Campus Facilities at Capacity; Enrollment Up

Enrollment is again at the full capacity of the college’s physical facilities. There is a small increase in the total enrollment with a headcount of 2,290, an all-time high. The enrollment includes 2,056 full-time and 234 part-time students. Enrollment last year, which was the college’s previous high, was 2,275.

“In our long-range planning we have projected a stable enrollment at the present level,” said President Van Wylen. “At this rate we are small enough to maintain close personal ties and interactions between faculty members and students, yet large enough to compete with the larger institutions in our programs. At our present enrollment our physical plant is utilized at full capacity. Further growth would require considerable capital for expansion of our facilities. There are many higher priorities for these resources which will contribute significantly to the strength of the College.”

There are six less full-time students than a year ago, but part-time enrollment has increased by 26. There are 563 part-time students enrolled for the first time compared to 597 a year ago.

The breakdown by classes with last year’s total in parentheses is: freshmen 620 (618), sophomores 570 (618), juniors 551 (532), seniors 335 (320) and special students 194 (179). Included among the special students are 43 high school students who are taking college credit courses.

Twenty-nine students are participating in off-campus study programs during the fall semester.

There are 51 students from 20 foreign countries, including Canada, Chile, Columbia, Cuba, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Jordan, Peru, Malaysia, Mexico, Qatar, Rhodesia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Venezuela and Vietnam.

The freshman class consists of 285 men and 275 women from 23 states. Forty-four percent of the class are from Michigan with 10 percent from New Jersey, 8 percent from New York and 6 percent from Illinois.

Approximately 33 percent of the new freshmen have some previous college experience while 39 percent stated that their church preference is the Reformed Church in America.

The average high school grade point average was 3.79 from a four-point scale and 56 percent of the class ranked in the top fifth of their class. The average College Entrance Examination Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (S.A.T.) verbal score was 482 and the math was 457. The average American College Testing (A.C.T.) composite was 23.1.

The Admissions staff will visit approximately 800 high schools during the fall and winter months. Alumni and friends who wish to recommend potential Hope students are encouraged to contact the Office of Admissions.

P.E. Center A Reality!

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Hope College Physical Education and Health Center will be held Saturday, Oct. 16 at 10:30 a.m. as part of Homecoming Weekend.

The building, estimated to cost $3.2 million, has approximately 80,000 square feet. The Center will be an activity-oriented facility with an emphasis on the multiple use of space, flexibility and economy.

Architects of the Center are Alden B. Dow Associates of Midland, Mich. Contracts will be awarded late this fall and construction is expected to begin before the end of the year. The Center will be located on the southeast perimeter of the campus. It will be bounded by 13th and 14th streets between Columbia avenue and the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad tracks.

P.E. Center Closeup: See page 6

When the new Physical Education Center is completed in early 1978, Hope will have, for the first time in several decades, a facility which is adequate for the comprehensive program in physical education, recreation, and athletics which has evolved over the years. This program includes:

- Intramural sports for men and women
- Intercollegiate athletic competition for men and women
- Recreational and physical fitness activities for students & staff

“At Hope College we seek to enable each student to develop, to the greatest extent possible, the whole person—body, soul, and mind,” said President Van Wylen. “In order to achieve effective coordination of activities in physical fitness, health care and nutrition, the Health Center has been located in the Physical Education Center.

Build Hope Surpasses Its Goal

Build Hope, a multi-million dollar fundraising program to support capital, endowed and academic programs at Hope College, has surpassed its $8,850,000 goal. James M. VerMeulen of Grand Rapids, Mich., national chairman of the Build Hope Fund, announced that $8,334,627 has been contributed or pledged.

An appreciation dinner honoring those persons who made the campaign a success will be held Friday, Oct. 15.

Several major projects of the Build Hope Fund have been completed. These include a new computer center and the renovation of the former science building into a center for the humanities and social sciences. Nearly $3 million has been pledged toward construction of a new Physical Education and Health Center. There has also been a significant number of gifts for the college’s endowment fund including several endowed scholarships, according to President Van Wylen. Commitments to Build Hope already represent the largest amount of money ever contributed to a Hope College fund drive.

The “Looking Ahead with Hope” campaign in the 1950s, under the leadership of President Emeritus Irwin J. Lubbens, raised funds toward construction of the Van Zoeren Library, the Nykerk Hall of Music, the Physics—Mathematics Building and several residence halls.

On its 100th birthday in 1966 the College launched the Centennial decade Master Plan under former President Calvin A. Vander Werf. The campaign realized construction of the DeVitt Student and Cultural Center, the Wynnand Wichten Addition to the Nykerk Hall of Music, two residence halls, and the start of funding for the Peake Science Center.
REORGANIZE STUDENT AFFAIRS DIVISION

A reorganization of personnel within the student affairs division has been announced by Michael Cernie, dean of students.

David Vanderwell has been named associate dean of students with supervisory responsibilities for the college's health clinic and food service, placement, counseling and campus activities. Vanderwell has been serving as director of campus life. He joined the Hope staff in 1971.

Gerard Demarest III has been named chief coordinator of student support and training and will be involved in a new Center for Counseling, Career Planning and Placement.

Mrs. Elaine Van Liere will assume overall responsibility for the housing program in addition to remaining in charge of cottage staff training and co-op housing. A member of the student personnel staff since 1973, Mrs. Van Liere will also continue as hall president at Dykstra Hall.

Miss Sarah Schendel has been promoted to director of counseling services. Miss Schendel has been a counselor and head resident at Keim Hall since 1973. She will continue to assist in the career-planning program.

Mrs. Sharon Blankema, R.N., has been named director of health services, replacing Miss Marian Blake, who recently retired. Mrs. Blankema has been a clinic assistant for the college since 1973.

GRANT SUPPORTS LATINO STUDY

Hope College has received a $6,715 matching grant from the Michigan Council for the Humanities (MCH) to support a series entitled "Does knowledge lead to power?" on the Spanish-speaking Americans of Holland, Michigan.

The MCH is a state-based program sponsored and funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, which in turn is part of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities created by an Act of Congress in 1965. The MCH program is a key element of the National Endowment's mission to promote the humanities in the United States.

ATTENDS NATO COMPUTER INSTITUTE

Dr. Elliot Tanis, chairman of the mathematics department, participated in a NATO advanced study institute on computer-based science instruction this summer at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium.

The institute was designed to provide senior public, private, and academic personnel with a solid understanding of computer-based science instruction. Participation was by invitation only, and the total number of participants was about 60.

The major speakers at the institute came from Belgium, West Germany, the United States, England, Canada, and France.

During the past five years, Prof. Tanis has been developing computer-based materials for a laboratory in probability and statistics. The materials that he has developed are now available for use at other colleges and universities.

The major Speakers included, among others, Dr. Elliot Tanis, chairman of the Mathematics Department, and Dr. Jacob Kleinheksel, who was recently retired as president of the college.

A slide-tape presentation describing the various aspects of Hope College life is now available from the admissions office.

Combining a slide projector and tape cassette recorder, the eight minute presentation is an effort to keep our college friends abreast of Hope's academic, spiritual, and physical growth and Hopefully stimulate interest among our youth.

Hope College will furnish a tray of slides and a tape cassette along with brochures and other materials for organizations. Those desiring the use of the service will only need to obtain a 35 mm slide projector with a three-second interval and a tape cassette recorder. Requests should be made to the Office of Admissions, Hope College, Holland, Michigan 49423.

This is the second such grant from MCH to Hope College within the past year. Last year the MCH supported a series on humanistic perspectives on aging and the aging process involved in the study of 'the aging.' This year must illuminate some aspect of the state theme: "Knowledge and Power: Humanistic Values in the Shaping of Public Policy." All projects must focus on one or more public policy issues and must explore ways in which the humanities can contribute to the consideration of such issues.

The project will consist of a series of six weekly sessions, from Oct. 19 to Nov. 30. Participants will include the following: Prof. Tanis, as the director of the series and study; Dr. Jacob Kleinheksel, as the series director; and Dr. Robert Elder, as the series coordinator.

The project director is Dr. Jacob E. Kleinheksel, who also served as project director for last year's series.

The project is conducted by Dr. Renée L. Hoekema, professor of political science. Dr. Hoekema was the recipient of a summer fellowship to New York University in 1976 from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dean Nyenhuis and Dr. Hoekema are being assisted in the planning of this series by a committee comprised of Hope faculty and administrators, including the Holland Spanish-American community and the Holland Human Relations Commission.

The project will include Spanish-American community leaders and academic humanists and their colleagues. Spanish-American leaders from other communities will be asked to address the symposium. The academic humanists who will contribute from this knowledge and expertise of other communities include historians, English and Spanish professors, writers, theologians, and social scientists. Spanish-American specialists will come from the fields of economics, political science, sociology, and psychology.

Environmental Economics Studied at High School Summer Program

What do non-returnable bottles and factory by-products have in common? Obviously, they both pose potential environmental pollution problems. However, high school seniors involved in the summer session at Hope College this summer learned to define these and other environmental problems in a broader way.

"We view a pollution problem as being essentially the problem of a misplaced resource. Virtually all our studies attempted to measure the benefits and costs involved in changing an existing situation," said Dr. Marjorie Richardson, chairman of Hope's department of environmental economics.

Seventeen high school seniors participated in the program, which featured an innovative approach to learning. There were no tests, no papers, just a study of the pollution problem, attendance taken, and no credit earned. Instead, the program aimed to offer guidance and encouragement to students actively involved in environmental issues. Dr. Richardson described the project as an interdisciplinary effort that is now being studied by researchers from the Department of Economics and Environmental Problems, a program for high-ability high school seniors.

Hope was one of only two colleges to receive a National Science Foundation grant for high school seniors involved in pollution study, and the only college to receive a grant for study of the economy and the environment.

Dr. Richardson, who taught at Hope College from 1963 to 1965. The award to Hope is in recognition of the work of Dr. Jacob Kleinheksel, who served as director of Hope's Environmental Economics Program, and the late Dean R. D. Snyder, who initiated the project.

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Star Gazing
Student Initiates Astronomical Project

While many people ask for nothing more than to see with the naked eye the last bright star of the evening, Jim Riggs looks for a bit more in the night sky. A student of astronomy since the age of 12, Jim has been in charge of astronomy labs at Hope for two years and lecturing other students in the science of observing the stars and planets.

Although the astronomical observatory at Hope bears the imposing name of “The Penthouse,” it is in fact simply a room at the top of the Physics Math Building which is used to store the College’s telescopes. The roof of the building comprises the actual observatory facilities.

Jim points out that up on this roof one is surrounded by the lights of the city of Holland, prohibiting the study of any other than the brightest stars and planets. “There are so many objects in the night sky which are so beautiful in color, shape, and form, but that just can’t be seen in our present facilities,” he notes. “There are so many more features that could be apparent if we weren’t in the city.”

Also, because of the bright magnification of a telescope, any vibrations of the telescope mount are highly amplified. One was completely destroyed by vibrations of wind interferred with the viewing. Without a closeable overhead dome, the telescope could not be permanently aligned and mounted, making any photographic work with the telescope difficult.

Faced with these problems, Jim decided in the fall of 1974 to act on an idea he had been toying with for several years — designing and building an observatory on his own. He first searched for a site where he could see the stars from the earth, and he searched for a site better suited for observing.

Ideally, an observatory should be located away from light pollution, he explains. “However, a completely light tight spot was impossible to get and have the observatory still be accessible to students.”

Jim scouted around Hope’s Van Raalte athletic field, located several blocks from the downtown area, and there he found a spot which had a good horizon, was away from lights and yet close enough to campus to be readily available.

Jim then approached his advisor, Dr. Richard Brockmeier, professor of physics and computer science. Dr. Brockmeier recalls the interview:

“I thought Jim was suggesting that the telescope be transported back and forth to the Van Raalte Field location. His sights were on something more. I explained that the funds in the budget were quite limited. Not being discouraged, he said if he could get cement from the Maintenance Department he could put a cement pad and pier. When the next week a construction project needed concrete poured, Jim asked if some could also be used to form the pad. Jim had his observatory started!”

The Maintenance Department also donated some surplus concrete blocks and enough additional blocks were purchased, using a tight physics budget, to complete the walls. Jim enlisted the help of other physics students in this construction phase.

By October of last year the walls were up and the pad and pier, which surrounded the building, was complete. The observatory measures approximately 12' by 12' at the base. The dome is 10' in diameter and 9' high. The entire structure is in the shape of a hemisphere with a slit opening running down the surface.

All factors taken into consideration, the observatory should be pronounced “Complete” at this time. Jim Riggs notes “I’ve had the dome tilted so that it won’t rain in and the telescope will then be mounted. It will be functional, although not finished, at about that time.”

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A Mission for Hope

With an eye toward the future, Hope College formally began its 112th academic year on Aug. 24 when President Gordon J. Van Wylen delivered the convocation address, "A Mission for Hope."

Enrollment to Remain at Present Level

Citing the 1976-77 enrollment figures (2,056 full-time and 234 part-time students), Dr. Van Wylen said, "It is my conviction that Hope College should remain at its present size. We are large enough to have diversity in our academic programs, strong cultural programs, and to continue its athletic program of excellence for both men and women, and many opportunities for research and personal development. Yet we are small enough to retain strong personal relationships..."

The President also made note that the College's present enrollment matches the capacity of existing campus facilities. According to the President, remaining faculty needs on campus are the decision of the New Physical Education Center expected to occur in the spring of 1978; the renovation of Vosrees Hall and Carnegie Gymnasium; the development of science, fine arts, and communication areas on campus for informal research; and the upgrading of facilities in residence halls.

Need for Private Financial Support

Regarding long range financial planning, Dr. Van Wylen said that Hope's goal is two-fold: "To have excellence in every aspect of the College and to make this education available within the financial resources of our students."

He added that in his estimation, "the basic approach to our long range financial needs must be from private sources rather than government sources. As many individuals as possible must catch a vision of what Hope College is all about and then share in this vision."

Hope's Larger Goals

Moving from a discussion of finances and facilities, Dr. Van Wylen focused on the audience's attention on what he termed "our larger goals." He defined the mission of Hope to be "excellence in undergraduate, residential liberal arts education within the context of the Christian faith."

"All of us recognize that we live in a time of great worldwide problems..." he said. "Very significant intellectual questions are being raised about the nature of man and of ultimate reality, questions which deal directly with our understanding of who we are and the meaning and purpose of life. In a sense there is really very little optimism for our long-range future. At best there seems to be the attitude of muscling our way through, a high hope that in the long run things will get better..."

Dr. Van Wylen said that nonetheless he has optimism for Hope College and its members of the community, both in the life of the College and in the larger world.

"Why do I believe this? It is because I believe that each person is a child of God and that God has richly endowed us with the gifts of body, mind and spirit, the capacity to love and be loved, the ability to think, to reason, and to create. He has given us the gifts of love and marriage and sex and children and homes. He has given us the capacity to work and, and study, and learn so that we can unravel some of the secrets and more fully understand the creation around us. He has given us the gifts of music, art, and drama. He has given us all these gifts to enrich our lives and make it possible for us to reach the lives of others and serve God as we recognize him as the giver of each good and perfect gift."

"As this understanding of God and ourselves that gives the real dynamics for our arts education, for in this view every subject and every aspect of life has significance and is worthy of study because it has meaning in God. Further, in our studies we do not start from scratch but appropriate and build upon the cumulative wisdom of man down through the ages. We are the recipients of a great treasure."

Dr. Van Wylen pinpointed three thoughts which emerge from this view of life and reality which he believes to be particularly relevant to the mission of Hope. First, he said that the world is open for study and enjoyment. Second, there remains no real distinction between the sacred and the secular. "Everything has been created by God and all of this is open to us. We are called to care for and preserve and wisely and carefully use all resources. But we exercise this responsibility not truly to preserve the human species or to improve the quality of life, but to fulfill the purpose which God has given us in the world..."

Third, the President said that one exercise these responsibilities as part of the human community, rather than in isolation. He described Hope College as "a community of mutual concern and compassion, where we can join together in developing our creative and artistic skills, in doing our study and research, as well as in recreation and sports, and above all in worship."

Concert Calendar

The concert calendar is available by contacting Renze Hall, Hope College, 126 E. 11th St., Holland, MI 49423. Telephone 616/392-6200. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions, 616/392-5111, ext. 226.

DECEMBER

2 Concert: Hope College Band with Robert Whaley, tubist; Dimnent Chapel, 8:00 P.M.
3 Senior Recital: Robert Ambrose, trombonist and Kathryn Cornell, soprano; Wichers Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.

23, 24 "L. Elizabeth Ott"; DeWitt Cultural Center M.T., 8:00 P.M.
5 Christmas Vespers: Dimnent Chapel, 2:00, 4:30, 8:00 P.M.
(Complimentary tickets will be honored until 20 minutes before each event.)

*Hope College/Holland Concert Association—Great Performance Series
Hope College Theatre Department Production

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- Alpha Phi — Friday, October 15, 9:00 a.m.
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- Kappa Delta Chi — Saturday, October 17, 12:00 noon

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- Centurian — Saturday, October 15, 3:30 p.m.
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P.E. Center
Is Activity Oriented

Architect: Alden B. Dow Associates, Midland, Michigan

Hope’s new Physical Education and Health Center will be an activity-oriented facility. Emphasis has been placed on the multiple use of space, flexibility, and economy.

The facility includes provisions for the following activities:
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Gymnastics
- Wrestling
- Tennis
- Handball
- Baseball (indoor practice)
- Swimming
- Archery

The building has approximately 80,000 square feet which will be utilized as follows:

GYMNASIUM-TYPE SPACE: This space, designed so that it can be divided into three smaller areas, will have flexibility to accommodate basketball, volleyball, tennis, badminton, gymnastics, and archery. An aerobic track circles the gymnasium at the second floor level.

SWIMMING POOL: This L-shaped pool, which will be used for instructional swimming, lifesaving, water polo, aquatic ballet, and intramural and intercollegiate competitive swimming and diving, has been designed to facilitate competition in either yards or meters.

CONDITIONING AND EXERCISE ROOM: Available to all students for leisure-time conditioning, this room will also be used by conditioning classes, varsity athletes, and persons who need rehabilitative exercise.

DANCE STUDIO: This facility has been designed with certain special features to accommodate a growing program in modern and interpretive dance. It will be available for other recreational uses.

HANDBALL COURTS: Handball and paddleball are among the most popular instructional recreational activities at the College. A balcony will overlook the courts to enhance instructional opportunities.

WRESTLING AND GYMNASICS ROOM: This space will be used for instructional, intramural, and intercollegiate programs in wrestling, and designed for certain gymnastics activities.

CLASSROOMS: Three classrooms, which will also be used for club meetings, varsity and squad meetings, an audio-visual room, a conference room, and a lounge are located on the second floor.

HEALTH CLINIC: The coordination of the health care service with the physical education program is expected to provide an imaginative program of health fitness for the campus community.

HEALTH-FITNESS CENTER: A well-rounded program of physical fitness is proposed for every student, regardless of his/her physical condition. The Health-Fitness Center, located near the Health Clinic, will offer therapy and testing opportunities.

OTHER FACILITIES: The building will include a training room, faculty and staff offices, locker room facilities, and sauna.
Jimmy Carter and the Riddle of Romans 13

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nificance of the New Testament case against politics are Christian pacifists. Their argument is that the political action of Christianity has a dualistic character, and pacifists view political action as a violation of the New Testament conscience. However, Carter does not adopt this view, and his defense of the New Testament position on political action is based on the idea that the text is counter-cultural and anti-liberal democratic. It suggests, though it never explicitly states it, an antidemocratic theme of power. Most of the eastern and American Christians who share Jimmy Carter's view of political power, all governmental authority derives from the people. But the Democratic government is disciplined by the Constitution. Carter received thunderous applause when he said:

Each time our nation has made a serious mistake, our people have been excluded from the process. The tragedy of Vietnam and Cambodia, the disgrace of Watergate, and the embarrassment of the CIA revelations could have been avoided if our government had reflected all the sound judgment, good common sense and high moral character of the American people.

In the familiar circular logic of democratic theory, we obey government ultimately because government obeys us. When they don't, we recognize it as right to resist and change it. This conception of government might be called the populist or ascending theory of political authority and power. Here original power is located in the Supreme Being who, whether or not influenced by Christianity, becomes identified with the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Thus in this fifth St. Augustine wrote that God distributed the laws to humankind through the medium of kings again the metaphorical pyramid, but now all original power is located at its apex rather than its base. The people "below" have no power at all except what it is due to them "from above." All officials are appointed "from above," not elected by popular assembly. The supreme officer is responsible only to God. The ascending theory was dominant in Europe in the Middle Ages; it is at least as common in the Roman Catholic Church today as in the Middle Ages. When the theory is politically radical, as in the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most organized political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom. The army of the Middle Ages was more than the Christian church of the past, the principled use of the text was by far the most powerful political force in Christendom.

The New Testament polemic against political action is more than an argument. It is a moral condemnation. The New Testament is not only a critique of political action, but it is also a defense of the Christian church. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is not a political organization, but it is a community of believers who are united in their faith in Jesus Christ.
Van Vleck Hall an Historic Site

Hope's Van Vleck Hall has been approved by the Michigan Historical Commission as a registered historic site. An official marker is presently being established and dedication is scheduled to occur on Homecoming, Saturday Oct. 16 at 10 a.m. according to William C. Wickers '32, a member of the Commission.

Van Vleck Hall was built in 1897 as the first permanent facility of the Holland Academy, chartered in 1866 as Hope College. The building was named after the Rev. John Van Vleck, principal of the institution at the time of construction.

Van Vleck Hall was erected on the highest point of the campus. It originally housed a residence for the principal, classrooms, a gymnasium-assembly hall, a dining room and a refectory. A room also served as the school's first chapel and was used as such until 1862, when a gymnasium-assembly hall was built.

From 1880-1884, the College's library collection was housed in two rooms on the first floor of the facility. Van Vleck Hall was converted into a dormitory for women in the early 1920s and is still used for this purpose today.

The Hope College Archives Council and the Bicentennial Committee were both instrumental in achieving this recognition for Van Vleck Hall. The approval of the building as an historic site will result in the second Michigan Historical Commission marker to be placed on Hope's campus. The first marker, located on the west lawn of Graves Hall, was dedicated on May 24, 1963 and recognizes the founding of the Pioneer School, the Holland Academy, and Hope College.

Oral History Probes China

What's life like for a single woman in an upcountry village in China in 1947? Or a doctor or nurse newly arrived and confronted by the dirt, the disease, the strange culture and language? For that matter, was Amoy really the dirtiest city in the world as a Danish encyclopedia claimed in the 1920's? What effect did the tremendous missionary effort in China have? What was it like for the Chinese and the missionaries among the Communists, and what do the former missionaries think today of recent American moves toward defense and talk of the incredible progress of the 'new China'? These are a few of the questions that Hope College's Old China Hands Oral History Project tried to explore this summer through the use of Oral History.

The answers were often quite interesting, according to the three students involved in the project. Participants included: Greg Carlson, a senior from Columbus, Ohio; Nancy Swinyard, a senior from Indiana, N.Y.; and Dave VanderHaar, a 1976 graduate from Orange City, Iowa. These students quickly learned that "Old China Handy" have more than their share of stories to tell. A China missionary's experiences were often quite dramatic. But Oral History is more than simply storytelling. Essentially, Oral History is pertinent questions asked by prepared individuals and answers given by experienced individuals, individually or in groups involved in important, interesting or unusual events. A great deal of research goes into the period, the area of study and what is already known before any questions are asked. Oral History attempts to get at facts, feelings, prejudices and impressions that will help future historians better understand the past. The interviews are recorded, transcribed, edited, and placed in an archive for use by future historians as invaluable source material.

The project at Hope focused on the Reformed Church mission experience in China. The subject matter is particularly interesting because the missionary to China played a very unique, strong and a great extent explored role in recent Chinese history. A missionary who arrived in China in 1923 and stayed through 1953 lived through wars and bandits, the rise of the Nationalists and Chiang Kai-Shek, the Japanese War, severe inflation, and the coming of the Communists. In addition, there is evidence that the Reformed Church mission in Amoy, Fukien China was unique because of its lack of denominationalism and early union work with the English Presbyterians and London Missionary Society.

The Oral History collection for Hope, Michigan was located in the 1976 building. The collection is being cataloged at Hope College and will be available for research by students and scholars. The collection includes interviews with former missionaries, transcribed data from the interviews, and related research materials.

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Kresge Foundation Gives P.E. Challenge Grant

The Trustees of The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich., have awarded a $300,000 challenge grant to Hope College toward the construction of a new physical education and health center. The grant was announced by William H. Baldwin, president of The Kresge Foundation, to President Gordon J. Van Wyk.

The grant brings construction of the $3 million project closer to reality. The College has received nearly $5 million in gifts and pledges for the building.

The Kresge Foundation, one of the largest in the United States, is engaged in the arts. The scholarship was established in 1928 through the gifts of the late Sarah S. Kresge, founder of the S. S. Kresge Co., Inc. However, the Company and the Foundation are not related in any way.

As a young student, Van Wyk had been taught to serve his church, to work hard, to save a good share of what he earned, and to help his fellowmen. He never doubted the importance of a good education, and he always continued that the Midland, Mich. company had always been interested in its community, gathering money. He is therefore pleased with the outcome.

The Foundation's $300,000 challenge grant in 1970 enabled Ways to raise funds for the new Poly Science Center.

Class Representatives
Preparatory School — all classes
Clarence J. Jay, Lansing, Michigan
1901 — August L. Veenker, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1910 — Elwood C. Cleveland, Michigan
1909 — Hossie Delong, Terre Haute, Indiana
1911 — Duane B. McKee, New York
1912 — Gertrude Hockie, Detroit, Michigan
1912 — Mary Tromp, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1913 — Sietje Hendrikse, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1914 — Hemmo van Wyk, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1915 — Herman van Wijk, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1916 — Hamilton, Michigan
1917 — Amelia Meenan, Van Wyk, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1918 — Harvey Ramaker, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1919 — Clarence Heemstra, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1920 — George H. Vanderberg, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1921 — Myra B. Jacobsen, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1922 — Winfield Burggraaf, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1923 — Margaret Schomaker, Holland, Michigan
1924 — Simon Huisman, Indiana, Indiana
1925 — Marian Van Vugt, Zeeland, Michigan
1926 — Marion Van Wijk, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1927 — Vincent vanaeufsen, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1928 — Frank L. Newell, Holland, Michigan
1929 — Dirk Stalling, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1930 — Dr. H. Tijelaar, Jenison, Michigan
1931 — Margaret J. VandenBerg, Zeeland, Michigan
1932 — John H. Wyma, Grand Haven, Michigan
1933 — Nella Van Wyk, Grand Haven, Michigan
1934 — Lois Ketel kincaid, Chicago, Illinois
1935 — Arnold Van Zanten, Battle Creek, Michigan
1936 — Florence von Douna and George Douma, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1937 — Peter VandenBerg, Richmond, New York
1938 — Kenneth H. Hesselink, Grandville, Michigan
1939 — Orella C. Beattie, Lake Bluff, Illinois
1940 — Henry A. Maurer, Holland, Michigan
1941 — Chester Toren, Lansing, Michigan
1942 — Ruth Stegenga, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1943 — Susan H. van Wyk, Holland, Michigan
1944 — Fritz Johnson, Jenison, Michigan
1945 — Mary Aldrich Van Dis, Kalamazoo, Michigan
1946 — Max D. Borneman, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1947 — Martha H. Felton, Jenison, Michigan
1948 — James P. Yee, Richmond, Virginia
1949 — Dr. Donald J. Schulten, Jackson, Michigan
1950 — Phyllis Sherman, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1951 — Dolores Frey Hamilton, Richmond, Virginia
1952 — Florence B. Millikan, Van Wyk, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1953 — Richard C. Caldwell, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1954 — Cathy K. Adamson, Alexandria, Virginia
1955 — Linda Miner, Hope, Michigan
1956 — Jack Tomka, Michigan
1957 — Warren W. Kane, Michigan
1958 — Kenneth M. Faber, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1959 — Charlotte Wieder Leake and Fred Leake, Holland, Michigan
1961 — Ardena Yonan, Vancura, Wisconsin
1962 — Tom Plevos, Pennsauken, New Jersey
1963 — Robert Kleboe, Manchester, Missouri
1964 — Gretchen Hull Lemmenes and Larry Lemmenes, Waupon, Wisconsin
1965 — Marian L. Hoekstra, Laurens, Maryland
1966 — Alverna Holving and Vially, Hudsonville, Michigan
1967 — Donna Mark Oudens and Mark Oudens, Kalamazoo, Michigan
1968 — Mary Jane Muller Duitsman and David Duitsman, Grand Haven, Michigan
1969 — Mary Browning Van Buren and Rich VandenBerg, Grand Rapids, Michigan
1970 — Barbara Timmer MacQueen, Holland, Michigan
1971 — Jane Kasmersky, Lakeville, Michigan
1972 — Johanna Willems Gentles, New Eno, Michigan
1973 — Elizabeth H. Tornblom, Holland, Michigan
1974 — Cathy Walchenbach, Holland, Michigan
1975 — Deborah Maxwell, Kalamazoo, Michigan
1976 — James Donkersloot, Boyden, Iowa

Donor-Dollar Support Significantly Increases

Contributions to Hope College for all purposes during the 1976-77 fiscal year increased 20 percent from the previous year's $1,052,737 to $1,265,435. Gifts to all funds for the year ending June 30 totaled $2,611,535, compared with $2,533,490 in the previous year.

We are appreciative of every personal, business, foundation and church who supported the College this past year, said President Van Wyk. "One of the most exciting and rewarding aspects of the year has been the increase in the participation of all our friends in the Annual Fund and other support of the College.

In 1974-75, 2,645 alumni shared in the work of the College through their gifts. In 1975-76, that number increased to 3,895, representing $140,563 as compared to $104,544 in 1974-75. Total giving for all purposes was $681,116.

Gifts received for the year's Annual Fund in the College's estimating fund was $657,378 ($85,070, capital fund $984,167, (endowment fund $29,768, gifts $161,206, and program fund $2,611,535.

The College's ability to raise funds for the College is due in large part to the generosity of our alumni and friends. The College's Board of Trustees has established a goal of $179,343 ($459,594). Contributions to the College's endowment fund increased nearly 10 percent to $3,305,965.

Alumni Fund Has $220,000 Goal

An ambitious $220,000 goal for the 1976-77 Alumni Annual Fund campaign has been announced by National Chairman Jack Hascup. Rev. Hascup, a 1933 Hope graduate, also serves as president of the Hope College Alumni Association. He is serving as alumni chairman for the 1976-77 campaign with two alumni giving classes on campus Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 19-20.

The conference will have a "School Days" theme with the Representatives attending mini-clinics which will include "Homenotes," a form in the style of the old letters to their classmates.

The $220,000 goal is an increase of $50,000 over last year's largest and if achieved will be the most successful campaign every, according to Rev. Hascup.

Last year's near record 3,885 alumni contributed $196,360 to the campaign. The donors included 1,061 first-time contributors as overall participation increased to 33 percent of the 10,241 eligible alumni donors.

"The increase in donors last year was very gratifying, but I believe we are capable of approaching 50 to 60 percent participation in a little more hard work," said Hascup. "I again challenge each alumni to give as generously as you are able, in order that the experience you and I have had will continue to be available for the young people who are students today and for those who will be students in the years ahead."
Appointment Affirms Commitment to Women's Sports

As a woman who claims that "at one time or another, every sport has been my favorite," Dr. Anne Irwin seems the ideal choice for Hope's first director of athletics for women.

Dr. Irwin, who was appointed this summer to the two main goals she hopes to work toward at Hope: "to continuously upgrade the women's program and get it comparable to the men's program. I don't see this as happening immediately because of finances, but rather gradually over a period of time." She noted that she would describe her physical education at Hope as exceptionally supportive of women's sports programs.

She also hopes to develop a recruiting system, which would "actively try to find women who can make a contribution to Hope - in athletics as well as in other aspects." Dr. Irwin holds the academic rank of assistant professor of physical education at Hope and in addition to teaching duties is responsible for coordinating the programs of the College's six women's athletic teams (soccer, volleyball, basketball, tennis, field hockey, and softball).

Dr. Irwin brings to the post an extensive background in both coaching and athletic administration. She received the Ph.D. degree from Michigan State University. She holds the M.A. degree in physical education from M.I.T. and the B.S. degree in physical education from the University of Michigan.

Since 1974 she has taught bio-mechanics and coached the volleyball team at Queens College, Flushing, N.Y. From 1969-74 she was a graduate assistant at M.I.T. with coaching responsibilities in women's gymnastics, field hockey and softball. She was a teacher and coach at the Ridgeview Junior High School in Grand Rapids, Mich., from 1966-69.

In addition, Dr. Irwin says: "I have always been really active in sports. Through out my schooling I wasn't involved in any-thing very organized until high school. Then I was anxious to get into a situation where I would receive some coaching.

Until then, I had been playing with neighbors and brothers." She participated with the varsity teams in all sports including basketball, tennis, track, softball and as a junior high student she finished second in a national archery tournament. Her athletic endeavors also included competitions in volleyball, field hockey, tennis and track.

Dr. Irwin believes that one of the greatest strides in women's athletics has been made in the last 20 years. During this period, the American College Women's Association has been active.

"When I was in school, we faced opportunities for athletes who were actively competing," she states.

Competition is vital for the athlete, Dr. Irwin maintains. "The values are to some extent personal to each individual. You get the feeling of belonging to something as an athlete, you learn about goal setting, how to communicate with your peers to accomplish goals, and how to socially get along with the other athletes on your team."

"I think the most important value of competition is that it's an opportunity to learn to the maximum - doing something the best you can possibly do; something that satisfies you, something you can look back on and feel good about it either way."

Dr. Irwin also feels that because of increases in media coverage the public is just starting to learn that "women can compete at a level of competence that's interesting to the spectator."

Dr. William Vanderplat, chairman of the department of physical education and recreation, comments on Dr. Irwin's appointment:

"Our college and department have made a commitment to the development of a quality program for women in intercollegiate sport. We have always paid lip service to the opportunities which should be included in sport for women. However, Dr. Irwin's appointment is visible proof of how serious we are about developing a sound program for women during their undergraduate years at Hope College. Most liberal arts programs for women's sports have been coordinated by women yet directed at the top by men. We feel that outstanding women administrators should have the same responsibility and status as that of the men's athletic director."

"The new Physical Education Center will reflect our philosophy of sport for all students, both men and women. We look forward to the dedication of the new 500-seat center and we know that the future for both men's and women's athletics at Hope is indeed bright."

Fall and Winter Sports Action

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

MEN'S BASKETBALL

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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Participates in Scot Bicentennial Tribute


Princeton University chose the 200th anniversary of American independence to seek to place a plaque at Witherspoon's memory in Paisley Abbey, the church of the Leith Kirk where he ministered from 1727-58.

According to the service's program, "The Kirk Session of Paisley Abbey are happy to accede to this request and give expression in this notable year to the historic links between Scotland and the United States of America."

Rev. Kaufman says, "The service was a real link back to the medieval church and the federal setting, precision with music and formal regalia, concluding with a participants' reception. Incredible—thought it only happened in the Late Show!"

Rev. Kaufman is pastor of the Brick Presbyterian Church, Perry, N.Y. He served for eight years over the summer church, charge preacher at Marty's Kirk in Paisley. He and his wife, Mary, also spent some time traveling before returning to America.

Big Sisters Honor Alumni for Service

Ardith Brower '60 DeFoe, executive director of Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Lansing (Mich.), was given the Award for Distinguished Service 1970-1976 by Big Sisters International, at its recent annual meeting in Indianapolis.

Mrs. DeFoe was on the steering committee that helped to form Big Sisters International in 1970, has been on the board of directors, and is now a professional advisor to the board. She started the Big Sister program in Lansing and was instrumental in the creation of Big Sisters of Michigan in 1964.

A member of the Michigan Chapter of the National Crime and Delinquency Council, she is chairman of its Juvenile Justice Committee. Mrs. DeFoe was named an Outstanding Young Woman in America in 1970. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Family Ecology at Michigan State University.

Big Sisters International is an organization that works through over 100 local agencies to match a young girl from a single-parent home with a mature woman who provides guidance, friendship and support on a one-to-one basis.

HOPES NEW THIRD GENERATION STUDENTS—Pictured are:

Rev. Frank DeObaldia of Lansing, Mich., son of Frank and Mary McIver; grandson of Peter '20 and Margarette Meyers '17; son of Frank DeObaldia; grandson of Pete '20 and Margarette Meyers '17; son of Frank DeObaldia; grandson of Pete '20 and Margarette Meyers '17.

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TerMolen Heads Art Institute Development

Larry R. TerMolen '59 has been named vice president for development of the Art Institute of Chicago. He assumed duties on Sept. 1, supervising fund-raising, membership, and public relations activities.

Since 1972, TerMolen has distinguished himself in the development profession as an administrator at Southern Methodist University. He has been the vice president for development at SMU since 1980, when he was promoted to the position of executive director. In 1978 he was elected vice president of development at SMU.

In his new position, he will be responsible for the overall management of the institute's development activities, including fund-raising, membership, and public relations. He will work closely with the institute's senior management team to develop strategies and plans for the future direction of the institution.

TerMolen brings to the position extensive experience in higher education and the arts. He has held leadership positions at several institutions, including Southern Methodist University, where he served as vice president for development from 1972 to 1980, and the University of South Carolina, where he served as director of development from 1977 to 1980.

In addition to his work in higher education, TerMolen has been involved in the arts and cultural organizations throughout his career. He has served as a member of the board of directors for the National Endowment for the Arts and the American Federation of Arts, and as a trustee for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

TerMolen received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of South Carolina in 1970 and his master's degree in business administration from the University of Southern California in 1972.

class notes

'20s

The Rev. William Zoerner '22 and his wife, Magdalene DeYoung '23, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in June. An open house was held at the First Presbyterian Church, Grand Haven, Mich.

Alfred B. Over '22, M.D., was recently honored by residents of Port Washington, Wis., for his 50 years in medical practice. The ceremony included a dedication of a new facility for the Port Washington Public School, Grand Haven, Mich.

Alma M. Poppe '28, M.D., was honored in May at the First Presbyterian Church, Grand Haven, Mich., for his 50 years of service. Dr. Poppe has been a member of the church for more than 50 years and has served as a deacon, trustee, and Sunday school teacher.

Toni J. wenn '22, a former student at Hope College, was recently appointed as the director of the new Hope College Art Institute of Chicago. She will be responsible for overseeing the development of the new institute's programs and initiatives.

'40s

Roger W. Hoyt '40 announced his resignation in late August as president of the American Council on Education to become executive director of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Mich.

The Rev. Chester Postma '40 has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church, Grand Haven, Mich. He served as pastor of the church from 1942 to 1946.

The Rev. Oliver Page '41 and his wife, Ula, were honored in May at a retirement dinner given by the School of Divinity at Princeton University. The couple has served as pastors at the First Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Mo.

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The Rev. Richard Hume '40 has been installed as associate pastor at the Rosewood Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

The Rev. William VandenBerg '43 has accepted a call to the Valley Springs (S.D.) Reformed Church.

Martha Felton '47 was recently listed in Who's Who in the Midwest. She is working toward her Ph.D. at the University of Michigan.

Dr. James Cook '40, professor of biblical languages and literature at Western Theological Seminary, is taking a one-year sabatical at the Univ. of Durham (England).

The Philippines, Hong Kong, and Taiwan, have been visited by Dr. Daniel H. DeVelder, a member of the supervisory board of RCA.

Burlington Siebert '50 DeVelder and her husband, Dr. John DeVelder, were recently honored by World Neighbors, Inc., at their 25th anniversary celebration in Okland, Calif. The DeVelders have been associated with World Neighbors, Inc., in the past.

The Rev. Richard E. Irving '49 has been appointed to the post of chairman of the ministry, serving churches in Illinois, Iowa, Arizona, California, and Oregon.

The Rev. John D. Kilkima '51 has retired from the active ministry after serving for 24 years. Rev. Kilkima's last pastorate was at the First Reformed Church of Buffalo (N.Y.).

Rev. Victor J. Maxem '51, of Troy, Mich., has retired after 42 years in the ministry. He has been affiliated with Reformed, Presbyterian, and Congregational churches in Michigan, Illinois, and New York.

J. Cort Rylazand '53 is president of the theology and English department of Hope College, Grand Haven, Mich.

The Rev. Bert Bonnycastle '52 was recently elected president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America. He has served as executive secretary of the Synod of New York, chairman of the Council of Field Secretaries, and a member of the Board of Trustees.

Lesl Maris '51, recently retired from his service as a missionary, moved to Grand Rapids, Mich. He was honored at General Synod with a plaque and a standing ovation.

Willard C. Wicker '52 was reappointed a member of the Michigan Historical Commission by Governor William G. Miller. He will serve a new term.

The Rev. Dr. James Netting '47, American Bible Society's executive secretary for information and minister of the RCA, is presently serving as a private White House counselor. In 1945 he was instrumental in the formation of the first national Reformed Study center.

The Rev. Dr. George C. Drought '46, former minister of the Church of Christ, Grand Rapids, Mich., is presently serving as director of education and church officer.

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marriages

Steven Berger '76 and Kathy Kitchener 77, July 17, 1976.
Ann Belectric and John Seel 75, July 26, 1976, Kalamazoo, Mich.

definition of eight companies.

June Haiden 85 is a clinical specialist at Montiffour Hospital.
The Rev. William Grunden 55 is a police chaplain for Oak Rut, Mass. He is also a member of the U.S. Air Force Chaplains' Association.

Don Piersma 77 has been named athletic director for the 1976-77 school year at Holland (Mich.) High School.
The Rev. Lynn Post 56 was installed as pastor of the 33rd Reformed Church, Lansing, Mich., in June.

Dr. Donald VanAntlen 56 and his family recently returned from a four-month sabbatical leave in the Dominican Republic, sponsored by the medical mission program of the Christian Medical Church.

Alice VanKovterling '56 is an instructor for Greenwich High School, Arden, Mich.
The Rev. Gordon Webster 56 has been appointed a counselor at University College, Syracuse, N.Y.

Carol McCaffrey 58 Bradford and her family are living in Oxford, England for a year while her husband, Robert, is on a sabbatical leave from Buckingham U.

Dr. Mort Vanderland 56 has been named a manager of the physical therapy department at Baltimore's Columbus (Ohio) Laboratory.

Ronald VanKoevering 59, a physician with the U.S. Army Damascus, Md., is taking a year's leave to join the staff of the Memorial General Hospital in Altoona, Pa.

'60s

Peter H. Huisenga 60, vice-president of Waste Management, Inc. of Oakland, Calif., was recently re-elected as a director of the firm.
The Rev. John Klinckheller 60 is a member of the Seventh Reformed Church, Zelienople, Pa.
The Rev. Gary J. Long 60, pastor of the Lima (Ohio) Reformed Church, was recently elected to membership in the College of Fellows of the American Academy of Religion. Founded in 1699, the Academy serves the needs of the professional center of each of the major faiths.

Robert W. Trimmer 60 has been included in the 1976-77 edition of Who's Who in America.

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residency in general surgery at the Univ. of Wisconsin affiliated hospitals. Dr. Zornetzer received his M.D. from Johns Hopkins Univ. School of Medicine in 1974. While a student, he was involved in cardiac research and co-authored a paper on the treatment of infants and children which was accepted for publication by Annals of Thoracic Surgery. Ted Brenn 77, assistant professor at the Michigan State Police Training Academy and now a fellow with the (Mich.) Police Department.

Tim Ruis, 74, a retired Westmoor Theological Seminary professor, is back in his one-year intern at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

David Kampf 77 and Virginia DeLa Flue 78 are both working as salespeople at a local health center in Hemet, Calif.

Jim O'Connell 77 recently finished a contract at the Continental Theatre Company, Wilton Park, N.Y., for 176. He also acted in the Gaslight Dinner Troupe in "Man of La Mancha." William T. Peck 77 earned his CPA certification in 1974. He has been practicing in the Keta’s office, Keta, Conn. and is also a registered auditor at Scott T. (N.J.) National Bank.

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Brown 77 was the second assistant manager of the I.R.S. in Detroit, Mich.

Surviving are his sisters, Mrs. Virginia Dean 77 and Mary Jane Myers 77.

Mary Tarrant 77 was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. She married Rep. Guy Vander Kolk 77, who was a member of the baseball team. After marriage, she moved to Holland, Mich. and operated a drugstore in the city. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Tarrant 77, who was a member of the Congregational Church in Freeport, Ill.

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Jimmy Carter and the Riddle of Romans 13

By Wayne Boulton

There is no single factor that accounts for Carter's triumph in the Democratic party. Even he admits that he has been lucky: such Democratic heavyweights as Ted Kennedy and Hubert Humphrey either refused to run or remained entirely about running until it was too late. Carter has been at it a while, running for President full-time for close to two years. His staff has proved to be disciplined and competent, predicting correctly that intense media coverage of early primaries could be used to transform an essentially regional candidate into a national one.

But above all, what has launched Jimmy Carter's success story this year is what most irritates his critics: his ability to present himself as above politics, as somehow outside the machinery that gives us Watergate, Vietnam and the welfare mess. No special interest groups, he claims, have forced him to compromise. Speech after speech is laced with scriptural themes—"love," "compassion," "unity," "the simple decency of our people." Now there is nothing necessarily denigrating about such a posture in a political campaign, and Carter's success shows that the time is surely right for it. Weary of war and scandal, Americans are looking for a President who not only can speak of compassion and high moral purpose, but can embody them and elect them. The trouble is, as Congressman Morris Udall pointed out during the primaries, that Carter's moral rhetoric can be a source of confusion and fuzziness in the polls—a contentious world of conflicting aims and ambitions—and that it may be a sign of inflexible self-righteousness.

What gives coherence and shape to Carter's above-it-all morality is his religion. He is an evangelical Christian, a Southern Baptist. "I was born again" ten years ago, and probably the first presidential candidate in U.S. history to assert publicly that Jesus is the main influence in his life. "Jesus Christ is the single most important person in my life," he has said, "even before politics.

These puzzled by Carter's morality are usually mystified and vaguely disturbed by this sort of statement. Yet the words nicely summarize his position, at the same time suggesting two necessary marks of the Christian movement in political life. First, authentic Christianity drives beyond politics; there is an eschatological, apocalyptic thrust in the Christian community which was most evident in the anti-institutional, pacifist posture of the early church. Second, Christians do have a role to play in political life, and that is neither to withdraw from politics nor to transform it into something completely new. The first point is made indelibly in the New Testament. The second was not elaborated fully until St. Augustine set forth his two-volume thesis in The City of God, in Scripture it is the peculiar burden of Paul's argument in the first part of Romans 13.

The political implications of biblical Christianity have certainly not been ignored in contemporary scholarship. The question is too complex to treat fully here. But some definition must be given to the word "political.

Politics is a special kind of activity which has existed since the time of the first human communities. The doing of politics defines a distinct region, the public realm. Its essence is always plurality, conflict, difference of opinion. To be sure, some sort of agreement is the goal of many political processes (the 76 Democratic Convention for example), but the reconciliation is by definition temporary. For the political realm is peopled by individuals with hopes, fears and ambitions of their own. Thus politics is forever the delicate art of compromise and conciliation. British journalist Henry Fairlie has written that political decisions involve "interests which conflict, and are hard to reconcile, wills which cannot be commanded but at best only persuaded, resources which are limited but on which the claims are many, support which must be weighed and re-weighted and may at any time slip away."

When we define politics in this way, is there a distinctively Christian assessment of political life? When we post this question to the New Testament we find the answer moving in two different directions. On the one hand, all Scripture is in its resistance to polytheism, which in this case would mean marking off the public realm as a particularly demonic (or satanic) sphere. One of the most frequent claims in the Bible is that "the Lord your God is one, sovereign and over all spheres of life, including politics, and demanding obedience there as well as elsewhere."

At the same time there are strong antitropical themes in the New Testament, most clearly in the treatment of apocalyptic literature. The situation could hardly be otherwise, since the complicity of Roman and Jewish political establishments in the crucifixion of Jesus was a decisive experience in the memory of early Christians. The light shines in the darkness..." (Rom. 15:10). There are even suggestions that the state is demonic (Rev. 13), that politics is "of the world" and to be hated (I John), and that politicians will never understand Christianity because it is otherwise (John 10).