



Mrs. Alice Barlowe and Miss Sharon Pope (left to right) hang the list of charter members of the newly formed WCC chapter of the American Chemical Society.

## Chemical Society Receives Charter

On Wednesday, March 22, the Wilkes Community College Chapter of the American Chemical Society met in Charlotte to receive the charter membership. At the monthly dinner meeting, Mr. Blair Drum presented the charter membership to the acting President, Darrell DuVall.

The evening began with a social hour and was followed by dinner and a business meeting. Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Samuel Massie of the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. Dr. Massie's topic was "Man, Molecules and the Mind," an interesting lecture on drugs and their chemical effects.

A group of 17 students, representing the charter membership of 28 students, was accompanied by its advisors and sponsors, Mrs. E. Q. Proffitt, Mr. Dean Simpson and Dr. Richard Medcalf.

## REVIEW

By Belinda Bumgarner

David Alvarez has to be one of the most talented people at W. C. C. — maybe in the whole county of Wilkes. Actually, he is one of the most talented people one could ever know. He could go places — Miller's Creek, Boomer, or any place he wanted. He is singer and composer of sensitive songs of love and life which are gentle to the ear.

"Sunrise," a progsam of David's music along with performances of other talented people was presented last month. It was an enchanting hour highlighted by a little banjo and guitar picking from Bobby Reavis and Buck Deal, a jam session with Don Story, Clyde Ferguson, and David Alvarez, and a ballet number and song by Greg Caldwell, accompanied by Phil Edwards. Harry Mayes has a pleasing personality. It all added up to, despite some minor deficiencies, a delightful program of original music and talent.

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## Registration Held Here

Voter registration was held in Thompson Hall here at W.C.C. on Friday, March 17. The Wilkes County registrar, Mrs. Audrey Goodman, registered nearly a hundred voters. The Cougar Cry staff wishes to express its gratitude to Mrs. Goodman for holding the registration here at the college.

Canton, N.Y. (I.P.) — Amid the process of registering the young voters who will be eligible to cast their first ballots in the national election this year, many election officials are pondering the question of where to register college students.

At least 17 states are allowing students to vote in the towns in which they attend college. Several others appear to be on the brink of taking the same route.

In New York State the law is quite clear. The 1971 election law declares that "for the purpose of registering and voting no person shall be deemed to have gained or lost a residence by reason of his presence or absence while a student of any institution of learning." Election laws in several states contain such a phrase.

Census studies count college students as residents of the community where they attend college. The 1970 census study shows that the Village of Canton has a population of 6,398 including 2,070 St. Lawrence University students.

Some 65 percent of the students here are residents of New York State and a sampling of a few of them shows divergent views on the subject. Anthony C. Polvino, a junior, says that several points militate against "dormitory registration."

"An inordinate amount of power would be placed in the hands of the students in a situation in which most of them could not handle the franchise intelligently and in an atmosphere of increased antagonism between students and the more permanent residents," he says.

Associate Dean Robert N. Wells, agrees. "It would take just one election to create local opposition if the student vote was pivotal," says the dean.

John F. Adsit, president of the student body, thinks that students definitely should be able to vote locally in senatorial and presidential elections. "Absentee ballots are

## Have You Seen The Posters?

In rushing through our hectic college schedules, it is sometimes refreshing to stop for a few minutes and ponder a lofty thought. Maybe it is with this idea in mind that our counselor, Mrs. Barbara Bargothi, decided to embark upon the project of decorating our bulletin boards with posters. For each of these posters depicts such a thought given to humanity by some contemporary personality. Quotations from such notable thinkers as John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Janis Joplin have dressed some of the more than thirty posters that Mrs. Bargothi has displayed. Using a different unifying theme each week, she has exhibited posters on such topics as "freedom," "being human," and "individualism." And in the coming weeks, Mrs. Bargothi says the themes will be "ecology," "patriotism," and "brotherhood," . . . all very timely subjects today.

If you have liked these posters, Mrs. Bargothi adds that they can be ordered from Chicago through Warm World, the Argus Communications Catalogue. So if any of them turns you on, please order them; don't steal them as somebody has been doing!! If you think it's O. K. to steal, maybe you should ponder Janis Joplin's words . . . "Don't compromise yourself, it's all you've got."

## Poetry Corner

### INFERNO

Sitting there on overturned  
apple crates  
Watching J. the B. and Moses  
on roller skates  
I saw Moses head for the hills  
in a mad dash  
Chased by a wild-eyed guy with  
a funny mustache.  
"What's he doing here?" I asked  
(deciding not to be Prudent).  
J. C. looked at me and said,  
"He's an exchange student."  
I looked at him and said, "I'd  
like to go to Hell today."  
He said, "That's fine. I was  
planning on putting you there  
anyway."  
So down the path of good in-  
ventions I trod  
Wondering if middle-of-the-  
right urges were sent by God.  
I walked for a very long time  
Then I saw a blinking sign  
Under which was a strange  
sight  
A guy that was black all over  
Except that his face was white.  
I asked him why he was like  
that (hoping not to start a  
fuss).  
He said, "Well, there's a little

too much fuss and bother —  
they only complicate the voting  
process," he says. Christopher  
Young, editor of the student  
newspaper, wonders if absentee  
balloting could be legally deemed  
as breach of due process.

Wendy Mason, a junior, opposes college students being allowed to vote in their college communities. "For the most part, the college student finds community influence the greatest at home. Also, many students are from out of state. This presents a problem in the knowledge they would have concerning, say, a transportation bond issue or a state income tax," she says.

She does feel that student opinions should be considered in the college community and suggests the possibility of a student advisor to the regularly elected town board.

In some parts of the country local election officials have recognized married students as "emancipated" from their original homes and have registered them. John A. Feist, a sophomore from New York City, objects to this. "To deny single students the vote at college while giving it to married ones is an absurdity," he comments.

honk in the best of us."  
I asked if I could get in Hell  
that day.  
He pointed to a sign and told  
me to go away.  
The sign plainly read: NO  
VACANCY.  
I said, "I can't believe this is on  
the level."  
I've spent all my life trying to  
get here.  
Let me speak to the devil."  
He began to laugh. "That's who  
you've been talking to."  
They've put me out without  
even a box of matches."  
"Who?" I asked, hoping for  
clarity.  
"Why," he said, "the convention  
for the John Birch Society."

So strange and mystifying  
It is to be alone  
You were  
The center  
And now the center  
Has exploded  
And the outside rim  
Which was me  
Has been shattered like glass  
By your explosion  
And when the dust settles  
The center is no more.

Maybe I knew  
This time was coming  
Maybe that's why I cried  
At night  
When hidden by others  
In the darkness  
Maybe that's why I laughed  
So hard at something  
Not funny.  
Maybe that's why  
I tried so hard  
To please  
And maybe that's why  
I'm alone now.

### Ouch!

The editor of a newspaper caught a typographical error that could have led him into Dante's Inferno. The story read that the board of trustees of the town had resigned in a body "because their cuties had been taken over by the County School Board."

### Good Reason

The defendant acknowledged that he hadn't spoken to his wife in five years and the judge put in a question. "What reason have you?" he asked severely.

Replied the husband, "I didn't want to interrupt her."

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