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Dennis Gilbert, University physics professor and ESSN co-chair, said, "The company made a mistake. The company has been hurt severely by the strike. They didn't realize that the community here wouldn't stand for that kind of exploitation. Scabbing is the only way Morgan has gotten around the will of the community."

ESSN has organized monthly support pickets at the Nicolai plant that have been strongly supported by such University student groups as University Democrats, *The Student Insurgent*, and the Survival Center.

"This is not just a labor struggle, it's a community issue," Gilbert said. He said the deconcentration of industry has changed the shape of labor politics.

out on the line," Buessow said. "It really lifts your spirits to hear people honk when they drive by the picket line."

State legislators have recognized the bitter schism created in the community by the labor dispute. In January, 1989, a Lane County delegation sent a letter to Arthur Knight, president of Morgan Products, asking Morgan to submit to binding arbitration to end the labor dispute.

Senators Larry Hill, Grattan Kerans, Peg Jolin and Representatives Sam Dominy, David Dix, Jim Edmunson, Bill Dwyer, and Carl Hosticka all signed the letter that read:

"The prolonged labor dispute between the Morgan-Nicolai Manufacturing Company and ... Local 3035 has had a profoundly detrimental eco-

'My neighbor is a scab and I haven't talked to him in six months. I'm trying to make his life as miserable as possible.'

— Striking Nicolai employee

"It used to be that industry and community were the same thing because a whole community would work for the same industry. Now, people don't always realize that unions protect communities. If unions are losing, communities are losing," Gilbert said.

Striking Nicolai workers seem to appreciate the support from ESSN.

"We're kind of burned out. It really helps to have them come

nomically on our community. In addition, the conflict generated by the hiring of replacement workers who must ultimately cross a hostile picket line to work at the Nicolai plant has pitted local residents against each other causing strife in our community."

In addition to political support from legislators, Local 3035 receives \$4,000-\$5,000 a month from community donations for purchasing food for



Sara Branom joins her father Sam, a Nicolai employee of 13 years, on the picket line.

union members and families. Gilbert estimated that the community has contributed \$100,000 for the striking workers.

This is the first of a two-part series on the Springfield Morgan-Nicolai strike. The second part will appear Monday.

important and influential liberal political voices."

During his Oregon visit, McGovern will also keynote the annual Public Employment Relations Conference, sponsored by the University Labor Education and Research Center at 9 a.m. Wednesday, in Wilsonville. The conference is open only to registered participants.

In 1956 and 1958 McGovern was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. In December 1960, President John F. Kennedy appointed him the first director of the U.S. Food for Peace program and special assistant to the president.

He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1962 and served three terms.

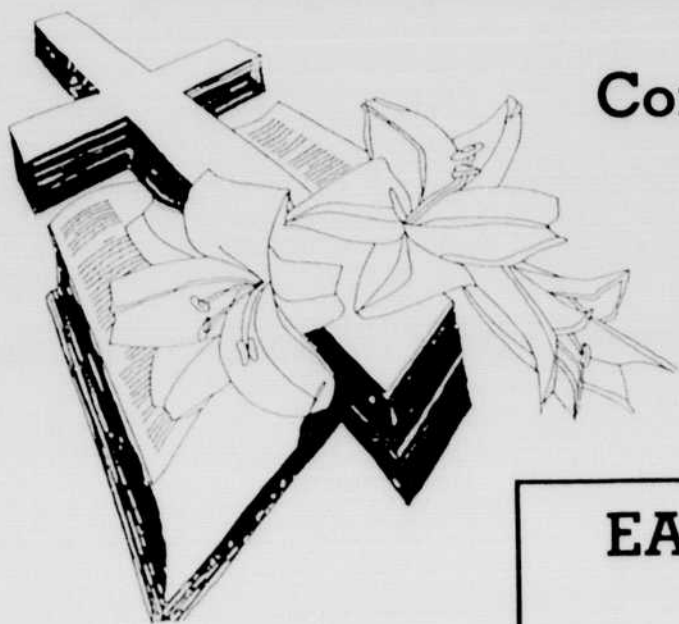
McGovern served on the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee and was chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs, during his tenure as a Senator.

In 1972, McGovern was the Democratic nominee for president. In 1976 he was appointed by President Gerald Ford as a delegate to the 31st Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

McGovern was born in Avon, South Dakota and is the son of a Methodist minister.

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19th and University	8:00		10:25	
Alpha Omega House (1332 Kincaid)	8:05		10:30	
NCC Dorms (12th and Kincaid)	8:07		10:32	

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