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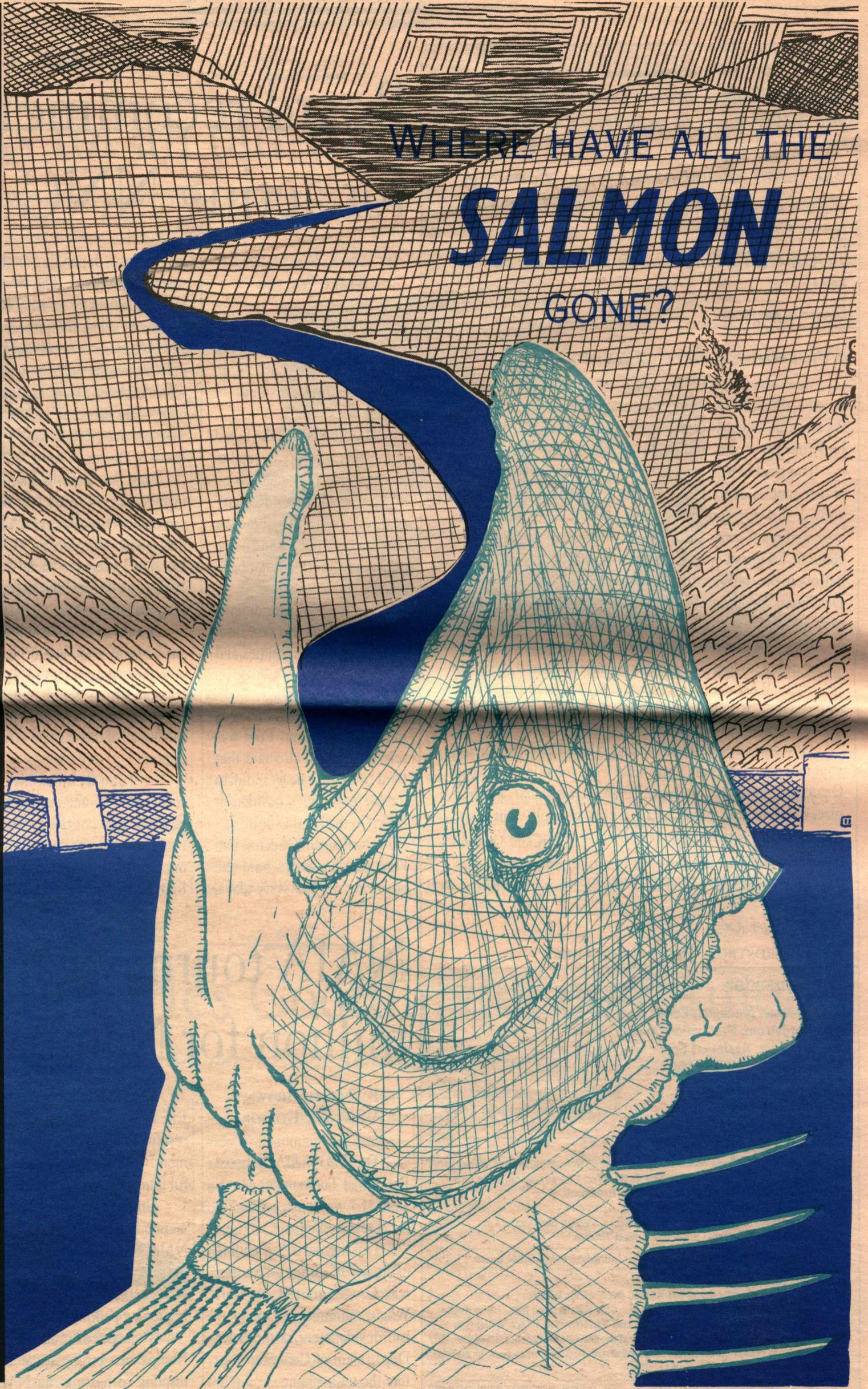
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"The man who reads nothing at all is better educated than the man who reads newspapers." -- Thomas Jefferson



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### Priorities: where are yours?

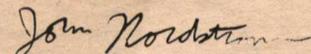
Many things in life are taken for granted. The air we breathe, the water we drink, the warmth of the sun... It seems we often are too busy to enjoy the green of grass, the sound of birds, or rush of a stream filled with salmon (see Cover Story).

The trouble with people today is that time is everything. It eats away at the very core of our existence and takes away our freedom. Instead of writing this, I could be hiking an open trail, water-skiing, or playing basketball out in the cool air. But I have restrictions put upon my life. Deadlines. Assignments. I gotta sleep. I gotta eat. Rush-rush-rush-rush.

Why do we let this happen to us? It is not going to get any better either, unless we can learn to slow down and check our priorities. What really is important to us is each other, love, nature, God. It's spring and it is a good time to check our priorities in the genesis of 1993.

How are you going to find the good life? Does it lurk below your feet as you scan the horizon for what you think you want? Or are you going to reach out and grab what is yours? The best places to find your priorities are within yourself. But if you cannot find them there, check the Bible or maybe Lin Yutang's *The Good Life*.

Are you headed in the right direction?  
Check.



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## COLUMN ONE

## CAMPUS

# Board recommends Ford for acting NNC president

BY ROSCO WILLIAMSON  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Gilbert Ford was recommended by the Board of Directors on Friday, April 16, to serve as acting president of NNC.

The members of the Board of Regents will vote by mail to accept or reject this nomination by April 23. Pending Regents' approval, Ford will assume the position on April 26 and serve until a new president has been elected and takes office.

"He is a veteran administrator, is retiring this year from his teaching responsibilities, and is much loved and respected on the NNC campus," stated Dr. Jim Diehl, Regents Chair, as some of the reasons Ford was selected. Diehl also said that Ford "would not be a candidate for the president's position at NNC" in the coming year.

The Board of Directors told Ford that he would hold the position "maybe sixty days,

maybe more, depending on the selection process." The Board of Regents will be revising the process to select the president and may, in the next two weeks, possibly modify the one used to select Dr. Leon Doane last summer. The office of president was left vacant following the death of Doane on April 7.

Ford has been a faculty member for 43 years and has served as vice president for Academic Affairs for 15 years, 1970-85. He joined the faculty in 1950 with a PhD in Physics from Harvard University.

"I want to be open and listen. I want to go around and visit the students," Ford said. "If something tough comes along, I'm going to pray about it and use all of the wisdom at my disposal."

Ford also feels that his diversity places him at an advantage for this position. "As a faculty member and former administrator, I can see subjects from all angles," he said.

Last Friday morning, Ford was called by the Directors and asked to come to their meeting in Boise to answer some questions. On the way over, Ford says that he began to suspect that the Board had other reasons for requesting his presence at the meeting. His initial thought on being interim president was "that would be fun."

Dr. Ron Kratzer, member of the Board of Directors and vice-chair of the Board of Regents, said of Ford, "As we talked, I sensed that Dr. Ford's deep commitment to NNC is just as fresh as it was in the fifties when I was a student. He will be a strong liaison with the community."

The Board asked Ford to be an "on-campus president," rather than a president that travels to the various conferences and district assemblies.

If elected by the Regents, Ford will teach one course this term while other professors will cover his remaining classes.

## NAIA tourney garners 1.7 million for Nampa economy

BY NAOMI BROWN  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

The 1993 NAIA National Basketball Tournament generated \$1.7 million revenue for the Treasure Valley.

This figure is the ceiling estimate of direct spending which was quoted by Carl Wilgus, administrator of tourism development at the State Department of Commerce before the tournament.

NNC's athletic director, Eric Forseth is pleased with the results of last month's tournament. "We had a very successful tourney," he commented.

Although contractual information between NNC and the NAIA is confidential, Forseth did state that any revenue which NNC receives will go toward improving parking conditions.

When asked how he thinks Nampa area businesses would respond to hosting the NAIA

tournament next year, Forseth responded, "I think they're all excited about the possibility of doing it again, and we are too."

Peggy Davison of the Nampa Chamber of Commerce was also positive with regard to Nampa hosting the 1994 NAIA National Basketball Tournament. "Next year I think there will be more participants wanting to be involved because of the excitement of it," Davison said.

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## REGION

# Craig visits for an old-time town meeting

*U.S. Senator Larry Craig meets with Boise residents to discuss impact of Clinton's economic proposals*

BY WENDY WHITE  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Republican Idaho Senator Larry Craig spoke to Boiseans about President Clinton's proposed budget and health care issues Thursday night at a town meeting.

Using "Ross Perot style" charts and graphs, Craig explained President Clinton's proposed budget to an audience of about 70 people at the Hall of Mirrors.

He "guess-timated" that Clinton's deficit would decrease by 1996 only to increase in 1998 to where it is currently.

"In my opinion, the deficit is not reduced under the Clinton plan but remains stagnant," Craig said. "And he is asking for one of the largest tax increases in history."

Craig voted against the Clinton budget blueprint because the budget would add a quarter of a billion dollars of additional taxes on Idahoans.

"This would be \$250 for

every man, woman, and child," he said.

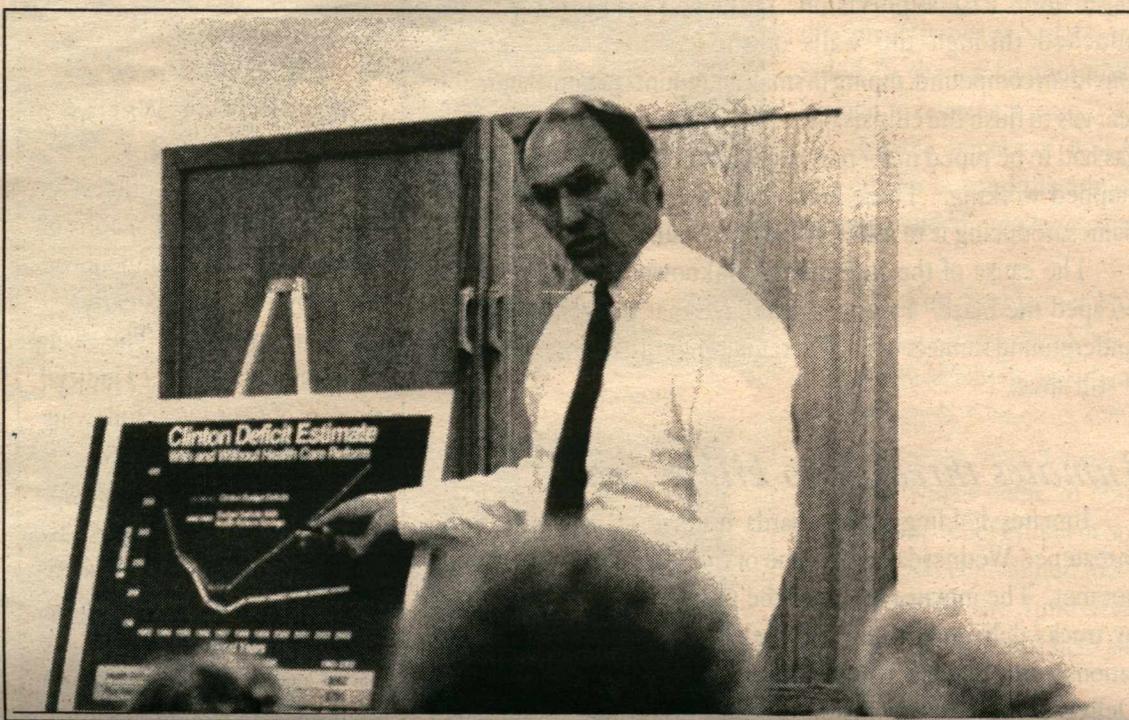
He also predicted utility rate increases of up to \$500 yearly on an Idaho family of four.

Another reason Craig gave for his opposition to the Clinton budget is the proposed cut in defense. "You don't balance the budget by cutting defense," he said.

Craig then asked for questions and comments from the audience. Most people were curious about what could be done to reduce the deficit, Clinton's proposed summer jobs "economic stimulus" plan, and health care.

"It seems that when we give entitlements it becomes a necessity. There's nothing expected back, and that's what troubles me," said one member from the audience.

Craig said the system discourages people from becoming self-sufficient and said he supports reducing entitlements in relation to the amounts recipients earn.



U.S. Senator Larry Craig speaks to Boisians, explaining Clinton's estimate of the federal deficit (Matt Johnson)

Some members from the audience voiced that they saw the stimulus package as being necessary because of the high unemployment rate. Craig disagreed. "When we reconvene next week, I am going to vote to block it because I don't understand how we can effectively stimulate the economy with this package," he said.

As far as health care is concerned, Craig said he supports tax credits and vouchers to help pay for medical care, and he wants an emphasis on preventative care.

"My idea is to keep some private marketplace at work in the system," Craig said.

Boise was number fourteen of the seventeen town meetings

that Craig has sponsored during Congress' Easter break and Craig said that he appreciated those who attended the meeting.

"We covered a lot of Idaho issues," Craig said. "Town meetings give me a chance to hear what people think about issues affecting us all. When I hear what Idahoans are saying, it helps me do my job better."

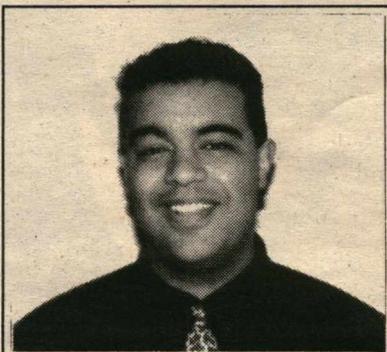
## CAMPUS

# Campus Ministries Coordinator confirmed

*PLAY BY PLAY: Antras appoints Hanna; Senate rejects him; Antras appoints Hanna again; Senate changes its mind*

BY DAVE MCEWEN  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Senate approved all of new ASNNC President Carlos Antras's appointees on the first try except one, John Hanna. Hanna, Antras's first choice for the position of Campus Ministries Coordinator, had to wait until the day before he left for National Student Leadership Conference in Tennessee to find out that Senate had approved him.



John Hanna, ASNNC's new Campus Ministries Coordinator (Brad Nelson)

Hanna, a Junior from Denver, Colorado, brings much outside experience to the job of CMC.

With two years of counseling at Golden Bell ranch in Divide, Colorado, and two years as a Chapman Hall RA under his belt, Hanna, who is currently the interim youth pastor in the Ontario Church of the Nazarene, feels that he has, "A real heart for God and for the school."

Hanna got to know Antras, who is also a Chapman RA, while working with him this year, "My vision and Carlos's vision for the spiritual needs of the school is the same," said Hanna, "From

this position, I feel that I can reach more students for God." Both he and Antras have announced that they will, while not working as RAs, live in Chapman next year, so as not to lose touch with the freshman class.

Hanna is "bursting" with ideas for this year; he wants to work out a program in conjunction with the Crusader to give the student body a daily devotional booklet.

He also wants to work with

Matt McCaslin, ASNNC Publicity Director, to bring more publicity to the ministries clubs, and wants to bring more quality to the Time-Out program.

"I'm really looking forward to working with John, and everything next year has in store," commented Gene Schandorff, Director of Campus Ministries, on Monday.

"John has talked to me about some exciting changes for the upcoming year," Schandorff added.

## NATION

*Eighty dead in Waco cult compound*

A fire at the Davidian compound in Waco, Texas, killed eighty and wounded nine early Monday morning. Twenty-five children were reported dead.

Under FBI supervision, tanks punched through the walls of the Davidian compound, piping in small amounts of non-flammable tear gas to flush the cultists out. The officials calculated that tear gas had to be piped in for only eight hours before their gas masks stopped working. Three hours later the compound burst into flames, reducing it to ashes within the hour.

The cause of the fire remains unknown. Only 2 of the 95 escaped the blaze. FBI agents believe that the compound had underground tunnels where the remaining cultists could have hid, if still alive.

*Inmates threaten to kill guard*

Inmates holding eight guards hostage at an Ohio Prison threatened Wednesday to kill one of them if their demands were not met. The inmates received the prescribed daily food rations by trucks delivered to the far side of the prison entrance. The rations were provided in hopes of stimulating further negotiations. Delivery men allowed inside the prison said that the hostages appeared to be in good condition.

*Clinton trims job stimulus package*

President Clinton cut nearly \$4 billion off of his \$16 billion plus plan this week in an appeal to filibustering Senate Republicans. Clinton tried to promote the idea by throwing in \$200 million toward rehiring 10,000 police officers laid off during the recession. Senator Dole, who is leading a GOP-snob of Clinton's compromise stimulus plan, said that the package would have to be stripped down even further to have any shot at passage. Clinton has offered to allow a separate vote on the part of the plan providing for jobless aid extension, the primary aspect of controversy in the plan.

## WORLD

*Serbs force Muslim collapse*

Muslim forces caved in to a Serb siege and signed a truce in Srebrenica. Many of the Bosnian town's fighters resented the truce, which permits aid and evacuations but amounts to a virtual surrender. Bosnia's Serb leader vowed to honor the truce but threatened to boycott further U.N.-sponsored peace talks. The Security Council voted Saturday to tighten sanctions next week against the Yugoslav government.

*Violence continues in South Africa*

Fifteen South Africans were killed and 12 wounded in shooting attacks in a black township near Johannesburg. Police recovered a car that they said had been used in most of the shootings. Meanwhile, thousands of mourners paid their last respects to assassinated South African black leader Chris Hani. His burial was scheduled for April 19.

Newsbriefs compiled by Laurie Mehrwein and Charlie Gibson

## BRIEFLY . . .

# Two officers found guilty in Rodney King trial

By RYAN PITTS  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Two of the four officers on trial for the infamous beating of Rodney King were announced guilty by a federal jury early last Saturday morning. The decision was reached after a judicial process of over a year following the March 1991 incident.

Sgt. Stacey Koon, the supervisor at the scene of the beating was one of those convicted. Koon faces up to a 10-year prison sentence and \$250,000 in fines on charges of allowing King's civil rights to be violated.

Officer Laurence Powell, who delivered 45 of the 56 baton blows captured on the crucial videotape, was convicted of personally violating the civil rights of Rodney King. He also faces up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines.

The remaining two officers involved in the beating, Theodore Briseno and Timothy Wind, were found not guilty. Briseno was seen stomping on the prone King at one point on the videotape, but later appeared to be asking the other officers to stop beating the victim. Wind, a rookie officer fired immediately following the incident, was not considered to have played a major role in the occurrence.

Many differences were evident between the original state trial, which resulted in an acquittal and three days of rioting in the city of Los Angeles, and the recent federal trial.

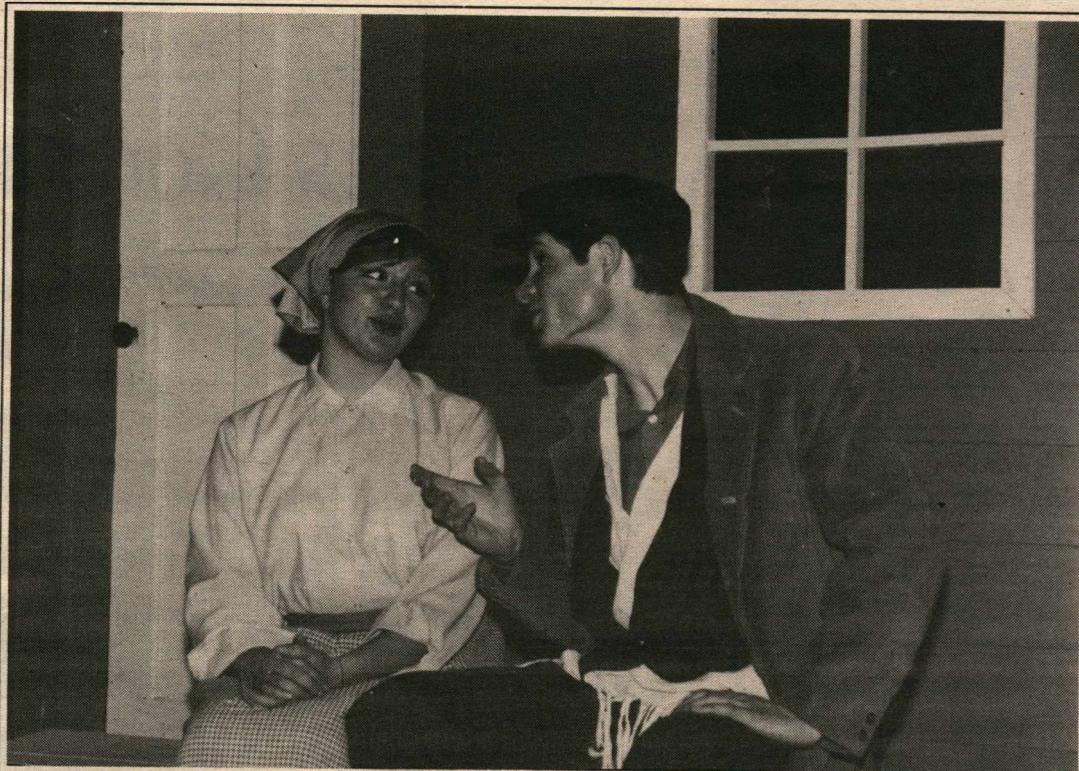
The testimony of Rodney King himself was a key to the ultimate conviction of Koon and Powell. "He gave a human face to the huddled figure in the tape," said Alan Jenkins, assis-

tant counsel at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. King had not been called to the witness stand in the previous state trial.

Another crucial element in reaching the verdict was the decision by the defense to put only Sgt. Koon on the stand. By placing responsibility for King's arrest on Koon, the prosecution was effectively allowed to tie him to a guilty verdict of any of the other officers.

The slightly more racially diverse jury was praised for their careful and thoughtful deliberation. "The jury did its job intelligently, wisely and with some sensitivity," explained David Ginsburg, executive director of the Kerner Commission. "As far as outsiders could see, this is what the evidence indicated; that two men were closer to guilt and two men were closer to innocence."

## CAMPUS

*Northwesterners to present "Fiddler on the Roof"*

"Fiddler on the Roof" will come to life in NNC's Science Lecture Hall on May 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11 as the Northwesterners present their annual musical. Lane Bottemiller (pictured above) plays Tevye, a Russian Jew who must come to grips with the changing society and ways of tradition at the turn of the century. Kathy Roemhildt plays Tevye's wife, Golde. All tickets are reserved, available through the NNC Music Office, 467-8413. (Photo courtesy of the Northwesterners)

## CAMPUS

# Nazarene student leaders gather at NSLC

*ASNNC's new Executive Council travels to Nashville to exchange ideas and develop leadership skills*

By D.M. BOMAR  
MANAGING EDITOR

Twelve NNC students joined more than sixty leaders from 11 other Nazarene institutions last week as the annual Nazarene Student Leadership Conference (NSLC) convened on the campus of Trevecca Nazarene College in Nashville, Tennessee. The purpose of the four day conference is to share ideas, develop leadership skills, and create a sense of unity among the schools.

The NNC delegation, which included the newly selected 1993-94 ASNNC Executive Council and current president Rosco Williamson, returned Sunday.

"I really enjoyed NSLC because I had the chance to exchange ideas with presidents from other schools," said Carlos Antras, who was elected ASNNC President two weeks ago. "It really gave me motivation."

NNC's delegation said the conference was very helpful in developing student government ideas and building unity among the new council members.

"Our group received a spiritual tightness," said Matt Thomas, ASNNC's new business manager.

"NSLC was an awesome opportunity to meet the other spiritual life leaders," said John Hanna, whose appointment as Campus Ministries Coordinator was confirmed by the ASNNC Senate just seven hours before takeoff. "I'm really confident in our leadership and in the other Nazarene schools."

The conference is centered around small group meetings that give student leaders the opportunity to discuss ideas with others who hold the same job at different schools. Delegates also meet as a large group to conduct NSLC elections and other business.

But in addition to all the seminars and workshops, NSLC



Matt, Kristen, Kevin and Hollie find time for lunch during NSLC (Amy Lancaster)



NNC student leaders gather in Nashville at the annual leadership conference

delegates made room for play and visited Opryland on Saturday.

"NSLC was a good way for us to exchange ideas about

school activities -- and it all happened in the midst of serious country music. What could be better?" commented Hollie Tieg, newly appointed Com-

munity Relations Coordinator.

According to Williamson, the fun activities at NSLC provided "a chance for the NNC council to become a team."

But the impact of NSLC extends far beyond the annual meeting and the college campuses.

The Kurt Finkbeiner Memorial Fast, named after NNC's 1988-89 student body president, was started at NSLC in 1986. This year, more than \$5,000 was raised in Kurt's name to help fund famine relief efforts in Somalia. NNC contributed more than \$700 to the fundraiser through last month's first annual Love Auction.

Another project originating from NSLC is CAUSE. (College And University Students Sharing Experiences), a program which organizes work and witness projects for Nazarene institutions. Last year, CAUSE sent several teams of students to Russia. 1993's mission target is the Dominican Republic.

## WORLD

# Clinton's service plan to impact U.S. colleges

By KAREN NEUSTADT  
COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

President Clinton's national service program has drawn criticism from some educators who fear it might cheapen the moral value of community service. However, other educators say they're betting the plan will fire up student altruism like never before.

The national service program will give college loan credit in exchange for students' work, before or after college, in projects such as rebuilding neighborhoods, cleaning up the environment and tutoring disadvantaged children.

The White House wants 25,000 students participating in service projects in fiscal year 1994 at a federal cost of \$400 million. The numbers would grow to an estimated 100,000 students in fiscal year 1997 at an annual cost of \$3.4 billion. Many details, however, still need to be worked out.

Patricia McGuire, president of Trinity College in Washington, said she has ethical questions about trading off community service to absorb student loans.

"My concern is that the value of service as a moral teaching tool will be diminished if it becomes a means for reducing

loan burden," McGuire said. "It would be wrong for the Clinton administration to present the opportunity to do service primarily as a way to reduce student loans."

The White House, which will release further information on the new program in the next couple of months, is enlisting support from the college community as it attempts to push the plan through Congress.

"It is a simple message to the college student: this is their program, it is designed with their input, their creativity, and it is based on the knowledge that they can change this country to meet the unmet needs out

there," said White House spokesman Ethan Zindler.

The new initiative will trade one or two years of community service for financial assistance and will most likely affect the neediest U.S. students.

McGuire, of Trinity College, said the plan puts too much emphasis on service instead of talking about the hard question, which is, "Why does it cost so much to go to college?" she said.

The program also emphasized aid to the neediest students. It's not fair to deprive middle- and upper-class students of the opportunities to serve the community, McGuire

said. "We are missing the boat if we key a service program to financial need."

Betty Alverson of Furman University in Greenville, S.C. knows the pitfalls and rewards of programs that use students for community volunteer work. She has taken a wait-and-see stance until she knows more details about the program.

"I think it can work, but it will take a lot of supervision," Alverson said. "It's not so simple. Someone will have to supervise the volunteers very closely or the program will do more harm than good. I think students should serve first and then go to college."

## EDITORIALS

*Escort service lacks support*

The Escort Service at NNC has been an interesting experiment in volunteer work. Unfortunately, students were faced with very limited service last term. The main problem was manpower. Originally, three volunteers would sit and wait for a call and would be replaced by a relief halfway through the night.

Last term, several volunteers quit, and those who stayed weren't there all the time. For the first few weeks, the Escort Service was very unreliable. This affected the remainder of the term. The volunteers who stuck with the program got frustrated with the longer time and the relative inflexibility of their schedules. The drop in Escort Service users was marked as well. It was a vicious circle: the few people that stayed and helped were frustrated by the people who had originally used the service and had lost faith in it.

As students, we need to communicate with Eric Ely and Dr. Ken Hills and tell them whether this service is a necessity or something we'd rather do without. It is unfair to the faithful volunteers to keep them working if no one uses the Escort Service. It is also unfair to those who desire escorts to provide haphazard, halfhearted service.

*(If you have at least one free night a week and would like to help with the Escort Service, please contact Eric Ely in the Student Development Office.)*

*Professors, administrators, and staff are missed at chapel*

Dr. Doane was loved, honored, and respected by all. On more than one occasion (many, in fact), Gene Schandorff, Director of Campus Ministries, received chapel cards praising Doane for his obvious concern for the well-being and sense of community on the NNC campus.

This concern was most readily seen in his frequent appearances in chapel. As chapel time becomes a time when we as a college gather to share the experience of community, we realize that no amount of beautiful singing, preaching, or testimonies will replace what is sorely missing in our family: our professors, administrators, and staff who cannot find the time to attend chapel.

The life of anyone involved in an active college campus, whether students or faculty, is an extremely busy one. We are often running about, trying to accomplish tasks at break-neck speed, wishing we could pull moments out of thin air to give us just a little more time.

But in this hurried world we need to remember our focus and the reason why NNC is so dear to us. We could get an education elsewhere; we could find friends and jobs in other states, at other colleges. NNC is special to us because, as a campus community, we care for one another. Nowhere is this more evident than in chapel.

Especially at this time of transition, we need to band together as a community; but we're missing the most important part: you.

The above editorials express the opinions of The Crusader. Signed editorials and letters reflect the opinions of solely the writer.  
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## OUR VIEWS

Dear Mr. President,

I was going to send you some money to help pay off the NATIONAL DEBT like that VILLELLA kid, but then I thought about how Congress is always giving themselves pay raises with OUR money, so I went out and bought me some new clothes and a couple of compact discs instead. Enclosed is a bill for \$ 214.73.

Thank You.



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## COMMENTARY

# Earth Day should be celebrated EVERY day

BY KONA LEW  
STAFF WRITER

Thursday, April 22, marks the 23rd anniversary of Earth Day which does not compare to the earth's age but was established to create an awareness to all its habitants. Although each of us is not an avid Earth saver, we can do our part to help mother earth make it through another year.

The point here is not helping the earth one day, but spending a little time each day so Earth Day is spread throughout the year. Instead of throwing your pop can in the trash, place it in a recycling bin located in your dorm lobby or in other places on campus. It takes a few extra seconds, but does so much to help the environment. When you need to throw away papers, bundle them up and drop them off at the computer lab or even make a trip on your bicycle to Fred Meyer.

NNC needs to do its job in helping the environment by providing more recycling bins

throughout the campus, and making students, staff, and professors aware of the necessity of recycling. It takes an effort by everyone to make this possible, perhaps ASNNC can find ways to help fund a recycling program on campus.

In the Sunday edition of the Idaho Statesman there were statistics on daily water use:

Shower: 6 to 10 gallons a minute (without a low-flow shower head)

Handwashing: 3 gallons

Brushing teeth: 10 gallons

Shaving: 20 gallons

Bath tub (full): 36 gallons

Dishwashing by hand: 30 gallons

Washing machine: 35 to 50 gallons

Flushing toilet: between 3

1/2 and 7 gallons per flush. With this bit of information in mind, perhaps you better think before you turn on the sink and brush our teeth. Get the brush wet, brush and spit and rinse. By only turning the water on twice,

you will be able to save, save, save.

Native Americans worshipped nature and gave back what they took. I am not saying you should

worship the earth, but just give back to mother earth and you will be rewarded by the beautiful morning when the birds are chirping and there is not a drop of trash on the ground.

But seriously folks, take time to find ways to help recycle and keep the environment trash free and remember every day is Earth Day.



COMMENTARY

# National service could change the United States

BY DR. STEVE SHAW  
SPECIAL TO THE CRUSADER

A week ago Monday, President Bill Clinton, calling upon his fellow citizens to join him in "a great American adventure," declared that "national service is nothing less than the American way to change America." As part of his effort to reform college-student financial aid in the United States, Mr. Clinton announced at Rutgers University in New Jersey, upon the 32nd anniversary of President John Kennedy's creation of the Peace Corps, a "1990s GI Bill" that will enable, if enacted by Congress, college students to pay for part of their college education by performing community service work.

The proposal deserves strict scrutiny. The idea of some kind of

national service, especially beyond the narrow confines of national service defined as military service, is an idea with an impressive historical lineage. It's also one that by its very nature is complex and controversial.

George Washington was an advocate of some form of national service, which in his day primarily meant military service. The British philosopher John Stuart Mill in the mid-19th century argued that "every one who receives the protection of society owes a return for the benefit, and the fact of living in a society renders it indispensable that each should be bound to observe a certain line of conduct toward the rest."

Of course, just what that "return" is and what that "certain line of conduct toward the rest" of the community entails are difficult matters to define. In 1910, the Harvard

philosopher William James put forth the proposition that Americans owed something in return to their country in an essay titled, "The Moral Equivalent of War." James sought for that ingredient, beyond fighting in war itself, that would be its functional, moral equivalent in terms of committing the citizenry to some form of national service.

Since the 1980s, the idea of national or community service has appeared again on the nation's political agenda. In 1983 the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching proposed community service for high school students as a graduation requirement. Since the presidential campaign of 1988, both major political parties have announced their support for national service. In January 1989, Sen. Sam Nunn, Democrat of Georgia, intro-

duced a Citizenship and National Service Bill.

More recently, William F. Buckley Jr. has joined the chorus of advocates for national service. In his 1990 treatise, "Gratitude: Reflections On What We Owe To Our Country," Mr. Buckley argued, "Materialistic democracy beckons every man to make himself a king; republican citizenship incites every man to be a knight. National service, like gravity, is something we could accustom ourselves to, and grow to love."

In a chapter in his book, *On Changing the National Ethos*, Mr. Buckley concludes, "If we are engaged in promoting national service, we are engaged in the subtle business of trying to shape the national ethos." He's right, and this is exactly what President Clinton is trying to

do. He's hoping to effect a change in national attitudes. Moreover, he's betting such a change already is under way, and he's trying to surfer like, to ride what he hopes is the crest of the wave of support for some kind of national service.

The difficult part, in large measure, is to move from proposal to policy, from rhetoric to reality in putting such an idea into effect. The effort, as noted, deserves close attention, for it gets at the heart of the state of our modern republic and the degree to which and manner in which we all are able to see beyond ourselves. There are numerous risks involved with such an idea, such as turning national service and communitarian commitment into some kind of idolatrous worship. But at this point in our nation's existence, the risk looks worth it.

LETTERS

## A note from the heart

Dear Editor:

I have never written an article for the school paper, local paper, or any national paper, and hope I never have to write one again. The only reason I'm writing this response is for clarification concerning the article written last week "STUDENT DEVELOPMENT OR STUDENT MANIPULATION."

First, I want to clarify who the "Student

Development Official" was that talked with Diana Nikkel concerning removal of a poster. It was I, Eric Ely, 100%!

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Finally, I'd like to thank The Crusader from my heart for being there during this once in a lifetime experience.

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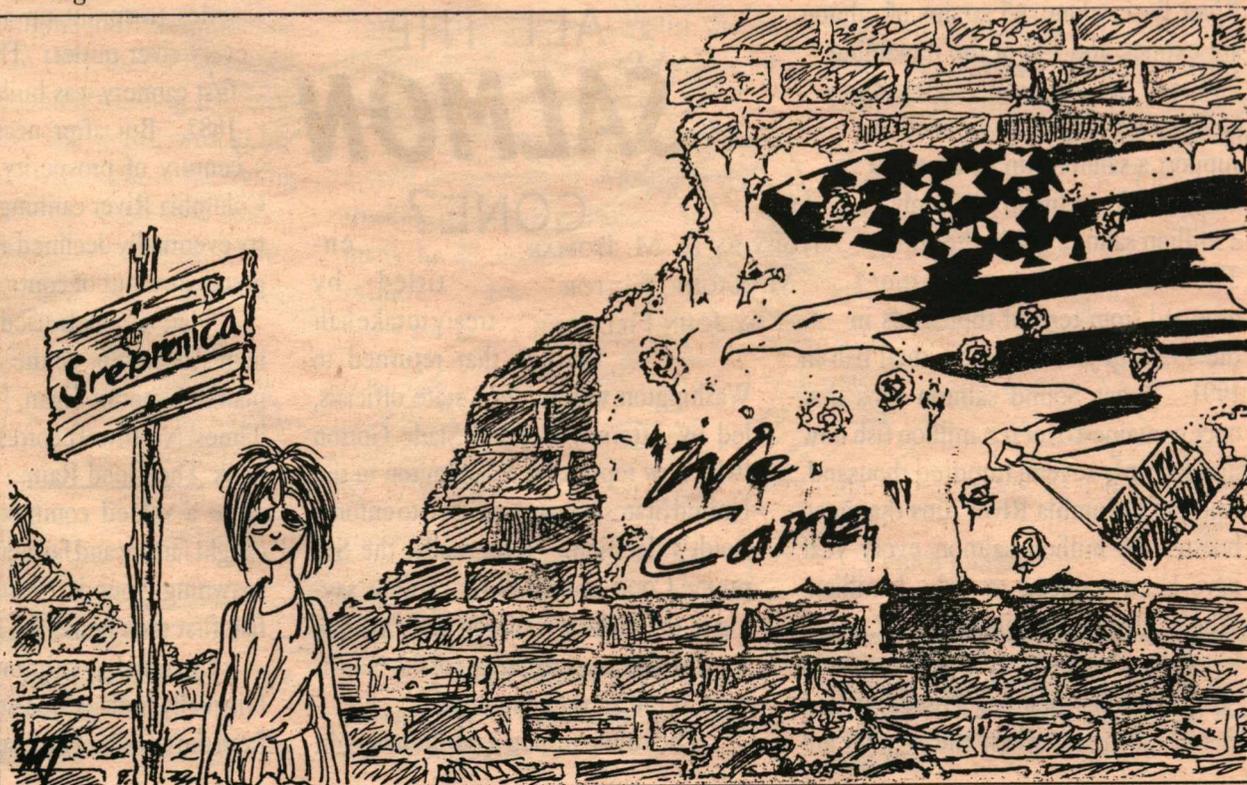
## QUOTABLE

*"Redefining social problems as public health problems is exactly what was done in Nazi Germany"*

--PETER BREGGIN

*"It is beneath contempt to be running for cover when scholars are trying to share their views"*

--RICHARD HERRNSTEIN



**“CAUTION:** Low-flying fish!” Regular customers at Pike Place Fish in Seattle, Washington, know that the sign is not a joke. They holler out their order for steelhead, salmon, squid, oysters, crab, geoduck, or any

other delicacy of the sea, and then duck their heads as a professional fish-flyer sends their purchase soaring over ice-filled display tables, sidewalks, and the glass-enclosed counter to a professional fish-catcher who weighs the order and rings up the price.

Salmon flights are the most popular. According to Keith, a veteran fish-flyer, “Everybody is buying salmon.” Half of Pike Place Fish’s total volume sales is salmon, he says, “and that’s not even including the crab.” During the summer, when business booms, the company sells an average of 1100 to 1200 pounds of salmon each day.

Salmon hold a rich heritage in the Northwest. The salmon is the great icon of the Northwest, nature’s revelation of the miraculous, the sacred sustainer of the Indians for nearly 10,000 years. But salmon may soon be listed under the United States Endangered Species Act. The American Fisheries Society estimates that at least 214 salmon populations are in danger. In the Columbia River Basin alone, 65 strains of salmon are extinct, and 143 of the remaining 200 are in decline. British Columbia’s Fraser River used to support a salmon run of up to 40 million sockeye, but in 1990, only 2 million salmon made the run. The Snake River’s sockeye run dropped from tens of thousands in the 1920s to just four individual fish in 1991. Puget Sound salmon runs that once contained over ten million fish now number only several hundred thousand. And the Columbia River runs that once boasted 16 million salmon every year have been reduced to only 2 million. Where have all the salmon gone?

Billy Frank, Jr. is a sixty-year-old Nisqually tribal member. His father used to tell him that “when the salmon are

gone, there will be no more Indians.” That time may be coming all too soon.

The salmon decline certainly could not have been foreseen by Frank’s ancestors, who signed a treaty in 1854 with Washington’s first governor, Isaac Stevens. The treaty gave land to white settlers, but protected the Nisqually’s access to their salmon run for eternity.

When Frank was 13, he and his father were arrested as poachers by Washington state game wardens. It was the first of forty years worth of incidents that would ultimately send Frank before the United

States Supreme Court.

In 1970, Frank and other Indians whose ancestors had signed the original treaty with Governor Stevens filed a federal suit against Washington state. For three years, Judge George Boldt heard testimony about “the salmon as god, the salmon as food, the salmon as cultural icon, the salmon as the source of all things good in the Northwest.”

When it was all over, Boldt ruled that the Indians were

## WHERE HAVE ALL THE SALMON GONE?

STORY BY D. M. BOMAR

MANAGING EDITOR

ART BY JOHN FILLMORE

entitled by treaty to take half the fish that returned to Washington waters. But state officials, led by Attorney General Slade Gorton (who now represents Washington in the United States Senate), refused to enforce Boldt’s decision. Eventually, the Supreme Court upheld Boldt’s ruling, saying in the majority opinion that “salmon were as necessary to natives of the Northwest as the air they breathed.”

The ruling turned a traditional right

into a legal right. Before the decision, Indians took just 5% of Washington’s fish. Today they take half. Billy Frank, Jr. is now the chairman of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission and a close advisor to the state’s governor. He tells his people to get ready. “Get your smokehouses back in shape. Don’t forget the ceremonies. That guy, the salmon, he’s coming back.”

Frank carefully watches the Columbia River, waiting for “that guy, the salmon” to return. Except for the Mississippi, no river in North America is more powerful than the mighty Columbia. At one time, the Columbia also carried the biggest chinook run the world had ever known. It was the main highway of a fish interstate system that stretched over one thousand river miles inland from the Pacific coast. From the Columbia, the returning salmon journeyed through the Snake to the desert of Southern Idaho, up to the Okanogan River of Canada, and all points in between.

Chinook salmon are

tasty fish. The world took a big bite of Columbia River chinook and clamored for more, causing canneries to sprout up at every river outlet. The first cannery was built in 1887. But after nearly a century of prosperity, the Columbia River canning industry eventually declined as salmon greed grew out of control.

“The chinook used to be taken at man’s doorstep, at the waterfalls,” explains Timothy Egan, The New York Times’ Northwest correspondent, in his book *The Good Rain*. “As salmon became a valued commodity, they were caught farther and farther away from their spawning grounds. Whoever got to the fish first took home the biggest prize.”

Currently, salmon born at the Nisqually Indians’ doorstep are snatched from the middle of the ocean — by Ameri-

cans off the Washington coast, Canadians off Vancouver Island, Russians off Siberia, and Japanese dragging forty-mile long driftnets. Environmental writer Peter Steinhart, formerly an *Audobon Magazine* columnist, reports that 20 million salmon are illegally caught off the coasts of Washington, Oregon, and California.

But the greatest killers of fish are dams. In 1933, the federal government commissioned what would be hailed as the greatest public works plan in history: a scheme to tame the Columbia and bring electricity to farms in the river’s three-state basin.

According to Egan, the United States Army Corps of Engineers planned “nothing less than radical surgery — a 50 year operation that would involve ripping open the chest of the Northwest and redirecting the main artery.” Within half a century, 14 major dams were constructed on the Columbia and 13 on the Snake. And today, 136 dams pinch the Columbia and its tributaries to form what is more or less a 1000-mile-long reservoir. The largest of the dams, the Grand Coulee, stands 46 stories high, runs a mile across, took eight years to build, and is heralded as the biggest thing ever built by man.

The outcome of this radical surgery was a vast energy supply that feeds the Northwest 62% of its power at costs 40% below the national average. The Columbia system provides over one-third of all United States hydropower and sends electricity as far away as southern California. Supplying nearly one-fifth of the world’s electricity, hydropower is certainly an effective means of providing a great deal of energy at low rates. But the price tag on the Northwest’s

energy didn’t include the environmental cost of losing more than half the natural salmon spawning grounds of the Columbia River network. As dams became the new symbols of the Northwest — cheap power for the people — they nearly killed the old symbols — salmon.

The Northwest Power Planning



Council (NPPC) attributes 75% of the salmon loss to the dams. "King salmon are among the most durable creatures of nature, strong-willed and single-minded when the spawning urge sends them upriver, but no fish can scale a five-hundred-foot-high dam," Egan explains bluntly.

Not only do returning adult fish face difficulties in climbing the dams, but young, seaward fish have trouble getting past the dams and out to the Pacific. At least 97% of the salmon that leave upriver spawning grounds die before they make it to the mouth of the Columbia. The Grand Coulee Dam alone backs up the river for 151 miles, creating the enormous Roosevelt Lake with its 600 miles of shoreline. Reservoirs such as these are too warm and too full of predators for the young salmon, and many waste away behind the dams because there is not enough current to help them along.

In addition, the young salmon die by the hundreds of thousands in the dams' turbines. "Imagine swimming through a giant food-processor," comments Brad Knickerbocker, a writer for the Christian Science Monitor. The dams are "a near-perfect fish-killing machine," Edward Chaney told Egan for a New York Times article. Chaney is a fisheries consultant and salmon expert from Eagle, Idaho. "The fish are trapped by what is arguably the most costly and socially destructive engineering screw-up in the history of mankind."

To fix the mistake, a new downstream fish hatchery was built for every loss of a run. The idea was simple. A ripe female is cut open, her eggs are dumped into a bucket, and the milt of the male is squeezed over them. According to Egan, it was "quick sex, but it worked."

Today, 75% of the Colum-

poor quality fish."

Indians feel that hatchery fish are smaller, dumber, and slower to respond to predators. Also, after two to four generations, hatchery fish seem not to reproduce well in the wild. And after eight to ten generations, fewer seem to return from the oceans. Although it was supposed to fix the big screw-up, hatcheries increased the spread of disease and accelerated the annihilation of wild fish.

Nonetheless, Northwest taxpayers must foot the bill. United States Senator Mark Hatfield of Oregon said in February that the region is facing a rate increase of 11-15% in 1993 partly because of salmon run restoration programs. In 1980, Congress gave salmon equal footing with the dams. This historic move directed Northwest states to try and restore the Columbia River salmon runs "by whatever means possible." As preliminary attempts, new fish ladders were built — salmon could actually climb them — and spawning areas were protected from further dredging.

But these measures are not nearly enough to save the dying salmon. Last February 28, The Idaho Statesman reported that a handful of options is being considered by the National Marine Fisheries Services, the agency charged with saving the runs, and a decision is expected within a few months. These options range from constructing special canals and pipelines to using sound waves as salmon guides to towing fish downstream in a large net-pen.

By far the most controversial plan of all is the reservoir drawdown proposal, which involves letting water out of four Snake River reservoirs each spring to increase streamflows and flush the salmon to the ocean. In 1991, the NPPC passed two amendments calling for reservoir drawdowns to begin in the spring of 1995 unless they are proven to

drawdowns lies with the Army Corps of Engineers, which operates the dams. Nola Conway, Public Affairs Specialist for the Walla Walla District of the Corps, says that drawdown tests are currently being conducted to evaluate the environmental and economic impact of drawdowns. The Corps has reported to the NPPC that dam renovations necessary for annual drawdowns would cost between \$1.3 billion and \$4.9 billion over construction schedules of 14 to 17 years.

Despite the high price tag, Idaho Governor Cecil Andrus is fighting for the drawdowns, asserting that the "fish face almost certain death" if current conditions persist. He said

"THE SECRET OF LIFE IN THE NORTHWEST RUNS IN PACKS OF SILVER."  
--TIMOTHY EGAN,  
THE GOOD RAIN

repeatedly that Idaho may soon file suit against the National Marine Fisheries Service to press for action. "I see no signs of hope unless a judge steps in and hits them smack in the mouth," Andrus said.

But, even if a court orders the drawdowns, who will pay for them? Bonneville Power Administration chief Randy Hardy says the loss of power and commerce isn't justified until more evidence shows that the drawdowns will, in fact, work. Hardy's approach is not anti-fish. He supports the NPPC's salmon recovery plan, which hopes to restore the salmon runs by restricting fish harvests and managing hatcheries more effectively, but Andrus, the Sierra Club, and other drawdown advocates feel that this plan is not enough. They feel that efforts to save fish should focus on dams, which are responsible for at least 90% of salmon deaths.

The Army Corps of Engineers' preference to drawdowns is barging and trucking the fish downstream. As many as 20 million salmon are bussed

But Norman Quinn, a fisheries professor at the University of Washington, maintains that "when young salmon swim downstream, they pick up a biological map which will later guide them home." He believes that trucking the fish through this crucial period in their lives leaves them naive and more vulnerable to predators. According to Conway, however, fish that were barged as juveniles are, indeed, returning to their original spawning grounds. "We are seeing the numbers increasing," she says.

Conway admits that the dambuilders goofed. "We built these without thinking," she says. "The Corps definitely contributed to the damage of the runs."

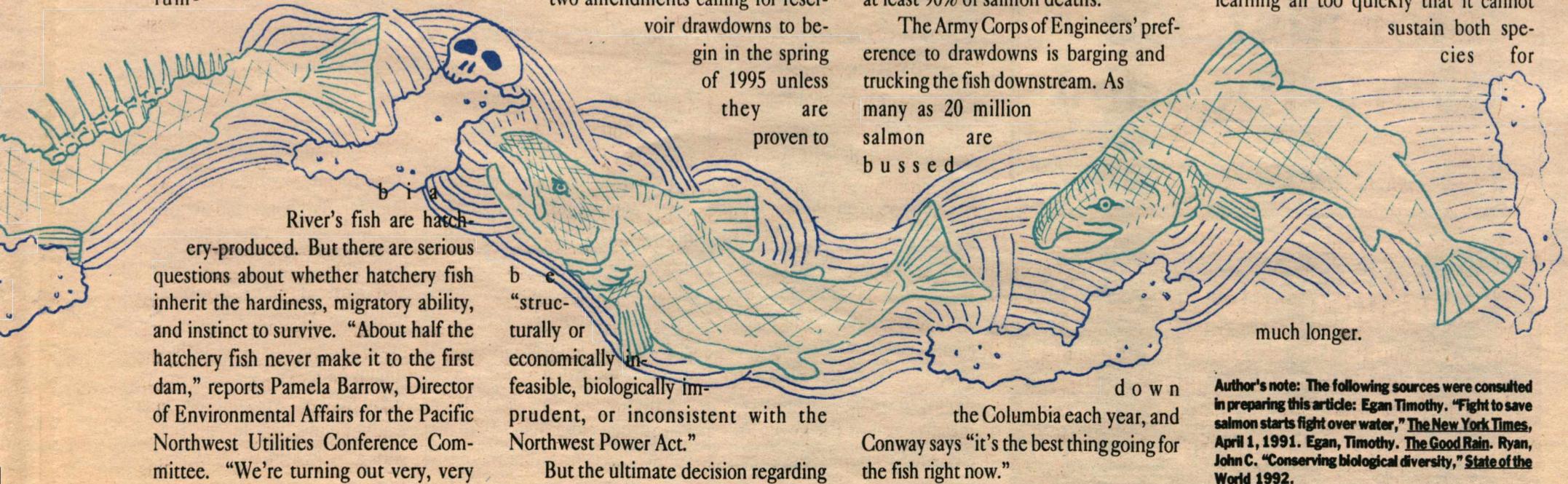
But that was "a time when we didn't pay as much attention to the environment," she quickly adds. "Now we're making up for that." Her sentiments are not widely supported, however. Senator Hatfield said that "the Corps of Engineers continues to hide behind a bureaucratic curtain and pretend that it has no responsibility to change the very operations which are killing these fish."

According to Egan, "at the dedication of the Grand Coulee Dam, much was made of the fact that the first electricity to go out was used to power the new washing machine of an Indian woman.... But she didn't need a washing machine as much as she needed a free river." Billy Frank, Jr., agrees with Egan. "They talk about cheap electricity. Hydropower. It's not cheap. It's all been paid for by the salmon," he says. "When these lights come on, a salmon comes flying out."

There are two kinds of fish: the kind that comes flying out when we flip a light switch and the kind that flies overhead at Pike Place Market. The Northwest is learning all too quickly that it cannot sustain both species for

much longer.

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River's fish are hatchery-produced. But there are serious questions about whether hatchery fish inherit the hardiness, migratory ability, and instinct to survive. "About half the hatchery fish never make it to the first dam," reports Pamela Barrow, Director of Environmental Affairs for the Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference Committee. "We're turning out very, very

structurally or economically infeasible, biologically imprudent, or inconsistent with the Northwest Power Act."

But the ultimate decision regarding

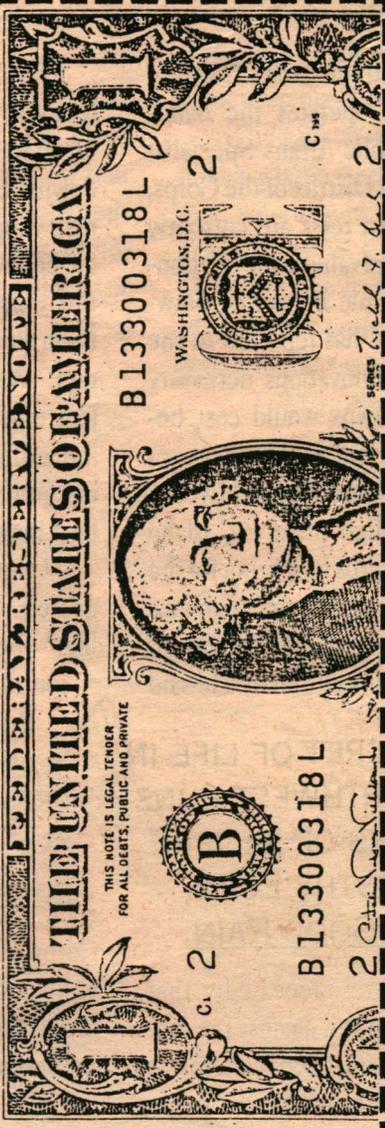
down the Columbia each year, and Conway says "it's the best thing going for the fish right now."

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## Winds hamper track meet

*Bad weather again plagues track team at EOSC Invitational*

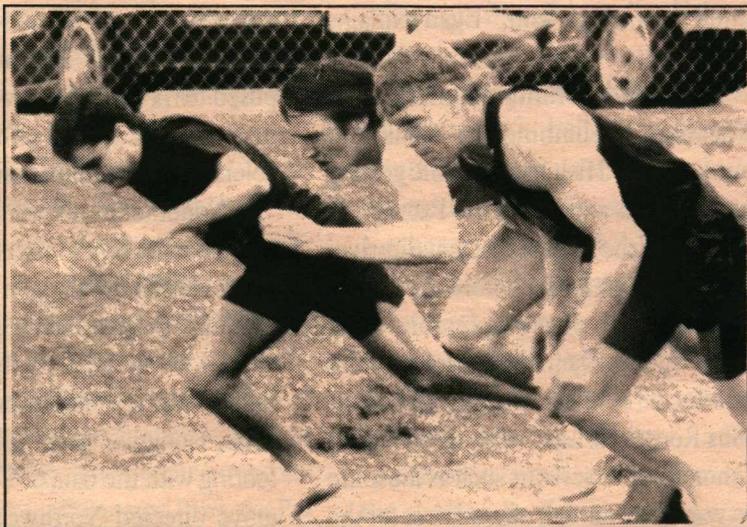
By TESSA PHILLIPS  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Once again bad weather and poor results plagued the majority of participating athletes at the Eastern Oregon State Invitational Track Meet Saturday afternoon.

From the jumpers and throwers to the runners fighting the gale forces, the wind had its way, showing no mercy. Re-counting the effect of the weather, Coach Paul Taylor stated, "Times were not good and they weren't going to be in those conditions," while adding, "Marks don't mean anything; you just do what you've been working on in practice."

And hard work was what it took to cut through the chilly gusts of wind. Finishing second in the 400 meters, Kristie Pickens reflected on her race, commenting, "I felt mentally prepared and knew I had to start hard out of the blocks. The last hundred meters is hard enough as it is, but when you hit a wall of wind it makes it twice as hard!"

The throwers attempted to overcome the wind with Jeff



Jeff Jackson fires out of the blocks in the 100 yard dash. (Brad Nelson)

Jackson setting another school record in the hammer with a throw of 132'9" and Kim Crow throwing a PR (personal record) in the shot put with a throw of 32 feet even, taking fourth place.

Throwing coach Larry Crosley commented, "I was pleased, considering the conditions we had to throw in. I expect us to keep improving and peak at district."

Despite the windy conditions, the women's team finished first overall with well-rounded support from all NNC competitors. Sarah DeBoard and Kristie Pickens finished first and second in the long jump and triple jumpers

Gina Miller and Debi Carter finished second and third.

Overall, the NNC men's team finished fourth with solid performances in the field events. Scott Wilde finished first in both the long and triple jumps, while Zach Smith finished the triple jump with a third place. Jeff Jackson's record breaking throw in the hammer won second place as he continued on to place fourth in the javelin and the 100 meter dash.

Frustrated about the conditions the athletes had to endure, Coach Shannon Miller reflected, "Everyone competed and did their best and that's all we can ask for!"

## TENNIS

## Tennis team splits weekend games

*Lady Crusaders take one of two crucial district matches*

By RICK SKEEN  
STAFF WRITER

The girls' tennis team headed west this past weekend in anticipation of three crucial district matches.

However, due to the unpredictable spring weather, the team's Saturday morning match against Linfield College was cancelled. The lady Saders were hoping to sweep their other two matches against Pacific on Friday, and Lewis and Clark on Saturday.

The girls came up a little bit short on Friday against Pacific by a score of 5-4. The team score was decided by the last match of the day, in which the Sader doubles team of Kristen Smyth and Joanne Stephens fell 4-6, 6-7(9-11).

Kristen Smyth commented, "Losing to Pacific was very disappointing. Their whole team chipped the ball and we were not used to the slow pace. We lost several close matches that could have gone either way."

The team bounced back

strong on Saturday to beat Lewis and Clark 6-3.

The best individual performances of the weekend were turned in by doubles partners Jennifer Barnhardt and Jenny Rayborn. Each of the girls won both of their singles matches and one of their doubles matches. Melanie Elder also did well, winning both of her singles matches.

The team will continue to ready themselves for district with a match in Walla Walla, Washington on Saturday.



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BASEBALL

# Crusaders win series over Eastern Oregon

*Baseball team continues upward climb in search for second straight post-season play-off berth*

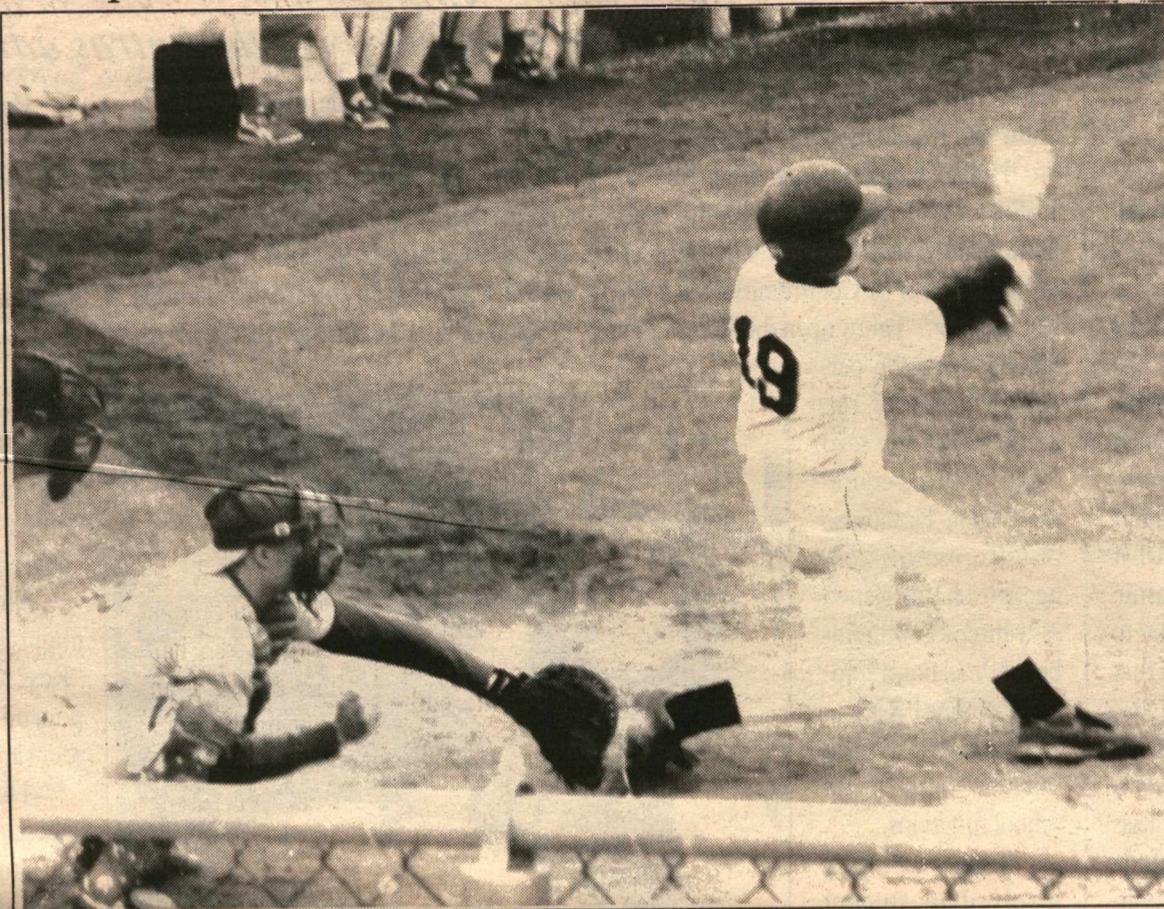
By D. M. BOMAR  
MANAGING EDITOR

Continuing their upward climb in a competitive season, the Crusaders battled against Eastern Oregon State College last weekend and prevailed in two of the three games. Friday in LaGrande, NNC trounced the Mountaineers 11-5 while the teams split Saturday's double-header in Nampa 3-1 (NNC) and 0-9 (EOSC).

"NNC has lacked pitching in past years, but this year the pitchers have really been stepping up for us, and it's helping our bats at the same time," said senior centerfielder Chad Chigbrow. "But in the last game, our pitching struggled for the first time this season and our hitting couldn't make up for it."

Saturday's major pitching problem occurred when Joel Nye had to leave the second game after a line drive dislocated his thumb and left him with a hairline fracture. Nye, a junior, will be out for two weeks.

In addition to the 9-0 shut-out, Eastern Oregon apparently dealt the Crusaders a slew of harsh audibles.



Pat Swapp, District II's leading hitter, takes a vicious hack at the ball against Eastern Oregon State. (Lance Nelson)

"Eastern's relentless verbal onslaught left me emotionally raped," remarked junior shortstop Pat Swapp, who was called a pear (among other things) by Mountaineer players.

Swapp offered another possible reason for Saturday's frustrating loss.

*"A lot of teams are thinking that George Fox and Albertson will be competing for the district title, but NNC will surprise them."*

*-- Pat Swapp, Crusader shortstop*

"Coach Avram's uplifting and inspirational speeches only got us through two games," he explained.

Currently, the Crusaders are 3-2 in league and 9-7 overall -- not a bad position for a team that finished 14-14 last year. But the rough season still has several weeks of play left to go.

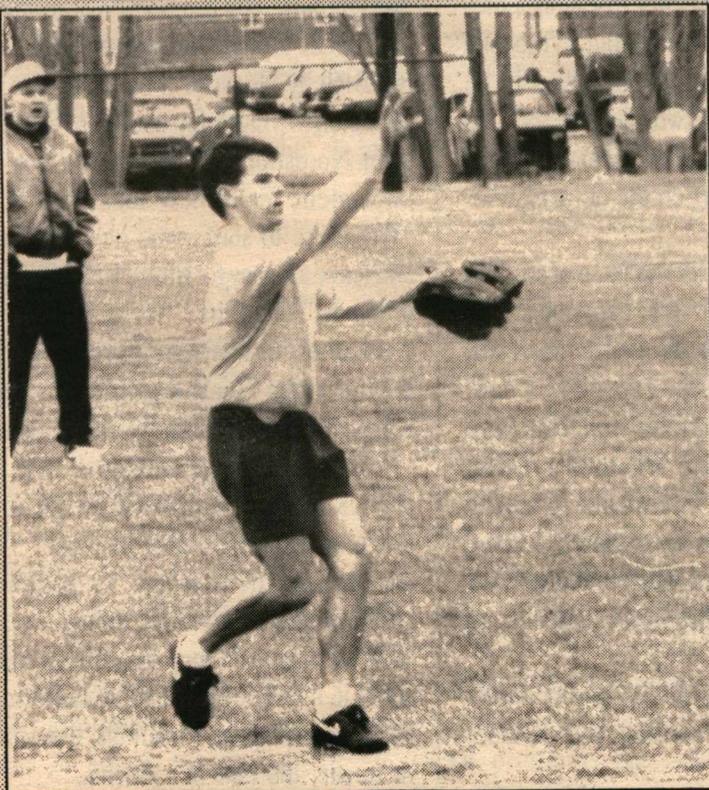
"Right now, the district is ours for the taking," said Chigbrow, "but we have to win a lot of tough games in the upcoming weeks."

Despite the difficult schedule, the Crusaders are hoping to sneak up on the district's top contenders.

"A lot of teams are thinking that George Fox and Albertson will be competing for the district title, but NNC will surprise them," said Swapp. "The road ahead for the Crusaders may be rocky, but with God on our side and as we play for him, we shall prevail."

The Crusaders visit Albertson College in Caldwell Wednesday at 6 p.m. and host last year's district champs, the George Fox College Bruins, Friday at 3 p.m. and Saturday at noon.

## INTRAMURALS



The intramural softball season is in full swing with a full slate of games over the past week. Kamron Sams (above) surveys the action from the pine. Tim Morgan (left) lets a pitch fly for a strike in recent action. (Lance Nelson)

## CAMPUS

# New ASNNC leaders ready for the challenge

*An interview with the appointees provides insight into the diversity of the Antras administration*

BY DAVE MCEWEN  
STAFF WRITER

Echoes of "a diverse council" fill the air at NNC. Just what is it that really makes them so different from years past as far as representation from different facets of the campus is concerned?

Matt McCaslin, a junior from Olympia Washington, was appointed Publicity Director Sunday and is ready to get working as soon as possible. "Melanie [Elder] and I need to sit down and find out what worked and what didn't," said McCaslin, "She did a really good job, and I'd like to continue building on the foundation that she made this year."

McCaslin showed his ability to get things done second term when he was given the job of directing the junior class play. Other of his qualifications include serving on his high school's social committee for four years and working as an RA in Sutherland. "The RA job really gives you a grasp for who's out there; you learn leadership, organization, and how to get people to work together."

Matt has many ideas for the coming year, including more overall publicity for athletics such as baseball and tennis. He also wants to organize a weekly meeting for club leaders, class representatives, RAs, and PAs to meet and discuss current events and how they could be publicized more effectively.

Matt Thomas, a junior from Eugene Oregon, sees the transition of Business Manager from Jennie Baker to himself as a gradual process. "I've already discussed with Jennie and become familiar with the job," said Thomas, a Business Marketing/Finance major.

Thomas has recently received his Real Estate License, and sees that as a possibility for his career. He was also Vice President of his high school Letterman Club, and is currently President of the Bank Advisory Board here at NNC.

"I feel that I have a lot of bright ideas, and that I am familiar with what Carlos wants to accomplish this year," said Thomas, whose first priority as Business Manager would be to work with the Publicity Director to kick-start the faltering book exchange program. "We'll hit it from all

angles, because the students just don't know that much about it."

Hollie Tiegs, a junior from Melba, Idaho, sees her connection with the zone immediately surrounding NNC as an asset to her position as Community Relations Coordinator. "I grew up in the area, so I'm familiar with the particular facets of the community," said Tiegs, a music education major. Hollie also plans to use the connections she has gained as a three-time member of Proclaim, a summer traveling PR group for NNC, to bring in outside support for school functions.

Tiegs was highly involved in student government in high school, but this is her first ASNNC position. This is not to say that she is without experience, though. Hollie has been involved in many clubs and organizations including an RA job in Mangum, Proclaim, the Northwesterns, the Blood Drive, and others.

In the coming year, Tiegs plans to combine the RUSH activity with outside sponsorship to raise money for the Mercy Housing project here in Nampa. She also has many Ideas ready for Kids Activity Day, the blood-drive, and the Christmas Gift Drive.

Secretary Amy Lancaster, a junior from Twin Falls, Idaho, plans to use her experience in the media to "increase student awareness." Amy, an English major, was active in several high school publications and is currently Features Editor for the Crusader.

Changes that she has in mind include using a shorter, easier to read form of minutes for the tables in Mariott. Making minutes easier to read will clue more students in on what is going on with ASNNC, "The average Joe doesn't know what's happening with their money or with ASNNC."

Lancaster added, "We have a great council, and we work really well together. We are really diverse, and that is good in a

situation where people work together a lot."

With Rosco on his way out after two highly successful years as ASNNC president, and Carlos on his way in, the office of the president was faced with the dilemma of appointing a new Chief Justice to re-



The new council embarks their first adventure together. (Amy Lancaster)

place the graduating Heather Nelson. Here the catch: Nelson graduated after second term, and Carlos wouldn't come into office until midway through third, leaving a hole in the judicial system of NNC. Rosco answered the problem by appointing the new candidate himself, instead of waiting for Antras.

His solution was Dave Wilson, a junior Speech Communications-Philosophy major from Lebanon, Oregon.

The Office of Chief Justice is a life-appointment, and even though Wilson is a junior this year, he says that he will be around for at least two more years. He brings the experience of a year on judicial board and two years on the debate/forensics team.

Dave plans to hit the issue of student privacy this year, "While I am not able to formally document any violations to student policy, my own experiences have shown that a significant potential for a violation exists," said Wilson in a release earlier this week, "I would like to see the issue of student privacy explored, and see that the rules dealing with student privacy as set forth in the Student Handbook are followed closely."

Along with the ASNNC positions, the offices of editor for the Oasis and Crusader were appointed.

Ross Kimbrough, a junior from Ogden, Utah, was named Oasis Editor for the 1993-94 year. Ross has served as assistant editor and computers expert under Peter Brumbaugh for the past two years and feels that he is ready to take over.

Dave Bomar, a senior from Kent, Washington, has made a great impact on the Crusader this past year. The witty editor who led the Crusader staff to its most productive year in recent memory will be back again to steer the ship for another year.

The offices of Oasis and Crusader might look a little different next year. "Ross Kimbrough and I are looking at the possibility of merging our staffs and offices to cut back on overhead costs," said Bomar.

This past week at the NSLC conference, Bomar was honored when the steering committee asked him to chair a committee to look into the possibility of a Journalism Conference next year. Such a conference would run in conjunction with NSLC, but have different workshops and lectures just for the editors of Nazarene newspapers and yearbooks.

Bomar has big plans for the Crusader next year. "We are looking into ways for the Crusader to take a look into networking all of the Nazarene newspapers." This system would provide a way for the papers to share stories and articles.

The last, but certainly not least, position appointed by the ASNNC President, is BRICK House director(s). This year, the BRICK House will be under the supervision of Matt Johnson, Ryan Pitts, and John Nordstrom. These guys plan to implement many new ideas this year. "We'd like to start some new traditions and leave a legacy for future BRICK house directors," said Pitts. "We're looking forward to hosting lots of great events. I think the upcoming 'Brady Bunch' theme party will be the best attended event in Idaho."

One of the biggest investments in the BRICK house this year will be the addition of an espresso coffee machine. "We plan to use the machine for basement coffee houses two or three times a week," said Nordstrom, "Once the campus learns about it, it will be a place for students to go and hear some poetry readings, live acoustic music, and take in a mocha.."

## INTERVIEW

# Unbelievable fishing story proves profitable

*Shon Smith hooks fiance and big bucks with Kiss of a Lifetime contest on local country radio station*

BY LANE BOTTEMILLER  
STAFF WRITER

Unless you live your life like you just walked off the set of *A River Runs Through It* (life, liberty, and the pursuit of fly fishing), then you probably wouldn't think of asking your girlfriend to marry you riverside in Stanley, Idaho.

But Shon Smith did. In fact, he liked his plan so well that he sent it to a local radio station to see if they liked it.

They did. They liked it 10,000 dollars worth! It just so happened that they were run-

ning a contest on the best romantic true story.

The station is KIZN Country on 92 FM. The contest is called "A Kiss of a Lifetime." The winner is Shon Smith, Senior Business Administration major at NNC. The co-beneficiary of this booty is Junior Home Economics/Business student, Janeen Erdman.

After all, how could a guy who likes to fish and win wedding packages on the radio use up his prize without a fiance?

For all you skeptics out there who thought Shon and Janeen would merely date till eternity's

used up, here's how they got engaged and won the contest with their story:

Shon had planned this for a long, long time--maybe even years. Maybe the idea struck him when he and Janeen had one of those low-budget NNC dates of looking at fishing magazines. Maybe the idea took root when she giggled at the crazy name of the Wedding Ring Spinner (for the fishing ignorant, a spinner is a little trinket with a hidden hook to put on the line. It's supposed to convince fish to bite.)

That little seed of an idea

grew as their relationship grew. Finally, the day after second term finals this year, they went fishing. This was going to be Janeen's first of many fishing trips.

After an hour of patient try-and-try-agains, Janeen finally reeled one in. As Shon put it, she was "surprised that it wasn't flopping around."

After gutting her catch, and pulling out a Wedding Ring Spinner, the Groom-to-be got down on one knee and asked her to be his wife.

"She jumped on my lap and gave me a kiss that could not be mistaken for anything but

'yes'," Shon explained. That, was a kiss of a lifetime.

If you're wondering how Shon got the ring in the fish, he had a little help from his roommate, Mark Devries whose love of scuba allowed him to plant the fish on Janeen's line.

So, for you dreamy-eyed, incurable romantics, chivalry is not dead. It may not gallop in on a white steed wearing brilliant gold armor, but it's found new ways to reveal itself.

Kudos, Shon, for your creativity. Congratulations Shon and Janeen. May the years draw you fonder as the fish tales get longer.

## REVIEW

## BLT's "Flowers for Algernon" reveals amateur acting

BY ANGELA PLIES  
NEWS EDITOR

He stands alone, isolated, frightened. He feels understood by no one but a small, white mouse named Algernon.

Charlie Gordon is the subject of Boise Little Theatre's current production which details the ultimate experiment in playing God. In David Roger's play, "Flowers for Algernon", based on the novel by Daniel Keyes, a mentally retarded man is given the chance to experience life as a genius.

In the beginning, Charlie is chosen to undergo brain surgery to increase his intelligence and allow him to live a "normal" adult life. The experiment seems safe and without serious side-effects, after tests on mice, the most intelligent of all, Algernon, but never before attempted with a human being.

The results of the operation are astounding, and Charlie begins to amaze his teacher, friends, and employer with his

rapid improvement.

In the process, however, Charlie makes the journey from innocence to experience and discovers that what he once thought to be true was only wishful thinking.

"No one's ever done nothin' to me that wasn't nice," Charlie explains before his operation; but as his eyes become opened, he grows irritable and cynical as he finds that his 'friends' used him as the butt of their jokes.

"Now I know what it means when they say 'I pulled a Charlie Gordon'," he says. "They just had me around to laugh at me."

As Charlie grows, he discovers more than just a love of learning and a distrust of people. "I'm 38 years old, and I should have the right to love," he tells his teacher, Alice Kinnian.

But ghosts from his past haunt him, creating even more obstacles for him to overcome, including his ability to find security in the arms of another.

Social problems are not Charlie's only trouble, the real



"Flowers for Algernon" star Bruce E. LaFollett as Charlie Gordon (Photo courtesy of BLT)

problem begins when Algernon's behavior turns erratic and then hostile.

Charlie begins to question

whether his plucking of the fruit of knowledge has been worth the pain which has resulted, but finds new hope in his experi-

ence. "This is beauty, love and truth all rolled into one. This is joy," he says reflectively.

Bruce LaFollett, as Charlie, carries the cast through this rather lengthy production, directed by Ev Sherod.

Many of the leading roles are played by newcomers to the BLT stage, and, unfortunately, it shows. LaFollett, however, brings life and believability to his character, causing the audience to experience his pain and sense of abandonment.

Notable performances by Cherisan Davis as Charlie's younger sister; Helen Posluszny as Charlie's shrieking, self-centered, abusive mother; and Sue Howe as Mrs. Mooney help balance an inexperienced cast.

Performances run Wednesday through Saturday, April 21-24, with curtain time at 8:15 p.m. Boise Little Theatre is located at 100 East Fort Street in Boise, just north of St. Luke's hospital, and tickets can be reserved by calling the BLT Box Office at 342-5104.

## ASNNC needs students

As the new ASNNC Executive Council makes its transition to power, several of the officers are already desiring student assistance. ASNNC planning boards, like the Social Board, are being strengthened in an effort to provide greater opportunities for involvement for all students.

### ASNNC

The primary function of these boards is to assist executive officers in planning activities, performing administrative tasks, and offering input on critical student government issues.

If you are interested in serving on any of the following boards, please sign up on the ASNNC President's door upstairs in the student center or contact the appropriate executive officer for more information.

- President's Cabinet -- Carlos Antras, President
- Social Board -- Kristen Dalton, Social Vice President
- Campus Ministries Board -- John Hanna, Campus Ministries Coordinator
- Community Relations Board -- Hollie Tieg, Community Relations Coordinator
- Publicity Board -- Matt McCaslin, Publicity Director
- Finance Board -- Matt Thomas, Business Manager

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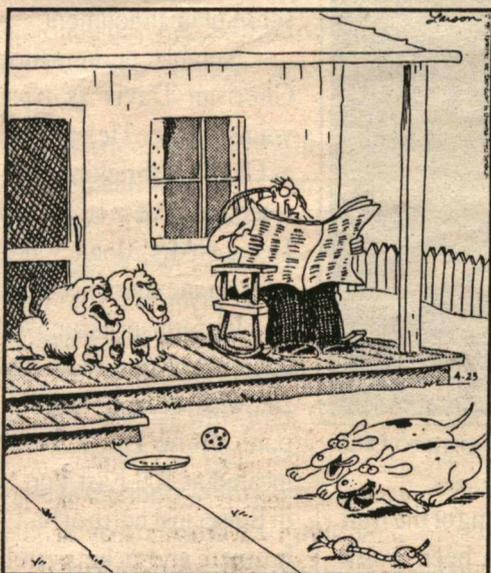
### TOP 10

#### Top Ten Ways to Get More Students at NNC

10. Put sexy, male English majors in the BRICK House
9. Juli Barton door posters
8. Glow in the dark paint job for the "Trinity" statue
7. Unintelligible fight song based on Snow's "Informer"
6. More Dances
5. Scratch and Sniff pictures of Gene Schandorff's tiny feet on course catalog
4. Get Lance Nelson to become NNC's "Naked Guy"
3. Social Work credit for dates with Rosco
2. Dr. Steve Shaw™ action figures with power kick action
1. Lower admission standards even further

#### THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Man, these pups today with all their fancy balls and whatnot. ... Why, back in our day, we had to play with a plain old cat's head."

#### HUMOR

# The whirlwinds of piloting

TODAY'S AVIATION TOPIC IS: How to fly a helicopter. Although flying a helicopter may seem very difficult, the truth is that if you can drive a car, you can, with just a few minutes of instruction, take the controls of one of these

amazing machines. Of course you would immediately crash and die. This is why you need to remember: **RULE ONE OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** Always have somebody sitting right next to you who actually knows how to fly the helicopter and can snatch the controls away from you.

Because the truth is that helicopters are nothing at all like cars. Cars work because of basic scientific principles that everybody understands, such as internal combustion and parallel parking. Whereas scientists still have no idea what holds helicopters up. "Whatever it is, it could stop at any moment," is their current feeling. This leads us to:

**RULE TWO OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** Maybe you should forget the entire thing.

This was what I was thinking on a recent Saturday morning as I stood outside a small airport in South Florida, where I was about to take my first helicopter lesson. This was not my idea. This was the idea of Pam Gallina-Raissiguer, a pilot who flies radio reporters over Miami during rush hour so they can alert drivers to traffic problems ("Bob, we have a three-mile backup on the interstate due to an overturned cocaine truck").

Pam is active in an international organization of women helicopter pilots called -- Gloria Steinem, avert your eyes -- the "Whirly Girls." She thought it would be a great idea for me to take a helicopter lesson.

I began having severe doubts when I saw Pam's helicopter. It looked like it should have a little slot where you insert quarters to make it go up and down. I knew that if we got airborne in a helicopter this size in South Florida, some of our larger tropical flying insects could very well attempt to mate

with us.

Also, this helicopter had no doors.

"Don't we need a larger heli-

### DAVE BARRY

copter?" I asked Pam. "With doors?"

"Get in," said Pam.

You don't defy a direct order from a Whirly Girl.

Now we're in the helicopter, and Pam is explaining the controls to me over the headset, but there's static and the engine is making a lot of noise.

"...your throttle (something)," she is saying. "This is your cyclic and (something) your collective."

"What?" I say.

"(something) give you the controls when we reach 500 feet," Pam says.

"WHAT?" I say.

But Pam is not listening. She is moving a control thing and WHOAAAA we are off the ground, hovering, and now WHOAAAAA we are shooting up in the air, and there are still no doors on this particular helicopter.

Now Pam is giving me the main control thing.

**RULE THREE OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** If anybody tries to give you the main control thing, refuse to take it.

Pam says: "You don't need hardly any pressure to..."

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"That was too much pressure," Pam says.

Now I am flying the helicopter. I AM FLYING THE HELICOPTER. I am flying it by not moving a single body part, for fear of jiggling the control thing. I look like the Lincoln Memorial statue of Abraham Lincoln, only more rigid.

"Make a right turn," Pam is saying.

I gingerly move the control thing one zillionth of an inch to the right and the helicopter LEANS OVER TOWARD MY SIDE AND THERE IS STILL NO DOOR HERE. I instantly move the thing one zillionth of an inch back.

"I'm not turning right," I inform Pam.

"What?" she says.

"Only left turns," I tell her.

When you've been flying helicopters as long as I have, you know your limits.

After a while it becomes clear to Pam that if she continues to allow the Lincoln statue to pilot the helicopter, we are going to wind up flying in a straight line until we run out of fuel, possibly over Antarctica, so she takes the control thing back. That is the good news. The bad news is, she's now saying something about demonstrating an "emergency procedure."

"It's for when your engine dies," Pam says. "It's called 'auto-rotation.' Do you like amusement park rides?"

I say: "No, I DOOOOOOOO..."

**RULE FOUR OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** "Auto-rotation" means "coming down out of the sky at about the same speed and aerodynamic stability as that of a forklift dropped from a bomber."

Now we're close to the ground (although my stomach is still at 500 feet), and Pam is completing my training by having me hover the helicopter.

**RULE FIVE OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** You can't hover the helicopter. The idea is to hang over one spot on the ground. I am hovering over an area approximately the size of Australia. I am swooping around sideways and backward like a crazed bumblebee. If I were trying to rescue a person from the roof of a 100-story burning building, the person would realize that it would be safer to simply jump. At times I think I am hovering upside-down. Even Pam looks nervous.

So I am very happy when we finally get back on the ground. Pam tells me I did great, and she'd be glad to take me up again. I tell her that sounds like a fun idea.

**RULE SIX OF HELICOPTER PILOTING:** Sometimes you have to lie.



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