

THE CLOCKTOWER

In the News...

U.S. officials have intercepted and broken coded telephone calls by ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega in which the jailed former general attempts to put together plans for insurrection in Panama.

Officials from the U. S. Department of Agriculture confirmed last Thursday that a 3,000-bee swarm of killer honey bees was found about a mile north of the Rio Grande. The swarm is the first discovered in the U.S., and millions more are expected to arrive in the near future.

The rap band 2 Live Crew was acquitted of an obscenity charge Saturday by jurors who said they regard the rappers' nasty lyrics as art.

An unexpected bounty of fruit, vegetables and canned goods in Iraq has diplomats concerned it will be many months before shortages begin to put pressure on Saddam Hussein.

Estimated amount the national debt will increase in the time it takes to read this line: \$33,000.

Maximum amount a Los Angeles taxi company can be fined if its drivers are found wearing anything plaid: \$1,500.

Japan has rushed to the aid of multinational forces stationed in Saudi Arabia by providing 40,000 personal stereos to the troops.

1990 Nebraska AIDS Conference Held at CV Church

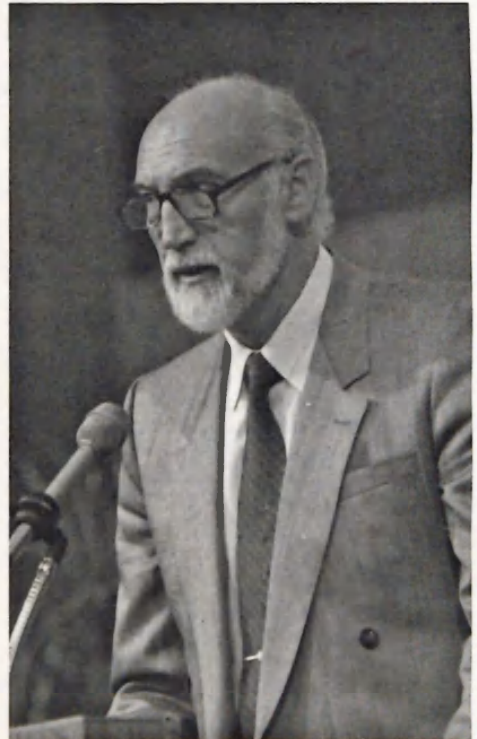
by Brenda Dickerson

The first Nebraska AIDS Conference was held October 5-7 at the College View church in Lincoln, Nebr. The keynote address was given by Dr. Joel Garjardo, chairman of the Minority AIDS Taskforce. Other noted speakers were Eunice Dias, national AIDS commissioner, and Dr. Robert Bayer.

The Friday night presentation by Dr. Bruce Moyer, pastor of the Sligo church in Washington, D.C., provided an overview of AIDS as it has impacted SDA's on an institutional, theological and personal level. Also providing an SDA viewpoint was Dr. Harvey Elder, professor of medicine at Loma Linda University and director of infectious diseases at the Jerry L. Pitts Memorial Veterans Administrative Hospital.

On Saturday afternoon five Nebraskans told their personal stories of life with AIDS. Several of these people appeared on channels 7 and 10 of local T.V. stations which covered the conference.

Concurrent seminars were held on Sunday morning, October 7, presenting the following topics:
Nebraska AIDS clinical trials



Dr. Joel Garjardo delivers the keynote address. Photo by Erik Stenbakken.

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AIDS inhibitors

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Editorial by Leland Krum

Have you ever wondered how a computer would critique Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address? Well, I typed in this famous speech and fed it to a program in the microcomputer lab called Right Writer. This is what came out.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created <PASSIVE VOICE: are created> equal. <LONG SENTENCE: 30 WORDS> <COMPLEX SENTENCE > Now we are engaged <PASSIVE VOICE: are engaged> in a great <IS THIS EXPLAINED? great> civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. <LONG SENTENCE: 24 WORDS> <COMPLEX SENTENCE > We are met <PASSIVE VOICE: are met> on a great <IS THIS EXPLAINED? great> battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that <REPEATED WORD> nation might live. <LONG SENTENCE: 27

WORDS> It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, <SENTENCE BEGINS WITH BUT > in a larger sense, we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not hallow—this ground. <COMPLEX SENTENCE> The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. <COMPLEX SENTENCE > The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget <NEGATIVE. CONSIDER REPHRASING never forget> what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated <PASSIVE VOICE: be dedicated> here to the great <IS THIS EXPLAINED? great> task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish <NEGATIVE. CONSIDER REPHRASING not perish> from the earth. <LONG SENTENCE: 71 WORDS> <COMPLEX SENTENCE>

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READABILITY INDEX: 10.66
Readers need an 11th grade level of education to understand.
STRENGTH INDEX: 0.00
The writing can be made more direct by using:
- the active voice
- shorter sentences
- fewer weak phrases
- more positive wording
DESCRIPTIVE INDEX: 1.01

The writing style is overly descriptive with many modifiers. Many adjectives are being used.
SENTENCE STRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS:
1. Most sentences contain multiple clauses. Try to use more simple sentences.
11. The writing uses many superlatives. Is this appropriate?

Whodunnit Week
Coming **F**
to the Bookstore
Nov. 5

Dear Editor,
 I would like to commend Kelly Schmitt for her "And So It Goes" column. It is well written and thought provoking. I must say the column brings out the Socrates in me, thus stirring up my rational processes! Keep up the excellent work.

Jim Mules
 Closet Philosopher

Tidings from Chile

from Pedro Perez
 October 2, 1990

Well, I'm here. To say the least—it's been adventuresome. The problem is not my Spanish but my English. However, let me start at the beginning. Approximately one week prior to my departure from the States I received a letter from Chile. The letter stated I would be going to Temuco (instead of Los Angeles as originally planned according to the SM call book). I knew no difference between the two cities so it made no difference.

Then August 15 arrived, one day prior to my scheduled departure. It was about 5 p.m. (local time, K.C.) and I had yet to receive my ticket. I wasn't too worried but my family was—my sisters began making phone calls. Finally the ticket was located and my oldest sister left to go pick it up. My ticket was not in my hands until less than 12 hours before my departure. Was I worried? No, I still had to pack! That took all night. I got no rest—none!

Well, then began the plane ride—all went well. I slept mostly and woke up to eat—then slept. I waited seven hours in Caracas—I originally planned to rendezvous with a couple but was unable to. I arrived in Santiago three hours late due to weather conditions but I got to meet the

Faculty Responsibilities Shift as Two Leave

by Julie Allardyce

Effective Jan. 1, several faculty members will take on new responsibilities either here at Union or at other colleges. Dr. Lilya Wagner will be going to the Center of Philanthropy at Indiana University in Indianapolis. Her job will include working with The Fundraising School and training others in doing development work. Other responsibilities will be marketing and curricular work.

"It was a difficult decision to leave," Dr. Wagner said, "it's been five wonderful, exciting years." Although she feels it is an excellent job offer, "it will be hard to leave Union." Some of her fondest memories are teaching class and numerous achievements.

Under her leadership, \$4.3 million have been raised toward the \$4.7 million goal of the Centennial Year campaign. She credits the successfulness to a fully cooperative board and alumni, and to the recent surge of Lincoln community support. Also under her leadership, the fund for the student center renovations is close

to completion.

Dr. Donald Pursley will become the Vice President of Finance of Loma Linda University beginning next year. His current position as VP of Finance and chairman of the Division of Business and Computer Science will be separated. Dr. Pursley is leaving due to "a challenge and a feeling of God's calling." His responsibilities will be much the same as VP of Finance here, but on a larger scale.

Union's current Business Manager, Gary Bollinger, will add VP of Finance to his duties as of Jan. 1. Although it will be a lot of responsibility, "everybody in the division does more than their share," he said. Mr. Bollinger's major goal as the new VP of Finance will be "continuing to make Christian education affordable for young people.

"Dr. Larry Ray has been selected to be the chair of the Division of Business and Computer Science for second semester. "I'm interested in serving the division through this transition period," he said. The division is searching for a teacher to take over the computer classes he would give up as chairman.

other SM from California (a blessing for us both). Then I rode the bus (no, there were no chickens, goats, pigs, etc., but there were cushioned seats, with heat). The ride lasted nine hours, but I slept so it was okay. I finally arrived after some 49 hours from the time I left my house to the time of my arrival in Temuco.

I am living in a two-story house with four other guys and five girls. All of the members of the house are Adventist college students studying at public colleges. I am enjoying Chile. I have had the chance to travel and have seen the academy at Los Angeles as well as the SDA university in Chillan. In Temuco I am working at the Adventist school. I am teaching English to grades 1-12 and professors. I am finding it to be quite a challenge, yet I am also learning much about my strengths/weaknesses, etc. My Spanish is coming well, yet after almost two months of battling out my Spanish I find my English is not coming as fluently as it once did.

I am presently in charge of spiritual activities for the house. We have worship every morning together and soon I hope we can adopt a smaller church in the area and begin helping (doing services one time per month).

I've also had the chance to preach in Spanish (scary, but God blessed). My confidence has been in knowing that the same God who has made it possible for me to come will continue to bless me. I accept it by faith. I appreciate your prayers. The food is not bad. A lot of potatoes in different forms. The bread is great. The people are full of jokes—kidding most of the time. It is warming up a little here. It never snows but it's cold. The coldest about 5 degrees C, the warmest 18 degrees C. Yet, the summer is supposed to reach a maximum of 45-50 degrees C—HOT! I go on in faith and confidence knowing God's people are supporting me in prayer and more importantly God Himself sustains me.



Conference chairperson Michael Norton said that a main goal of the conference was to break down prejudice within the Seventhday Adventist church toward people with AIDS. Photo by Erik Stenbaldken

AIDS: Views of a Student Nurse

by Sandy Bentz, S.N.

The letters AIDS, which stand for acquired immuno deficiency syndrome, have become a household word in our society today. The much feared virus is on the rise, statistics show.

Consequently, this has had an impact on health care professionals because of their frequent contact with the general public.

As a student nurse, I was taught the facts about the HIV virus and prepared to protect myself against possible transmission. For example, we are instructed to wear gloves, mask, gown and eye protection if there is danger of coming in contact with blood or body fluids. But when there is no danger of this, no protection is needed. We are told the virus cannot be transmitted by casual contact.

While discontinuing and IV in a patient's arm this summer, I was accidentally splashed with blood in the face. Since there was concern that it may have got in my eye, I had to go through the hospital's procedure for such incidents. I was frightened, of course, because there is also a risk of contacting hepatitis. But my eye was flushed and the patients chart reviewed, and I was assured there was minimal need

AIDS: Can WE make a difference?

by Marilyn McArthur

Through recorded history certain diseases have been associated with dread and panic: leprosy, plague, polio, cancer, and syphilis. There are distinct similarities between public reaction to venereal disease in the early 1900s and reaction to AIDS today: the pervasive fear of contagion; concerns about casual transmission; stigmatization of infected persons; and conflicts between protecting public health and ensuring civil liberties.

AIDS and the fear which some have termed "afrAIDS" (acute fear regarding AIDS) touch upon the deepest feelings of all of us—feelings about security, morality, death, and disfigurement. Health care providers are challenged with an unusual opportunity to serve by presenting a united rational perspective to their patients and to the public. The fear is largely due to ignorance regarding the disease and education must be one of the main goals of health care providers.

There are presently 75,000 Americans diagnosed with AIDS and another one to one and one half million estimated to be infected with the virus. By the year 2000, it is projected that 5,000,000 Americans will be infected.

There are basically two methods of contracting the disease: sexual contact with an infected person and by blood transmission through blood transfusions, infected needles and mother to fetus. Presently fifty-six percent of the AIDS victims are homosexual, but the heterosexual population is the fastest growing sector acquiring the disease and it is estimated by the year 2000, eighty percent of people diagnosed with AIDS will be heterosexual.

Union College student nurses are

for concern.

Although I am concerned about contacting the AIDS virus as we all should be, I choose to continue with my pursuit of a nursing career. As a health care professional, I am committed to the optimal health and wellness of my patients and to the ways in which I can help facilitate that

educated early in their curriculum how to safely, competently and compassionately care for the AIDS patients. Body fluid precautions are an integral component of most nursing courses and upon graduation I believe the majority would not hesitate to care for a patient with AIDS because they have acquired the knowledge to care for AIDS patients without undue risk.

Strict guidelines and precautions to protect health care providers are actively enforced in most agencies, so the issue of human safety vs. ethical obligation to care for AIDS patients is becoming less of a concern. Nurses and other direct care providers generally want to provide good care to all patients but sometimes fear gets in the way. How much of an impact AIDS has had on individuals choosing a non-health care profession is difficult to estimate.

If an individual with AIDS were to come to Union College what would the reaction be? There would probably be a certain degree of panic, shunning, judgement and stigma directed toward that person. Hopefully there would also be a large segment who would react in the same way Jesus did to the lepers and other social outcasts of His time.

Two pervasive attitudes exist in the Christian community toward AIDS victims—one of condemnation and the other of compassion. As nurses we have been called to the ministry of healing—to make man whole. AIDS puts us to the test. We are to function as advocates; to speak for those who can't speak, to advocate humane policies, to act as moral guides and to care competently for those afflicted. As one so bravely said "Here I stand, God help me. I can not do otherwise," let us do also.

wellness.

We are all here on this earth for but a short time, and I believe our Lord desires that we use our talents to help one another. I would encourage you to get the facts about AIDS. How tragic it would be to cry "Unclean! Unclean!" needlessly.

Those Good Old Rules!

by Garry Trefl

Rules. What were some of the rules when Union College began? What was it like to live on campus in the early 1900's? What was it like taking a weekend leave to go home? Was being on a "sick list" anything like it is today? These questions were answered after looking through Dr. Dick's book. This is what it was like to live on campus and to occasionally be under the weather.

"Rules were strict. The girls had to be in by sunset in the evening. When the famous Dr. John Harvey Kellogg came to lecture and the faculty allowed the girls to go to the church for his lecture, Mae Pines wrote: 'It was delightful to be out once more in the evening.' On week day nights a bell rang at 7:00 o'clock for 'study period' and quietness was the order of the evening until 9:45 when the electric lights blinked simultaneously by the current's being momentarily disconnected by the powerhouse engineer. This was the first warning for retirement and ended the study period with its enforced silence. Pandemonium broke loose at this time, especially in the boy's dormitory. Yelling and letting off pent-up steam was the usual thing. In another ten minutes came the five minute warning or 'second blinks' and then right on the minute at ten the lights went out, leaving the rooms and halls in inky darkness. Anyone who

wanted to go to the bathroom at night had to feel his way down the hall, for there was no such thing as a flash light. It was not until about 1920 that all-night lights were installed in the bathrooms....

"The rules of the first year read:

Students must not be strolling about the city or country on Sabbath (Saturday), but must regard the day and attend public worship... They (the students) are not allowed to make or receive calls on the Sabbath nor should they spend a single Sabbath away from the college during term-time...

"Before the sanitarium was founded, colds were doctored much as they were at home. Mae Pines said she was not going to report her cold to the nurse unless it got too bad.

"For I'm afraid she will make me stay in my room and make me eat sick trays. These are the terror of the girls, as a glass of milk, a bowl of gruel, two crackers and a half slice of bread constitute a sick tray...

"After the sanitarium came to campus, an ailing student was sent to the treatment room where he was steamed, 'boiled,' fomented, and finally given a salt glow. If the illness was more serious, a doctor was available."

This is a brief look at a few of the rules existing when Union College first began. (Taken from pages 74 and 75 of *Union College of the Golden Cords*.)

Reading Ahead

by Kelly V. Schmitt

During vacation, rather than applying myself to Microeconomics (sorry, Dr. Gibson) or to Principles of Accounting (apologies to you, Mr. Barker), I spent my evenings reading a one-volume collection of five of Agatha Christie's novels. Not really a bad way to spend a vacation, tucked in my bed with a fascinating book in hand, a cup of tea and a plate of hot buttered toast by my side, and Harry Connick, Jr.'s *We Are in Love* CD in the stereo. My great-grandfather emigrated from Great Britain in the early part of this

century, and any British tendencies that I have, like tea-drinking, I inherited directly from him.

This break wasn't the first time I had read these novels. About two years ago I plowed through about 60 of Christie's books in rapid succession. The style more than the solutions remained in my memory, thereby necessitating the rereading of her riveting books.

You might know how frustrating it is to read a book for the second time and to have no recollection of the final solution. I must explain that I have never before in

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my life read the end of a book before reading the beginning first. Such a thing goes against all my reading principles. *The Secret Adversary* was my Waterloo. Curiosity overwhelmed me as I read the first few chapters, and I rationalized that since I had already read the book there would be no harm in reading the last chapter to find out who Mr. Brown was. So I discovered the public identity of Mr. Brown, and read the rest of the book in peace, feeling a little shamed that my reading principles were lower than before, but aware that my self-respect remained intact.

Those of you who frequently read the end of a book before reading the beginning are probably aware of the queer sense of omniscience that one feels when reading. Whereas before I had read like an uninitiated reader, now I saw the book through the eyes of Christie. Previously I had no clue as to how she arrived at her solution, but now I was well able to observe her method and her reasoning.

Sometimes I would like to throw all of my principles aside and take a long look into my future. If all goes well, freshmen pre-med students know where they will be in ten years—still in school. But if all goes well, I have no idea where I will be in ten years. Some days I tell myself that I prefer life as it is—the uncertainty gives one a thrill or a high. Generally, however, reality creeps in and forces me to face the fact that I have no idea what is going to happen to me. I don't even have the option of skipping ahead to find out the ending.

And so I am continually reminded that God is present in the future, even as He exists in my present. The other day I received a letter from a friend of mine who had decided to go through with a business deal if the seller would come down \$2,000 on the price. She told the seller that the price was too high, but did not state a specific offer, and the proposal was preemptively refused. She took the answer as a sign that God did not want her to own this business, and was therefore pleasantly surprised the following day when the seller called back with an offer that was \$4,000 less than the price she had previously quoted. In the same letter my friend reminded me not to worry about the future, because God would take

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Vaseline and Peppermint Patties

This letter was taken from the Campus Chronical, Pacific Union College's campus newspaper.

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in a herculean effort to establish my position on an issue that has been grossly unrecognized for far too long. I feel that the best way to address this issue would be thus:

As I make my way towards my room, I can feel my feet aching in stern competition with my head after an endless day of late bookwork and psychotic customers. As I near my room, my spine tingles with a feeling akin to chewing on a York peppermint pattie. I now stand before the door with rapture upon my facial features. My arm extended, my fingers blooming, I grasp the doorknob for egress to a paradise of rest. Suddenly my face is contorted, my hand withdraws with a feeling so vile and foul that my very being screams with rage and bile. **VASELINE ON MY DOOR-KNOB!**

I am suddenly thrown into a violent frenzy. My books are thrown asunder, my hair askew, and with a complete lack of respect, I run rampant, drooling, and upset toward the fountain to scream out my frustrations.

Needless to say, the act of putting slime on doorknobs upsets me entirely. I would ask that you convey this message to those responsible: "I'm telling your parents."

With tainted dignity,
Jane Dough

Don't Quit

When things go wrong as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit—
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
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—Author Unknown

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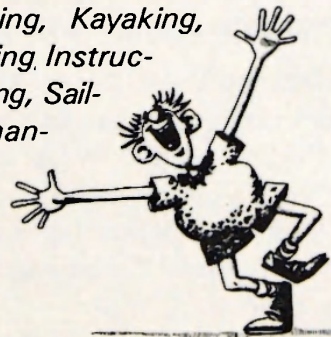
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