

major force in elections.

Hobbs survey out

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The results of a recent *Guilfordian* survey indicate that President Grimsley Hobbs has strong support from Guilford College students in his bid for the Presidency of the United States.

The survey, taken late last week, indicated that over a third of all students contacted supported their president, tying him with John Anderson as their preferred Republican nominee.

Ronald Reagan and George Bush fell far behind in the survey of the traditionally more liberal college students.

In head-on confrontations with the major Democratic contenders, Hobbs had mixed results; however, neither Ted Kennedy nor Jimmy Carter fared well with the students surveyed.

Kennedy has clearly not gained the trust of the Guilford student, trailing Hobbs by a surprising margin of 4 to 1. Expressing common student concerns, Milner resident and *Guilfordian* survey respondent John Head said "Kennedy just doesn't have that presidential aura, like Grimsley. You know, Hobbs just kinda looks like a president, and that's good enough for me."

President Carter edged out Hobbs in the survey by less than ten per cent, but this result is overshadowed by an unusually large number of undecided students, representing more than twenty per cent of all those surveyed.

One unidentified, undecided respondent summed up his

position by insisting "If Carter screws up one more time, I'm voting Hobbs this fall."

The results of the survey on the Hobbs campaign have been impressive. Based on the overwhelmingly positive response, it is believed that Catherine Frazier, currently Dean of the Faculty, will step down at the end of the year to manage the Hobbs campaign, whether he runs as a Republican or third party candidate.

Neither Hobbs nor Frazier would respond to questions about her future plans.

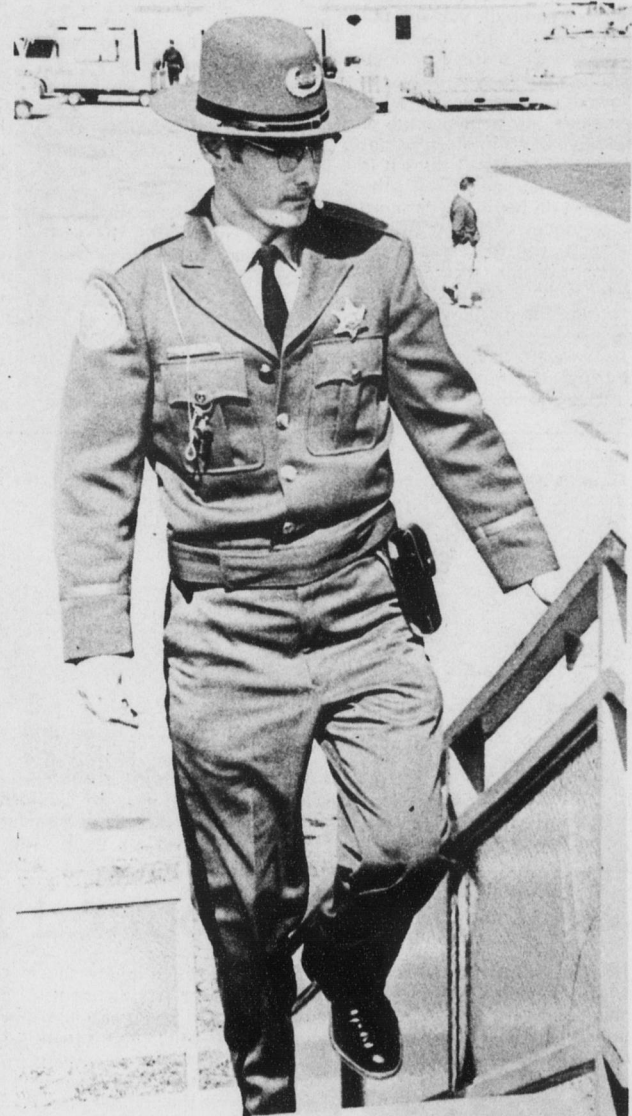
Another visible result of the survey has been increased public support among Guilford students.

"Personally I think it's disgraceful that the Senate hasn't come out publicly for Hobbs yet," said student leader and *Guilfordian* editor Brian Carey after the survey results were made public last weekend. "It's time this school gets behind its president and pushes for his election."

"Can't the Union sponsor a speech by Hobbs? I'm sure he'd draw more people than what's-his-name Rubin or that Kookoo guy."

A Draft Hobbs committee has been formed to help organize students in support of Hobbs. Positive results have indicated that this group may force Hobbs out into active campaigning, and possibly even get him to state his position on one or two major issues.

Clearly, Hobbs' chances haven't looked so good before, and the beginning of a major push by the Hobbs camp is expected in the coming weeks.



Sgt. Roy Frodel of the Greensboro Police Dept. has been handling much of Hobbs' security work. Here is shown looking for snipers before the famous March 2nd rally. Hobbs can be seen in the background looking over the immense field which was later filled by screaming Hobbs supporters.



Hobbs announced his candidacy for the... to go.

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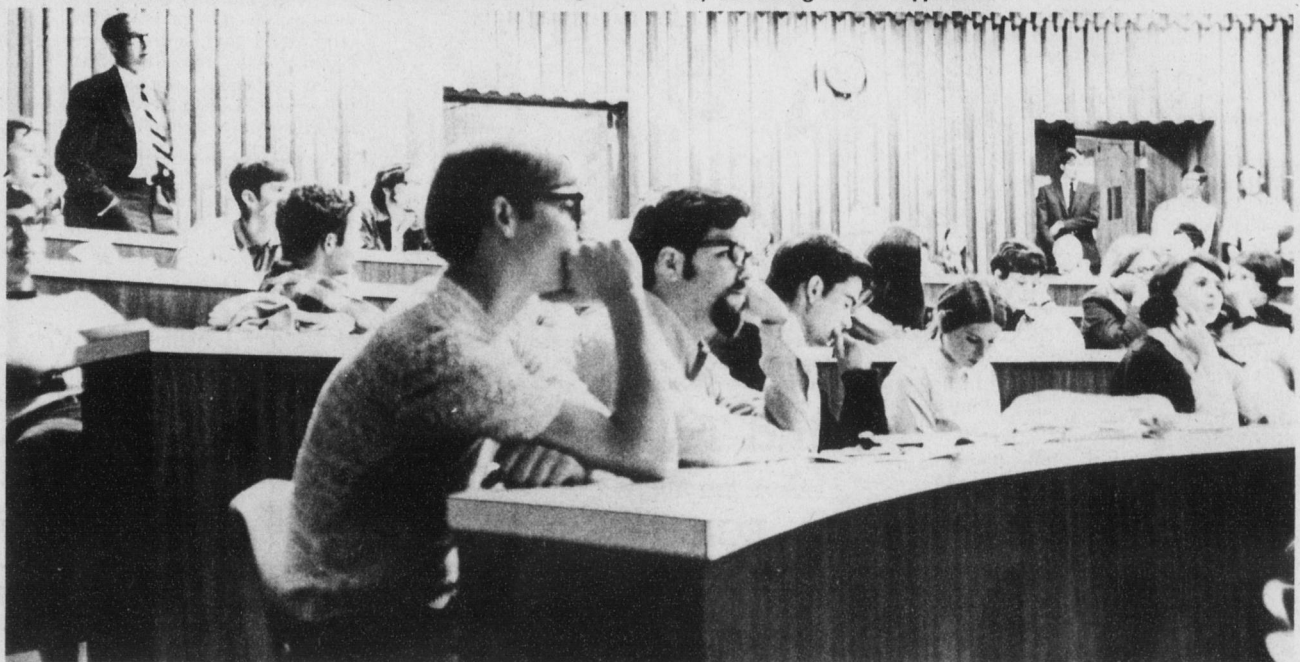
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A meeting of Draft Hobbs committee last week drew a large group of students dedicated to their president and his image. "He's just like us!" slated Gred Dodson, senior Philosophy-Physical Ed. double major. Many of the students had never been seen on campus before.