Reagan's Federalism

The scriptwriters who provided the plots for Ronald Reagan's B-movies must be the same people who are advising him during his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination. The character and storyline are as lightweight as ever.

In B-movies you could always tell the good guys from the bad guys. The trouble in politics is it's not so easy and the bad guys are often the winners. However, his plot has taken a twist that should send him riding off into the sunset for the last time.

It appeared this was going to be true with Reagan. He has an uncanny mystique (or Ronald Reagan 'B-movie mutt be the good guys from the bad guys. The trouble is the states were inadequate and often too backward to cope with the increasing complexity of the problems the United States faced.

Reagan's proposal ignores the evolution of the federal government relations in the United States which saw the national government grow because it had to. All his talk of retuning government to the people sounds good to the conservative ear, but the states are not capable of providing the needed services.

Taken together, the $90 billion proposal and his campaign rhetoric ignore the fact that the federal government grew because the states were inadequate and regional developments, health and poverty areas, among others. However, he would not cut defense spending at all.

To accomplish this state and local taxpayers would have to assume the burden of providing the formerly federal services or else the states would have to be eliminated. All this is Reagan's idea for a "creative federalism" to increase the power of the states.

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Mr. Ford's personal efforts to enlist the help of President Echeverria in strengthening control of drug trafficking should prove helpful. So should the task force recommendations for administrative reforms.

However, until Mr. Ford spells out his own views on drug operations, some aspects of the task force report remain disturbing. By unqualifiedly endorsing the report, the President accepts the recommendation that federal drug control efforts should be concentrated on drugs that are the "most destructive" and thus the highest social cost — namely, heroin, amphetamines and mixed barbiturates — and lower priority given to marijuana and cocaine.

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The task force report drew considerable criticism across the nation when it came out last October. Although the difficulties of enforcing marijuana laws are widely appreciated, it is recognized that the public's respect for law — any law — is undermined when the White House itself suggests that federal enforcement will be less than wholehearted and that violators of the law may escape punitive action.

In this case, federal agencies would not give up marijuana control efforts but would stress the fight against traffickers and deprecate arrests for possession and use of the drug.

The effect of such a public stance will be to encourage a trend toward marijuana use that already is of tragic proportion, even among the youngest teenagers. An addendum to the task force report was sent to the Treasury Department and the Bureau of Customs takes sharp issue with the implication of priorities, commenting that "the United States can suffer only tragic consequences by practicing selective law enforcement." Some congressmen, too, are resisting this downgrading of the fight against marijuana, a drug whose potential harm has yet to be fully investigated.

This is a complex, controversial issue, and we are not unmindful that many states are considering "decriminalizing" marijuana, making it a civil rather than criminal offense. But the point is that the drug is illegal, laws exist against the possession and use of it, and the President and federal agencies only give a green light to traffickers when they publicly sanction laxity in enforcement of the law and indicate offenders may not be pursued.

An energetic battle must be waged against the insidious imposition of all drugs on the nation's well-being. It is to be hoped that the President will make clear that he does not condone drug taking in any form, that the cost is not borne by even a supposedly "innocent" drug like marijuana is too high, and that the public interest is served in obedience to the law.

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White House Coordinating War On Drugs

It is heartening that the White House is moving forward to settle the long-standing squabble among the Congress (or funds to implement a report put out recently by a Domestic Council task force.

The nation's drug problem remains frustratingly untended. Especially worrisome, Mr. Ford noted, is the growth in smuggling of drugs from Mexico. Indeed America's neighbors to the south has replaced Europe as the heroin market. According to the task force, there are several hundred thousand daily chronic users of heroin not under treatment and the situation in many American cities is deteriorating.

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Mustang Daily welcomes letters from all viewpoints. Length of letters should be limited to 150 words—typed and double spaced—letters will not be published without a signature and student I.D. number. We reserve the right to edit for length and clarity. Sorry, but no poetry is accepted.
The Health Center is running as full as possible despite the looming threat of a malpractice insurance rate protest, according to Dr. Billy Mounts, president of the San Luis Obispo County Medical Society.

Mounts said the slowdown is in protest to the impact of a "support" vote in Monday night's meeting. Mounts would speak only for himself.

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Mounts explained Monday's vote is only a recommendation and is "in no way binding any one doctor to actually partake in the protest."

The society, which Mounts described as a body of individual physicians involved in local politics, was founded on the theme of "Advancement of Arts and Sciences of Medicine."

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The Los Angeles County Department of Health Services in a press release to deal with the shortage of beds has begun to release medically stable patients earlier than usual so to ease the crowding that is slowly increasing in major health facilities.

"The Health Center is a state facility, supported by state funds, but the Health Center physicians face the same malpractice premium increases as private practicing physicians."

Physicians at the Health Center are under two types of insurance programs. The basic coverage covers all physicians during regular operating business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The second type of coverage protects Health Center physicians working night shifts and on weekend emergency call at the campus clinic. The after-hours policy is carried through Travelers Insurance Co. and is partially paid through the sale of Student Health Cards according to Mounts.

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Cal Poly got rid of a professor who made a habit of asking his students to call him Brad. And San Luis Obispo’s Teach Elementary School gained a teacher aide who the little first-graders in their polite sing-song chants, address as Mr. Smith.

It is the same man, of course: Bradford Smith, the tall, carrot-topped teacher whose fight for survival as a Poly faculty member last year blossomed into one of the hottest issues on campus.

And, basically, he says he is practicing the same teaching philosophy with first graders that he did with freshmen students in his sociology classes: “I’m putting in time where it is needed—giving the students who need it, the most help.”

But for Smith, that is where most of the similarities end and the world of differences begin.

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Killer Convicted

Cleveland (UPI) - Larry Kaisler, 26, convicted of killing two men in separate holdups in February and March, was sentenced last week in Cuyahoga County Court. Kaisler was convicted of murder and sentenced to 185 years in the Ohio state prison. The judge said he had no doubt that Kaisler was guilty of the murders.

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MEMENTO, Tenn. (UPI) — Singer Elvis Presley, locked in a severe and unusual eating struggle, marked his 41st birthday Thursday and his fans generally agreed that there's now just more of him to love. "I don't care how fat he is, I don't care if he weighs 800 pounds, I would still love him," declared 30-year-old Mrs. Mary Munday.

Mrs. Munday, her husband and their two children drove 200 miles out of their way on a return trip to Big Spring, Texas, to join a birthday party for Elvis outside the gates of his mansion.

Among others on hand in the 14-degree temperatures were a truck driver from Nashville and another house-to-house team from Southaven, Miss. All came bearing gifts for the rock 'n roll king whose songs have sold more than 500 million records. Elvis was on hand for the gala. Aides said he was vacationing in the West, resting up from a concert last week and a trip to Miami. He had to bear a heavy reverie from the stage during the concert when he ripped the seat out of his hip-hugger pants.

By United Press International

President Ford's popularity has slipped during the past month, according to a poll released Thursday, while another shows that Ronald Reagan is picking up "highly positive" reaction in his bid for the Republican presidential nomination.

White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen declined to comment on the Gallup and Harris polls but the President's campaign manager urged Ford to devote a week to campaign

Angola: No Word

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The White House said Thursday it has received "no official word" to confirm reports that two top officials in the Angolan government have been arrested and released.

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We have received no official word that South Africa is withdrawing its forces. South Africa has announced before that it is withdrawing its troops from Angola - a statement made in the White House.

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BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) - Christians outnumbered 2 to 1 in the crowd Thursday afternoon at an event honoring the victims of the Christian civil war in Lebanon. The city of Beirut is still divided over the war.

Amidst the presence of security forces, artillery shells and a general atmosphere of fear, thousands of people gathered at the Beirut University to pay tribute to the victims who died in the war.

Many of the attendees were young people who had witnessed the atrocities and were affected by the violence.

The event was organized by the Prosecution and Defense Association, a non-governmental organization that aims to raise awareness about the human rights violations that occurred during the civil war in Lebanon.

The event included speeches by prominent figures, including former Prime Minister Rafic Hariri, who was killed in a bomb attack in 2005. Hariri's assassination sparked a wave of protests and led to the withdrawal of Syrian forces from Lebanon.

In addition to speeches, the event featured a moment of silence to remember the victims of the civil war. The attendees also watched a video about the conflict and the efforts made to bring peace to the country.

The event ended with a call to action, urging the international community to support Lebanon's efforts to achieve peace and stability. The attendees also pledged to continue working towards a better future for all Lebanese people.
Smith: Teaching At Teach

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as other colleges and universities. Some have jobs like social researcher with large firms where he could use his sociological training.

Neither Smith nor his wife are working for pay right now. They live on food stamps and $80 a week unemployment. He says they can survive financially for about one more year. The deadline must be looming larger and larger.

"It is just as exciting as teaching college, " he says. "I like it the way it is. I am glad I am not in the business any longer." Smith has a great amount of respect for the woman who is Mrs. Nelda Kyrlach.

"I don't agree with everything she does but I realise they probably isn't a better way to do it. I can't imagine it being done any better."

The substantive tone of that statement may come as a shock to those administrators and fellow faculty members who branded him as a wild-eyed radical out to make trouble, buck the status quo. But Smith says he was always going to go along with the system. He class to have been caught in a snowballing set of conflict that started with the Vietnam issue and grew rapidly.

The "Brad Smith Affair" is still bravy on his mind. He is quick to challenge statements Kennedy makes in print about the case—always on the ready to disparage more of what he says are administration lies and "misstatements.

And despite the twisted scenario 20-20 hindsight vision allows. He says, "We (he and his wife) feel we did what was right. There are parts we'd do differently now that we know in retrospect much more about individuals and situations. In the broad strokes of things, we'd do it all the same."

Business Is Good If You're In Business

by DAVID W. HACKER

A National Observer

The Business of business is business and job-hunting members of the college class of '76 had better not forget it.

Such a remark is a mark of the Endicott Report, now in its 50th year. Only one or two graduates to work well to get a job that legally aids.

"As the time goes on," Smith says with a sart-leaugh, "the range of possibilities expands."

Until he finds a job—and he is confident he will soon, Smith seems content with his position at Teach.

"I find it very fulfilling," Smith says. who works three hours every weekday morning as a volunteer in the Early Childhood Education program. Part of the program calls for parents of students to work as teacher's aides—Smith's daughter, Jennifer, is a kindergartner at Teach.

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Kim Wasick (right) flips his man in match Wednesday (Daily photo by Scott Harrison)

Mustang Wrestlers
Pound Drake, 26-9

After dropping the first match of the night the Cal Poly wrestling team came seven out of the next eight matches enroute to a 26-9 victory over Drake University last Wednesday.

Poly, which is 0-0 in dual meets, remains one of the самые беау on the West Coast. The Mustangs seldom lose dual meets and they almost never lose at home.

Jim Makary fired Drake up early as defeated Jack Glassman, 7-2, in the first bout of the evening. Mustang Roger Flook then tied it up as he shotout Ron Ziegler, 3-0.

Benji Williams, a sophomore from Lompoc, then decisioned Mike Durac, 4-2, in one of the toughest matches of the meet. Grant Arnold remained unbeaten when he scored a major decision over Scott Beckwith at 142. Arnold is now 1-0 on the year.

Steve Hidcok won on a forfeit at 150. Paul Overstreet of the Bulldogs was injured earlier in Drake's road trip. At this point in the meet the Mustangs held an unsurmountable 16-3 lead.

At 158 Dennis Bardsley lost a heartbreaker. Bardsley was down early in the bout and came back to tie it in the third and final period. With the score tied and only seconds remaining Bardsley was ahead on riding time which would have given him the win. Mike Duford, however, managed to escape from Bardsley's bear hug just as the buzzer sounded and he took a 4-3 Bulldog victory back to Iowa with him.

Kim Wasick also fell behind early, but he came back to dominate his match and take a 12-0 win over Mark Haynes. Wasick is now 10-1 on the year. Sythell Thompson won his eleventh straight in a superior decision over Leo Ellis.

At 190 Chris Anaya registered the second Mustang shutout of the evening as he toyed with Tom Milliken for a 6-0 win. Drake's Jerry Anderson, a 35 pound heavyweight was literally too much for Poly's 220 pound Mike Blaser in the evening's finale. Anderson picked up wins.

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Longer Lines Envelope Postal Hikes

by MARIAN FLANDRICK
Daily Staff Writer

As of January first, letter mailers have become the oddmen out as postal rates hop to nine cents for postcards and 18 cents for letters. If you choose to be near or, God forbid, trying to get in the post office downtown, you might believe it was registration time all over again. According to Assistant Postmaster Leon Hochsterler the lines have been like that for a week.

"They let up a bit Wednesday morning but then the lines grew to about ten and stayed that way all day."

People don't seem to be too grumbly about the long lines or the stamp increase except for a few gripe.

Leonard Roes, freshman, complained "Go to the post office! Are you kidding? I couldn't even get near the place." Hochsterler said, "We haven't run out of stamps and don't expect to. We have run low on three-cent stamps but all we have to do is put a call to Santa Barbara, the main office, and they send out more stamps for the next morning. I'd say 99 per cent of the time we have three-cent stamps."

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Longer Lines Envelope Postal Hikes

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As of January first, letter mailers have become the oddmen out as postal rates hop to nine cents for postcards and 18 cents for letters. If you choose to be near or, God forbid, trying to get in the post office downtown, you might believe it was registration time all over again. According to Assistant Postmaster Leon Hochsterler the lines have been like that for a week.

"They let up a bit Wednesday morning but then the lines grew to about ten and stayed that way all day."

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KCPR: Stereo Equipment
On its Way...Hopefully

According to Debruhl all preliminary work for transforming the station to stereo was completed over the Christmas break.

The equipment, which cost $11,000 was allocated from a $7000 donation from Associated Students Inc., $2000 raised in the KCPR marathon and $1000 from the city of San Luis Obispo.

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