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## Dr. Boddie Is Focus Week Speaker

Dr. Charles E. Boddie will be the speaker for Christian Focus Week, Jan. 27-30. As a change of pace from the team-approach of recent years, he will be the only speaker to lead chapels, evening worship services and dormitory discussions during the week.

Dr. Boddie, president of the American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville, Tenn., has spoken at Mars Hill on two previous occasions in 1964 and 1965. No speaker in recent years has elicited such an enthusiastic response from students, according to college chaplain Robert Melvin.

Dr. Boddie is a graduate of Syracuse University, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School and the University of Rochester. He received the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Keuka College.

He is a recognized leader among American Negroes and has been a member of the President's Commission on Cambodia. In great demand as a speaker on college campuses, he has been the featured speaker at Ridgecrest, Glorieta, and various student missions conferences.

The former staff member of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has been pastor of the First Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va., and holds membership in the American Guild of Organists.

## Cadenza Ready

The winter edition of the 1968-69 *Cadenza*, the literary and art magazine of Mars Hill College, was delivered this week by Groves Printing Company of Asheville.

According to Mike Rice, editor, this edition is an expanded issue of 24 pages plus a 30-page insert, Tim Ellmore's "Starr-Crossed Lover." Also included in the magazine are sketches by the Art Department, a two-page college-poetry spread by Jerri Beck, prose, photographs by Ted Ellmore, poetry, and serigraphs.

Cover design and lay-out were handled by Dale Hailey, art editor.

We're proud of this *Cadenza* because it represents something of the creativity present among students on our campus," the editor stated. "The material was selected because it represented thought and distinctiveness. There are flaws in the magazine, of course; but at least we have tried and in trying have been able to put on paper portions of ourselves."

Plans for the spring edition include more special effects and perhaps the addition of eight pages. Students are urged to begin work now on material; deadline has been set for March 16.

*Cadenza* sales in the cafeteria end tonight. Price is \$1 per copy. Anyone wishing to obtain a book after the sale may contact Mike Rice.



President Bentley inks a contract which connects the college with the local unit of the Office of Economic Opportunity in a Leadership Training Program. Witnessing the procedure are (l. to r.) Jim Thorson, director for research at the Opportunity Corporation of Madison and Buncombe Counties; Dr. Richard Hoffman, who will direct the program; and Hugh Lassister, executive director of the Opportunity Corporation.

## New Phone System Planned

Improved telephone service for the campus was assured this week by an announcement earlier this week by Business Manager L. W. Moelchert Jr. that the college will order the installation of a modern new central telephone system.

The Series 40 Dial Telephone System won't be delivered by the white-whiskered gentleman in the red suit, but the announcement of its anticipated installation next summer is a welcome Christmas message for both students and faculty.

Parents of students, alumni and other outsiders who have had difficulty in the past trying to contact persons on campus should also be cheered by the news.

The modern new system will put phones on each floor of the various dormitories and in the various cottages around the campus. It will be accompanied by the installation of sufficient public pay phones on the campus to greatly improve out-going long distance service.

The present system includes 10

## Canterbury Club Slates Meeting

Canterbury Club, an organization of Episcopal students named after the Archbishop of Canterbury, will meet in the "upper room" of the college cafeteria for a celebration of Holy Communion on Monday, Jan. 20, at 5 p.m., immediately followed by a dinner meeting.

Rev. Fr. Bill Edwards has been appointed chaplain to the Episcopal students at both Mars Hill and Asheville-Biltmore by the Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, bishop of the diocese of Western North Carolina.

Holy Communion will be a weekly event for the Episcopal students on campus who participate in the club.

lines in the dormitories plus 16 semi-public stations. At present, the only means a student has to receive calls is via a pay phone. Currently the operations of the college and the communications of the faculty are handled by 23 business phones at various locations.

The new system will include a central switchboard, manned during the daytime. It will be installed on the ground floor of the Administration Building.

On-campus calls may be made by simple dialing; outgoing long distance calls may be made from pay stations by students and from office phones by faculty and staff members; incoming long distance calls may be accepted at any station.

In addition to improving service for students the new central system will mean improved communications for the faculty and staff and for the business operations of the college. A direct line to Asheville (and Buncombe County) will be available for official business. Other modern conveniences will be included, such as conference calls, holding capacity, inter-office communication, and simple dial transfer of calls.

## Leave Your Address

Any student who does not plan to return to the campus for the spring semester and who would like to have his copy of the 1969 *Laurel* mailed to him or her next May should make arrangements on the subject before the Christmas holidays.

According to Carol Chandler, editor of the publication, any student who is eligible for a copy of the book will receive it by mail only if he or she leaves a completed address label with one of the secretaries in the Division of Public Information, Montague Building.

## Leadership Training Grant Is Received

A grant of \$9,000 has been awarded Mars Hill College to finance another program by which the college can become more closely related to the surrounding area.

It is for a Leadership Training Institute which the college will conduct for the Opportunity Corporation of Madison and Buncombe Counties, for the Model Madison Project and for other community action programs and local governmental agencies.

The Institute, which will be directed by Dr. Richard Hoffman of the political science faculty,

will perform some training of anti-poverty personnel and local government officials; it will study local conditions in an effort to determine the best types of programs and approaches these action agencies should follow; and it will seek new ways in which students and faculty members of the college can become more deeply involved in such agencies and programs.

The college is contributing Dr. Hoffman's services to the Institute; the \$9,000 will be used to finance seminars, conferences, travel, secretarial assistance and other expenses of the program. The appropriation is for a period ending in December 1969.

The grant is the most recent development in the college's expanding program of involvement with the wider community in which it is located.

An already heralded program, Dr. Hoffman's course in community development, received additional publicity last week in an article in the Asheville Times. Special attention was given to students Ed Griffin, Eleanor Duckett and Garland Williams and their experiences in the internship phase of the unique class.

Ed, a junior from Raleigh, has been working with Joe Revis, chief probation officer of the Buncombe County Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court. His experiences with juveniles have been fascinating and enlightening.

"Instead of changing my attitudes," he said, "the experiences have broadened them. I didn't know so many factors were involved in juvenile delinquency, factors that could involve a person so vitally."

Eleanor has interned in the office of Asheville's new city manager, Phin Horton, getting a good behind-the-scenes view of city government — "from financial to personnel matters."

A ministerial student from Hendersonville, Garland has served in an agency where he was able to observe racial problems and how they affect both blacks and whites.

"I went in very ignorant," he confesses. "I needed to overcome some of my prejudices. There couldn't have been a better agency than this for me. I know this is a cliché but I've had a chance to walk in someone else's shoes."

## Get the Spirit

Help Jacob Adeleke bring his wife to the U. S. Contribute through members of Sigma Alpha Chi or Sigma Kappa Lambda.