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Board of Governors meeting held on Wednesday. Story on page 1

Drugs, tea don't mix

Don't wash down your pain killers with coffee or tea, says a professor at the University of Southern California's school of pharmacology.

According to Dr. Oroville Miller, many drugs - including codeine, morphine, most antihistamines, and many tranquilizers - lose up to 90 per cent of their potency when mixed with the beverages.

The culprit is not caffeine, but a substance called tannin, says Dr. Miller. Apparently the tannin combines with synthetic compounds found in many pain killing drugs, making it difficult for the body to absorb the medicine.

If you must swallow pain killers with coffee or tea, Dr. Miller suggests adding cream or lemon juice to reduce the effect of tannin. (NEWSSCRIPT)

Wife rape

The strange saga of John and Greta Rideout may soon become a made-for-TV movie, according to a Salem, Oregon newspaper.

The Statesman reported recently that Lanessa Green, a TV producer from Los Angeles, has purchased the movie rights to Greta Rideout's life story. The

paper also said Lorimar Productions is in the process of acquiring the rights to John Rideout's story. The companies are expected to combine resources for the upcoming TV movie.

John Rideout, as you may recall, made history last year by becoming the first American man to be charged with raping his wife, while still married and living with her. He was acquitted in December, and in January the couple made headlines again when they announced a reconciliation. They have since split up once again. (Newsprint)

Article Erroneous

UNBSJ SRC President Mike Crawford says an article appearing in last week's *Brunswickan* is totally erroneous. The article dealt with alleged censorship of UNBSJ's student newspaper, the *Equinox*.

Mr. Crawford requests that several points of confusion about the article be clarified. First, the "article" in question which was printed in the *Equinox* was a letter to the editor, and not a news article.

Mr. Crawford emphasizes that no papers were distributed before the article was cut. As well, there was no protest received from Saint John's chief of police, as was alleged in last week's article.

Campus Ministry

By MARY LOU MCGIBBON

What do my emotions, preferences, etc. have to do with the truth of an event? If I drop a rock it will fall whether or not I believe in the law of gravity or whether or not I want it to fall. Is it likewise possible to know anything about human events? When a friend or relative dies, does our initial shocked denial of the event have anything to do with what actually happened? Sartre, Schleiermacher and Heidegger would say that it does. Sound far-fetched? When you say that our feelings do not allow us to be objective about events, that is what you end up with. There is no point in either believing in John F. Kennedy's assassination or in trying to do your own research because your wish to believe him to be alive would prevent your objective examination of medical reports, etc.

For the past century and a half man's ability to know anything about the world has been seriously discredited. Schools of philosophy either avoid the big questions of life and concentrate on linguistics etc., or else they raise them but give no answers. The latter, the existentialists, say in effect, "The truth is that there is no truth, but we should still keep thinking, hoping and asking the questions."

Theologians too have spread this cynical view of man's objective reasoning power in both his recording and interpretation of historical events. So more than 1000 year of recorded history is regarded as a reflection of confusion, ignorance and even deceit. As Dr. J.W. Montgomery pointed out, how can we possibly evaluate our experiences with God, God's nature, etc. if the Bible has no historical validity? "If God cannot be looked at objectively, he cannot be looked at at all." The stand of Henrich Ott that "there are no objectively verifiable facts" may make us feel more comfortable about not bothering to check out the historical evidence that Jesus was God in the flesh, but it will have nothing whatever to do with the truth of the matter.



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