Hulst Presents Views To Student Body

by Brian Deheer

When Dr. J. B. Hulst spoke to the student body in an open forum on Wednesday, Dec. 2, concerning his nomination for Dordt College president, he preluded his presentation with two points. He first said he felt uncomfortable with his nomination. He later expanded on this statement, saying he did not ask for, is not campaigning for, does not need, and will not be disappointed if he does not get the presidency. Nevertheless, he assured students that he would, if appointed, serve in that position in the utmost of his capacity, and under the guidance of God's word and spirit.

Secondly, Hulst stated of his fellow nominee and colleague, "Dr. Zylstra has brought honor to Dordt College by allowing himself to be considered for its presidency."

With his presentation, Hulst attempted to answer two rhetorical questions: What is a student? and What is a (Dordt College) President?

After rejecting reductionistic views of students as merely social, intellectual, economic or spiritual beings, Hulst said that through a biblical perspective, students ought to be respected by their college and conversely, that students ought to behave responsibly. On this point Hulst shares Zylstra's goal: Dordt students must have more responsibility given to and demanded of them.

Hulst also gave two proposed views of a college president, those of leader and advocate for the board, and those of leader as nominative, which he promptly rejected before giving his biblical concept of a leader as a servant of the Word of God. The president has a biblical responsibility to serve the board, faculty, and students of the college, and especially, he said, the student body. He said for the president to effectively serve this last group requires much contact and interaction between the two.

After proposing the broader Reformed and Evangelical traditions to be potential recruiting grounds for Dordt, as did Zylstra, Hulst said he was sad to admit that certain Evangelical students have come to Dordt and found in many students the world-view Dordt proclaims but not the piety, the lifestyle of knowing Christ as personal Lord and Savior.

Other weak points, Hulst said, lie in Dordt's education and political science departments. He said he suspected some education majors may not know what it means to teach Christianly. Hulst said both these departments need bolstering.

When questioned about Dordt's responsibility to secular colleges, Hulst informed students of a new program in the making. This program will attempt to bring the academic witness of Dordt's Christian perspective to secular campuses throughout North America.

The forum was an intimate meeting due to the small audience and Hulst gave his presentation casually, answering his questioners honestly and by name.

NOTICE:

The form MAY NOT be mailed in before January 1, 1982 but should be mailed in as soon as possible after that date.

A special note to all Iowa students - your Financial Aid Form should be in the mail by February 20, 1982.

Contemporary Guitarist On Campus

Up with the lights! Up with the sound! Dordt College presents Bix Phillip in concert. What's a Bix you ask? Not a what, but a whom. Bix Phillip returns to Dordt College Chapel this Friday evening, Dec. 11.

Phillip, who is the youth pastor at Christ Church of Oakbrook in Oakbrook, Illinois, will be playing some of his own Christian contemporary music on the guitar. Phillip backs up his songs with a slide presentation during the concert.

Phillip, who has played at Calvin College and several other colleges in the Michigan and Illinois area, appeared at Dordt last year. Although the audience was not large, several of those attending said that it was one of the finest concerts Dordt had presented.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. so you're all expected by 7:45. Come early for the best seats!
**Editorial**

**Christmas For Christ's Sake**

by Ena Kaastra

Advent marks the period of celebration preceding Christmas. Advent begins four weeks before Dec. 25 and for Christians is marked as a time for prayer and fasting. Annually, Christians celebrate the birth of Christ, the Savior of the world. Christmas is celebrated internationally as a commercial holiday emphasizing Christmas tree lights, huge dinners, nativity scenes, Santa Claus, Christmas carols, wreaths and mistletoe. Christian and pagan modes of celebration are mixed to produce a grossly commercial orgy.

Should we as Christians become part of the commercial scene, buying gifts and decorating trees? Sure. There is nothing wrong with decorating trees and homes, but if this is all Christmas has come to mean for us, then we would do well to scrap the holiday.

As Christians, celebrating our holy day alongside a pagan celebration, we should be marked by the sincerity of our purpose for celebration. We can sing carols, eat heartily, enjoy our friends and relatives, and hang Christmas lights and mistletoe, but we must bear in mind that all our activities are in celebration of Christ's birth. Dec. 25 should be a special day for all of us. As a family of believers we gather in churches to meditate and rejoice over the victorious birth. Never before was a child born that would do so much to affect our eternal destiny and never again will there be.

Do you look forward to Christmas because it brings gifts, good food, and provides a relaxing break from studies? Or are you celebrating Christmas for Christ's sake?

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talented lords and ladies provided lusty dinner entertainment on four delectable evenings last weekend. Including beggars, wenches, musicians, and a jester, the Madrigal festivities delighted dinner guests.

Maple Leaf Rag

by Theo Polder

Trudeau has been raising eyebrows around the nation for reasons other than the constitution. No, Maggie's not back in town nor does Trudeau have a rejuvenated love life. It seems that our Prime Minister wants to retire. In the heat of constitutional debate and federal-provincial relations, Trudeau hinted toward his departure from the political scene. He was quoted as saying, "I wish the MPs of all the parties good luck in resolving the issue." However, Trudeau may not be alone in his quest for freedom. Progressive Conservative party president, Peter Blaikie warned fellow members to "cool down" talk of a new campaign to dump Joe Clark as party leader.

And on the lighter side of political diplomacy, Pierre Trudeau gave quite a tongue-lashing to the people of B.C. Before a group of 1,050 Liberals, Trudeau began to tell the B.C. people that they complained too much, and are terribly unaware of what is happening in the rest of Canada. After patiently waiting for the hecklers to quiet down, Trudeau continued, "I'm sorry if I'm insulting you. I was really giving you more credit for intelligence than you deserve." Needless to say, many British Columbians felt that this would be the last official visit that Trudeau will make to the province as Prime Minister.

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‘Wizards’, Animated Science Fiction

by Brenda Reiter

Few reviews of the film have been published, but one by Robert Ebert of the Chicago Sun-Times says, "...what "Wizards" makes clear is that good animation can be a wondrous thing..."

This film, released in 1977, should provide 81 minutes of entertainment to anyone who enjoys science fiction, fantasy, or animation.

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Maple Leaf Rag

by Luke Seerveld

Good and bad news from the Motherland. As of 9 a.m. today, Canada was still where you left it. However, it has been reported that anti-unification forces have penetrated the federal and provincial governments and are now on their way to separating Canada and destroying what Canadian image there still is. If you see one of these persons, do not vote for them.

Parliament last week passed the motion to have the Constitution brought back to Canada.

Senate approved the Constitution and the Constitution was reportedly in England for royal and Parliamentary approval.

Still on the topic of the future of Canada, the Parti Quebecois held their annual convention early last week. Much to the dismay of party president René Levesque, the P.Q.s decided to debate the issue of total independence for Canada. Levesque, who firmly supports sovereignty association, was so infuriated with the party decision that he threatened to resign as party leader. Levesque feels that sovereignty association is the only possible way to protect Francophone rights in Canada, and he could not see how his party would not support him on that issue. A short time after his threatened resignation, René Levesque revoked his threat and decided to go into two days of seclusion to "think the matter over."

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau

If you miss your cartoons Saturday morning, you can compensate by seeing a film on campus. "Wizards" will be shown in C-160 at 6:30 and 9 p.m. on December 12. "Wizards" is an animated science fiction fantasy which occurs ten million years in the future.

As with many science fiction and fantasy stories, this film centers around the theme of good versus evil. Avatar and magic represent the good, while Blackwolf and technology represent the evil.

Since it is animated, "Wizards" has no actors but uses Mark Hamill, of Star Wars fame, for the lead voice.

The producer and director of this film is Ralph Bakshi. "Wizards" is the fourth animated film for which he was responsible. His first three were "Fritz the Cat," "Heavy Traffic," and "Coonskin." Since "Wizards," he has also done J. R. R. Tolkien's "The Lord of the Rings."

Bakshi grew up in Brooklyn, NY, and his early films reflected his feelings about the city. "Wizards," however, is more concerned with the good versus evil dilemma.
INDIANS
"Indians" left me unsettled. I didn't know whether to laugh or to cry, so I approached my review of various characters due only to my shallow knowledge of them and their ways. In either case, the white men are two-dimensional caricatures with Buford Bailey as the play's tragic hero (??), possessing little more. The white men are the "bad guys." What makes "Indians" tolerable is the effort given by Verne Meyer and his cast. Ray Louter does a good job in an impossible role. Doug Huisken's Sitting Bull earned the only sympathy I had for a character and anchored the Indian cause with an utter belief in performance. The entire cast does a vigorous job of satisfying the thirst for action. The drama itself was good! More attention needs to be given to voices however. By viewers up his delightfully revolting speech, Germany stole impact from his own scene. The difference between 'gentiles' and 'gen-
tals' was missed. He was within an epic-thematic style. At the end of the play Kopit forces Cody into the tragic spotlight, asking us to identify with him, simultaneously dumps a load of guilt on us. It's just too much. It doesn't work and the result is emotionally unsatisfying and unconvincing. The play's structure doesn't build to the end he wants, making it a lesson in literary schizophrenia. Releases of dramatic tension didn't come or were lost between cracks in the play's patchwork structure.

It is a monstrous challenge to produce a play that is structurally weak and burdened with weighty themes. With an inspired agile response to the call, Dordt's "Indians" hits the target of success by giving us "a kaleidoscopic spectacle which ironically contrasts the 'gories' and 'glories' of the Wild, Wild West."

As background for the play "Indians," Dec. 1-7 was "A Study of Native American Culture Week." Lectures and presentations were given by American Indians and faculty members to raise community awareness of the culture and problems of Indians. Verne Meyer, director of "Indians" and a theatre arts professor, said he has been interested in the problems of Indians since he taught Indian students in '68-'72. He saw then that it was necessary to recognize the Indian situation as seriously as the black.

In June of '80, the Theater Arts Task Force, a group of professors, decided to do the show, along with the culture week. Meyer, along with Mike Stair and Shirley Matheis, has worked on the show for eight months. They met Rick Thomas, a Dakota Sioux and a member of the American Indian movement, who introduced them to Kevin Locke, a Hunkpapa Sioux. These two gave advice on the production and Locke gave a lecture and performed an Indian Hoop dance on Dec. 5. Meyer felt the play

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Indian ways of thinking. Anthony Emerson, a sophomore and a Navaho Indian, while not much different from any American young person, is proud of his heritage and wants to preserve it. "Everyone knows their clan and tribe and most kids are interested in learning about their culture." As western Americans, we may not exactly understand the mindset of Indians. A statement by Bob Martin may help, "Being involved in the Indian culture and customs is being a tame. To an Indian the two are inseparable."
ICICHE Concerned With Marxist Challenge

"The Challenge of Marxist and Neo-Marxist Ideologies for Christian Scholarship" was the general theme for the Third International Conference of Institutions for Christian Higher Education (ICICHE). Dordt College hosted the conference and Dr. John B. Hulst acted as chairman of the local hosting committee.

The conference steering committee consisted of Dr. M. Elaine Botha, Southern Africa; Dr. Peter A. De Vos, North America; Dr. O. C. Durado, South America; Dr. J. B. Hulst, Host Institution; Rev. Silas M. Nyirenda, Central and Northern Africa; Dr. Pyong S. Oh, Asia and Korea; Dr. K. Runia, Europe (chairman); Dr. Paul G. Schrotenboer, North America; Dr. J. W. Skilling, North America; Dr. Sutarno, South East Asia; Dr. John C. Vander Stelt, Host Institution (secretary); and Dr. B. J. van der Walt, Clearing House.

The conference had more than 100 delegates from 17 countries. It included one keynote speaker, Dr. S. Griffioen from the Free University in Amsterdam, and several main speakers, notably, Dr. Alice-Catherine Carls who holds a Ph.D. in the History of International Relations from the University of Paris-Sorbonne and Dr. Rene Padilla, Director of Ediciones Certeza, Publishing House of International Fellowship of Evangelical Students, in Buenos Aires. Carla presented a case study on Poland in response to a lecture by Dr. James Skillen on "Human Freedom and Social Justice."


Statement Of Purpose

The intention of the Conference was to issue a call and declaration for Christian scholars to "confront Marxism redemptively." The conferers gathered "to discuss Marxism in relation to the mission and future of Christian institutions for higher education." They recognized that, "as a world community of Christian scholars, we have failed in the past to heed adequately the challenge of Marxism, and have too often been uncritical of the structures of our own societies."

Their main concern was that Christian scholars reflect critically on such issues as freedom, justice (especially for the oppressed), the relation of wealth and poverty, and the present international economic order.

The Conferences emphasized that "Christian educational institutions should play a leading role in correcting misconceptions about Marxism," and in "confronting the anti-Christian religious roots of Marxism."

The Conference approved two Statements sent to various journals and a Letter written to President Reagan. As yet, the President has not responded to this letter. Dr. Vander Stelt, secretary of ICICHE, said, "students should be sensitized to situations in Poland, South Africa, and Latin America, i.e., to situations to which we as a Conference have tried to address ourselves."

CONFERENCE STATEMENT ABOUT THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA*

We as a conference urge, call upon, and encourage our Christian brothers and sisters in the Republic of South Africa to lend all possible support to, speak in favor of, and work towards:

1. Institutional as well as attitudinal changes that enhance the doing of justice to all people and race groups in South Africa, in accord with the norms revealed in God's Word;

2. Dismantling the present system of institutionalized racial discrimination and replacing it with a constitutional and legal dispensation capable of a just and equal accommodation of the diversity of people and interests, with full and equal participation and representation of all peoples;

3. The reconciliation and unification of people, and especially Christians presently living under circumstances of polarization, so that whatever transitions may occur in terms of (1) and (2) above, may take place in a peaceful way;

4. Enhancing, especially within the context of academic and ecclesiastical institutions, a consciousness of the need for public or institutional justice in the South African society, accordingly bearing testimony to the justice which is ours in consequence of God's work of Salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.

CONFERENCE STATEMENT ABOUT POLAND*

We as a conference express our solidarity with the struggle for justice of our Christian brothers and sisters in Poland, and we as participants undertake to:

1. Employ all possible means at our disposal to generate and foster a consciousness and knowledge of the Polish situation within our various spheres of influence;

2. Send them all the appropriate support we can from within the context of our various institutions and constituencies.
Conference Featured International Speakers

Alice-Catherine Carls France
Jonathan Tiem-En Chao China Roelf Haan the Netherlands
Lourens M. du Plessis South Africa
K. Bockmuehl Switzerland
John M. Perkins United States

LETTER TO PRESIDENT REAGAN*

Dear Mr. President Reagan:

We are a group of Christian scholars from all parts of the world meeting in the Third International Conference of Institutions for Christian Higher Education who wish respectfully to address the issue of human rights as it relates to your Administration's current Latin American policy. Since you are a confessing Christian who exercises the office of President, we believe that your decisions must be guided by the faith you confess. It is in that light that we express the following concern.

The State Department has been selectively omitting the issue of human rights in order to re-establish friendships with dictatorial regimes supposedly struggling against Communism. However, it is our judgment that the policies of these governments and the United States' support of these policies serve instead to promote rather than deter Communism. The unexplained kidnapping and disappearance of more than Forty Guatemalan labor leaders in 1980; the murders of more than sixty university professors; the indiscriminate slaughter of peasants in the countryside; the systematic elimination over the past two years of members of opposition political parties: all of these are examples of atrocities often traceable to government security forces or to paramilitary groups approved unofficially by the Guatemalan government. It is with this government that the United States government is now seeking to repair strained relationships.

Your Administration's Latin American policy appears tacitly to accept the frequently alleged identification of Father Rother's mis-

Successor For Trudeau Being Sought

Although Trudeau has not officially declared his retirement, the Liberal party has already begun to search for a successor to the leadership. There are four top candidates for the job, each one a minister of finance at one time or another. They are: John Turner, Donald Macdonald, Jean Chrétien, and current finance minister Allan MacEachen. Each of these capable men possess some specific, major pitfall.

John Turner is the most popular of all the candidates. His history in politics rarely contained any real disapproval from the public. However, Turner quit politics in 1975 after a furious disagreement with Prime Minister Trudeau. He insists he left politics for good.

Donald Macdonald was the only real candidate back in 1979 when Trudeau then announced some sort of retirement. But Trudeau decided to stay on as Prime Minister until the constitutional problem was resolved. Since then Macdonald has faded steadily from the leadership picture.

Jean Chrétien has become almost a cult figure in the West. Furthermore, his Quebec caucus colleagues are not willing to support him at the risk of ending the party's tradition of alternating between French and English leaders. As for Allan MacEachen, the budget has proven to be so unpopular with influential' Liberals that his hopes of at least becoming interim prime minister have been jeopardized. The finance minister is now seen as a 'fading star' who can't no longer rally the anglophone caucus.

The party now expects the candidates.
Defenders 4-3 Before Christmas Tournament

Dordt fans found themselves in the Sioux Falls College for the Defenders' opener against Sioux Falls College on Saturday, Nov. 21. Both teams came out of the locker rooms shooting and after regulation play, the score was tied at 88. Dordt won on to beat the Cougars, 103-97 in overtime. Stanton Visser led Dordt with 23 points. Kent Marra followed with 18, Wes Fopma-16, Rich Posthuma-11 and Jon Broke-10.

On Nov. 24, Dordt traveled to Springfield, S.D. to face USD-Springfield. Dordt upped their record to 2-0 with a 74-72 win. Visser again lead the Defenders with 15 points. Posthuma had 12, Marra-10 and Doug Miedema-10.

Over thanksgiving break Dordt traveled to Pella, Iowa. Dordt took care of the Flying Dutchmen of Central, defeating them 81-79. Visser paced the visitors with 17 points. Posthuma followed with 11.

The next stop on this road trip was Waverly, Iowa, where Dordt went on to defeat an always tough Wartburg ball club and came out on top 99-98. Randy Stille was the scorekeeper for the night and Visser again had the hot hand, pouring in 41 points. Fopma came up with 15, Posthuma-14 and Marra-12.

In their home opener, Dordt was given their first loss by Buena Vista. Mabie led the girls with 20 points. Posthuma-14 and Marra-12. Visser scored 18, Wes Fopma-16, Rich Posthuma-11 and Jon Broke-10.

Girls B-Ball Eager To Improve

Today and Saturday the Dordt Women's Basketball team plays home games against Sioux Falls College and Dana, respectively. Tonight, the game begins at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 12 it starts at 2 p.m.

The team record is one win and two losses. Nov. 21, Dordt beat Nebraska Wesleyan 69-66. Four girls made double figure scores: Linda Mabie-18, Leanne Ryswyk-14, Deb Vanden Berg-13, and Lisa Poel-11.

The Dec. 2 game was evenly matched but Dana pulled off the one point needed for victory over Dordt, leaving a final score of 69-68. Ryswyk was Dordt's high scorer with 19 points. Mabie and D.J. Niewenhuizen followed close behind with 14 points each.

Morningside College slaughtered Dordt in the Dec. 5 game in Sioux City with a final score of 85-67. Dordt, now standing at 6-6, is ready to head into the Christmas break. The highlight of the break will be the N.W. Iowa Classic, a tournament hosted by Northwestern of Orange City. Dordt, Northwestern, Midland and Grace and should provide some good basketball at Orange City on Dec. 29-30.

Defenders Hockey Schedule For Christmas Break

Meet in Toronto ........ Dec. 28
Belleville .......... Dec. 29
Brampton ........ Dec. 30
Bowmanville ...... Dec. 31
Guelph .......... Jan. 1
Hamilton .......... Jan. 2
Smithville ...... Jan. 5
St. Catharines .... Jan. 6

(Beacon High School)
St. Catharines .... Jan. 6
(Grimsby)
London ............. Jan. 7
Sarnia ............ Jan. 8
Toronto Area .... Jan. 9
(Calgary)
Calvin College .... Jan. 11

by Steve Feenstra

by Ena Kaastra

58. Mabie led the girls with 12 baskets and Ryswyk, Poel, and Deb Top each took 10.

According to coach Len Rhoda, the girls didn't play well against Morningside. He said the girls thought they could have played much stronger than they did.

Currently, the team needs to concentrate on working more as a unit. According to Rhoda many good things are happening, but the team needs more experience and playing time. Come on out and cheer the girls in their last two games before Christmas.