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RUTH GRAHAM AND ELLEN DEKROON (traveling companion to Corrie tenBoom) chat following chapel on Wed., Dec. 3. (Photo by Allan Jones)

Smoking proposals voted down in poll of student opinion

by R. B. WILKINS
Student Government Editor

The Smoking Issue that confronted the Montreat Community for a time is finally over. The Smoking Study Committee recommended to the S.G.A. that a referendum be taken by the students.

Instead it was changed to a student opinion which brought protests from the Smoking Committee. A decision at this time has not been made on what will be done about the opinion.

The students voted down all proposals except no smoking in elevators and no smoking in Gaither Lobbies. The elevator

issue was resolved via state law.

On Friday, the Montreat-Anderson Community met to discuss this issue. Mrs. Massey brought a lady from the Lung Association who discussed the evils of cigarette smoking. There followed some discussion.

One person said, "If I can put up with 14 minutes of cigarette smoke, I should be able to talk to someone about Christ."

Some students were very critical of Mrs. Massey, while

others praised her.

The Faculty in a meeting voted in the same questionnaire overwhelmingly against smoking. Miss Penny Nickel brought it to the Faculty. The Faculty results rather surprisingly showed a lot of abstentions.

Wednesday night the S.G.A. with one person dissenting voted to ask the Administration to ban smoking in Gaither Lobby. Now the Smoking Issue is finally resolved.

Professional actor works with "Odd Couple" cast

Chuck Crabtree, a professional actor from Lexington, Ky. who has made numerous television appearances and worked with a number of touring companies, will play a leading role in Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple," a Greybeard Players production to be performed Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

The three-act comedy, which has been adapted for the screen and for television, is about two divorced men living together in a New York apartment, who relive the conflicts of their failed marriages. Chuck Crabtree stars as the slob Oscar Madison, a role he has played in over 100 performances. Lance Williams plays Oscar's nervous roommate, Felix Ungar.

H. C. Farmer of Morehead University in Kentucky will be conducting final rehearsals of the cast including Rob Carver as Murray, Hal Johnson as Vinnie, Bill Morris as Speed, Jay Graham as Roy, and Joanne Colwell and Susan White as Gwendolyn and Cecily, the "Pidgeon sisters."

The shows are scheduled for 8:00 on Dec. 11, 12 and 13 at the Greybeard Little Theater. Tables seating four will provide a cafe-style atmosphere, and coffee, tea and soft drinks will be served. Admission is \$.50 for students.



ODD COUPLE CAST: l-r, Rob Carver, Hal Johnson (hidden), Chuck Crabtree, Lance Williams, Bill Morris, and Jay Graham. (Photo by Allan Jones)

Food committee progress

Boiled eggs won't be among the choices in the Howerton breakfast buffet anymore. This report comes from the Food Committee officiated by Paula Myers, vice-president of the freshman class.

These six students volunteers meet together and decide what innovations are needed in the menu, within the dining hall's budget.

They had suggested that

boiled eggs among other things be offered for dining variety.

"Hardly anybody made any so there's no use in serving them," says Paul Williams, one Food Committee member.

One of the committee's latest missions was the installment of the hot chocolate machine.

Many students have requested that peanut butter

and jelly be included in Sunday night buffets, but the committee discovered that it's impossible because of health department rules.

Even though the Howerton budget is being stretched, the committee is planning a steak dinner for the very near future. Sometime in January a foreign meal will be featured and a salad bar is in the making too.

Exam Cram!

by RHETT TABER
Student Concerns Editor

Two of the most obvious signs of exams are, most of the professors are smiling, and Mr. Hinkle's is having a sale on midnight oil. All kidding aside because we all know that professors don't smile and Mr. Hinkle's never has a sale on anything.

Exams are here though and it's time for serious studying. If you are going to go to the library to study you might better think again. It's usually too noisy!

When asked about the noise situation Mrs. Gilkerson had this to say: "The problem is distressing. The noise is being made by only a few students, but some of them are the student leaders from the SGA and the Hall Counselors." The problem it seems is that while only a few people are making the noise, that noise is keeping the rest of the students from studying.

With exams as close as they are, it seems like the majority of students at M-A C would want to study. As Mrs.

Gilkerson pointed out, the situation is distressing. The staff of the library is there to help the students and gets bothered when those who are in there to study can't because of the noise. The staff is concerned about the problem and wants to do something about it but doesn't feel that they should be disciplinarians.

Because of the approach of final exams, the staff feels that measures to crack down on the noise problem should be used. In the past if you made too much noise you were asked to leave, but you could come back. Now if you are asked to leave twice, in order to be allowed back in you may end up having to see Mrs. Gilkerson.

Having spent close to an hour talking to her for this article I can vouch for the fact that although she is a pleasant woman she can be very forceful when she believes in something as she does this noise problem. If you want to make noise go see Mr. Massey but please keep the noise down in the library.