Library Adds Micro

There is a new addition to the library this year. It is a microfilm library. It consists of 469 separate films of back issues of periodicals which are no longer in print. There are between 8 and 138 volumes of a given periodical on each film. Everything from The Saturday Evening Post to Plant Physiology is available.

Last year, each department head was given his choice of three or four microfilms which pertained to his field. This gave the microfilm library something for almost every field taught here at Dordt.

The total cost for the films was $4,100. Each one costs between $3.50 and $5.50, with the exception of The Journal of Chemical Physics and The Physical Review which cost $26 and $40 each, respectively. The cost was sustained by a government grant.

There is much potential in the investment of the microfilm library. The number of out-of-print books and periodicals is endless, binding cost is almost nil, and the storage space is next to nothing.

While Dordt’s Convention for Student Council Representatives on Tuesday, October 15, did not quite rival the Democrats’, it did display a good measure of noise, excitement, and confusion. Aside from the usual shouting, clapping, and foot-stamping, candidates were hailed with everything from fansfares to balloon-popping as students supported their choices. The Tuesday convention was the climax to a week of campaign posters, political arguments, and “Who’re you gonna vote for’s” on the Dordt campus.

Opening the Senior Convention, Chairman Wayne Koeps led a brief period of devotions, Gerry Ebbens, Bob Hoekstra, Agnes Siebenga, Don Sinnema, and Clarence Van Zanten--candidates for Student Council mentioned the Signet, Arete, a Dordt Chapel building, and a new Student Union building. The emphasis of the candidates was that responsible leadership for underclassmen should come from the Senior class.

The Junior Class (that is, the 40% of them present) held a quiet convention and listened to the campaign speeches of candidates Karen Bokhoven, Barb De Blaey, Thane De Stiger, Harry Fernhout, John Hull, and Mick Knierim. Most of the candidates stressed the need for students to be interested in what the Council does and express their opinions to Council members. Among specific issues mentioned were: the need for more school spirit, homecoming, longer library hours, and the Student Union finances.

Following an active poster campaign, the Sophomore class finally went into their Convention to hear what the candidates had to say for themselves. Larry Meyer, Gary Verhoef, Vickie Veurink, Virg Van Essen, Herrn Van Niejenhuis and Dennis Van Voorst all willingly offered their services to the class. Some of the candidates simply promised to do their best while others outlined elaborate plans of action. Issues brought into the light included everything from unfair bookstore prices to mice in the girls’ dorm, Post-convention demonstrations were seriously hampered by the rain.

After a word of prayer and Scripture, the Freshman class began somberly, though often boisterously, to hear and evaluate candidates for Student Council Representatives. In general, candidates claimed that, since as Freshmen they were ignorant of the big issues, they would stay away from them. Promises, however, ranged from putting doors on boys dorm closets to taking the proposed new Commons building off the planning board and making it reality. Those running for Freshman Representative were Martin Contant, Dave Cummings, Guy DeHaan, Fenton Green, Ely Nederlof, Tom Stampfl, and Jackie Van Veen.
EDITORIAL

John Strikwerda

"We love because He first loved us," 1 John 4:19

"Make love, not war!" read the placards carried by Vietnamese protesters. The whole idea of love
is peripheral to its vertex of love. From the podiums of
college and youth groups, exhortations about the
power of love. Ask today's youth for the answer to
temporary problems and love will make it inevitable.
The answer to this question is relatively simple but, as much of
life, the obvious is very often the most difficult to per-
ceive. Love, to be a moving force in world affairs,
must have a foundation; a basis upon which to rest
securely and from which to draw its lifeblood. It is at
this point where the secularized love breaks down.

What is the basis of the most important concept of love?
A Platonic ideal? A metaphysical perception? A
transcendental being? As a house built on sand is
susceptible to destruction, so love, built on an
abstract ambiguity, is certain to be washed away by
its inherent weakness. The only rock strong
enough to assume the weight of love is God. What bet-
ter a foundation for love than He who is love? John 4:8b.

Love created the world. Men desecrated it. Love
upheld the world. Men destroyed it. Yet love will
stray love will strode it. Love redeem-
ed the world. Men condemned it. Yet love will
finally overcome and He who created it will
then also glorify it. "For God so loved the
world that He gave His only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth on Him should not perish,
but have eternal life." John 3:16. It is because
of God's great gift of love that man is able to live a
life of love through the Holy Spirit. And then
man can also say with Paul: "But now abideth
faith, hope, and love; these three, and the
greater of these is love." I Cor. 13:13.

VISITORS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Recently the following incident was brought to my attention:

It was a typically windy day. One of Dordt Col-
lege's weary students was casually wandering no-
where. That was typical too. At any rate, he
found himself walking in the vicinity of the local
Baptist church, when a sheet of paper fluttered by
He picked it up and began to read:

"Hey, Screwtape. Yeah, Wormwood, you ol' devil, you?
Did you hear that our man O'Malley's been cru-
sading for law and order at Dordt College?
What college?
Dordt College. The one
Exquisite listed as being
where the action ain't!
The one where they go on
those retreats all the time
It's really catching on--

and a group of young
people from the Orthodox
Presbyterian Church in
Winnebago, S. Dak. while
they toured Dordt.

There was so little
literature of our college
that made me wonder why we
students complain. Their range
of comments ran from the
eXcellent new

and science building
to the soft pillows that the
girls slept on the night
before. The library was
highly praised by one of the
boys. Rev. Sanders
could have listened to the
band all day if he hadn't
had other things to do.

The unusual comments
about Dordt in the specta-
tors' eyes were the prayers

but have religious programs.
Man, they think of every-
thing down there, do
they?

Yeah, everything seems
to be pretty well air-tight
now.

That's good. We've
had to fill in a few little chas-

so the Chap
attendance dropped anoth-

one-and-a-half percent
points last week. I be-
ly believe there were a few
beards, mustaches, side-

bars, too.

Let's get O'Malley to
take care of those little
odds and ends this wee-

end okay?

Sure. He'll come th-
ugh for us. Maybe we
got his horse to help us
too. Smart animal, d
one. Must be because
all the intellectual activi-

ness. He's trained
well, that

for sure. Goes around
routing promiscuity.

Promiscuity? At Dordt?
Yeah. You know, han-

holding, kissing... it

awful.

This horse knoc-

As a wind out of those intel-

lectual agitators, too. The
've been learning entire
theology, too. Their chap-

one-and-a-half percent.

Yes, they think of ever-

the world.

Goodnight, Screwtape.

Good NIGHT, Wormwood

Jack Van Ve

MIRROR, MIRROR, ON THE WALL...
LYRIC SINGERS
OPEN SERIES

Tom Stampfl

On October 9, at 8:00 p.m., the curtain rose on the first concert of the Sioux County Concert Series. The performing group was Carl Olsen and the Lyric Singers. One could not judge the entire concert by its opening numbers. Mozart's "The Magic Flute" was an overture using the "tongue in cheek" technique sung in a gay but slightly serious tone. The one thing that dominated the selection was the harsh and shrill tones emanating from the group. The soprano sounded especially shrill and tight as if over-extending their range. Though off to a bad start, as the concert progressed, the Lyric Singers showed some ability for sensitivity. The quartet's blend added to the effect and was done musically.

Dan Entrihan, tenor, showed exceptional talent in the clarity and mellow tone of his high range. The highlights of the concert were those of the pianist's rendition done by Mr. Stanford Beneson and "Old Man River" sung by Keith Cota. The finale, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," brought a finish to the concert. Once warmed up, the Lyric Singers did a bearable job. Unfortunately, it took half of the concert to do so.

SEERVELD SPEAKS OUT ON ART, BIBLE

Dr. Wes Seerveld makes a point during a lecture presented as part of the Tri-State Teachers' Institute.

The dismissal of classes on October 3 and 4 provided a welcome change of pace for students and faculty alike. The occasion was the annual Tri-State Christian Teachers' Institute held on the Dordt campus. Teachers and administrators from over forty schools in Minnesota, South Dakota, and Iowa attended the meetings. Many students took the opportunity to go home for a short breather. However, those who stayed and attended the lectures were glad they had done both.

Dr. Calvin Seerveld of Trinity gave an address Thursday morning on "The Relation of the Arts to the Presentation of Truth" which expressed the emphasis of the Institute this year. Dr. Seerveld also spoke Thursday evening on "How to Read and Not to Read the Bible" and led devotions Friday morning with a question and answer session following. For those already interested in what Dr. Seerveld has written, this was an excellent opportunity to listen to him in person.

THE LECTURES

At times one was left rather dazed in attempting to absorb the multitude of words which Dr. Seerveld tossed out with planned precision. Much of what he said was undoubtedly lost in the process of 'semantic decoding' by the audience. But, hopefully, these lectures will be printed so that they can be read at a slower pace.

After attending the evening lecture, one couldn't help coming to the realization that Dr. Seerveld is a man with few equals. It would be impossible to give a completely accurate summary of his lectures; they are very difficult to "summarize." But after the lecture on the Bible, most of the audience left impressed with the concept of reading the Bible in a "Reformationally Christian" way.

THE MAN

When one talks with Dr. Seerveld in person, his appearance is reminiscent of a well-worn comfortable shoe. For those a bit awe-struck, he can put one completely at ease and engage in easy conversation. He is unself-conscious in his allusions to other scholars and seems genuinely interested only in helping one as a student. At the same time he maintains an interest in what one is saying at the moment.

Dr. Seerveld and his brief stay at Dordt will be remembered for some time.

Karen Van Til
**MONOLOGUE OVERHEARD**

"Look at all the lonely people!"

mutter Father McKenzie

darning his socks by the fire,

"Where DO they all belong?"

Funny thing, those people out there

Rioting, Fernicating,

Tripping out and wearing long hair--

it's STUPID.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if they were all nice and buddled in church with us?

--'course they'd have to wash their BODIES first and smell like well, smell like Christians, you know and and cut their hair--

--circumscribe their heads, you know, the old sign of the COVENANT.

Wouldn't it be a wonderful world then? They wouldn't have to be lonely--they'd have us!

No one has to be lonely, in fact, I think it should be against the law.

Yeah. Doesn't everyone want to go.

The Bible someplace

Yeah. Doesn't everyone want to go.

It's STUPID.

And THAT'S WRONG.

Charles W. Van Gorkom

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interested in the students personally and not just the subject they were teaching. Perhaps the one comment which we will take most pride in was from Rev. Sanders. "The name of Dordt College is increasing strongly in prestige among Reformed circles," he went on.

The Christian Reformed Church, The Reformed Church in the U.S., and the Orthodox Presbyterian Church are all speaking very highly of Dordt and its excellent faculty and are recommending it strongly to their young people.

Angie Opp

SIGMAS MEET

On Tuesday evening, October 8, the members of Phi Kappa Sigma, the future teacher's club, assembled in L 201 for its organizational meeting. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: president--Quentin Van Essen, vice pres.--Ron Vos, and secretary--Mary Gerritsma.

Rev. Taylor presented an informative lecture on the English educational system. He displayed the points of difference between aided and controlled Church of England schools and the many factors involving educational opportunities.

On Wednesday evening, October 9, the swimming team of Dordt College was encouraged to "be because of experiences." He cautioned SWIMmers and students not to capsule many experiences into 20 minutes and expect to convey our feelings to a person without our experience. "Many young people have not learned patience and humility."

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Jake Van Breda

A DIFFERENT LANGUAGE

Yonder in the Valley of the Shadow of Life

Over the Stream and

Under the Natural Bridge formed by Time.

Various Animals converse in whispered Animal-talk,

Elevating their Noses to indicate emphatic Points.

Blithely they talk about Problems that exist--

Expounding upon Solutions that might work,

'Extending their Paws forward in eloquent Gestures,

Never arriving at worthwhile Conclusions.

Heavenly Sunshine begins its Exodus from the Sky, and the Animals return home from their daily Sojourn.

Darkness prevails.

Myron Blom

**TJAPKES ALERTS**

**MISSION CLUB**

Oak Grove was the site of the Mission Club Retreat on Saturday, October 12. About 50 students turned out for an inspiring and entertaining program. The speaker was Rev. Robert Tjapkes.

Rev. Tjapkes, a Christian Reformed minister of Orange City, gave a two-part speech on the questions "After SWIM What Should I Be Personally?" and "After SWIM What Activities, Careers, and Responsibilities?"

"These questions are important," said Rev. Tjapkes, "because no one who goes on SWIM returns the same as he was before because of experiences." He cautioned SWIMmers and students not to capsule many experiences into 20 minutes and expect to convey our feelings to a person without our experience. "Many young people have not learned patience and humility."

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By Rich Ter Maat

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Modern man seems to have two great fears: fear of being alone and fear of being unable to make his ideals and his reality coincide. These fears are basically and realistically portrayed in the film "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter." In this film the lives of four individuals are touched by a deaf-mute who is, however, incapable of healing himself, and out of despair commits suicide.

The undoubted hero of the movie is John Singer, a deaf-mute. In order to help a friend, another deaf-mute, he must move to another city and take a room in a house owned by lower-class whites. His human compassion causes him to become involved in the lives of four people: Mike, the daughter of his landlords; Dr. Copeland, a Negro; his daughter, Portia; and a nameless drunk. Each of these characters is faced with the inability to cope with the reality of his individual situation. Mike longs for the glamour; Dr. Copeland has aspirations for his daughter; Portia wants a happy marriage; the drunk is searching for a direction. Yet each of these, because of the human conditions or environmental conditions is unable to achieve his goal. Singer himself is faced with the same situation and he cannot say that he has been successful.

A key to the deeper meaning of this movie can be obtained by pursuing one of the clues presented in the movie. The music of Mozart is used almost exclusively throughout the movie, and in both cases in which a piece of music is referred to by name, Mozart is the composer. Donald Jay Groat, in "A History of Western Music," claims that Mozart's music is "purely the working of his inner, musical world, unaffected by the realities and hardships which affected him in the outer world. In other words, it was his attempt to make his ideal come true. The importance of this concept to the movie is obvious. Undoubtedly, the second large reason for the frustration of the people in this movie is their inability to communicate. This is seen especially in the case of Mike. She harbors her dreams, but is unable to communicate them to anyone. Her father attempts to help her by making promises which he cannot keep, and her mother sees nothing but dreary banality in life. There is no room in her lives for her ambitions and dreams.

One more facet remains to be dealt with: the subject of John Singer. After thoughts on the movie tend to make one believe that his death is inevitable, for he is forsaken. He had touched each one with his healing, and those whom he did not heal, would not have been helped with further contact. Yet for all his work, he received no affection and dependency in return. "He saved others, himself he cannot save."

One of the things which makes this movie relevant for the Christian is the absolute importance and impact of these issues to the Christian life. How often do we not listen to the news or read the newspaper, and then wonder why the correlation lies. What a problem it is to relate our ideal of the Christian life to the stark coldness of life. The application of this movie is soul-shaking. If there was ever a plea from the unregenerate world against separatism, this movie is it. Not one of us who has the truth dares keep it to himself one moment longer. And it is not just those outside of the house, but those who share faith with whom we must share it. Even within the church there are those who need to have someone to care, to demonstrate that love of which the New Testament so often speaks, "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter" has called an end to the days in which we could remain cloistered, the days in which our faith was a closely guarded secret.

A new day has dawned for the body of Christ, a day in which the command to love, the command to rise to a brother is more than simply dead words on a page. This is the day in which the law of love is necessary, stronger than the drive to draw the next breath—this is the day for Christian youth to find "the better way."

MISSIONERS
HEAR
PERSENAIRE

Wednesday, October 9, the Mission Club held its final meeting with about 100 students in attendance. President Dave Smith opened the meeting and outlined some of the activities that the club will be undertaking this year.

The speaker for the evening was Rev. Persenaire, a missionary who has served a total of nine years in Nigeria and is presently on furlough. Rev. Persenaire made it clear that while we have great mission fields at home, it is also necessary to go to all nations with the gospel according to the command of Christ. He said that the force of 100 missionaries with which he works, labor in such diverse fields as evangelism, education, youth work, hospital work, and distributing literature. Rev. Persenaire then gave an interesting account of political development in Nigeria in the last few years, and the growth of the church in the midst of the civil war.

After a question period, the speaker concluded the meeting with prayer.
Dordt Pacers
Deep "Hot"

since the last edition of Diamond, Dordt's cross-country team competed in three dual meets. The men ran against West Hall, General Beadle and Briar Cliff, defeating all of them. Willie Verhoeef, very close race fanatic, compared the time of 21:24, but General Beadle in another all year, took second, Cliff, defeating all of them. Willie Verhoeef and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner. Willie Verhoeef placed second and Stan Visser, Larry Lou Wieren crossed the finish line before the third runner.

Dear Ethelberta:

I heard you were writing an Advice Column. I have many problems and would like your advice, but want to know if you are qualified. Are you really the wife of that famous Ad viser, Egbert? I don't believe it.

Hesitant

Dear Hesitant:

Yes, my name is Mrs. Egbert Ethelrather. And that is his name, in case you doubt it, I have proof. I consider that last question quite stupid. And the editors of this paper feel I am eminently qualified to write this column. So you have nothing to worry about, I would suggest, though you buy my book: How to Look and Act Intelligent When You're Not. Ethelberta

Dear Ethelberta:

What would you do if you were flunking every single one of your courses already, and then you studied night and day and flunked the Harper's test too? I don't know what's wrong.

Worried Flunkie

Dear Worried:

I don't believe you are flunking all of your courses. But if you truly and really study night and day you'd better buy a copy of my book, How to Pass By Hook or Crook. But have you ever considered joining the army? I don't think they ever heard of Harper. Maybe you can do that instead. I'm sure both the teachers and the army would be happy that way. And you would not have to worry about Harper's.

Ethelberta
The room was quiet. Most eyes were focused on the floor. A few shuffled their feet, but most tried not to be seen. The moment was here! I stood, faced the steadily gray eyes of my editor, and broke into a smile. "Smitty, this is your job! And you had better do a good job, because he is a good man!"

Before I had a chance to speak, my case or protest, the entire room had evacuated and I was left alone to face the awful task of interviewing one of the most dreaded men on campus.

Having some knowledge of the reputation of these disciplinarians, I anticipated a type of superman to hold this position. Naturally, he would be a big man standing about six-foot-four or five, with a mighty chest and huge hands and arms. He would have bushy hair and glinty eyes peering out from beneath dark-brown brows. This kind of guy had to be tough and unshakable, because he had to handle the worst types of heretics, cynics, and delinquents.

I decided that the only approach to this tower of strength and fear was the "casual" business-like approach. I must appear totally unfazed, from the moment I walked into his office, closed my eyes, and stammered out a weak and squeaky, "How are you sir?"

For some odd reason, the door slammed behind me and when I opened my eyes, I found myself grooping for a chair in a room filled with smoke. Gradually, the haze thinned, and I discerned the figure of a short, bald-headed man sitting behind a desk on the other side of the room. He was leaning back in his chair with his legs propped up on the desk, and the smoke was coming from a dark-brown pipe which he held in his hand.

Reeder once again on the "casual" approach, I proceeded in a most business-like way to ask this gentleman where I would be able to find Rev. Hulst. I was prepared for a short upon seeing him, but not for the thunderbolt which struck when I realized that this was the man I was dreadling. From that moment on, I can remember nothing of what happened except for a nightmare of stupefying, eternities of silence, lost pens, and must keep questions. My distorted image had been destroyed, and I could hardly believe the naturalness of what I saw before me.

As happens to freshmen at times, I finally came back to my senses: a little relieved that the interview was over, but more frightened than ever of facing my editor with nothing. The last thing I remember of the interview, however, was that he handed me a slip of paper as he was leaving, and said, "Here, this will help you." And to be truthful about it, Mr. Editor, this is all I have.

The paper read this way:

Dear Young Man:

Yes, I am Rev. Hulst, your College pastor. Whether you expected it or not, I am really just an ordinary minister, and I am just as new at all of this big college stuff as you are. I grew up in this area as a young minister, and even though in some ways it is like coming home, the work is a lot different from anything I have ever known. Suddenly, I find myself responsible for the spiritual lives of the students and faculty of an entire college. I must keep in contact with the churches and parents of these kids, and must serve as their representative to the churches of this area. I have charge of the college chapel and all other religious activities and clubs in this school so that all know I am available as a problem solver. For the first time in my life, they tell me I am a teacher, and I am still very much afraid that I have a long way to go before I became second of it.

My family is very happy here, and we feel as if now we are really a part of Dordt College. For many there have we worked and for this college, but now we are finally in it. My pretty wife loves working in the library, and in my opinion, she is a great job. I am very proud of her, but we are all very proud of Dordt!

That is my story, young man. I hope you aren't disappointed. Just, your Pastor.

You know, I think that's really great!

Jerry Vreeman

October 14

Thanksgiving?

Insisting that they were not nearly as bad as the 50s is late, 60 Dordt Canadians celebrated their October 14 Thanksgiving by enjoying a chicken dinner in a quiet campus. Even the singing, Rev. Vander Stelt expressed thanks to God for mercies and countless blessings received.

Harry Fernhout (alias Father Aquinas) worked on the program with a game to embarrass everyone. (If you wish to know the joke, ask Father Aquinas.) Everyone was recovering. Peter Greidanus accompanied group singing with his guitar. Dolly Venstra ("the girl with the Sunday School look and the Saturday night ideas") continued the festivities by introducing a few "get-to-know each other games." The evening was concluded with more group singing.