world's most secret codes and battleplans, which only the president could use to order a nuclear attack.

The omnipresent warrant officer is now considered overly dramatic. Instead, the locked black case is kept in the custody of the president's military aides. They no longer are required to remain at his side. The present rule is that they must never be more than five minutes away from him.

The Football also has a new nickname. Now it's called simply "the black briefcase."

Carter will be told that he may get as little as 15 to 18 minutes warning of a nuclear attack. He will then open the locked briefcase and follow the coded procedures.

If the terrible order should ever come, it would be flashed to a central command post 45 feet underground near Omaha, Neb. Coded instructions are

ready in a red box to send B52 bombers and intercontinental missiles thundering into action.

Even before the president's signal, the military would be following one of five "defcons." That's short for defense conditions. They're numbered one through five, with "defcon one" the most urgent alert.

The president and the military could also shift their command centers to a number of fortified alternate centers. The exact number and equipment are extremely secret. But we can tell you this much: One is located about 70 miles northwest of Washington near Fort Ritchie, Md. It has steel blast-proof doors and the world's most sophisticated communications system.

Three mammoth planes are also standing by to lift the president above the nuclear destruction. Each plane is also a self-contained command center. The president could run the country—and the war—from one of these planes.

But the bottom line is the casualty estimate. The latest estimate, Carter will be told, is that a nuclear attack will kill 130 million to 135 million Americans. And these figures don't take into account the people who would fail to survive in the stone-age, radioactive chaos following the war. □

One of the college student's joys is term break: a chance for that long awaited 24 hour sleep and the promise of a change of pace. I know that I certainly enjoyed my break, I only regret that it was so short. I hope you are prepared for another term and are willing to make this the best term of your college experience to this point. I'm excited about the opportunities we will have an optimistic about working in my present capacity to make NNC a better college. This will probably be the most productive term for ASNNC as a whole. During this time the structure and function of ASNNC will be scrutinized and changes will be considered that will improve the effectiveness of ASNNC.

This week ASNNC has been running a book exchange and quite a few of you have taken advantage of being able to sell your books and buy others. I would encourage you to turn in any books that you want sold this term. The book exchange will continue through Monday. If your books have been sold we will send you a check in the mail and if they didn't sell, there will be a notice in the Cru-Keys to pick them up by a set deadline.

Senate will resume its regular meetings next evening at 6:30 in the Student Center Conference Room. My veto of the bill pertaining to the number of complimentary tickets to ASNNC functions given out by the ASNNC Social Vice President will be reconsidered. One bill pertaining to the salaries of the ASNNC extra secretary and the Judicial Board clerk as well as a resolution are on the agenda. Senate meetings are open to the student body and you are welcome to express an opinion and watch your senators at work.

Today the polls are open for you to vote on the ASNNC budget for this year. This is the budget that appeared in the last issue of the *Crusader*. Here is the opportunity to exercise your right to approve or disapprove the way your student fees are being spent.

Next week is Thanksgiving and all of the festivities of homecoming. Much planning and hard work have already gone into making this a highlight of the year. After one term of meetings every Monday afternoon, the Coordination Council for Planning will be considering a first draft of the accreditation self study. The next segment of the committee's function will include a self evaluation of NNC and the development of a long range plan for the college. □



The Washington Scene

by Dean Cowles

It took less than 360 days for ex-governor, turned presidential aspirant, Jimmy Carter, to wade through the thick slush of the political march and come out dripping like Frodo and Sam. At this time last year only 1 out of 16 Americans was familiar with the name of the man who is now our president. Jimmy Carter's journey to the White House must be classified as the most phenomenal feat of political engineering in recent American History. He accomplished his ascension to the highest office in the land through a combination of Southern pride, pleasant personality, anti-Washington charisma, "born-again" appeal, lack of a strong Republican opponent and an amazing

ability to attract votes.

Now that Carter has achieved the goal sought this year by a dozen different politicians, let us look at what he as president plans to do.

On the subject of business and Labor, Carter says:

"I plan to start working with business and labor leaders to establish a framework for voluntary wage and price restraints.

The housing industry is one that cries out to be revitalized, and I would do everything I possibly could with homes for the elderly.

We will be ready, I think, between the election and the end of the year, to evolve again with the leaders of the entities that are concerned—a fairly comprehensive approach toward transportation and en-

ergy and welfare reform." In summing up his discussion on business, he said, "I'm a businessman. I talk their language."

Concerning his tax-reform proposals, President-elect Carter did not promise action before Congress convenes next year. He said that these proposals will require additional study before he takes any official action. Carter states, however, that top priority will go to cutting the unemployment rate from 7.9½ to 5½ or less.

According to U.S. News and World Report, Carter will aim at three chief goals in his attempts to hammer out a new image for the U.S. in world affairs. He plans to:

Take a tough line with the Soviet Union on detente and the arms race.

Adopt a more generous attitude toward developing nations.

Co-operate more closely with allies.

With reference to Henry Kissinger's foreign policy approach, Mr. Carter said, "I feel that Mr. Kissinger has only permitted Congress to become involved in the decision-making process when it was politically expedient for him to do so."

To change this, Carter has made a commitment to call together his own foreign policy advisers and the key leaders of Congress to spend a couple of days in an isolated place to talk about successes and failures in our dealings with other countries.

On the question of government reorganization, Carter plans to ask Congress for executive authority to accomplish needed changes, saying that, "I would like Congress to direct the President to reorganize the Executive Branch, subject to subsequent veto of the Congress on individual proposals." Carter went on to add that his approach to streamlining the government would be similar to that of the Hoover Commission in 1947, but that "I'll be much more deeply involved myself."

The Carter White House will try to reduce the scoring defense budget. They hope to form smaller, more professional armed forces. Carter says that proposed B-1 Bombers are unnecessary and expensive. He says that America can be as strong by designing defense to handle assignments with maximum efficiency instead of spending billions on new equipment. Carter says he would be

in favor of a "cost of living clause" for the Pentagon. That is to say, two or three billion a year to keep up present systems.

There has been much speculation as to whom Carter will appoint to high administrative offices, and although Carter has not named any name, he says that he is working hard to find the right people for the jobs. "I plan to appoint diplomatic officials who have superb credentials, strictly on the basis of merit, not reward people for political favors," he states.

Now that the election madness is over, and the path has been set for the next four years, Carter is sure to come under more constant criticism and opposition. There will be plenty of chances to blow it. To be sure, the Republicans are out of control and will be on the edge of their chairs, looking for mistakes. On the other hand, Carter and the Democrats have an excellent opportunity to take hold of the situation and create a block of power much like the Republicans enjoyed for more than half a century after the civil war. It appears that the next four years will hold both excitement and challenge. □

Crusaders prepare for battle

by Stephen Hauge

At times in the past few decades NNC should have sold Pepto-Bismol and Alka-Seltzer during basketball games. They gave season tickets away—and why not? Some games reminded one of the Christian-lions epics, usually with the Crusaders filling the role of the believers. But as seasons change, so does the balance of power. Now Layton's squad, potentially awesome, ranks as a contender for the district crown and a berth at national.

Why the big turnaround? "Funds!" stated coach Layton. "We have more money to work with. I can recruit athletes now that would have been

untouchable 5 to 10 years ago. These funds have been raised by the Booster Association for the athletic program at NNC. The money is only one aspect of the turnaround. During this last year I've talked to quality athletes that I would like to see at this school but was unable to offer them scholarships. Some of them came. This is primarily because of our location, facilities, our high academic standards and the college enrollment has been increasing."

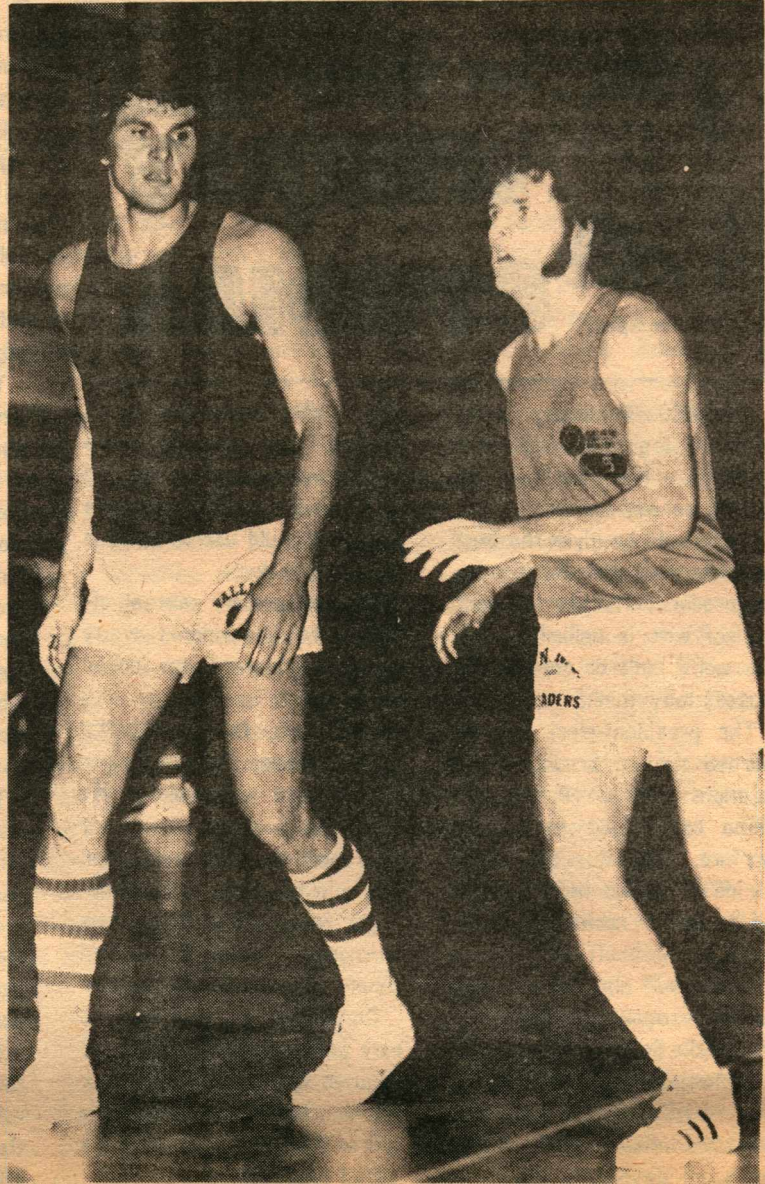
Last year NNC had the best Independent record (6-1); that earned them a spot at districts.

Their overall record was not that impressive and some

college officials thought that the Crusaders should hang up their tennis shoes for the year.

Layton's club then surprised everybody by losing to Linfield (district champs) by only 2 points. On top of that, four starters fouled out of the game. Does this mean the vastly improved NNC Basketball Team will have a cakewalk into districts. "No chance," says Layton, "There were a lot of new coaches in our district last year and most of them have had a successful recruitment of fine athletes. I know that Warner Pacific and Whitworth are real strong this year and don't forget George Fox. They have four starters returning plus ten lettermen so you see the competition will be stiff."

With the season only a week away what players can we expect to be watching? According to Coach Layton, "Jeff DiBene, Pat Engelhardt, Fritz Jenkins, Rommie Lewis, Keith Williams, and Captain Ed Weidenbach. We'll be using the big men in more of a power offense situation. Now if the contest requires a ball control offense we have Jim Greene who is an excellent ballhandler and plays with a lot of savvy. Along with Greene there is also Neal Stewart and Scott Shaw. Stewart who passes with preci-



Team Captain Ed Weidenbach and ace ballhandler Jim Greene hustle to the showers after practice.

sion (never make the big error) and Shaw who is unusually poised for a freshman. We can now run patterns we weren't able to do last year because of the depth we now have."

What goals have the team set for the 76-77 season? "We definitely want to win district," responded Coach Layton. "Last year the players got a taste of tournament action and they're looking forward to returning. I would like to mention something of importance though. The majority of the team are freshman, 17 and 18-year-old kids. The new talent are big and they are still maturing. Patience is really

needed now as there is a time element involved in the development of these athletes. What I'm trying to say is don't expect miracles or apply pressure to the young players. For example, there is quite a bit of difference between Rommie Lewis today and the Rommie Lewis of two years ago."

As the leaves are in flight and snow right around the corner Layton has prepared his troops for battle. With the big countdown to seven days, Terry Layton will put his own personal winning streak on the line. Not once has Coach Layton lost a season opener, as a player or coach. □



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Don't look now, but there's this impetuous bunch of women on the NNC campus who are all quite unimpressed by those big shot Circinnati Reds—they're too busy building a sports dynasty all their own.

Forget the Big Red Machine. Who needs it, when you have an Orange and Black Machine that has rolled over opponents the past two years en route to a 35-16 record and two Inland Valley volleyball league championships? And as if that weren't enough, they're all much better looking than Pete Rose.

The ladies, boasting a 7-1 league record and 16-8 overall, have hopes of reaching the national tournament for the second consecutive season. There is but one obstacle—the eight-team regional tournament that begins today at the NNC gym (details elsewhere on this page).

Pardon the mixing of sports metaphors, but what are their chances of clearing that hurdle?

"Hey, we're gonna win!" exclaims positive thinker Myla Hodgins. "If we play as well as we CAN play, we could win even though we'll be going against some tough competition."

When it comes to Volleyball, Myla's opinion is hardly unlearned; she's been playing organized volleyball since the fifth grade. She's a Canadian, and "volleyball for girls up there is THE big sport—I had a lot of opportunities to play." It shows.

Though she stands a mere 52½ in her tennis-shoed feet ("Get that half in there—I'm trying hard to make 5-31"),

Myla plays like she's 6-6½ or so. Offcourt, she looks anything but vicious—I mean, she's such a sweet little thing—but I wouldn't recommend getting in the way of one of her spikes.

After playing for championship calibre teams at her Calgary, Alberta High School, Myla spent her freshman year at Canadian Nazarene College, where she starred on the women's team and helped coach the men's squad. To the dismay of the CNC male volleyballers, last year Myla left her homeland to attend NNC. CNC's bane was NNC's gain; she played a vital role in vaulting the volleybelles into the nationals.

This is not to say that there are any individual "stars" on this NNC squad. Far from it. "We work better as a team than we did last year, and we're better because of it," relates Myla. "Last year it was more like six individuals out on the court. Now we're more like six in one, instead of six people out there."

Anyone who has seen the team perform this fall can attest to that. Their motions are so fluid and their actions so weared into a tight unit, it's almost an aesthetic experience just watching them. If you've seen them, you need not my urging you to catch them this weekend. But if you haven't played spectator at any of the team's matches this season, come to the gym this weekend and see what you've been missing.

But beware of Myla's spikes, and Sandy's, and Judy's, and Debbie's, and Vivian's, and Nancy's, and ... □

Volleybelles

by Mike Lodahl

A few short hours from now, the NNC women's volleyball confronts a strenuous challenge that could well mean a second trip to the national tournament in as many years—and it will all happen right in our own Montgomery Gym.

The starting round of the Northwest Collegiate Women's Sports Association Tournament is scheduled to commence at 1:00 this afternoon. Eight teams are involved in the free-for-all, but only the team that finishes on top is insured a berth in the national finals at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California.

The eight teams have been divided into two pools of four teams each, with the top two teams from each pool qualifying for Saturday's championship round. Pool A consists of Lewis-Clark of Portland, the University of Puget Sound, College of Idaho and Linfield. Pool B includes NNC, Pacific, Oregon Institute of Technology and Whitworth.

NNC, which thoroughly dominated the Inland Valley league with a 7-1 conference record (16-8 overall), meets Pacific in the opening round at 1:00. The

Crusaders will face OIT at 4, and finish the evening with a match against Whitworth at 8. Assuming NNC reaches the semifinals, the squad will begin Saturday's action at 11:30. The championship round will begin at 2:30.

Lewis-Clark is the team to beat, but Dr. Martha Hopkins, NNC coach, is hopeful. "We are superior to last year's team (19-8 and national tournament entrees), because there is team unity and attitudes have been strengthened," she said. "We lost five of last year's varsity players, but this

team has worked very hard. Overall, I think this is the strongest team we've ever had here."

Any athletic team is only as strong as its bench, and Dr. Hopkins is quick to credit her subs for doing a "super job." "Not six, but 13 players have gotten us this far. It's been a total team effort all the way."

That bench for which Dr. Hopkins is lavish in her praise is occupied by Sandy McGarry, Cherry Stedman, Kandi Miller, JoAnn Scoggin, Charlene Buskirk, Diane Howell and Sue Sieloff.

NNC's probable starters for the tourney are Vivian Gosnell, Myla Hodgins, Judy Kornstad, Nancy Kellmer, Sandy Rumpel, and Debbie Rutan. □

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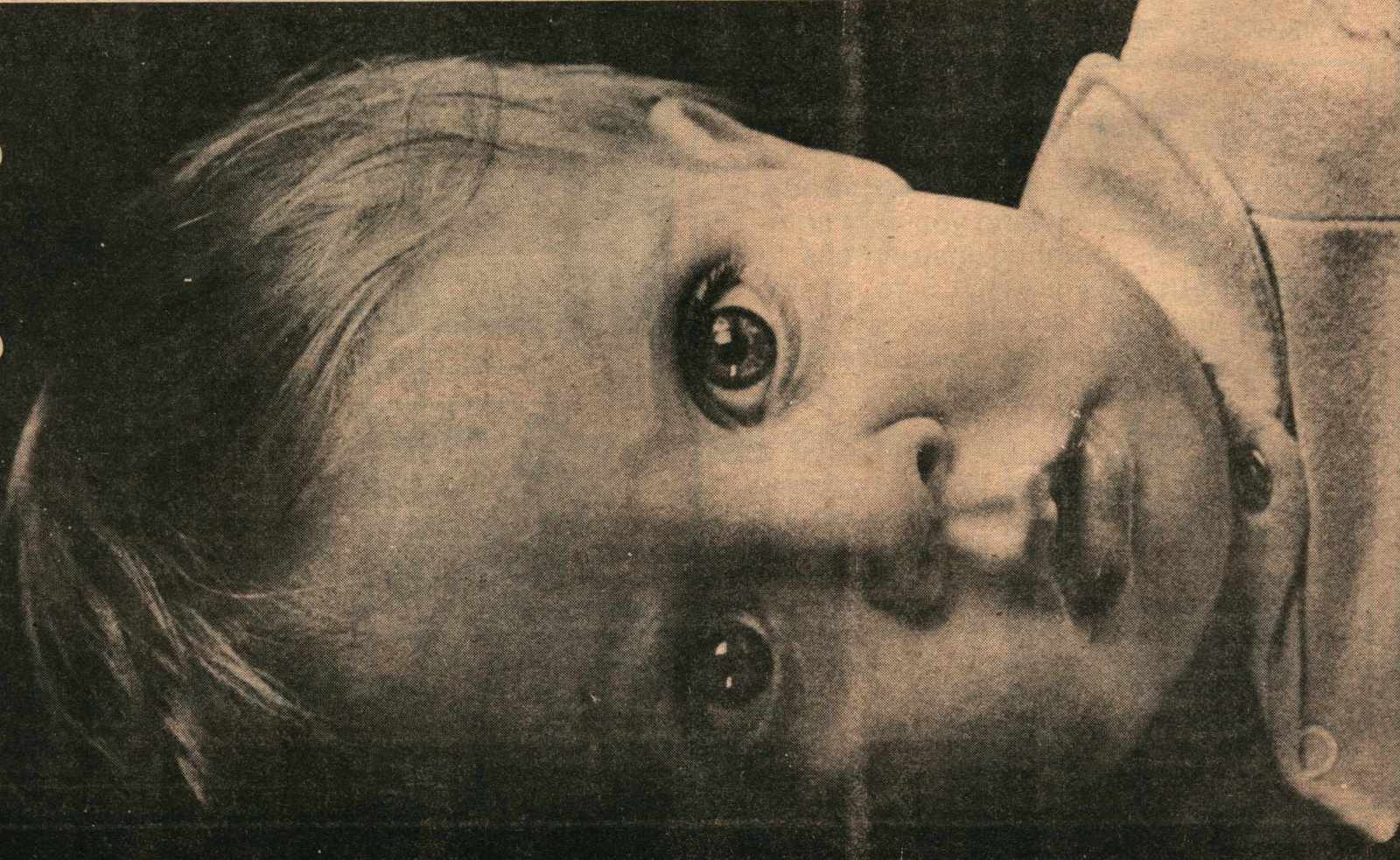
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