

Staff cuts possible

Money crunch hits Northern

The state's growing economic troubles spread to NMU with Governor Millikin's announcement that NMU's 1975-76 budget would be cut 4 per cent. Estimates of just how much of a reduction this will be range from \$750,000 to over \$1 million.

That announcement has sent faculty and administrators on campus into a flurry of activity to estimate and make budget cuts. That could lead to the elimination of up to 50 administrative and faculty positions.

In a January 3 memoran-

dum to all University personnel, Dr. Jamrich outlined the problems facing NMU and the procedures for planning the budget cuts. These procedures included the start of the legal process that could lead to the big retrenchments.

Informed sources around the University emphasize that this process does not mean that any positions will necessarily be lost, though two weeks ago, Dr. Jamrich seemed to think that at least some staff cuts were inevitable. The procedure reflects the administration's

belief that such cuts are a definite possibility.

Retrenchment means the elimination of a job somewhere in the University. This term does not include positions that may also be terminated due to retirement or other reasons for quitting.

Concern over just where the cuts will come has been widespread throughout the University. A meeting of all personnel took place Thursday, January 16 to formally inform the University of the financial situation.

Representatives from the

various sub-units addressed their colleagues and the University at large on how they felt NMU should deal with the problem. Each section outlined how they could make a 4 per cent cut from this year's operating budget.

Dr. David Cooper, Chairman of the Academic Senate (all faculty) emphasized at that meeting that alternatives to retrenchment ought to be sought and investigated.

Cooper pointed out that the problem is not one of declining enrollment, but rather a

reflection of the state's economic woes. A reduction in faculty with the same enrollment would mean fewer and more crowded classrooms and "a decline in educational quality."

He emphasized that enrollment not be allowed to slip and advocated stepped up recruiting of high school seniors. This would prevent a further drop in University revenue.

For the current deficit, Cooper sees two alternatives. First, a business model. Based on the profit motives, where retrenchments are justified, though it would ruin what he called the "educational community."

Instead, he proposed a "community solution," and he pointed out, "...a small group of people should not be appointed to bear the burden for the rest of us."

Under this plan, he found two particular money saving devices that would be acceptable to the faculty. First would be encouraging the faculty to make a monetary contribution to the University, the majority of which is tax deductible. The second proposal is to try rotating semesters, so that some

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Kuralt to speak at NMU

CBS news correspondent, Charles Kuralt, whose special feature "On the Road" is seen periodically on the CBS News With Walter Cronkite, will lecture at NMU on January 29.

The lecture, "The America Behind the Headlines," will be held in the C.B. Hedgcock Fieldhouse at 8:15 p.m.

Kuralt is particularly well known for his coverage of political events and his unusual stories about unusual people and places which are broadcasted in the "On the Road" series.

He was involved in the recent special on Jack Benny, and he has also done specials on other famous personalities such as "Mayor Daley: A

Study in Power," and "Louis Armstrong: 1900-1971." The CBS News specials, "Misunderstanding China; Adventure: To the Top of Everest"; and "Kids, 53 Things to Know about Health, Sex and Growing Up," are also specials Kuralt participated in.

Kuralt has reported on a huge diversity of topics in the USA and abroad since joining the CBS News in 1956. He has traveled extensively in the USA, covering approximately 30,000-40,000 miles a year for the "On the Road" series, and he has received an Emmy from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences

and a George Foster Peabody Award for the series.

This program was arranged by the Quad II Residence Halls Association Program Board, and it is sponsored by ASNMU. Funding is provided by the Office of the Coordinator for Special Events at NMU.

Tickets will cost \$.50 for students with NMU I.D., and \$1 for non-students. Tickets are available in the Office of the Dean of Students in the University Center. They will also be available in the Learning Resources Center on January 27 and 28, and at the door.

Action line

Pat Dye, Student Ombudsman, welcomes questions and comments. Students may call anytime between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (7-2334) or stop at my office across from the candy shop in the University Center.

Question: My grades haven't been very good the last couple of semesters and I was wondering what Northern's policy was concerning academic proficiency?

Answer: A grade point of 2.0 (C) is a minimum requirement for graduation. Also students may be suspended for failing to keep their honor points within certain limits. There are three academic actions that the University may take on a student who doesn't keep his honor points up: (1) simple academic probation (2) extreme academic probation (3) academic suspension. For more information on this topic consult your Northern Bulletin, page 27.

Question: When is the last day for book refunds?

Answer: January 31 is the deadline. In order to get a refund you must present a sales receipt, drop slip, and an I.D. card.

Student tutors sought

Students who are interested in helping others with academic course work can now apply to be paid tutors for the all-campus tutoring program. Applications are available at the Dean of Students Office, and they must be returned to that office by Friday, January 31.

Students who apply should be successful in their own studies, aware of good study skills, and effective in communicating with others. All tutors will be required to attend at least one training session.

Beginning February 10, the tutors will be available to provide assistance to students on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8-10 p.m. in the Payne-Halverson cafeteria.

This service will be available to both on-and-off-campus students.



Winfester plans in progress

January 20—3 p.m.—Broomball Tournament Begins
 January 23—3 p.m.—Sno-Queen Entry Deadline
 January 24—1 p.m.—Photo Session—All Queen Contestants
 January 24—3 p.m.—Snow Queen Publicity may begin
 January 24—5 p.m.—Deadline for Snow Statue Entries
 January 28—7 p.m.—Snow Statue Clinic No. 1
 February 3—3 p.m.—Ice Skating Entry Deadline
 February 3—3 p.m.—Alpine Races Entry Deadline
 February 6—9 a.m.-6 p.m.—Sno-Queen Semi-Final Election
 February 7—12 Noon—Snow Statue Construction may begin
 February 7—Five Queen Finalists Announced
 February 10—8 p.m.—NMU-WWM Basketball Game with queen finalists
 February 12—5:30 p.m.—Sno-Queen Dinner
 February 13—9 a.m.-6 p.m.—Sno-Queen Finalists Election Day

Winfester '75, Northern's winter carnival, is well on its way with many competition entry deadlines this week. This year's Winfester includes traditional Snow Statue and queen contests, along with broomball, skiing and skating completion.

More information about times and places will appear in the next few weeks. For specific information, contact Carol Huntoon at the student activities office in the University Center.

February 15—9:30 p.m.—Announcement of Sno-Queen
 February 15—8:30 p.m. Winfester Eve All University Dance
 February 16—8.15 p.m.—Concert "Herbie Hancock"
 February 17—3 & 4 p.m.—Men's & Women's Broomball semi-finals
 February 17—8 p.m.—MNU-MTU Basketball Game; present Queen
 February 18—7-10 p.m.—Ice Skating Races and NMU free skating night
 February 19—2 p.m.—Men's & Women's Broomball Finals
 February 20—3 & 4 p.m. Men's & Women's Broomball Finals
 February 21—Last Night of Snow Statue Building
 February 22—9 a.m.—Snow Statue Construction Must End
 February 22—9 a.m.—Snow Statue Judging Begins
 February 22—8 p.m.—Mini-Concert and Awards Ceremonies

Lecture on urban blacks

Thomas Nathaniel Todd, attorney from Chicago, will speak on Northern Michigan University's campus on Friday at 3 p.m. in Instructional Facility 105.

The lecture, "Urban Problems in America, and the Plight of Black People in the United States," will include several areas involving the Big City and the direction Black Americans need to pursue to participate comfortably in the main stream of society. Mr. Todd's presentation will attempt to clarify

many misconceptions of the Black American and he will update the audience on current urban problems.

Todd received his education from Southern University undergraduate school, B.A. Political Science, 1959, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Southern University School of Law Juris Doctor, Magna Cum Laude, 1963.

Before going into a law practice full time, Todd held several outstanding positions, some of these are: President,

Chicago Chapter, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 1971 Executive Vice President, Operation P.U.S.H., 1971-73, Consultant to the Commission of Inquiry into the Black Panthers and Law Enforcement, New York City, New York, 1970-72.

Awards held by Mr. Todd are: SCLC's Operation Breadbasket's Activist Award, 1971. Independent Democratic Organization 7th ward, Chicago, 1971. Biography published in the "Chicago Negro Almanac" 1973. The Outstanding Achievement Award. The National Consumer Information Center, Washington, D.C. 1974, and the Black Excellence Award for Community Action, P.U.S.H. Expo '74, 1974.

I. D.'s available

Spouse I.D. Cards are now available in the ASNMU Office. These cards may be used for sporting events, or other functions requiring student I.D. cards. They may not, however, be used for Health Center or library purposes.

Materials needed in order to receive a spouse I.D. card, are

drivers licence and marriage certificate. These must be presented to the issuer of the card before it is issued.

The ASNMU Office is located on the first floor of the University Center, the north end of the Wildcat Den, in the Student Activities Complex 1. Office hours are from 1 to 5 p.m. every afternoon.

LB 830 exam set

The written test for students wishing to have the Physical Fitness requirement waived will be given at 4 p.m. in Classroom No. 2 in the HPER Building on Wednesday, January 29. Students who plan to take this test should register in office No. 1 in the Fieldhouse by 4 p.m. on

Friday, January 24. Students who score 76 per cent or more on this test will have this physical fitness requirement waived.

Students who register in LB 830 and pass this test will receive one hour of physical education credit. Those who do not register for LB 830 and pass this test will be exempt from taking this course, but will need to substitute an additional physical education course to complete the four hour requirement.

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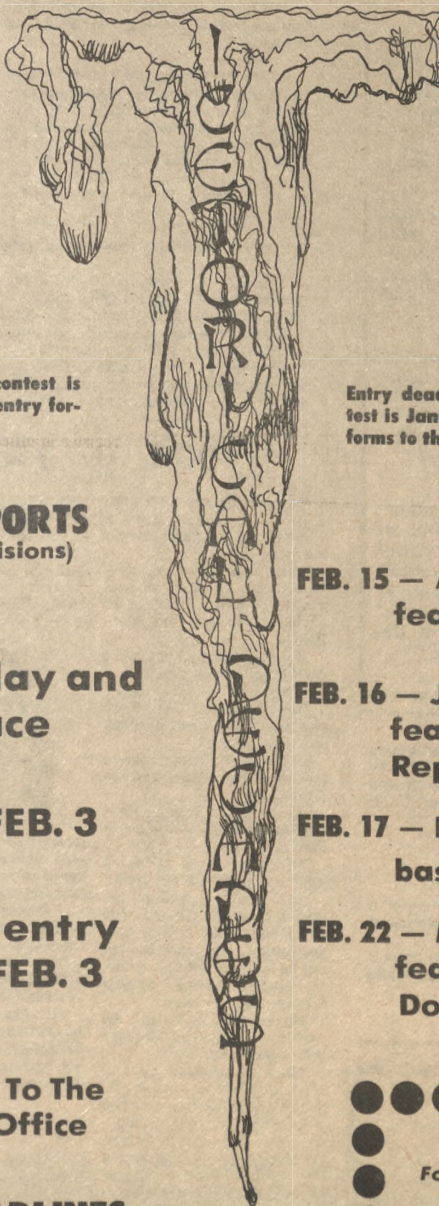


Winfester

FEBRUARY 15 to 22



Entry deadline for the Queen contest is January 23 at 3:00 pm. Return entry forms to Student Activities Office.



Entry deadline for the Snow Sculpture contest is January 24 at 5:00 pm. Return entry forms to the Office of the Dean Of Students.

COMPETITIVE SPORTS (men and women divisions)

Ice Skating — relay and novelty race — entry deadline FEB. 3

Alpine Racing — entry deadline FEB. 3

Return Entry Forms To The Student Activities Office

PLEASE NOTE DEADLINES

Winfester is co-sponsored by the Residence Halls Programs Office and the Student Activities Office.

SPECIAL EVENTS

FEB. 15 — All University dance — featuring Apple Jack

FEB. 16 — Jazz concert — featuring Weather Report

FEB. 17 — NMU vs. MTU basketball game

FEB. 22 — Mini-concert — featuring Monroe Doctrine

For More Information Contact —

Carol Huntoon Student Activities Office at 227-2440 or Jeanne Karr in Residence Halls Program Office at 227-2455.

commentary



Students hurt by proposals

With the advent of another semester now underway, the NORTH WIND would like to extend its wishes for overall success and achievement at NMU. Celebrating its 75 anniversary, the school has a progressive record of respect, and we hope all of us can continue building towards a greater and more expansive educational program.

Confronted with the impact of a national recession, the administration of NMU must devise means of alleviating its depleted budget this year. Though several committees were appointed by President Jamrich to discuss various proposals and solutions, the problem should be a consideration of all students as well.

With the imminent possibility of faculty retrenchment in already crowded classrooms and the suggestion of students having to pay for programs and services which should be free, we must face the unfortunate situation and devise viable alternatives.

Frugality must be practiced in the exorbitant but often overlooked luxuries that so many personnel take for granted. Only through the conservation of so called "fixed" items such as electricity, paper, mimeographing, etc., can we achieve a budget meet without sacrificing the quality of the school and its obligations to the student.

The NORTH WIND welcomes all articles in consideration for publication under the stipulation that certain policies be followed. All stories must be type written and double spaced with one inch margins. On the upper left corner of EACH page must be the following slug:

Page number
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At the bottom of each page should be the word "more" if there are subsequent pages, and the designation "1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1" at the end.

Unless these policies are followed, no outside articles will be accepted. The NORTH WIND staff is a small one; thanks for helping us out.

Letters are welcome

NORTH WIND welcomes and accepts all letters from readers. To insure that as many letters as possible appear in print, readers should follow a few simple guidelines.

All letters should be typewritten and double spaced. Letters must be signed and include hometown and class designation for students; rank and department for faculty and staff; and a phone number. Absolutely no unsigned letters will be considered for publication.

Submission constitutes a grant to edit for clarity and publication unless otherwise specified. Letters definitely will not be edited for content.

Columns and letters used on NORTH WIND editorial pages do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the NORTH WIND editorial staff. The opinions in all columns and letters are solely those of the authors and are not intended to take the place of this paper's opinions or policies.

An Apple a Day

Editor's note: Dr. White is the director of NMU's Health Center. Questions may be submitted to him by writing the NORTH WIND office, Lee Hall, NMU, by dropping a note in the designated folder of the office door, or by calling 227-2546.

by ROBERT B. WHITE, M.D.

QUESTION: What is ringworm? I think I've got it on my thumb.

ANSWER: Ringworm is one of those descriptive misnomers with which we are probably stuck forever. On the one hand, it describes the appearance very well, but on the other hand, it is very misleading in terms of the causative agent. In reality, it is a fungus infection of the skin which often looks like a wormish ring or a series of wormish rings. It can be found on almost any part of the skin and usually causes few if any symptoms. It is not highly contagious, often clears spontaneously, and is never serious. I suppose what sends most people to the doctor is its weird appearance (the edge really does look like a worm) and concern about spread. It is possible to have ringworm of the thumb but much less common than other sites. The rule in treatment is conservatism just because so many will clear with little or no medication. On the other hand, there are situations that seem to go on for months and require a more vigorous approach. Why not come in and let us give you an opinion. It may not be ringworm at all.

QUESTION: What can I do to protect my skin? It's usually oily but with the cold lately, my skin has been peeling. I'm afraid to use a moisturizer because it might make my acne worse.

ANSWER: Firstly, don't shower or bathe too often, keep water on the cool side, and use little soap. A surprising number of people develop itchy or scaly skin during winter simply because the natural skin oils are washed out from too much bathing. Once or twice a week is usually enough unless you're really dirty. Yes, you may smell a little but that's what clean clothes and deodorants are for. Secondly, use of some bath oil (like alpha kerol) or application of a bland lotion (e.g., vaseline intensive care) may prevent chapping and scaling. Finally, don't be afraid of a vaporizer (cold water). It won't make your acne worse. Of course, it is true that care of acne areas of skin may need special cleansing.

QUESTION: I'm hearing conflicting reports, how dangerous is glue sniffing?

ANSWER: The practice of inhaling fumes from volatile hydrocarbons (airplane glue, gasoline, paint thinner, lighter fluid) is called glue sniffing. It's dangerous and stupid. Immediate effects are similar to alcoholic intoxication lasting 30-45 minutes. This is followed by a stage of drowsiness, stupor, or unconsciousness lasting about an hour. Gradual tolerance develops so that increasing amounts must be used to produce the desired effect. Serious consequences can result including damage to brain, kidneys, liver, and bone marrow. My advice—why not sniff something that is mind altering but at the same time natural, refreshing, even inspiring—like a rose or new fallen snow.

Nice guys finish last

"I'm getting sick and tired of having a nice guy in the White House," Sugarbush said the other day.

"But, Sugarbush, it was less than a year ago that you said you were sick and tired of having a crook in the White House."

"I don't want a crook and I don't want a nice guy."

"Then what do you want?"

"How do I know? Isn't there something between a crook and a nice guy?"

"I guess so. What bothers you about President Ford the most?"

"He seems so sincere. He is the kind of guy I would buy a used car from."

"Of course. We'd all buy a used car from Gerry Ford."

"The trouble is you get the feeling he doesn't know what he's selling. One day he tells you to buy a car, and the next day he tells you not to buy one. He may be a nice guy, but he's a lousy car salesman."

"Sugarbush, you can't be mad at a President because he's a nice guy."

"Oh, yeah? Who says I can't. If you have a mean guy in the White House, you can blame him for everything—unemployment, the recession, the price of sugar, the drop in the stock market. It makes you feel good to lay the whole thing right in his lap. But if you have a nice guy in the White House, he makes you feel guilty. I'm sick and tired of feeling guilty."

"People still blame President Ford for everything," I said.

"But there is no real heat behind it. Your anger doesn't come from the gut. Now take Nixon. You could really get mad at Nixon. Every time he

came on television your blood boiled. You could scream at the TV set. We all knew he was lying to us, and we didn't feel guilty about hating him. We knew he was responsible for everything bad that was happening to us. Even if he



By ART BUCHWALD

wasn't we wanted to think he was. As long as you have somebody to blame for your troubles you can survive. The reason people are mad at Ford is that they can't get mad at him."

"It's not easy," I admitted. "Why do you think Gerry Ford is such a nice guy?"

"He can't help it," Sugarbush said. "Some guys are born nice. It might have been his early upbringing. Maybe no one was mean to him when

he was a kid. Whatever it was, it wasn't his fault. But why should the rest of us pay because Gerry Ford had a happy childhood?"

"When a man becomes President he should rise above his niceness and become the S.O.B. we expect in our Presidents."

"You make an awfully strong case against nice guys. Maybe Ford will stop being nice after a few more months in office and a few more articles like this one."

"No way," Sugarbush said.

"You just have to look at him to see he'll never change. He doesn't know what it is to be mean. He doesn't have it in him to create the loathing we all need to keep going."

"All right, Sugarbush. You don't want Ford in the White House. Whom do you want?"

"I know you're going to think I'm crazy, but what about Spiro Agnew?"

"Agnew? Why Agnew?"

"He can be awfully mean when he wants to be. He's just as bright as Ford, but no one has ever thought of him as a nice guy."

Letter to the Editor

Tenant Services received this letter post marked from New Delhi India earlier this year.

Dear Sir:

While attending Northern, I stole two sheets and a pillow case from your linen service. I returned one sheet, but had tie-dyed the other sheet and the pillow case, so I was too embarrassed to return those. The theft was committed a few months before I gave my life to the Lordship of Jesus. That was a while back. I

forgot about the entire thing and few times I'd thought about it since I dismissed it from my mind.

God showed me it was wrong not to make restitution. Please forgive me for this act. I most sincerely apologize. Enclosed is \$10. This should be over and above what the sheet and pillow case cost. Thanks so much for your time and for listening.

Sincerely yours
Mary Okincz

Committees discuss budget

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students and faculty would have their "summer" vacations during the winter or fall semesters.

Cooper said that asking the faculty to forgo raises or increase their workload to 30 hours per year would not be acceptable.

A report by the Faculty Advisory Budget Committee

(FABC) to the Academic Senate Tuesday charged that the non-instructional staff has become unnecessarily large at Northern. It also offered more ideas for saving money without retrenchment for faculty consideration, including a tuition increase and a system of expanded user fees.

The FABC was specifically given the responsibility by the

Academic Senate to find alternatives or reductions in the instructional budget. This includes all money related to faculty and classroom support. The non-instructional side includes the administrators, their staff, and other maintenance and service personnel.

Of an anticipated \$850,000 reduction, Provost Glenn has estimated a \$450,000 cut in the instructional budget and a \$400,000 cut in the non-instructional budget.

The FABC report fixes the reduction figure at approximately \$800,000. The main point of the report is that, since 1968, the ratio of non-teaching staff to students has increased 31.8 per cent while the ratio of teaching staff to students has risen but 0.8 per cent.

The report concludes that, (1) the major cause of the financial problem is inflation in non-teaching staff salaries; and (2) compared with similar state universities, Northern is spending much more for non-teaching personnel. If NMU brought this figure into line with those other schools', a savings of \$1.1 million could be realized.

The FABC urged that other proposals for savings and increased revenue be investigated. What one FABC member called, "a modest tuition increase, perhaps \$2 per hour," was estimated to generate an extra \$270,000 revenue. Possibly \$100,000 of that would go into increased financial aid.

Also suggested was an increased system of "user fees." This means students would be asked to finance through increased activity fees many big money drains on the University, such as intercollegiate athletics.

Faculty members have expressed confidence that the Budget and Planning Committee of the University Advisory Council and Dr. Jamrich will be responsive to their suggestions.

Asked whether the budget cuts could be made in other fixed line items such as electricity, etc., Dr. Jamrich said that the committees will discuss such possibilities. "We must look around and ask, 'Do we really need that?' or 'Is it something which should be supported by University funds?'"

Of financial aids, Jamrich said, "If anything, we've got to increase that; we'd be foolish to move into that area.

Inquiry

Editor's Note:

Many of the articles in INQUIRY this term will deal with the problem of World Hunger and Food Shortages. Several approaches to the fact of starvation and the apparent expansion of world population beyond available survival resources have been suggested by scientists, political leaders and technologists. One such solution—"triage"—has been attacked by ethicists. "Triage" is the subject of this article.

edited by RUSSELL H. ALLEN

It has now become something of a cliché to state that the 1970's is a decade of crisis. Indeed, crisis-consciousness is fast becoming close to a national pastime, with points being won by discovering the potential tragedy which will affect the largest number of people to the most complete degree with the widest-ranging after effects. The celebration of what has gone wrong in the world since the close of World War II is quickly replacing any search for positive accomplishments by which the present limitations on human existence might be overcome. Far from being the creation of the media or of massive self-criticism or of a loss of faith in human progress, this contemporary attitude is rooted in the fact that there is much that is wrong with the world-much that limits human life or mis-directs the resources and energies available for constructive or creative existences. Many of the crises are imagined or not worth the attention and level of worry-energy which they receive. But others are quite real and threatening to the stability which we demand or expect in fulfilling our life-goals.

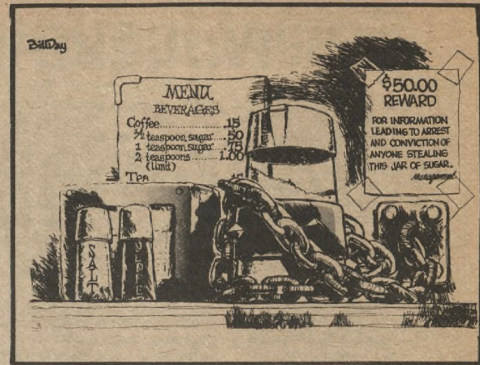
The discovery of so many crises has led to a certain type of apathy which contrasts drastically with the attitude toward ills and weaknesses developed a earlier points in this post-War period. Three causes for this may be suggested.

1) Many people believe that the niggly exposure to the realities of the Vietnam conflict through national network news reports produced a passive attitude toward what was happening to the human beings on either side of the fighting. 2) More recently, the attack upon the American standard of life resulting from oil shortages, recession, and inflation has supplied a more immediate crisis which allows for little attention to broader and less personal flaws in social and global relationships. 3) Intense involvement in Civil-Human Rights—Anti-War—Peace—Ecology—Indian—Third World Liberation—Women's Lib has produced a "burnt-out" attitude to such broadly based and far reaching movements. While the fruit of these three considerations is understandable, it may not be justifiable as the interrelationship and inter-dependence of people and peoples becomes clear in the crises still unfolding.

The problem of hunger, the insufficient control or the mis-management of the world's food resources, and the resulting ethical and political decisions, lie squarely under the heading of a crucial matter being responded to in morally questionable or indefensibly apathetic ways. Only recently has the nation's news media begun to give consideration to the problem of hunger and starvation, so the passive and callous acceptance of human suffering should not as yet have quieted the conscience of Americans. Hunger is as close to Marquette and NMU as the supermarket, the Board fees and the cafeteria, and the cities and farms from which students have come. No person can respond fully, to all types and degrees of human suffering, which necessitates some careful examination of the particular issues and needs involved in any selected area as well as a clear analysis of the means available to respond to the problem at local, regional, and global levels.

In the weeks ahead, INQUIRY will engage in just such a discussion of the depths and complexities of the World Hunger-Food Supply Shortage problem confronting people in many lands. We will write of the nature and dimensions of the crisis, and of the responses being made to it. We will react to the moral dimensions and evaluate the ethical decisions being made in this country and by international agencies. We will also look at the implications of this problem for Marquette and NMU, and especially suggest means by which a response might be made by the members of this academic community.

Your response and assistance in this examination of World Hunger is encouraged and will be greatly appreciated. We who share in the human condition are allowed to grasp and celebrate its potential by recognizing and responding to its limitations and sharing in the suffering of our brothers and sisters.



In perspective



by BRUCE PEEK

"While most of the medical information in this booklet is accurate and well presented, Northern Michigan University regrets that political overtones have crept into its publication. We wish to make clear that the University does not necessarily endorse these views."—Distributed by the Office of the Dean of Students.

The above is an official disclaimer of a birth control handbook, distributed by the Office of the Dean of Students during all purpose day at Drop and Add. This is, of course, 1975 and, NMU being five years behind the times, it might not be totally uncalled for to expect the University to disavow a publication dealing with the "political overtones" of birth control. Perhaps the introduction of the handbook caused chagrin among the NMU administration. Upon reading the Intro. to the Birth Control Handbook, one finds an essentially Malthusian justification for the use of birth control, followed by a fair, unbiased appraisal of the existing state of affairs in many third world nations.

EXCEPT.

EXCEPT, that a vast majority of NMU students are at least 18 years of age or older; old enough to vote, hold a full time job, pay taxes, and, if deemed necessary by their elected representatives, die in a war. Citizens of voting age are being told that the Birth Control Handbook is "political." If so, of what nature are its politics—are they Leftist, Rightist, Centrist? Are its politics anti-American, or does the Birth Control Handbook simply state the facts as they are. It is a fact that coffee has little or no food value. It is also a fact that many U.S. based multi-national corporations do influence foreign nation's internal politics.

I am well beyond the age of 18 and feel that I personally will be the judge of a publication's politics. I strongly oppose any state institution's aid in deciding what is political and what is not.

"The author regrets any political overtones that may have crept into his article."

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Social insurance program opposed

Dear Editor:

To the Internal Revenue Service and the Social Security Administration, this letter serves notice that I am morally opposed to any coercive "social insurance program." I cannot morally accept any benefits nor make payments to such a project. This is one aspect of my moral philosophy which is opposed to the initiation of force.

Beginning January 1, 1975, I affirm that I will never seek benefits from Social Security. In addition, I will make no further contributions to Social Security. To date, I have received no benefits. All of my Social Security contributions made up to the end of 1974 shall be regarded by me as an outright, total loss.

To my employers, this letter serves notice to stop

withholding Social Security from my paychecks and to consider all of my compensation as exempt wages when calculating the "employer's share" of Social Security payments. This action of mine, compelled by my conscience, is both Constitutional and legal for the reasons I note below.

—Formerly, the U.S. government coerced men into military service through the draft. However, on religious grounds, some men (conscientious objectors) were exempt from the draft.

—The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that conscientious objection to the draft could not Constitutionally be restricted to solely religious grounds.

—Section 1402 paragraph (e) of the Internal Revenue Code recognizes the right of

religious persons to opt out of Social Security, either because of conscientious opposition or on the basis of religious principles.

—It is a logical extension of the preceding three points that courts would determine that conscientious objection to Social Security could not be Constitutionally restricted to solely religious persons. Anyone who has a consistent moral philosophy (that is opposed to coercive social insurance programs) has the Constitutional and legal right to declare a refusal to accept Social Security benefits and to cease making contributions to Social Security.

—Not only do I think this step is a logical extension of recognized rights, but apparently so does the Internal Revenue Service. The IRS has

consented to exempt conscientious objectors by deliberately refusing to compel these individuals to participate. All of the cases of which I am aware involve self-employed individuals. It is absurd to think that it would be illegal for me to be exempt from Social Security simply because I am an employee.

I am compelled to this action by my conscience. I have resigned myself to the total loss of my present S.S. contributions. May others benefit from my loss.

Despite the moral and legal righteousness of my action, I am fearful of the IRS. Even though the IRS may consent to my exemption from Social Security, I'm likely to be singled out for special attention for exercising my rights. My meager possessions may be illegally taken from me; my relatives, friends and associates may be subject to harassment; and I may be continuously persecuted (without legal grounds) by the mammoth bureaucracy.

The fear of being crushed by a hoard of IRS agents has led me to take certain precautionary measures. Any

IRS agent who persecutes me in violation of the revenue laws will be sued in accordance with Section 7214 of the Internal Revenue Code. Federal courts have also granted people the right to sue Federal agents who deprive them of their civil liberties.

Additionally, copies of this letter are going to various members of Congress and several newspapers. I trust that public opinion will cause IRS agents to refrain from violating my rights. A partial list of recipients of copies of this letter is enclosed.

If for some reason not known to me, the IRS believes that I must be compelled to violate my moral code by continued involvement in Social Security, the course is clear. Rather than underhanded tricks, the IRS should place the matter before the courts.

If this affair goes to the courts, I will establish an escrow fund composed of my portion and the employer's share of Social Security payments. My course in this matter is to act morally and Constitutionally. It is hoped that the IRS will do likewise.

With sincerity,
Pat Heller

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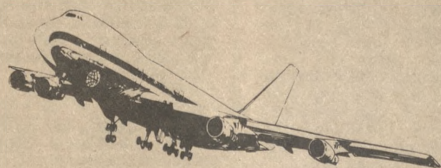
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Letter to the Editor

Co-op needs more support

Hello there!

My name is Susan Conquest, and I have been recently elected to Off-Campus Associated Students. OCAS is a young organization and presently in the process of collecting data on the feasibility and possibilities of establishing such services as a student-owned bank, co-op food store and a para-legal service for the use of students here at NMU. I've been appointed as chairman of the co-op food store committee and frankly, I'm not sure where to start.

Since we haven't as of yet gotten information on student preferences (via survey or questionnaire) concerning such developments as a para-legal service or co-op food store, we committee chairmen have been pretty much on our own in our planning. Per-

HMO stresses health maintenance

A Health Maintenance Organization is an entirely new approach to the delivery of health care. It is based on the philosophy that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and costs considerably less than that pound of cure, says Fritz Mills, off campus representative.

Basically, an HMO combines the functions of the family physician, the hospital, the clinic, and the insurance company into one organization, eliminating the duplication of services, equipment and manpower that is costly and inefficient.

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If he requires brain surgery, he goes to the HMO. Ambulance service, emergency service, outpatient care all are provided at no additional cost to the subscriber. In addition, an HMO can incorporate dental care, optometric care, psychiatric care and counseling, as well as educational courses on practical ways of maintaining good health, also, of course, at no additional cost.

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A person's medical records are centralized and easily accessible to all doctors who need them, rather than being scattered among various specialists, the family physician, and the hospital.

And finally, with the emphasis placed on maintaining good health rather than treating illnesses, a powerful, positive psychological advantage is apparent which almost makes seeing a doctor a treat, concluded Mills.

sonally speaking, my own interests in a food store are based on purchase and consumption of organic-natural foods.

I imagine most of you are into conventional processed foods (if you live in the dorms, it's unavoidable), but without feedback from all of you, I really don't know which direction to turn. I sincerely believe that students, or people for that matter, should have all the options open to them, and maybe a store which carries both natural

and processed foods should be the goal.

I am presently a member of the Marquette Organic Food Co-op and am very happy with the quality and price of the food I purchase. This group is having growing pains and really needs a store front for convenience and efficiency maximum. I see no reason why we possibly could not supply the store building in exchange for the services they offer. Dennis McCowen, chairperson of the Marquette Co-op, as well as myself, see

this as one of the possibilities.

Perhaps we could use Auxiliary Enterprises' purchasing power to buy as well as sell conventional food at low cost? Maybe another possibility would be to avoid these services altogether and do our purchasing through an independent wholesaler? The possibilities are many, but your ideas and support are needed.

If you are interested in getting good food at a low price, please get involved. There will be meetings in the near future to discuss and

exchange ideas. These will be announced in the paper and on the school radio stations, so keep your eyes and ears open.

It's the beginning of a new semester and possibly the beginning of some very positive changes at NMU and in the community of Marquette . . . if we give a little of ourselves. Feel free to call me at 228-8914 concerning the co-op food store, OCAS, or any problems you might have as an off-campus student.

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SUSAN CONQUEST


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Peer counselors needed

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(1) an interest and experience in working with students and possessing a genuine concern for their welfare; (2) familiarity with the services available to students within the University; (3) ability in leading group discussions and activities; (4) competency in academics as indicated by academic grade point average (a minimum grade point average of 2.50); and (5) verbal ability.

The application procedure includes a three weekend training-selection workshop which is scheduled for February 20, 22, and 23; February 28, March 1 and 2; and March 21 and 22.

It is expected that a person hired as a peer-counselor will work an average of 15-17 hours per week for the fall semester. Peer-counselors receive \$500 a semester for the successful completion of their duties.

Open letter

The student as citizen

Dear Northern Students:

A whirlwind of hopes, dreams, and anticipation. Fraternity parties, beach keggers, living in dorms, and your first off campus apartment, where half of your bathtub extends into your bedroom, and the city housing code which is about as effective as that of Mayor Daley's in Chicago. Finals, losing football team, Andy's Bar, and the Nursing students who have to pop pills to meet

the demands of their egotistical "lecturers"

Homecoming? Winfester? Thanksgiving break! The Brat House. Let's not forget classes Monday thru Friday, and perhaps last but not least our own Student Government, an exercise in Democracy, or better yet, termed "Bucking the System." These are all parts that make up the whole, they are part of your educational awareness, they are part of the system, Nor-

thern's system, that is.

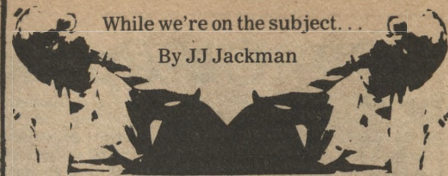
Has anyone at this university ever bothered to inform you of your Constitutional Rights and obligations... as a citizen? As a consumer at the institution? Has any advisor ever set you down and explained to you... what life is like... really like on the outside?

Will you be prepared to enter a society which is becoming more complex and nastier every year? Is Northern preparing you for the ultimate jump into a society, where the best job an intelligent friend of mine could get, after graduation, was a chauffeur of a St. Louis Garbage Truck?

Will you be prepared? Or will you be content to work in the mines for the rest of your life?

If you are interested in the alternatives, why don't you stop into the Off-campus Associated Students Office, or the ASNMU office in the University Center and we can rap awhile.

WILLIAM R. JERDEN



While we're on the subject...

By JJ Jackman

The difference between women and men and why I'm one and not the other

I would like to start the semester off right by clearing up a rather conspicuous misconception about me. Using the words of one of our infamous fraudfathers, "Let me make one thing perfectly clear," I am at present, was in the past and plan to continue (yes, even taking into consideration the miracles of modern medicine) being female.

Several people seem confused and quite bewildered on this subject. I've been told that the problem stems from my name. I myself wonder why people assume "J.J." is a male name. Is there something unusually masculine about the letter?

I don't know what all the confusion is about. I've always known that I was a girl. I could tell because I had a 10 x 12 room all to myself, and my three brothers shared the closet at the end of the hall. They were always playing football or hockey or some other self-mutilating sport, and I was always washing uniforms and rewrapping ace bandages.

I hate ambiguity. My heart just aches at the thought of some poor fellow lying awake nights agonizing over the question.

I've considered several ways to alleviate this discrepancy in thinking. I could wear my Camp Fire Girl costume around campus for about a week or have someone follow me with a red neon sign that flashes "woman" 37 times a minute.

Don't take this too lightly. It can easily turn into a full blown identity crisis. Imagine all the years I had to suffer with long hair, bows, patent leather shoes, lace anklets, and (I shudder to think) taffeta slips, and then find out that people are confused from the mement they hear my name.

After many months of trying to clear this matter up, I ran into a poor, confused soul at a liquor establishment. After meeting me in living color, he enthusiastically said "You're a girl, that's even better! I just want to tell you that I think you write good—just like a man."

I give up.

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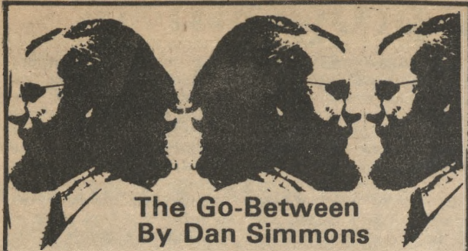
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**The Go-Between
By Dan Simmons**

Greetings! Welcome to another semester of columns focusing on the arts in the NMU community.

The Gonzo Media Outlaws continue their excellent film series tonight (1/2) with Robert Altman's "Images" starring Susannah York and Catherine Harris. This first offering of the winter semester is a study of a schizophrenic young woman who fears (with good reason) that she may be killing those whom she loves. The Gonzo Media Outlaws-ASNMU Contemporary Classics of Cinema series will be available again this semester on a series pass basis, or at \$.50 per showing. Either will be sold at the door at the 7 and 9 p.m. show times.

If you are willing to sacrifice your Saturday mornings for the sake of an intense interest in the arts, then you might consider enrolling in the Interdisciplinary Arts course, which is in need of several more students to fulfill the minimum requirement. The course is an integrated study of the fine and performing arts, which is taught by a trio of teachers, each a specialist in Art, Music, and Dance. The students in the course would be working as a group to explore and create their own art experiences. The course is being offered for three credits in the continuing education program on either a graduate or undergraduate level.

Those persons who wish to commit themselves must contact Roberta Verley at 227-3520 today.

Also on Saturday, the NMU Music Department is presenting a jazz-clinic. Larry Henry, a grad assistant, will head the all-day workshop, which will emphasize rhythm. The clinic will last from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in I.F. 102.



Representatives of Northern Michigan University's student radio station WBKX (600 AM) present a check for \$250 to Mick Campbell (right), director of the Brookridge home for emotionally disturbed children in Marquette. The money was raised during the third annual "Give a kid a Christmas" radiothon on WBKX in December. Presenting the check are Scot Stewart (left), senior from Mokena, Ill., director of public relations at WBKX; and Francis Klim, senior from Durand, station manager.

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Dobel, is it true that all the big-time operators are at BKX? Funny, I see most of them at the Pier.

Al & Diana: Where are you?
Ricky-Joe! Welcome to Camp Northern—a brilliant decision on my part, if I do say so myself.

Fred, please come back. I've reconsidered and told the dog he had to go. I gave away the condor yesterday, and the hela monsters are being adopted by a nice old lady from Skandia. Can we talk this thing out? Love you—Sheeba.

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Bold Ones organize program

The Bold Ones Ski Club, Northern's largest organized club, will start intra-mural racing this semester. Any Northern student who has had the desire to race in the past, but has not felt his or her ability was quite up to NMU's team standard, has no excuse now that the Bold Ones have organized an intra-mural racing program.

The only requirement the club makes is that you are a member of the Bold Ones Ski Club. Teams should be limited to seven racers, five of which

will participate in each race. Due to the lack of snow, time trials will not take place January 22 as expected. As of now no date is scheduled. Contact the Bold Ones office for the new date and time.

All races will probably take place on Wednesday afternoons at Cliffs Ridge. In the event that a conflict arises, the races will be rescheduled. Bold Ones intra-mural racing information and team racing applications are available in the Bold Ones office or in the Student Activities office.

Each team must choose a

team captain to represent the team. The captain will be responsible for the attendance of each team. If the team is missing a racer, the team captain will be responsible for assigning another member to take his place.

Also, the Bold Ones will be holding its first annual "Double T-Shirt" contest. This is a contest open to all students. The T-shirt contest is divided into two parts. The first event in the contest is the design for the back of the '75 Bold Ones T-shirt. The design with the most original design

is the winner. The design should be limited to two colors and be no larger than 12 x 10. The design should be oriented to skiing. Shaded designs will not be accepted due to the difficulty in printing.

The second part of the contest will be a contest for the best male and female

filling the T-shirt. There are no stipulations on what you may do to the T-shirt. The judging will take place at the Back Door sometime in late February. This part of the contest is similar to K-2's shirt contest.

Applications can be picked up in the Bold Ones office or the Student Activities office.

Swimming schedule

MONDAY	8:00-10:30 p.m.*	STUDENTS
TUESDAY	6:00- 7:30 p.m.	FACULTY,
		STAFF & FAMILY
	7:30-10:30 p.m.	STUDENTS
WEDNESDAY	6:00- 7:30 p.m.	FACULTY,
		STAFF & FAMILY
	7:30-10:30 p.m.	STUDENTS
THURSDAY	7:00- 8:00 p.m.	WOMEN
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FRIDAY	8:00-10:30 p.m.	STUDENTS
SATURDAY	3:00-7:00 p.m.*	FACULTY,
		STAFF & FAMILY
	5:00-10:00 p.m.	STUDENTS
SUNDAY	4:00-10:00 p.m.	STUDENTS,
		STAFF, FACULTY & FAMILY

Schedule may be revised slightly and additional hours may be added.

Vacation periods will necessitate an abbreviated pool schedule. A special vacation pool schedule will be published prior to the vacation period.

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Wildcats' talents decline

by KIRK KLINE

Things started to look a little brighter for the Wildcat varsity basketball team after their disastrous road trip.

They bounced back with a win over UW Green Bay, 55-52, but then fell to Calvin College, 91-73.

Very little scoring was done in the first game of the second

semester against UW Green Bay as both teams used a tenacious defense. Northern had a rough beginning as they couldn't get a shot off.

With seven minutes gone in the game, the score was tied at eight apiece. It was then that Coach Brown sent Bill Uelman into the game. Uelman promptly fired in a couple of long jumpers and the Wildcats pulled away.

William Eddie gave Northern its largest lead of the first half, 37-17, on his break-away layup.

Green Bay put on a mild rally in the second half to come within one point, 43-42, at the 10:30 mark, but that was as close as they were to come the rest of the game.

Next, the Wildcats traveled to Calvin College where behind the outside shooting of Marc Hoogewind and the inside power plans of 6'8" Mark Veenstra, they succumbed, 91-73.

The first half remained close until Calvin slowly pulled away with Hoogewind scoring 16 of his 23 points.

The half ended with Calvin in charge of the game and a 17 point bulge, 45-28.

The Wildcats came out of the locker room in the second half using a zone trap defense and cut Calvin's lead to 10 points, 80-70, with 2:24 remaining.

Going to their big man, Calvin kept the Wildcats at bay the rest of the game and upped their record to 9-1, losing only to Grand Valley State College. Northern's record fell to 6-5.

Women's basketball

With the beginning of the new semester, the Women's basketball team will also begin a new season in which they are very enthusiastic about.

Del Parshall, the coach, is looking forward to a successful basketball season this year. Eight players are returning plus some new talent and skill from the incoming freshmen.

The girls on the team are: Debbie Bradshaw, Elise Bruch, Lynn Czup, Julie DeRosie, Carol Dolata, Rose Ebeling, Margaret Bennox, Cindy Mitchell, Karen Ogle, Vicky Presley, Brenda Raby, Michele Skovera, Kathy Steele, Kathy Talus, Jackie Tyler, Linda Whitehead, and Linda VanDenOever.

The trainer is Toni VanDePutte, and the managers are Jane Brown and Becky Forester. The team represents four states and both peninsulas of Michigan.

The team has a full schedule and is on the road two-thirds of their games.

Jan. 18—Lake Superior State College, Home

Varsity 1 p.m. gym

Jan. 23—University of Wisconsin-Superior, Home

Jr. Varsity 4 p.m.

Varsity 5:30, gym

Jan. 25—University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Away

1 p.m.

Jan. 26—University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Away

12 noon

Jan. 31—Central Michigan University and Aquinas, Away

6:30 p.m. & 8:45 p.m.

Feb. 1—9:30 a.m.

Feb. 2—Lake Superior State College, Away

2 p.m.

Feb. 8—University of Minnesota-Duluth, Home

Jr. Varsity 11 a.m. gym

Varsity 1 p.m. Fieldhouse

University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Away

Invitational Tourney

Feb. 21—NMU vs. UWGB 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 22—Ripon vs. NMU 11:30 a.m.

NMU vs. Lawrence 2:30 p.m.

Feb. 27—State Tournaments, Away



Charles Hawes attempts a field goal as a Michigan State player defends. Northern lost the game 91-59.

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"Lady sings the blues"

Movie exudes tragedy, comedy, romance

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That's what "Lady Sings the Blues" has, and that's why it was as good as it was.

A biography of Billie Holiday starring Diana Ross as the jazz songstress, the movie is intriguing as well as emotional-intriguing because of the way the tragedy, romance and comedy work together.

Tragedy travels with Billie throughout the movie. From being raped in her early teens to romantic problems to drug addiction, the tragedy is always there.

But interspersed within the tragedy is a light, often subtle humor. Some of it provided by Miss Ross herself as she trips down the stairs of a quite impressive New York restaurant or in her attempts to play hard to get.

Most of the comedy, however, is provided by Richard Pryor portraying a pianist who gets Billie her first singing job in a local club.

His timely, usually off color comments break up the movie as well as the audience, yet the mood of the film is not broken.

As well as getting her singing start in a local club,

Billie begins her love life there too. It is there that she meets Louis McKay, played by Billy Dee Williams, and the two are immediately infatuated with each other. It's a "love at first sight" romance that eventually ends up in marriage.

Williams, in his pinstriped suit, sometimes appears overly sincere in his love for Billie and a little too overpowering.

"Where you goin' wooman?" he asks repeatedly. "Wooman what you doin'?"

But whatever is lost through Williams' overacting is more than made up for by Miss Ross who grabs your emotions from the beginning and does with them as she pleases.

She flawlessly portrays an extremely distraught woman, one with many conflicts. From the extremes of a young woman in a posh restaurant to the quivering wretch on a john floor groping for a fix, she makes you feel the embarrassment, the chills, the highs that she feels.

She also makes you feel her success.

Once she makes it big locally, she joins an all white band to tour the country. From then on she must contend with racial prejudice as she had never known it. She

witnesses the hanging of a black, and she has an American flag thrust at her through a bus window in the middle of a KKK rally—burning crosses and all.

Perhaps the greatest conlcit in the film is Billie's struggle with drug addiciton.

After the band has been touring awhile Billie becomes very tired and depressed. A fellow band member offers a "pick me up" commonly known as morphine, which she initially refuses.

But after collapsing on stage, she uses the drug to finish the show, and she eventually becomes a mainliner.

Her struggle with morphine is depicted throughout the show as she gets arrested, almost loses a husband and does lose a close friend.

The tragedy, the comedy, the romance. They're all there.

And finally, as if the movie needed something to hold it together, there's that smooth, very mellow music—the jazz of Billie Holiday sung by Diana Ross.

The soundtrack alone is enough to see the movie, but Miss Ross' portrayal of the tragic jazz songstress and the quality of the script leave almost no alternative.

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