

Around Campus

Sincere condolence is extended to Dean Mary Logan in the death last week of her sister, Mrs. Annie Himes of Asheville. It was the second such grief for Miss Logan in recent weeks. Another sister, Miss Irene Logan of Asheville, died just before Christmas.

At least two MHC students got in some valuable experience recently and did a good deed at the same time. Alumnus Steve Spain, principal of a school in Virginia, sent a clipping telling about college students who were home during the Christmas holidays filling in for teachers who were out with the flu. Among them were Mary and Carol Pace of Clarksville, Va., who helped out at Bluestone High School.

We're all in favor of student publications having a little something in their budget for travel, but have you heard about Laurel editor Carol Chandler? She flew to Hawaii last Thursday for a week's vacation. Now that's the kind of editorship we would all like to have. Congrats, Carol!

Sleep Monday night and come to Chapel Tuesday morning wide awake because Bob Drake and the Imperials will be on hand to "sock it to you" in concert. This live performance, sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha, will kick off a full schedule of events, capped by OVERTIME, a musical extravaganza, which will immediately follow the Mars Hill-King basketball game.

Bob Drake and the Imperials return to the Mars Hill stage after a recent SRO engagement at the Four Winds in Greenville, S. C. The group, of which four members are four-year veterans, will present their renditions of both new and old "soul" hits.

Student prayer services are now being held each Tuesday and Thursday nights in the Game Room of Fox Dorm from 6:30-7:00 p.m. Neil Tuttle is in charge of the services and Marsha Fountain leads the music. Attendance at press time was averaging from 15 to 16 people.

Any male student desiring information about the Selective Service is urged to write or call one of the following draft counseling services: Charlotte Draft Counseling Service, 2038 Randolph Road, Charlotte, N. C. 28207; phone, (704) 375-3031; American Friends Service Committee, P. O. Box 1791, High Point, N. C. 27261; phone, (919) 882-0109; Columbia Draft Information Center, Suite 704, Columbia Building, P. O. Box 1283, Columbia, S. C. 29202; phone, (803) 253-4123.

The college music department will sponsor a saxophone clinic here Feb. 21 for high school band directors in the surrounding area and their woodwind students. Soloist and clinician James Houlik of East Carolina University will conduct the one-day workshop and will play with the college band in a concert as the concluding item on the program. MHC band director Ray Babelay is coordinator for the clinic.

Seen on door to room in Myers: "Whereas Woman is the Foundation of Sin, the Weapon of the Devil, the Cause of man's banishment from Paradise, this room shall be closed to them."

Jerry W. Coates of Charland Forest, Asheville, has been awarded a \$400 Engineering Scholarship by Alliance-Carolina Tool & Mold Corp., Arden, for whom he works part-time while attending Mars Hill College.

Coates is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Williams F. Coates of Weaverville. He is married to the former Miss Sandra Hensley.

Coates scholarship was the first presented by the Arden branch of Alliance-Carolina.

Science Honor Club officers for spring semester are: President, Wilson Laney; Vice-President, Gordon Plumblee; Secretary, Stuart Caudill; Treasurer, Sarah Lunsford; Devotion Chairman, Jack Gaines; Social Committee, Cynthia Floyd, Dorothy Giles.

Officers of the Mars Hill Methodist Student Movement for spring semester are: President, Linda Baldwin; Program Chairman, Nancy Phillips; Secretary-Treasurer, Linda Ritchie; Enlistment Chairman, John Scott; Food Chairman, Ann Ward and Phyllis Poff.

"Tea and Sympathy," a drama by Robert Anderson, is listed as the next production of the Drama Department.

It will play Feb. 28, March 1, 3 and 4, with Katie Swofford in the starring role of a swaggering housemaster's understanding wife in a boys' preparatory school.

93 Days 'Til Graduation!

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"WELL, THEN, IF YOU'RE NOT HAPPY IN CHEMISTRY MAYBE YOU WOULD LIKE TO TRY SOMETHING IN MUSIC OR ART?"

Letters to the editor...

Dear Editor,

Kindly allow us a space in the Hilltop to express our gratitude to all and sundry in appreciation of the Christian fellowship demonstrated among these hills last December. We cannot hold our peace in response to your love for, and to us. Impression without expression is an absolute depression.

Nothing could be more inspiring and exciting than reading the posters around the campus of Mars Hill College with inscriptions such as: "HAVE YOU BEEN SEPARATED FROM YOUR LOVED ONE?" and "JACOB CANNOT GO HOME FOR CHRISTMAS, HELP BRING CHRISTMAS TO JACOB" and a host of others.

Let us dialogue a brief discussion Jacob had with a friend:

Friend A: "Jacob, what do you think of these posters?"

Jacob: "Look, Guy, this is great a love."

Friend A: "Who sponsors this?"

Jacob: "Two students — male and female — interviewed me previously about my desire to and possibilities of bringing my wife to me, but I just don't know their names. I have come to discover that this is the making of joint sponsorship of Sigma Alpha Chi and Sigma Kappa Lambda.

Friend A: What do you think of it? Are you happy?"

Jacob: Why not, if not? I am very happy and moved. No gift

could be greater than assuring a foreigner that he is a part of you citizens.

Friend A: Will your wife get to come over?

Jacob: I hope Miss Snelson will make it and you will as well join in praying for me. When she is with me, you will realize that I will be settled.

Jacob: But is this the general practice in other U. S. colleges?

Friend A: No, this is our habit here in Mars Hill.

Jacob: This is a great lesson we can emulate and practice. Keep it up.

After all was said and done, the long dream came into reality at the dawn of January 5, 1969. We thank the two clubs for initiating the financial support of \$235 from all students — even at such a time when students' budgets for Fall Semester were having very little reserves. We also thank the student body, faculty members and administrative officers for your loving kindness.

We congratulate the President, Dr. Bentley, for earning Mars Hill College this spirit of Love — indiscriminate love. We congratulate the Foreign Students Advisor, Miss Frances Snelson who is "the soul" of our meeting so soon and so easily. Our thanks also go to individuals and families among

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Things Have Changed

Editor's Note: This article appeared in the January 19, 1969 issue of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal and was written by that paper's sports editor, Leslie Timms.

There is some sort of old proverb which warns against visiting the places you enjoyed in your youth unless you want to be disillusioned. I should have remembered it.

When you reach your 31st birthday and go back to the old school which you attended over 10 years ago, all in the same week, you wonder why you don't need a walking cane to get up the stairs at the office.

I had always figured I was part of the young generation. Then all of this gray hair started spreading over my head and young athletes who had been calling me by my first name started addressing a Mister on to it. Well, that's enough to make you feel old. But the thing which topped everything off came Friday night.

I finished Mars Hill College 11 years ago. There is one thing on the face of the earth that isn't going to change it's going to be Mars Hill College.

It was a junior college back in the old days. We had a gym with a balcony around it which had an overhang over the court. All you had to do was put up a fairly tight zone and not even think about the man with the ball in the corners because if he was foolish enough to shoot the balcony was going to stop that.

Well, they've got a nice new gym up there now. It's first class in every way. I hate to admit it but they even have a better team than we did back in the "good old days."

Internships Put Idealism to Work

Idealism put to work seems to be the theme behind the Community Development Institute at Mars Hill College. The college and its relationship to the community has taken on greater emphasis in this endeavor to relate experience to knowledge. Heretofore colleges have only related themselves to other colleges, but the trend now is to further their alliances into the community. The stereotype of the "ivory tower" is quickly losing ground as the idea of personal and group involvement is seeping into the scene. The community needs the resources the colleges have, and the barriers are now beginning to be taken down.

Dr. Richard Hoffman, director of Community Development, has related his experiences as vice chairman of Model Madison (dealing with physical development) and the Opportunity Corporation (dealing with human resources) back to the classroom of the Community Development Class which has given the college a closer relationship with the community. The students in this program have made great strides in this effort by being "interns" in such agency assignments as the Domestic-Relations Court, the Health Department, the Housing Authority — to mention only a few.

What are the results of this fast growing program? "It blends knowledge and experience," said Dr. Hoffman. It strengthens the academic program. It helps the students, the faculty, and the community to understand each other thus opening the gates of communication.

These "internships" are learning experiences outside the classroom. The student is challenged to look at our political system, define what is wrong with it, then try to develop strategy for change and then turned loose to try to change it. This knowledge and experience gives them a more realistic outlook so that they can more clearly define their assumptions and views of the world. It gives the student's total college experience more meaning and value — he learns to relate.

How can this benefit the college student after his graduation? First, it forces the student to re-examine his basic views with which he entered college and forces him to defend his position — what he wants to be involved — it turns on a realistic approach. Secondly, it helps to encourage students to become public servants and participants in society no matter what field they have chosen. It turns them on to involvement. "These are times when all of us have to participate," said Dr. Hoffman.

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