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Editorial A Great Day For The College

The dedication of the Jack Burris Center here tomorrow morning is the biggest event ever, from the point of view of media and publicity coverage, for St. Andrews. The keynote speaker will be an internationally known rehabilitation specialist-in fact, the father of rehabilitation medicine - Dr. Howard Rusk; a bumper crop of Democratic politicans from the Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina down will be here (the Republicans will all be in Raleigh with President Ford), as will over 700 distinguished guests. With Terry Sanford Day today and the dedication tomorrow, the campus will be crawling with reporters and TV cameras.

Besides being a chance to sell SA and what it has to offer, tomorrow's festivities will draw attention to the college'ss success in bringing college life to handicapped students without making a big deal out of it. They have been thoroughly integrated into the St. Andrews community, and tomorrow the success will be celebrated as one of its prime benefactors, Jack Burns, is honored for his contributions to the effort.

To facilitate attendance by students, the Dean's Office has cancelled 9:30 and 10:30 classes. A good turnout would be a good thing to see.

Library To Charge For Interlibrary Loans

The interlibrary loan system, in which the DeTamble Library participates, is caught in the rising price squeeze for the services it renders, says Circulation Librarian June Chay. The library will therefore begin immediately imposing a nominal fee to cover the costs of borrowing books from other college and university libraries.

The fee to be charged will be fifty cents per book borrowed, Mrs. Chay told THE LANCE. "We hate to have to do this"

she said, "but the volume of interlibrary loan work we do has increased tremendously this year and the cost of postage and supplies has begun to exceed the amount of money we have budgeted for this purpose."

Xereox copies of documents will be unchanged in terms of price to the student, Mrs. Chay continued, having been calculated all along to include all of the costs involved in providing that service.

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Last Reading

The last poetry reading for Fall Term will be held Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in New Meck's main lounge, says SA writer-in-residence Ron Bayes. Featured will be D.C. Berry, currently at the University of Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg.

DC Berry has held many poetry readings in colleges and high schools. He has published over 150 poems in sixty periodicals, such as "The Southern Review, Shenandoah, North American Review, Kansas Quarterly, The Georgia Review", etc., ad is the author of one volume of poetry. He is poet-in-residence at the Center for Writers. The University of Southern Mississippi and is poetry editor of "The Mississippi Review."

Grad Committee Plans Study

The Granducation Committee of the Student Association met for the first time Monday and decided to conduct a random · survey of opinion on several issues relating to how graduation will be conducted this coming spring.

The survey will be conducted at meal times on several days early next week and will attempt to determine how seniors feel about the time at which graduation will be held, what apparel is chosen to be worn by the graduating class, and who the graduation speaker should be.

Currently the graudation exercises are held at 10 a.m. on the designated day in the spring and usually run until noon. The survey will seek to determine the level of sentiment in favor of having the ceremonies in the evening. The reasoning behind the evening ceremonies runs along the lines that it would be much cooler than the daytime activities are and would not require parents to take a day off from their work in order to be present at 10 a.m.

The question of apparel is one that seems to surface every year. Sentiment will be

measured on three options: traditional robes (and if so, what color) formal wear of some sort or inform: I dress.

The question of the speaker will be employed to generate a preliminary list of possible speakers for the committee to investigate on the basis of cost and availability.

In conducting the survey, the committee will be stressing the fact that the results of the study will not be considered definitive or binding by the faculty committee which arranges the graduation ceremonies.

On The Other Hand:

Notes and Comments

The annual Off-Campus Party was last Saturday night at the "stately home" of Mike Jones, Walter Kuentzel, and Jimmy Thwaite on Johns Road. A good time was had by all; several hundred pounds of beef were barbecued and served up with baked beans, potato salad and all kinds of other edibles. At least two hundred people were there, milling around on the wrap around front porch and under the huge tres that dot the yard.

The Indian summer weather we've had for the last month and a half looks to be planning to stay for several more days at least. The hot, dry weather has brought out a lot more color in the leaves and has kept the sun worshippers out in the afternoons

to keep up the tans as long as possible.

Left handers at SA will want to be sure to mark next Wednesday on their calendars. It's the birthday of James Abram Garfield (1831-1881), the first left-handed president of the United States.

Altogether the country has had three southpaws in the Executive Mansion: Garfield, Harry S. Truman, and the current occupant, Gerald Ford. Vice President Nelson Rockefeller was born lefthanded but his father, John D. Jr., in a rather cruel move, took to tieing young Nelson's left hand to his chair at the dinner table with a string so that when he tried to use it, it would be stopped short by the string. Rockefller is now right handed.

Speaking of Rockefeller, a group of stuents and one of the politics professors were wondering at lunch the other day just what the VP wold do now that he's removed himself from consideration as Ford's 1976 running mate. Some opened that Rocky would finish out his term and perhaps become Secretary of State in a second Ford term. thought Others Rockefeller would run against Ford. The most ironic scenario, though, held that Rockefeller, who has been vainly seeking the presidency since the late 1950's and is now just one step away bul has no apparent chance for the top slot, would indeed become president - but with twist. "Ford will lose the election," was the prediction, and die the first week January 1977, Rockefeller will finally be president - for two weeks."

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