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Letters

The recent survey conducted by the members of the Winter Term Committee provided evidence of a successful and profitable Winter Term. With a return of 380 questionnaires representing 54% of the student body, positive conclusions concerning the effectiveness of Winter Term were concluded. 62% of the student body remained on campus with 71% indicating that their choice was not a financial concern. Thus 50% of those remaining on campus did so on their own accord; this destroys any rumors about being excluded from off campus courses due to a monetary factor. Other evidence which supports this idea is the 87% who did get their first choice.

71% of the students who answered the questionnaire indicated that their course was academically challenging and 85% indicated it to be a worthwhile choice. Only 16% viewed the grading or evaluation unfair, with only 9% having no time for extracurricular activities. In summary, the validity of Winter Term was represented by 91% indicating that the entire Winter Term was a learning experience which is perhaps the most significant and gratifying response; Winter Term was not conceived to be an extension of the Fall Term nor a pre-course to the Spring Term but rather a unique experience.

Robert M. Burleson
 Co-member
 Winter Term Comm.

PIRG Investigates Brown Lung

One of the great occupational hazards in North Carolina is byssinosis (brown lung). The condition is caused by the irritating effect that cotton dust has in the lungs. Because this state is the leading textile center for the country the disease poses a major problem in this area.

The symptoms of the disease are tightness in the chest and difficulty in breathing. At first the textile worker experiences this discomfort only on Mondays after absence from the mill. As years pass on, the symptoms extend into a two, three, or five day period. In the final stages, byssinosis causes continuous pain.

Even though it is clear that byssinosis is caused by contact with cotton dust it is difficult for a textile employee to receive workman's compensation once he/she is disabled. This is the area of

the problem in which NC PIRG-St. Andrews has great concern. The fact that only 38 people applied for workman's compensation between July 1971 and November 1973 indicates the complexity of the procedure. It is ridiculous to think that only 38 people in North Carolina have byssinosis when at least 300,000 are exposed to cotton dust.

PIRG is presently in contact with the State Board of Health which to an extent agrees with our position. The American Lung Asso. (formerly TB and Respiratory Disease Asso.) has offered to assist in our efforts. If you are interested in working in this area, projects have been outlined and additional ideas are welcomed. Please contact Greg Dickie ext. 276, P.O. Box 396.

Ewald, and J.S. Bach.

The St. Andrews Brass Quintet will present a concert for the campus and public this Sunday evening at 8 p.m. in the Vardell Gallery. The concert will include compositions in various styles and from various historical contexts. Included will be selections by Hovaness, Tull, Brade, Rathaus, Gabrielli, Pezel,

The St. Andrews College Brass Quintet came into existence in the fall of 1971. All members of the Quintet are music majors at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg, N.C. In the past few years, they have performed extensively on their own and with other ensembles in the Laurinburg area.

The Weather

BY HUNTER PATTERSON

Most students were very pleased by the weather front that passed across the southeast some time during the remote past. The front was in some ways quite human, lending itself to petting and other teenage distractions, or should I say recreations? There was necessity to arise earlier than usual, which is even earlier since we are on daylight time, and if one was sufficiently confronted, during his dreams, with the reality of the force of the wind outside, which was really a cat at the window—a cat at each window—upon awaking (he could have seen) the low grey clouds as breast hair of a much larger communal, universal cat.

You must recognize the day I am describing. You will remember that it got cooler during the day. This concept is basic to description of a frontal passage. And mostly it rained and was comfortable in dispersion of droplets which clung to all absorbent materials but was repelled by repellent ones. When the grey cat was gone it was gone and then there was the god-versions of a negative robin's egg sheltering what was left of the southeast.

From this god-negative robin egg would hatch a god-negative robin chick which would exist safe and apart from the cat, which was (and perhaps is) theoretically tangible. But in existing in the god-negative state the robin's egg was automatically nil, or it had progressed from god-decomposition through old age, chickhood, back into shell, and was going back into womb, fertilization, etc. in reverse order. This is why size does not and did not matter. Cloud is not albumen because a jet could go through—a single cloud, that is.

Then when the lake moved violently onto the lawn I saw almost no-one marvelling. It was violent and would have toppled even a skilled canoeist. Why was that thing that sticks to our round ball of a home moved by this occurrence that made the windows vibrate ever so slightly?

Honey Cone

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 March 2 - 8:00 p.m. Leslie Fiedler, critic
 Avinger Auditorium, St. Andrews
 March 4 - 8:00 p.m. Hugh Fox, poet and editor
 Student Union Lounge, St. Andrews
 March 5 - 8:00 p.m. John Cage and Merce Cunningham
 Gymnasium, St. Andrews
 March 12 - 8:00 p.m. Concert: Clarion Woodwind Quintet,
 North Carolina School of the Arts
 Laurinburg Presbyterian Church
 March 10 - March 22 Josef Albers Exhibit
 Vardell, St. Andrews
 Charles Olson Exhibit
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 March 14 - 8:00 p.m. George Butterick, Curator, Charles
 Olson Archives
 Student Union Lounge, St. Andrews
 March 15 - 8:00 p.m. Hugh Kenner, critic
 Avinger Auditorium, St. Andrews
 March 14 - March 17 Edward II, performed by the Highland
 Players, LA Players, LA Auditorium, St. Andrews
 April 10 - 8:00 p.m. Concert: Piedmont Chamber Orchestra
 Scotland High School

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broom-makers, etc. Everything he writes is true, Williams says; he doesn't make anything up. This is obviously true, for the last poem Williams read Wednesday night was about a heretofore unheard of character by the name of "Little Ennis", who is a "stud" of renown, with a phallus of mammoth proportions. "Little Ennis" obviously is a real person—because in this month's issue of Playboy magazine there is an article chronicling some of

the exploits of "Little Ennis" and a real, true-to-life photograph of him standing, grinning broadly, with what must be the world's most unattractive women lined up four or five deep on either side of him. When this writer told Williams about the article the day after the reading he smiled knowingly (obviously several other people had already told him about it) and stroked his opulent beard: "I told ya," Williams said. "I never make anything up."

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