

## Editorially Speaking . . .

Making it to No. 4 in the NAIA was a historical event for the basketball team of Gardner-Webb. Although many students were left behind here, their support was totally with the Bulldogs the week of March 13-18. Never before has Gardner-Webb been so united in one common purpose—students and staff alike. There was little else on our minds that week—only to win! Our team certainly has made its proud record of our school. Our basketball team has set a high goal for us. They aimed for excellence and attained it. There is no reason why the other areas of our college can't be as excellent and no reason why we can't put our 100% effort behind every facet of our school, including our SGA.

Our basketball team won't rest on their laurels, but will be working hard soon on next year's attack. Let's let this be only the beginning of Gardner-Webb's national fame. Let's put our own national limelight academically, athletically and socially. The cagers have started a trend. Let's continue and GO ALL THE WAY!

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Was anyone aware of the scheduled SGA assembly on March 16, in which student nominees for SGA offices gave their campaign speeches? The message turnout was appalling, to say the least. Less than 75 students came to hear and support their future SGA officers.

How can any voter develop a qualified opinion on any candidate unless he hears their platform? It is not only to represent where the values of G-W students lie. Certainly not in the betterment of SGA. Students are all too ready to complain and gripe about this college, but when the time comes for responsibility and effort beyond what is required to better the college, they show just how they do care about G-W. This may have been one of the most important assemblies in terms of student interest, yet 75 students thought it was worth 45 minutes of their time. You officers are the ones who will initiate legislation for the students. What officer could possibly feel 100% of the students behind the SGA, or even a majority?

Even though this was a crucial assembly, at least three or four clubs scheduled meetings for this time. Admittedly, this was a breakdown in communication. Yet for the future this conflict should not occur. Even though you had made up your mind on candidates, and only two officers were running opposed, every student was responsible for being there.

On March 16 the apathy of G-W students toward their SGA was all too apparent. Hopefully, the SGA officers can make an effective SGA next year, in spite of the student's unconcern. Students should expect to be treated like children until they show their responsibility and maturity.

—KAD

## NWF Support For Earth Week '72

The National Wildlife Federation will join thousands of schools and communities throughout the Nation during April 17-23 to celebrate Earth Week '72.

As was the case last year, the Federation and other conservation groups are urging participating during the week at the community level, with local and statewide groups utilizing their own resources and establishing their own priorities. "Since the environmental issue has come of age, Earth Week can provide an opportunity to learn something about that issue," said NWF Executive Director Thomas Kimball.

"For instance," Kimball said, "the citizens of one area of the country may need to start a community recycling center. In another, local air and water pollution problems should be focused upon and studied, perhaps through art-work." He added that the ideas

are as limitless as the problems." Kimball emphasized that grass-roots actions all across the country can focus new attention on air and water quality, land and resource use, national technology, and urban and population growth.

In addition, global pollution concerns are especially timely in 1972 in view of the NWF "United Nations for BioSurvival" international symposium to be held in conjunction with the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment in Stockholm, June 10-12.

Due to the grass-roots emphasis of Earth Week '72, there will not be a national headquarters. Interested persons and groups should contact environmental and citizen organizations at the state and local level in order to make their own Earth Week plans.

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# One Life To Live

## VICTOR IN KANSAS CITY

A man's intensely personal account of his child's descent into drug addiction and subsequent mental illness—the parents' unavailing struggle to prevent that human disaster—the true story of one middle-class family's battles, hates, reconciliations, and contacts with the drug and medical worlds—such are the strong, stirring elements of *Wasted—The Story of My Son's Drug Addiction* by William Chapin.

Starting with marihuana at the age of 14, the author's son, Mark, quickly moved on to experiment with LSD and amphetamines.

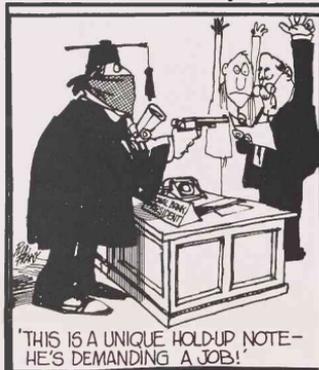
"No one, including Mark, can say how large the quantities have been," the father recalls, "but certainly large enough to mess up his head, to rearrange the cells in his

head. He's crazy. I have to say it, to write it down, to grind it into my own awareness, to accept it: he's crazy."

Now 21 and legally his own responsibility, Mark is confined to a mental hospital with a schizophrenic psychosis. The years of confusion and anguish, the frustration from obstacles encountered in seeking help, the constant struggle to understand and deal with the boy's deteriorating condition are described in simple, unemotional language by the author. The result is an unparaphrasing honest and hauntingly poignant book.

A former newspaper journalist—most recently with the San Francisco Chronicle—William Chapin currently teaches Journalism at San Francisco State College.

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## "Blithe Spirit" Presented

"Blithe Spirit" a Noel Coward comedy was presented Saturday and Monday nights, March 26 and 27 at Gardner-Webb College in Hamrick Auditorium at 8 o'clock.

The production, directed by Dr. Charles Cox, is about a man who unintentionally brings his deceased wife back as a ghost and she does not like his second wife and there the comedy begins. There are funny gags all over the place.

The sets were designed by Terry R. Hayes, of the Theatre Arts and Speech Department. The stage manager was Richard Suttle, a Charlotte student. S. Reid Cone, a Hickory student, was technical director.

Twenty-five students worked in various aspects of the production and seven more were directly involved in the acting.

Those in the play include: Stan Napier, New London, N. C.; Surie Connor, Shelby; Wanda Hayes, Hamptonville, N. C.; Joy McManus, Granite Falls, N. C.; Doug Byers, Kings Mountain; Alice Harrison, Greenville, S. C.; and Judy Greene, Charlotte.

While strains of "Kansas City, Here I Come" echoed in Boiling Springs, the "Dogs" started their way to a fourth place finish in the NAIA National Tournament. To rank so high after a season of tough competition and then a grueling five-game tournament is further credit to the team and its coaches. Our running, hustling game was most appreciated and enjoyed by opposing fans as well as our own who traveled west.

Eau Claire (Wisconsin) State, runner-up to champion Kentucky State was impressive because of its fans supporting their fine team (approximately 4,000). The cheerleaders were very capable and led this large group in cheers which showed their allegiance to the Bluegolds. Their attraction must have been overwhelming for during the Eau Claire-Kentucky championship game three G-W cheerleaders, dashing attire in their red and white Bulldog uniforms, aided the Eau Claire cheerleaders in a cheer for the Bluegolds, the team which had beaten us the previous evening.

While the night was filled with basketball (among other things), the days were spent shopping and exploring Kansas City. Most of the Eau Claire students positioned themselves in an open square across from the Aladdin and Muebach Hotels. There, a rather grubby Bluegolds aggregation usually joined a delegation from Boone's Farm to wait for the next night's hard-court action. To see some of these students and to watch the way they acted made me appreciate some of the philosophy behind Gardner-Webb's campus code.

It was an exciting tournament, made so by thrilling performances by some of the best basketball teams in our nation. Perhaps next year, with more planning to take care of the problems which were met and more faith in the ability of the "Dogs" to win against tough competition, more of you will be able to go to have the team and the fans to go all the way within the next few years.

VICTOR

## For What It's Worth

The placement of suggestion boxes around campus is something which needs to be considered. How many times might a student or faculty member be dissatisfied with a certain procedure or event and yet will not speak out because they are afraid of jeopardizing themselves. An anonymous way of expressing oneself may be a good solution. Industries and other institutions have unions or some organized method to present suggestions and criticism. A suggestion box is a simple process but if taken seriously could be an asset assisting the Student Government.

The recent tally of declared major at Gardner-Webb indicates that the largest department is Business Administration with 196 majors. The second largest is Physical Education with a total of 171 majors. Next is the Religion Department with 87 majors followed by Psychology with 74 and Social Science numbering 71.

The Elementary Education Department includes 67 students. The Data Processing Department hosts 55 majors and the Nursing Department includes 54 students. All other departments have less than 50 declared majors.

Education does this constitute a liberal arts college? (Of course there is also a question as to traditionally what liberal arts really meant.) What do these statistics indicate for the future concerning GW?

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With only four weeks till the annual Spring Jubilee it is amazing that plans are just now being made. By this time you know and her court should be elected and have their dresses ordered.

Less than a month away and it is like pulling teeth to get a mere skeleton of the planned activities. Where does the fault lay? Out of the Senate a committee to initiate Spring Jubilee plans was appointed. Although the best job possible is being done. It is ironic that the chairman of this committee is a freshman who has never witnessed the spring event. Also it seems unfair to expect this committee to do all the work.

Gardner-Webb will have their Spring Jubilee with a few people killing themselves that last week. The planning should begin now for next year's Spring Jubilee and this must be avoided. Spring Jubilee should be something that the student body, faculty and community look forward to. It should be a festive occasion and not an annual burden dependent on one committee.