

# Mars Hill Choir Entertains Here

By Roselyn Boyette

As part of their annual tour, the Mars Hill College Choir presented an outstanding concert at 11:30 Monday morning, November 11, in the Parquet Room. The 41 voice mixed choir, directed by Robert C. Rich, sang a variety of selections ranging from Baroque to contemporary.

The choir opened their program with Schutz's "Psalm 100" which was written for double choir. The antiphonal (or responding) choir was situated in the rear of the room, thus facing the back of the conductor. Such an arrangement made it most difficult to respond to the conductor's gestures. Therefore, the singers in the second choir had to rely on the intonation and rhythmic accuracy of the large choir which was facing the conductor. There were some slight differences in tempi between the two; but the selection came off exceedingly well. One was impressed by the

execution of the difficult runs and rhythmic passages as well as the aural effect of being seated between the two choirs.

The second selection on the program was a group of three carols entitled "Carols of Death" (poetry by Walt Whitman) composed by the twentieth century composer William Schuman. These three carols are a mixture of styles including modal harmonies, syncopated rhythms, both contrapuntal and homophonic passages. It was evident to the listener that they were quite a challenge to a choral group. Except for a few poor entrances and some hazy diction, the choir delivered the carols masterfully.

Also included on the program was Brahms's "Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee" which added contrast to the program through its romantic and lyrical melodic lines. The accompanist for this selection helped to set the mood and style through his sensitivity to the phrases.

Perhaps the most familiar selections on the program were the Spirituals in the last group. They included "Deep River," and "Shadrack, Meshack, Abendigo." The sea chanty "A Rovin'" for male chorus and "The Water is Wide" were equally as enjoyable. The choir delivered these lighter selections with taste and technique equal to the heavier selections of the first portion of the program.

The final selection was the familiar "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Here again were incidences of poor attacks, but they were made inconspicuous by the musical delivery of this selection. However, the duo piano accompaniment was ragged in the beginning due to the fact that both players were unable to see the conductor.

It is interesting to note that members of this choir are chosen each year by the music faculty by audition; consequently, it is the most talented and outstanding musical organization on the campus which has 1,268 students. At least three fourths of the group are juniors and seniors who have been singing together for three to four years. No freshmen are in this group but do serve as alternates. The majority of the members are majoring in music.

It was also interesting and impressive that the singers were not arranged in the usual "section" arrangement of altos, sopranos, tenors, and basses. Instead, they were arranged in quartets of tenor, alto, bass, soprano. This made each singer keenly aware of the conductor's motions and this arrangement also makes it essential that every one thoroughly learns his part. Perhaps these facts explain in part the well-balanced, polished sound which the choir achieves.

The University Union was host to the choir for lunch following the concert and an invitation was extended to the group to return next year.



Basketball Season opens November 29 in Greensboro, North Carolina with a game against Guilford College.

## From the Couch

Dear Phil,

Just out of curiosity, is the new flick, **THE BOSTON STRANGLER** worth seeing at \$1.75 per person? L.B.P.

Dear L.B.P.

If you have \$1.75 to spend, you should definitely see it. On the other hand, if you have a weak heart and weak nerves, then forget it! It is not by any means gory, but it is by all means frightening—especially when you stop to think that it's a true story.

After seeing it you will be more careful about living alone, walking alone, sleeping alone, and you'll be left with a totally helpless, half-angry feeling.

So, if it's worth it to you to see a future Academy Award winner at the risk of losing a few pounds of security, then shell out the \$1.75 and take it in.

Dear Phil,

I am a female student—my age and class standing shall remain anonymous. I am VERY interested in one of my professors who is unmarried and need a hint on how to go about getting a date with him. S.F.

Dear S.F.,

I can't think of an unmarried prof here that you would be interested in, and for that reason, this is nearly impossible to answer.

Your best bet would be to get yourself invited to a mixed student and faculty party to which he has been invited also. The trouble with that idea is that most of the faculty seem hesitant about mixing with students—perhaps some fear of losing a little status or appearing in public with their guard down, and maybe rightly so. Your invitation would be out of sheer luck at any rate!

## Games Tournament Starting

The games tournament for UNC-C will begin Wednesday of this week and continue through Tuesday, Nov. 26, under the auspices of the Union Recreational Committee. Each of the five tournaments have been allotted specific dates for competition. They are:

Bowling (Men's and Women's Amateur) Nov. 20-22

Bridge (Paired-hand duplicate) Nov. 19-22

Chess (per USCF rules) Nov. 21, 22, 25

Pocket Billiards (pool) Nov. 18-21

Table Tennis Nov. 19-22, 25

Table Tennis (doubles) Nov. 22, 25, 26

Times of different tournaments will be set up to fit the schedules of the entrants (where possible), and so each prospective entrant should either sign the registration sheets in the Union game room or leave the appropriate information at the Union Desk for the recreation committee. Registration in all events will remain open thru Nov. 21.

Every student on campus is heartily encouraged to enter these tournaments...that is meant per se. UNC-C is honored this year to be the host for the ACU-I Region Games Tournament, which will

consist of over 300 winners of similar campus tournaments from four states. It is because of this that UNC-C will need an especially good representation this year, and so it is up to every student to consider these tournament, to evaluate his

potential, and then to act accordingly.

This may even prove to be a good opportunity for our upperclassmen to see real live FRESHMEN, but even more, to show the Southeast what UNC-C can REALLY DO."

## T.I.G.E.R. Wins Trophy

By Barbara Jean Smith

The first girls football intramural championship was won two weeks ago by T.I.G.E.R., alias the Sexy Six volleyball champions, winning the trophy.

T.I.G.E.R. was challenged by only one team—the "Wilburn's Wheelers". These two teams constituted the only "brave" and school-spirited girls on campus. T.I.G.E.R. commended the "Wheelers" on their playing and sportsmanship.

T.I.G.E.R. won the championship unscored upon. The final score was 14-0. The score consisted of two touchdowns and a safety. Both touchdowns were executed by "Lightning" Lynn Stravakas. Special recognition and thanks were extended to Libby McClain who was injured in the championship game.

T.I.G.E.R. also wanted to acknowledge their "coaches" George Michael Armstrong and George Lloyd.

"Success was not the product of any segment of this team, but of the team together—as will always be the story!" T.I.G.E.R. extends a second challenge—challenging any group of girls to Basketball!!

The first challenge was for football—this challenge was weakly met. Only one team accepted the challenge, the

"Wilburn's Wheelers". They, again, have already accepted the basketball challenge. Where are the rest of you girls? They're only girls—the majority of whom aren't even "that" big! —And they aren't mean! How about it?

Any interested girls should contact Coach Bostian or "Coach" George Lloyd-coach of T.I.G.E.R.

To take a few minutes out of your everyday boring routine, and come on out for a friendly game of basketball!

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