

# Controversial Amendment Passed by 12 Votes

Last Friday's student body poll consummated what became one of the most debated — and most carefully scrutinized — constitutional proposals in ASNNC's history.

ASNNC Executive Vice President Kyle Bunker recently announced that Senate Bill 8104-1 met with student body approval May 15th, when a special ballot was taken specifically for the purpose of the proposed amendment.

According to constitutional mandates, an amendment must be approved by the ASNNC Senate and a two-thirds vote of the student body in order to be ratified.

The Constitutional Amendment passed Friday by an extremely thin margin of only twelve votes. Of the 113 votes cast in last Friday's ballot, 76 votes were needed to approve the legislation. The proposal

received 88 votes in favor of the amendment and 25 votes against the amendment.

A similar piece of legislation was originally approved by the ASNNC Senate and was tentatively scheduled to appear on the regular ballot with the other constitutional proposals and the ASNNC Executive Council election.

However, the original bill, though unanimously approved by Senate, was vetoed by ASNNC President Tim Bunn. Although many expected Senate to over-ride the Presidential Veto, no over-ride occurred.

Instead, Senate listened to the dissatisfaction concerning the amendment, and later initiated similar legislation which provided a more-detailed procedural outline, and a more safe-guarding system against possible

senatorial abuse.

The bill allows for the ASNNC Senate to observe the effectiveness of ASNNC organizations; to offer commendations and critiques. The furor arose over the bill's allowing for Senate to discontinue organizations deemed "ineffective."

NNC Junior Leanne Lloyd explains her disregard for the initial piece of legislation, "Adequate checks were omitted from the initial bill. The potential for a handful of disgruntled senators to 'ZAP' student organizations was real. One could say that the ambiguity inherent in the first bill provided wide interpretations and frequent misunderstandings."

"Worst of all," continued Miss Lloyd, "was that the legislation was not representing the voice of the students. I

am, however, extremely pleased that Senate re-wrote the bill, implementing the much-needed security checks. Senate's willingness to re-write the bill demonstrates Senate's sensitivity to the feelings of the student body. Senate is composed of responsible and mature individuals; mature enough to admit that the first amendment proposal was a grave mistake."

Del Gray, author of the proposal affirms, "This is a better amendment. We, as a Senate, were extremely reluctant to initiate investigations into ASNNC organizations without the explicit approval of the Constitution and student body. The bill was aimed at discerning whether the student body wanted that power relegated into the hands of its elected officials."

## students vote

If the results of the recent election are any indication, that is exactly the desire of the student body—or at least the desire of those who bothered to vote.

Former ASNNC President, Tim Bunn, summarizes, "The real issue was not 'power-hungry' senators, but effectiveness of ASNNC organizations. Because

students support various campus organizations through their student fees, the students of NNC deserve effectiveness from those clubs. The function of any ASNNC-authorized organization should reflect the goals, ideals, policies, and desires of NNC as an institution, and ASNNC as an organized and complementary student organization under that institution."

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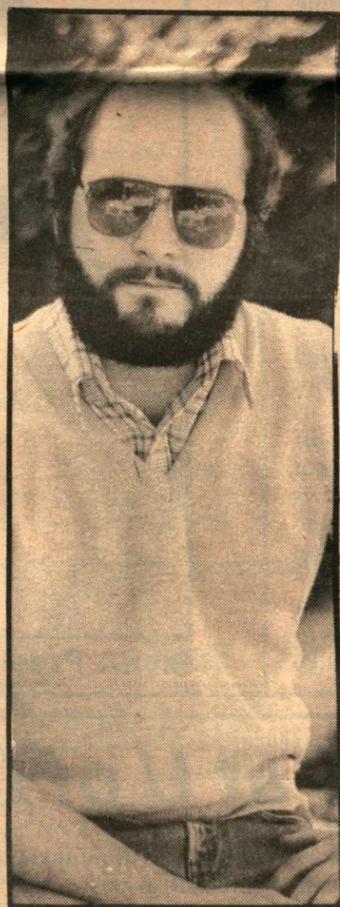
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## Student Preaching Mission Week



Brad Edgbert



Dave Suiter



Jeff Crosno



Chris May

Offering the NNC student body an innovative and an exciting alternative to chapel last week were four students: Jeff Crosno, Brad Edgbert, Chris May, and Dave Suiter, exhibited their homiletic abilities in sermons "which were not screened before presentation," according to Senior Dave Suiter.

"That's only fitting," explained Suiter, "they don't try to control the environment. You are allowed to get up and preach the message God has given your heart." The speakers also chose the songs in order to coordinate the music with their messages.

"I was a little surprised to be asked to speak by the department. The selection for the Preaching Mission is done by the department, so it is an honor to be asked to speak."

"There's something about a college education that calls people to be responsible," continued Suiter. "This is what I presume that people who are coming here are seeking to do. Part of that responsibility is being able to step back into the world with something to offer. Christ, as our example, took His message into the world and calls His

followers to do the same."

Jeff Crosno, whose sermon dealt with "The Worldliness of the Other-Worldly," was excited at the opportunity to share something he felt was important.

"I felt honored but a little perplexed as to why I was selected," confessed Brad Edgbert. "I thought that the speakers had to enter the Sanner Senior Sermon Contest, but I hadn't submitted an entry."

Brad's sermon was entitled "The Prayer of Commitment," and suggested that Christians must go beyond the seeking, asking, and knocking prayer by seeking God's will in their lives."

"I had always hoped to speak during the Student Preaching Mission in years past, so getting the chance was an honor," explained Chris May.

Chris, who spoke on "The Seeking Father," attempted to bring students, faculty, and administration to a realization that Christ's three parables in Luke 15 portray a God who is concerned about the individual.



# Student National Education Association — An Organization that Produces Professionalism

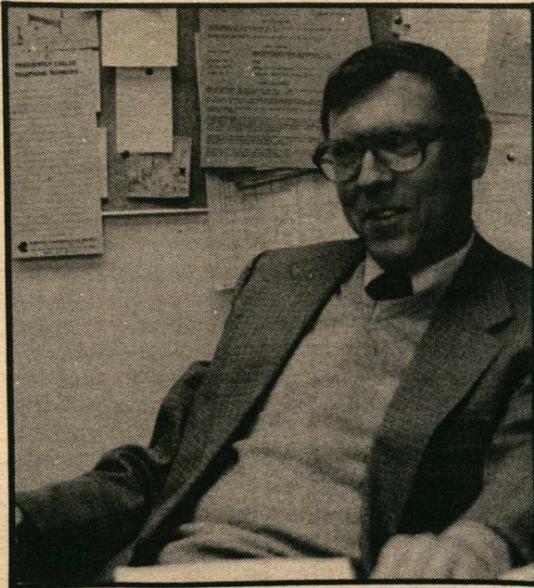
By Elizabeth Martin

Ask a religion or a biology major about SNEA and he will probably shake his head in confusion and then change the subject. Ask an education major about SNEA and his eyes will light up, while he offers a lengthy discourse on assertive discipline, cooperative teachers, and what it's like to teach English to convicts at the Idaho State Prison. What is SNEA?

According to Dr. Lilburn Wesche, head of the Education Department and advisor of NNC's SNEA chapter for 21 years, "SNEA is the student branch of the National Education Association. One of the main things they do, which is a real asset to the entire program as far as functional activity goes, is to bring in former students who are now teaching. These speakers describe some of the problems that, as teachers, they now face. Also, every year the organization brings in a superintendent or principal who attempts a "mock interview"; that helps acquaint students with some of the concerns and problems they're going to encounter teaching. Through the organization, some of the things the Education Department is trying to do becomes reinforced."

Newly-elected officers for the NNC chapter of SNEA are: president, Deanna Dennis; vice-president, Rene Miller; secretary, Karen Jeffords; treasurer, Kathie Kniefel; and publicity chairman, Patty Cooper.

"For me," said SNEA President Deanna Dennis, "It's exciting to be able to get to know other people: students, administration, or faculty members who are involved with the Education program. I can talk with juniors who are studying Methods or seniors who are student teaching. I can develop a relationship with these students and prepare myself for where I am right now in the department and what I can look forward to."



Dr. Lilburn Wesche

"We want to make students more aware of SNEA," continued Dennis. "Especially the incoming freshmen and the transfer students. They need to know there's a meeting held each month and workshops provided to help them become more aware of their field."

Membership fees for the national SNEA are \$14.00 annually. Members receive magazines and monthly bulletins from the organization. Some students, however, have balked at the expense. "They have an associate membership where you don't belong to the national association but pay a fee to subsidize the local organization," explained Wesche. The yearly fee for the NNC branch is three dollars.

Because of the professionalism of the SNEA program on the NNC campus, it is easily assumed that the Education department maintains tight control of the student organization. However, the department's involvement, stresses Wesche, depends on the request from the organization. "How involved we are is pretty much up to the student officers. We don't force ourselves into the picture at all."

"We have had, down through the years, a very ac-

tive organization. Probably it was more active when we were highly involved as advisors because there's a bit more continuity . . . but now we've more or less disengaged ourselves at the students' request. Several years ago we saw that student attitude of revolt where they had all the answers and they wanted to do their own thing—so we said: 'Fine, do your own thing.' Since then, very seldomly have we become that involved in the organization."

"Maybe that's too bad," said Dr. Wesche. "At one time we were the largest chapter in the United States, on a per-capita basis. We have had more national officers than any other institution our size. We've also had more state officers than all the other institutions put together."

How does the President-elect of SNEA view the role of the advisor? "I see the advisor as someone who is very much a part of SNEA," answered Deanna Dennis. "He's there to listen to our ideas, give us suggestions—but let us take off with out leadership from within the group. I see that has to carry over with the other officers and myself. We should be there to instigate the activities in the meetings, but then allow the organization to carry on by itself. We are like

the backbone . . . we need to pass on the leadership roles. The members of SNEA need to participate and become involved—they don't need the officers to be there to tell them what to do."

"In the future," continued Deanna, "I can see where this leadership role will help me in my professional area. As an organization, it will help make me aware of the teacher organizations that will be available to me on a state and national level. SNEA is an organization that is small and direct to the students here on campus, but it's also a stepping stone to the other organizations they'll become involved with after graduation."

It is the student involvement and leadership in SNEA that has become a trademark of NNC. NNC was the first SNEA chapter in Idaho and one of the first organized in the nation. NNC has a state level president of SNEA on a two or three year regularity. Also, graduates of NNC have served in the parent organization of SNEA—the National Education Association (NEA). In Idaho,

in the past five years, three terms of the NEA presidency have been held by NNC graduates.

NNC's reputation for leadership and involvement were verified when Dr. Wesche went to an NEA once and overheard a conversation between two teachers. "A man was talking about this young teacher who was really active in the NEA, and said, 'I wish all beginning teachers were that way,'" commented Wesche. "Then the second man asked where the young kid was from—and the first man said, 'Well, he graduated from NNC.' The other man said, 'Well, it's no wonder, then.'"

"That," stressed Dr. Wesche, "is just the general feeling of people who are aware of our program. As a result, graduates are recognized by the districts that hire our teachers as people who become immediately active in their local organization. Our people are very aware of professional responsibilities by the time they get through—and it's gratifying."



SNEA President Deanna Dennis

## Students Issue Ultimatum at U of I

MOSCOW, ID (CPS)—While tuition protests elsewhere have been as large as the tuition increases imposed for next year, at the University of Idaho some protesters threatened to blow up much of the campus if fees are raised.

Members of a group alternately calling itself the Socialist Action Coalition, the National Socialist Party Organization and the National Socialist Association phoned in bomb threats to area police and media in the early morning hours of April 27th.

The callers pledged to detonate five bombs on the campus unless the legislature and education officials agreed

to maintain fees, academic programs, and student services at their current levels, to use funds earmarked for expanding the football stadium for academic programs, and to make faculty salaries "competitive" with other schools.

Though the calls and a letter detailing the demands didn't specify which buildings would be destroyed, the student radio station said one bomb was in the Student Union Building.

The building itself was closed for an hour while police searched it. They found no bombs. Moscow and Latah County officers searched other campus buildings through the week, but found no explosives.

The threats came just a month after the Board of Regents imposed a \$100 fee increase for next year, and as the legislature debated charging tuition for the first time.

The state constitution prohibits tuition at state schools, but budget cut-backs in the wake of a Proposition 13-type tax relief measure have led to drastic fee increases in the last two years, and to legislative consideration of charging tuition.

Similar increases at schools across the country have sparked protests. The most violent have been at Cornell, where marches and a purposeful tangling of campus phone lines climaxed with a

three-hour sit-in at the president's office.

"The ideas expressed (in the threats) reek with middle-class values," Beeson says. "A professional revolutionary wouldn't give a care about the faculty."

Police currently have no suspects. "We had sent an original of the letter to our lab, but it takes three-to-six months to get any results back," says Lt. Dave Williams of the Moscow police department.

Terry Armstrong, executive assistant to the president, says typewriters are being checked all over campus to see if the letter was written on campus.

## Bankston Recital

Tonight at 8:00 p.m., Michael S. Bankston, assisted by Walden Hughes, will give a faculty recital at NNC. The recital will be in the Science Lecture Hall and there will be no admission charge.

Bankston will be performing Sonata No. 1 by J. Brahms, A Set For Clarinet by D. Martino, and Concerto for Clarinet by W. Mozart.

Bankston graduated from Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Ill., in 1973, with an AB in clarinet performance. He then went on to Boston University to study with the principal clarinetist of the Boston Symphony, receiving his M. Mus. in clarinet performance in 1978.

## Student Budget Cuts Hit Cap Hill

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS)—When the Senate joined the House last week in approving the broad outlines of President Ronald Reagan's budget, hopes for avoiding drastic cuts in student loan programs "went down with the rest of the ship," mourns Alec Surkin, aide to education enthusiast Rep. Peter Peyser (D-NY).

Although a joint Senate-House committee must still determine the specifics of the program cuts, most collegiate lobbyists are pessimistic that aid will be restored.

"There is so much momentum from presidential lobbying for the so-called mandate for change," Surkin predicted, that cuts seem inevitable.

"There's a lot of sentiment in Congress that 'students have had a free ride long enough,'" agrees Eduardo Wolle, lobbyist for the U.S. Student Association.

Tom Asick, for one, looks at the sentiment as a victory. Asick, an author of the education report for the Heritage Foundation, the conservative think tank that provided the guidelines for the administration's college policies, exults that student "welfare programs" are to be cut. "They had just gotten out of hand."

Though the cuts themselves won't come up for a vote until late June, the consensus for paring down some of the major aid programs now in Congress goes like this:

### Pell Grants

One factor that could exacerbate the impact of cuts in Pell Grants (formerly called

Basic Educational Opportunity Grants) is the halving of what was to have been a \$661 million supplemental appropriation, says Joel Packer of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges. The House

appropriations committee, aiming at saving \$13.5 billion, cut the supplemental appropriation, and lowered the maximum Pell Grant award to \$1650 from \$1750.

Others expect Congress will make students from families with annual incomes over \$25,000 ineligible for Pell Grants.

Congress may bypass the administration proposal to make students pay the first \$750 of their college bills in order to qualify for a Pell Grant. Wolle expects Congress will approve the measure in 1982 instead.

### Guaranteed Student Loans

Reagan administration proposals for GSLs would "destroy" the program, in Packer's judgement. Congress seems ready to approve

Reagan's effort to raise the interest on GSLs from nine percent to 14 percent, but may balk at the president's attempt to abolish the subsidy in which government pays interest on the loan until graduation.

Banks have protested, Wolle says, because of "excessive paperwork" involved in collecting from students instead of collecting from the government.

### National Direct Loans

The NSDL program, although marked for extinction by the administration, is

charted to continue next year, lobbyists say. But a \$100 million appropriation that has not been restored since NSDL sentiment shifted may cripple NSDLs in some states, Wolle warns.

### Social Security

Wolle predicts strong opposition to the administration proposal to end immediately Social Security payments to students who are children of retired, deceased or disabled beneficiaries. Education committee members instead seem to favor a gradual phase-out of the payments.

Wolle, Packer and others opposing the cuts complain Congress has adopted, in Packer's words, a "let them eat cake" attitude. Senate

Education-Labor Committee Chairman Harrison Schmidt (R-NM) "mentioned that (Pell Grant) reductions would only

amount to about what students spend each week on a couple of packs of cigarettes," Packer recalls.

Packer adds, "What it would really amount to is several cartons a week."

Most college lobbyists estimate the toll would be higher. Surkin gloomily predicts as many as a million students will either have to alter their education plans or

leave college altogether if the cuts are approved. American Council on Education President Jack W. Peltason forecasted that as many as 600,000 students from

families earning between \$19,000 and \$25,000 per year will be affected by the Pell Grant changes alone.

## Student Interview



**Mike Robinson**

By Teresa Sinel

He's busy, but he loves the involvement. Mike Robinson, a pre-law major, is an individual with an active part in NNC, and a vital part of ASNNC.

Mike's career in student government began in his freshman year, when he was elected class senator. Since then he has been sophomore and junior class senator, a member of the Student Life Policy Committee and an active participant in many other ASNNC-related committees. Most recently, Mike has been the ASNNC Attorney General, a position he has held for the past one and a half years.

As a pre-law major, Mike is looking forward to a career as a lawyer. He still has three more years of law school to complete, which he will finish at the University of Idaho in Moscow. In the future, he may eventually obtain a masters degree in law.

Along the line of team sports, Mike was a wrestler in his freshman year until he got the opportunity to lobby in Boise. He went on to lobby for two years as a member of the Idaho Student Association, and last year he was an intern with the State Government in Boise for ten weeks.

When he finds time for hobbies, Mike likes to ride bikes, to read, and occasionally, to run. He enjoys the West for its vast opportunities in fishing, camping and hiking, and favors the Nampa area for its proximity to these areas of recreation.

Following graduation this June, Mike's goals are to find a job before his leaves for law school in the fall.

## From the Religion Department

# Coming Out of Tree is Personal Decision

By Jack Bradley

"When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately, I must stay at your house today. So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.'" (Luke 19:5&6)

One of my earliest memories is sitting on my big brother's shoulders, watching a presidential motorcade. I strained for a glimpse of LBJ, but I never did actually see him. Can you imagine what my surprise would have been if I had not only seen the President, but if he had directed his car to stop in front of me and jumped out and called my name? Imagine the President singling you out of a sea of faces! It would be overwhelming to say the least.

This is how Zacchaeus may

have felt when Jesus called him down from the tree. Jesus knew what Zacchaeus was—a despised tax collector—but he didn't care. When he invited himself to Zacchaeus' home, he knew the reaction would be negative—he didn't care. He accepted Zacchaeus just as he was and singled him out to follow Him.

Zacchaeus saw Jesus' love and unconditional acceptance and must have said to himself, "Hey, if this man doesn't care about my past status, I shouldn't care either."

The result was that Zacchaeus experienced forgiveness—a clean slate—and was so overcome with his new freedom that he gave back four times the amount he had swindled from the people.

Jesus always comes to you

and me this same way: face to face. He accepts us just as we are, with all our hang-ups and limitations and asks us to follow him. Whether we will or not is an individual decision.

Zacchaeus could have stayed in the tree; the Lord didn't force him to come down or to follow him. Jesus also challenges us to new levels of commitment as we walk with Him. How we respond to the challenge will determine how much we will grow and how much usefulness we will have for the kingdom. Each one of us has been singled out by God for a life of service and fulfillment.

The most exciting part is that we are not alone! We have the power of Christ's life inside us.

## Mark Hatfield to Speak at Monday Chapel



Senator Mark O. Hatfield (R—Oregon) will be the guest speaker for the annual Riley Lecture Series, Monday, May 25, during chapel. Senator Hatfield has served in the US Senate since 1967, after serving as Governor of Oregon for two terms.

Hatfield is a Congressional leader in efforts to combat world hunger and raise human rights issues. As one of the earliest opponents of the Vietnam War (his was the only negative vote on this issue at the 1965 and 1966 Governors' Conferences), he maintains a keen interest in foreign affairs.

A leading Christian layman, Senator Hatfield has written

extensively for religious publications, and has authored three books, *Not Quite So Simple* (1967), *Conflict and Conscience* (1971), and *Between a Rock and a Hard Place* (1976), and coauthored *Amnesty: The Unsettled Question of Vietnam* (1973).

Hatfield was scheduled to speak at NNC on May 19, 1980, but was stranded in Spokane by the May 18 eruption of Mount St. Helens. His Riley Lecture Series address will be given at College Church of the Nazarene, Dewey and Juniper, at 10:15 a.m. on Memorial Day.

## Initiate Campaign

Something occurred on Saturday, May 2, 1981 that should be an inspiration to everyone who hopes for a better future; a better humanity. Approximately 1,000 people assembled in Salt Lake City, Utah, and protested the development of the MX missile system in Utah and Nevada.

Now, a few of my more outspoken readers will gripe, Steve, why don't you get off your high horse and stop preaching to us about things that aren't of immediate importance to NNC students: Why don't you write about things which affect us — like on-campus leash laws for local doggies, vandalism in the P.E. building, and people who excuse almost anything they do by saying they support "informality" in inter-personal relationships?

At the risk of sounding "pompous, condescending, and arrogant," these things are trivial when compared to things like hunger, poverty, political repression, war, . . . and nuclear holocaust.

Consider the trends, folks . . .

Consider how crowded the planet is becoming while control of the world's food production concentrates in ever fewer hands. Read *Food First: Beyond the Myth of Scarcity*.

Consider how the rich countries (or better said, the rich in the rich countries) get fatter and consume the mineral and energy resources of the wonderful-white world, while the euphemistically-labeled "developing nations" remain chronically under-developed.

Consider how developing nations, led by the militaristic US and USSR, spend around \$400 billion annually on arms — or about \$761,035 every minute.

And what do our leaders do? Do they congregate in urgent consultation to cease this craziness? Well, God knows I'm no Leonid Brezhnev fan, but at least he talked as though the Soviet Union were ready to sit down with the United States and discuss possible nuclear weapons limitations at the 26th Party Congress.

Contrast that with the latest announcement of the Reagan people: Ed Meese, interviewed on *Face the Nation*, insisted that the US will "sit at the same table with the Communists" only if they "pull their troops out of Afghanistan." He nearly added "and beat their breasts three times."

Please don't misconstrue my criticism of Meese's statement: in no conceivable way am I defending the imperialistic actions of the USSR in Afghanistan. What I do find ludicrous is Meese's underlying assumption that we would be serving the Soviets a gargantuan, altruistic favor by discussing nuclear arms limitations/reductions.

However, the potential of these talks would be "symbiotic" — we would both benefit. Perhaps our inflationary military budget could be curbed. (I am an idealist.) Who needs fifty times the number of warheads sufficient to waste a quarter of the Soviet population and three quarters of the Soviet industry?

Why must the largest engineering project ever undertaken by "humanity" be a weapon of war?

If this sounds like a *cri de coeur*, if this sounds like a Malthusian overbite, that's because it is. You see, I don't relish humanity entering the 21st Century with a poisoned earth and a high genetic mutation rate. Do you? I challenge everyone to actively seek prevention of World War III.

I applaud the Mormon Church for vehemently opposing the MX missile-murder complex. I'm urging the rest of Christendom to act. If you have to go down to Nevada and lie down in front of bulldozers, do it. Go to a rally — sign a petition. ACT!

Will future generations forgive us for failing to act . . . will God?

SWA

## Uncle Sam's Family Plan

### Quantity or Quality for Life?

To the Editor:

Today I will be beaten or neglected!

My parents have not arranged to have me cared for. Someone is paying my mother an extra sum for having another child. He is called Uncle Sam.

In the world he demands human rights. Countries that don't provide their citizens with quality life are condemned. But the movement that wants me to be born whether I will have a quality life or not will not be criticized. It is Christian.

It is called Right to Life.

But I am a human being, and I have a right to live a good life or to not live one at all. God intended that I should have parents (two, even) that would love me. They call me an infant because I am only a few months old. I am a little human being, but I am not very healthy. My mother who smokes, drinks, and takes drugs has passed on to me the effects of her bad habits. The turmoil of her life has already affected my disposition and character.

I would have wanted to be born if I could have been loved and cared for both before and after my birth. But my mother didn't want me. And who knows who my father is. It might have been all right if someone would have adopted me, but because the odds are against mothers giving up their children for adoption, my chances of that were slim. My fate was set when my mother carried me full-term.

Since I was born, I have brought much unhappiness to my mother. She is always yelling at us kids and hitting us. My brother and sister aren't happy either because they have to watch me when Mom goes away. They are only 5 and 6 years old, so I'm an awfully big burden to them. Consequently I'm not happy either. I guess unhappiness sort of runs in our family.

I don't blame God for this life I have. He would have wanted me to be happy and to enjoy the good things of life. But because my mother doesn't love me, I am helpless. How will I ever grow up into the kind of person who will be able to appreciate the beauty and wonder of God's creation if I am never to experience any sort of appreciation from my mother? If I am not taught what love is, how will I ever be able to love anyone else?

God has given humans the potential to create new lives that can be wonderful and good. If they want to. But my mother doesn't want that responsibility. I don't understand why, but it is a fact nevertheless. My life does not seem very wonderful. Sometimes I wish I had never been born. It wouldn't have bothered me. As a matter of fact, if my life had been cut short at four weeks or even four months, I would at least have gone to a home where I would have been loved. God would have appreciated me and received me gladly.

But abortion is looked down upon. May God have mercy on those who are responsible for condemning me to a life that is less than God intended.

I am an infant—a little human being. I have a divine right to have quality life.

The Responding Voice

## Student Questions Effectiveness of Graduate Examinations

To the Editor

Every year, over 2.5 million students enter nation-wide testing centers. For several hours, they match wits with a standardized exam, the results of which they will carry with them for the rest of their academic careers. The ritual is nearly unavoidable for the college and graduate-school bound.

Educational Testing Service, who develops and administers these exams, has asserted for years that the tests only measure "aptitude," defined as "the capacity to learn." If this were the case, test scores would not be affected by such variables as social background, or education or prior coaching.

But independent studies by Harvard and National Education Association indicate otherwise. Prior coaching can affect scores, and preparation courses are currently a \$60-million-a-year business.

For example, the Graduate Admissions Preparation Service has had such a positive response to its home-study pre-medical and pre-dental courses for the MCAT and the DAT, that it recently expanded, and now offers courses for the GRE, the LSAT and the GMAT.

GAPS' philosophy—that exam-taking is an acquired skill and "aptitude" a questionable concept—is of course opposed to that of ETS.

GAPS courses include cassette tapes prepared by professionals and professors who lecture the student on such topics such as English grammar, chemistry and law. Typical test questions and explanations are provided. Test strategy, how to quickly reject certain questions, untangle tricky wording and "think ETS," is covered.

Lest anyone hesitate over the price of professional preparation, GAPS mentions the importance most universities place on test scores. Their price (\$179 for LSAT course) stacks up well against the cost of four years of tuition. Universities admit they depend on the standardized test as a performance indicator. Spencer Reynolds, associate director of admissions at Princeton says: "Obviously, the lower the test scores, the less chance students have of being admitted."

So, until such a time that the controversial standardized exam is abolished, many students are opting for some kind of preparation. They have little choice.

Kathy Arnold

# Birchfield L. Bloom

**Editor's note:** Few writers have stirred the imagination and indignation of NNC students more this year than *Crusader's* own Birchfield L. Bloom. News editor Elizabeth Martin recently interviewed Bloom while doing a freelance assignment for *Rolling Stone*. Martin agreed to share a portion of the interview with the *Crusader* on the condition that the negatives from a recent staff party be destroyed.

**Martin:** By now, most people are aware of the impact made in Idaho by Birchfield L. Bloom's thought-provoking column that appears bi-weekly in the *Crusader*. Mr. Bloom, could you give the readers a brief background on yourself?

**Bloom:** Certainly. I'm from Mankato, Minnesota. There are ten children in our family, nine boys and one girl. I'm the third oldest; my sister Isabella is the youngest. The Blooms have nicknamed her "Pooh." I am a senior majoring in General Studies.

**Martin:** And—other than a car—what brought you to NNC?

**Bloom:** I was saved on the last night of Senior High Camp. At the time I felt that God had told me to go to Bethany Nazarene College. There was an all-girl quartet at the camp from Bethany . . . and I sort of like the alto singer.

**Martin:** I see. Have you kept in touch with her?

**Bloom:** No . . . I'm not involved with anyone currently. I am writing to a girl . . . a WAC who is now in basic training; Claudia wants to be an officer. I don't considering it dating, though.

**Martin:** I'm sure Claudia is as proud of you as you are of her. Back to Bethany, however . . .

**Bloom:** I left Bethany and transferred to NNC this year.

**Martin:** That's a tough decision to make during your senior year.

**Bloom:** I've never regretted it; NNC has a much better General Studies program than Bethany. I had enough credits to graduate last term but deep loyalties to my class kept me in school.

**Martin:** What are your plans for the future?

**Bloom:** I have no idea. I'm currently thinking of taking a second major and returning to NNC next fall. One goal I do have is that I would like to write for the *National Review*. Bill Buckley is my hero.

**Martin:** Really? I thought heroes were rather passe. Do you have any other heroes?

**Bloom:** Gerald Ford and Johnny Cash.

**Martin:** Johnny Cash?

**Bloom:** Yes, he sings real songs. He sings the way real people feel and he doesn't write dope songs.

**Martin:** Are you aware of the fact that Cash admits to a past drug addiction?

**Bloom:** (Obviously irritated by question, begins to crumble crackers into a bowl of soup). He's become a Christian since then, so it's okay. It helps his testimony.

One piece of cabbage can ruin a good vegetable soup.

**Martin:** How do you feel about writing for a college newspaper when you've set your sights on the *National Review*?

**Bloom:** Oh, it's been fun and neat. I like to find out what the students are thinking about the current world problems. My column gives them a chance to get their problems off their chest—although it makes me mad when people write stupid letters.

**Martin:** Do you think there is an abundance of non-thinkers on campus?

**Bloom:** No, NNC is like any other liberal arts institution, you have to take the good with the chaff. Sometimes finding intelligence even at the secondary education level is like panning for gold in a cement mixer. It may be hard to get to—but when you find it, it will be in one big lump.

**Martin:** There is a rumor that the *Crusader* staff is composed of radicals and liberals. How is your working relationship with the staff?

**Bloom:** It's okay, except that Steve Arnold (note: self-proclaimed editor of the college paper) always wants to censor my column. Sometimes he changes my answers after I turn them in. He says it's just typing errors, but nobody can make as many mistakes as hedges accidentally. I just stay away from the office as much as possible. Arnold and I are like two ships that collide in the night.

**Martin:** Well put. Considering all the problems you've had with "Exacto" Arnold, what would you do if he's re-elected editor?

**Bloom:** I'll go back to Bethany if Arnold gets his desk back next year. Why don't we get a real journalist? Pristine White would be a good editor. She shows a lot of enthusiasm and the *Crusader* would have more a Christian viewpoint—especially the editorials.

**Martin:** Your Republican viewpoint . . .

**Bloom:** I am not a Republican, I am a Libertarian. Furthermore, my favorite columnist is *Idaho Free Press* writer Ralph Smeed. I feel that government should be neither seen or heard. . . . That's one reason why I have so much respect for Steve Symms.

What were you saying?

**Martin:** I don't remember. What are your views on religion?

**Bloom:** I know that every word in the Bible is literally true; God couldn't have written the Bible better if He had done it Himself.

The cause of 90% of the crime and violence in the

United States is because of the teaching of humanism and evolution.

**Martin:** Really? Is there violence on the NNC campus, then?

**Bloom:** Maybe there is, but I never see any of it. I don't have to worry because I carry a little can of mace that's disguised as a keyring.

**Martin:** Shades of Chicago '68.

**Bloom:** I don't know anything about shades, but when I spray that critter into a would-be assailant's face . . . it's curtains for him.

**Martin:** Tell us more about yourself.

**Bloom:** Well, I live in a converted, ten foot 1955 *Travel Streak* trailer. It looks a little dingy outside, but it's spotless inside.

**Martin:** It sounds compact.

**Bloom:** No, I don't feel crowded except I always trip over my accordion.

**Martin:** I had no idea you were musically inclined.

**Bloom:** I also play a little bit of the 'ol ukulele. I rarely watch TV since Arthur Godfrey went off the air. I like to watch PBS: "Firing Line" with Bill Buckley or "Wall Street Week."

**Martin:** Do you play the market?

**Bloom:** No! I think insurance and investments are anti-Christian. Why invest your money on Wall Street when the Lord is returning any day now? We're also supposed to have faith that God will provide. Plus, I have about \$6,000 in gold Kruggards hidden in a garbage can inside the back of my *Travel Streak*, it's behind the port-a-potty, actually.

**Martin:** Our photographer would like you to pose by your trailer.

**Bloom:** No, I'd rather not have my picture taken. I like to go out among the people without being recognized. I can keep an eye on the pulse of the campus that way.

**Martin:** Wow! To quote Chuck Chapman: 'awesome.'

**Bloom:** Thank-you. Also, there are rumors of threats from the Education Department because of my alleged opinion in a recent column concerning the quality of education in Idaho.

**Martin:** Well, with "right" and a can of mace on your side, Mr. Bloom, there is nothing to fear. I thank you for your time. Do you have anything else to say?

**Bloom:** If I could say it—but Arnold will probably change it. But if he doesn't change my words, or have some "typing error," I'd say that students should be more serious about their studies and not goof around so much. There are certain forces out there just waiting for us to let down our guard.

A good joke can be funny for a little while. However, while you're laughing—somebody could be taking your picture.

## Caution:

# Saccharin Can Be Bad For Your Health

To the Editor:

Considering the high cost of sugar, there might be a rush to collect 5-15-81 issues of *Crusader*. The letter from *The Capital Voice* surely contains enough sap to profitably extract and refine.

This illogical plea attempted to jerk tears by appealing to weak sentimentality and was a brash claim to know the mind of God. It went something like this:

"I'm a fetus. God intended me to live but some irresponsible killers are about to chop me up and wash me down the sewer. Alas—it is a shame; my two little ears will never hear the sound of music; my two little eyes will never see the light of day; my little nose will never smell flowers. Mommy and Daddy want me to die, but God loves me and will receive my soul into heaven."

When one looks at some of the alternatives, having God receive that "cute little fetus" into heaven, seems like a blessing.

The story could be written any number of ways. Here are two examples.

"Today I was born into a family consisting of unemployed parents and four other kids. Daddy gets mad and knocks us around. Mommy is sick a lot. When my siblings aren't fighting or crying they are out trying to steal a little bread. If there is a merciful God in heaven, why did he let me be born?"

Or . . .

"In this great, free country of ours we think so much of human life that we make laws to protect life. I wish those laws had been adequate to protect my sister. She got raped one night on the way home from work; and got pregnant. She's laying in the back room now. She's feverish and moans a lot. She couldn't get a legal abortion and didn't have enough money to get a safe abortion.

Too bad she wasn't like congressman Big's wife. Big's wife was clear and safe within a matter of hours . . . but of course the Big's have money and connections.

. . . Enough of cute stories.

Yolanda Nicholson



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# Hodges Ends NNC Career With Banner Season

By Dave Goins

Persistence. NNC senior centerfielder Steve Hodges batted .348, stole 21 bases in 23 attempts and had an amazing on-base percentage of .547 during the 1981 season in leading the Crusaders to a 17-18 record. A brilliant final season. But it was a year which wouldn't have been possible without Hodges' stick-to-itiveness.

Hodges first played on NNC's baseball team in 1978 as a freshman pitcher, having never played an inning of high school baseball. He played slow-pitch softball in high school.

"I should have played. The coach of the high school team asked me to play, but I had a job and was a little apathetic," Hodges now says of his high school days in Corvallis, Oregon. "I played up through junior high, but stopped when I got to high school which is a little unusual. I regret it because I've always thought it would've helped my development."

Nevertheless, Hodges came to NNC as a freshman and decided to give college baseball a try. The position he was assigned to was pitcher, enjoying moderate success and as a highlight even pitched a one-hitter against George Fox College.

Hodges, however, didn't feel he was cut out to be a pitcher. But he couldn't get anyone to believe him. Hodges got to bat only twice in two years.

"I got to play very little and I regret that," Hodges said in reflection of the bench years. "I tried to convince the coaches that I wasn't a pitcher and could be used somewhere else. It was a hard process to prove that I could play."

Hodges sat on the bench in frustration for two years, watching upperclassmen play in several losing efforts.

"I thought I had the ability the first year. But it was like if you were a senior you had the job. The senior who was playing centerfield that year was batting .167 . . . .167! You sit two years on the bench and the team has a poor

record and you start thinking, 'who can I play for?' I wasted two years because I wasn't being used. I just kept thinking that maybe I'd be able to play."

Hodges' chance to play finally came during his junior season. The Crusaders struggled through a 5-26 season with an inexperienced team. Hodges struggled in the early part of the season with the bat.

"It was quite an adjustment at first. It takes a while to learn how to hit college pitching. I was four for 24 at one point during the first of the year," Hodges recalls. "But I've always been a person to look inside myself and say I could do it. Also, I'm a warm-weather player and at the first of the season we had a lot of blizzard weather. By the last ten or twelve games of the season, I was hitting the ball well."

Hodges had raised his average to .213 by the end of his junior season, but more importantly he made a change in his thinking about hitting.

"The confidence from the last half of last year carried over into this year. I became more of an offensive hitter than a defensive hitter. It was a reverse of philosophy. At first I thought I was lucky if I got a hit; after that I thought it was lucky if he got me out."

Then came the 1981 season. Hodges led off in every game and reached base in 25 of NNC's 27 NAIA contests.

What were Hodges' goals at the beginning of the season?

"I wanted to hit over .300. Coach told me at the begin-

ning it would surprise him if I hit over .280. I said, 'Ah, I'll hit .300. That was kind of a joke between us.'"

Besides hitting .348 overall, Hodges also hit .356 against NAIA competition. He tied or led the Crusaders in seven categories which included games (35), most hits (39), runs scored (24), walks (24), stolen bases (21-23), triples (2), and batting average.

"It did surprise me. I knew I had the ability, but I didn't know I'd lead in that many categories," Hodges said. "I think the most fun part of the season for me was stealing bases. I thought I could have had more, maybe 30 or 35. But because of the scores of our games, it wasn't conducive to stealing. You don't want to try to steal when you're eight runs ahead or eight runs behind."

Confidence was a main factor for Hodges' success, but practice during the off-season and during the season helped give him more confidence.

"From September through the beginning of the season I was in the batting cage a lot. When I went in there I'd take 250 swings or until I got tired. I'd do that three or four times

a week. Hitting is something you can't really do enough of. Even during the season when I was hitting good, I'd go in and work on my weaknesses."

Hodges feels the year was a success not only because it was a banner year for himself, but because it was a turn in the right direction for NNC baseball.

"I was happy with the fact that I finished the year the way I did and helped the program get on its feet. I enjoyed working with a coach (Jack Alban) that really put his heart into it. The team is going to jell in the future as young as we were this year."

Hodges summarized his feeling, "I finally showed some people that I did have the ability to play college baseball. To play baseball with a bunch of Christian players is a very complete feeling. It has provided all the elements for contentment."

## Oedipus Rex

The NNC Speech Department is sponsoring the epic Greek play, *Oedipus Rex*, cited by authorities as being 'Sophocles' "greatest tragedy."

The setting of the play involves a 5th century BC Grecian king and the peculiar circumstances surrounding his throne.

Starring in the film are well-known dramatists Lilli Palmer, Christopher Plummer, and Orson Wells.

The film will be presented at 7:30 PM in Felter Hall on Tuesday, May 26th.

The historical and cultural significance of the play will be of great interest to speech, drama, philosophy, and history majors.

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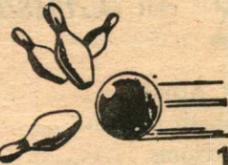


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# Blythe, Miller Lead Crusader Tracksters to National Events

Antonette Blythe

Shane Miller

By Dave Goins

Antonette Blythe believes the real pressure will start later. Right now she's having fun winning.

Blythe, a freshman at NNC has done in her rookie collegiate season what most track athletes never do in a four-year career. By qualifying in the 100 meter dash, the long jump and as a member of the 400 meter relay team, Blythe is leading NNC's group of five women to the AIAW national track meet.

Blythe will be in the long jump Thursday and the 400 meter relay team will run on Friday at the meet to be held in Hayward, Calif. at the Cal-State Hayward campus.

"In a way I have felt pressure this year," said Blythe, a native of Oak Harbor, WA. "But it's more pressure to me knowing that if I do well and return they'll expect bigger and better things. I expect more pressure in the future than right now."

Blythe is a member of the 400 meter relay team which also includes senior Chris Pease, Denver's Lorry Wirth and freshman Robin Johnson who is a graduate of Capital High School in Boise. The team clicked off a 50.5 timing several weeks ago to qualify for nationals.

"I think it's (the national meet) going to be really great because it is something I've worked for all my life," said Blythe with a smile. "A realistic goal for me is to go in and give 110 percent. "Giving it all I've got will make me a winner even if I don't win an event."

NNC coach Kathy Haughey says of Blythe, "Antonette has had more pressure than

anybody because of running three events and just being a freshman. I think for her first year, she is handling the pressure very well."

Blythe's specialty is the long jump where she leaped 17-8½ to win first place in the AIAW Region nine meet just two weeks ago.

The 400 meter relay team had problems in the last meet when the baton was dropped during the race. The team, however, has been working on handoffs for the past few weeks.

"Everybody has been looking better, running better in practice," Haughey said. "The main thing has been keeping mentally on top. My goal is for them to place. If they could do that at nationals, that would be really good. Their handoffs are a lot better and that gives them more confidence. They're mentally ready and I think they'll do better."

The team first realized it had potential after being just four tenths of a second off national qualifying standards at the NNC invitational.

"I feel we can do a pretty outstanding job," says Pease who came to NNC four years ago from Melba, ID. "We can do well if we go in with a positive attitude, knowing our teammates are supporting us. One person couldn't run it without the other people."

"We'll have a fast, well-kept track to run on and the weather should be to our advantage. We haven't run in good weather much this year."

Senior Maureen Freitag, who also comes from Melba will be going as the alternate on the 400 meter team.

Shane Miller knows that anything less than his best simply won't be enough.

Miller, NNC's senior 800 meters runner will be competing in the NAIA National track meet this weekend. Miller has won the District II 800 meters event for the past two seasons.

In the past, NNC coach Paul Taylor hasn't felt it was in Miller's best interest to take him to nationals. Miller's times haven't been winning times by national standards. But this year, Taylor decided Miller should go to the meet.

"He's running better than he ever has in his life and he's going to have to run better (at the national meet) than he ever has in his life," Taylor said. "This will give him a

chance to get beat; to be able to see what he can do against national competition. To get into the semi-finals would be good. Anything more than that would really be super."

Miller won the District II 800 meters championship with a 1:55.3 effort. His best time for this year was a 1:54.5. Last season, Miller won the district championship by clipping off a career best of 1:53.7.

In Houston this Thursday, however, Miller will have to do better to make the semis on Friday.

"To get into the semi-finals he would have to run around a 1:52.0 which would be two seconds better than his best ever," Taylor said. "But I think he's ready to run one of

the better times of his life."

Miller realizes what he must do to place at the meet to be held on the campus of Texas Southern University. Miller also agrees with Taylor that this is probably the best time for an attempt at nationals.

"I'm thankful for the privilege of going to the national meet. This is my first chance to run in a national meet and I'll have to run a personal best to win. I feel I'll be able to run my best because of the competition," Miller said.

"I should be able to improve a lot over what I did at district. I'm in the best condition I've ever been. I've lost weight and improved my speed. I'm pretty much in peak shape right now."

## Golfers 2nd in District

The NNC golf team has shown itself as a force to be dealt with in NAIA District II golf. The Crusaders finished second at the District tournament on May 11 despite a hilly course.

NNC finished with a two-day 662 total just six strokes behind Willamette, whom the Crusaders had defeated earlier in the season at their home course.

NNC freshman Greg Tapley had his best performance of the year with a two-day 160 total, shooting 79 the first day and 81 the second. Tapley was fifth in individual scoring in the tournament and was automatically selected to the all-tournament team.

"It was a hilly course, we

hadn't been able to practice on the course prior to the meet and it was Lewis & Clark's home course," NNC coach Art Horwood said of the tournament held at Lake Oswego, OR. "Considering the conditions, I thought it was an outstanding day for the kids. We came within six strokes of winning the tournament. And Schild (Randy) and Tapley were outstanding."

Senior Jeff Bell had perhaps the most frustrating tournament of anyone on the team. After averaging 80.5 during the season, Bell came up with rounds of 82 and 85 for the third best performance on the team.

The Crusaders although not winning the tournament are optimistic for next year.

"The most disappointed guy in the tournament was Jeff Bell. He didn't have one of his better days. I'm sure as a senior he would've liked to have gone out better than he did," Horwood said. "With four of six guys back for next year, we're looking for good things. We'll be strong."

One thing which made the district tournament pleasing to Horwood was that the Crusaders defeated Lewis & Clark College on their home course. The obvious bright spot was Tapley who was, "steadily improving as the season went along."

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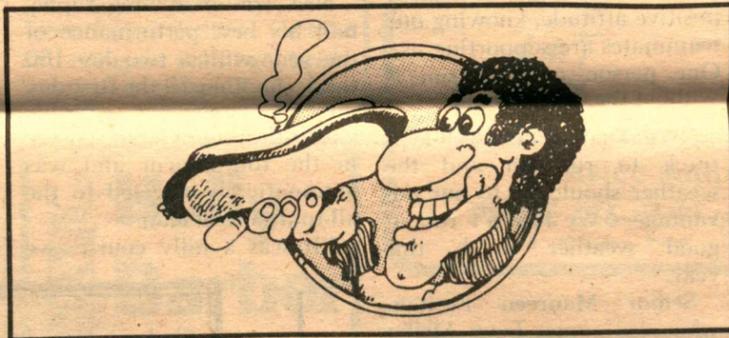
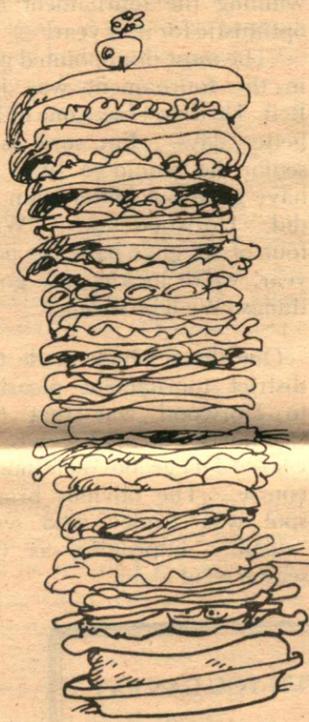
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