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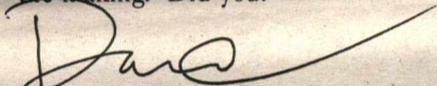
Rosco Williamson served two terms of office as ASNNC President from 1991-1993.

column one

Now he is the youth pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene in Moscow (not Idaho -- RUSSIA!). Following the recent political uprisings in Russia, we faxed Rosco a request for an article. His response is this week's cover story.

As I read of Rosco's experiences, it was amazing to realize that while I sat in Nampa watching live TV reports of Yeltsin forces firing at the parliament building, Rosco was watching the military action from across the Moscow River. I wish I could have been there, too.

But, from either vantage point, we both witnessed history in the making. Did you?



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# Improved hair-spray-in-a-can helps(?) naked forearms

dave barry

No doubt you've seen the TV commercials for hair-in-a-spray-can on television, wherein they treat balding men's heads with what looks like spray paint, and you've wanted to order this product, but you never got around to it for some reason, such as that you are not a complete idiot.

That's where I come in. At the suggestion of alert reader Tom Guyot, I called the toll-free number and told the operator I wanted a can of New Hair. The can cost \$19.95, plus \$9.95 to cover shipping and the extra salary they have to pay the operators for not laughing directly into the phone.

Several weeks later, I received my New Hair. It looks exactly like a can of spray paint, except the label says "AS SEEN ON TV," and features "before" and "after" pictures. The "before" picture shows a man's head, viewed from above and behind; the man has a bald spot about the size of a fried egg. The "after" picture shows what appears to be the same man's head after it has been dipped in roofing tar. It's totally black and featureless. No light is escaping this head. It's a Black Hole head. It looks like a large lump of coal wearing a collar.

The label says New Hair is a "Hair Volume Enhancer with Color" that "works for men and women" who have "fine and/or thinning hair" or "small to medium large bald spots." (It also says: "No Animal Testing," which is good, although frankly you don't see a lot of animals that are concerned about balding.)

Accompanying the can of New Hair was a small plastic spray bottle of Hair Finishing

Sealer, which you spray on your New Hair to keep it from coming off.

I decided to first test New Hair on myself, although I have a large quantity of hair. This is not necessarily good, because my hair has a severe behavioral disorder. So I decided to test New Hair on my forearms. I have virtually zero forearm hair, and I have long felt insecure about this, as a male. I spent most of high school staring at my forearms, waiting for hair to sprout, which is why to this day I do not understand the purpose of the "cosine."

So I sprayed the New Hair on both forearms, and I have to say, the results were amazing. Within seconds, my forearms were transformed from looking naked to looking as though I had not washed them in 30 years. They were covered with what appeared to be reddish-brown dirt. It was not an appealing look. You rarely hear women say, "Give me a man with forearm dirt!"

I was able to brush the New Hair right off, because fortunately I had not sealed my forearms.

Next, I tested the New Hair on the head of my co-worker John Dorschner, who was an ideal subject because (1) the top of his head is down to just a few wisps, and (2) being a professional journalist, he has no self-respect. A crowd of on-lookers gathered to watch and poke fun, but as I voided roughly half the can of New Hair onto John's head, their snickers quickly turned to severe bladder-control problems. John looked as though a profes-

sional baseball team had used his head to groom the infield. His scalp looked like my forearms, and his wisps had turned a color usually associated with traffic cones.

John chose not to have his head sealed.

The consensus at this point was that, although New Hair was clearly a fine product AS SEEN ON TV, it perhaps was not suitable for use on actual humans. So I decided to test it on Ray Bubel's car. Ray is another co-worker of mine, and he drives what I believe is the worst-maintained car in North America. It looks like an armpit bacteria that grew to 975,000,000 times its normal size and somehow acquired a Florida License plate. It has an advanced case of car leprosy, so there's no point in locking it, because a car thief could easily stick his hand directly through the body, although no sane thief would do this.

I sprayed the remainder of the New Hair on the roof and hood of Ray's car in an artistic orangeish-brown pattern. I called him the next day to see what happened when he drove home.

"Did you feel more confident?" I asked. "Did you feel that your car was more attractive to other people such as women?"

"I don't know," Ray said. "It was dark."

So we do not have conclusive results on this product. Probably the best thing for you to do is try it yourself. Call now! Operators are standing by! The number is 1-800-STUPID.

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## CAMPUS

# Hagood honored as Educator of the Year

*NNC's President Rich Hagood receives L.A. Wesche Outstanding Service Award after two weeks in office*

BY ANNE FRAHM  
STAFF WRITER

President Rich Hagood became the seventh recipient of the L.A. Wesche Outstanding Service to Education Award on October 13, 1993, during the morning chapel services.

Mayor Winston Goerring helped to commemorate the day by proclaiming October 13th Dr. Rich Hagood day in the city of Nampa.

Not only did Goerring extend the key of the city to Hagood, but also his hopes for a successful working relationship.

Friends of Hagood sent letters to be read at the service. These letters expressed their admiration for his commitment and devotion to Christ and his

family. "God's perfect purpose is being accomplished in and through him," said Reverend Perkins, a pastor in Moscow Idaho.

"God is the God of ordinary days as well as the extraordinary," said Hagood.

Preparation through ordinary days gave him a burning desire to return to NNC, a dream he had held ever since graduating.

He went on to share that becoming a part of NNC may have been his dream, but that it was always in God's plan. It was also in God's plan for Hagood to become the 11th President of NNC.

Hagood says that he now knows that not a day of his personal journey was in waste and

that he hopes to enhance the quality of the school's academic program as well as campus living conditions.

Hagood has held a variety of positions which have helped him to earn this and other awards.

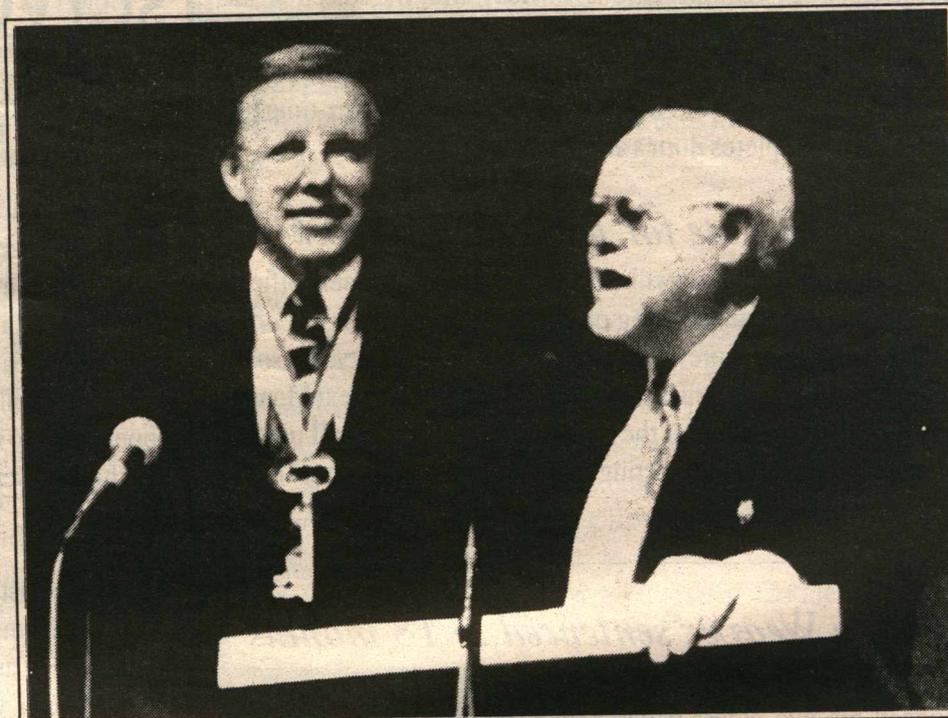
A few of these positions were

on the Nampa Chamber of Commerce, the Nampa School Board, and the Idaho State

Board of Education.

Hagood also played an important role in helping NNC

acquire the real estate of Kurtz Park, through NNC's Master Plan.



Nampa Mayor Goerring honors President Hagood with a key to the city. (Shakespeare)

## NNC insurance will offer additional coverage plan

*Johnson and Higgins Insurance will provide lower deductibles for student insurance rates*

BY KONA LEW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

An optional health plan which went into effect September 21, 1993 is now available at NNC. The plan is for those students who either have no health coverage through insurance or for those who wish to have secondary coverage along with their primary insurance.

Last year Dr. Ken Hills, Vice President of Student Development, noticed a need for a health plan, because there are more non traditional students at NNC as compared years past.

Non traditional students refer to independent and dependent students with no health coverage and married students who cannot afford to purchase a plan on their own.

Private health insurance plans are both expensive and

often unaffordable. It is difficult for students to pay the high premiums let alone meet their yearly deductible.

"The whole idea is to provide coverage that is helpful and affordable," stated Wayne Gunderson, Controller of the Business Office.

Gunderson is in charge of taking applications and is available to answer questions students may have regarding the optional health plan.

A representative from Johnson and Higgins of Idaho, insurance company, will be providing Nurse Fern Hutter with the necessary information regarding the health care plan.

With this information she will also be able to answer more in depth questions that students may have about the plan.

This past summer Hal Weber, Director of Finance

Affairs at NNC, worked to find an health insurance that was affordable for students.

Most group insurance plans require a certain number of individuals before the plan can be installed. With the help of Ron Osborne a representative from Johnson and Higgins of Idaho, Weber found a health plan to the college's liking.

Osborne provided Weber with a lengthy and extensive list of insurance plans used in other colleges. Weber finally chose the optional health plan through the Heritage Insurance Managers which covers students under the mandatory accidental insurance plan.

The optional health plan is made possible because of the mandatory accident insurance plan. "Without the mandatory accident insurance the college could not have the optional

health plan for students," said Osborne.

Students may pay a trimester premium of \$99.00, or pay annual premiums for \$297.00. The benefit of purchasing an annual premium, paying for all three terms is that the student will be covered under the health plan through the summer.

A student will not receive coverage through the summer months if he or she buys for only one or two terms.

The insurance has a very low deductible as compared to other insurance policies. The deductible is \$50.00 whereas most insurance deductibles can range from \$200 up to \$1000 per year

The premium rates and deductible are affordable for most students who do not have health insurance

The insurance also allows students to purchase coverage for their spouses and children while enrolled at NNC.

Pamphlets are available at the Health Center and Nurse Hutter or Wayne Gunderson can answer questions about the health plan.

Since the insurance plan has recently been established, the administration is still working to understand all the principles of the plan.

"I'd love our kids (NNC) to have good health coverage, so we have provided a service to students that is purely optional that most young people could afford," said Weber.

For more information on NNC's health insurance plan, see nurse Fern Hutter in the health center (located in the southeast corner of the student center lobby).

## BRIEFLY

**Cook welcomed as Campus Life Director**

The Office of Student Development officially welcomed Carey Cook as NNC's new Director of Campus Life last Friday after his selection was approved by the Board of Directors.

Cook said he is excited to get involved with students and become an active part of NNC. He will be working part-time this week as he completes duties at his previous job.

**Freshmen vote for leaders next week**

The freshman class will elect its student government officers next week while campaigning officially began yesterday. Candidates for the office of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, chaplain, and senator will present campaign speeches next Monday and Tuesday. Students of the Class of 1997 will vote on Tuesday. Sophomores will also be electing a vice president and a Social Board representative.

**Randy Weaver sentenced to 18 months**

Randy Weaver tearfully hugged his two oldest daughters Monday after being sentenced Monday to 18 months in prison for failure to appear on a federal weapons violation. It was the first time Weaver had touched Sara, 17, and Rachel, 12, since he was jailed 14 months ago on charges he and Kevin Harris murdered a deputy U.S. marshal during a shootout at Weaver's northern Idaho cabin.

Weaver's wife, Vicki, and their 14-year-old son, Samuel, also died during the subsequent 11-day siege outside the cabin in August 1992.

According to Weaver's lawyer, Gerry Spence, Weaver "ought to get out in two to three months" because of the 14 months he has already served in the Ada County Jail and for being a model inmate. Spence also said he thought the sentence was fair.

**Nampa kills low-income housing project**

The fate of a low-income housing development on Nampa's south side may be moving to the federal government after the project was killed Monday night by the Nampa City Council.

Sister Mary Terese Tracy, regional coordinator for Mercy Housing, Inc., said backers of the 17-unit project plan to challenge the city's decision legally through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the federal courts.

Opposition leader Peggy Wenner said after Monday's vote she was "relieved that it seems to be over for the time being."

Wenner and other citizens expressed concern over property values and the quality of life in their neighborhoods.

The decision dashed the hopes of about 150 supporters of the project who held a rally before the city council meeting. They said there is a desperate need for low-income housing in Nampa.

"We could building 10 similar projects and still have people on the waiting lists," said State Representative Jesse Berain, R-Boise. "The problem is that you have people in City Hall who are reneging on their obligation to have affordable, safe, decent housing."

--COMPILED BY D. M. BOMAR

## CAMPUS

**Students, faculty RUSH to serve community elderly**

BY TESSA PHILLIPS  
NEWS EDITOR

Twice a year NNC students join together to participate in the community service day RUSH (aRe U Serving Him?). This Saturday students and faculty will again have the opportunity to minister to others through serving the community.

With nearly 200 participants last year, Community Relations Coordinator Hollie Tiegs anticipates more students this year, but adds, "I'm hoping more professors will get involved, too!"

Last year only the first 100 participants received T-shirts,

but this year every participant involved will receive a free shirt.

Tiegs feels the purpose of RUSH is to let the students get better acquainted with each other and the elderly of the community.

Chores which students have worked on in the past and can expect to see this year are: leaf raking, window washing, fixing up things around the house, gardening, and just taking care of something the elderly person they're serving needs to have done.

To locate the people and places to serve, RUSH is advertised through the local Nazarene churches, the Nampa Senior Citizens' Center, the Canyon

County Office on Aging, and the Idaho Statesman. Close to 50 people will benefit from this year's service day.

Many students feel that giving a couple hours of their time is just as rewarding for themselves as the people they are helping out. Tiegs sums up the community's response to RUSH with, "They're just so appreciative of us!"

If you want to be involved with RUSH, sign ups are in the Student Center this week during meals. Participants will meet in the Student Center Lounge Saturday October 23, at 9:00am to meet with their groups before embarking on their projects.

**Pair of ministry workshops slated for NNC campus in November**

BY TESSA PHILLIPS  
NEWS EDITOR

NNC will be hosting two workshops in November which will focus on compassionate ministries and children's ministries.

The Regional Compassionate Ministries Conference will be held November 12-14, sponsored by Nazarene Compassionate Ministries International. Conducted from Friday evening until Sunday morning, this conference doubles as a 1-credit course for RE 294A or RE 494A.

Several of the keynote speakers and facilitators of this conference will be some of NNC's best. The cost is \$10 for students and \$25 for others; this registration fee includes a banquet.

**Compassionate Ministries Conference**

November 12-14; \$10

**Children's Ministries Workshop**

November 18-20; no charge

The following weekend a Children's Ministries Workshop will be held Thursday through Saturday. This workshop can also fulfill a 1-credit course in RE 294B or RE 494B and is free of charge.

The guest speakers for this workshop will be Clara Olson and Mimi Schaper, both of New Hope Church in Portland, OR. New Hope is the largest evangelical church in the Northwest.

Olson formerly served as Children's Pastor at Seattle

Aurora and Portland Central Churches of the Nazarene before taking the position of Children's Minister at New Hope Church.

Schaper is the Director of Children and Youth Music at New Hope and directed the 10,000 voice Children's Choir at the Billy Graham Crusade last fall in Portland.

To register for either the Regional Compassionate Ministries Conference or the Children's Ministries Workshop see Dr. Irving Laird.

## NATION

# Haitian conflict continues

*Cedras refuses to step down, UN forced to impose embargo*

BY NAOMI BROWN  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

U.N. sanctions against Haiti were scheduled to go into effect at midnight Monday night, unless Haiti military leader Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras stepped down. Cedras led the September 1991 oust of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide and now refuses to step down until all soldiers and officers who took part in the coup are granted a broad amnesty by Aristide.

Cedras originally agreed to resign on Friday, October 15,

troops were also granted amnesty.

At nearly the same time, armed toughs who had the approval of Haiti's armed forces prevented the docking of the USS Harlan County. The Harlan County was carrying over 200 Americans and Canadians who were to pave the way for the peaceful return of Aristide and democracy. Clinton accused the Haitian military of breaking the terms of the U.N. accord by resisting the deployment of these troops.

After Cedras added con-

naval blockade on Haiti.

However, Clinton is not receiving unanimous support from U.S. senators. Senate minority leader Bob Dole planned Monday to introduce legislation which would restrict Clinton from committing forces for use in Haiti. According to Dole, Haiti's democracy is not worth a single American life; he also stated that Americans want more restrictions on the use of U.S. troops abroad.

Last Friday, U.N. envoy to Haiti Dante Caputo announced that the U.N. was



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so that Aristide could resume his position as president on October 30, and democracy could be restored to Haiti. This agreement was made in July as part of an internationally brokered accord which was also signed by Aristide.

Cedras is now holding out because he wants Aristide to grant amnesty for the troops, not just the officers, who helped to oust Aristide in September 1991. The troops could face criminal prosecution by victims who suffered their human rights abuses that were inflicted in connection with the coup. Cedras said last Wednesday that he would only resign if the

ditions to his resignation and the Harlan County incident, the United Nations Security Council voted Wednesday night to reimpose sanctions on Haiti, including an oil and arms embargo and the freezing of Haiti's assets overseas.

On Friday, President Clinton sent six U.S. warships - three sophisticated guided missile cruisers, two speedy frigates, and one destroyer -- to Haiti and also dispatched about 600 Marines to either evacuate or protect the 1,000 Americans left in Haiti. The next day the U.N. Security Council followed President Clinton's move and voted unanimously to impose a

evacuating several employees who were monitoring human rights abuses. Only an operational crew remains and anti-Aristide toughs are free now to launch assaults with no fear of being reported and tensions are rising in Haiti.

According to Haitian radio reports, panic is sweeping the country as people fear attack by soldiers and police. Police and soldiers set up roadblocks throughout Port-au-Prince on Saturday and the first of the six U.S. warships appeared off the coast of the capital on Sunday.

*(Information for this article courtesy of The Idaho Statesman)*

## BRIEFLY

## *Aidid attempts to ban warlord image*

One thousand Somalis showed up at a peace demonstration in Mogadishu as part of the campaign by clan leader Aidid to change his warlord image. U.S. ambassador to the U.N. said that the world body had called off the search for Aidid, though they retain hopes of holding him accountable for attacks on U.N. troops. Senate endorsed President Clinton's March 31 date for withdrawing U.S. troops from Somalia by a 76-23 vote early Friday morning.

### theworld

## *U.N. embargo forces foreigners to flee*

U.S. Warships patrolled off Haiti and foreigners fled the country amid fears of renewed violence. Clinton dispatched 6 ships to enforce U.N. embargo scheduled to take place midnight Monday. Six-hundred Marines were ordered on standby in case emergency evacuation of American citizens was necessary. Americans and Canadians jammed airports in Port-Au-Prince as opponents of U.N. plans for the return of ousted President Aristide tried to shut down the capitol Monday.

## *Coalition nominates parliament candidates*

A Yeltsin backed coalition nominated state reformers, including some new cabinet members, to run for Russia's new parliament. The coalition, Russia's Choice, was set up by the president's allies. Meanwhile, the two-week state of emergency was expected to be lifted Monday.

## *Verdicts reached for riot cases*

L.A. Police prepared to prevent a riot from erupting when verdicts were read in the trial of two men charged with the beating of a truck driver during last years riot. Saturday the jury had reached a decision on some accounts, but was hopelessly dead locked on others, including the attempted murder of Reginald Denny.

### thenation

## *Clinton proposes emission reduction plan*

Private power companies will start to help in managing federal hydro-electric projects under the Clinton administration's proposal. The proposal will reduce emissions of gases that contribute to global warming. Officials say private companies could bring more efficiency to the operation of dams.

--COMPILED BY LAURIE MEHRWEIN

## CAMPUS

# Herald of Holiness Editor speaks in chapel

*Wesley D. Tracy uses wit, simplicity to bring a spark to Spiritual Enrichment Week*

BY JASON ALVIS  
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Wesley D. Tracy, Editor of the Nazarene Church's monthly publication Herald of Holiness, will be speaking in chapel all this week, from October 18 to October 22. Tracy is this year's speaker for NNC's annual Spiritual Enrichment Week.

Tracy, who spoke in Mondays chapel, uses simple passages and a knack for jokes to illustrate profound insights. Using the first chapter of Matthew as a text, Tracy was able to transform a chapter that most people skip into a reassuring example of Christ's willingness to accept anyone, regardless of past or genealogy.

Dr. Wesley D. Tracy was born in Kansas and raised in Missouri. One of four children,

he grew up in a small town where his father was a country preacher.

Tracy felt the Lord's call to ministry his senior year in high school. "There was no great revelation, I just knew that God wanted me in the min-

istry."

straight A's. A pastor for twelve years, curriculum developer and editor (adult Sunday School material) for six years, and college professor/faculty member for thirteen years, Tracy became the editor of the Herald of Holiness in 1989.

Limiting himself to two or three long-distance speaking engagements per year, Tracy comes to Nampa with a prepared message and a concerned heart.

"The younger generation has a consumer approach to church. 'If you serve me, I'll be there' mentality.

Actually, only a few things in life matter... the first being one's relationship with God."

Tracy feels the Christians' responsibility is to make the earth fit for Christ's rule; and he intends to do his part of that preparation until

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istry."

Starting college at seventeen, Tracy earned five degrees, completing the last one in 1987. He did not work on the degrees back to back, but did work full time through most of college and still pulled

tic sort of way.

The theater isn't viewed as a popular teenage hang out; in fact, most of the patrons are families with younger children. Kellie Hansen of Wilder, said that she attends the drive-in depending on what the movies are. "You can bring your whole family for a fairly inexpensive price."

"Hansen went on to say you could bring the younger kids, which meant no babysitter, and when they get tired they can always go to sleep in the car.

The Terrace opens on Friday, Saturday and Sunday eve-

nings at approximately 7:45 for the first half of its double feature. On Fridays and Saturdays the price is \$3.50 for ages twelve and up, whereas on Sunday the fee is only \$2.00. Children under twelve are always free.

This coming week Hard Target and Hocus Pocus will be playing. The following week will feature The Fugitive and Hard Target.

Linden 3, a standard cinema in Caldwell, owns the Terrace, but it is run by students, explained Jessica Fox, a Caldwell High School junior and employee. She said, "We



Dr. Wesley D. Tracy preaches in chapel on the genealogy of Christ. (Lance Nelson)

the Lord comes for His own.

Tracy will be speaking at College Church of the

Nazarene every day this week at 10:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

## Tarrace Drive-In an alternative to traditional theatres

BY ANNE FRAHM  
STAFF WRITER

Going out to a movie on a Friday night is typically seen as an act of desperation for something to do. The Terrace Drive-In Theatre in Caldwell adds that twist of excitement ordinary theaters lack.

Three rows of cars, each at a descending level in the dirt, face the screen. Behind the cars is a recently remodeled building containing a concession stand and rest rooms. It isn't a fancy place, but it has a certain classic look in a simplis-

don't have a lot of business, compared to normal theaters. It depends on the movie; when Jurassic Park first came out, we were really busy."

On campus, students' reactions were positive, for the most part, towards drive-in theaters.

Bill Buckholdt, sophomore class chaplain, said, "I love them because you can drive up and stay in the car. You could take a blanket and sit outside or you could take a cooler and popcorn and just sit and annoy the people around you."

With every good thing, there are always a few bad ex-

periences out there. Stephanie Weygant went this last weekend under peer pressure from her youth group. "I hated our position. We were facing the east screen and there was this light in our face the entire time. It was awful."

"They're nice for a change, you can go and hang out with your friends," said Tera Thompson, freshman. "You can scream during the movie without worrying about someone yelling at you. And you don't have to move every time the person in front of you does so you can still see. It's great!"

## FEATURES

# Fencing club official

*Students with swords search for success in swashbuckling style*

By JOHN NORDSTROM  
SR. STAFF WRITER

More and more masked NNC students are poking each other with long metal objects. Why? Fencing -- the age old art of trying to show up another swordsman in a fair fight. The popularity of this sport is rapidly growing at NNC.

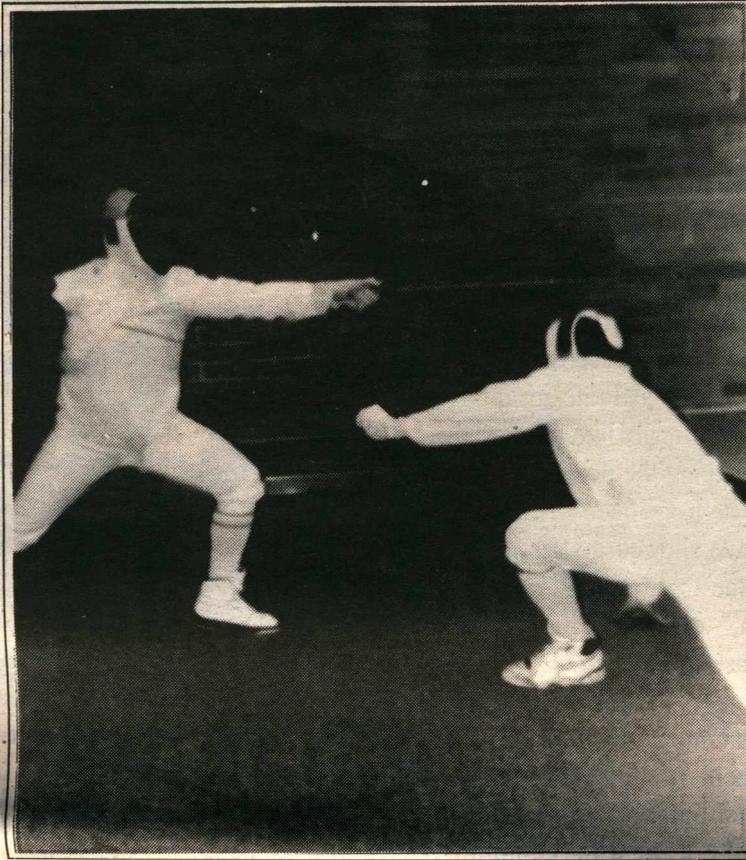
Evan Hales brought his love for fencing to NNC five years ago and offered to teach students gratis. He left to complete a four year commission in the army and is now back to finish his degree and once again teach the art of fencing. He started the sport back when he was in high school in Hanes, Alaska.

"I started fencing in 1979 and I fenced for two years. I was such a fanatic that I helped teach after that because the instructor's knees went bad," Hales said. He has taught fencing everywhere he has been: Willamette University, University of Alaska at Fairbanks, the Army, and now here.

At the University of Fairbanks, he learned Italian style fencing which he says is "fencing with soul." He now instructs the Italian style, rather than the French style he first learned because French style does not stress technical excellence or how to

think while you fence. He claims, "It's more just throwing random attacks at your opponents and hoping one lands."

NNC fencing is now a club, according to David Wilson,



Student Matt Johnson attempts to outwit maestro Evan Hales (Lance Nelson)

ASNNC Chief Justice. Josh Williams is a member of the fencing club and gives solid reasons for why many others should become involved.

"The best part of fencing,"

dents to join fencing. "Absolutely anyone is encouraged to fence. Lately we have had some impressive advancements in our three female students. There are also eight male fencers. They range from advanced all the way

down to beginner.

"We need more women, but unfortunately don't think they are good enough or physical enough. More than any sport, fencing can be done by anyone. In the 1940's a 75 year old man was the world champion in foil."

If you would like to fence, the times are Tuesday and

**"We learn, but we have fun. It's also a great stress reliever.**

**You get stressed -- you stab someone."**

**Josh Williams, NNC fencing club member**

he says, "is the companionship. We learn, but we have fun. It's also a great stress reliever. You get stressed -- you stab someone."

Hales encourages more stu-

Thursday evenings in the courtyard starting at 6:30 and Saturday mornings at 10:00 A.M. Either show up at these times or contact Evan Hales at Box 2646 or at 465-7009.



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FEATURES

# Ed Berg new Biology Prof

*Idaho State Graduate brings masters in micro biology to NNC*

BY KONA LEW  
SR. STAFF WRITER

Edward Berg sits in a chair in the science department lobby while answering questions for his first official newspaper interview with the Crusader. Berg has been hired for a one year position as the new Biology Professor at NNC.

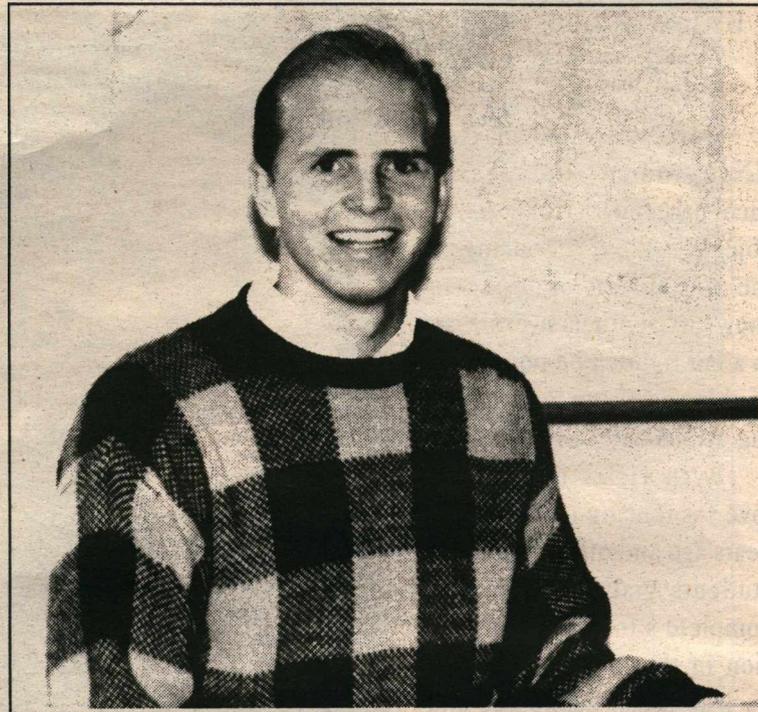
"I really like it; more than anything the people of the college have been great. They have allowed my family and I time to adjust and get moved in," explained Berg, leaning back in his chair.

"NNC has a real sense of community about it, the people seem friendly and helpful," said Berg. The friendly atmosphere of the community makes him feel welcome to the campus.

On September 1, 1993 he finished his masters in microbiology with a minor in chemistry at Idaho State University (ISU) in Pocatello, Idaho. Berg seems pleased to have obtained his masters and hopes to begin work on his doctorate, but is waiting to see how things go during his first year at NNC.

Since Berg has finished his masters he has more time to spend with his family. He smiled and looked out the window. "It's a nice change to be able to spend time with my family since I have been out of school."

Berg was born and raised in Orange County, California. After high school, he decided to attend college in Idaho because his aunt and uncle lived in Courd'lene. He attended North Idaho College, a junior college, where he obtained his associates in Biology. He obtained both his bachelors and masters degrees at Idaho State



Ed Berg - New Biology Professor (Lance Nelson)

University.

Berg had hopes of living in Coeur D'Alene after obtaining his masters. "Even though I was born and raised in Orange County, I still think of Coeur D'Alene as my home because I lived there for five years."

After finishing his masters, Berg sent out over 40 applications to various research facilities and schools, mostly in the Coeur D'Alene area, but heard little to nothing.

In early September of this year, he was informed by a former NNC graduate about a one year position in the Biology department at NNC. Berg has some teaching experience as a teaching assistant at ISU for four years in the areas of biology and chemistry. He felt this was his opportunity for a job, so he sent his resume to NNC and was contacted by Dr Marks for an interview.

After receiving the position, he moved his family to Nampa in mid-September. Before school started he attended the faculty workshop where he noticed that the professors really focus on the stu-

dents' needs. Berg was impressed with the faculty members' attitudes toward the student. "I have never seen such an individual focus on the student at other colleges," stated Berg.

During his first year teaching he will be working directly with some of the students. "I will be taking two to three students under my wing for Senior Research Projects in the area of molecular biology," said Berg. Also he and Dr. Marx are working on a grant "to put the science department up to speed in molecular biology." Berg is hoping with his involvement in the science department will help him become more acquainted with the professors and students.

In the meantime Berg is spending his spare time with his family or at the gym playing basketball. He hopes he will be able to play some racquetball this year also.

Berg and his family are settling into their new home in Nampa. It reminds him of Pocatello, "kind of mountainous and barren, but not as pine treeish."

## CAMPUS

# Hope House shares Christ's love with children

BY ADRIA OLSEN  
STAFF WRITER

*This article is the first of an ongoing series dedicated to publicizing the many active community ministry clubs operating at NNC.*

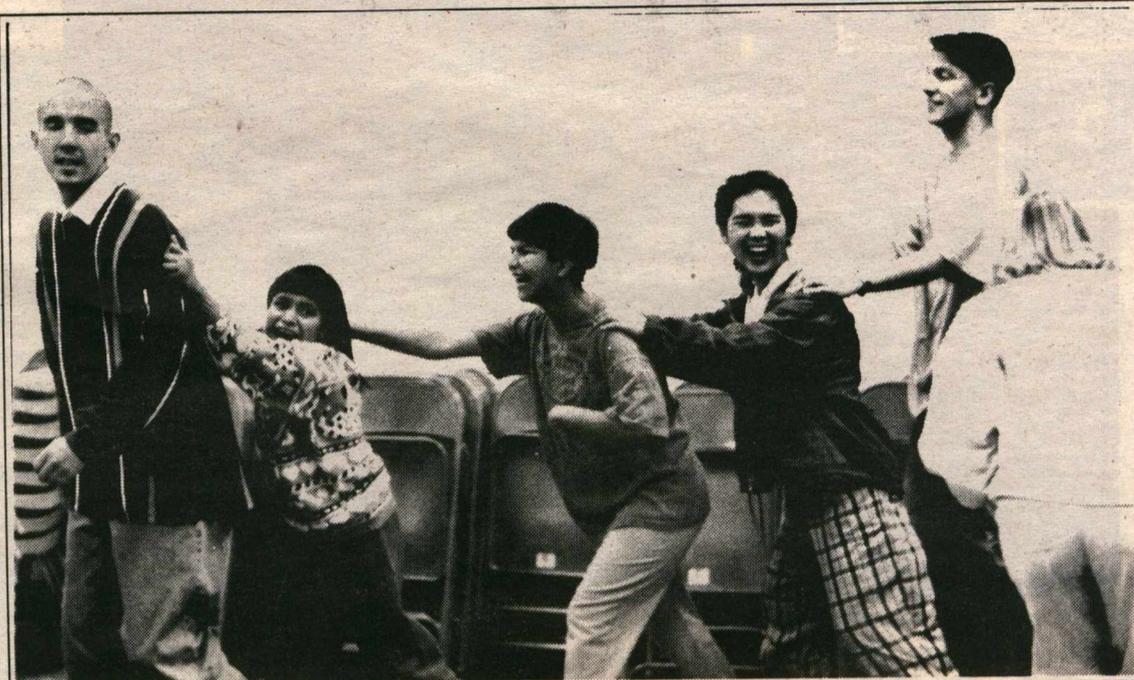
A group of twenty NNC students gathered in the Student Center at 10:00 Saturday morning. Old and new club members were anxious and curious as to what would happen that day. Club President Eric Richey led the group in prayer and then led a caravan of vehicles out to the Hope House, which is located a few miles west of Nampa.

Hope House is home to 75 children with various physical and mental handicaps. The children range from 5 years of age to high school age. They reside at the Hope House in dorms and enjoy counseling, regular meals, and various activities.

Upon arrival at Hope House, the NNC students were greeted by David, an 8-year-old resident, who said, "Good morning, everyone! I'm sure glad I'm up."

David pranced in front of the group and led everyone to the trampoline room. This is a large recreational room where the children attend church services and, of course, jump on the trampoline. As the children came in one by one, each demonstrated his or her trampoline tricks. Then NNC students and club members gathered around the trampoline for a time of upbeat songs and prayer. The group then split up into a grade school class and a junior high class and each was led in its own devotional. The remaining time was spent visiting and playing with the kids.

Leilani, a 15-year-old resident, explained the Hope House Schedule. During the day the children attend school and then have free time un-



Ted and Sarah Ellis play with Hope House children. (Barbara Truax)

til 5:30. At that time they either do homework or engage in social activities such as going to a movie or taking a trip to Lake Lowell. On weekends, the children do outdoor projects for which they get paid.

"It's nice to get away from home," commented Leilani.

With a rat named Nicodemus on his shoulder, 15-

year-old Chatz explained that the food is great at night.

Kerry, age 14, exclaimed that "Christmas is the best."

Both NNC students and Hope House kids seemed to thoroughly enjoy their time spent together. Karla Unrau, a freshman at NNC, commented, "They all immediately love you at first sight, before they even

know you."

The club members said their farewells and promised to visit next week. The club members agreed that the time spent was refreshing, rewarding, and very enjoyable.

*The Hope House Club meets every Saturday morning at 10:00 in the Student Center.*

## Can't get there from here? Fly with Fillmore

BY JOHN FILLMORE  
STAFF WRITER

I know a lot of you are starting to get bogged down in the hum-drum of the term and are looking for something to do, preferably away from campus. If your inclinations run toward the outdoors, then a brave new world awaits you to the south.

For most of the year, southwestern Idaho is just what most of you think, a desert. Not that this is bad; a desert can provide a good time. But for those of you who are used to more than 10 inches of rain a year, the fall is the time to go, especially since the rain we've had the

past few days has settled the dust.

The Snake River canyon near Melba is the place to go if you are creative, or if you know someone who is. Over the years, I've hiked, rappelled, rock climbed, fished, four-wheeled, run from bad cows, poked around hundred-year-old ruins, made petroglyphs from chalk, looked for birds, played paintball, mountain biked, and generally tried to return to man's natural state, all just south of school.

Halverson Lake is the name of the area that probably is most accessible. The lake itself is little more than a wet spot; one of my friends was

surprised to find he was able to actually get all of his scuba gear wet at one time. It is a pretty place, though, with a waterfall feeding it, keeping the water reasonably clear. Bouldering on some of the larger rocks is good, but the basalt cliffs above the lake can be tricky, some holds popping off in your hands. Stay away from these unless you or the person you are with is experienced and you have all the necessary safety equipment.

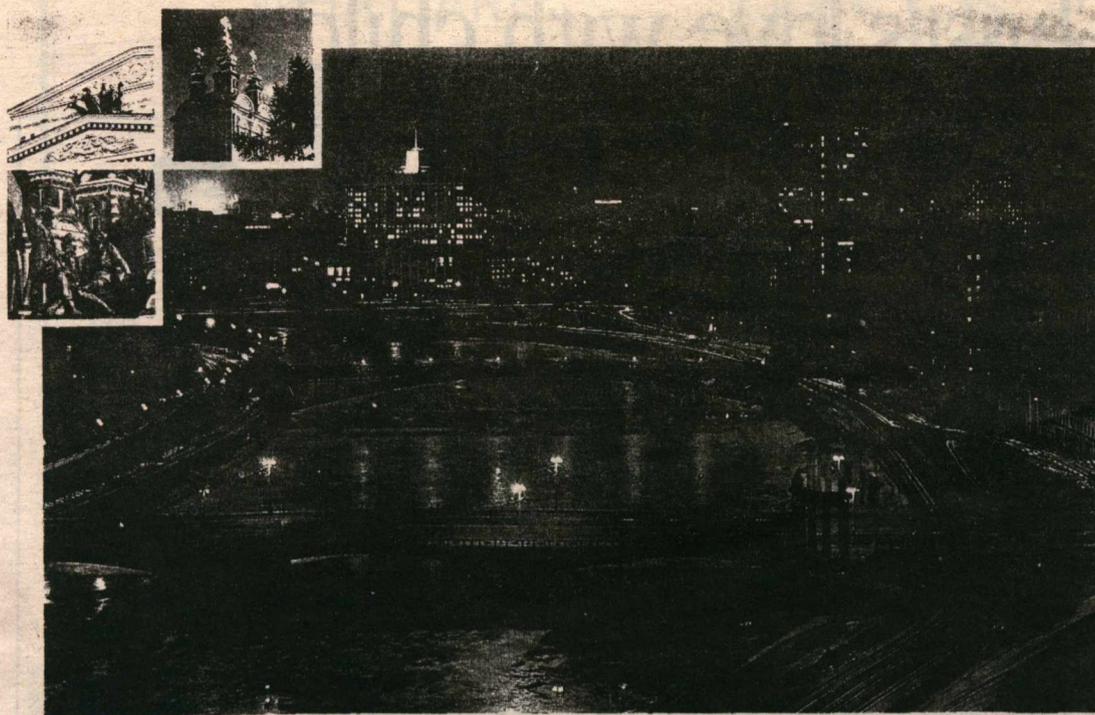
Access can be a problem; unless you are prepared to walk a little way, take a car with high clearance. Four wheel drive is good, but not necessary, my friend's 4x4 Toyota got stuck in a gully that a two wheel drive

Ford just went through. If the driver is careful, there should be no problem. Pickups are a safe bet.

The best way to find out how to get there is to ask someone who knows how to get there. There are about 85 different ways, but most people head south on 12th Ave., which turns into Highway 45. When they get near Melba, they head east, and south till they hit the river. Of course, you'll run out of road before you get there, so you may need someone to guide you to the closest dead end. The best way is to use someone else's car, if you can. If you choose to go in your own car, or if you are the one who owns the car someone else

wants to take, there are a few pieces of advice you may want to heed. If you doubt you can make it, don't try it. It's a long walk if you rip out an oil pan, and good luck getting a tow truck down there to pull you out. Second, avoid puddles. This is the voice of experience speaking. Invariably they are softer, wetter, and deeper than they look. Go around if you can. The rule for sand is the same as for puddles.

All in all, there is a lot for a fun junkie to do, and it's all about an hour away. I'm sure everyone will want to run off and try everything there is to try there, so remember, discretion is the better part of valor, and a dorm room is a bad place to die.



MOSCOW

October 1, 1993

Finding myself with little to do and in a political crisis, I decided to view the situation at the Parliament building directly. In a few days, the U.S. Ambassador in Russia would advise United States citizens to avoid the area surrounding the White House, which by then would also be surrounded by 5000 Interior Ministry troops. But for now, it seemed safe enough.

I arrived at noon on a weekday. It wasn't particularly cold, but the wind created that feeling. The "barricade" I crossed to enter the area was an average of two feet high and made of sticks, pieces of metal fence, and a jungle gym. Not very imposing to any vehicle that wished to enter.

I was struck first by how few people there were. There couldn't have been over 200 people and the number was possibly closer to 150. I counted about five separate campfires around the perimeter. Around each, two to five people sat huddled for warmth beneath

flags of the former Soviet Union that blew fiercely in the wind.

I was told that many were participants in the White House's defending force two years earlier and just follow such events for the excitement. Many more were supporters of a Parliament which represents the resentment of a superpower that has lost almost all the prestige it held in the world just three years before.

That is the main political difference between Yeltsin and the Parliament. Yeltsin favors a loose coalition of Russia and former republics called the Commonwealth of Independent States and close cooperation with the western powers. The Parliament favors a return of the Soviet Union (geographically, not politically) and less reliance on the West.

As I walked through the area, I was passed by a group of twenty men in two single file lines, marching behind a red flag. Half of the men were very old, possibly WWII veterans, from the medals they wore. The other half were very young, and my impression was that they were very naive as they proudly marched for something about which they understood very little.

The real military guards stood on the top of steps, talking casually with one another, sometimes adjusting the machine guns on their shoulders. This surprised me since I had not seen guards with machine guns in the open. Whether they protected or were protection from the people below, I did not know.

When I was about to get my camera out to take a picture, I noticed across the courtyard a Japanese photographer, probably for a Japanese newspaper. Some the demonstrators had stopped his picture taking and, despite his protests, had confiscated his film. Unless you were from the Russian press, pictures weren't allowed. I kept my camera in my bag.

As I left, I passed signs urging Yeltsin to get out of Russia (accompanied by some Russian profanity) and telling Bill Clinton to mind his own business. Across the street from the White House, it was as if nothing was happening. In fact, the locals don't take much notice of it at all. If one did not listen to the news, he would have a hard time believing anything was going on at all.

In fact, Muscovites are more worried about a possible

strike by Metro (subway) drivers and the rising price of bread (from about 10 cents to 20 cents) than about any political crisis. To people, the ordinary things of life are what are important, while politics is left to the politicians.

October 3, 1993

Following Sunday lunch at the home of Chuck Sunberg, the Field Director of the CIS, we settled back to watch a little American TV (on videocassette, of course) and enjoy our afternoon. And we did enjoy it, until that evening.

All the news seemed to come at once. First, we turned off the VCR and began to watch the local TV. The screen flashed out then came back with a local newsmen. He said a few things and looked to the right. His face flushed with fear and then the screen went to a signal. Flipping through the channels showed the same signal on each station.

We figured the main TV transmitter was either captured or destroyed, either of which meant that the war had begun. The radio confirmed our guess and then went on to say that Vice President Alexander

Rutskoi had called on his followers to take the local TV stations and then storm the Kremlin.

We couldn't believe it. Rutskoi had the perfect political situation if he would have just forced Yeltsin to make the first move. Yeltsin's deadline was approaching on the following morning when he would either have to face international disapproval and attack, or face local disapproval and back off once again. Rutskoi, in one order, made himself both a local and international enemy of people.

But there it was. Rebels took the central TV station and transmitter by destroying the door with an anti-tank rocket and much gunfire. A girl in the local youth group said that her friend's grandma, who has an apartment next to the station, was flat on the floor all night with the phone nearby as gunfire continued nonstop. Thirty-two died and 369 were wounded in that attack.

The secretary from the church office called and told us not to go anywhere because "there is a war in Moscow now." While this was true in the center of town, the outskirts of the city were as peaceful as ever. It

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**MOSCOW**

BY ROSCO WILLIAMSON  
 SPECIAL TO THE CRUSADER

struck me how finite the space is in which a war could be fought. CNN coverage never left the White House.

I left for home that evening at about 9 o'clock. My route did not cross the center of town and Moscow was the same old town it has always been. However, across town things were getting worse; tanks were moving into place, and rebellious parliamentarians dug in for a disastrous Monday.

October 4, 1993

On Monday I awoke and went through my usual daily routine of listening to the BBC and VOA news on the radio. The night before was filled with attacks, counterattacks, and placing tanks in offensive positions around the White House. In the night, the TV station had been retaken by Yeltsin's troops and more Yeltsin supporters than ever had gathered in the city center.

The Field Director for the CIS, Chuck Sunberg, and I decided to go downtown and see what was happening. We took the Metro down to the center of town and exited just before that station was shut down as many other Metro stations had been that day.

The first thing we noticed, besides the lack of traffic in the busiest part of the city, was a row of empty buses, at the front of which was a man recruiting people to join the demonstrators in favor of Yeltsin. He was very effective in his job; many listened and many joined.

We walked over to Red Square first of all. It was barricaded up nicely to prevent an attack, just in case troops defected to the Parliament's side and decided to march on the Kremlin. However, tourists still made their way in and out of the square unmolested, enjoying the added scenery for their soon-to-be-made slide shows.

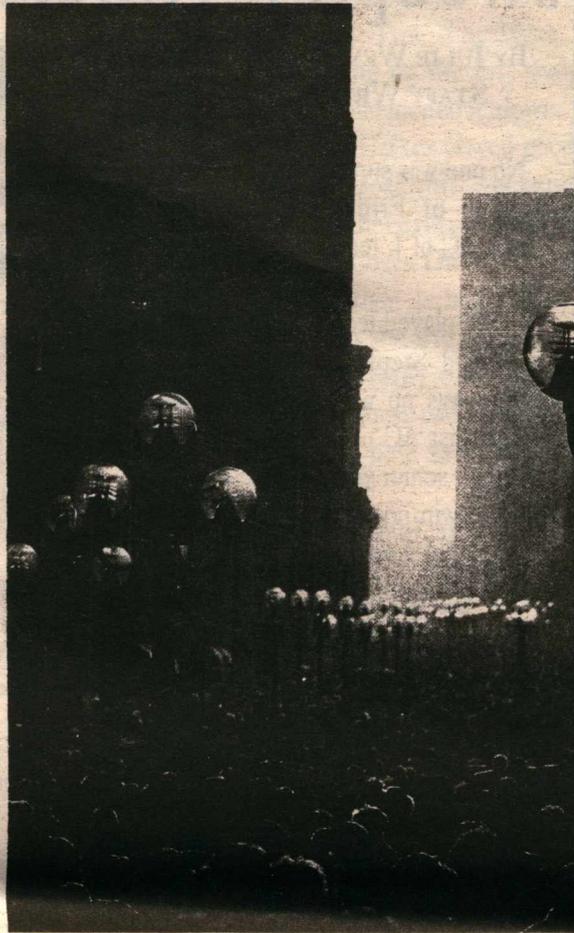
Even the tourists stopped though, when a few tank blasts were heard.

Next we decided to go to the McDonald's about a half mile away. The street we headed up was barricaded at no less than eight places between the McDonald's at Pushkin Square and Red Square. The city council building lies on that street and it had become a central gathering point for pro-Yeltsin demonstrators. Beneath a statue in honor of the founder of Moscow, thousands gathered to listen to speakers and radio reports. Some sat on an armored personnel carrier and played guitars and accordions as those below joined them in singing national songs.

Before we went home, we decided to look in on the street Novy Arbat. This street runs for about one mile from the Kremlin to the White House. We did not plan to get close at all, thinking the police would stop all pedestrians far before the combat area. As we proceeded down this street, which houses many tourist shops, we noticed people walking their dogs, out for a stroll with their children, and basically, people just enjoying a day off. It was as if they could not hear the obvious machine-gun fire just a few blocks away.

We stopped when we noticed about seven elite troops moving quickly across the street from us. They stopped to look

at the top of the building above them, then moved on. This could only mean snipers. However, since nobody else in the



street seemed to mind (though everyone strained for a glimpse), we kept on walking. Along the way we passed buses, trucks, and cars filled with troops in riot gear sitting on the side of the road in reinforcement.

We finally came to a point about two blocks uphill from

the White House near the U.S. Embassy (for those who watch CNN, we were behind the White House, just up the road from the bridge where the tanks were firing from, on the opposite side of the river from the cameras). Large crowds had gathered here. A line of about 15 to 20 military vehicles sat there urging pedestrians to stop. After about two minutes, groups of people ran from the other side of the street to our side.

Then the most frightening, yet exciting, thing in my life happened. Soldiers had set themselves up behind a kiosk about twenty-five feet away from us, but we couldn't see them. A soldier fired a short burst from his gun at the roof of a building across the street. The crowd around us dove to the ground and for cover. Being stupid Americans, we just stood there and watched -- what else could we do? Then the soldiers opened up on the building, firing their machine guns at the building across the street and at the one behind us (firing over our heads -- quite a ways over our heads). We stood there and watched as puffs of smoke and plaster flew from the building where the bullets struck.

After a brief pause, they fired again. But this time they

really opened up and it was deafening. We had already begun falling back towards cover, but the noise pushed us back even more quickly.

"Think it's time to go?" Chuck asked.

And I responded, "Yep." We left soldiers firing on buildings and clouds of black smoke rising from the Parliament building at our backs and went home to watch the rest of the war from the safety of a TV set.

That night, after the two leaders of the rebel forces had surrendered, scores of snipers and independent rebel groups remained for the troops to clean up. The battles of the last 24 hours had left hundreds dead and wounded and one of the most beautiful buildings in Moscow in flames with no end in sight. The rebel leaders had unleashed a monster which would be controlled, but only at the cost of many more lives.



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## Bombs away in week 3

BY TOBY JEFFREY  
STAFF WRITER

The third week of intramural football showcased some great games, some fun weather, and a lot of no-shows.

This time around, the long bomb proved to be a weapon in the games that were played.

Matt Elton, last week's player of the week, helped his Seahawks up their record to 3-0 with a 28-20 win over the Broncos(0-3). Elton started the game off with a 58 yard touchdown pass, and before the half Scott Urwin gave the Seahawks a 14-0 lead with a 41 yard touchdown run.

In the second half the Broncos made a game of it behind the passing of their own quarterback Scott Englund. Englund got the Bronc's going with a 59 yard touchdown pass and a ten yard touchdown run. The Hawk's Elton was able to keep the Seahawks in the lead with two second half touchdown passes, one for five yards and the other for 35 yards. Englund threw one more touchdown pass for 20 yards, bringing the Bronc's within eight points, but time ran out on their

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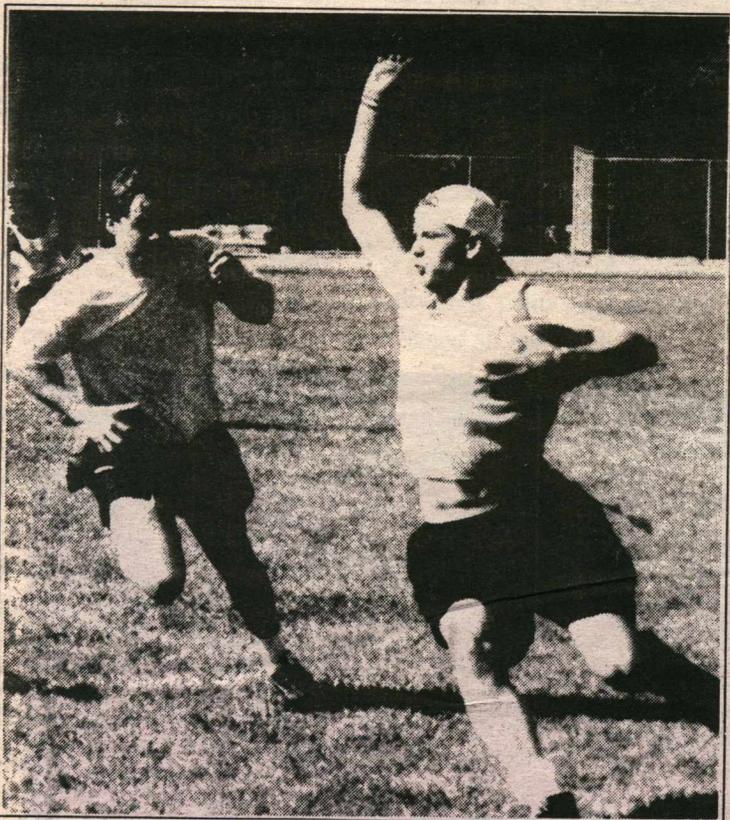
comeback.

The victory puts the Seahawks into a tie for first place with the Chiefs(also 3-0) who won a decision by forfeit over the Chargers(0-3).

Over in the East division the Steelers put their 2-0 record on the line against the Cowboys. The two teams traded touchdowns in the first half with the halftime score being 6-6. In the second half the teams traded touchdowns again. But with the score 12-12 late in the game Ron Ford ran the ball in for a touchdown and completed the two point conversion, giving the Cowboys a big win 20-12.

The Steelers fall to 2-1 and the Cowboys(2-1) are now tied for second with the Steelers, and Jets(2-1). The Jets pulled into the three way tie for second by winning in a forfeit over the Saints(0-3). The Lions were able to take sole possession of first place with a still undefeated record of 3-0, after winning by forfeit over the Bills(0-3).

*Quick Kicks...* Honorary Player of the Week: Rich Hagood.



The football action heated up in intramural week four. (Lance Nelson)

## Volleyball team wraps up season sweep of Albertson College

VOLLEYBALL

BY JULIE WEYMOUTH  
STAFF WRITER

No one was surprised at the outcome of Friday's games against AC of I, least of all the players.

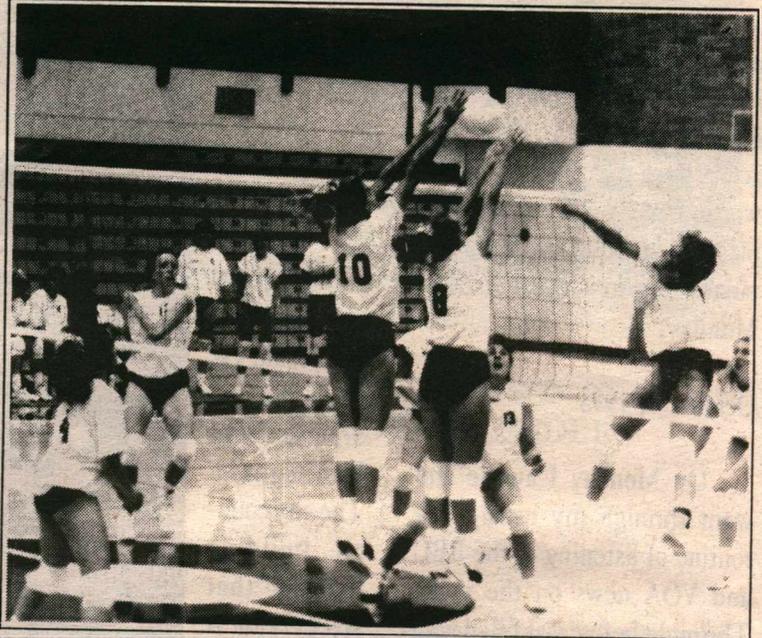
"We played really well as a team," said Stephanie Arland. "There was no way we could lose against AC of I, this year being our senior year. We were going to win no matter what!"

The final score ended in the Crusaders' favor, three games to five over the Yotes. Game by game scores were 8-15, 15-3, 15-7, 14-16, 15-2.

Stephanie Arland and Cheri Dailey provided many of the key blows for the Crusaders.

Saturday's matches against Southern Oregon State were 1 in 3, with NNC falling 9-15, 15-7, 6-15, 13-15.

Both nights, the games kept everyone at the edge of their seats. The fans showed their frenzied appreciation and overwhelming support by giving the



A Crusader spike meets rejection. (Lyndon Shakespeare)

players mini-standing ovations after the numerous long volleys.

The Crusaders controlled the tempo of the game with an aggressive, attacking style of play. Dominating the net, the Crusaders prevailed with a season sweep of Albertson.

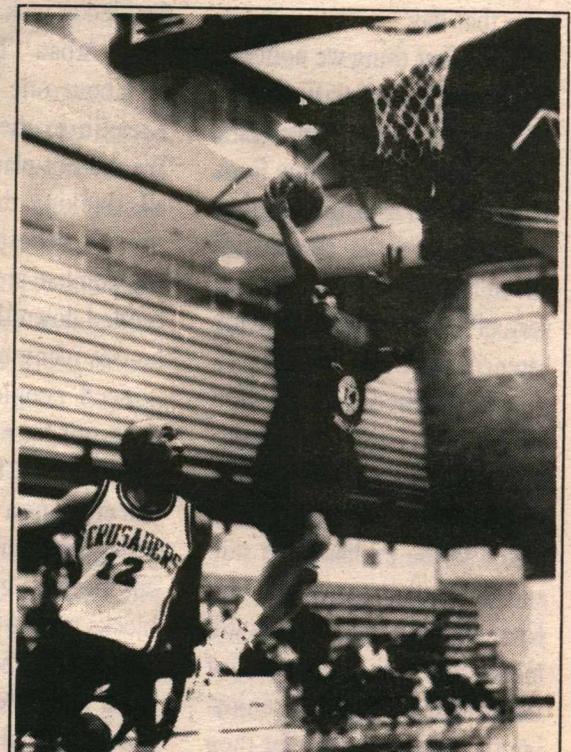
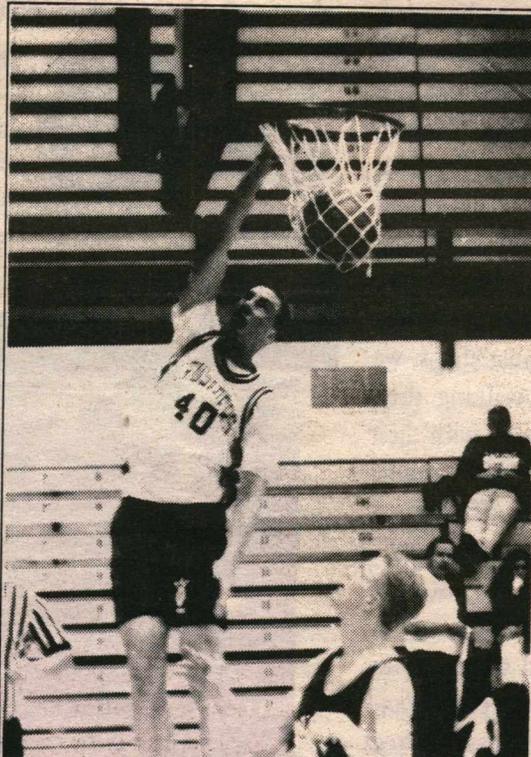
Saturday's matches against Southern Oregon State College didn't go quite as well. NNC perhaps left their game on the

court against ACof I the previous night, falling to the Raiders 9-15, 15-7, 6-15, 13-15.

The senior players were honored for their years of dedication and sweat prior to Saturday's game with Southern Oregon.

Next weekend's action will be on the road, Friday against Eastern Oregon State and Saturday against Whitman College.

BASKETBALL



Joel Marion (left) hangs out while Todd Schumacher drives to the hoop during Friday's Midnight Madness. (Lyndon Shakespeare)

SOCCER

# Unpoised Crusaders dealt pair of frustrating losses

BY RICK SKEEN  
STAFF WRITER

The soccer team suffered two losses in district play this past weekend. The team lost 5-0, on Friday to Concordia and were blanked again on Saturday 4-0, by Willamette.

On Friday, the Saders held their own for most of the game against a very good Concordia team. After sixty minutes, the team was down by only one goal to the fifth ranked team in the NAIA.

"We played very, very well for the first sixty minutes," remarked Coach Diehl.

However, at the 25-minute mark of the second half, the Saders gave up a second goal to Concordia. Less than a minute later, Concordia had put another ball in the back of the net.

"We had a real mental let-down after the second goal,"

commented Coach Diehl. "Then after the third goal, we just packed it in and went through the motions to finish it out."

Kevin Saul felt that a lack of defensive pressure was a big factor in the loss to Concordia.

"We were not marking up tight enough, and we just kept breaking down defensively."

Saturday was much of the same story for the Crusaders. The team fell to Willamette 4-0, but three of the four goals came in a five-minute span. The first two goals were scored only nine seconds apart.

A frustrated Coach Diehl commented, "A good, poised team will never let that happen (referring to the two quick goals). We are not a strong mental team, and we are not going to be a good soccer team until we learn to keep our poise."

"We were a little bit down on Saturday because of Friday's loss," said Tim Whetstone. "After giving up the first goal, we had a total mental letdown."

Colby Halker played good soccer in goal this weekend making a number of great saves. However, Coach Diehl pointed to Mike Wood as being a real standout in the two games.

"Mike really came out of his shell in these two games and played his best soccer of the year."

Kevin Saul agreed with Coach Diehl's assessment of Wood's performance.

"Mike played excellent both games this weekend. Without his standout play, we would have lost by even more than we did."

The Saders will be on the road this weekend against Western Baptist College and Pacific University. The team



Sophomore Chucky BonDurant prepares to clear the ball past a pesky opponent. (Lyndon Shakespeare)

remains upbeat as they still have a shot at making a district playoff spot.

"We could easily come away with two road victories this weekend," commented Saul. "Two wins would put us right there for a playoff spot."

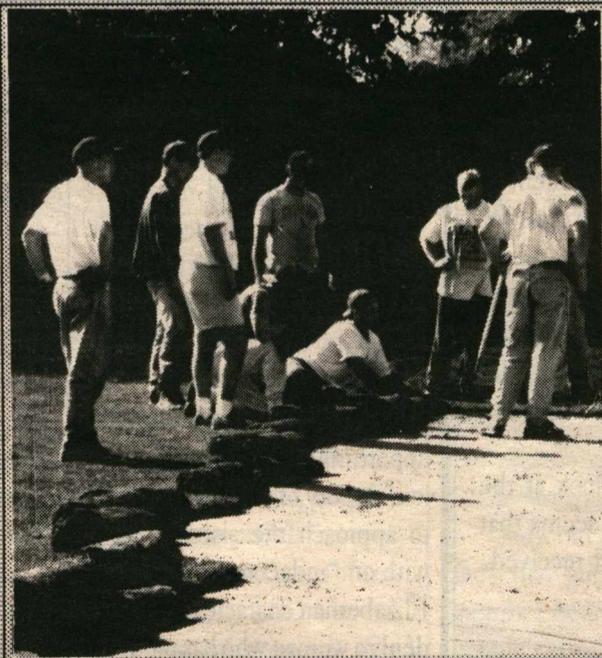
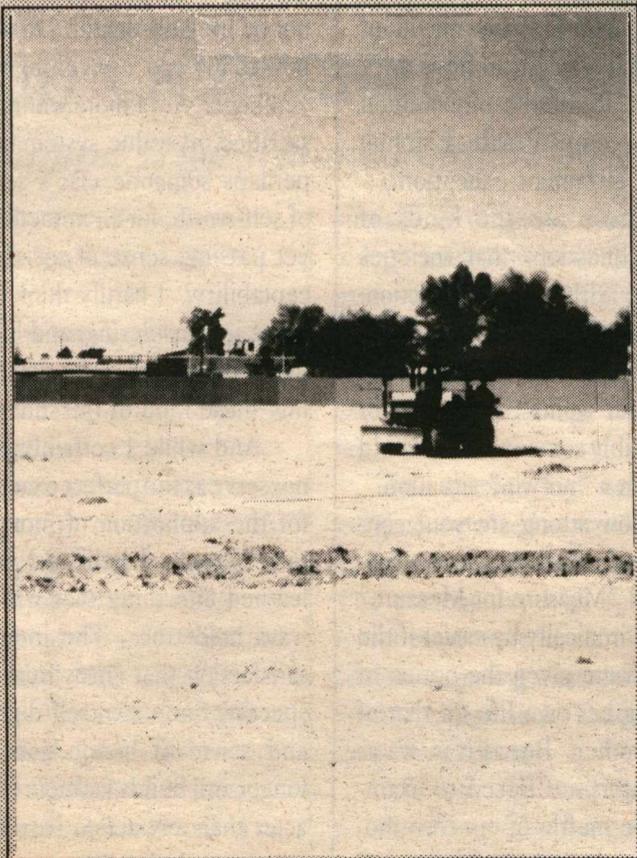
Tim Whetstone feels that

jumping on top early will be key for the Saders this weekend.

"In order to avoid the mental letdowns we have been having, we need to score first. We play with much more poise and confidence when we score first."

BASEBALL

## Field of Dreams... Build it and He will come



After years of waiting, the NNC baseball team finally has an acceptable college playing field. A majority of the school's athletic teams joined forces in laying 111,000 square feet of sod. This field is the first step to raising the Crusader baseball program's ascent to the next level. The field should be ready for games by early spring.

(Lyndon Shakespeare)



## EDITORIALS

*Uncle Sam should turn in his badge*

In the current scheme of international affairs, the United States is a) in the midst of trying to stop a civil war, b) trying to send troops to a country experiencing civil war, and c) contemplating intervention with a centuries old civil war/religious struggle/ethnic cleansing.

A recent article in *The Christian Science Monitor* cited the figure that only 20% of civil wars are resolved by negotiation. Understand, while the U.S. has been the "world's policeman" in years past, never have we intervened in a civil war. A primary reason for this is that the Cold War is over and the Communist threat has been replaced with dictators and overlords.

The question one may want to ponder is why we would feel obligated to try to stop a civil war elsewhere. Obviously, the UN is doing everything it deems necessary to bring about a state of world peace. It's a nice ideal, but is it really necessary? Are the warring factions really asking for help? And if so, who is to say whether we're really helping the right forces?

One can't help but wonder what might have happened if the Confederate forces had actually received aid and troops from a once dominant British nation when they were preparing to secede from the Union. Might may not make right, and it may be wisest for us to mind and manage our own business.

*Some classes deserve more credit*

Certain classes at Northwest Nazarene College deserve far more credit than they are given. And we're not talking about accolades here. And on the other hand, there are those classes which are given far more credit than is due.

The credit of which we speak, of course, is the infamous collegiate "credit-hour." And we believe that the system by which different classes are assigned credit desperately needs to be reconsidered.

Take, for instance, Music Theory. The class itself is divided up into two sections, each with its own textbook (at no small cost), its own professor, and its own final examination. These two sections even meet at different times during the day. Any given student in Music Theory does as much work as is done in a regular class for each section of this single course.

An example of a class that gives too much credit can be found on any list of general education requirements. Conceptual Physics, meeting this term, is just one of too many such courses. Any class which barely requires cracking the binding of the textbook can hardly merit a "four-credit" rating.

Perhaps it is time that this liberal arts institution look at the method by which credits are assigned. For it certainly seems that classwork should relate directly to the amount of credit received.

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## Dealing with society's addiction to conviction

**ryan pitts**

What are your ideals, and how far are you willing to go to defend them?

At the risk of sounding like a Reg Hill test essay, this question, asked as far back as human existence can recall, is stated sublimely by the divine bard, Shakespeare. His play entitled "Measure for Measure" presents the kind of moral dilemma that begs to be internalized by modern viewers and readers.

Inside the parameters of a "comedy," Shakespeare weaves the tale of a man sentenced to death for getting a woman not yet his wife with child, and his sister who has the opportunity to save him. The lord deputy of the city proceeds to approach the sister, a nun, with an "indecent proposal" of Elizabethan character, and suddenly a woman who has pledged her life to the service of the church is left with two choices - sacrifice her chastity that very night or witness the death of her brother the next morning.

When the 20th century version of "Indecent Proposal"

reared its ugly head last spring, the film loosely based on this kind of dilemma created quite a stir in the collective morality of the nation. The general consensus at the time seemed to favor putting virtue ahead of personal gain, but how does Robert Redford's one million dollars compare with a sibling facing imminent execution?

These are the kinds of moral questions that societies debate with a near addiction. Whether in the 17th century or the 20th century, people can't help but wonder how they, or preferably someone else, would react in a "no-win" situation.

How strong are your convictions? Shakespeare's situation in "Measure for Measure" would ironically be easier if the sister were given the option of trading her own life for that of her brother. But as it is, we as spectators are forced to examine the mettle of our own morality in the barest of terms, and

as a rule we are unable to avoid this style of masochism. Such personal introspection inevitably spreads throughout a whole mind, and quickly leads to the kind of very simple questions we would rather not ask.

How well do my beliefs hold up in a situation that may not be life-and-death? Do they bow to my ego, or even to convenience? Am I more willing to sacrifice my value system, and perhaps someone else's sense of self-worth, for an immediate, yet passing, sense of social acceptability? I hardly think I'm alone in considering, and kicking my conscience for answering, these kind of questions.

And while I certainly cannot serve as the perfect example for the application of morality to a lifestyle, I believe I have learned one thing that will always hold true: The internal satisfaction that arises from respecting one's own self-dignity and sense of honor lasts far longer and builds far more character than any action based on someone else's pleasure.

## COMMENTARY

# Coffee house dreams from a Starbucks™ junkie

BY DAN FREEBORN  
STAFF WRITER

Dim lighting . . . walls adorned with donated roadsigns . . . crowds of people dressed exclusively in baggy, ultra-comfortable, neo-Seattle grunge/Eddie Bauer clothes . . . and Starbucks coffee. This is as close to heaven as the mortal mind can fathom, and fortunately, it's right here at NNC.

From the first article written in *The Crusader*, I guessed that the new Top 10 Cafe would be unlike anything NNC has ever seen before. And unlike the majority of my own personal premonitions, this one turned out to be right.

This past Sunday I dropped in to say "hello" to whoever would listen, but when I entered, I was immediately smitten -- by the pungent aroma of *Coffea Arabica*.

The wafting odors silently led me downstairs, where I discovered a veritable paradise on Earth. Even down to candles



on the tables! (Finally someone who's not afraid of the fire marshal.)

As I surveyed the scene, the sudden need to write poetry overwhelmed me. I never write poetry. But somehow this place had all the signs of a den of intellect (don't ask me how I'd know, just trust me).

Although originally intending to drop in for only a moment, I found myself unable to resist just one cup of coffee. Starbucks, of course. By defini-

tion, then, the coffee was exquisite -- Sulawesi, for those who care.

And in this atmosphere one thing quickly led to another -- my brief visit somehow became a deep conversation, just as that first cup of coffee quickly gave way to a Hot Chihuahua -- Holy Coffee, what a drink! (In fact, I was only able to write this article at two in the morning because I drank the Chihuahua at ten.)

Fortunately, I had the op-

portunity to chat with Matt Johnson, a BRICK House director and Top 10 Cafe co-founder. And among other things, we discussed the financial aspects of this brand-new operation. What I discovered was truly astounding.

The reason the Cafe can afford to serve the best drinks possible (via the use of Starbucks, ample espresso proportions, plenty of chocolate in the mochas, etc.) is that their primary goal is simply to break

even on their investment.

The Top 10 Cafe wishes to make only enough money to recover the funds granted by ASNNC. They are trusting that volume of sales because of highly competitive prices and quality will carry them through. In the coffee business, it is extremely easy to make a large profit, but this is not their goal. They are after consistency and longevity, and I think they're on the right track.

But back to a more ethereal plane. With the sublime wisdom of Mr. Matt Johnson still echoing in my caffeinated cranium, I resumed my former place among the Top 10 regulars and, with no regard for time or space, began to discuss the ramifications of placing Sartre's hell inside the realms of a Kierkegaardian existentialist experience.

Men of the Top 10, I'm praying for you. And I tell you the truth, I will not drink of this cup again until I drink it with you at the Top 10. Amen.

## COMMENTARY

## Can Generation X ever overcome its negative image?

*A Nampa High senior comments on high school -- drug use and the "bad press" it generates*

BY JUSTIN FORSBERG  
SPECIAL TO THE CRUSADER

The results of a recent study conducted by the Rocky Mountain Behavioral Science Institute in Fort Collins, Colorado, was published in area newspapers on October 12. The report shows that drug and alcohol abuse is widespread among students at Meridian and Centennial high schools.

I just have one question to ask: Why did it take a study from Colorado to open the eyes of the older generations? Yes,

virtually all drugs are available to high school students. I also have no problem believing the statistic that four of five students have tried alcohol by the time they become high school seniors.

The average high school kid is not involved in activities, athletics, or even their classes. The present day high school senior cares more about his or her job, or getting wasted every weekend, than about receiving his or her diploma.

I believe that over three-fourths of my class, the gradu-

ating class of 1994, has been drunk before. Probably half of that 75% has either experimented with or is currently using illegal drugs. And the drugs they are using are the same ones being used all of this country. Marijuana is as popular as ever, partially due to the lyrics of certain rap songs. LSD use has always been widespread. Cocaine is used less frequently because of its street value, but it is out there. I have even heard of students smoking cloves and drinking Robitussin cough medicine for a buzz.

Who is doing the drugs and drinking the alcohol? Almost everyone who can afford it. Not only the stereotypical gang member or jock gets drunk, but the church-going kid from a stable family does it too.

How old are the kids when they first get high? I can remember hearing about certain people's adventures when I was as young as the sixth grade. Wait a second -- the sixth grade!

This is why I can't figure out why the world is just now waking up to the reality of today's teenage society. The

baby boomers are finally getting scared because of what my generation is becoming. Let me say this, though, 20% of us are still trying to succeed.

I have often heard my classmates complaining about the "unfair press" we receive. It's always negative. There are never any big headline stories about what we are trying to do to improve this country and our lives. To them I say welcome to the real world -- where one person, or in some cases four out of five, can mess things up for everyone else

You know what really cheeses us off? Jeans that just don't quite fit right... We were once freshmen.

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And we mean freshmen. We were annoying, loud, rude, and inconsiderate. Now we're upperclassmen. Should we be annoying, loud, rude, or inconsiderate, we have every right. All you freshmen out there don't have this right, but do it anyway, 'cause you'll only be freshmen once... Wow, how 'bout them Phillies!... OK, now repeat after me: "I, \_\_\_\_\_, promise to thank Ryan Pitts, Supreme Opinions Editor on High for allowing Rosco 'the deity' Williamson's story to be the cover story for this week, and to wear unwashed Mambosox every day for the rest of my life." OKAY!! YOU'RE IN THE SECRET CRUSADER CLUB!!... By the way, Jorge Bravo serves one mean burger at noon meals... We at the Crusader would like to point out that Ryan's real name is Ryan UTAH Pitts. Be sure to address him as such, thank you... Gee, does Kevin Six have a Napoleon Complex or what? Lyndon Shakespeare, who is a licenced psychologist, has confirmed this little tid-bit of information... Say, has anyone noticed that the temperature in the game room is somewhere between "hot" and "hell"? We hope so. We'd hate to think it was just us... Up for consideration: Evenflow by Pearl Jam - - just a nice song, or cult youth anthem?... Send for your list of clothing-optional recreational areas within a 3 hour drive... Has anyone noticed the similarities between a day in Ed Media and an episode of NYPD Blue? Us either... There's a new REI store in Boise, and there's not ONE PAIR OF KNICKERS!... Check out the Top Ten Cafe in the BRICK House, and pick up on some really jittery people of the opposite sex... Oh, and while your there, ask about the high stakes poker game in the back room... Speaking of coffee, if it's legal, how come marijuana isn't? Something to think about... Hey all you cute women out there! Be sure to avoid all contact with Brad Williamson... Oh, and if you see Matt Johnson on campus, sneak up behind him and scream "Watch out for the cow!!" in his ear... Finally, 9 out of 10 people surveyed say Dave Bomar needs to LIGHTEN UP!!!!

Calling all people with opinions! Please, please, we're down on our collective knees begging for you

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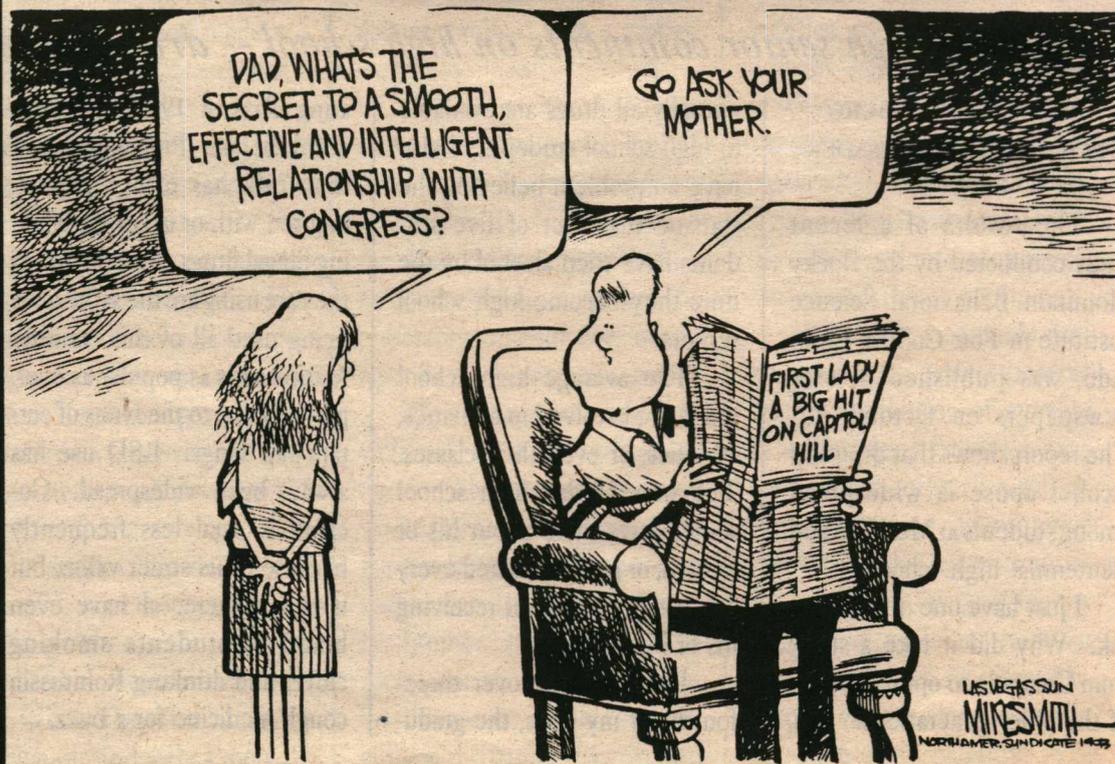
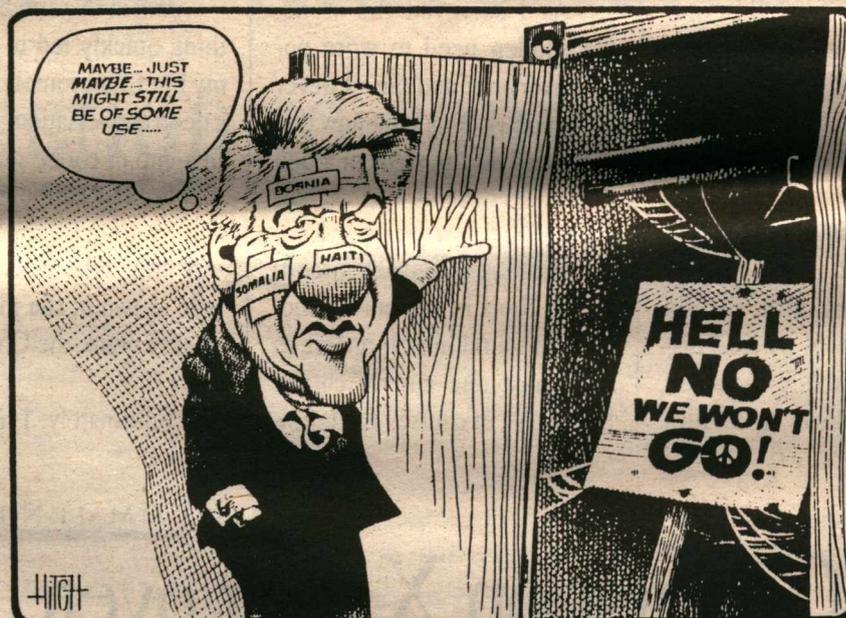
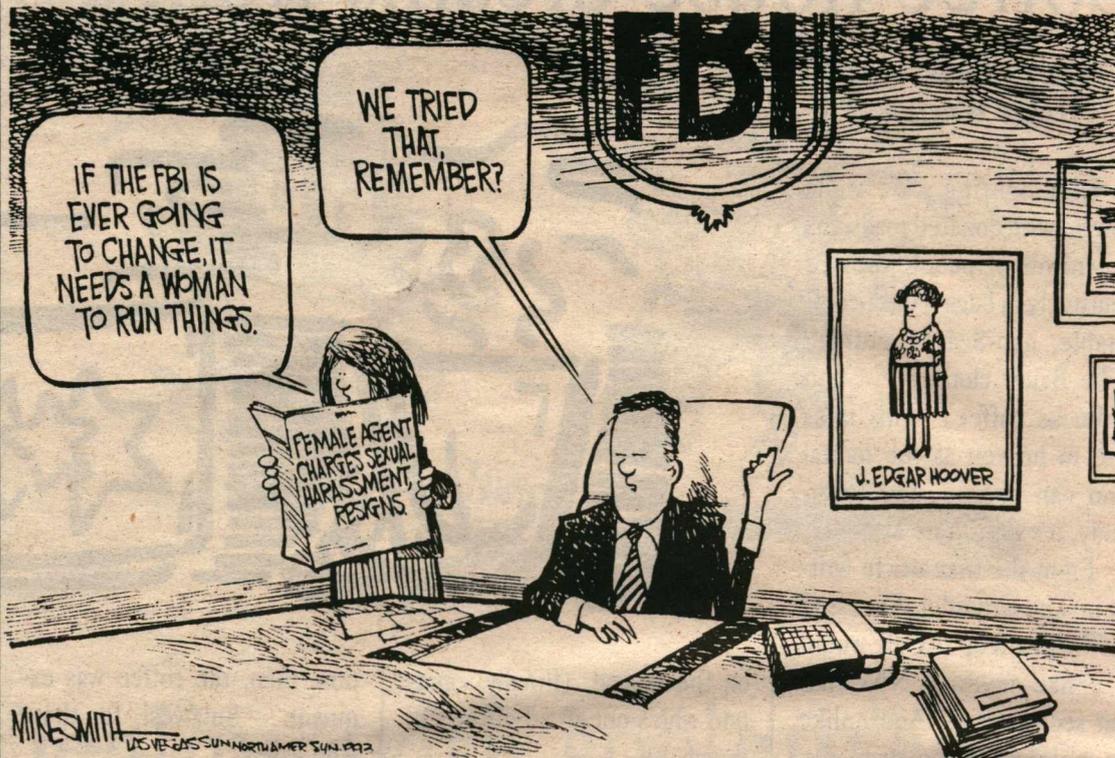
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CUISINE

*The Pie offers a gastro-intestinal extravaganza*

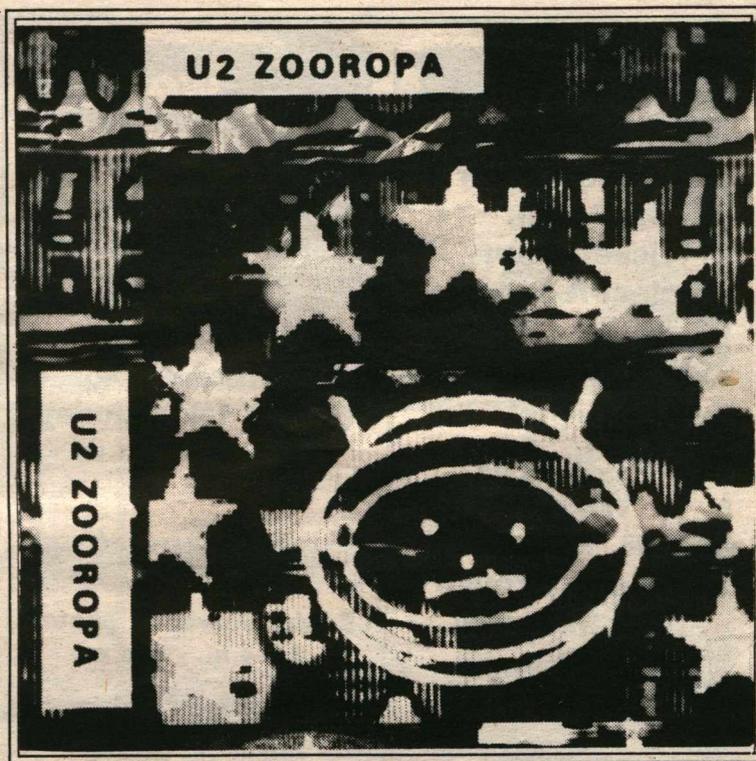
The Flying Pie Pizzeria  
1016 Broadway Ave., 6508 Fairway Ave., 4320 W. State

Say, have any of you been to the Pie recently? Well if you haven't, you're missing out on a culinary extravaganza. The Pie, as it is known to the initiated, is home to the Treasure Valley's premiere profound Pizza. There are three locations, but if you want the quintessential Pie experience, go to the Fairview store. Strung out in the last half of a fifties era shopping center, the Pie has the feel of a bunch of college guys baking pizza in their low-rent basement apartment. The decor is strictly two-by-fours coated in bold basic colors. Furnishings follow the basic yard-sale theme, this is not an up-tight place.

The Pie offers the standard pizza house fare you might expect -- pizza. But this is not just any pizza. Start with the Zambini, hot and spicy, with peppers and pesto sauce on sourdough crust. Or maybe you're a carnivore. For you there's the Phosgo, meat with meat sauce on a meat crust.

The absolute reason to go to the Pie is to attend Gourmet Night. Every Tuesday the Pie serves a buffet of some of the most exotic pizza on the planet. Sure, you say, just how exotic could it be? Well try "Seafood Asparagus" pizza, "Steak and Potato" pizza, or the ever popular "Reuben" with corned beef, sauerkraut, and mustard sauce on a rye crust. Watch out, though, because one of the main reasons that the folks at the Pie have Gourmet Night is to try out new pizza spices on the unsuspecting public.

However, times have changed from the golden days



of Gourmet Night at the Pie. The pizza is as good as ever, but the price has gone up to six and a quarter. This does come with a salad, not that you'll want it. It is possible to get your money's worth, but if you guys bring a date and she only eats a couple peices, you'll have to eat about 30 to make up for her. They've also done away with the "Guess the Beer" contest, by the way.

So go ahead and check out the Pie, where it's tradition to eat as much as is inhumanly possible.

--BY JOHN FILLMORE

MUSIC

*U2's experiment produces mixed results*

"Zooropa"  
by U2  
Geffen Records, 1993.

U2 hit the studio running immediately following their Zoo TV tour that showcased their album, "Achtung Baby." What followed is their worst album lyrically. According to Bono, the band had a lot of extra energy following their last tour, and wanted to use it. Bono used his energy to write many song lyrics without his usual depth and thoughtfulness.

However, The Edge has produced his most exciting gui-

tar parts since "The Joshua Tree." He also "sings" "Numb"; a very interesting series of advice on what not to do. What does make this album successful is The Edge's muscial energy.

What makes this album one of U2's worst is Bono's cliché-rich lyrics and falsetto choruses on some songs. Strangely enough, one of the best lyrical songs was written by Bono long before they hit the studio. In fact, he even wanted country musician Johnny Cash to sing this ballad called "The Wanderer". Cash's eerie, low voice is ideal for the themes of religious dogmatism addressed by a wandering fanatic.

"Some Days are Better than Others", however, is the best song on the album, not "Numb", "Zooropa", nor "Lemon". It is a simple song that states how strange each day is in comparison to each other. It also has the sound that made "Achtung Baby" so successful.

U2 has produced an album worth listening to, but in comparison to their recent effort with "Achtung Baby," it pales. And while U2 fans will have trouble getting used to the new sound and uninspired lyrics of most songs, they will want to feel the expression of The Edge's guitar again and again.

--BY JOHN NORDSTROM

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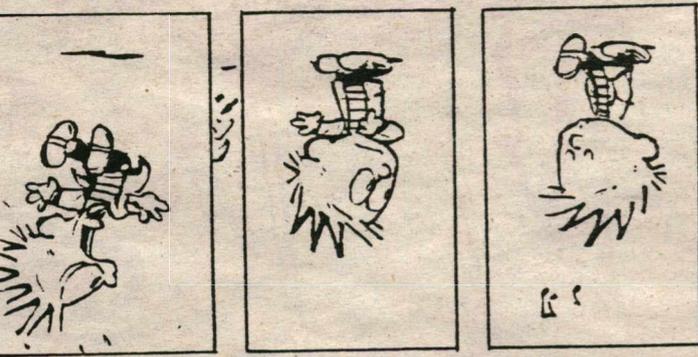
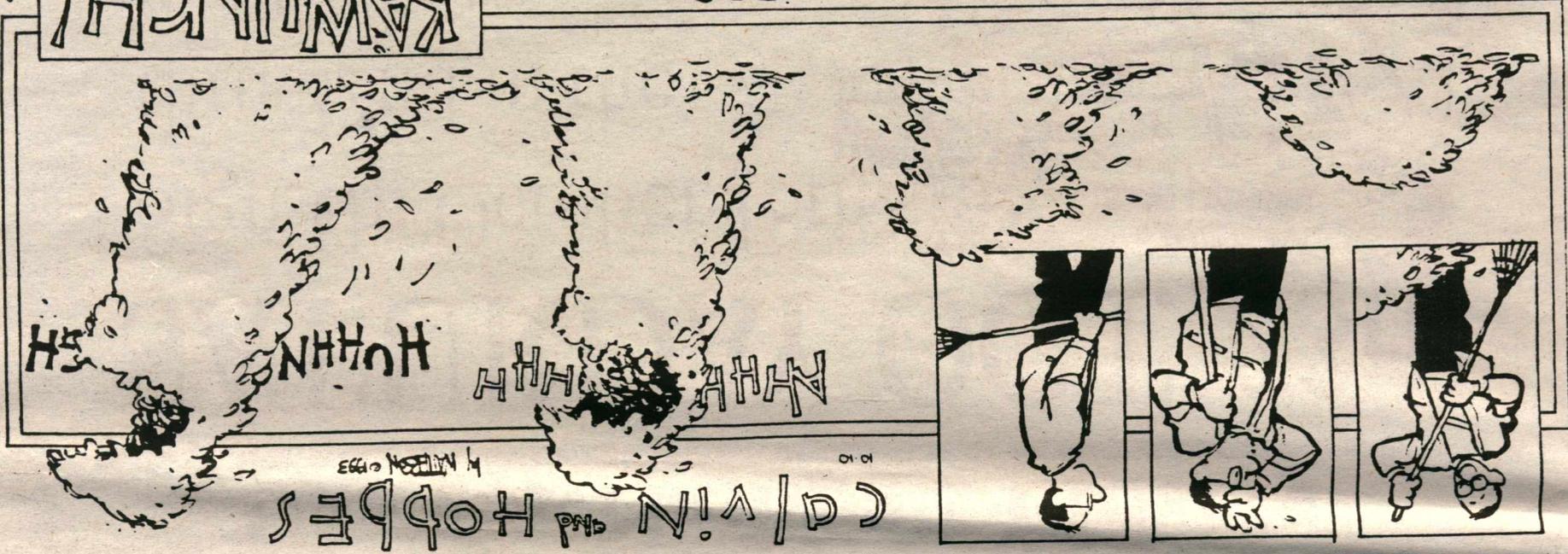
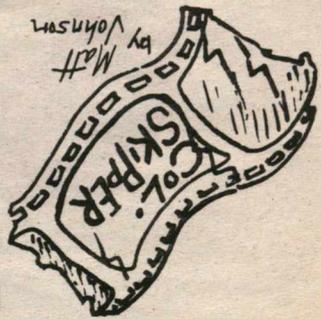


top ten

Top 10 Ways To Die

10. Death by Trinity
9. Twinkie O.D.
8. Trampled by crowd after NNC wins national basketball championship
7. Get lost and starve in the wild forests of Kurtz Park
6. Sonic blast from screaming Morrison chick
5. Sharing tight pants with Jeff Gunstream
4. Lots of little paper cuts
3. Accidentally awaken the Morrison Troll
2. The Tap-Dance-'O-Death by Gene's tiny feet
1. Regis

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