Philosopher-theologian to visit campus

philosopher who thinks that one's philosophical, theological position ought to have ramifications for every conceivable facet of life" is Dr. John C. Cooper's description of himself. Author of 18 books as well as over 250 magazine articles dealing with culture, theology and the needed humanization of modern society, Cooper will visit the University of Alberta campus January 18-25. His Alberta visit is his first to Western Canada and is sponsored by the Lutheran Educational Services of Alberta. Previous lecture tours have introduced Dr. Cooper and various Eastern Canadian

Currently Dean of Academic Affairs at Winebrenner Theological Seminary (Findley, Ohio), Cooper also teaches part time at Findlay College and Bowling Green State University (BGSU, Bowling Green, Ohio). In addition to teaching systematic theology at the seminary and

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various philosophical/reiigious studies, Cooper has developed and taught a pornography course for BGSU's experimental studies faculty, and has become a respected expert in the areas of mysticism and the occult.

Shortly after his arrival in Edmonton, Cooper will be on hand for a Lutheran Student Movement (LSM) fireside entitiled "Pornography and

Christian Values." Everyone is welcomed to the 7:30 pm session at the Lutheran Student Centre, 11122-86 Ave., January 19.

He will also lecture and discuss "Fantasy and the Human Spirit" January 20 from 12-2 pm in SUB's Meditation Room. The event is open to all interested persons and is sponsored by the U of A Chaplains' Association. Pariticipants are urged to bring a lunch; coffee will be provided.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (January 21-23), Cooper will be guest lecturer for various classes in religious studies, sociology, psychology and philosophy. Interested classes or campus groups/clubs can request a lecture appearance by contacting Martin Garber-Conrad, 432-4513 (158C SUB).

One of this prolific author's most famous books is Religion in the Age of Aquarius. Often used as a text in religious studies courses, the book investigates the prevalence of mysticism and the occult in the contemporary religious scene and its relationship to drug abuse, changing sexual mores, the general temperament of our culture and the like.

Finding a Simpler Life, his most recent publication, creatively joins sociological, psychological and theological insights into a cogent treatise on the counter-cultural consciousness which continues to grow as the new "American frontier," The book focuses on

why people turn their back on Establishment lifestyles to seek a less complicated and rewarding alternative. Cooper, his wife Ann and their four children have experiment with other than conventional options in their personal style of "getting by."

Fantasy and the Human Spirit will be released by Seabury Press in February and Cooper soon will begin work on a novel based upon the life of famed Danish theologian, Soren Kierkegaard. Other books by Dr. Cooper include Religion after Forty, The New Mentality, The Turn Right, A New Kind of Man and The Recovery of America.

Further information can be obtained by phoning Martin Gerber-Conrad at 432-4513, or 439-5787

Circle K here to help

Give a damn? Care about people? Concerned about change? For those who can sincerely answer "yes" to these questions and are willing to devote even a minimal amount of their spare time, a new co-ed club has been organized on campus. Called Circle K, the club will carry out a wide range of meaningful volunteer service projects on this campus and throughout Edmonton. A prospective Circle K member is not necessarily a starry-eyed idealist. He's simply an enthusiastic person who would like to put some personal convictions about an imperfect world into useful action by sharing a little of his time and abilities. In short, he wants to help others.

The club will tackle whatever projects the membership deems necessary and desirable, but for the most part the activities will be "people orientated". As in any large city, great numbers of underprivileged, deprived, and misfortunate people exist in Edmonton.

Working through established agencies that deal with such people, Circle K will provide the vehicle by which university students can get down to the grassroots of basic social problems through meaningful and useful contact with needy persons and, in fact, the community as a whole. Obviously, the benefits accrued by such activities as tutoring a mentally retarded boy or helping a young ex-con or former drug addict get back on his feet work both ways between volunteer and subject. There is also a social side to Circle K by which you can meet new people and share enjoyable experiences.

This Friday (January 17) representatives of the club will be located on the main floor of SUB to further explain the organization, answer questions. and distribute literature. Several projects are underway right now in Edmonton. Some of these may appeal to you or you may want to tackle several proposeed ideas that the club is considering now. All of these projects take up only as much time as you feel you can devote. There is no membership fee or special

requirements.

If you are not able to drop by SUB on Friday you can phone 432-2205, 484-7912, or 435-1039 at any





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