Our views shaped by personal events

If you try to write something meaningful, often you end up thinking about yourself. Even though you might be a nice person with some genuine concerns, you end up writing a self-important, pretentious garbage on the newspapers like some haughty bird. It is never easier to write intelligently. By this, I mean that subtle shifts in style and controversy without ignoring or being -universities that provoke thought without knee-jerk conclusions or an admired associations - prove that even movies and feelings without the trite or overly sentimental.

I have been guilty of all of the above, as have others. Perhaps - because of my college students, and we're still wading through the sludge, awkwardly caught off balance by the ether and flotsam of the issues. Today: The Horror of Drugs. Tomorrow: The Flight of the Homeless.

Reagan exploits false hopes

The belief in Reagan's strength as a presidential candidate on two false assumptions: that America sought for Reagan's ideology, and that America voted for Reagan as a leader. The first requires that we make policy sacred at the expense of reality in order to find direction, and the second means that government must resign itself to a supporting role. But America — or much of it — voted for these assumptions, and if we are disillusioned today, it is because we were so eager for illusions.

Reagan began presidency after 15 years of insecurity at home and abroad, and found an audience ripe for his black and white view of the world. With strength of purpose and exceptional skill as a communicator, he has caught and dazzled the world in the spotlight of his ideology. If there is a vague sense of something missing from his big picture — possibly not even reality — that is a small price to pay for a president, a country, and a world that many of us can believe in.

A leader needs a world-view to work from; he needs ideals to inspire him. But, in order to peddle ideologies as tools to politics, it is to use theories in science. Light may not be made of worse, but we accept the simplification, as we do when John F. Kennedy told us that we stand at the edge of a new frontier.

Every fourth year America waits for a hero, and the main test of such leadership is the TV screen. But we can at least focus on the candidates' records and their plans instead of their charisma and their hopes. If we build on and their hopes. If we build on and their hopes. If we build on and their hopes. If we build on and their hopes.