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Cobey Visits Louisburg

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The Louisburg College Young Republicans sponsored their first speaker of the year on Thursday, September 20, in the Multi Purpose Room of the Jordan Student Center. Bill Cobey, Forth District Candidate for the United States Congress spoke to students on several issues confronting our elected officials as well as issues confronting America and North Carolina.

Cobey arrived on campus at approximately 6:30 p.m. and spoke for thirty minutes, then he answered questions from students and faculty members. Cobey first gave background information on himself. Most young people know him as past Athletic Director at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is a former Board Member and 1971 assistant Campaign Chairman for United Fund of Chapel Hill

Carrboro. Other accomplishments include; recipient of the 1977 Chapel Hill-Carrboro Jaycees Distinguished Service Award; he holds a Masters Degree in Business from the University of Pennsylvania and a Masters in Education from the University of Pittsburgh, and finally a Bachelors Degree in Chemistry from Emory University.

Cobey stated that he will work to assure a lasting economic recovery and for real control of runaway federal spending. Cobey said, "we need to put a lid on federal spending, we need less federal

regulation and a balanced budget." He continued about the economy, "we need to assure economic growth, and the creation of more jobs for people here in North Carolina."

Another important issue is education. Cobey addressed this subject, and said, "there needs to be more commitment to higher education and we need to lower interest rates to help families that are trying to send their children to college."

After Cobey spoke, he accepted questions. Karen Sanders and Cathy Spears, two sophomores here at Louisburg

College, asked the candidate about abortion and where he stood. Cobey answered by saying that he stood with President Reagan, that he felt abortion was wrong. He also went on to say that he did not favor abortions funded by the Federal Government. After this discussion Cobey departed to open the Republicans Headquarters for Franklin County in Downtown Louisburg.

The Louisburg College Young Republicans plan to sponsor other speakers throughout the year.

Gregory Visits

By ROB DUNNINGTON

"Let us not fool ourselves." In those words, Bettina Gregory set the tone for her visit to Louisburg College on October 22, 1984. On the night following the second and last presidential debate between President Ronald Reagan and former Vice-President Walter Mondale, the distinguished news correspondent for ABC news eloquently aired her views on the power and role of the media on the voters of the United States.

In the Blue Room, Mrs. Gregory fielded questions from the local press during a dinner and press conference that preceded her lecture on the media and the 1984 elections at the Auditorium Theater/Complex Center.

Mrs. Gregory made it clear that the media creates a perception for the viewers and it is up to the viewers to distinguish what is being said rather than being swayed by how something is said. she used the example of the first everk televised presidential debate between Richard Nixon

and John F. Kennedy in order to support her point. she explained television viewers were charmed by Kennedy's debonair personality, while the viewers characterized Nixon as having the "five o'clock shadow." She went on to say,



however, that most radio listeners who tuned into this historical debate, believed Nixon was more impressive. She pointed out to her audience that since this initial debate it has become evident people watching television debates are lulled into the camp of a candidate who appears more attractive of stylish.

When judging a debate, Mrs. Gregory emphasized, "an observer should not look at

By BEVERLY ASHBY

The Louisburg Players will perform the play, Hedda Gabler, October 29 - November 3 in the plank theater. Showtime will be 8:00 P.M. Characters performing in Hedda Gabler will be:

Hedda Gabler Sonya Gill
Eilert Lovborg ... Ron Timm
Thea Eliza Frazier
Judge Brack Ralph Wall
Aunt Julia .. Lucretia Gilbert
Berto Gorgon Harrison
George Tesman. Mike McClain

Most of the sets, props, and furniture used in the show has been built by the stagecraft class.

Charley John commented that this set is the most elaborate of any set ever constructed in the plank theater.

Mr. Smith says the plot centers around the main character Hedda Gabler who was raised by her father, General Gabler with a strict, military unbringing. Hedda has a very strong will, much like her father. She is a cool, calculated woman who's in control throughout most of the play. Hedda is obsessed with being able to control men.

In the play, Hedda is very

jealous of Thea, who has many qualities of womanhood that Hedda does not possess, such as being sensitive, gentle, kind and caring.

Thea is in love with Eilert Lovborg who was formally in love with Hedda.



Hedda is married to George Tesman. They have just returned from a six month honeymoon around the world.

Hedda is approached to have an affair by several men, but her morals do not allow her to take part in an affair, although she doesn't love her husband. She likes the attention and admimation shown by these men.

The climax is centered around the fact that Eilert Lovborg has written a

manuscript which is considered to be a masterpiece.

Lovborg has had a previous history of drinking, partying and carousing, but through his involvement with Thea has given this all up.

Through the efforts of

Hedda, Judge Brack and George Tesman, he is induced to extreme drinking and in the process loses his manuscript, which has consumed every spare minute of his life for the last couple of years.

All these forces bring about a surprise ending at the outcome of the play.

Hedda Gabler is considered a classic by critics and considered one of the best constructed plays ever written.

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