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Praise for Our President

"There is a crying need for books like this today," says a spokesman for Jossey-Bass Publishers whose records put *Teaching Values in College* near the top in sales for their 1980 Higher Education Series.

The book by Dr. Richard L. Morrill, president of Salem Academy and College, wouldn't have done so well a few years ago, he thinks, but says the "timing was perfect."

"People are realizing something has gone awry, that education has gone wrong, and they are looking for answers in such books as Morrill's," said Steven Piersanti of the San Francisco publishing firm.

In his book, Morrill addresses many of the

issues exposed in Levine's *When Dreams and Heroes Die* and in the Carnegie study, *Fair Practices in Higher Education: Rights and Responsibilities of Students and Their Colleges in a Period of Intensified Competition for Enrollments*.

Some of these issues are cheating, grade inflation, theft (especially library books), and abuses of financial aid -- patterns that came to full flower during the 1960's.

Sales of the book have been primarily to college administrators, boards, and faculty leaders, but, says Piersanti, "society as a whole is sobered by what has happened to values and is looking to education for some answers."

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A Different View of the Release

After our group from Salem spent the morning of January 20th seeing the sights of Amsterdam, we went our separate ways to go shopping. We reconvened in the hotel bar for a pre-dinner Holland brewed Heineken, and someone announced that the 52 American hostages had been released. I immediately felt an undescrivable joy, but quickly realized I had no one to share it with except for the 12 other Americans on the tour.

The apathy of those around us was unbelievable; in fact, when our British tour guide mentioned the release later, there was no feeling of emotion or excitement whatsoever in her voice. It is a

strange - perhaps, scary - feeling to see foreigners give such little notice to a significant happening in one's own country. They (English and Dutch) celebrated the joy of victory at the end of WW II with Americans. Have we fallen in their eyes, so that they no longer care what goes on in the United States of America?

I want to express what we Americans felt when we heard of the long-awaited release. We were glad that President Carter had gotten the hostages out. His Administration paid the price for the defacing of America by the Iranians; now, they can leave office gracefully with a grateful country behind

them. We also felt relief, as did every other American, that the ordeal was over. Soon the hostages will be back in the country and out of the news, where they have been for too long. Finally, as American citizens abroad, we could hold our heads a little higher, and say "I'm from the United States" with more pride. No more feeling a little low about the world opinion of the United States. We opened a tightly shut window that many other nations would have cracked.

That is how it was to hear the great news of January 20th, with 12 fellow Americans amidst apathetic Europeans.

Amanda Mays

Dr. Morrill Starts Something Else

Learn A Little Law

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We go to bed with it. We wake up with it. We live with it. It surrounds us. It is the LAW... that mysterious, conglomerated, conglomerated of intricacies that affects every hour of every day of our lives. From the moment we turn on the radio to get the morning weather report and are "protected" by FCC regulations, the law is with us. Our breakfast cereals are packaged and labeled according to the law, as are the eggs on which we cook. As we drive our children to school -- itself a veritable measure of complex -- our car, our right to drive, and our driving behavior are determined by law. And when we arrive at work, the law is there, with its

heavy hand on our paychecks and its laws regarding hours, equal pay, retirement. The air we breathe is the government's business, and where we live to breathe it is watched by the law -- through fire and safety laws in its stores, food laws in its restaurants, taxes we pay on purchases, and how and where we cross its streets!

Anything this relentlessly pervasive should be understood. Unfortunately, the complexity of our legal system makes for confusion, and the system remains a frustrating mystery to most of us. The LAW, established FOR us, is badly misunderstood and, in some minds, is nothing more than an

esoteric exercise for well-paid lawyers and judges.

Attorney William Pfefferkorn plans to throw some light on some of the murkier and less-understood areas of the legal system when he teaches a six-weeks evening course, "Justice on Trial," at Salem College beginning Wednesday, February 18, at 7:30 p.m.

Participants will consider actual court trials, the strategy of lawyers, and concrete questions such as How do I make the law work for me? How can I be effective in influencing social decisions? and How can we creatively deal with the law and prevent it from being a set of regulations that stifle us?

Issues like the relationships between the media and the legal system and the effect of opening courts to television will be explored.

Pfefferkorn, J.D., University of Chicago Law School, is a senior partner of the law firm of Pfefferkorn and Cooley. He is a member of the Board of Governors of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers and has 18 years' experience as a trial lawyer.

His course is one of many in Salem's increasing effort to make it easier for more people to take regular and special college courses. Evening courses and noontime courses downtown are both part of the Continuing Education Program.

VALENTINE'S DANCE

DATE: February 14, 1981

TIME: 9:00-1:00

PLACE: Convention Center, Exhibition Hall

DRESS: Semi-formal

BAND: Steve Bassett's Virginia Breeze Band

TICKETS: \$2.00 Salem Students, \$4.00 Guest couples

ANNOUNCEMENTS: No food, mixers or beer allowed in the Convention Center. You are only allowed to bring liquor in.

Mixers: \$2.50 a bottle.

75 cents per glass.

Wine and beer: \$1.00 per glass.

THESE ARE CONVENTION CENTER RULES

AND THEY WILL BE ENFORCED AT THE DOOR!

Remember we are still on social probation.

IRS hinges on this dance.

Be on your best behavior.

THANK YOU!