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New Student Council representatives elected

McCann, Moore, Worrell voted junior reps

by David Fischler

In voting held October 6-7, the student body elected a total of eight new Student Council members, including two committee chairmen, and one new Seminary Council representative.

Among the seats being filled were three M.Div. junior representatives, one representative each from the M.Div. middler, A. Div. junior, and M.R.E. senior classes, one Seminary Council student representative, and heads for the Ethics and Communications committees of the Student Council.

A total of 224 students, approximately one-third of whom

were M.Div. juniors, took part in the voting.

A breakdown of the count follows below.

M.Div. Junior Representative

Thomas R. McCann.....47
Irvin Moore.....43
Gerald E. Worrell.....37
Robert Jackson.....19
Timmy E. McQueen.....19
Crissman D. Nichols.....17
Edward W. Davis.....14
Paul B. Morton.....11
Donald V. Wheeler.....6

M.Div. Middler Representative

Carl E. Bjork.....36
Karl S. Popoff.....24

A.Div. Junior Representative

Billie E. Prather.....16
Roy E. Helms.....5

The following seats were uncontested:

M.R.E. Senior Representative: Corinne Yelton.

Ethics Committee Chairman: Anthony W. Cannon.

Communications Committee Chairman: Ida Louise Lee.

Seminary Council Representative: Dyan Housam.

Conservatives forming new student group

by David Fischler

A group of "conservative and evangelical" seminarians have come together to form "Students for the Primacy of Scripture" (SPS), and are seeking Student Council recognition for their activities, according to group leader Dave Wood.

Stating that it is the SPS feeling that the doctrine of Scripture is a "watershed issue," Mr. Wood told The Enquiry in a recent interview that he would like to see Student Council approval for the group as soon as possible.

"We just naturally feel that the future of the Church...depends on the authority of Scripture and how it is perceived by Christians." Mr. Wood added that the group felt that this "is worth doing, even if we are ostracized for it."

According to the manifesto put together by SPS in lieu of a constitution, the group's purposes include:

*Meeting for regular prayer, fellowship, and mutual support;

*Using "lectures, discussions, debates, and other acceptable media" to promote "a conservative evangelical theology (a)s respectable, responsible, and intelligent";

*Encouraging "objectivity in the classroom...concerning the legitimacy of conservative theology";

*To promote "a stronger confidence in the Bible" as authoritative in all matters of faith and practice to which it speaks.

The manifesto stated that the belief of the group which is to be promoted is "an extremely high view of Scripture (a)s essential for a healthy Church, evangelism, and personal Christian growth."

This view of Scripture defends its "inerrancy and infallibility," claiming that abandonment of this view results from basic philosophical beliefs rather than compelling empirical data.

Mr. Wood said that a program of monthly forums, open to the public, as well as bi-monthly meetings of the group membership

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Dave Wood leads new group.

Cheyne addresses world hunger in special service

by Felicia Stewart

In the chapel service on Wednesday, October 13, John Cheyne, director of the Foreign Mission Board Program for Hunger Relief stressed the need to be credible in dealing with the incredible needs of people. Having just returned from Beirut, Lebanon where he was only a block away from the building that exploded killing President-elect Bashir Gemayel, Mr. Cheyne said he felt the need "to do more than convince them that we were doctrinally right." A credible understanding of Christ had to be translated into terms of appropriate action.

In looking at the statistical emphasis of Bold Mission Thrust, Mr. Cheyne said, "Of course evangelism is important and evangelism must have a vision. But if I understand anything about Christ, it is that he had time to care about people."

As for the Christian response to World Hunger, Mr. Cheyne said "As long as it is contained in that statistical medium...that is as far as it will ever go." He later added, "If we're ever going to solve the world's problems...somewhere at the level of that poor farmer...someone's going to have to say 'Hey, you're important.'"

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Conservatives Have Rights, Too

It is not uncommon to hear talk here at SEBTS about freedom of speech and conscience, about the right of all members of our community to their particular point of view. Talk, as we all know, is cheap.

The Student Council is presently confronted with an opportunity to put talk into action. A group of conservatives calling themselves Students for the Primacy of Scripture (SPS) has asked for official recognition. We support their request.

We do not, by any means, agree with much that SPS stands for (see p. 1 for details). We do believe, however, that they have as much right to spread their views as anyone else. Two objections to the group seem to have surfaced.

One objection is to their name. It is felt by some that it represents a bibliolatrous heresy, and that primacy can only be accorded to God. We find two problems with this view. First, we doubt that the reference is truly heretical, since the group's manifesto makes clear that they are advocating the primacy of Scripture over reason or philosophy, not over God. Second, we contend that one man's heresy is another's orthodoxy, and that it is no more proper to set up doctrinal tests for conservatives than it is for liberals or moderates.

Second, it is said that this group is an expression of factionalism on campus. Surely no one believes that there is any point in silencing or ignoring a group for the sake of a false unity. Rather, allowing them to operate in the open will serve to keep debate Christian and respectful of persons. If debate grows ugly, there are disciplinary steps which can then be taken against those individuals unable to comport themselves as Christians. Individual rancor is no reason for group censorship.

Talk is cheap. Standing up for one's convictions is not. Painful though it might be for some, we urge all on campus to accept the new group in a spirit of Christian and academic freedom.

A 'Cult' Comes to SEBTS

Those who passed through the mail room in Mackie Hall last week may have noticed that someone has decided to bring Peking's Democracy Wall method of expressing dissent to Wake Forest. To the anonymous printers of the "Alexandrian Cult News", we have 2 responses:

Anonymity is the coward's way of saying that he is ashamed of his opinions. Now, if we had written that semi-literate piece of pseudo-satire, we might be embarrassed to sign it, too. That is not, however, the way to have one's thoughts taken seriously.

Second, the educational elitism of the sheet, as well as its scurrilous attacks on M area courses (and by implication on their professors), was disgusting. Implying that people take ministry courses to avoid working, and that all who pass up language courses will necessarily make lousy pastors, is narrow-minded at best. At worst it is simply willfully, maliciously ignorant.

Now if the boys from the underground press will come out of their hole, we can address some serious issues. Any of you boys ever write a letter to the editor? Try it—and don't forget to sign your names.

Letters to the Editor

Aid for student sought

To the Editor,

Samuel Ihimodu is a first year student at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Some of you know Samuel and have become acquainted with his friendly disposition and his never-faulting conviction for Jesus Christ.

Samuel is here at Southeastern in hopes of obtaining a Master of Divinity Degree. After graduation, he plans to go back to Nigeria and preach the gospel to the lost souls there!

Samuel needs our assistance. He would like to have his family come and live with him during the month of December 1982. Therefore, he needs financial support.

If he does not receive a sufficient amount of funds, he will have to end his studies at Southeastern and return to Nigeria. He already has several offers to assist him monthly when his wife and family arrives; however, he needs additional funds if this dream is to become a reality.

If anyone knows of any clubs, organizations or faithful friends that can support Samuel and his family, please call him at 556-9984.

Samuel's wife and children miss him immensely. The pressures are mounting and he asks for your immediate assistance. Can you help a friend?

Benjamin Kim
Randall Whay

Thinking on American missions urged

To the Editor,

On October 5-6, Dr. Orlando Costas was our invited guest for the annual Page Lecture Series. During his opening remarks in the October 5 lecture, Dr. Costas stated that one of his hardest and most painful decisions was "to come to the United States as a missionary." The majority of the students gathered in the chapel laughed.

That reaction impressed this writer as extremely rude and totally inappropriate. Any seminarian, whether or not he has taken pastoral care, should have enough sensitivity and tenderness to know not to laugh when a man pours out the feelings of his heart.

Perhaps it would be prudently educational for us to examine both sides

of the issue of America sending and receiving missionaries. It is true that as Southern Baptists, we are one of the largest sending bodies for missionaries in the world. However, it is also true that we are rapidly becoming a mission field ourselves.

For instance, South Carolina is not estimated to be fifty-five percent unchurched. An even more staggering fact is that seventy percent of the Northwest is unchurched. By the year 2000, America will be a major mission field...and we have the audacity to laugh!

The need for a compassionate, self-giving ministry in our own society is very great. The question of missions to America is no laughing matter.

Carrington L. Bailey

New representative thanks supporters

To the Editor,

I would like to thank my many friends both known by name and not known by name for supporting me during my recent campaign as Junior Class Representative. Thanks to you, I was elected as one of the Junior Representatives.

With your continued su-

port and help and above all with God's guidance, we will strive to commit ourselves to making Southeastern a great place to attend, learn and share as a community.

Thanks again. God bless each of you.

Irvin Moore Jr.

Septuagint research called 'pedantic'

To the Editor,

Re: Edward W. Davis' letter on the LXX.

I would like to say "thank you" to Mr. Davis for being so deft in presenting his example of

the hazards of gnat-straining. I feel confident the entire Seminary community will benefit from his pedantic research.

Dexter Greene

Charles Keith - On Missions

Doing/learning missions in Buffalo

Have you ever considered being a missionary while you are still attending SEBTS?

There were a good number of students this year involved in the PRAXIS 82 summer mission Practicum in Home Missions. PRAXIS was a way for Edwin and Amy Cosby to go to Buffalo, New York this past summer. Let me share with you their story.

Last year they heard about PRAXIS through the SEBTS weekly bulletin. They applied and were accepted in February.

They received monetary help from the Home Mission Board, New York Baptist Convention, Frontier Baptist Association, Wake Union Baptist Church and others. (God supplied all their needs.)

When they got to the Westside community of Buffalo, New York they found many things..... A lower income neighborhood with very little evangelical witness; a friendly people who were cur-

ious about why they had located in the West Side; and even though there was high unemployment and many people were on welfare they found people eager for someone to love them. There was a deep spiritual hunger. They also found a high use of alcohol and a very active work by Mormons and Jehovah Witnesses.

Edwin and Amy tried to minister to both physical and spiritual needs. They did errands, Bible studies, pastoral calls, witnessing calls, and Sunday morning worship.

In the short space of ten weeks it is hard to expect any visible results. The response however, was great. Several professions of faith, three baptisms, good response to Vacation Bible School and Back Yard Bible Clubs were among the dividends. By August 1st a mission was established with a high attendance of twenty-five. Amen.

Edwin and Amy had mixed emotions about their departure and return to SEBTS for the fall semester. They had grown to love the people deeply.

Their reflections now include: A personal knowledge of the need in non-southern areas, such as Pennsylvania, western New York, and New England. They feel that PRAXIS gave them an excellent opportunity to practice ministry and learning at the same time.

As a result of this experience they have first-hand knowledge that people are anxious to hear the Good News of Jesus and want to be reconciled with God. They say, "Being an agent of reconciliation is very exciting".

Edwin and Amy ask the reader to please be open to God's call to areas of new work like Buffalo for your life's ministry. The need is so great but.... the workers are few.

PRAXIS 83... Try it, you will like it.

Letters (cont'd)

'Dose of intolerance' satirically urged

To the Editor,
I admire the courage of Mr. Ed Davis. Someone, at long last, has spoken out about the flaming liberals which are crawling all over this Seminary. It's time to denounce them all and put an end to this pansy business of toleration.

Let us institute immediately a "Confessional Test" whereby each professor and student will be required to swear on a stack of infallible Bibles that they believe everything they are told to believe, just like everyone else believes, and will not under any circumstances engage in any kind of reflective or critical thinking. Every true believer knows that reflection is the root of all heresy. Didn't Jesus himself teach plainly "Think not..." (Matt. 5:17)

Further, since liberals cannot be trusted, let there be a "trial by fire." Let each professor and student be subjected to intense questioning by a select panel of exceptional first-year, first-semester students. This select panel, on the basis of their pristine theological innocence, will be able to detect any hint of unorthodoxy.

Finally, should a professor or student be found holding to heretical views, they will be given one chance to recant. If they choose to remain in their sin they are to be dismissed and their name published throughout the United States and Canada so that it will be impossible for them ever to find work in Christian service again.

This program will at last bring some much needed uniformity to this campus. After all, God created us all to be exactly the same. Thank you, Mr. Davis, Your letter brought a breath of much needed intolerance. On to Geneva!

Jim Evans

Anti-female language, theology rapped

To the Editor,
For most of us who attended the first President's Forum of the 1982-83 school year, it turned out to be rather interesting.

My major argument with what was said at the Forum in regards to the dress code was the word which was used to describe a woman. The young male stated "something" walked by him with a shirt that was too tight and therefore distracted his attention.

I would remind this male student that God did

not create man as male and "something" but rather He created them as male and female. (Genesis 5:2)

If this student has a problem here at seminary with a female wearing a tight shirt, what will happen when he tries to minister with the people he meets on the street. Will he then want to establish a dress code for our nation?

According to the Biblical interpretation, perhaps this male needs to pluck his eye out. (Matt. 5:28-29) It seems this is a problem for him, not for his community. If he feels he needs to control his environment, then he should go into seclusion.

I agree with Dr. Lolley by saying this male student had a lot of courage. Yet, this student has said a lot more silently than he said verbally and I hope other students will listen!

The theology of this student needs to be evaluated in more ways than the mere idea to establish a dress code on campus. What is his theological view of women—are we "something"?

The situation was handled very well by all those involved. Yet, what does this student's attitude toward women reflect about him?

Time to speak out, student says

To the Editor,
Recently, there have been some things happening on campus that I am having problems dealing with and am concerned about. They are centered around criticism, judging of others and Christian love to one another.

I know it is very easy to criticize people and judge them. The tongue is probably the most difficult thing for anybody to control. I have seen the damage that it can do to somebody.

I would like to appeal to all of you who are equipping yourselves for the ministry to think before you speak or act. If you must criticize or judge your fellow brother and sister in Christ then first ask yourself if it is going to help that person and glorify Jesus.

I realize Christians are not saints, but if we strive each day to grow in our love for each other then through the power of Jesus we may someday be able to control, for the most part, our tongue and the way we live and the way non-Christians perceive the lifestyles of Christians.

Weyman Bartlett

Grabarrek points to larger problems in facing hunger

by Felicia Stewart

"Give me your food and energy supplies or I'll blow you up with my Big Gun."

"Please give me some food so my children and I won't starve."

"I'm not giving you anything; you don't have anything to offer me."

"I'll trade you this amount of energy for that weapon."

Such was the conversation on Tuesday, October 12 at a seminar entitled "Hunger: Whose Problem is It?" led by Sister Marge Grabarrek of the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh. The meeting revolved around a game in which the people attending were divided into groups representing countries of the first, second and third world, and then were given resources of food, energy, and fertilizer in quantities comparable to current world distribution. The only instructions were to come up with the best possible living situation. Weapons were

also available.

Playing their roles, those people participating in the game were able to experience greed, guilt, helplessness, success and fear as they tried negotiations, threats and even war leading to death.

One conclusion reached was that people are subject to pressure. Sister Marge used this idea saying that in a similar manner people who control corporations which in turn control world resources are subject to pressure. Groups of people, then, putting pressure on those companies can effect change.

Sister Marge also suggested writing letters to legislators. She said that the impact of just one letter is often strong enough to swing a vote since legislators usually transcribe one letter as the view of three hundred people; legislators often get few or no letters on issues vital to the world hunger problem. Letters

written to newspapers also help by keeping issues in front of the public.

Another conclusion reached from the game was that "the system" does not work. When poor countries have no resources, they have nothing to offer countries in exchange for the basic necessities they could provide. The people of these poor countries then are often overlooked or pushed aside. Sister Marge stated that "something must be done with the economic system that treats people as things, not as people."

Speaking from her deep concern for the poor of the world, Sister Marge concluded by saying; "If we take the gospel seriously, we have to be willing to do something----even if it means alienating people."

World Hunger, then, is OUR problem; we have to be the ones to take the responsibility of acting.

Cheyne, Whitley deal with different perspectives on hunger

by Mark Grumbles
Special to The Enquiry

Two qualified speakers were invited to give the Southeastern community better "handles on hunger," the topic of two seminars held Wednesday afternoon during SEBTS World Hunger Week.

The Reverend Reather E. Whitley, pastor of Lydia Baptist Church, took charge of the 1:00 PM seminar to give a local perspective to hunger. She described ways in which hunger problems are being treated in Raleigh.

Rev. Whitley's primary ministry revolves around the Lydia Baptist Emergency Home located at 519 S. Blount St. She describes this as a "Private, non-profit organization committed to helping in combating hunger on a local level and helping to relieve human suffering."

This is accomplished by offering food, shelter, clothing, and counseling. Over 1000 wholesome meals are provided each month to anyone wishing to eat there with no questions asked. This open policy is designed to reduce the chance of damaging human dignity. Rev. Whitley said that the majority of people who come there for meals are people looking for work. It hurts their pride to come in. They are not further belittled or intimidated by questioning or proving their identity.

There is abundant opportunity

to minister spiritually at the Emergency Home. Many take advantage of the weekly rap sessions and Bible studies. Rev. Whitley reported, "Hunger is a part of their problem. Not all have the same needs, but they all need food. Their needs are great. If we can help them with hunger, we help them get over one hurdle." Volunteers from Southeastern were welcomed to assist in this ministry.

The seminar at two o'clock presented a global view of hunger. John Cheyne, head of the Human Needs department at the Foreign Mission Board and our chapel speaker for the day, challenged us with the real problems behind massive hunger. Shipping tons of food around the world will never solve the hunger problem, even if it does alleviate our guilt.

Mr. Cheyne suggested a new way of looking at hunger as a symptom of the real problem of entrapment. We need to discover ways to eliminate the things that entrap the destitute whether they be natural, economic, spiritual or social. This will require someone to go and work with the people and treat them with respect, to help them to control their own situation. We have assumed that when we free one spiritually that we have given him freedom. That is only partially true. We must deal with people wholistically.

Hunger (cont'd from p.1)

Furthermore, responding to world hunger should not be a way for Christians to meet the need of satisfying their own guilt. Mr. Cheyne said that Christians need to identify with the poor and hungry people so that they get a vision that results in progressive programs. Commending the Foreign Mission Board, Mr. Cheyne said that vast amounts of money has already been spent on self-help programs.

Stressing that "we deal with the whole person," Mr. Cheyne further said that spiritual and physical needs cannot be divided. Credible action means meeting both types of needs.

Conservatives (cont'd from p.1)

were being considered. Column space in The Enquiry has also been requested.

Mr. Wood emphasized that he "does not want it to be a forum for griping" or personal attacks. "I won't be connected with that!" Asked what kind of response the group has had so far, Mr. Wood said that more than 30 people had been consulted, and that "25 to 30 people were strongly in favor of seeing the thing work." A few, he indicated, "thought we've been irresponsible," but "I don't think most people are hostile" automatically.

Mr. Wood also emphasized that no one outside of the Seminary has had anything to do with the formation of the group. No one else in the denomination has been contacted, he said.

Ruth Fleming - Reactions**Students reflect on trip to Israel**

Having read about the work at the dig at Tel Dan and the various sites where Dr. Scoggin led the Southeastern students, one may wonder if this is an experience in which a student might want to be involved. The best way to find out is to go on the dig the summer of 1984! But, to give those at Southeastern who have not yet had this experience an idea of what the trip was like for other students, this reporter talked with three very different individuals and received three enthusiastic responses.

Each person who went on the dig will treasure different parts of the time spent in the Holy Land. Yet, several students were most willing to share their experiences. Cecil Staton, a senior at Southeastern, had heard about the opportunity to go on the dig from Dr. Scoggin in class. Mr. Staton felt it was most exciting "to actually be able to get my hands into the dirt and the land in which these people lived - people of Biblical times." He went on to express that he had always imagined their lifestyle as very crude but, through the dig, came to see that these people were actually quite advanced. Mr. Staton worked at the excavation of the Temple and exclaimed that it was a "magnificent structure." As for the most meaningful part of the seven week journey, Mr. Staton said, "To be in the Land, participate in an excavation where you can see the places and how our spiritual forefathers actually lived, that was the most meaningful."

Enquiry Profile**Dr. Trotter leaves with happy memories**

by Ruth Fleming

Henry Adams once said, "A teacher affects eternity: he can never tell where his influence stops." Such a philosophy is that of Dr. Trotter who said that it is this concept which leads him to regard so highly what his students do in their lives. As Dr. Trotter prepares for his retirement he reflects on his years at Southeastern with fond memories. He believes it was a "precious opportunity that my Baptist community has given to me. I haven't felt worthy but I have done my best. Strong relationships with the staff at SEBTS have affirmed me and helped me grow as a person." Dr. Trotter also said he was grateful for the opportunity to work under three great administrators: Dr. Stealy, Dr. Binkley, and Dr. Lolley. With respect to his students Dr. Trotter says he greatly treasures his relationships with these individuals

Another student, David Odom, a midler at the Seminary, had learned of the dig also from one of Dr. Scoggin's classes. Mr. Odom became ill while on the dig so did not work at the site digging for three of the six weeks at Dan. However, when he returned, he assisted the ceramist in marking the pottery with the exact location where it was found. This marking is most important for it is the main source used for dating the site. Mr. Odom felt the actual digging and finding of artifacts - both large and small - gave a great sense of excitement. He said the work leaves one with a "feeling of accomplishment not present as a student or a minister," a feeling of "doing the work and uncovering it myself and understanding a lot of it." The opportunity to live in a culture different from western culture held a great deal of meaning for Mr. Odom for several reasons which he stated were "for what it says for Bible study and what it says about lifestyles - you can get by without all the amenities of our culture, and the opportunity to meet a tremendous array of people."

Philip Belcher, a junior at Southeastern, found out about the trip to Tel Dan through a brochure which came to his father, an alumnus of SEBTS, telling about the program and asking for support. Mr. Belcher described the work as "difficult yet most worthwhile." After being a tourist for the first few days, he felt that he was no longer a tourist and as he said, he "got to know them (the Israelis) in a way most

tourists don't see." He went on to say one of the lasting impressions of the trip was the opportunity to get a "closer look at who the Israeli people are." Having not had any classes at the Seminary before he went on the dig did not seem to hinder Mr. Belcher at all. As a matter of fact, he said he was glad he had the opportunity to go to Israel before beginning his classes for as he hears of places, people, and events, he has a special perspective of having been there. As for the most meaningful part of the experience, Mr. Belcher said, "There is something special about being in the place where our religious roots are."

Apparently, there is something most awesome and majestic about being at the same sites as the religious forefathers. Dr. Elmo Scoggin certainly feels this way for this past year was his 28th excavation season, although it was only the 6th season with SEBTS participation. Each of the students praised Dr. Scoggin for his ability and astuteness concerning the country and the language. As Mr. Staton claimed, "He is truly amazing as a tour leader due to his visits and experiences. He knows every nook, cranny, hill, and hole that we pass by" - not only its name but its significance Biblically and in today's world. So, while the opportunity exists to be led on a dig by such an accomplished individual and be a part of the elite who have made the most of this adventure, act quickly and sign up to go to Tel Gezer in the summer of 1984 with Dr. Scoggin.

for "their ministry is an extension of my ministry."

After having been a professor for a good many years one may wonder on what path Dr. Trotter will travel. He said his plans were not specific other than "just do what I want to do." Planning to remain in Wake Forest, Dr. Trotter is anticipating the freedom to travel, read some books he has not had the opportunity to attack - such as Agatha Christie - and listen to some good classical music. He also hopes to be able to get in some hunting and fishing.

Nonetheless, Dr. Trotter still wants to continue preaching some for he greatly enjoys it. Having served in 40 churches as interim pastor and been visiting pastor at about 200 he said, "I have formed friendships in many communities which are precious to me, so I hope to spend some time

renewing these friendships."

For a man who has devoted so much of his life to the enriching of others, Dr. Trotter well deserves this time to rest and enjoy himself, and is looking forward to the opportunity.



Dr. J. Carroll Trotter

PERFORM

More views of
new season

by Maryanne Fischler

ANCE

The favorite son on television has always been the situation comedy. The ratings for the new season indicate that this continues to be true.

One of the more repugnant of the bunch is CBS' Silver Spoons. Ricky Schroder plays an overly-mature rich kid who teaches his underly-mature father about life. The dialogue is insipid, the characters repulsive as they insult both our intelligence and

emotions (Schroder is not cute-he's saccharine), and the whole exercise is generally pointless.

Viewers should be warned to stay away from CBS' Square Pegs. It is an offensive denigration of young people. It causes them to play the fool at a time when life is taken more seriously than at others. The characters are an amorphous mass, virtually indistinguishable save for quirks of behaviour. The fact that one of the "pegs" is described in ads as "waiting for cleavage" and little else should be a tip-off of how brainless and one-dimensional these people are. It's hard enough being a teen-ager without TV telling you you're a trendy, shallow figure of ridicule.

Gloria, CBS' revival of the All in the Family character, has done very well in the Nielsons. Audiences seem to be captivated by shows about spunky single girls with kids making it alone in the world. In this version we have Sally Struthers as Archie Bunker's daughter, abandoned by

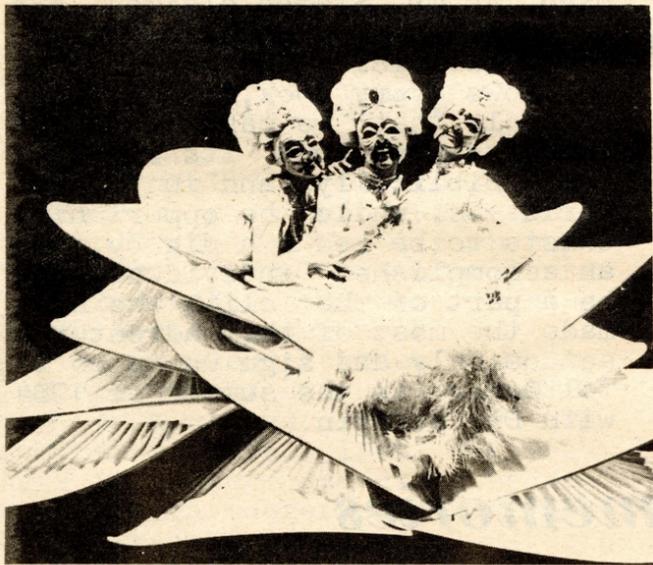
her husband, trying to make a living for herself and her son as a veterinarian's assistant. This character has always been somewhat obnoxious as she charges about in a perpetual state of semi-hysteria. Even the presence of Burgess Meredith as the vet is not enough to make this show palatable.

The one glimpse of light through this miasma of inanity is NBC's Cheers. If drinking bothers you, you won't like this comedy set in a bar-drunkeness, however, is no where to be seen. It is fast-paced, witty, and well-performed, if a bit predictable in its plots. In these respects, it bears a striking resemblance to Taxi, which it precedes on Thursday night.

Perhaps the secret is in the direction. The technique of ensemble direction comes naturally, resulting in interaction more than just action. Alone among the new comedies, Cheers, for whatever reason, has the virtue of being funny.

Stewart Dance to feature.....

Bolshoi, Holder



Frank Holder Dance
Company

Three professional dance companies and a bonus film highlight this season's Dance Series sponsored by the Triangle Dance Guild, Inc.

The bonus film, Anna Karenina, will open the series on October 27, in Stewart Theatre. This film is the Bolshoi Ballet version of Tolstoy's novel starring Maya Plisetskaya as Anna and Alexander Godunov as Vronsky.

The Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble, which appeared on the CBS-TV special "Ailey Celebrates Ellington," will perform in Stewart Theatre, in February. The group, under the artistic direction of Sylvia Waters, is composed mainly of students from the Ailey School who have drawn critical acclaim in performances throughout the United States.

March is the month for the Greensboro-based Frank Holder Dance Company. Their use of imaginative costumes and lighting, paired with a repertoire ranging from the classical to the abstract and the comical to the lyrical, make the night exciting for all ages. This is the first Raleigh appearance of the Frank Holder Dance Company, designated one of North Carolina's state-wide Arts Resources.

The Ohio Ballet will make its second appearance in Stewart on April 9. The Company's distinctive style and Heinze Poll's choreography have received critical acclaim nationwide.

Season tickets for the Dance Series are now on sale. For more information, call the Stewart Theatre Box Office at 737-3104. There is a discount for students and children.

Area Entertainment Calendar

THEATRE

"Give 'Em Hell, Harry," Stewart Theatre Signature Series, October 24, 3 & 8 p.m.

The King & I, Meredith College Department of Theatre and the Performing Arts, October 29-30, November 12-13, 8 p.m., November 7, 1:30 p.m., Jones Auditorium.

MUSIC

Concert by the Greenville Suzuki Players, Violinists, Restored Capitol, Raleigh, Oct. 29, 12:00 noon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Stewart Theatre, P.O. Box 5217, Raleigh, N.C. 27650, or call the Box Office at 737-3104.

Meredith College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, N. C. 27607.

Raleigh Little Theatre, Box 5637 Raleigh, N.C., 27607 or call the Box Office at 821-3111.

Capitol Events, call 733-4994.

Meredith Arts open with *The King and I*

Season tickets are still available at Meredith College for "Meredith Performs, '82-83," the first five-performance season of music, theatre, and dance at the Raleigh women's college.

Adult season tickets for the five performances are \$14 and \$8 for students and senior citizens.

Included in the performances are The King and I by Rodgers and Hammerstein, October 29 and 30 and November 12 and 13 at 8 P.M. with a matinee Sunday, November 7, at 1:30 P.M. in Jones Auditorium; a Christmas concert and Amahl and the Night Visitors by Gian-Carlo Menotti, December 3 and 5 at 7:30 P.M. in Jones

Chapel; Under Milkwood by Dylan Thomas, February 11, 12, 18, and 19 at 8 P.M. in the Studio Theatre, lower level of Jones Auditorium.

Also, Nicholas Nickleby by Charles Dickens and adapted by Tim Kelly, April 8, 9, 15, and 16 at 8 P.M. in Jones Auditorium; and Meredith Dancers In Concert, April 22 and 23 at 8 P.M. in Jones Auditorium.

For further information, call the Department of Music and the Performing Arts at Meredith College, 833-6461, extension 236, between 8:30 and 4:30 Monday-Friday.

Record Review

DeGarmo & Key 'Live'

One of the problems with Christian concerts is that the performance loses something in the transition from the studio to the concert hall.

This is certainly not true with DeGarmo & Key's latest album, entitled No Turning Back: The DeGarmo & Key Band Live.

This two-record set was recorded in Tulsa and Oklahoma City in November, 1981. This is their fourth release and their live sound comes off far better than their studio releases. One reason is that DeGarmo & Key are pure rock-n-roll and they unleash every bit of it on this album.

The highlights of the album include the rocker "Emmanuel," "Go Tell Them" ("Get up, get out, go on and go tell them, Jesus is all that you need"), and a song about the Second Coming, "When He Comes Back."

Not all of the album is rock-n-roll and the band does fine on three acoustic numbers: "Alleyways of Strife," "Mary" and "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus." Dana Key, the lead singer, even manages to pull off an excellent blues number that is a revision of "Stormy Monday" (Allman Brothers). They've given the song an evangelical message and re-named it "Oklahoma Blues" ("Yes, I'm goin' to Oklahoma, takin' my Bible and my tracts").

Overall, this is an excellent Christian album. To make sure no one misses the point, Key even announces to the audience, "We love our rock-n-roll, but tonight all the praise and glory go to Jesus Christ."

--Tim Russell

Book Views

And this is called 'non-fiction'?

Holy Blood, Holy Grail by Michael Baignap, Richard Leigh, and Henry Lincoln (New York: Delacourt Press, 1982), 461 pp.

Seriously—this book presents the thesis that Jesus was neither crucified nor risen, but rather was married to Mary Magdalene; was the father of Barrabas; was a political agitator who claimed the throne of Jerusalem; and was the progenitor of a royal line which became the Frankish Merovingian dynasty (496 - 754), a line which still exists and is desirous of restoration to power today.

The dust cover states that this book is "so revolutionary, so original, and so convincing that even the most faithful Christians will be moved." So was I—to alternate fits of anger and laughter, and not just at the ludicrous thesis of this work of non-history.

In the name of history we are presented with "research" that is a cross between conspiracy theories which would make a John Bircher blush (the 2000-year-old effort of the Catholic Church to suppress the "truth" about Jesus' fate is an example); biblical "exegesis" a child would be embarrassed by (Jesus must have been married because the New Testament does not say that He was celibate), and credulous swallowing of pious legend (fantasy has it that Mary Magdalene went to France after Jesus' death, so it must be true).

The height of this absurdity is reached when the authors (none of whom are trained in anything remotely approaching the skills needed for their task) adopt the Marcionite method of choosing verses to fit their thesis, if imaginative, speculation.

Why should a seminary newspaper bother to review such unmitigated nonsense? Because this tripe, along with When Bad Things Happen to Good People, was one of only two books with a religious theme to make the non-fiction best-seller lists in the last six months. As such, it merits the attention of all who work for the Lord.

This kind of malarky will not weaken the faith of anyone with a half an ounce of sense. We should be alarmed, however, at the idea that such grossly inferior "scholarship" is taken seriously enough for people to put down \$16 for it.

Why is it the case that serious, mainstream Christian work is literarily ghettoized, while junk like this sells? Perhaps it is a craving for the sensational—or perhaps it is a feeling on the part of the buying public that Christian scholars are out of touch with their needs, and thus incapable of meeting them. Whatever the reason, there is cause for concern in scholarly Christendom.

--David Fischler

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Running club holds first meeting

by Felicia Stewart

The first monthly meeting of the newly formed "Southeastern Seminary Striders" was led by President Conrad Navarro who talked about winter running. Runners who were unable to attend may find helpful some of the tips that were discussed.

1. Warm up well before going outside so that the blood is running well. Pulled muscles are much more common injuries in the winter.
2. Since 40% of the body's heat is lost from the head, always wear a cap.
3. Clothing should not be of cotton since it holds the moisture of perspiration which will freeze. Cotton/polyester blends are better.
4. Light gardening gloves are best for the hands. They provide very little warmth but will protect you from the wind.
5. If breathing in the cold air makes your chest hurt, try warming the air with your hands cupped at your mouth, or breath through a scarf or handkerchief. If breathing is still painful - STOP running; you may be damaging your lungs.
6. Vasaline on the face and lips prevents painful chapping.

Many people find winter running more enjoyable than summer running because heat and humidity is no longer a problem, but since cold weather also has its disadvantages winter running can have its hazards too. Be safe then and protect yourself from the cold.

Another SEBTS runner comes up winner

by Conrad Navarro

Another local runner wins!

This time it was Gwynne Durham, daughter of Dr. Durham. She won the 19-and-under age division at the Marine Corps Reserve Half-Marathon in Raleigh. Ms. Durham sped through the moderate hilly course to cross the finish line in 1:41.19. She finished 149th overall out of approximately 500 runners.

Gwynne is a junior at Ravenscroft High School and runs on the school's Cross-Country and Track teams. Look out '88 Olympics - here she comes! Oh, by the way, guess who came in 266th overall in 1:56.20; did not win his age division; did not receive a trophy; and Gwynne left in a dust? You guessed it, me again!

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Library Lines

by Garland Toliver

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