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The thread which seems to bind the three feature articles together is that none of the authors are on the faculty of Dordt College. But their common commitment to a Christian perspective on their topics should be evident to all our readers.

Gloria Goris Stronks has contributed several articles to *Pro Rege* in the last few years, and has been on the editorial board of this publication. She submitted the article published in this issue prior to transferring to the Education Department of Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

William Smalley is a newcomer to the pages of *Pro Rege*. A lecturer at the Spring Languages and Literature Division Seminar at Dordt College, he presents his observations on language learning and teaching. Dr. Smalley is professor of linguistics at Bethel College in St. Paul, Minnesota. At the present time he is in Thailand doing research, and providing assistance to Bible translators there.

Harry Van Belle is known to a number of the settled readership of *Pro Rege* because he is a member of a "sister" institution, Redeemer College in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. In this his first presentation in *Pro Rege*, philosopher Van Belle challenges us not to overlook the humane factor in our attempts at communicating:

...we seem to lack the ability to relate to, and to communicate with each other in a humane fashion. The need of the hour today is therefore not so much a Christian anthropology or a theory of personality as a Christian theory of communication. And that requires a view that religion is interpersonal as well as personal.

Included in this issue are indices for the last four volumes (excluding the Special Arts Issues). Inasmuch as the last index appeared in the June 1981 issue, the readers should not consider us hasty in providing this latest addition to their reference tools.

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