

THE CRUSADER

"Don't worry James, if you're born to hang, you'll never drown."—Scott J. Clark

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ENROLLMENT : LINDLEY



Dr. Ray Lindley, Director of Communications and Chairman of Education

by Rob Thompson

"There has been, in the last...six years, I think it's the last six years, the freshman class has gotten smaller....For instance since 1979, which was the high year...it has been going down since '79," responded Dr. Raymond Lindley to the question of NNC's enrollment problem. In an hour-long interview, Dr. Lindley who at present heads both the Communications Office and the Education Department listed several reasons why enrollment at NNC may be on the decline.

The size of the freshman class has been consistently dropping since the high freshman enrollment in 1979. Admissions, Communications and Recruitment have been working on the problem, or at least a part of the problem, "Although we've done all kinds of things to improve retention, if you don't get them here to start with, you can't retain them," said Lindley. When asked what Communications (the office of which he is in charge) is, Dr. Lindley replied, "There

are several areas that are under this umbrella, Admissions obviously is one of them, and Bruce Webb," Lindley continued, "Recruitment, which really works hand-in-hand with admissions....The Public Information Office, which is the printed media, mainly, Church Relations, Community Relations, Planned giving, and Alumni....That's the whole umbrella, over which I am supervisor." Where does the problem lie? It seems apparent that if one cannot get someone to go to his college, he has a problem with admissions. When asked if this was true, Lindley admitted that although he thought the problem itself was multi-faceted, Admissions and Recruitment were, and are, a part of the problem. "But, yes, I think we need to shape up in some things that we're doing," continued Lindley.

Once it was established in the interview with Dr. Lindley that the problem existed in those areas, we moved on to other areas of concern. Is the problem with administration, or is the problem with the credibility of the college itself, or perhaps the standards that the college supports? Dr. Lindley replied, "I think you can almost come up with any of those statements, and I can add some for you, and I can say 'yes' to any of those...The important thing for us, and I think it's where we really need to be careful, is that somebody says to us, 'I don't want to come to your school because...,' is that we not sit

back and defend ourselves, and say, 'oh, you're wrong, that's not true!' I think if you feel that way, we have to deal with that."

NNC's relatively high tuition can be a problem to some people, and it is unfortunate that money stands in the way of Christian education for some. When asked what the most common complaint he had heard about NNC was, Lindley said, "The one I hear the most is lack of financial aid." The obvious problems with admissions have already been stated, and financial aid seems to be on the top of the Prospective Students' lists and Ray Lindley's personal

list, but is there something beyond the obvious? To this, Dr. Lindley responded, "There is an undefined perception, which we are trying to find out what that is, that we need to counteract."

What is this undefined problem? Where does it originate? Who does it affect? What are its effects? How can it be counteracted? All Lindley could say was that the buck had been passed to Sue Bunker, who was dealing with it as an image problem. Lindley admitted that NNC is guilty of sending out admissions material that has been simply reproduced on Xerox-type machines. Noting that this was a less than

Committee Recommends Senate-Pub. Board Union

by Cherri Choate

Last September, a seemingly harmless little box was handed to the Student Senate. Although it was tied in pretty pink ribbon it carried with it the odor that was a combination of Nampa and Los Angeles smog. Nevertheless it was labeled Publications System and was readily placed in the laps of an unsuspecting committee. Since that time that committee, the Publications Revision Committee, untied the pretty pink ribbon only to find a rather confusing assortment of items each begging to be released.

The Publications Revisions Committee was established to review the current publications system of NNC

and determine a proposal to make the system more efficient and more productive. After months of research, meetings, arguments, and confusion the committee drew up a proposal. To alleviate some question prior to presentation of the proposed system the current system should be summarized.

The Publications Board was established in the early 1970's as a buffer between the administration and the students. The Board is defined as "the ruling advisory body of the OASIS and the Crusader." It consists of 10 student members, 2 faculty/administration members, the ASNCC executive

PERSPECTIVE 100

by President Wetmore

There is an ancient metaphor which has been used to teach the important distinction between a positive and building attitude toward life and a negative or discouraging attitude. It applies to many areas of our lives.

The half full or half empty metaphor would have special meaning to us at this midpoint in the academic year. This is a time when each of us must choose whether to look up and enjoy the richness of involvement or to look down and discourage ourselves and everybody else. We make that choice individually.

The metaphor of the half full or half empty cup applies to how we feel about our course work. Under the pressure of assignments it is easy to forget the privilege that is ours to be a part of a learning environment.

The cup metaphor applies to our relationships with other people. I may choose to either look for the best in the other or to observe the worst.

The idea applies to my personal development. When I take time to count my blessings and opportunities I am amazed at what a privileged person I am. If I allow myself to be mired down by problems and heavy assignments I discourage myself and all those around me.

It is an ancient metaphor which will go on teaching people today and in the coming ages. Is your cup half full or is it half empty?

Recently, several reports have confirmed that a liberal arts background is excellent preparation for almost any career, and some corporations are beginning to take notice of this. One study by a major U.S. corporation followed the progress of 200 of its managers who had either a scientific/technical or liberal arts background. The study found that the managers with liberal arts backgrounds performed best overall. Their administrative abilities were at least equal to the abilities of the managers with technical backgrounds and their communication and interpersonal skills were stronger. In addition, they were more flexible and better able to handle change.

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CHRISTIAN LIFE

by Ken Hardee

I had been living a lie. I thought when you accepted Christ it was smooth sailing from here to heaven. Oh sure, there would be difficulties. Just like anybody else I would struggle with life and relationships. I would work hard and be under pressure but Christ would be with me. Christ wants me to succeed, doesn't he? That way I can give Him the glory for seeing me through fame and fortune. I mean that's the American Dream.

Unfortunately dreams do not always come true. Lessons in life sometimes come hard, and the best lessons come the hardest. I found out that God is not a career guidance counselor. He is Lord. He died and rose again. He wants us to die, as well. Only by dying and giving ourselves up to Him can He create life in us through Christ.

It took so long for Jesus to get that through to me. I

would not give up my life. It was easy for me to make that initial commitment to Christ. From then on though it was a struggle for the Lord to make me truly see what life in Him means.

True life in Christ indicates that we are strangers in this world. We are to deny ourselves take up our cross and follow Him. We will be hated in this world and be persecuted for His name's sake. None of these things has ever happened to me and it makes me wonder just how much I am truly living for Christ.

This world cries out for answers. Why do we remain silent? Is it because we do not have faith that Christ is the way? Or is it because we just want to keep what we have to ourselves and not share it with anyone? Are we still living for ourselves thinking that Christ blesses our lives and keeps us warm, safe, and happy?

We must act. We have

remained silent for too long. Christ commands us to go and tell people about Him. More than His command though is the Lord's love for us. "This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus." (Rom. 3:22-24, NIV)

I can't help but feel embarrassed when I think of Christ's life and teachings and how I have lived my life after I accepted Christ. It is not difficult to accept Christ into your life. To become a Christian however takes an ever increasing commitment to God and an ever decreasing selfishness.

CAMPUS SAFETY: RIGHTS

The Bible tells us that the only way to come to Jesus is if we become like little children. However, it seems apparent that either NNC believes it must create those little children or NNC is in fact that Diety.

No, I'm not ridiculing the Bible, and this article is not going to deal with those big bad rules of NNC. This article deals with the lies of omission and suppression of information.

Back to the children. Have you ever watched a scary movie with a young child? When the tike asks what the red stuff is that is all over the people, we invariably say-ketsup. Why not tell the truth? Protection. We are afraid that the child will be unable to cope with the "reality" of the scene.

Are we still so vulnerable as to have to be protected from the ugly reality around us? Apparently so. Somewhere in the administration of NNC it has been determined that we as students should not be forced to deal with our surroundings.

How many of us know that a girl staying on campus in one of the dorms woke up with a man's hands clutching her throat? It's true. There's more, but that isn't the point. The point is-why weren't we told? Are we expected to overreact, panic, lock ourselves in our rooms in an attempt to be safe? In my opinion, that should be our choice.

Unwritten campus policy seems to be that girls are never to walk alone. They are to walk with at least two other

girls or get a guy to walk them home. But how many people will take this precaution when, to their knowledge, there is nothing to protect themselves from? Wouldn't security be enhanced if we knew why we should be careful?

As students of NNC we must begin to demand to be told of what is going on around us. We are isolated enough by being on this campus without being isolated from what takes place on campus. I'm an adult, not a child, and I want to know what reality is so I can face it. Do you want to know?

Editorials

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The last issue of the *Crusader* was, overall, very good; however, there does seem to be some lack of quality control in the publications system. I am referring to the article entitled "Northwesterners Reviewed."

I too attended the concert and found it to be an enjoyable time. According to "A. Russell Longsong," whatever his true identity may be, the concert was a time to think up as many satirical lines that were not humorous in the least. The concert was fun, and John Dirkse's burp was funny, but this article did not give a clear picture of what happened

that night. My point is that whoever wrote this article did so in very poor taste.

I do not feel that the Northwesterners deserved such a sarcastic review. They put in many hours of hard work and long practice sessions to be able to put on the quality productions that they do, as well as the Bell Choir. Therefore, I suggest that the writers that are chosen to write reviews be ones that are considerate enough to recognize the hard work put forth and review the presentation accurately, not use the space, time and money to express their musings.

I sincerely hope that we, the students of NNC, do not have to pay for and read such petty journalism again.

Sincerely,
Debra Baker

To the Editor:

The review by A. Russell Longsong was a perfect example of illiteracy and rancid humor. However, my purpose is not to discuss these deficiencies or why A. Russell will remain twirpless; the above points are obvious to all but A. Russell himself.

I would like to commend the editor for providing a vital need to our community. The review allowed a reader to vent his passions externally rather than internalizing these same passions. Whether the malevolence against the review is justified is beside the point. If it is justified, one feels better about displaying

his/her passions. The benefit is that we do not have to look at ourselves. Too many people hate themselves or blame themselves for the troubles in the world; this is dangerous. It is better to have an incarnate evil to use as a scapegoat. The editor of the *Crusader* has supplied this to us in the form of A. Russell's review and we ought to be very grateful.

My favorite incarnate evil has always been the devil; Judas Iscariot is also handy.

Again, I would like to pat the editor on the back and encourage him to continue his service to our community.

Sincerely,
David M. Odell

To the Editor:

The January 25th issue of the *Crusader* asks why enrollment at NNC is dropping. I'm going to go out on a limb and say that at least part of the problem is a case of soul rot. It's not just NNC, it's church wide. May God have mercy on our souls, we've finally managed to crossbreed legalism and apathy. I'm not blaming everyone. Many Nazarenes are still good holiness people, but we've got way too many who suffer from a spiritual middle-age spread. Saved, sanctified and on my way to Heaven!!! Really? What are you doing for anyone else on the way? As a denomination ages it tends to gather dead wood, fervent Christians tend to be looked upon as being just a little undignified, a trifle embarrassing. We gain a reputation for shallowness while we all feel that we're really Super Christian. Others sum us up as all talk and no action. Too often they're right.

Worse yet, when the rot sets in we learn to be spineless and lazy from our elders. One of NNC's professors recently had an article on abortion published in a local paper. Stripped to bare metal, his argument appears to be that we shouldn't become too emotional about the issue and

should exhibit a willingness to compromise. Mark that down in your Holiness Notebook, boys and girls, "Be ye in the world and of the world and don't make waves." Learning this sort of vapid amoral pap should pretty well render you incapable of making any moral judgment at all.

I'm proud to be an NNC graduate, but not as proud as I ought to be, because I worry that the world's spiritual dullness is invading the campus. Many of the college's profs are good, Godly men, and I hope they are influencing you strongly, but they won't be here forever. You are the next generation of laymen, ministers, missionaries, and church authorities. If you came here looking for a party rather than seeking the tools to better serve God, we've really lost it.

Sure, college should be fun, but it should also be a time for forging the iron of the soul. What will make you a victorious Christian, and will coincidentally make other people want to come here, is knowing that NNC can produce those who are strong, morally upright, and unafraid to stand firm for a principle. The next move is yours.

Sincerely,
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To the Editor:

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Sincerely,
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P.S. At leest [sic] I donnot [sic] hide behind a pen-name.

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RETRACTION

It is the opinion of the Editor that in the January 25, 1985 issue of the *Crusader*, the article entitled "Northwesterners Reviewed" whose author used the pseudonym A. Russell Longsong, gross errors of judgement occurred. The *Crusader* extends its apologies to those who were hurt or otherwise ill-affected by the article.

Editorials

PUB BOARD

REVISIONS: CON

January 28, the Special Senate Revisions Committee released its recommendation regarding the future of the Publications Board. A change in the present system is clearly needed and applause is due the committee for its great effort.

However, the Committee's initial recommendation overstepped its authority and presented a structure that could severely handicap the role and character of the CRUSADER. After talking with committee members from both the Pub. Board and the Senate, it is clear the committee did not willfully infringe upon the role of the student newspaper.

As for the proposal itself, it warrants both merit and criticism. Over the past five years there has been gross negligence demonstrated on the part of the Pub. Board, editors (OASIS and CRUSADER), and the Senate. The Pub. Board failed to ask questions and demand responsibility from their editors. They also failed to communicate difficulties and solutions to the Senate. Communication is a two-way street, the Senate, while having financial responsibility over the Pub. Board, seemingly closed its eyes to the vacuum of authority occurring in the Pub. Board. The editors failed to plan, they failed to demand responsibility from their staffs, and at times demonstrated near criminal neglect in managing ASNNC money. It was the gruesome details of this comedy of errors that led to the mandate for change from the Senate in 1984-85.

The Committee's own purpose was "the changing of Publications Board into Publications Committee, a standing committee of

the ASNNC Student Senate." The committee however published a plan that could change the very character of the CRUSADER. John Neil, executive vice-president, during the caucus meeting gave voice to the very sinister threats the CRUSADER faces from this proposal. Neil revealed his real intent with, "the CRUSADER becoming an enlarged version of the Cru-Keys should not be an issue. If that is what the student body wants then that is what it should have." It is this attitude that threatens to torpedo the committee's responsible efforts. In section B, point 4, the proposal reads, "...to discuss with the editors any problems the committee sees in the manner in which any publication staff member is fulfilling his/her position, and, if necessary, to recommend action on the part of the Senate." This one section would make the Senate the editor, not the publisher. The Senate would have this power if the writer had written something irresponsible or just unpopular. This same rule could be used to improve newspaper quality but also destroy any appearance of authentic journalism and learning experience. If the editor refuses to fire someone who has done something irresponsible, why should they be allowed to continue in office? If a problem develops on an editor's staff -- isn't the editor ultimately responsible?

Vice-President Neil and his friends may like to see a Senate Newspaper, but it is highly doubtful if anyone else would.

In any political system, national government or student government, compromise is the tool of rational decision making. As the committee goes to formulate

legislation on their recommendation, it is hoped they will see compromise as the most virtuous route. That route would include the deletion of the explosive Section B, Point 4 and written inclusion of vital protective current Pub. Board guidelines.

No proposal is perfect, and all dilemmas cannot be foreseen and prevented. Yet, it is prudent to develop plans to prevent problems that are nakedly obvious. Isn't it?

After meeting almost every week since the beginning of the school year, after going through seemingly endless amounts of information, and after considering a multitude of options, the Senate Publications Revisions Committee unveiled its much anticipated proposal for the reorganization of the Publications Board on the evening of the 23rd of January.

Before elaborating on the specifics of the proposal, a

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good historical background is needed to understand the proposal's full implications and to dispell several myths that surround it.

The Senate Publications Revisions Committee is a joint committee comprised of three student Senators and three student Publications Board members. This committee was called to examine the current Publications Board and make recommendations on how it can be improved. Contrary to popular belief this committee was not sent on a witch hunt with the sole purpose of disposing of the Publications Board.

The reasons for this committee being called into existence are basically three fold. First, to determine how to eliminate the current \$11,000 debt that the publications have incurred over the past several years. Second, to determine how the current Publications Board could be strengthened. And finally, to determine how to bridge several communications gaps that exist between the Student Senate and the Publications Board.

The proposal that the committee presented to the students of NNC, in a nutshell is this. The committee determined that the current Publications Committee should be absorbed into the Student Senate. That the Publications Board should become a standing committee in the Student Senate.

Before expounding on the specific benefits of this new system it must be understood that the basic purpose of the Publications Board will not be altered. The purpose of the Publications Board, now Publications Committee, will remain to be policy establishing and of the close monitoring of the activities of the student publications.

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The first benefit is financial. The debt that now exists in the publications was allowed to accumulate because of the confusing, if not virtually non-existent control of the finances in the current system. The current method of financial oversight is such; the business managers of the *Crusader* and *Oasis* report to the ASNNC Business Manager every two months. The ASNNC Business Manager then reports to the Publications Board. This may seem like a good system, that is until it is understood that the Publications Board has no authority or responsibility for the finances of the *Crusader* or *Oasis*. The authority for the financial matters of the publications are the responsibility of the Student Senate. So what is the problem? According to the ASNNC code the Student Senate only receives financial information two weeks before the end of the election year. The problem is that during the academic year it is implied that the Publications Board is in control of the finances, they're the ones that receive the financial information. In actuality the Student Senate is in charge and responsible for these finances, and they receive no financial information.

The new proposal would bridge this financial gap by placing the implied control and actual control in one place. This means better control of the student publications. This is a big benefit for the students of NNC when you consider the fact that between $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ of student fees are given to the publications each year.

The second benefit of the new proposal is the strengthening of the Publications "system." The committee determined that the best way to strengthen the current system was to make it a standing committee of the Student Senate. As it now stands there is a lack of interest in the Publications

Board by some of its members. To illustrate this point there have been at least three vacancies in the Publications Board this year. One person did not return to school while the other two simply resigned.

It was the opinion of the committee, which is comprised of three Student Senate members and three Publications Board members, that the problem is in the lack of, in absence of a better word, prestige of Publication Board members. The committee believes that by making the Publications Board a standing committee in the Student Senate it would attract more people.

The strength of any group or organization resides in its members. The new proposal would hopefully bring more prestige to the office. The new proposal, by bringing more prestige to publications would strengthen the people in the group, thus strengthening publications.

The third benefit is an improvement in communication. As it now stands there is a large communication gap which exists between the Student Senate and Publications Board. This lack of communication has led to many past and current misunderstandings between the two groups. The revisions committee stressed their belief that it is imperative that there should be better communicators in the area of communications, especially when you stop and realize that a good deal of money goes to publications.

The Revisions Committee examined many ways in which the current communication problems could be solved. It was the conclusion of the committee that the best method for improving communications would be to transform the Publications Board into a standing committee of the Senate.

After the Revisions Committee had presented their proposal questions were

taken from the gallery. The questions were of a wide variety and helped those who attended the January 23rd meeting to get a better idea of what the committee was trying to accomplish.

There were several questions raised which dealt with the question of the publications possibly becoming another voice of the Student Senate. It was the unanimous opinion of the committee that this was very likely to happen. They explained that the basic structure of the Publications Board would not be changed. The only major difference being that now the members of the Publications Board would be Student Senators. They would be given the same powers and responsibility of Student Senators.

It is important to remember that the committee who presented this proposal is a JOINT committee, again, comprised of three Student Senators and the Publications Board members. It is the unanimous opinions of this joint committee that the best way to solve the problems of the current system is to integrate it with the other body of the Student Government, the Student Senate.

The Revisions Committee members feel that the *Crusader* and *Oasis* are important to the students of NNC. It is their opinion that the interests of the students can best be served by this new system.

WHEW! TOUGH SECOND TERM



by Todd Bledsoe
ASNNC President

Whew! This term sure is busy! How is it on your end? Are you caught in the middle of midterm mania? Well, here's some good and bad news...the good news is that we're almost over that mountain...the bad news is that there are several more to climb.

Just remember though, there's no mountain too big for you and the Lord to scale—just try not to look down, you might get dizzy. Instead always keep looking up.

Touching on the Northwest Medical Team for Ethiopia fundraiser, I want to thank those of you who have contributed. It's been exciting to see the response that several have made by giving generously and unselfishly. To date, \$1800 has been collected. The final amount will be presented at the NNC/C of I game. If you want to contribute, you still can. Just mail it to ASNNC, Box A.

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"The problem is confusion over doctrine. Who we are doctrinally has come to mean that we don't drink, we don't smoke, we don't go to dances, and we don't go to movies. There is real confusion over these issues in the local churches. The real need is to get to the understanding that (Phineas F.) Bresee had that we don't ever want to cut anyone off from the gospel, because of non-essentials. The church needs to be educated as to what is Biblical doctrine and what are human special and general rules. Education would be a start," explained Mary Curran, worker at Washington D.C.'s Community of Hope Nazarene Church.

Curran visited NNC Feb. 6-12 to teach a social work class, speak in chapel (Feb. 8), and present the revolutionary message of Christian Holiness in 1985. Curran contended that "our understanding of sanctification is keeping us from growing. We are afraid to talk about who we are as human beings. To avoid human issues; political, economic, and social human issues is also to become spiritually stagnate."

Curran believes that the Nazarene Church, like the Pharisee's of biblical times, has become consumed by wrong precepts, that is, "We have biblical precepts and precepts made by man. The precepts of man (Nazarene Special and General Rules) have become to important."

Curran urges, "The (Nazarene) church needs to understand the separation of doctrine and (Nazarene) special rules. The spirit continues in our church that you cannot be saved and say you are wrong; you cannot be saved and ever fail. Because you sin does not mean that you are not saved unless you choose to do nothing about it. Right now there is no way to enter into the world. We must be able to look into the world,



Mary Curran, campus lecturer and speaker, converses with NNC student

see the parts of ourselves that are inconsistent with what we say we are. We must be able to see our sin, pick ourselves up, and go on. What we see in this reflection are the areas that we need to grow. It may take a lifetime, but if you're working on it, that's Holiness to me."

Curran went on to describe what needs to occur to follow the Jesus Christ doctrine of holiness. "Justification and sanctification have nothing to do with smoking, drinking, or dancing. I embrace the truth that you cannot be holy and immoral. However, we should develop a philosophy that teaches how to make moral decisions. This moral-decision making process needs to be taught in the local churches."

Curran believes that even beyond the holiness she describes the Nazarene Church needs to become active in current issues of social and economic justice. In regards to a 'social gospel' she elaborated, "It is impossible, by definition to separate the gospel from society. There is no gospel except a social gospel. What our church is

politically, socially, economically is what it is spiritually."

Curran's explanation is that gospel deals with all issues from our consumption habits to racism in the church and world.

On the issue of abortion, Curran believes abortion is a sin but no greater sin than any other. "People must understand that every moral decision is connected to other moral choices. Abortion can include the morality of the life of the mother, the age of mother, the economic/quality of the infant's life...all of these things may be taken as a higher moral than the continuation of the pregnancy. We kill people in wars. That's murder, but say it is for a higher moral good. The church must be understanding."

Curran continued on to deal with priorities that contradict holiness. She explained that the church sinned by choosing wrong priorities. That is, over ornate church buildings, expenditures that went for large churches vs. smaller community churches, cosmetic

improvements that did not reflect the true intent of the churches role.

Curran, in mid-interview cited the overriding issue facing the Church of the Nazarene. "The overriding issue is racism. Racism in both the national and international church. In the American south, some Nazarene churches refuse to admit blacks and if they do, it is made clear that they are not welcome.

In the international church the issue of South Africa is also paramount. The Nazarene church maintains that saving souls is more important than who people are. Can the church support and work through a racist system and maintain integrity? No."

Curran, when asked, went on to explain that "potential does exist for religion to become the opiate of the people in S. Africa." The church's position is to save their souls but leave them in an unjust social and economic system. Curran believes that is a sin.

Curran went on to reveal that racism is built into the denomination. She explained, "The international Nazarene Church will never have a majority in the

General Assembly. Foreign representation is so regulated to prevent foreign members from having real legislative power.

"That in itself is racist. We have allowed racism in our denomination. When it has been questioned it is referred to as a local social/economic issue. I don't see how we can continue to say that and call ourselves Christians. Especially when we are so intent on recognizing special rules and regulations not as local/social expressions but as moral absolutes in the church.

"Cultural folk dancing, that has been in some cultures for 1000 years, we make that a moral issue and not a local social phenomenon. Something as blatant as racism we call a local social/economic issue and not a moral issue? Isn't the contradiction apparent?"

Curran pleads for people who care to stay in the church and create conflict for change. She urges, "You are the future of the Nazarene Church, if you leave, nothing will ever change. Stay and become involved, take up your Cross and follow Christ."

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Do you enjoy listening to the music of Elvis, Bill Hailey and the Corsets, and Buddy Holly? Do you grove on slicked-backed hair, bobby socks, poodle skirts, and leather jackets? If your answer is "yes" to any of the above, then the place for you to be is at the Science Lecture Hall on Saturday, February 23, immediately following the men's basketball game, for *Senior Slick*. This variety/talent show sponsored by the Senior Class provides a time for students to go back in time to re-live the fabulous fifties. This is also one of the biggest nights of fun for the entire NNC campus.

The fun of *Senior Slick* begins with everyone dressing up in fifties styles for the women's and men's basketball games. Then heading

over to the KNNBC Studios (alias Science Lecture Hall) for the television premiere of *Senior Slick* with Steady Eddie and Beboppin' Jerry as the hosts, along with a panel of distinguished judges to evaluate the acts for various prizes.

Tickets will go on sale February 18, and everyone who buys a ticket will receive a free guest pass to Woodside Racquet Club. Make sure to get your tickets early--all seats are reserved. Also, as an added feature to this year's show, over \$3,000 worth of doorprizes will be given away. (Seriously!)

So get decked out in your best fifties outfits, and join in the fun of *Senior Slick*. It will be a real swell time!

by Letha Goecks

What organization can you join that has as its objective to be the very best that you can be and at the same time travel to places of adventure, seeing things you have never seen before?

No...this organization is not the army, navy, air force or marines but rather, it is the NNC Speech and Debate team.

What? You didn't even know NNC had "one of those". Well, NNC does and this team is definitely making itself known in competition circles.

At the University of Utah Speech and Debate Tournament in Salt Lake City, the NNC Speech team competed against 52 schools from around the nation. Included in these 52 schools were Berkley, U. of Florida, The U.S. Air Force Academy, Southern Utah State, and U.C.L.A. NNC individuals definitely held their own.

Competing for NNC in the

Senior division was Letha Goecks and in the Junior division the competitors included: Maureen Cronrath, Mike Cook, Richard Hume, Chuck Jazdzewski, Lori Pleshko, and Rob Thompson. Their efforts produced the following impressive results: Maureen Cronrath, finalist in prose interpretation; Mike Cook, finalist in poetry interpretation; Richard Hume, finalist in extemporaneous speaking; Chuch Jazdzewski, 3rd place in extemporaneous speaking and finalist in after dinner speaking; Lori Pleshko, 2nd place in persuasive speaking and finalist in extemporaneous speaking. These competitors are indeed to be commended, as the tournament's reputation boasts of some of the toughest competition in the nation. Coaching these competitors to such impressive standings were Darlene Keith and Dennis Waller.

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The speech and debate team continued to perform exceptionally as it traveled to Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. Competing in the speech, junior division were: Richard Hume, Lori Pleshko, Erin Handley, Warren Kolz, and Rob Thompson. Making up the junior C.E.D.A. debate teams were the teams of Richard Hume with Rob Thompson and Lori Pleshko with Warren Kolz. Once again, NNC held its own as Richard Hume placed 2nd in extemporaneous speaking, Lori Pleshko placed 1st in persuasive speaking, and Erin Handley was a finalist in poetry interpretation. Helping to produce these results was the coaching of Darlene Keith and Dennis Waller.

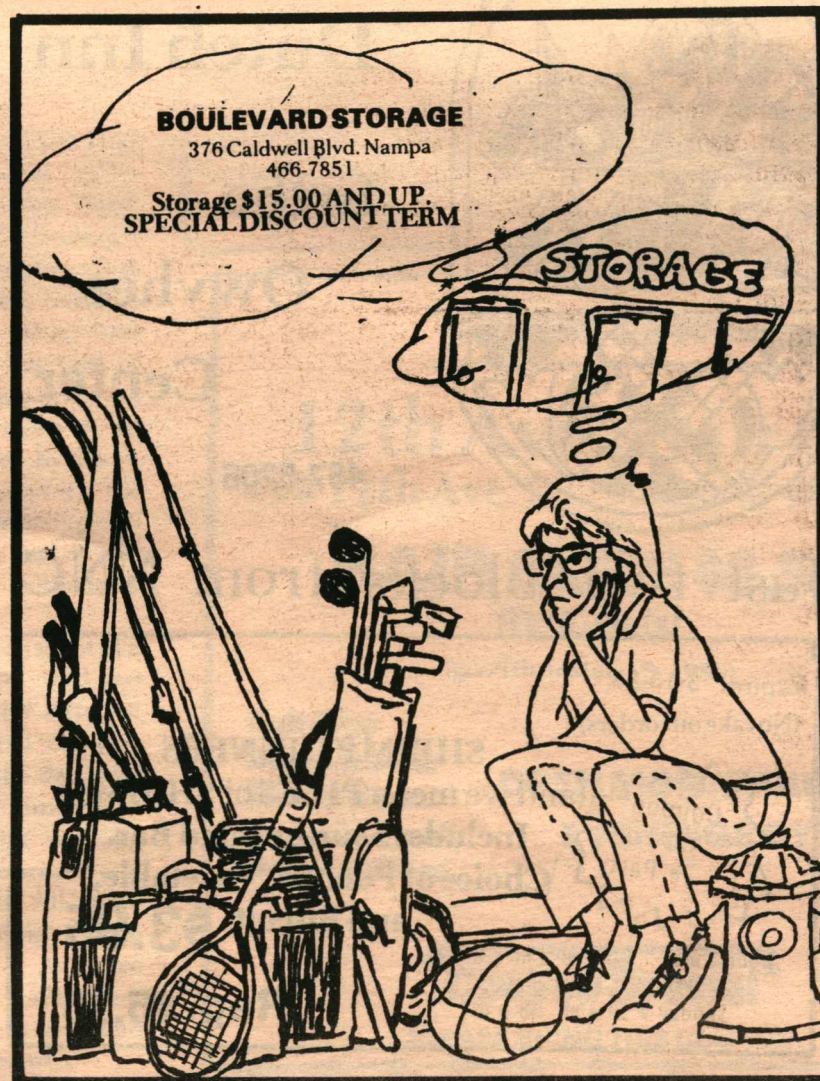
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HUNGER AWARENESS AWAKENS NNC

by Tammy Borgman

Due to hunger or malnutrition, eight-people in the world die every minute, 400 die during lunch, and 12,000 die each day. How long would it take to wipe out Nampa? Well, Nampa's population won't be devastated by hunger. However, there are many hungry and needy in Nampa. Hunger seems to be a much promoted and publicized topic on the NNC campus lately.

There was a chapel devoted entirely to what Dr. Kenneth Pearsall had to present. He explained his responsibility in being the Idaho coordinator of the Northwest Medical Team. Students were encouraged to help donate money to the immediate target aid; Ethiopia. An extra incentive to give has been the

fact that C of I is also raising money. Surely NNC can outgive for such a good cause, can't it?

January 28-February 2, was Hunger Awareness Week organized by the Hunger Awareness Group, sponsored by John and Sheila Fillmore, and the Associated Women's Students group. Monday was a panel discussion in which hunger experts shared what is meaningful to them in their work, Tuesday the group toured Maranatha House, films speaking about hunger were shown Wednesday, a food drive just for Nampa's needy, was held Wednesday through Friday, and a skating and hydrotubing fundraiser culminated the week on Saturday night. From the food drive, \$77.00 was pledged, and 50 cans were

donated to be delivered to churches, Maranatha House, and families. From the party Saturday, \$100 was raised to be given to the Northwest Medical Team's work in Ethiopia. Speaking of the hunger problem here and abroad, John Fillmore said, "It doesn't just go away because we give a little money."

So, what to do? First of all, this is not to discourage contributing money to the cause of hunger. That is a very practical response to the problem. There is also the political response. Writing letters to congressmen is something that anyone can do. A reason for a letter might be that a bill is being considered that citizens feel will only make the hunger situation worse. Involvement

with "Bread for the World" is also another possible political action. This group lobbies in Washington D.C. in favor of bills that will benefit the poor and hungry.

Another possible response is to identify with the masses of people who are starving. As Dr. Stellway said, "Christ came down to identify with our sin and to understand our situation and culture." The more people understand about the plight of the starving, the more they will be able to love and care. The attitude held about the hungry can make all the difference in the action taken. The last response is the factor of time. Stellway also said, "Take time to study the complexity of the problem with faith that God will help us find a solution." That solution will

vary with town and country. Right here in this town of Nampa, volunteer time and help is needed in the Maranatha House and the Salvation Army.

The purpose of this article and the recent focus on hunger is not to make hunger synonymous with guilt. Each person just needs to pick a response that they feel is appropriate. (The word comfortable was avoided there because most are too comfortable. Not many growling stomachs are heard except for during first period class and Sunday morning church, due to last minute rushing.) The appropriate response might be sending green beans, but leave them in the can. The pre-cooked SAGA variety just won't do!



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CAMPUS SECURITY SHOWS WINDOW OF VULNERABILITY

On December 31, 1984, an unidentified male entered a women's dorm through a window and continued to the lobby. In the lobby a female guest was sleeping, the intruder proceeded to the woman, she was awoken when he grabbed her by the throat.

Fortunately, he fled and no trace was found by others in the dorm. Those who were involved will not be mentioned. Their names would serve no purpose. The incident was the result of a security lapse.

This incident is a single example of frightening possibilities. Obscene phone calls have been made to girls in the dorms, but these are not "burn calls" but originate

from non-campus individuals. Last year, in Culver Hall, a man was undressing outside of one of the showers, waiting for a female resident to emerge. Other examples include men found hiding in storage closets or wandering the halls. These individuals were not maintenance men. Documentation is scarcely available, yet their significance remains.

Security doors, window screens, and campus patrols have not eliminated the threat. However, these events remain unknown due to official efforts to prevent panic. Panic is not the answer, increased awareness and its accompanying caution is.

News

LINDLEY

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professional method, Lindley was also quick to point out that NNC often does not have the money to do what would be considered a professional job.

After spending an hour with Ray Lindley, it was apparent that image was very important to him. Somehow, however, NNC's image has been allowed to slip. The important question is why? Lindley offered an analogy, "The man who started 7-Up Bottling Company put how ever much money he had...I don't know how much it was...but he spent half of his money developing the product and the other half of his money getting a marketing campaign going to sell the product...and that's the kind of emphasis which I think it's going to take."

Dr. Lindley was very honest in the interview and is a man of integrity. But if his job is that of a salesman, and that is what he suggested, then why can't he sell his product? What is so wrong with NNC

that a salesman like Ray Lindley or Bruce Webb cannot sell it to prospective students? There is something so wrong with NNC's image, academically, spiritually, financially, and socially that college age students are not attracted to its program.

Administrators historically have been very proficient at passing the buck. There is no clear evidence at this juncture to suggest that the buck has been passed at NNC, but the lack of action on a problem that has been worsening in near-geometric proportions since 1979 would suggest that somewhere, sometime integrity has been compromised and the buck has indeed been passed. NNC is at a point, in the consideration of many, where it cannot afford to spend any more money on its product or its promotion, but at the same time, NNC is at a point where it cannot afford not to spend money on product and promotion.

CENTRAL AMERICAN DILEMMA

by Rob Thompson

Central America is a region where poverty, hunger, ignorance and fear are household words. The people of the Third World have been used as pawns in a sort of global Chess game since the 19th century. Today, in addition to these other problems, Central America is faced with an intensive degree of political and social unrest.

According to recent publications, the infant mortality rate per one thousand in Third World countries is as high as ten or eleven times that of the United States. If the same sources are trusted, one would learn that although it took the earth over 10,000 years to reach a population of one billion, the earth's population will be six billion by 1995.

Those alarming rate are accurate even when the inordinately high infant mortality rate is taken into account. In the United States in 1981 the average person made \$12,539, while in In-

dia the average person only profited by \$253 and in Bangladesh, the gross was a mere \$144. Obvious and frightening conclusions can be drawn from these figures. Underfed, undernourished, undereducated, impoverished and frightened people are what make up the mass of the Third World. Our affluence sets us worlds apart from them, and their poverty sets them worlds away from us.

The Third World is not all "over there somewhere," much of it is within five hundred miles of the United States. All of the non-communist nations south of the United States are considered Third World nations.

Hunger and revolution are two very important things to those who advocate communism. Powers such as the Soviet Union, the Eastern Bloc, and Cuba are very interested in the Central American region. The typical communist take over begins with a mass-media campaign blaming the U.S. for the present problems of a given nation or people. Next, the communist sympathizers canvass the people by promising full stomachs, warm dwellings, and security from within and without.

Many people there are poor, and while they are close geographically, neither they, nor we consider them to be our neighbors.

The people of the United States and the entire Western World would benefit considerably by meeting the immediate needs of starving and poor people in undeveloped areas. From a strategic standpoint, these people and countries include hundreds of thousands of square miles and the political clout of over a billion people. The immediate needs of the people are food, housing, and education. These are all the things that the industrial world can produce very efficiently. As efficient as our production of these things may be, it is sad to consider that our production of weapons is more efficient and more profitable in the short term.

There are several sad scenarios that have been played out time and again by the inhabitants of the Third World and more specifically by the Central Americans. These scenarios include starvation, death, disease, and malnourishment. These are not mere scenarios but for many people they are the everyday things of life.

CIM WORKS IN MEXICO

by Debbie Lever

On Thursday, Dec. 6, while most NNC students were on their way home for Christmas, two motorhomes, a pickup-camper with trailer, and 29 excited people headed south on a 6,000 mile journey to Jiquipilas, Chiapas, Mexico. CIM's mission was to construct a seminary building for Nazarene Bible Institute of Southeast Mexico. Much prayer, planning, and sacrifice had gone into getting this group, including 22 NNC students, on the road. Prof. Newell Morgan, Prof. and Mrs. Simpson, Dale and Gloria Lilly were the sponsors and co-workers, as well as Leland Ernest, who was picked up in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The actual drive down was an eventful one. Late in the afternoon and some 100 miles into Mexico, both motorhomes began having mechanical trouble. The group consequently spent the

weekend in a trailer park near the village of Morelos before continuing on their way. The CIM team was greeted by about ten members of the various Nazarene Churches in the area on Wednesday morning. The women helped the girls set up a makeshift kitchen, and the men began work on the building soon after.

Work quickly fell into four areas: building, preparing meals, shopping, and washing clothes. Many NNCers found they had some hidden talents. As Dino DiPasquale put it, "I never knew I could lay bricks like that!" Meals became a combination of Mexican and American dishes—fried bananas and scrambled eggs for breakfast, spaghetti and boullas (round, chewy rolls) at dinnertime. Armed with many pesos and a working knowledge of Spanish, Debbie Lever braved the mer-

cados and stores to buy food and purified water daily. "I'm thankful that most Mexican vendors are honest. I made many mistakes that could have been costly." Keeping clothes clean was perhaps the hardest task of all. Washing machines were few and far between so all washing was done by hand. As Carla Thomas put it, "the jeans were hard to wring out. The shirts stunk, and it was really difficult without a machine."

The weekend was spent in a hotel. The group divided and went to a total of 7 different Nazarene churches on Sunday, then spent the day with various Nazarene families.

After two more working days, CIM left the project and new-found friends. All members returned feeling the trip had been worth it. As Bruce Booker put it, "We went down intending to give and ended up being given to."

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SWEETHEART COURT



From left to right the members of the Sweetheart court are: Mel Jordan, Kim Louthan, Kim Wannamaker, Darcy Riddle, Kim Hammer, Paul Bryan, Tammy Borgman, John Thomson.

The ASNNC Valentine Banquet is the social event of the year at Northwest Nazarene College. The 1985 banquet more than lived up to its billing.

This year's banquet was held on Saturday, the 9th of February at the Red Lion Riverside in Boise. The couples began arriving around 6:30 pm and were duly impressed by the fine accommodations that the Red Lion staff had provided the evening.

The theme of this year's banquet was, "Right Where We Belong." To begin the celebration, Alan and Suzy Lake sang the theme song to set a romantic mood that was maintained throughout the evening.

Following the prayer by Mel Jordan, a fine meal was enjoyed. Those attending used the time not only to enjoy the food but to enjoy the company of their dates' and friends. Alan Lake, sang again, providing some light

music that only enhanced the romantic atmosphere.

The keynote speaker for the banquet was Rick Waitley. Waitley spoke on the subject of relationships. Waitley began by illustrating how communication is an important element in relationships. He proceeded to categorize relationships into three types; acquaintances, bretheren, and close friends. The speech was appreciated and appropriate for the setting.

The Sweetheart Court was also a central part of the celebration. They were introduced by Mel Jordan and Debbie Turley at the banquet. The court had been presented to the student body earlier in the week. Montgomery Field House hosted the presentation of NNC's Sweethearts. Presentor Letha Goecks told the audience that Webster defines a sweetheart as "a person who is fondly thought of, loving, and cherished." Once the crowd had been made aware of what types of people were being

recognized, presentors Letha Goecks and Ken Garrison introduced the court. Representing the freshman class were Tammy Borgman and John Thomson. The two chosen as the sweethearts of the sophomore class were Kim Hammer and Paul Bryan. Darcy Riddle and Kim Wannamaker were most fondly thought of by the junior class. Completing the court were Kim Louthan and Mel Jordan from the senior class.

The evening's celebration came to an end as Dean Hull offered the benediction.

There was a great deal of hard work that went into this banquet. Many thanks need to go to Debbie Turley for an excellent organizing and coordinating effort. Appreciation should also be mentioned to Alan and Suzy Lake, Jerry Hull, Mel Jordan, Kelly Cobb and a host of others. Bach Photography should also be commended for its fine work in preserving the memories of Valentines Banquet 1985.

REVISIONS CONT'D FROM PAGE 1

vice president, and the ASN-NC president as the chairman. The Board has the following basic responsibilities:

- 1) to establish guidelines and policies and advise the publications.
 - 2) to appoint both editors.
 - 3) to take whatever action it deems necessary if policy is violated
 - 4) to fill editor vacancies.
- A Publications Constitution exists which expounds on the forementioned responsibilities.

According to the previous information the question may be asked --so what's the problem? It has been found that the major problems are finances and communication.

Over the past few years the publications have been developing considerable debts. Although each publication has a business manager, a little in the process is missing. Each year Senate collects student fees out of which a certain amount is budgeted to each publication. The base of financial control is the major problem. The communication problem exists between the Senate and the Publications Board and the only major link is the Executive Vice President.

Branching from these to

complications are many related conflicts, the committee has come up with the following proposal:

The Pub. Board, now a separate body, would become one of the 4 standing Senate committees. It would consist of two faculty/administration members and 8 student members. The student members would be elected as Senators--Publications Committee and would serve as regular senators but would automatically be assigned to the Pub. committee. The duties of the committee would be much the same as the previous board with the following exceptions: 1) they would initiate the selection of the Business Managers in cooperation with the editors; 2) they would in consultation with the editors propose a budget.

All publications issues would first go through the committee and then upon go before the entire Senate, which would include all the committee members. Policy and guidelines would be entered into the ASNNC code.

At this point most of the 'begging items' have been released and an attempt is being made to burn that dectieful little box, pink ribbon and all.

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Analysis

REAGAN & UNION: STATE OF MIND



President Ronald W. Reagan

Hopefully some NNC students were able to catch Ronald Reagan's "State of the Union Address" on Feb. 6.

Though sometimes it is forgotten, the world beyond Nampa does ramble on.

President Reagan gave no surprises as he outlined his plans for America over the next four years. He urged Congress to pass legislation which he contended would strengthen the economy to be "the engine of our dreams." Reagan asked Congress to

implement his "flat tax" reform program and close loopholes. He contended that this would raise more revenue but only by taxing more fairly. He also called for the "enterprise zone" passage, this program would provide incentive for businesses to locate in economically hard pressed areas. Reagan also asked for approval of a program to allow public-housing renters to buy and own their homes.

Reagan went on to urge funding for a space based antiballistic missile system, the MX missile, and "security assistance" to governments and rebels that were resisting the 'Marxist menace.' In his statement asking for greater military spending he observed that in peacetime, America suffered allegedly from the "military industrial complex" but during crisis America was the "arsenal of democracy." Reagan asserted that because of a renewed spirit, renewed economic strength, and renewed military power, the U.S. was once again the leader of the free world and prepared to talk with the Soviets about arms control.

Beyond Reagan's economic and foreign policy plans he

also urged passage of his conservative social agenda. Reagan admonished Congress to pass a school prayer and anti-abortion amendment to the Constitution. He maintained that these proposals would strengthen the family and continue the reestablishment of traditional American values. Reagan further urged the adoption of "reliable evidence, gained in good faith" legislation to aid victims of crime and increase convictions of dangerous individuals.

Reagan's program is basically a continuation of his efforts in Reagan I (1981-85). However, there are some subtle differences in the Reagan of 1985. Of course, he is older but much of his team that he is heavily reliant upon is gone. Michael Deaver, second only to Nancy Reagan in influence, has left the Reagan team. Meese, Baker, and Kirkpatrick have gone to other jobs or returned to the private sector. The group that has surrounded him and kept him insulated from his own gaffes are no longer as close. Reagan will be more on his own. Carl Birstein, in the Feb. 4, *New Republic* characterizes this unvarnished Reagan, "...the

White House should be a merry place these days. But it isn't. The euphoria of November's landslide has faded. The president is old. His staff is tired and leaving-for California, for less demanding jobs in the administration, for the cashiers window in the private sector. By all accounts there has been a lack of planning for the second term that would have been unthinkable in the flush days after the first Reagan victory."

Nearly every president who has won a second term has suffered in the final four years. Reagan faces a politically divided Congress, a lean-cutting budget, frustrated policy in Central America, grim negotiations with the Soviets, a domestic bitterness over the abortion issue not seen since the civil rights movement of the 1960's and a slowing economic recovery. Many analysts say that Reagan must deal with these problems by July before he is perceived as a lame-duck president by Congress

Can an older, more isolated, less flexible president deal with new realities in 1985? The mandate of November seemed to

manifest Americans' confidence in Ronald Reagan but it does not diminish the task ahead of him. Ronald Reagan has the potential to be the Republican's F.D.R., that is if time is on his side. Reagan will not be able wear the presidency as teflon in this term, he must use his time because it is already borrowed.

GYM ART

A special group of NNC students have graced Montgomery Field House with some of their works of art. The banners in the gym have become the topic of many conversations and subject of many questions.

The banners are courtesy of Prof. Shaffer's Beginning Design class. The banners were created for each individual's term project.

There were some guidelines in regards to the construction of the banners. Each banner measures between 5' by 3' or 6' by 3' depending on the length of the attached tabs. The theme of each banner was somehow to relate a religious theme. The artists were left free to choose what colors they would incorporate into the design they had created.

The hanging of the banners seems to have been a controversial issue. The original plans were for the gym, but since the banners do not relate to sports, other locations were considered. The Student Center was next considered to hold the works. This location was not approved. Montgomery Field House won out and currently is displaying the class' projects.

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TREASURE VALLEY WIND ENSEMBLE

by Brian J. Morrow

"Arise, arise ye citizens of Treasure Valley, arise. The Measure approaches. Make haste and arm thyself with every device thou posseseth to harness the coming winds." This cry was heard throughout the land of Treasure Valley at 4:30 am Feb. 6, 1985. Every lord and commoner awakened from his or her restful slumber with a common concern: unite together to tame the approaching Measure. A Measure so strong, so unalterable, no mere mortal could resist nor from it turn.

The quiet countryside and quiet countryfolk knew of the Measure's presence long before this moment, but many dared think that the Measure would refrain from exercising its encompassing being in this fair, removed, peaceful valley. Many dared while a few prepared. It was this few, prepared in a moments notice by their leader on his galloping horse, that heeded the call in calm fashion. Knowing of the approaching danger, they had met secretly at regular intervals at a secluded location, to make ready a civil defense in case the ravaging Measure turned its Eye on their homeland.

Scouts were sent abroad at 8 am to observe the Measure's progress. They returned with frightful, yet anticipated, news. The Measure would be in striking range within 12½ hours. Projected battle time was 2030 hours. Intelligence reports stated the Measure

would reveal itself in full glory at the projected time.

Last minute directions and training were accomplished in disciplined order. The horse borne messenger/leader led his force of staunch patriots to an intercepting pass known as the Science Lecture Hall. It was there they would face the Measure.

The intelligence reports were found infallible. At the predetermined time, the Measure burst through the doors into the building. An ominous silence spread with increasing speed over the gathered defenders and their reinforcing relatives. The Measure drew back its cloak and a united gasp arose from the gathered crowd. The Measure was an enemy the countryfolk had battled and subdued before, under the name of Boredom. Although Boredom was less powerful in past confrontations, the knowledge that Boredom had been conquered at their fingers, rejuvenated the fighting spirit within them. The ensemble of loyalists rose to the occasion. They brandished their arsenal, which included clarinets, flutes, bassons, other assorted wind instruments, and brass instruments. Artillery was heard roaring in the percussion section.

Boredom, with his lieutenants, Cold Weather and Nothing To Do, was no match for the oom-pah-pahing sounds radiating from the countryfolk. The leader

was using his riding crop to coordinate the sounds in exquisite, robust style.

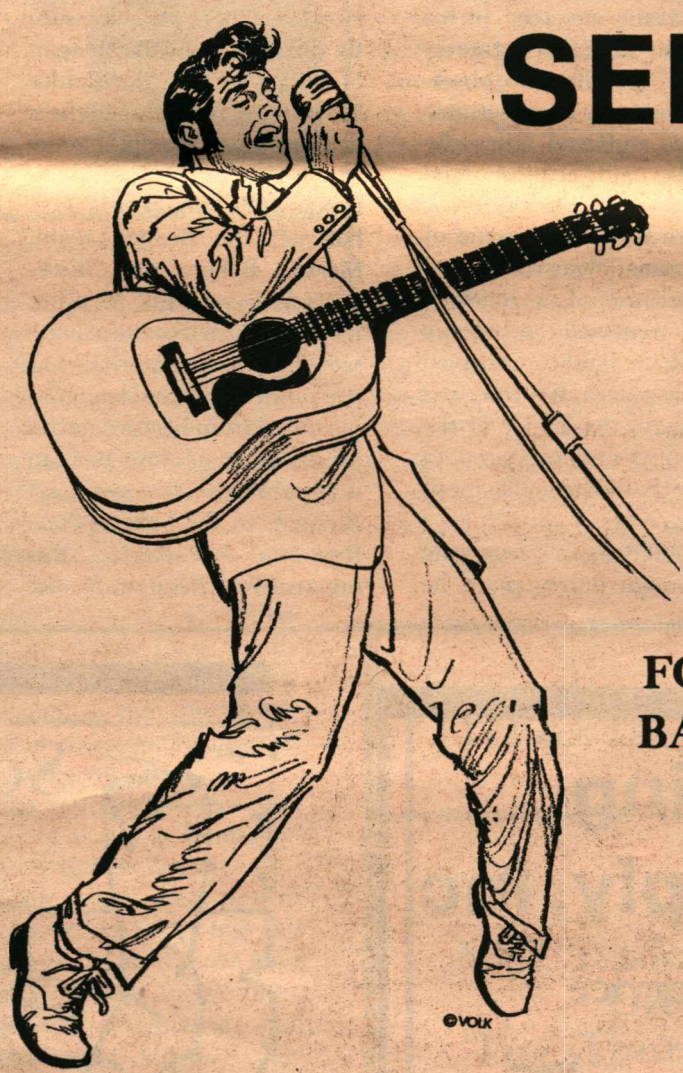
Uncommon valor was displayed that fateful night as many fought bravely. One defender stood out from the rest. His name? Bill Rankin, a saxophone instructor at the nearby Northwest Nazarene College. Singlehandedly, Mr. Rankin combatted Boredom in two of the nine compositions the Prepared Ones (they later changed their name to the Treasure Valley Wind Ensemble) had made ready for this encounter.

Shortly before the fourth number, the leader, showing obvious signs of fatigue, was

escorted from the foray to recuperate. During his absence, the first clarinetist assumed command of the group. His effort, though valiant, was found lacking. It was during his term of service that Boredom made substantial gains in the skirmish. Fortunately the true leader strode forth with renewed vigor to take his vacated office. Under his leadership, the countryfolk rallied again and beat upon Boredom's very own brow. The smell of conquest was so prevalent in the defender's nostrils, that the tuba players began swaying in rhythm (each at his or her own rhythm).

The coup de grace was lowered during the final piece; John Philip Sousa's "Riders of the Flag". The tubas again showed their enthusiasm, this time definitely at their own desired pace.

Courage and bravery are synonymous with February 6, 1985 within the realm of Treasure Valley. The stories are being repeated time and time again around campfires or at social gatherings. The one bit of legend that all translations agree upon is that low and high, poor and wealthy came together that day to quell the Measure of time commonly called Boredom.



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student as well as the college attended. Put name and address on envelope also. 4) There are no restrictions on form or theme. Length poems up to 14 lines. Each poem must have a separate title. Small black and white illustrations welcome, 5) the judges' decision will be final. No information by phone. 6) Entrants should keep a copy of all entries as they cannot be returned. Prize winners and all authors awarded free publication will be notified immediately after deadline. I.P. will retain first publication rights for all accepted poems. Foreign language poems welcome. 7) There is an initial one dollar registration fee for the first entry and a fee of fifty cents for each additional poem. It is requested to submit no more than ten poems per entrant. 8) All entries must be post-marked no later than the above deadline and fee paid, cash, check, or money order to:

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MUSIC DEPT. RECITAL

by Scott J. Clark

"Students in Recital was held on February 11, 1985 at the Science Lecture Hall.

Katrina Rapp opened with a piece by Franz Joseph Haydn. The selection blended short, rapid rhythms with broad, smooth melodies. Also performing on the piano was John Dirkse, his choice was a piece by Ludwig von Beethoven, "Sonata in Eb Major, Op. 31 No. 3." This piece required about forty hours of practice.

Next was Dale Shaver, who sang an opera selection by George Frederick Handel. Handel's piece was entitled, "Lascio ch'io pianga." Shaver concluded his efforts with "Halt!" by Franz Peter Schubert.

Travis Lewis followed Shaver in the program. At the Northwesterners Winter Concert, Lewis demonstrated his Russian accent, however at the recital, singing "Der

Neugierige" he revealed his Teutonic twang. Lewis finished his program with two pieces by J. Barnby, a recitative, "O Lord God of my Master Abraham," and an aria, "The Daughters of the City Come."

Lewis was followed by Rob McIntyre who performed "Ah! Quanto E Vero" and "Must the Winter Come So Soon." These pieces were written by M. Cesti and S. Barber respectively. David Miller then played "Etude No. 24" by J. Rochut. Doreen Betschart played "Impromptu in c minor, Op. 66" by Frederic Chopin. Paul Christianson closed the recital with his piano piece, "Ballade in b minor," by Franz Liszt.

The recital as a whole was excellent. It would have been nicer if more people had been able to see and hear NNC's talented performers.

JAZZ BAND TO PERFORM

The NNC Jazz Band will be presenting a program on Friday and Saturday, March 1 and 2 at 8:00 pm in the Science Lecture Auditorium. The opening selection, "Strike Up The Band" by George Gerschwin will set the mood for the evening's program of jazz, swing, and Latin tunes.

Dr. Jim Willis, director of the Jazz Band indicated that a special appearance by the "Setter Sisters" will be part of the evening's activities. The Setter Sisters will sing the "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B" accompanied by the band.

Tickets for the two performances March 1 and 2 are available at the NNC Bookstore and also will be available at the door both evenings. Tickets are \$1.50 for students and \$2.00 for general admission.

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The Jr. Class is sponsoring the play, "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" this year. Auditions for the play will be on Feb. 21, 7:00 pm in the Science Lecture Hall; Feb. 22, 4:30 pm in the Administration Building; Feb. 25, 7:00 pm, in the Ad. Building.

There are roles for 6-8 women and 4-6 men.

RETRACTION

In the previous issue of the *Crusader*, an article entitled "Northwesterner's Reviewed," by the pseudonym of A. Russell Longsong, was published. Upon reflection of the article, it is the opinion of the Fine Arts Editor, Brian J. Morrow, that the article should have been omitted. The *Crusader*, particularly Brian J. Morrow, extends an apology to any persons who were unduly hurt by the article.

Fine Arts

HUEY LEWIS THEY ARE NOT

by Scott J. Clark

Monday night, February 4, The Trio Sonata performed for the Nampa Concert Series, at the Science Lecture Hall, on a segment of their 14,000 mile tour from New York. They were crisp, clear, wonderful and exuberant, like the combined choir and instrumentation at First Church, the previous evening.

The Trio Sonata was composed of Anton Kuskin on the flute, Donald Bender playing both the soprano and tenor (English Horn) oboe, and Gary Kessler on the guitar.

They did not play tunes from Huey Lewis and The News, although one band member commented that New York is a fun and exciting place to live.

Some of the Trio's pieces were written for a flute, oboe, and a bass instrument such as

a cello, or a guitar in their case.

The Trio has been together since 1975. They played at Carnegie Hall in April of 1978 to a sold out house. The Trio has a rigorous concert schedule that has included performances at every major museum in New York. The Trio plays at many exhibit openings.

As for their Nampa concert, they started out with "Trio No. 1 in C Major," by Franz Joseph Haydn. They also performed works by Antonio Vivaldi, Jacques Ibert, and Enrique Granados. The Trio also played the Overture to the opera "La Gazza Ladra," by Gioacchino Rossini as transcribed by Ferdinando Carulli.

Three pieces that were performed had been written

specifically for the Trio Sonata. The first was "Partita for Flute, Oboe, and Guitar" by David Wooldridge, a noted composer and conductor. Second, "Tanka" by Eva Noda, written for flute, oboe, and guitar. Finally, "Clear Out of Touch With Time" and "Fly Milky Way," by Walter Torgerson.

They were persuaded by an enthusiastic audience to perform an encore. They chose a piece by their friend Johann S. Bach, in memory of his 300th birthday. One music major mentioned that he could listen to Bach for hours...but why? Like composers of symphonies, I don't know how to end this. If you wish to know more about the concert, ask a music major, they will tell you because they do not have time to write about it.

MUSIC NOTES

FROM BOISE

FEBRUARY 17:

This Sunday night in the BSU Recital Hall number C200, located in the Morrison Center, classical guitarist Neill Archer Roan will perform. Roan has performed in Canada, Central America, Europe, and the U.S., including two performances at Carnegie Recital Hall. Because there is limited seating (200 seats) contact Peebles Winter Music Co. here in Nampa for advanced tickets. The \$5 advance tickets include a workshop with Roan at 2 pm on the day of the concert. If you try to get tickets at the door Sunday night, the cost will be \$8.

FEBRUARY 19:

Varujan Kojian: conductor, violinist, musician, will be the featured guest conductor of the Boise Philharmonic, 8:00 pm Tuesday, Feb. 19. Most recently, Kojian has been the Music Director and Conductor of the Utah Symphony.

During the same concert, Del Parkinson, Coordinator of Piano Studies at Ricks College, will be featured as the guest pianist. A Fulbright-Hays grant in 1975 took Mr. Parkinson to London to further his studies after earning a Doctor of Music degree with high distinction from Indiana University.

FEBRUARY 23:

The Boise Chamber Music Series will present "Matrix"--a classical chamber music group, comprised of soprano, clarinet, viola, and piano. The \$4 student tickets went on sale Jan. 23 at BSU's Music Dept. The concert will include works by Mozart and Max Bruch, and will begin at 8:00 pm in room C200 of the Morrison Center.

MARCH 2:

Giacomo Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" will be presented on this day at the Morrison Center. The story of Butterfly and Lieutenant Pinkerton contains some of Puccini's most beautiful music.

Butterfly, who meets and marries an American Naval Officer, Lieutenant Pinkerton, gives up everything for her husband. In so doing, her family renounces her. When she learns of Pinkerton's American wife, she realizes the enormity of her shame. There is nothing for this deceived Japanese girl but suicide.

The flavor of the "mysterious East" is evident in the music, the sets, and the costumes throughout the opera.

FROM CALDWELL

FEBRUARY 23:

Mr. Jack Daniel's original Silver Cornet Band will perform at C of I's Jewett Auditorium at 8:00 pm. The band is a theatrical, musical recreation of a circa 1905 band. The concert will feature a sterling ensemble of artists, worthy of the name, and a humorous, crusty "professor/conductor" with stories of the period. All seats will be \$8. Tickets are available at Albertson's. The concert is sponsored by the Caldwell Fine Arts Series.

MARCH 2:

The Utah Symphony is one of the top ten orchestras in the country. It enjoys world wide prestige through its extensive tours and numerous recordings. They are returning, by popular demand, for the eighth time with Joseph Silverstein, Music Director. They will perform at C of I's Jewett Auditorium at 8:00 pm.

FROM NAMPA

FEBRUARY 15:

Tonight, at 8:00 pm, a Jr. piano recital will be held in the Science Lecture Hall. The featured performer will be Mary Arakelian.

FEBRUARY 21:

Nampa's First Church of the Nazarene is proud to sponsor Dino in concert. (This is not the Flintstone's pet, either.) Advanced tickets are available at the local Christian Book Store or the church office for \$4. If you don't get your tickets in advance, they will be offered at the door for \$5. The performance begins at 7:30 pm.

FEBRUARY 22:

A Sr. recital, featuring instrumentalists Tim Burk, Kathy Rap, and Jennifer Rogers, will be offered at the Science Lecture Hall beginning at 8:00 pm.

MARCH 1 and 2:

NNC's Jazz Band, under the

direction of Dr. Jim Willis, will present two evenings of jazz, swing, and Latin tunes. The concerts will begin at 8:00 pm in the SLH. See accompanying release for more information.

MARCH 3:

NNC's College Concert Choir, directed by Dr. Marvin Stallcop, Hallelujah Brass, directed by Dr. Willis, and College Church's Festival Choir will command the evening worship service at College Church. The program will begin at 6:00 pm.

MARCH 5:

NNC's own Prof. Walden Hughes will dazzle and amaze those who make an effort to attend his faculty piano recital in the SLH at 8:00 pm.

MARCH 7:

The Music Dept. of NNC will sponsor a student recital beginning at 8:00 pm in the SLH. Be sure to look for your friends on stage that night.

Sports

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Tara Holstine fires jump shot over frustrated defender.

The University of Portland's women's basketball team, for several years a dynasty in the NAIA Northwest, outplayed the Crusaders in every facet of the game here last Friday night on their way to a 95-55 win over NNC. The Lady Pilots, who have now won over 50 straight games in NAIA regular season play, took a commanding early lead and never looked back.

The Portland team has four starters back from last year's team which lost the National championship game in overtime. The team was led by Lorena Lagarde, a 6-foot center, who will be named All-American for the third straight year this year. She had 15 points Friday and yet sat on the bench for much of the game. Senior guard, Dawn Bredesen led the team in scoring with 26 points, many of them coming on jumpers from the 18 to 20 foot range. The two other players who started last year were Jolene Barton, a 5'10" forward, who scored 9 points,

and Karyl Wing, a 5'2" guard, who was hampered by an injured wrist and scored 4 points. The second and third team got plenty of playing time, and four other Pilots had eight of more points.

The Lady Pilots ran off 12 unanswered points to begin, and that set the tone for most of the game. The extremely quick Portland team caused numerous turnovers which they converted to lay-ins or short jumpers off the fast break. The first half lead was 53-14 at one point before the Crusaders began to get on-track. NNC played a fairly solid second half and did not allow the score to get much higher than the 40-point final margin.

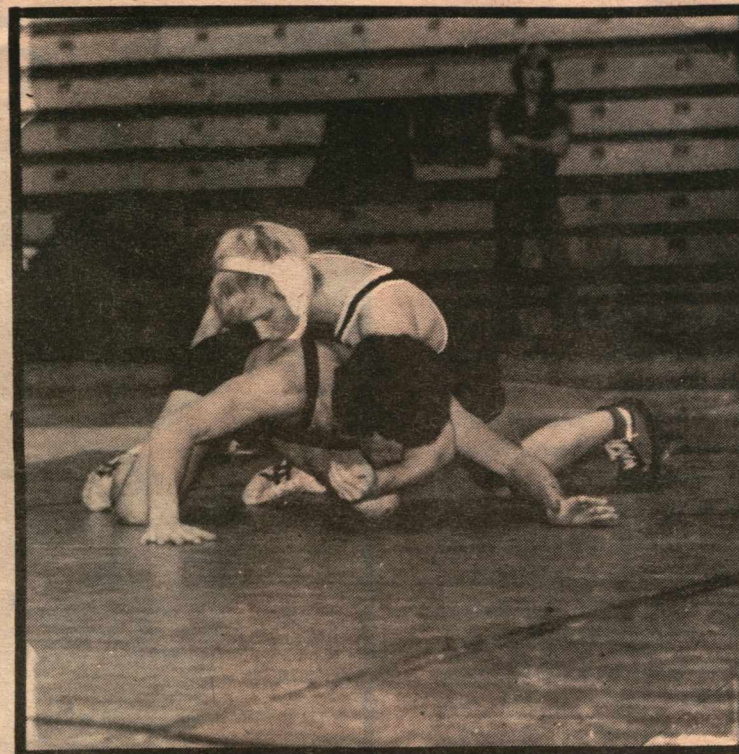
Julie Uranga and Brenda Labrum led the Crusaders in scoring with 13 points each, and Candy Wilson added 10 points and five assists. Tara Holstine led NNC in rebounds with 6. The loss drops NNC's record to 11-10, fifth in the district.

In the home games prior to the Portland game, the

Crusaders defeated Oregon Tech on January 25, 79-65 and they beat Southern Oregon State College the next evening, 88-87.

In the first game the Crusaders led the entire game after jumping out to a 14-2 lead, holding the Owls to no field goals for nearly five minutes at the start of the game. After Oregon Tech had closed to within seven at the half, Maaik Thompson broke out of a slump to score 10 of the team's first 12 points in the second half, as NNC outscored OIT 12-2 to start the half. The Crusaders built the lead to as much as 19 points before eventually winning by 14. Tara Holstine led the Crusaders with 22 points, as they gained revenge for a loss in Klamath Falls three weeks earlier. Brenda Labrum added 16 points and Thompson had 14 as the Crusaders improved their home record to 5-2.

In their next game, the Crusaders blew a big first-half lead to Southern Oregon before coming back in convincing fashion to win 88-87. NNC led at one point in the first half by 18, 50-32. The Raiders cut the lead to 14 at the half, and then outscored the Crusaders 23-8 at the start of the second half to take a one point lead. From there on neither team could open up a lead, although Southern Oregon led for most of the half. When Holstine, who led the Crusaders with 32 points, fouled out with 2:23 left in the game with the Crusaders down by two, the team dug deep and came up with a little extra. Down 84-81, NNC scored four straight points, with Thompson hitting a baseline jumper to put the Crusaders up 85-84. A free throw by Candy Wilson and a field goal by Julie Uranga sealed the Crusaders' sixth home court victory of the year.



NNC WRESTLING

The time of year is finally here when the members of the wrestling team begin their hardest training for the goal of which all of them are striving for, a place among the top three in the district tournament. The tournament this year will be held in Forest Grove, Oregon on February 23. The top three places in each weight class will go to the national tournament in March.

Wrestlers who are most likely to make the trip to the District Tournament, are Joel Harpell (126 pounds), Ken Lewis (134), Todd Fowler (142), Brad Russell (150), Kim Wannamaker (158), John Carver (167), Jim Pratt (177), and Clark Moore (190). Lewis, a sophomore and one of the more experienced wrestlers on the team, was asked who he thought had the best chance to place at Districts. "I think the guys who have the best chance at Districts are Jim Pratt and myself. Kim Wannamaker and a couple of others are longshots who could place with a few good breaks." Lewis was fourth in Districts last year and lost to the eventual national champion by

just one point.

The team as a whole, admittedly, had a pretty tough year. They were mostly young and somewhat inexperienced wrestlers who needed a year like this to give them a good perspective on what needs to be done. The team was hampered by several injuries during the course of the season, and a few wrestlers also left early. The rest of the team is largely freshmen and sophomores. Lewis said that practices had been going well lately, and that the wrestlers were pushing harder for the District tournament.

With the coming of next year, the large base of freshmen will be sophomores with a year's experience, and hopefully more freshmen will be coming in to build up what will be the start of a strong wrestling program here at NNC. This year was valuable in the sense that it gave experience to the younger wrestlers. For now, the wrestlers' minds are trained on the date February 23, 1985, and the town of Forest Grove, Oregon, the site of this year's Division I and II district tournaments.

CRUSADERS: WINNING TRADITION

The men's basketball team, with four home-court wins in the last two weeks, has reestablished itself as a strong candidate for a District II post-season playoff berth. Three of the wins gave the Crusaders splits in their season series, while they defeated Southern Oregon State College for the second time this season.

When the Crusaders came back to Nampa from their most recent road trip, their NAIA record had fallen to 7-8. The four home games in eight days were crucial to the Crusaders' chances this year to gain a playoff berth, and they came through and performed admirably.

The winning string started with a 99-73 pounding of Oregon Tech. After a close first half in which the Crusaders led by no more than seven, the second half saw NNC go on an impressive scoring spree to break the game open. Led by Robb Warwick's 14 second-half points and Tony Stone's 12, the Crusaders widened the margin gradually but continually, and they finished as a team with 60 second-half points. The effort was aided by a hot shooting night from the entire team, as they shot 70% from the field and 85% from the line. Warwick and Stone were particularly impressive from the field, as Robb was 10 for 12 and Tony was 9 for 12. The twosome led the Crusaders in scoring with 20 points apiece, and Lebro Bates added 16, including 8 for 8 shooting from the foul line. The team shot a blistering 79% from the field in the second half.

The following evening the Crusaders defeated the Red Raiders from Southern Oregon State College 86-73. NNC led the entire way, as they opened up a halftime lead of 10 points. The Crusaders outscored the Raiders 15-4 to start the second half and eventually



Strategies and attack plans are discussed at a recent Crusader game.

led by as much as 28 before allowing SOSC to make the score respectable at the end. The team again shot well from the field for the game (63%), and particularly well in the second half (75%). Bates led four Crusaders in double figures with 27, including 18 in the second half. Daryl Hinton had 14 points and six rebounds, Stone had 11 points, and Rick Young added 10. Warwick led the team in assists with seven, and Dan Tristan added six.

The next Thursday night against Warner Pacific, the Crusaders encountered their first real test of the season at home, and gave the fans their first truly exciting ballgame. Things started out badly for NNC as the Knights jumped out to a 12-2 lead in the game's first three minutes. Then, behind Bates and Hinton, the Crusaders closed the lead to two, as the two big men scored all of NNC's first

16 points. The Crusaders finally took the lead for the first time with two minutes left in the half, only to see Warner Pacific score the last eight points of the half to up 47-40. NNC came out quickly to start the second half and tied the Knights at 53, only to see them pull away again. To compound the problem, Bates fouled out with over eight minutes left in the game with the Crusaders trailing. NNC, behind Warwick, mounted their final charge and took the lead for good with 4 minutes left. After they pushed the lead to four, the Crusaders went into their delay game and got four crucial free throws from Tristan and two from Stone to ice the win. Warwick, who scored 15 second-half points, led the Crusaders with 23, and Bates, who played only 21 minutes, added 21. NNC got good board work from Hinton, who had 12 rebounds to go

with his 12 points, and Young also had 12 points. Tristan added 10 points and 6 assists, as Warwick again led the team in assists with 7.

The Crusaders had an easier time Friday night in beating Eastern Oregon State College 100-77. They led the entire way, although they had a little problem in the second half. With four minutes gone in the second half and the Crusaders lead cut to six, Coach Gary Matlock made an entire substitution of his starting lineup. When the reserves left 8 minutes later, the lead was back to a comfortable margin, and NNC eventually won by 23. Bates led a very balanced scoring attack with 18 points. Kerry Fulcher had 13 on 6 for 6 shooting, Hinton had 13 points and 6 rebounds, and Mike Sanor had 13 points and 10 rebounds. Tristan led the team in assists with 7, and Warwick added 5 to go with his 10

points. Don Peavey also played a strong game with 9 points and 7 rebounds.

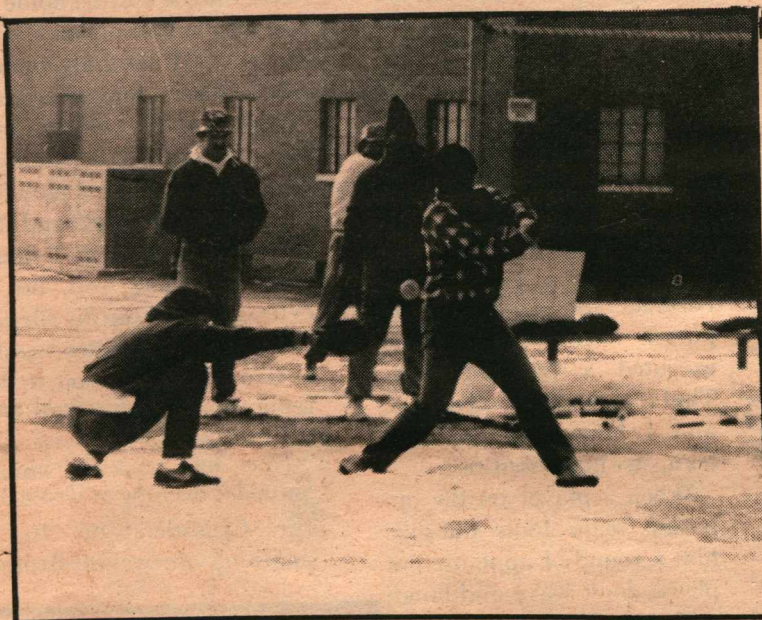
For the four-game series, Bates led the team in scoring with 20.5 points per game, and Hinton led the team with 7 rebounds per game.

The roadtrip of Feb. 8-9, the Crusaders pulled out 2 straight road wins over Concordia College and Columbia Christian. These wins pulled their record to 13-8.

The Crusaders are now left with three home games against three very tough opponents. The first two, George Fox College and College of Idaho, have the two best win-loss records of any small college in the Northwest. The other, Western Baptist College, has a 15-7 record. The Crusaders will have to play very well to defeat these teams and have a good shot at the playoffs.

Sports

SNOWBALL TOURNAMENT



Whiff!

When describing college students, a wide variety of words and phrases can be applied. In describing the students of NNC there are two specific phrases that can be readily applied; they will do just about anything for money, and they will do just about anything for a good time. These two phrases were well proven on January 26 when several dozen NNC students participated in the First Annual ASNNC Snowball Tournament.

To prove that they would

do just about anything for money, these students braved frozen turf and chilling winds to raise money for the March of Dimes.

To prove that they would do just about anything for a good time these students used this opportunity for a good excuse to play softball in the middle of winter.

The playing conditions were anything but perfect. The field was spotted with patches of ice and snow. The temperature hovered around 20 degrees. And the softball

seemed anything but soft.

Because of the cold weather, the games were played using "hurry up" rules. These "hurry up" rules, meaning each batter was only allowed two balls and two strikes each trip to the plate, put great pressure on both pitchers and hitters. They also increased the speed and excitement of the games as most batters were more aggressive at the plate. This increase in batting activity lead to a good number of ground balls which careened off piles of snow and bounced off patches of ice. Because of the ground conditions many fielders found themselves in awkward and even embarrassing positions as they attempted to field the ball.

Under the directions of Ed Castledine and Mel Jordan, the tournament started around 11 a.m. with over a dozen teams participating. Both softball fields were utilized as to get all the games played before dark.

One by one the teams either advanced or were eliminated through the preliminary rounds. When the snow finally settled only the Dirtbags and the Icebreakers remained unbeaten.

Ignoring frozen fingers and toes, the team members of the Dirtbags and Icebreakers took the field for the championship game. The two teams battled it out for five exciting innings before the Icebreakers emerged victorious. The winning team members were rewarded for their efforts with T-shirts.

The First Annual Snowball Tournament was a great success as the students of NNC were able to raise \$140 for the March of Dimes. The tournament also gave the students of NNC an opportunity to show how they would do just about anything for money or a good time.

NEW TRACK SEASON

Many of you probably think that it's too early in the season to even think about track and field, but in reality the Crusaders have already participated in two major indoor meets, and the outdoor season will begin soon.

NNC's track and field team has a new look this year, with about half of both the men's and women's teams participating for the first time.

Six Crusaders went to the first meet of the season, an invitational at Pocatello, home of Idaho State University. The next weekend, January 25, most of the team went to Moscow, Idaho for another indoor meet. The team as a whole was quite pleased with the results from that meet, and they are getting excited about some of the upcoming meets.

Here are some of the most notable returnees from last year's team's: for the girls, Shana Galloway, the girls' MVP last year, who will concentrate on the heptathlon this year, Karen Carpenter, the school record holder in the javelin, who will also do the

heptathlon, and Jana Zellmer, the school record holder in the 1500 meters; for the guys, Mike Gilbert, fourth in the decathlon at District last year and the team's top 400 meter man, Doug Edwards, second in the pole vault at District last year, Ron Richards, a senior distance runner who is the team captain, and Hank Wyborney, the school record holder in the shot put. Wyborney says: "The attitude on the team seems super this year, and we expect to be more unified as a team than we were last year." Numerous other names could also be mentioned who could have a fine year.

The NNC Invitation will be the only meet scheduled at NNC this year, on April 13th, but the Crusaders will also host the District Decathlon on April 22 and 23. In the closest event for the Crusaders, four men (John Oord, Richards, DeWayne Williams, and Mark Young) will run in a marathon at Seaside, Oregon this weekend. The Crusader wishes them and the rest of the team well this year.

BASKETBALL HOME SCHEDULE

Jan. 15 Pacific University

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Jan. 16 E.O.S.C.

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by Bruce Webb
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I am writing this commentary to you in hopes that the right people will read this section of the paper. I am expressing my concern about some of the things that are happening at our basketball games this season. It is not all that different from other years when I have written a similar piece but never actually submitted it. This will be my first article to be printed in my 17 years at NNC.

This commentary does not apply to everyone. But if the shoe fits, try it on. We have three of the biggest games of the year coming up, all within the space of eight days, against three of the toughest teams in the District. We really need to win these games. Emotions will be running high

The team needs our support, but they don't need some of the things you have been doing.

It would be very easy for things to get out of hand during the next ten days unless cooler heads prevail.

Please understand, I am not asking you to act like little ladies and gentlemen. No, that's not the way you are supposed to act at basketball games. Make all the noise you want. Scream at the top of your lungs. Yell at the top of your voice. Clap your hands until they are numb. Stomp your feet until the stands shudder and groan! I loved some of the things you did early in the season. We have always had a spirited rooting section and this year there seems to be an unusual amount of genuine enthusiasm and old fashioned NNC Basketball fervor.

I do not see myself as the ideal basketball spectator. You have probably seen me get a little (!) excited at some of our games. I have to admit that I have been rather upset over some questionable calls by the officials. I have been known to

express myself rather vociferously at such times. I know how hard it is to keep some of those emotional feelings under control. After some particularly wild and woolly games I have to confess that I have been chagrined at some of my own feelings of anger that I have felt after a questionable call or after observing what I thought was very unsportsmanlike conduct by a member of the other team. There are very few situations in life that bring out the raw emotions anymore than a hotly contested, hard fought basketball game between fierce rivals. Throw in a few questionable close calls and you have 2000 people almost ready to fight. It's a rather scary situation to be in especially if you are one of the officials or a member of a visiting team, where ever the game is played.

Many of you come from secular high schools and have brought with you some of the actions that may have been perfectly acceptable in your high school.

But I believe that people expect students and faculty from a Christian college to act a little different than the fans at a secular institution...and for sure not worse!

One of my pet peeves is to see and hear cat calls, screams, whistles and other noise making efforts right when each of the opposing players is trying to make a free throw. This is clearly out of bounds. You say, come on Bruce, that's basketball. No, my friend. You are wrong. It is cheap. It is crude. It is un-Christian. It is unnecessary... and it is embarrassing to many of us. The facts are most experienced players don't even hear you but some do, and your screams might cause some players to miss one or two shots. This is not a sudden emotional outburst. It

is a calculated attempt to keep the opposing players from doing their best. A recent T.V. sports editorial described the actions of the St. Johns University students wildly waving shirts and jackets behind the glass backboard where Georgetown's All American center was trying to make a free throw near the end of the game. They succeeded. He missed. St. Johns won the game. The sports caster castigated the fans for their very poor sportsmanship. He was incensed. This can't be done at our home games because of the structure of our gym but it happened last month at the C of I game in Caldwell, where our rooting section was located for the very first time behind the north basket. Some of our students waved their hats and jackets when the C of I players were shooting free throws. I know it was a spontaneous action that our students have seen on T.V. during some university games. I was really appalled by this thoughtless action by some good Christian kids just having some fun. The C of I students didn't retaliate behind the other basket but some Caldwell Junior High kids did! (It must be okay if NNC students do it!)

It must be confusing to opposing players and fans alike to hear the prayers prayed before each NNC game asking for God's blessing on the game. We pray for the safety of both teams and also pray for the teams and spectators alike to show good sportmanlike conduct. As soon as the prayer is over the atmosphere turns into something like the Roman times when Christians were being thrown to the lions only this time it's the Christians in the stands roaring for blood!

We not only turn off some visitors and community people by some of the outrageous, unChristianlike behavior-but we definitely lose our positive influence and witness with any visiting teams, coaches and officials.

Let's treat the visiting team courteously (as most of us do). Any snide, sarcastic remarks are clearly out of bounds.

Sometimes you have cheered for an opposing player when they have executed a brilliant play. That makes me proud of you, and I know the opposing teams are impressed also.

When a player on the opposing team fouls out-give him a round of applause-but please don't wave and laugh with glee. That's bush. It will be that player's lasting memory of NNC. Is that what we want?

I don't want to stifle anyone's enthusiasm, nor do I want you to tone down the noise. No, I want you to make more noise than you have ever made before. Only let's do it for NNC. Not necessarily against other teams.

Many of you may be shocked to read this and to sense my strong reaction to some of the antics of a few students-with many more of you following along innocently like sheep into doing

things you might never have done on your own.

Have I overstated the case? Well, maybe a little. Some of you may have wondered why no one said anything before now. Others may feel that "old Bruce" has written one letter too many. You students know that I love and care for you. I also love NNC and the things we stand for. I don't want to offend you, but I believe that to keep my silence regarding this matter would be wrong for me, to you, to the reputation of our school and to the cause of Christ.

Now, let's pack the stands Saturday evening and root for our Crusaders on to a smashing win over the Bruins!

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18 Land measure	46 Cyprinoid fish		21 Studio
20 Journeys	47 Colonized		23 Paths
21 High mountain	49 Sun god		25 Apportion
22 Go by water	50 Sufferers from Hansen's disease		27 Sixty secs.
24 Transgress	52 Instructs		29 Tennis stroke
25 The sweetsop	54 Catch		31 Railroad stations
26 Streetcar	55 Meat		33 Unforeseen
28 Slew			34 Seasoning
30 Wife of Geraint			36 Becomes aware of
32 Plaything			37 Buckets
33 Parts of play			39 Part of shoe
			41 Shatter
			43 Simple
			44 Slave
			47 Weight of India
			48 Pigeon pea
			51 Parent: colloq.
			53 That is: abbr.

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