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"I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."-Voltaire



Freshmen—today, November 14, is a BIG day! 1/3 of the Freshman class turned in their first (and Perhaps last) college term paper, Bib.Lit. 101.

Near Record Turnout in Idaho

by Kurt Proctor

Although the national tally shows that barely more than half of the registered voters turned out on Tuesday, November 8 to participate in the election of the President, in Idaho a near record number of voters showed up at polls in spite of rain and chill. Over 400,000 Idahoans voted, many drawn by the controversial presidential race and many others interested in the outcome of measure HJR 3 concerning the provision for an Idaho lottery.

In Idaho, Vice President George Bush won handily receiving 253,461 votes to Dukakis' 146,075. In other states the race was not so decisive. New York and Pennsylvania, both large electorate states, had results that were nearly fifty-fifty. Over all, Bush won with a margin of 54 percent to 46 percent; not one of the largest victories to be recorded in history. In 1984, Ronald Reagan won by a margin of 59 percent to Mondale's 41 percent and he managed to win a record breaking 525 electorates. Bush was only able to secure 426 votes from electoral candidates.

Richard Nixon was re-elected in 1972 with 61 percent of the vote, as was Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964.

Among other problems, it has already been noted that President-elect Bush will have a hard go at trying to appease as well as enlist the cooperation of a Congress that is in a Democratic stronghold. Already, at the Republican convention earlier this year, Bush fought to prove that he could be the successful spokesman that his predecessor had been.

Already speculations are being made for the 1992 elections. As Dukakis gave his farewell speech to a group of supporters in Boston, members of the gathering chanted, "92, '92!" This is the third straight victory for the Republicans, and the Democrats are anxious to make their contender in '92, whomever he may be, a worthy rival to the incumbent party.

Vice President-elect, Dan Quayle, was pleased with the outcome of the election and yet desired to not be made a focal point of the victory, claiming that the victory belonged to George Bush. There is

some speculation as to who will replace Quayle as the junior senator from Indiana. One suggestion has been Marilyn Quayle, wife of the soon to be veep. There are other possibilities, but the final decision will be made by Indiana governor, Bob Orr.

The other main voting issue in Idaho was the lottery measure which is suspected to be the cause of the large number of people who registered to vote just prior to this election. The lottery issue has been one that has been debated excessively over the last few weeks particularly regarding its wording and what it allows in the way of gambling. A group of state congressmen that originally supported the measure aided the anti-lottery cause by signing a flyer which was mailed to Idaho residents. The document stated that the measure allowed for too much, and was worded in much the same way as the Nevada amendment, allowing casino gambling. After a very tight ballot, and a very long night, the Idaho measure passed.

'Night of Broken Glass'

By Professor Michael Lodahl
(Paraphrase of Chapel,
Nov. 9, 1988)

I find it truly remarkable that, on this day, Nov. 9, 1988, I stand before you to speak in a NNC chapel service. For one year ago, though I was several thousand miles - and a whole doctoral dissertation! - away from teaching at NNC, I knew I would need to try to arrange to speak on Nov 9, 1988.

Nonetheless, after my family and I arrived in Nampa in June after having made the long trek from Atlanta, GA, I did not immediately seek out Fred Fullerton to see if it would be possible to speak on Nov 9 of this year. There were so many other things to take care of, all the details that go into moving into a new city and new home. So I kept putting it off, but thinking, "Man, I've got to go find this Fullerton guy and ask about Nov 9."

And then one day, early this past summer, I went to my mailbox. Now I hadn't even officially begun my teaching career, but they'd given me a box, and it made me feel more a part of things around here when I'd go check it. Usually there wasn't anything in there, but this day there was: a letter asking me to speak in the Faculty Sharing Mission in November - and on Nov 9! I couldn't believe it! I can only surmise that God's mysterious Spirit works in equally mysterious ways.

But why Nov 9, 1988? What's the big deal about this day? Well, it just so happens that Nov 9, 1988 is an extremely significant date on my personal calendar.

You see, 50 years ago, Nov 9, 1938, was a night that has gone down in history as "Kristallnacht" - German for "broken glass". It is called "the night of broken glass" because, on that night, 24 million marks worth of glass was shattered in Germany - which was about one-half of the annual plate glass production of Belgium, from which the glass was imported. On that night, fires blazed and lit Germany's night skies, as broken glass from Jewish synagogues, Jewish shops, and

Jewish homes cluttered the streets. On this night, the Nazis began their blatant, overt, unmitigated physical violence against the Jewish people - a violence which would find fruition in Nazi death camps like Auschwitz, Treblinka, and Sobibor.

Yes, on the night of Nov 9, 1938, fires blazed and shattered plate glass littered the streets of the cities. But of course, glass was the least of the losses. Synagogues and Jewish schools and institutions, prayer books, Torah scrolls, volumes of philosophy, history and poetry - all went up in smoke. Jews were chased down, humiliated, beaten up, and 91 were killed. Some 30,000 Jewish men were arrested as well.

To add insult to injury, the Nazis levied a fine of a billion marks against the Jewish community for the damage that was done - by the Nazis! It was collected through a compulsory confiscation of 20% of the property of every German Jew. After that, the Jews were totally evicted from German economic life in the further "aryanization" of the economy.

Kristallnacht also provided the Nazis with a useful test case on how their propaganda program had worked with the general German populace. While the attack was not greeted enthusiastically, there was also no act of protest from the German people - their response, generally, was one of apathy mixed with mild disapproval. This suggested to the Nazis that, in the future, such acts should be done quietly and somewhat out of the public eye.

The German Confessing Church, composed of evangelical Christians who opposed Hitler, as a body kept silence. This night of nightmares called Kristallnacht, and the mass murder of roughly six million Jews which occurred in the following six years, and the general silence and even cooperation of the Church in it all - has indeed become an extremely personal issue for me as a Christian and as a theologian.

Martin Luther simply enlarged upon an extremely lively tradition - or should I say deadly

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

There are several items I wish to bring to your attention. The first is "crusading." Real newspapers, as you know, crusade on an issue only when they think they have a serious responsibility to the public--that they may be informed of a pressing and relevant topic--and only when they have researched ardently so that they will not look like fools. This staff has not done its homework on the Coke/Pepsi issue or the basketball team issue. I will not go into details because so many others have tried and looked silly. I do not wish to be so associated. Though the staff members and correspondents get paid, which bothers me slightly, this paper is an amateur adventure. You have no right to crusade. You don't have the "license." You are not experts.

Point two: the Crusader's editor wrote, "I suppose it is human nature to take something and run

with it." So she does. I find nothing positive in her articles. So what? That's two-faced. How many articles in the 10-31-88 issue are on this basketball topic? Four. They ran with it.

Besides being two-faced, this publication is one-sided. Until the article last issue on Dukakis, which wasn't really pro-Dukakis, there have been only pro-Bush or pro-anybody-but-these-guys-please articles. I don't like Dukakis, but a newspaper, especially a college, amateur newspaper, has no right to take sides.

Content of columns is my next issue, and, depending on how long my Mav lasts, my last issue. I am upset about the quality of the student columns. Mr. Proctor may be excluded from this group. And I must say that if we, as students, were not paying for this publication, I would not care the least about this last topic. But Mr. Albrecht, Ms. Palmer, and Mr.'s

Remy have failed in their attempts to write good columns. True, Mr. Albrecht is humorous, but that does not count for good news writing. I enjoy the columns by Prof. Mikkelson and Dr. Bennett. These men have a right to write pseudo-news. They know what to do with that form. The student writers should write only straight news, and let those with degrees write the columns.

Granted, Nampa is not Los Angeles or Seattle, but that's where good writing instinct plays its part.

I hope this has been constructive. And I realize that the editor and her staff have other responsibilities, like classes. I realize that the editor is doing what she thinks is right, and I respect her for that. But I hope the editor can use these comments to the benefit of the publication.

Sincerely,
Vincent Dickinson

Better After All

by Jeff Richards

Perhaps it is time to stop and reflect for a moment on the value of public protest. This summer and early fall, MCA's "The Last Temptation of Christ" generated fierce controversy: from "Good Morning America" to "Nightline" we were bombarded with debates, expert opinions, and the like, sensationalizing an otherwise mediocre movie. The unorthodox interpretation of Jesus' life depicted in this movie had fundamentalists up in arms, and for that, Universal Studios must be grateful.

Sexual fantasies in the mind of a man enduring painful crucifixion seems a little unrealistic, and perhaps blasphemous and inconsistent with Jesus' life and teachings. Maybe then, the fundamentalists are on to something when they cry, "Foul!"

What they do not consider is the quality of the movie itself. Michael Medved of "Sneak Previews" states, "It's the height of irony that this level of controversy could be generated by a movie this bad." On its own merit, "The Last Temptation of Christ" may not be worth your time or money, but nobody wants to be left out. Fundamentalist and Catholic venom against this movie has backfired;

now a significant amount of the general populace is asking itself "What am I missing?" and paying millions of dollars to find out.

The curiosity-driven popularity explosion cannot be faulted to the media; they are only doing their job in reporting one of America's most unique and controversial protests. Neither does the blame lie in any great measure with MCA, Inc., which does not believe that it has created anything more than an entertaining screenplay of a fictional novel.

No, the fault lies with the objectors themselves. Granted, outrage may be the natural reaction for many Christians, and public expression is everyone's right. But it is not everyone's duty. Sensationalism and hype have breathed life into a movie that would have otherwise died of its own accord.

Certainly, there is a moral to all of this: public protest is valuable only so far as it is helpful toward the end we desire. Abraham Lincoln once said, "To sin by silence when they should protest makes a coward of men." However, it seems that when man's protests aid the cause to which he objects, then perhaps his silence is better after all.



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To the Gnarly NNC dudes,

Dude, like we're all kickin' it the other day on accounta the waves were all like totally mooshed, ya know. So, we just like way flashed on this way totally rad idea. Dude, this is so Hot!! How about invitin' NNC and those dudes from the plains, um what are they called, oh yeah, SNU, to like meet us in Utah for our Spring Break Ski Trip. Gnarly, Dude!! I'm all no way! That is way rad!

Yeah, so like we just flashed on writing this letter on accounta we think this is gnarly idea. Each year we stop waxin' the top of our surfboards and like wax the bottom of our skis and head for Utah. Dude, it is a way hot trip. Spring skiing in Utah is so totally awesome and we don't even lose our tans. We have these gnarly condos, and ski all the hot areas. Now, we know skiing is more your thing, you not havin' a beach and all, so we're all stoked that you might join us. Like after skiing we'd have plenty of time for worship, shoppin' and scammin' together!

We like sent all the details to Linda Hills, 'cuz she's all into the way we talk down here. She can like translate this stuff for you. But we'd be all way totally stoked if you would come ski with us during Spring Break. Dude, hope to see you there, but like let us know, like way soon, so we can plan our safari, ya know!

Gotta go, dude, surf's up!

Love,
PLNC

Dana Walling
Associate Dean

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Share with a Child

by Christie Mitchell



ERNEST FINCH GETS CONCERNED

"Stop it!" I remember shrieking as I raced down our familiar neighborhood street. Each day after kindergarten class I quickly gathered my craft project and my mittens from the cloak room and scampered out the back door. As usual, the neighbor boys waited outside for their chance to chase me home, hurling rocks the entire time.

Keep in mind: As a four and a half year old, the walk seemed to take hours, even though I lived a few blocks from school. Also, I had never dreamed of any boys bigger than a sixth grader, so naturally they seemed like monsters.

I still remember the fear and the hurt I felt when the boys teased me. Until one day I met Jeanette. Jeanette was an older neighbor girl (7th grader) who saw what was happening and decided to walk me home each day. She made me feel secure and I smiled as I strutted past with Jeanette's protection.

Today I realize that so many children experience these same fears. If we would stop and look around us we would notice those children who are lonely and just need a girl like Jeanette in their lives.

The Big Brother/Big Sister Program offers this friendship. The program, which has been on the NNC campus for four years, has already successfully matched children with their Big Brother?Big Sister.

"It just takes someone to be a foundation in that kids life," stated Lisa Vlieger, who has been organizing the program.

The program gives the children "someone to identify with and to gain stability from," Lisa continues. As a Big Sister, Lisa remembers setting a good ex-

ample, and "really making a difference" in her life.

Any interested person over eighteen can join the organization with a one-year commitment to the child. Big Brothers and Sisters should spend a few hours a week with the child, but spending money is not important. "The example you set is sometimes more important than anything you say," continued Lisa, "That makes it better."

Any person who would like to develop a unique one to one relationship with a child, and share with a child who needs a friend to help him grow, would benefit.

It is "never too late" to sign up for the program, said Lisa. Applications can be picked up in student affairs or contact Lisa Vlieger Box 2159.

Back to the Caves

by Andrea Schlapia

Kuna Caves, Why are they so popular?

Kuna, Idaho is a small populated area on the east side of Nampa. Kuna doesn't have much to offer for tourists but for some reason Northwest Nazarene College students are intrigued with its caves. Why, I cannot understand because I live in Nampa and frequently go to Kuna, but have never been compelled to journey to "the caves."

I agreed to go to the caves just to see what was so wonderful. When a group of at least twenty arrived it was not what I expected. A circular stone wall encompassing a ladder and a black hole was not my idea of fun. As we climbed down the ladder, darkness surrounded us. The smell of dust was in the air. Reaching the bottom, powder fine dust rose with every footstep. Looking around, there were obscene markings on the walls and flashlights flickered about. We began our trip through

the dark hole. The further we got, the lower the ceiling grew and the less oxygen was available. Crawling on my hands and knees, and dust covering my body, I decided to go no further. Myself and a few other people began the journey back, which was by no means a short one.

Coming to the top of the ladder once again, I had never been so glad to breath Idaho air. I naturally asked questions about the trip because of the attitudes of some of the travelers. Mike Pasa, a Freshman from Washington, said, "That's not my idea of fun, crawling in a hole in the middle of the night, I would rather be in SAGA." That right there tells you how some of the people felt about "the caves" but other completely different. Rebecca Rutherford, when asked why do you want to see the caves said, "Other NNC students said it would be fun, intriguing, and well worth my time." Many people on the trip had been there times before and enjoyed crawling, being

dust covered, and nearly without air.

Not only are the caves an eerie place to have fun, but they are out in the middle of nowhere. A twenty-minute drive to Kuna is not bad, but the other forty searching for the caves is a little too long. Seven miles out of Kuna one wouldn't think would take too long, but in fact, finding the caves in the middle of the night is another story. Deserted farm land, rabbits hopping by and bugs where invaded by the Northwest Nazarene College students of all ages.

Arriving back on campus, looking at all who had gone, clothes were brown with dirt, shoes and socks were black and faces were like chocolate covered bunnies. But the ones who enjoyed the trip didn't mind the dirt. The others meanwhile, rushed back to their dorm rooms showered and watched the dirt run off of their bodies and gush down the drains.

Kuna Caves paradise for some, a nightmare for others!

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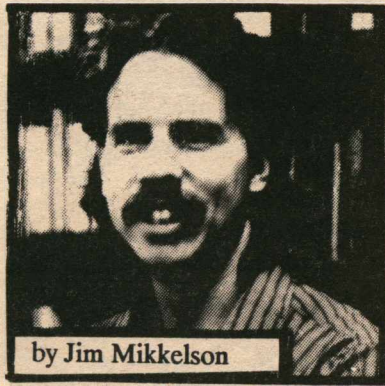
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What's More Important: Education or Grades



by Jim Mikkelson

Students carrying signs of protest congregated in the halls of the student union building of the University of Texas this last year. They weren't protesting apartheid, nuclear power, early morning classes, or the low-grade vivarin they got in their kick-off-the-year care package.

They called themselves "Students for a Better Education," and they were protesting against the gradual erosion of academic standards, the "smiles and easy B's" that had replaced grades that had once meant something at UT.

Here at NNC in the aftermath of midterms grades, where many students realized in a very concrete way that it's impossible to do well academically on two hours of sleep a night and "group study techniques," I say here in the aftermath of this brush with reality, where students sit perched on the abyss of depression, a little chat about what grades really mean may be in order.

To return to the complaint of the UT students: What did

they really want? Surely not just lower grades, but grades that meant something. Yet that only raises another question: What do grades mean in a baccalaureate program?

Many of the students that I teach come into school convinced that all employers are looking for those who graduate with honors, that all "serious graduate schools in the east" want to see 3.8's or better, that if they are going to keep their scholarships they have to go for the grades.

What ends up happening though when one eye is kept on the grades is that the grade-guard gets wall-eyed. He can't see the difference between a sign and the object the sign is pointing to. He mistakes the restroom sign, for the restroom itself. It would be ludicrous and laughable, the sort of thing Woody Allen would write about, if it didn't result in such tremendous waste: waste of money (the cost of tuition in exchange for a piece of paper), waste of time and energy worrying about grades, and by far the most serious waste, a waste of the most unique four years of the person's life.

Clearly if the sum of all the grades, the transcript, is taken as equivalent to the degree and what that degree stands for, if this is the end, the goal, of the baccalaureate experience, we could go about giving them more efficiently than we are now. Why wait four years? I

could simply meet with you in Kurtz park and give you a piece of paper with any symbols you wanted on it. You get the paper. I get the \$28,000.

The error is a simple one: a confusion as to what constitutes ends. The end (goal) of your education, is to become educated. In a liberal arts school that means you ought to learn the skills of thought that free you from the chains of blind prejudice. The arts, the skills that liberate, are the arts of thought. You are learning how to think. You are buying your freedom, a freedom that cannot be taken from you. That, I contend, is what you are paying for in the end.

You have four years to learn how to use the most valuable tool God ever gave to one of his creatures. If your goal here is to truly get your money's worth, throw out all preconceived notions of what college is about. Forget about grades. They have a way of taking care of themselves if your goal is to learn as much as you can in these short years.

And they are short when you think of the real goal of the college. You have four years in which to learn how to think; four years to wind up the main spring of your mind to keep it ticking for the rest of your life. Four years to last a lifetime.

Two weeks on the job and everyone there will know whether you really learned how to think. It's

not likely the boss will be much impressed by your grades after you botch a job. A term into your graduate seminar and everyone else will know just what your degree was really worth. No hiding behind grades when you're called on to explain a complex problem in your own words.

Allan Bloom said it well when he wrote of these four years of a student's life:

He has four years of freedom to discover himself--a space between the intellectual wasteland he has left behind and the inevitably dreary professional training that awaits him after the baccalaureate. In this short time he must learn that there is a great world beyond the little one he knows, experience the exhilaration of it and digest enough of it to sustain himself in the intellectual deserts he is bound to traverse. He must do this, that is, if he is to have any hope of a higher life.

... The importance of these years for an American cannot be overestimated. They are civilization's only chance to get at him (p336).

Notice there was nothing said of grades there at all. In fact the entire notion of grades pales next to such a lofty undertaking. Your education here, the real value of your degree, won't be measured in your grades, it will be far more obvious than that. Everywhere you go, everything you do will be marked by the sort of thinking you are capable of.

Regents Meet With Officers

by Crystal Clough

The Board of Regents has a strong voice in many aspects of life at NNC. However, to many students, the board is just a group of people that visits the campus twice a year. The truth is that they are sensitive to the needs of the students and they are very open to what we have to say.

The executive council had the unique opportunity to meet with the Student Affairs Subcommittee of the Board of Regents for a time of talking and sharing on November 3. The board invited us to communicate our impressions of the physical plant, the spiritual climate, and the general tone of the year so far. We were able to express some of our thoughts on the needs of the campus, such as in the dorms, in the vacant lot across the street from the Students Center, in the library, and in chapel. Chief Justice, Bruce Waller, commented, "I was very impressed by their interest in what we had to say. We could bring up whatever we had on our minds."

The executive officers were then given a chance to question the regents about their responsibilities and feelings. Ginger Bell, executive secretary, stated, "The board was very open and receptive to our concerns about their role in student affairs. They really do want to communicate with us." The regents were very clear in defining their role. They deal with the making and changing of general policies. It is the responsibility of the administration, to follow up on the specifics of carrying out those policies.

Afterwards, Dr. Petersen of College Church stated, "I appreciated the time with the student leaders. It further confirmed in my mind the high quality of competency on campus this year. I was especially impressed with the depth of spiritual concern among the leaders."

Overall, the time was very open. Linda Hills commented, "I thought it was a very positive interaction between the board and the students that the board is much more than a group of people who float in twice a year."

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Tacoma or Bust

by Sabrina Smith

The Northwest Nazarene College Forensic Team traveled to Tacoma, Washington on October 27th for a tournament that was held at the University of Puget Sound from October 28th through the 30th. The two coaches, Marilyn Thompson and Craig Rickett helped prior to the tournament to prepare each of the ten team members. At 1:00pm on October 27th the team members met, loaded the trailer got in the van and, as the van was driving away, Craig Rickett, the traveling coach, asked, "Did anyone check the back doors?" At the same time Jeff Richards, who was following the van with his wife Becky Richards in their orange VW bug, ran up to Craig's window yelling, "You forgot to close the back doors!" Needless to say, the doors were closed and the team was on its way. This was just the beginning of the eventful weekend.

After arriving at the destination, speeches were rehearsed and sleep fell on each one.

Registration for the tournament was at 1:00pm the following day: Friday, October 28th. So Rickett allotted shopping time at

the Tacoma Mall after brunch at Nordstrom's Cafe. At the designated time, the team loaded in the van and headed toward UPS.

For Northwest Nazarene College, the tournament began at 2:00pm, Friday and ended 3:00pm Sunday. Those team members present at this tournament with the events they entered are as follows: Crystal Clough- Novice Debate and Novice Informative; Lynn Huber- Novice Persuasive and Extemp.; Gina Lindsay- Intermediate Duo, Intermediate Informative and Intermediate Prose; Dan Millard- Novice Interpretation and Novice Informative; Jeff Richards- Intermediate Debate and Novice Informative; Melissa Riche- Novice Interpretation and Novice Informative and Intermediate Prose; Shannon Thomas- Novice Debate and Novice Persuasion; Elissa Westbrook- Intermediate Debate and Novice Informative; and John Woodworth- Intermediate Duo, Intermediate Persuasive, and Intermediate Dramatic Interpretation.

The individual events finished on Saturday evening, which included all events except for

Debate. There was an awards assembly in which Gina Lindsay and John Woodworth received first place for their Intermediate Duo. Gina Lindsay also placed third in both her Intermediate Informative Speech and her Intermediate Prose. John Woodworth placed first in his Intermediate Persuasive and third in his Dramatic Interpretation. Crystal Clough received a finalist award for her Novice Informative and Shannon Thomas received a finalist award for her Novice Persuasion.

On Sunday, the two debate teams finished up with several awards. Crystal Clough received the 1st Speaker award and her partner Shannon Thomas received the 2nd Speaker award. Both were for Novice Debate. Clough and Thomas went into finals at 6-0 ending in 2nd place for Novice Debate. Elissa Westbrook and Jeff Richards were Quarter Finalists in Intermediate Debate. They entered their last round at 3-3 against another team that was 5-1. Richards was also tied for the 10th speaker award in Intermediate Debate. Rickett was thankful for the participation and pleased with the results.

November 8th Senate

by Stacey Wilton

November 1, 1988 at approximately 7:00pm that ever exciting group of students who comprise ASNNC Senate convened in the north dining room.

Senator Eric VonBorstel opened in prayer, the October 31, 1988 senate minutes were amended, and the ASNNC officers were ready to give their weekly reports. It was an exciting beginning to yet another exciting senate meeting.

Chief Justice Bruce Waller reported that the Judicial Board had met to review the Associated Married Students constitution and to review election procedures.

Business Manager Ben Olson reported the current balance of the ASNNC accounts.

Social Vice President John Leach reported that the Petra concert was a big success with nearly 2,200 people attending of which 12 made commitments to Christ. They made \$301.90 for ASNNC. Saturday October 29, the Junior Class had an all school Halloween party and about 150 people were there.

Executive Vice President Gale Zickefoose reported that the student fee increase passed. There are openings in the Junior Class Council for Senator and for Treasurer and in the Senior Class Council for Vice President.

President Finkbeiner reported that the President's cabinet has established a Homecoming committee for the Thanksgiving Day dinner and other homecoming activities.

Religious Life Director Jennifer Roemhildt reported that ideas are being drafted on ways to involve area pastors, chaplains were elected, and there is a possibility of a Spring Break Work and Witness trip in Portland.

Community Relations Director Lisa Vlieger reported that the Christmas Gift Project needs phone helpers and the Community Recognition Project will be Dec. 4 to Dec. 7.

Crusader Editor Lorie Palmer reported that the Homecoming issue will be out Nov. 25, if anyone has any ideas for this issue please contact her.

Oasis Editor Crystal Clough reported that everything is going well.

Then it was time for the standing committees to give their reports. Senator Rob Thompson reported that the Judiciary Committee has been meeting to resolve the cheerleader issue, Senator Bryan Hemphill reported that the Ways and Means Committee will meet to begin budgeting and Senator Greg Cullen reported that the Campus Life Committee met and reviewed the Crusader Monday night.

There was no old business and very little gallery business. New business included Freshman Amy Hull, Roger Kadey, and Brad Durham being sworn in as Senators. \$450.00 was taken from the S.A.C. fund and allotted to the Term 2 Glad concert fund and will be paid back later. Senator Byers moved to allot \$52.00 to the Executive Vice President so that he may purchase a dry erase board and an easel but the motion failed in a roll call vote at 10 to 1. \$40.00 was allotted to the Senate minutes fund and \$180.00 was allotted to I.S.I.L. from the General Account.

Not much else happened but what more could? Senate is an intellectually stimulating experience that everyone should experience at least once. So show up every Tuesday in the north dining room and share in the excitement of Senate.

Judicial Board Creates Proper Balance

(Response)

by Danny Morse

To those students who attended the October 18th session of senate and those who read Greg Cullen's summary of this fall's senate decisions in the October 31 issue of The Crusader, the Judicial Board would like to clear up some possible misconceptions. In his article, Greg said "Both Senate and the Judicial Board are powerless to do anything about the cheerleaders except cut their funding." If you do not already know about the controversy over the cheerleaders, read the first article on page 1, and the bottom article on the back page of the October 31 issue. The Senate and Judicial Board are not in fact powerless in regard to class A organizations. Article 10, section S of the ASNNC Constitution subjects

both Class A and B organizations to reviews by the Senate. If this were not so, then the purpose of organizational constitutions would be significantly diminished. Actions of the Senate which are unconstitutional are also subject to review by the Judicial Board which was the case when the Senate appropriated funds to the Cheerleader organization. In this was, the cheerleaders were brought under the jurisdiction of the Judicial Board, both directly and indirectly. The resulting writ of Mandamus, which was served in Senate, instructed Senate to take corrective action in regard to the unconstitutionality of the Cheerleader organization. The Senate responded by withdrawing the funds allotted and the cheerleaders withdrew their

constitution. This meant that they did not have to have new elections, but they are no longer an ASNNC organization either.

The writ was not intended to offend either the cheerleaders or "certain Senators," and it was not meant to cause a divisive spirit between the Senate and Board. It is the desire of the Judicial Board to support the Senate and the Executive by preserving their constitutionality and in this way, serve the student body. The Judicial Board has been dangling its legs on the ASNNC teeter totter long enough. This year will bring a proper balance in the ASNNC government which will insure smooth proceeding and fair treatment of all NNC students.

In Memoriam:

25 years ago, this month, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas.



Ken's Korner

Ken Albrecht

Dear Ken,

Last night at work I dropped a whole canadian bacon and pineapple pizza on the floor. I wiped up the mess, but a co-worker (I'll call him "Joe" because that's his name) stepped on a stray piece of pineapple and slipped. This caused Joe to drop a small order of garlicbread on the floor. The garlic bread attracted a flock of starlings. The starlings frightened a woman who looked eerily like Elizabeth Taylor. The startled Liz woman screamed. Her scream broke a wine glass at a table next to her. The man at the table turned to look, and cut his wrist open on the broken wine glass. Blood spurted from the cut, shooting 30 feet or more. When the sharks got a scent of the blood they started a feeding frenzy that only God Almighty Himself could have stopped, which he did. He then showed me a short film on safety in the work place, and then an anti-communist propaganda film from the '50's, which He said He liked to show every now and then for a good laugh. He ordered an anchovy and green pepper pizza to go. He asked for a liter of Coca-Cola to go with it. I told Him we only had Pepsi products. He said that He knew things on Earth were in a bad way, but that's no excuse for bad taste. He got his pizza and

left in a great whirlwind of fire, but before He did, He tipped me a dollar. My question: Since this one dollar tip was from God himself, do I still have to tithe on it?

Shun

Dear Shun,

Yes, you need to tithe on the dollar tip. It doesn't matter if it was given to you by God, Gordon Wetmore, or Bruce Jonson. By the way, if it was God that tipped you, I'm curious, did the dollar read, "In me I trust"?

Dear Ken,

What is an "S.J. McMillian"? I looked in the Oasis and in Mug Shots. I could not find it. Then I read the Crusader's last issue and I found an S.J. McMillian. Apparently they write. But I could tell they were an uninformed species, for the article it wrote was about U2. The writer said that "Rattle and Hum" was lifeless and contrived. The writer said that Bono talked too much on the album. The writer was so oif-base and ill-informed that I wondered if it was a student here or at Nampa High. It is obvious that this person knows nothing about U2, for their message is almost as important as their music. They happen to believe in a few things that apparently S.J. McMillians don't believe in. Maybe the writer believes in apartheid, or supports the shooting of Martin Luther King Jr., or believes that God and The Way are not important. Bono thinks they are. The men of U2 believe there are a few things on this planet about which something can and should be

done. These guys are borderline evangelical. Doesn't S.J. McMillian believe in such things?

I don't know, Ken. Perhaps you could clear me up on what this S.J. McMillian thing is. I'm curious.

A U2 fan

Dear U2 fan,

Let me start by saying that it is a pleasure for me to be able to answer a letter from a U2 fan. As I am led to believe, most U2 fans possess psychic powers. This explains how you looked through the Oasis and the Saga Pictures book for an S.J. McMillian before you had even discovered an S.J. McMillian in the Crusader.

On to the question. I approached Mr. Remy (Arts and Entertainment Editor for the Crusader) with your question. He assured me that "McMillian has been taken care of." Apparently, this is the only way to guarantee that articles or reviews which aren't in agreement with 100 percent of the student body, will not be printed.

Mr. Remy also went on to say that it is impossible that a U2 review could have been in the Crusader, because he has a strict policy against secular movie and music reviews. He also has a strict policy in promoting the advocacy of Vivarin tablets.

If you have any questions concerning the upcoming holiday season, send them along with your New Year's resolutions to

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Generic Drugs

by M.J. Ahola

"I can't believe you can charge me \$35 for that little bottle and never even blink an eye!" said the unidentified woman at the prescription counter. "What kind of medicine is this anyway...Iranian?"

The outrage that the average person can feel and express can often be seen at any particular pharmacy window. You may have known the feeling yourself if you require daily maintenance medication or especially if you are a senior citizen who often has medical and prescription costs on a fixed income.

Some prescriptions are made from molds, barks, or numerous man-made derivatives. Some are expensive to make such as corticosteroids. But in some cases there is a generic named medication available that acts in exactly the same way as the brand name. In many cases, if the customer is aware of the significant savings available to him, he can take the initiative to ask the physician prescribing the medication, "Is there a generic brand available?"

The Federal Drug Administration (FDA) reviews all drugs approved since 1984. About 5,000 generic prescription drugs are currently available that are equivalent to the brand-name drugs. The FDA has not reported being aware of a single documented case in which any of those caused a treatment problem. The reason for this lack of complaints is based on the fact that the generic manufacturer must present proof

to the FDA that it has formulated the product correctly using the same amount of the active ingredient in the brand-name version. If the generic name brand is made well, it will be absorbed in the bloodstream as rapidly and completely as the brand name it matches.

Generic named drugs have been around awhile, but there still may be those who don't know that the savings is sometimes considerable. For example, savings is up to almost half the usual price in the case of a generic brand of a sulfonamide drug frequently prescribed for common urinary tract infections. Patients taking maintenance dose of antibiotic (daily) also can experience quite a savings.

Most doctors usually write brand-names on a prescription because it is these names they are familiar with and because these names are shorter and easier to remember. Doctors also become familiar with brand-name drugs during years that those drugs were protected by patents.

You may not know that a doctor must make a conscious effort to limit you to the brand-name drug. In some states (including Idaho) that means writing "dispense as written" or some other phrase on the prescription. It will do you no good to remember to ask for the generic name AFTER you get to the pharmacy. Ask before the doctor writes the prescription. If the doctor writes the medication and you have not asked if there is a generic name, you probably will be stuck paying for a brand name. The pharmacist cannot dispense the

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My Dad is on the Board

by Brenda S. Cowley

Twice a year, the Board of Regents gather at NNC to discuss policies and to make decisions that will effect each and every student on our campus. Why then, are so many of us unaware of what goes on behind the closed doors of the North Dining Room? These men in dark blue suits were chosen for a reason; they have been trusted to deal with a great amount of responsibility. But, what is a Regent? To some students, a Regent is a pastor; to others, a friend. But to a select

few, a Regent is a father.

The responsibilities of the Regents revolve around the establishment of a body of policies; policies that effect us as students. Despite what many students believe, the Regents take their job very seriously. By making decisions and dealing with issues concerning the campus and the people involved, the Regents have put themselves in a position that is quite often criticized. But why should they be criticized? The Regents are not doing their job so as to make our own involvement

with this campus uncomfortable. Rather, they are doing their best to invest in us the same respect and admiration for this school as they cherish themselves.

My father has served on the Board of Regents for the past sixteen years; and I hardly think that it has been for health reasons. Being an alumni of NNC and believing in the college as he does, he holds a deep appreciation for this school and for what it has done for his life and the lives of his family. The Board of Regents is not just a

club where he spends some of his free time. It is a commitment to a place that he believes in, and it is an honor for him to be a member of this particular board. My father has invested many years of his heart in being a Regent, and I know that other Regents share the same commitment and honor.

I realize that there is some mystery to the Regents' responsibilities. This is no reason for me to lose faith in my father and not to trust him to be looking out for my best interests as well as my peers'.

When asked why he has been a Regent for so long, and why is it important, my father responded, "I think that higher education (especially in a Christian environment) is so important to shaping society and effecting peoples' lives, that I believe in it, and want to make it work."

I think that my dad is doing a great job, as are the other Regents. I think that it's about time we stop criticizing just for the sake of criticism and begin believing in those who believe in us.

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by Jay Remy

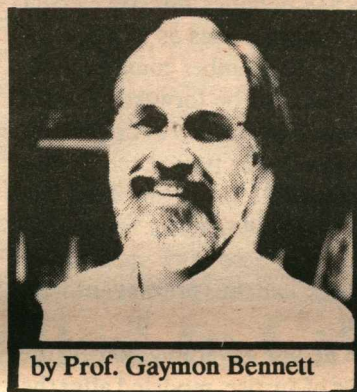
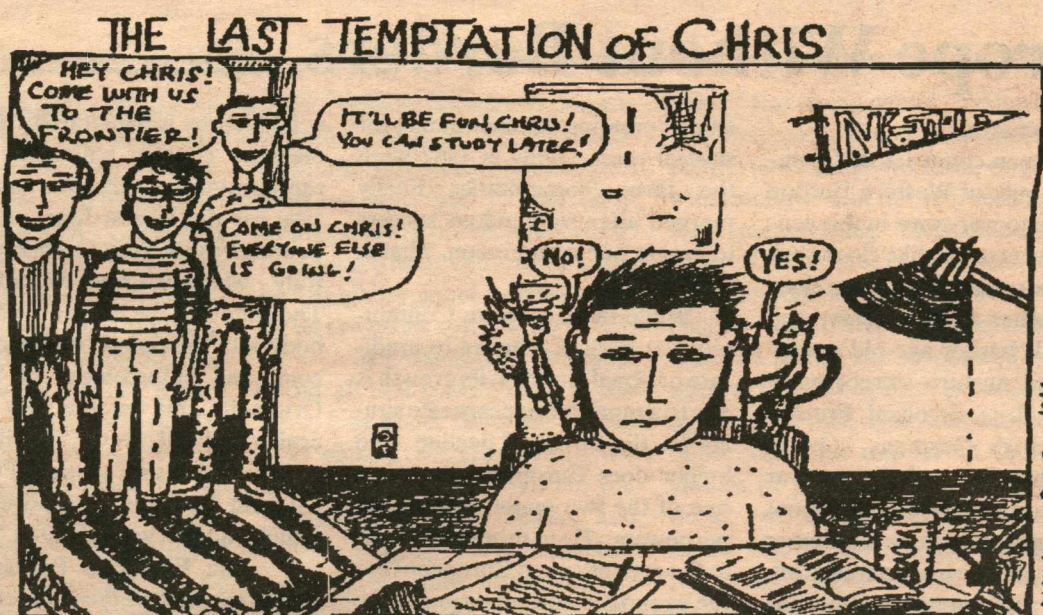
Two weeks ago a slender but flabby friend and I were sitting in a cafe eating onion rings when the conversation turned to physical fitness. "You know, we should really start lifting weights," he said. I was reluctant. I knew the amount of commitment required to adhere to a strict iron-pumping regimen.

He finally told me outright that I had the body of a moderately overweight 12 year old girl. When several strangers from the corner table nodded in response, I was convinced. Right then and there, I was determined to lift weights three times a week, rain or shine, for the rest of the year. Yes sir, my friend (I'll call him Burt Brocton to conceal his identity) and I were going to help each other to change our pitiful physiques into something to be proud of.

Monday morning rolled around and I popped out of bed two hours early to meet Brocton at the gym. It wasn't going to be easy, but I knew I could count on my partner for moral support. Well, to make a long story short and somewhat less embarrassing for Burt Brocton, he whimped out. That's right. I've been getting up every other day at the crack of dawn to work out and Brocton hasn't shown up once.

All I can say is, he's missing out. While he lays there slumbering in his nice warm bed, I'm up and doing something for my own improvement. Even if it doesn't really show, I know that it is doing some good. In fact, it does show, I've got a bulging set of bags under my eyes from getting up so early. I even have a well developed knot on my head from where I dropped a barbell on it.

But more than the bulges, I have a sense of self discipline and pride in my Physical well-being. As for the true identity of Mr. Brocton, just look for a well rested guy with weeny arms and no chest.



by Prof. Gaymon Bennett

Corn Beef and Wry-Long Winters and Hot Stoves

In 1863 Edward Everett Hale first published his story "The Man Without a Country." It was a parable about a young army officer named Philip Nolan who cursed the United States and said he never wanted to see it again, only to have his wish come true when he was banished for life to a ship where he was not allowed to see or hear the name of his country. He soon regretted his hasty words and longed for some news of his country.

Baseball is a country. Donald Hall, in his book Doc Ellis in the Country of Baseball describes it as "a wrong-end-of-the-telescope country. . . miniature with distance and old age," where "the citizens wear baggy pinstripes, knickers, and caps." Those who love baseball live in that country. Listening to games on summer nights or Sunday afternoons, they close their eyes and are transported to that country where their heroes play a game older than their memories on a field green and symmetrical.

But after the last out of the World Series, the citizens of this green and pleasant place are exiled from the country of baseball until spring training makes this land miraculously rematerialize. In their exile they regret the opportunities they missed to attend games or catch the Saturday Game of the

Week and long for news of their country. They search the sports pages for any baseball information, hoping what they find is not about lawsuits, salary disputes, or drug charges; but compulsively reading even that. They pour over the small print of the "Transactions" column, reading of minor league trades and the naming of lower eschalon baseball executives.

Modern technology has made it possible for the aficionados, who can afford it, to videotape games or series for viewing during the long and empty winter months. Last year, for example, my brother-in-law and fellow citizen of the country, taped all the games of the Twins-Cards series. I borrowed a "homer hankie" from a Minnesota friend, and escaped to the country of baseball on several dreary winter afternoons where I cheered and waved the present world away.

The best remedy for exile-induced longings, however, is participation in the "hot stove league." You don't have to be fast or strong, to have a sure glove, a big swing, or a secret pitch to participate in this league. You just have to know one or more fellow citizens of the country who might be willing to spend time talking baseball. The name derives from the days when exiles would gather in the country store

and sit around the stove to replay the season just past.

The roster of the NNC hot stove league has grown steadily over the past four or five years and this year the league adopted a regular schedule. The season opener was actually held before the regular season closed--October 18. And meetings are planned for the third Tuesday of each month except December when the meeting will be moved up to the 6th to accommodate Christmas break.

On Tuesday, November 15, at 7:30 (that's a.m.) the league will meet in the north dining room to see a replay of the "hit heard around the world," resolve old arguments and start new ones, relive the past and try to predict the future. We don't have a stove, so we sit around tables. Politics--both local and national--is forgotten (as is everything outside the country of baseball). And for a few blissful minutes, our exile is forgotten.

I wrote a poem for fellow countryman Gil Craker a couple of years ago that captures (I should say "snags") the essence of what the exile is like. If you are an exile, I hope it eases your pain. If not, I hope you enjoy it anyway.

P.S. The geography quiz has been postponed indefinitely.

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Europe Without Borders

by Jeff Richards

The fifteen countries that comprise the bulk of Western Europe have been to war twice in this century and went to war like clockwork in centuries past. Nations as close to each other as New Jersey and New York, harbor age-old resentments and nurture stereotypes - snobbish Brits, arrogant Frenchmen, boorish Germans - stereotypes that belie their postwar sophistication. However, if all goes according to plan, come December 31, 1992, all barriers to trade, migration, and capital among the members of the European Community will be abolished. In each phase of life; education, marriage, work, retirement; Europeans will face new opportunities and embrace new options. Political, mili-

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tary, and cultural cooperation will soon follow, and never again will Europe see the ravages of the past.

The vision of a united Europe has inspired conquerors and reformers for more than a millennium. To date, none has been successful; at least not for very long. However, technological advancements, economic necessity, and common enemies seem to have triumphed where the legions of Napoleon and the tanks of Hitler could not. For the first time in history, the countries of Western Europe will be united into a single entity, and it will all be made possible by a program called the European Community.

On April 18, 1951, the European Coal and Steel Community Treaty was signed in Paris. Six years later, similar treaties brought into existence two other European cooperation organizations: the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community. The idea behind these organizations was the creation of a Europe without national rivalries. These communities were to turn on an axis of Franco-German cooperation; an idea so unprecedented in history that Jean Monet, the original father of the EC, hesitated in taking the giant

step of creating the community for several years. Only in 1967 were the three communities finally merged after tremendous success to create one commission, what is now the EC.

While the European Community was born of a desire to eradicate national rivalries, its growth is due to a much more desperate situation: the threat of decline. No longer does Europe harbor even one of the two major military superpowers. Even more important to the ever practical Europeans are the economic considerations. The centrifugal force behind the EC remains the pervasive feeling that united they stand, divided they fall, to be crushed under the great political feet of the U.S., and the economic feet of Japan. Diana Pinto, a cultural historian at the University of Paris agrees. She says, "Europe at the business level is consolidating itself for sheer pragmatic reasons. If you want to fight Japan, you need to have a solid base here. If we do not, we will fragment and have no say in the world." This is particularly compelling when it is understood that while France and West Germany

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are the only two European countries to make it into the top fifteen world exporter and importer countries. The European Community, taken as a whole, with its market of 320 million consumers, ranks number one.

Because of these factors, the EC has created a plan that (only after numerous revisions) is acceptable to the governments of all twelve member countries: West Germany, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Austria, Greece, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, and Sweden. The only Western European nations that are not part of the EC are Norway, Finland, Denmark, and Switzerland. All but Switzerland have applied for membership. The EC plan, as approved in its final form by its members, provides for three representative bodies of government, much like our own system. The executive commission is called the Council of Ministers and

is headed by a Secretariat. Each member country will send one representative to sit on the council; save for the largest four - Great Britain, France West Germany and Italy - which will send two apiece. The council is the decision making body with the power to create and command enforcement of laws. Originally, this was the only governing body. However, in order to appease the wishes of Spain, Portugal, and Belgium, legislative and judicial bodies were created.

The European Parliament serves the first of these functions. The Parliament is a legislative body with 518 deputies directly elected for five year terms as representatives of the member countries. No proposal may be forwarded to the Council of Ministers to be put into law until it has passed the Parliament. While the Council has the final say in all matters, the Parliament can veto any measure it chooses, and thus prevent enforcement.

The last governing body is the Court of Justice, modeled after the United States Supreme Court. The Court has the final authority in matters of correct implementation and interpretation of EC laws. They also have the final decision on libel suits brought by the private sector or the national governments against the EC. There are twelve justices appointed by each of the member countries, elected every six years.

That's the plan. However there are obstacles. For the EC, the biggest obstacle is the question of how to overcome national prejudice. *Insight* magazine reported on June 20, 1988 that, "prejudices die hard and governments are as loathe as their citizens to relinquish old ideas just because some bureaucrat in Brussels thinks they ought to. And though Europeans' thinking has changed over the years, especially regarding political cooperation, some things will never change." Many Europeans cherish pejorative nicknames for their neighbors which are indicative of national sentiment. Luxembourgers still call Germans Prussians. The French like to tell "Dumb Belgian" jokes. The Belgians like to tell "Conceited Frenchman" jokes. And the British are always butts for their alleged insularity. (But after all, it was the Times of London that last

year ran the headline, "FOG OVER CHANNEL: CONTINENT ISOLATED.")

But the situation is far from hopeless. A growing majority of Europeans live in or near major metropolitan centers where the necessity and benefits of the EC are felt the most. "It's already happening," says a Portuguese cabdriver working the streets of Brussels. The sentiment is echoed by thousands of like minded souls in Paris, London, Frankfurt, Madrid, and a dozen other cities where, for purposes of culture, trade, and finance, Europe is already one. The European Community's citizens share a

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passport and a separate line at the continent's airports. Many can save at banks in each other's countries and attend each other's Universities. People are beginning to realize that the economic gains outweigh their separation anxiety. Thus, they are increasingly uprooting themselves from traditional prejudices.

With traditional prejudices fading slowly into the background and the 1992 deadline coming closer every day, the world is bracing itself for some major changes. The United States is no exception. Militarily speaking, a consolidation of the European resources will instantaneously transfer the now splintered and inefficient forces of Europe into the most potent conventional superpower in the world. The EC would further be number three in nuclear might. No longer will Europe be dependant on the

U.S. for the supplies that each individual country cannot produce on its own. *Business America* states that, "The U.S. could stand to lose almost 950 million dollars annually if Europe becomes self-sufficient."

More important to our country is the economic consideration. A unified Europe would oust the United States as the number one

"For the first time in history, Western Europe will be one instead of many"

importer nation and Japan as the number one exporter nation. Already the United States owes the EC over 25 million dollars. Combine this with the total deficit that the U.S. owes all of the Western European nations individually, and the debt would add up to the single largest sum that the U.S. owes any single country. However, positively, the trading opportunities opened up by the EC will offer the U.S. a chance to break the economic strangle hold Japan's monopoly has created in the last thirty years.

For the first time in history, Western Europe will be one instead of many. She is responding to world economic and military pressure to become consolidated. It's a do or die situation. Carlo Ripa di Meana, the Community's Commissioner for Cultural Affairs, sums the crisis up well. "We have to feel we are in the same boat, whether British, or German, or French. Otherwise we will always be pawn in the hostile hands of the Soviets or in the friendly hands of the U.S. and Japan. If we do not become a European dimension, we can only become a museum of ourselves."

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tradition - in Christian theology: a centuries-old tradition called *ad-versus Judaeos*, or "against the Jews." Luther showed himself an able member of that distinguished theological tradition when he wrote a tract entitled "Concerning the Jews and Their Lies." In it he called the Jewish people a "damned, rejected race," and suggested that their synagogues be set afire, their homes destroyed, their prayer books and commentaries confiscated, their rabbis forbidden to teach under threat of death, their passport and traveling privileges revoked. "To sum up, dear princes and nobles who have Jews in your domains," he concluded, "if this advice of mine does not suit you, then find a better plan so that you and we may all be free of this insufferable devilish burden - the Jews."

What is so frightening is the extent to which Luther's anti-Jewish writings were carried out to the letter by Nazi Germany 400 years later, and that Hitler proudly claimed to be putting into action what his spiritual ancestor Luther had called for. It is also frightening because such a great number of German Christians believed that Hitler's policies against the Jews were good not only for Germany but for the Church as well. It is sobering to read history and discover how many pastors, priests and Christian laypeople either agreed wholeheartedly with Nazi persecution of the Jews, or else turned their backs, their hearts hardened and cold, to the desperate human need which was all around them.

I am reminded of Jesus' parable of the Good Samaritan. We all know the story of the man who showed mercy to one who had been robbed, stripped, and beaten

within an inch of his life. But often the most important details of Jesus' parable pass us by. First was the fact that this was a Samaritan helping a Jew. They had nothing in common, and in fact their peoples and cultures existed in a relationship of suspicion and hatred. You can be sure that Jesus intentionally chose as the "hero" of the story a figure who would automatically be despised by his hearers. It's easy to show compassion to the one who is close to you, to the one who is part of your "folk". It's easy to act in kindness when your action will not arouse suspicion or controversy on the part of those whose opinion is important to you. But Jesus teaches us that being a neighbor moves us beyond such narrow-minded, indeed such selfish, considerations.

Jesus ends the parable: "You go and do likewise" - that is, you go and actively be a neighbor. It would not have been easy to be that kind of neighbor in Nazi controlled Europe. To be that kind of neighbor was to risk health, livelihood and even life itself. But we know there were those who did risk, who did stretch out the hand of mercy and compassion, who did become a neighbor to the persecuted Jews. Corrie Ten Boom is one with whom we're probably all familiar. Another such neighbor to the Jewish people was a young German pastor named Dietrich Bonhoeffer. When the Nazis first began removing Jews from positions of civil service, law, medicine and education, Rev. Bonhoeffer was outspoken in his opposition.

Bonhoeffer once said that only the one who would speak up for the Jewish people was worthy to sing praises to God, and he lived up to his belief. In the end he also died

for his belief, hanged on the gallows of a Nazi concentration camp only two days before the camp was liberated by the Allies. In lie he often quoted Proverbs 31:8, "Open your mouth for the dumb." He then would ask a question which continues to haunt me this morning, "Who in the church today realizes that this is the least of the Bible's demands at such a time as this?"

Granted, it is not always popular to open your mouth for the dumb, for those who have no voice, to defend the rights of the afflicted and needy - whether it be America's homeless, or South African blacks, or the unborn child. And indeed today, as much as I cherish and support Jewish faith, Jewish people, and a Jewish homeland in Israel, I am deeply pained by what is happening there today. To open one's mouth for the dumb means to speak also of the Palestinians' dignity as a people, and of their need for a homeland. At a

small Christian college like this, it is extremely easy to become self-enclosed. It is much easier to pretend not to notice, to stay uninvolved, to keep out of controversy. It's so much more convenient not to be a neighbor, much easier to pass by on the other side.

We cannot do anything about all that broken glass in the streets, or about those six million Jews whose lives were wasted as the Church stood silent. We are not responsible for their deaths, and we cannot change the past. But this morning, as I have attempted actively to remember *Kristallnacht*, hopefully it will stir in all of us a deeper realization that we are responsible, we are answerable, for the future. Just as God asked Cain, so God asks us this morning, "Where is your brother? Who is your sister?" We've become so short-sighted, while Wesley called the whole world his parish. Who are you shutting out from concern

today? For whom would God have you to speak? Yes, it is far more comfortable simply to fit in, to go with the flow. But the very reason for remembering *Kristallnacht* today, 50 years later, is to embolden us to join together in saying "Never Again" - and to help us realize that God has placed the responsibility upon us to speak against, and stand against, and fight against injustice, oppression and murder of individuals or peoples wherever they occur. As Bonhoeffer asked, "Who in the Church today realizes that this is the least of the Bible's demands at such a time as this?"

And Jesus said, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but the one who does the will of My Father who is in heaven." (Prof. Lodahl teaches in the Philosophy/Religion department. He is a 1977 graduate of NNC.)

Called to Cross Cultures

by Rick Ryding

The kingdom of God is distinct from the world. It has different values, priorities, and purposes. The people who are a part of the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ are to be unique among the peoples of the earth. They love rather than seek love; give rather than take; serve rather than rule. The problems that break God's heart break their hearts; the issues that concern Him burden them. Christians see the whole world as their parish, and the world's dilemmas as their own.

Such sensitivity to the Lord God does not come from a casual relationship with the church. Rather it is born in regeneration, sanctification, and the daily dependent relationship of a servant with his lord. As Samuel learned to hear the Lord voice through repeated contacts, so the Christian learns his Father's mind and heart through daily intimate contact. There are no short-cuts or alternative routes to this sensitivity.

The apostle Paul was no exception. Stunned by his conversion on the Damascus road, he nurtured his relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ over a period of several years. These years of preparation were prerequisites to a

lifetime of effective ministry. During this time he found the mind and heart of God, and he was never the same. He became an ambassador for Christ, bringing a ministry of reconciliation to the Jews first, and also to the Gentiles. Kingdom values replaced religious values. Kingdom purposes took the place of religious routines. This transformation brought him to the compelling conviction that his ministry was to the Gentiles.

Such a call was not an easy one to accept. Gentiles were despised by the Jews. Peter's vision had opened the way for the gospel to be preached to the Gentiles, but resistance was inbred. Paul's vision was a Kingdom vision, however. Christ came to bring reconciliation to all men--there were now no longer Jew nor Greek, male nor female, slave nor free--and mold them into one body, the Church. Paul records his conviction and call in Ephesians 1-3.

Paul's cross-cultural ministry encountered opposition on two fronts. He experienced resistance not only from the Jews but also from the people to whom he preached the good news of Jesus Christ. It was not easy to break the Gentile barrier, but Paul had the mind and heart of Christ and lived under God's commission. This

perspective gave Paul the courage and strength to sustain a ministry to the Gentiles in the face of serious difficulties.

For most of us, there is always a sense of mystery that surrounds the topic of God's will. There was no doubt for Paul. He knew the mind and heart of the Father and therefore knew what he had to do. We struggle with what we perceive to be optional areas of service. As "bench warmers" we wait, with some fear, for our call to service, hoping it will not be to a far-flung field. God's will is clear, however. It is that we should be Christlike. We are to function as people under God's rule, administering God's plan for each of us there may be a call to cross-cultural ministry, either domestic or foreign. That call will most effectively come through an intimate relationship with the Father through Christ. For it is from the heart of the Father that the call comes.

The challenge for you is to develop such an intimate relationship with the Father that you will live redemptively and know a call to cross-cultural ministry when it comes. A relationship with God is the key to a call and to the maintenance of any ministry, particularly one that encounters cross-cultural differences and difficulties.

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Christians Belong in Politics

by Michael Howard

The issue of separation of church and state increasingly is becoming a political issue. In Charles' Colson book, "Kingdoms", he deals with that matter in a most thoughtful way.

I hope you'll find his opinions on it as useful as I did.

There are at least three compelling reasons Christians must be involved in politics and government.

First, as citizens of the nation-state, Christians have the same civic duties all citizens have: To serve on juries, to pay taxes, to vote, to support candidates they think are best qualified. They are commanded to pray for and respect governing authorities.

Second, as citizens of the kingdom of God they are to bring God's standards of righteousness and justice to bear on the kingdom of this world.

Third, Christians have an obligation to bring transcendent moral values into the public debate.

As private citizens, Christians are free to advocate their Christian view in any and every form. In America that is a fundamental constitutional right.

Christian citizens should be activists about their faith, striving by their witness to "Christianize" their culture-not by the force of the sword, but by the force of their ideas.

But Christians elected to public office acquire a different set of responsibilities. Now they hold the power of the sword, which God has placed with

government to preserve order and maintain justice.

Now they act not for themselves but for all whom they serve. For this reason they cannot use their office to evangelistically "Christianize" their culture. Their duty is to ensure justice and religious liberty for all citizens of all beliefs.

This does not mean they can compromise their faith or their first allegiance to God; they should speak freely of their Christian faith and witness Christian values in their lives. But they cannot use their office to seek a favored position for Christianity or the church.

Where then is hope? Is it in the fact that the kingdom of God has come to Earth- the kingdom announced by Jesus Christ in that obscure Nazareth synagogue 2,000 years ago. It is a kingdom that comes not in a temporary takeover of political structures, but in the lasting takeover of the human heart by the rule of a holy God.

Christians are to do their duty as best they can. But even when they feel that they are making no difference, that they are failing to bring Christian values to the public arena, success is not the criteria. Faithfulness is. For in the end, Christians have the assurance that even the most difficult political situations are in the hands of a sovereign God.

The citizens of the kingdom of God should be patriots in the highest sense, loving the word by loving those in

the nation in which they live because that government is ordained by God to preserve order and promote justice. Perhaps this is why John Adams wrote that a patriot must be "a religious man." Christians understand the phrase "a nation under God" not as a license for blind nationalism or racial superiority but as a humbling acknowledgement that all people live under the judgement of God.

James Shall writes, "All successful Christian social theory in the immediate future must be based on this truth: that religion be not made an instrument of political ideology."

Though I have argued that the clergy should avoid partisanship, it is not partisan to speak against unjust war - as the British bishops did against their own government bombing of civilian targets in World War II - corruption, oppression, the deprivation of civil liberties, or the taking of innocent lives.

As a second step, the church should refuse to have any part in the state's immorality. When New York barred discrimination against hiring active homosexuals by private agencies that had city contracts, the church faced a serious dilemma: Lose vital financial support or violate clear, biblical teaching. To their everlasting credit the Salvation Army forfeited \$4.5 million in state contracts.

Michael Howard, Minister from The Church of the Open Door

Worth Praying About

World Vision's involvement in Vietnam, through which thousands of disabled war victims will receive artificial limbs.

Teen-age runaways, that in their desperate search for love they may find shelter and the genuine love of Christ.

Those students traveling to and from the Proclaim conference in Portland.

Lawmakers in Washington D.C., that they may vote on legislation with sensitivity to the oppressed and hurting in the U.S.

Christian volunteers who freely give their time and talent to help meet desperate needs around the world.

God's Spirit to be poured out on the churches in Nampa.

Mother Teresa and those who work with her in Calcutta and around the world to ease the suffer-

ing of the poorest of the poor.

The work of Operation Smile and that many more lives will be transformed through this compassionate outreach.

Students to become increasingly sensitive to the needs of the world.

Victims of AIDS, and family members in need of strength and courage as they witness the slow death of loved ones.

The work of the English Language Institute/China and its Christian teachers.

NNC to be a campus which glorifies the name of God, proclaiming the kingdom of God to those near and far.

Homeless children in the U.S. too young to understand why they must go to bed hungry while their peers on television are so happy and healthy.

YIM Applications Due

November 24, 1988 is the deadline to turn in YOUTH IN MISSION applications to the office of NYI Ministries, according to Dale Fallon, Program Coordinator. The NYI Ministries staff was on campus in October to present the program and interview interested NNC students.

The staff of NYI Minis-

tries interviewed over 1000 Nazarene college and university students this fall for the 1989 YOUTH IN MISSION program. YOUTH IN MISSION places young adults, ages 18-30 in short term mission assignments all over the world. The 1989 program includes summer assignments as well as one-to-two year terms.

Prison Ministry

Dr. Irving Laird

Director of Idaho State Correctional Institution, Al Murphy, addressed the final session of the "Prison Ministries Volunteers" workshop held on campus Nov. 4, 5, and 6. The one credit Religious Education workshop was attended by 30 students and community persons interested in this ministry.

Seventy current volunteers joined the class for the final session to hear Director Murphy speak on this subject. Professor Irving Laird reports that NNC student Stanley Wey, who is currently a Prison Ministry Volunteer, was the person who did the groundwork to make this workshop possible on our campus. He arranged for other speakers to come and speak at this

workshop. Among the speakers were Harley Brueck, Director of Prison Fellowship USA for Idaho, Montana, and Utah; Kurt Eshelman, Director of Religious Activities at the Idaho State Prison; Don Stephan, Director of Volunteer Services at the Idaho State Prison; and Rev. Al Cambra, Director of Volunteer Activities at Ada County and Boise City Jails.

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-Wycliffe

Bresee's Legacy Lives on in Los Angeles

A 23-year-old Nazarene layman is following in the steps of Phineas Bresee. Scott Chamberlain moved into the Alexandria Hotel—a welfare residence on the edge of skid row—about 3 months ago. Since that time, the 1987 graduate of Olivet Nazarene University has been working to establish a rapport with others in his hotel and with the many street people who call skid row “home.”

On Sunday, October 4, Chamberlain and representatives from Campus Crusade for Christ, Los Angeles Union Rescue Mission, Los Angeles First Church and various other ministries joined together to hold a worship service for the street people who call the streets of Los Angeles their home.

The event was part of the International Gospel Festival—an interdenominational project involving a number of Christian who have been staying on the streets with the homeless for the past two weeks. During this time, they have been ministering in a variety of ways, one of which included assisting in the painting of a mural. The purpose of the mural is to allow the street people to express their creativity and their faith in God. Christians plan to remain on the streets for several more weeks until the mural is completed.

“Most of the people on the streets believe in the Lord, but they have not been disciplined,” said Chamberlain. “The idea is to create a Christian presence in the community.”

Ironically, the service for the street people was held almost 93 years to the day from the date that Phineas Bresee and J.P. Widney held their first services at 317 South Main. The two locations are separated by less than four blocks.

“Virtually every evangelical church has left the inner city,” said Glen Van Dyne, Thrust to Los Angeles coordinator. “The district

wants to see holiness on the streets of the central city. Although what Scott is doing is not planting a traditional church, it is saying to the community that you don't have to clean yourselves up and move to the suburbs before the Church will minister to you.”

The Church Planting Committee for the Central City, a group consisting of representatives from several denominations and parachurch ministries who are working to create a Christian presence in the skid row areas of Los Angeles, is being headed by Ron Benefiel, senior pastor at Los Angeles First Church. Other groups participating on the committee include the Los Angeles District and the Los Angeles Mission, which is largely run by Nazarenes.

-Nazarene News

Million Hours of Prayer for Conventions/Assembly

The Board of General Superintendents has voted to officially adopt the plan of the Nazarene World Mission Society to enlist more than 500,000 Nazarenes to pray 1,000,000 hours between January and June 1989 for the general conventions and 22nd General Assembly.

“We are making this a central emphasis in the days leading to our conventions and assembly in Indianapolis,” said Eugene

L. Stowe, chairman of the Board of Superintendents. “We believe it will help to precipitate the movement of the Holy Spirit in our sessions in a vital way.”

Each district NWMS president was asked to review and pray about a contract of prayer which was sent to them by General NWMS Director Nina Gunter.

“We asked each president to take as their goal twice the number of hours of their total NWMS membership as a minimum time of prayer,” said Gunter. “The result was that the 257 districts of the denomination around the world have adopted a goal of more than 1,000,000 hours of prayer.”

The Guatemala Las Verapaces District has contracted for the largest number of hours with 26,000. In the United States, Southeast Oklahoma has the highest goal with 23,310 hours.

Gunter presented the contracts to the Board of General Superintendents during their September session in Kansas City.

“We are calling this our ‘Concerts of Prayer’ plan,” said Gunter. “We believe Jesus when He says, ‘If you agree in your asking, it shall be done by My Father’ (Mt. 18:19), so we are asking thousands of Nazarenes to join together in an orchestration of prayer that will touch the heart of God.”

The Board of General Superintendents will also cooper-

ate with NWMS in establishing an international room of prayer in the Indianapolis Convention Center during the conventions and assembly.

“NWMS will maintain a prayer vigil involving the total church from 7am to 9pm each day of the conventions and assembly,” said Gunter.

“Our hope is to see a chain of prayer maintained throughout all of our activities in Indianapolis,” added Stowe.

-Nazarene News

Nigeria Faces Religious Polarization

The new two-party government in Nigeria threatens to polarize Christians and Muslims in a struggle for control. Christian leaders have been killed and more than 150 churches have been destroyed by Muslims struggling to make Islam the dominant religion of this West African country.

Islamic leader Sheikh Abubaker has predicted that the two-party system will force Christians and Muslims to opposite political parties and could divide the country because Muslims will not accept Christian leadership in the government.

-WEIS

Fall Revival Lenny Wisheart

by Rhonda C

Reverend Lenny Wisheart arrived to speak at College Church for Fall Revival, 23-28 October.

This was Wisheart's fifth visit to NNC: Fall Revival 1985, guest speaker for RAD, Revival at First Church three weeks ago, and Fall Revival at College Church.

Wisheart delivered a total of 11 sermons, including chapel services and evening services for College Church.

His emphasis was largely on Christian morals throughout a lifetime. Quote for the week: “Jesus will give me the best chance I will ever have to be the best per-

son I can ever be.”

There were times during the week when some members of the congregation felt as though everything was choreographed, like a television show. A sophomore said, “It seemed like he plans all of his movements for specific purposes (which would be revealed in the last service).” Wisheart refuted that statement by saying he has a check list in his mind of things he needs to do during his message and that sometimes this may be construed as insincere. However, he emphasized, he doesn't in the least mean to come across as insincere.

Comedy plays a large part in Rev. Wisheart's ministry, which proved to be both beneficial and

detrimental to many students. Wisheart says he doesn't try to be funny; he's just naturally funny.

He used analogies to convey his sermons more effectively. Who could forget Hershey, Pennsylvania, or saving the fuse? He stated, “It's easier to use analogies when dealing with sensitive issues.”

Wisheart coined many new expressions, the most memorable probably being “I'm glad I can go to hell.” He went on to explain that that only meant he was glad for a choice in the matter.

Some talk around the SAGA table revealed a concern for the totality of Wisheart's presence on stage. Wisheart's presence on stage, Wisheart said the reason for this was that he wants to allow

the ‘up-front’ people a chance to step down, relax, and maybe sit with their families for a service or two.

On a new note, Wisheart's calling came to him when he was 14 years old. “I had a goal all through high school and college...” His plans to fulfill his calling are not near completion. He and his family are currently completing an assignment as evangelist in residence at First Church in Denver, Colorado. When finished there, they plan to return to being itinerant evangelists.

When asked about the low parts of their ministry, Rev. and Mrs. Wisheart agreed that the biggest downers are loneliness and lack of preparation by churches.



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Chaim Potock's Novels

by Dr. Michael Lodahl

I remember the first Chaim Potok novel I ever read: I was a high school junior, and the book was The Chosen, Potok's first work. I would not be exaggerating to say it changed my life.

As all of his novels to date attempt to do, Potok's The Chosen introduced me, a middle-class Nazarene WASPy high schooler, to the strange and intriguing world of Jewish peoplehood, culture and faith. It is the story of two high school boys, Danny and Reuven, who though both Jewish, are worlds apart in terms of upbringing and understanding of the relationship of Jews to the larger societal culture.

Danny's father is a rabbi in the Hasidic movement, a kind of fundamentalist Jewish faith with "holiness" overtones.

Reuven's, on the other hand, is a Jewish biblical professor who is well versed in textual and form criticism. In spite of the obstacles presented by their clashing traditions, families and ideologies, circumstances throw the boys together and they struggle to form a profound friendship.

I recall being deeply im-

pressed by how well each of these young men had mastered their own religious tradition, particularly in their detailed knowledge of the Talmud, the extensive Jewish commentary on the Hebrew scriptures. Ironically, as I pondered their commitment to learning their tradition, I was motivated to read carefully the New Testament - and attempt to write my own commentary on it(!).

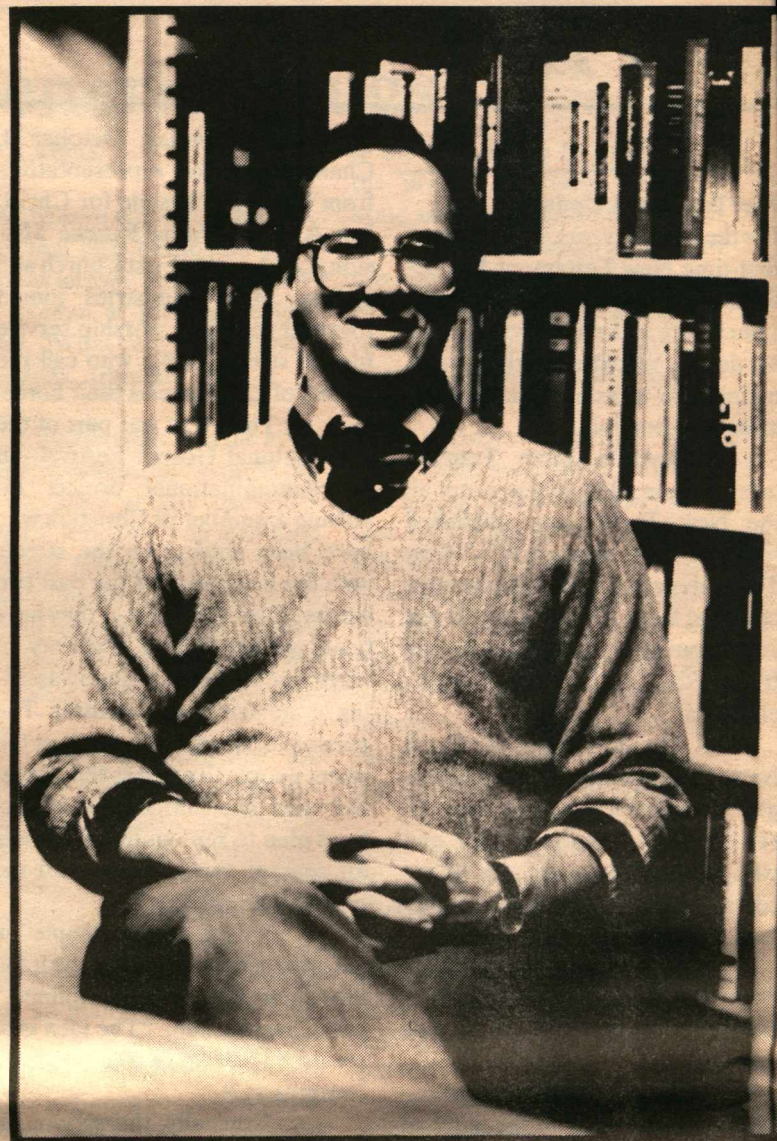
More than that, however, I remember finding the book full of solid rabbinic wisdom about relationships, about loyalty, about the values of human communication and about the anguish of lost friendships. And Potok challenged me at age 15 to ponder these things through a medium which has been integral to Jewish instruction and character formation for centuries: the story.

And Potok has continued to do so in subsequent years, both for me and for millions of other readers. He has weaved masterfully modern Jewish tales like The Promise, in which the friendship of Danny and Reuven continues: My Name is Asher Lev, in which a young Jew with an artist's soul struggles with his religious tradition's fundamental suspicion

of "graven images," including the paintings he so longs to create; Davita's Harp, a sensitive and poignant portrait of a young Jewish girl's pilgrimage to faith, in which she struggles against both her secular upbringing and traditional Judaism's male chauvinism; and The Book of Lights, a wonderful journey into the worlds of Jewish mysticism and Asian culture, seen through the eyes of a Jewish chaplain in the Korean War.

I admire Potok's ability to weave complex theological issues into the fabric of his captivating stories, thereby both entertaining and educating his readers. He is an ordained rabbi, and holds the Ph.D. in philosophy, and so is well equipped for the related tasks of education and character formation. What is amazing is that he is able to accomplish both so well through the popular novel.

Potok's first name, Chaim, is Hebrew for "life" - and he lives up to his name: he confronts us with life's deepest questions, issues and struggles, and does so through the distinctly Jewish character, and characters, of his novels.



Professor Michael Lodahl

NAST Offers Award

Andy Friedlander, northwest representative of the national Shakespeare Conservatory will audition actors in Seattle, November 20, for the Philip Meister Award. Winners will receive up to \$1,000 towards the study in the conservatory's two-year Professional training program in New York City, beginning January 23, 1989. The program includes an intensive eight-week residency at the conservatory's summer quarters in the Catskill Mountains.

Last year, actors received almost \$10,000 in scholarships through these auditions and 9 actors from the northwest were accepted into the conservatory. Actors interested in auditioning for the award should call 1-800-472-6667 for further information and an audition appointment. The National Shakespeare Conservatory is accredited by N.A.S.T. (National Association of Schools of Theatre). Federal financial aid is available for those who qualify.

King of Hearts

by Kathy Gore

The lights flash on and off as the members of the audience scurry to find their seats. Then as the house lights dim motion begins on the stage and the National Theatre of the Deaf begins its performance of the play "King of Hearts".

Sitting in the balcony of Jewett Auditorium at the College of Idaho on Friday, October 28, I watched in fascination as the actors and actresses used sign language and the spoken word to weave a tale of love, madness and sanity.

"King of Hearts" is a story about a Scottish soldier ordered to dismantle a booby-trapped french town, during World War I. However, when he gets to the town the only citizens that are left are the inhabitants of the local "L'Asile" or the loony-bin. The play takes its name at this point when the inmates crown the soldier their "King of Hearts." Soon after the soldier realizes that these people are more sane than those who claim to be playing with a "full-deck."

One of the fascinating

elements of the play is that during the presentation the scenery was painted by Chuck Baird as "The Painter". An accomplished scenic designer in real life, he manages to transform the stage, virtually before your eyes into a "whirling carousel of energy."

Many scenes in which "The Painter" impacted the play at a visual level stand out. In one scene, Baird picks up a foot long paint brush and recreates a beautiful french clock tower. In another he creates a french town, complete with a barber shop and a cafe. Then in yet another scene, using a wooden bar with three paint brushes attached, with one sweep he creates a whole line of infantryman. And with the flick of his wrists shows their death with red paint. His addition to the style of the troupe is what makes the play so unique from other productions. However, Chuck Baird is associated with a unique company of actors and actresses. The National Theatre of the Deaf has been around for about twenty-one years.

It is a highly regarded theatre company that combines the spoken word with the American Sign Language. They have won many awards, for example the Tony award in 1977, for adaptations of the classics including Chekhov, Voltaire and Homer. The troupe has not been limited to work in Western America, however. In 1986 the Company toured the People's Republic of China and more recently in August, the troupe returned from representing the United States at Tokyo's first international Theatre Festival.

The artistic style of this company is Visual Theatre. Through the movement of hands, the sway of the actors body, and the spoken word the style is transformed into Visual Language Theatre. Still, one does not have to be familiar with sign language to enjoy the performance. What I saw enhanced what I heard and vice versa. I enjoyed "King of Hearts" as a total experience of the senses.



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RUPERT SHELDRAKE received his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Cambridge and holds degrees from Harvard University, where he was a Frank Knox Fellow. He is the author of *A New Science of Life* (1981) and *The Presence of the Past* (1988).

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European Images

by Kent Stiles

The show "European Images" paintings by Dr. Mary Shaffer, opened November 1 to the general public. The reception was a success, and many people have visited the exhibition and offered their appreciation. By the way, you still have until the 25th of this month to see this show in The Gallery, downstairs in the Art Building.

As a fellow watercolorist, I thought I might add my own thoughts and comments on these paintings to help the non-artist better appreciate what Dr. Shaffer has accomplished.

First of all, painting with water colors, is very difficult, even if you are experienced with the medium. Because they are rather permanent on paper, the artist rarely has the chance to correct mistakes or cover over them as you can with oils and acrylics. Furthermore, water has a tendency to run, bleed, and dry up

at the wrong time.

Painting on location compounds the painter's problems. On location, the painter must wrestle with perspective, composition, and problems dealing with the elements of weather, which could range from exceptionally bright sun to blustery, wet spring days. The advantage is that nature is your studio.

When you visit the show, take notice of several things: the amount of color she uses compared to her 1978 paintings, the use of "negative" white space, and the general freshness of the paintings that characterize on-location painting. The colors Dr. Shaffer used convey the verdant late spring days in Europe. Green is used exceptionally to indicate fields and hills in the middle grounds. It is the most difficult color for any watercolorist to use.

The amount of white used in Dr. Shaffer's paintings is important, too. It makes the paintings shine by accentuating the transparency of watercolors and reflecting light. The white is also used effectively to break up various planes of landscape, to suggest areas of sparse vegetation and snow fields, and leave negative space for vanishing points that draw your eye into the focal point of the painting. Speaking of snow, be sure to notice the "wet into wet" techniques used on mountains where the blending of colors maintains the color impression, and offers the illusion of distance.

If nothing else stands out, the spontaneity of these paintings should. You may not be a watercolorist or an art critic, but the set of 1988 watercolors present an art lesson you cannot miss.

Shrew Update

by Gina Lindsay

Quick. What is almost 400 years old, but can still make you laugh? That's right (you didn't peek at the title of this article, did you?) Willaim Shakespeare's The Taming of the Shrew was written around 1600, and the brilliant comedystill never fails to delight an audience- a tradition that is sure to hold true this Homecoming, as NNC's drama department presents the play for five performances in the Science Lecture Hall.

At this point, the produc-

tion is still being polished, both in technique and in interpretation. This week, the cast has begun to rehearse the play in its entirety, and next week, they will move into dress rehearsals. The male lead, Kurt Proctor (Petruchio), commented on the progression of rehearsals, "It's interesting to see how the characters are coming together into three-dimensional individuals with some depth and feeling. Certainly, there is a long way to go, especially for the people who aren't given as much to work with in the script. I have to feel that Libby

(Katherine) and I have an easier time in developing our characters because Shakespeare has flushed out more than the skeletal figures that he did in some of the other characters."

The Taming of the Shrew will be presented Friday and Saturday nights November 18th and 19th at 8:00 pm, and again Wednesday, the 23rd at 9:00 pm, Thursday the 24th at 1:00 pm, and Saturday the 26th at 3:30 in the afternoon. Tickets will be available in the bookstore and at the box office.

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New Faces Make Up Men's B-Ball Team

by Scott Hammel

The 1988 version of Crusader Men's Basketball began the year on a less than sparkling note with the Norm Parrish controversy as well as the confirmed ineligibility of Kevin Latham and Curtis Robertson. But it appears that the team has weathered these troubles as well as the strong negative winds of Hurricane Bruce (Smith, equivocal sportswriter for the Idaho Press-Tribune).

Coach Garry Matlock expressed conservative enthusiasm in discussing the team's potential. While he feels that the Crusaders will be an excellent shooting team and, possessing good quickness and aggressiveness, be perhaps the best defensive team he has had, he also noted that the team's depth is very young. Coach Matlock stressed more than once how pleased he is with the work ethic and attitude of the team. Of the freshmen he said, "We have freshmen who aren't only good basketball players, but good kids and students as well." The freshmen players are forwards Brian Locke, Todd Gill, and Steve Emerson, guard Scott Loveland, and center Bernie Goeden. Also new to the team are forward Ivon Robertson and center Rolland Hansen. The returning players include captains Kelly Bokn and Mike Davidson, as well as Cliff Caldwell, Mike Everingham, David Fillmore, and Clive Allen. Missing from the team will be Steve Thomas, who has been declared academically ineligible. In regard to the Thomas situation Matlock asserted, "We're not

going to cry over spilled milk."

This is one of those years when every team in the conference should be relatively good. The preseason favorites would have to be George Fox College, College of Idaho, and NNC. At the C of I-NNC luncheon C of I coach Marty Holly pronounced, "I'm normally not one to predict, but I will predict that the district championship game will be held in either Caldwell or Nampa." Coach Matlock says, "We are going to be a very competitive team, as long as we can stay away from injuries, we can go out on the floor and compete with anybody we go against." He later added, "If a team beats us, we want to make sure that they beat us and we didn't give it to them." Michael Everingham, also known as "Eveready" because of his crowd-igniting power-packed defense, felt that, "As long as we can avoid injuries in key positions and play well at home we should do pretty good."

NNC faces a rather interesting, not to mention difficult, early season schedule. The District Two Tip-Off Tournament will be held November 18-19 in the Montgomery Fieldhouse. On December 2-3 the Crusaders travel to Boise to take part in the Real Dairy Classic. Their first round opponent will be Boise State University, which came within a 3-point shot of knocking off the 10th-ranked University of Michigan in the opening round of last year's NCAA Tournament. Before the team can worry about that they must concentrate on perennially tough Carroll College, Montana Tech, and Western Montana Col-

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Nov. 18	•Tip-Off Tourn.	7, 9 p.m.	HOME
Nov. 19	•Tip-Off Tourn.	7, 9 p.m.	HOME
Nov. 25	•Mt. Vernon Naz.	7:00 p.m.	HOME
Nov. 26	No. Montana	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Dec. 2	•Real Dairy Classic	8:30 p.m.	Boise, Idaho
Dec. 3	•Real Dairy Classic	6:30 p.m.	Boise, Idaho
Dec. 16	•Golden Rule	7, 9 p.m.	Caldwell, Idaho
Dec. 17	•Golden Rule	7, 9 p.m.	Caldwell, Idaho
Dec. 29	•Mtneer. Classic	5, 9 p.m.	La Grande, Ore.
Dec. 30	•Mtneer. Classic	5, 9 p.m.	La Grande, Ore.
Jan. 6	•Concordia	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 7	•Carroll	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 13	•Warner Pacific	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 14	•Col. Christian	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 20	•George Fox	7:30 p.m.	Newberg, Ore.
Jan. 21	•Western Baptist	7:30 p.m.	Salem, Ore.
Jan. 27	•College of Idaho	7:30 p.m.	Caldwell, Idaho
Feb. 3	•Columbia Christian	7:30 p.m.	Portland, Ore.
Feb. 4	•Warner Pacific	7:30 p.m.	Portland, Ore.
Feb. 10	•Western Baptist	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 11	•George Fox	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 18	•Concordia	7:30 p.m.	Portland, Ore.
Feb. 21	•College of Idaho	7:30 p.m.	HOME
•NAIA District 2 Game			
•Broadcast on KCID-AM or FM			

lege, as they travel to the Big Sky State November 10, 11, and 12. Coach Matlock describes the immediate task at hand with the following quote, "If we can win one game (in Montana) I'll be happy, if we win two I'll be elated, and if we win all three we'll hang it up when we get back and call it a championship." The three games, as well as fifteen other NNC games this season, will be broadcast on KCID-FM (107.1) or AM (1490) in Nampa. This season, tune in to Crusader Basketball.

V-Ball Wraps up Season

by Julie Veatch

The Crusader Women's Volleyball team completed its season with the Conference Tournament held October 28-29 at NNC. The team played well overall, although being eliminated after 3 games. On Friday night they played Oregon Tech, where they lost a close match in three games 15-6, 3-15, 14-16. They then played C of I and won 15-17, 15-7, 15-9, knocking the Coyotes out of the tournament. Finally, Saturday morning the team played Eastern Oregon and lost 15-7, 12-15, 6-15, ending their tournament play. The winner of the tournament was Western Oregon.

To wrap up the season, many stats, although they don't begin to tell the whole story, may be seen in order to recognize how individual players stood. To name a few, Kerri Kennel led the team with 645 assists. Becky Dix had 260 kills and 352 digs. Polly Pomeroy led in service aces with 39 and had a 93% pass percentage. Nikki Riggs held her own with a team-leading 33 blocks. Many other players, including Cathy Curtis, Doreen Van Beek, J.J. Wallace, and Wendi Blauvelt also added a

NNC Shuts out C of I

The NNC Men's Soccer Team finished up its season handing C of I a 1-0 loss in Caldwell. Robin Milakovich, the team's leading scorer for the season, scored the deciding goal fifteen minutes into the first half and the Crusaders held off the Coyotes the rest of the way behind the sparkling play of

tremendous effort and many times were second leaders in certain statistical categories.

Congratulations are in order for Becky Dix, who made first team All-Conference, as well as to Cathy Curtis and Kerri Kennel for honorable mention All-Conference!

The team is saying goodbye to Curtis and Kennel, both 4-year team members. These seniors have definitely left their mark on Crusader Volleyball with much time and commitment. Kennel, a setter, has started all four years, receiving many honors including the team MVP award. Curtis, a middle hitter, has also had a strong impact on the team with her inspirational, hard-working attitude and hours of practice. I am sure that the team will miss both of these girls next year.

The team's final overall record was 8-19, and 3-8 in conference play. With their returning players and the potential that they hold, the team is once again looking forward to next year. But, for now, they are enjoying a well-deserved break!

goalie Dennis Howard.

With the win at C of I and a forfeit by Western Baptist, NNC polished up a strong second half of the season, finishing at 7-8-1. Next year holds high expectations with many underclassmen returning to the squad.

Scooter's Picks

by Scott Hammel

As the pro and college football seasons head towards their final weeks, I sat wondering to myself, "What could I write about that the well-informed NNC sports fans don't already know, or that they would even really care about?" At first I thought I'd explain to everyone why the

Seahawks and Broncos are doing so rotten, but I found myself getting depressed just thinking about it. Finally it hit me- there are a lot of big games coming up, unfortunately the typical hard-working NNC student will be too busy studying to be able to watch them. Why not save everyone from the temptation to watch by telling them the final scores ahead of time? If for some reason you aren't busy

this weekend and are going to turn on the tele, I strongly recommend you refrain from reading on, for these predictions are made with pinpoint accuracy after many hours of deliberation.

COLLEGE:

November 19

Idaho 37 -- Boise St. 28
Wash. St. 28 -- Wash. 20

Oregon 35 -- Oregon St. 24
USC 24 -- UCLA 17
Oklahoma 23 -- Nebraska 21

PRO:

November 20

Seattle 21 -- Kansas City 16
New Orleans 28 -- Denver 17
LA Raiders 24 -- Atlanta 14
Washington 28 -- S. F. 27

November 27

Denver 28 -- LA Rams 24
Seattle 23 -- LA Raiders 14
Cincinnati 21 -- Buffalo 19
Washington 20 -- Cleveland 7
New Orleans 14 -- NY Giants 13

Women carry Experience into B-Ball Season

by Scott Anderson

The 1988 Crusader women's basketball coach Roger Schmidt can look forward to this basketball season with a great deal of optimism. Not only are the Crusaders returning five key lettermen in Becky Dix, Kerri Locke, Dawn Vreiling, Julie VanBeek, and Doreen Hochstetler, but several good transfers and first year players have also joined the Crusader lineup.

The depth of this year's team will be greater than Schmidt has ever known during his tenure as head coach. "We've got a good group of twelve athletes. It's probably the deepest we've ever been." The depth of the Crusaders will allow Schmidt to change his game plan to more of a full court, forty minute all out attack on their opponents. "We're going to try to press more. We've got enough athletes where we could do that."

The Crusaders have great potential to be very competitive this year and to improve on last season's 13-13 mark. There are a few problems that can only be

solved in time. "The first of the season could be up and down," Schmidt stated, "At times we look pretty good and at others pretty ragged. It's just a matter of trying to put seven new faces into what we're trying to do." Another problem that must be overcome is the difficulty of the schedule. Not only is NNC's league exceptional, but the preseason will also challenge the Crusaders. "Anytime you start out in Montana you've got it tough. The toughest team we'll face early is Carroll College. They've got a good women's program up there." Schmidt picks Concordia College, who returns five players to last year's league championship team, as the team to beat. "Eastern Oregon has two All-Americans back," Schmidt also added. But Schmidt did not rule out the Crusader's chances of winning, "I think we'll be competitive."

For scoring and rebounding, the Crusaders will look to center Julie VanBeek, who averaged 13.4 points a game and 8.3 rebounds a game, Doreen Hochstetler, who averaged 6.5 points

and 7.2 rebounds, and Kerri Locke, who missed most of last season. Junior, Becky Dix, brings intensity out on the court, and she will see more playing time than a year ago. Dawn Vreiling, a reliable center, also adds to the Crusader depth.

Schmidt is very optimistic about his other players also. "We've brought in some game exposure people to replace those seniors we lost," Schmidt commented. Kari Hall, a transfer from Nevada-Reno, a division I school, will be expected to contribute to the Crusaders success on the court. Judy Hall, a junior transfer, will be on hand to help fill the void left by graduate Michelle Skyles. Sophomore Vivian Reed joins the Crusader lineup for the first time. Four freshmen, Angela Burbank, Sara Kranjnik, Gina Triplett, and Korri Kinney have also made the team and are looking to help the Crusaders on the court.

"We've got a bunch of new kids, but they're a real coachable group. They're really trying to work on a team concept," Schmidt said.

Buccaneers Take Over First Place

by Scott Hammel

Rarely does a match-up of "Game of the Year" status ever turn out as such. In the case of the Buccaneers and Chiefs, however, the game more than lived up to its billing. While flag football is certainly a level lower than tackle in the area of excitement, one could hardly argue that this battle, from the spirited hollers of Kurt Finkbeiner to the lineman dodging of Sam Fowler, was any less fun to watch than the past few Super Bowls.

The Chiefs took the opening kick-off and wasted no time putting points on the board, scoring on a 50-yard pass from Jeff Turley to Matt Williams on the first play from scrimmage. The score remained 8-0 Chiefs the entire game, as the two teams showcased their bend-but-don't-break defenses. Every time it seemed one team would score the other's defense would come up with the big play

necessary to stop the drive. Finally, with approximately 10 seconds left in the game, the Buccaneers took possession of the ball on about their thirty yard line. They completed a pass which used up all the time, but a flag was thrown on the Chief defender for shoving the man out-of-bounds.

This set up the Bucs last gasp effort. Scott Anderson lofted a pass into the end zone to a covered Dave Miner, who somehow came down with the ball. The score was 8-6, with the two point conversion coming up. Anderson took the snap, all his receivers appeared to be covered so he threw a desperation pass into the end zone which fell incomplete. But again the Buccaneers were saved by a Chiefs penalty. Defensive holding. The Bucs took advantage and tied the game at eight. For overtime both teams were given the ball at the twenty yard line with four plays to try to score. The Buccaneers got the ball first and once again Dave

Miner came through with a spectacular catch to put his team up 14-8. Next came the Chiefs turn. They ran a screen to Keith Johnson on the first play, who carried the ball to the seven yard line. However, the Chiefs were only able to move the ball about four more yards the next three plays as the Buccaneers held on to win and gain sole possession of first place.

STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L
BUCS	6	0
CHIEFS	5	1
FALCONS	3	3
JETS	3	3
LIONS	3	3
CARDINALS	2	4
CHARGERS	2	4
PACKERS	0	6

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Nov. 10	Carroll	6:00 p.m.	Helena, Mont.
Nov. 11	Montana Tech	6:00 p.m.	Butte, Mont.
Nov. 12	W. Montana	6:00 p.m.	Dillon, Mont.
Nov. 25	Montana Tech	5:00 p.m.	HOME
Nov. 29	So. Idaho	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Dec. 2	Lewis-Clark Trn.	6, 8 p.m.	Lewiston, Ida.
Dec. 3	Lewis-Clark Trn.	6, 8 p.m.	Lewiston, Ida.
Dec. 9	Lewis-Clark St.	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Dec. 12	Point Loma Naz.	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Dec. 16	So. Ida. Tourn.	3, 5 p.m.	Twin Falls, Idaho
Dec. 17	So. Ida. Tourn.	3, 5 p.m.	Twin Falls, Idaho
Jan. 2	Whitman	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 6	*So. Oregon	7:30 p.m.	Ashland, Ore.
Jan. 7	*Oregon Tech	5:30 p.m.	Kla. Falls, Ore.
Jan. 13	*Warner Pacific	7:30 p.m.	Portland, Ore.
Jan. 14	*Concordia	5:30 p.m.	Portland, Ore.
Jan. 20	*West. Oregon	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 21	*George Fox	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 24	*Eastern Oregon	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Jan. 27	Whitman Col.	5:15 p.m.	Walla Walla, Wa.
Feb. 3	*Oregon Tech	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 4	*So. Oregon	7:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 10	*Concordia	5:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 11	*Warner Pacific	5:30 p.m.	HOME
Feb. 17	*George Fox	5:15 p.m.	Newberg, Ore.
Feb. 18	*West. Oregon	7:30 p.m.	Monmouth, Ore.
Feb. 21	*Eastern Oregon	7:30 p.m.	LaGrande, Ore.
*Cascade Collegiate Conference Game			

Tough Season Comes to a Close

by The Jackhammer

The 1988 NNC women's soccer team ended its mentally frustrating season last weekend in Portland. When the year started the team looked to have the talent and desire to make their season a winning season. By seasons end, the talent, along with the depth, had dwindled due to injuries. But the desire to win was still there. Even against the toughest odds, the team still thought they could win and played the very best they could. The last weekend provided many thrills and memories for the team. The first game was against the East German National Team, or was it Pacific College? Anyway, the team played tough against a team that outweighed them by 75 lbs. per player, but with only 13 players NNC could not pull this one out and they lost, 3-0. The next day was a wild and wet one at Lewis and Clark- home of the female strippers of women's collegiate soccer. Before the game, the team honored its seniors, Helen Bass, Rhonda Gerdes, Michelle Wisely, LuAnne Pederson, and Vivian Reed. Helen, Rhonda, and Michelle have played all four years since

women's soccer started in 1985 at NNC. LuAnne came one year later and gave the team three years of devoted service and Vivian, in her first year ever of organized soccer, played outstanding ball for the Crusaders. The team hopes she'll come back next year. Anyway, on with the game. And what a game it was. After Lewis and Clark scored their first goal all the girls on their team took their shirts off and ran around in their tie-dyed sports bras screaming frantically. You could tell they had been waiting a long time to do that. I can't remember the Lewis and Clark guy's team ever taking off their shorts and running around in their jocks, but then again, I can't remember Lewis and Clark scoring on us either. But the rain started to fall, and so did the team's hopes of a victory as they lost again, 3-0. Although the girl's record was 1-7-1, they still had the best team that NNC has seen and the determination of these girls was something I'll never forget. It was a pleasure for me to be a part of such a great group of girls and athletes that made up the 1988 Women's Soccer Team.

Experience in Morrison Basement Part 2

Vincent S Dickinson

Tony hadn't answered my repeated calls for him to return to the opening. So I searched as deep into the labyrinth as I felt I could. I did not see Tony and I had not found any other openings. I was falling into a state of despair. I decided to return to the opening in the basement of Morrison Hall when a shadow appeared, dwarfing me from behind. It was between myself and the entrance. I could not finish turning to face it. I could not run forward. I could not scream. It drew nearer.

"Tony!" I finally hollered.

I heard a faint reply, seemingly from the recess before me.

"Is that you, Tony?"

"Look out behind you!" I heard him say.

I ran.

I could see only walls before me, and those barely. I successfully navigated through them. I felt a lurid presence closing from behind. I was certain it was the beast.

"Hurry!" I heard Tony yell.

I heeded.

When I turned a corner I was suddenly made aware of an exit. I made for it with an intensity of vigor I cannot now describe. Tony stood bent low at that glorious door awaiting my arrival. As I darted through he slammed the concrete door shut. A violent thump accompanied the slamming. Then we heard a roar of anguish I shall never forget. Indelibly, the memory of the experience was made in my

mind.

We were still in an enclosed area, but Tony appeared to know the way out into the daylight. I took a full minute to catch my breath before speaking at all to my friend.

"Where are we?" I asked.

He pointed out Corlett Hall. I soon gained my bearings and found that we had just come out of the small, dilapidated shack near the maintenance building across from the student center.

"How did we get here?" I asked.

"There's Morrison, right behind us," he said.

I turned and saw the girls' dorm, seeming to laugh at us now. I looked to Tony, and without words, asked him if he had seen, heard, or at all experienced any of these awful and strange things this morning.

"I saw nothing," he said. "I didn't even go to work today."

I began to relax, though, of course, not completely--that, I fear, I shall never again do.

"Coke or Pepsi, Tony?" I asked as we started toward Mav's.

"Let's have RC. I don't need any more conflict."

We took the rest of that day off. And we did not complete our task of cleaning Morrison's basement.

I do not know if anyone took our place down there, but I can tell you that I have not been inside that bizarre building since that horrifying morning. I do not believe that I shall ever go in there again.

Election Day a Holiday

by S.J. McMillan

Prologue: This is an exciting article about balloons, glitter, chorus girls in red, white, and blue spandex, streamers, parties (the kind with cake, not mules and elephants), greeting cards, parades, and sales at K-Mart. This is not a political article, so keep reading. At this time another political article sounds about as interesting and exciting as Christmas in Utah. Most people reading this article have just voted their fingers off so that they won't have to think about anything political for the next four years. Some elected official will do it for them.

This article is about voter turnout, but there are no statistics or facts. It's just fun, fun, fun. "How fun is it?" Well, you may want to cancel your next birthday. It's that fun. So go ahead and read this nonpolitical, noneducational, horrendously exciting, fun article.

What do Americans really get excited about, other than new malls and twelve part mini-series on CBS? Holidays, of course. Americans go to extremes for holidays: shopping, cooking, writing, calling long distance, traveling... Holidays get the national pulse rate going like a lab rat on caffeine. Spending, eating, rude behavior, drunk driving, junk mail, and traffic fatalities all increase when a big holiday happens. In rare togetherness and a haze of holiday cheer the whole nation seems to momentarily break away from a daily routine of spending, eating, rude behavior, drunk driving, junk mail, and traffic fatalities. Holidays are indeed magical.

But what about voting for a president? Is voting for a presi-

dent exciting? No. Voting for a president is something that will be done if the weather is decent, the polling place is near by, there's plenty of parking, and there's no conflicting sale at K-Mart. Voting for a president is of minor importance. One vote doesn't count, why bother?

The problem with poor voter turnout is not a lack of interest, distance of politics, or feelings of powerlessness at "not being able to really affect anything." The problem with poor voter turnout is no Election Day parade and football game on TV, no "Fabulous Feasts for Election Day" articles in Ladies Home Journal or "My Most Memorable Election Day" articles in Reader's Digest. No Andy Williams Election Eve TV specials, no FTD Election Day bouquets. No Election Day sales at K-Mart.

Mass registration drives and "Exercise your freedom: ads won't excite Americans about voting for a president. Red, white, and blue M&M's will. America doesn't need pre-Election Day polls. America needs animated children's specials featuring Little Billy Ballot and friends on their action packed journey to the voting booth.

Election Day needs to be commercialized, and big. There is a little less than four years until the next Election Day, no is the time for all good people to begin turning Election Day into the biggest holiday this side of the Second Coming.

If complete voter turnout is desirable, then voting for a president needs to be desirable. Voting for a president could be made to seem so tragically hip and cool that anyone who didn't vote would be in social shame for a whole presidential term.

It's really quite amazing that the nation's retailers haven't already began Election Day commercialization. Instead of inventing new holidays such as Cousin-in-Law, retailers could tear into Election Day with the same vigor and greed they've successfully used to rape so many other holidays. Election Day falls at a convenient time, too. Halloween is over, and though it's not too early to promote Christmas, it's a bit soon to begin shoving Thanksgiving down the collective consumer throat.

To make Election Day the next big thing, and subsequently

voter turnout a raging success, individuals across America need to begin now. Give suggestions to city and county officials for Election Day celebrations. Begin planning your own traditions to be passed on for generations, perhaps an American flag, void of stars, to which a star could be added for each Presidential Election Day the flag is brought out. It'd be good for 200 years. Maybe you and your family can plan to always vote for any candidate with a "Q" or a "Z" in their name. Get grandpa and grandma to retell amusing tales of Election Days past, or perhaps of Election Days in hard times, when they managed to vote anyway. Whatever you plan to do, do it soon. There are only 1450-some shopping days 'til Election Day.

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Generic

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medication except exactly as it is written. If your doctor doesn't know if the drug you require is available in generic, ask him to allow for the generic substitution anyway. Your pharmacist will know if there is a generic brand available for the drug he stocks. At some point, you may come up against a pharmacist who is reluctant to dispense generics because of some of the negative propaganda that has been circulated.

Stay "consumer aware" and know that this may not be a popular opinion to pharmacists.

The good news about prescription drugs sold under their generic names is that they work as well as their brand-name counterparts and often half the price. That good news makes you happy, but it doesn't please the makers of brand-name drugs. Their goal: Make sure the consumer keeps paying top dollar for brand-name prescription drugs. The major

pharmaceutical companies barrage legislators, doctors' offices and consumers with an unrelenting message: Generic drugs are low in quality and may be packed with fillers that can harm you. Reports in consumer magazines say few distortions in the history of commercial propaganda have cost consumer more money than this fallacy.

So, don't forget to ask; the savings here will be well worth the effort. And you might save a bundle!