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Dr. Gray: 'Here I Are'

"I like people; I like the school," was Dr. Virgil R. Gray's reply when asked about coming to Mars Hill College. Dr. Gray has joined the staff of Mars Hill College in the Department of Drama. He is a native of Terre Haute, Indiana, where he taught for nine years prior to his arrival at Mars Hill. He was graduated from Ball State Teacher's College in Muncie, Indiana, and received his Master's from State University of Iowa. Dr. Gray then decided to continue formal education by earning the coveted doctorate degree from Indiana University.

He emphasized that Mars Hill College drama students have a definite advantage over big university students because "university students are interested only in getting jobs, while Mars Hill students want a well-rounded education." He said that the drama students who come here are "interested in drama, not in playing around."

In looking ahead for the Drama Department, Dr. Gray sees a fine year in the making. The first production for the year will be "Darkness at Noon" which is scheduled for October 16, 17 and 18. Just before semester break, the Drama and Music Departments will combine to present "Amahl and the Night Visitors." Second semester productions will consist of one-act plays written and directed by students in the advanced theatre classes.

Dr. Gray lists stage lighting as his special interest in Drama productions. Off the set, his hobbies are many, varying from scuba diving and handguns to HO trains.

Dr. Gray first became acquainted with MHC while working with the Indiana State University summer theatre which was also attended by Mr. Lynch, Holcombe and Mr. Thomas of the Mars Hill College Drama Department. "One thing led to another," Dr. Gray, "and here I are."

Commenting on the students in the Drama Department he said, "I'm very impressed with my students."

A. M. Chapter To Be Host For State Convention Oct. 3-4

On October third and fourth the University Division of the Society for Advancement of Management will hold its North Carolina state convention on the Mars Hill College campus, hosted by the Mars Hill College chapter of this organization. Guest speaker for this convention will be Mr. Carl W. Goltart, Director Administration and Engineering Reynolds Metals Company. Mr. Goltart's responsibilities at Reynolds include financial management, engineering and shop services, systems development and general administration of the Metallurgical Research Division. Mr. Goltart majored in Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University and in Management, Accounting and Production Management at Indiana

University. He is currently Executive Vice President of the International Society for Advancement of Management, and he has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the past three years for this organization. Mr. Goltart has also served as a Regional Vice President, chapter President and has been an outstanding member of the International Society for Advancement of Management for the past 16 years. Besides Mr. Goltart, several outstanding business men from North and South Carolina are also expected to attend this convention and they will add a great deal to the discussions to take place during

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SGA Slow On Varied Student Demands

The prospect of student representation on standing faculty committees was kicked around by the Senate of the Student Government Association at its Sept. 16 meeting. Considerable debate was given to a formal recommendation passed by the SGA Cabinet. The recommendation as stated called for "two students to serve as full voting members on the Standing Faculty Committees." Most of the Senate discussion was given to the means for selecting the student representatives who should be sufficiently interested in the workings of standing faculty committees and be motivated toward playing a useful role. He felt the entire effort would be wasted if the student representatives were merely content to hold the seats as honorary posts.

Several senators voiced objections on the ground that it would be difficult for any qualified representatives to make themselves known to the whole student body. It was suggested that for a time the senate and the commission make the nominating and do the electing.

Jim Elens declared that the selection process was very important. He stated that in his opinion the Senate is not the body to rule on students' qualifications.

Ed Griffin said that the entire matter should first be given intensive discussion at meetings in all the college dormitories. He emphasized that this should precede any attempt at selecting the student representatives. He further suggested that senators accompanied by faculty representatives attend these dorm meetings to inform interested students of the standing committee responsibilities and to solicit ideas from those present.

The senate unanimously agreed that the whole issue needed wide publication, especially news pertaining to its functions and aims. A proposal now being studied is for interested students to first nominate themselves for the posts and then go before the Explanatory Review Committee for screening. It was decided this might be the most democratic means of choosing student representatives who are both qualified, interested and sufficiently motivated to work with faculty members for a better college system at Mars Hill.

Jim Wikle recommended that a motion passed earlier by the SGA Commission creating a fourth member in each dormitory house council be approved by the Senate. The measure was sent to the Senate Legislative Review Committee for study.

Regular meeting time for the SGA Senate was set at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

A committee was appointed to study ways to finance the Nov. 15 trip to Hampton-Sidney College by the college band and football team. Griffin recommended that bus seats be sold early.

Some consideration was given to changing sections of the Constitution

and By-Laws as now written in the handbook. No special action was taken in this matter.

Cathy Bowen pointed out that the section dealing with penalties and

procedures should be supplemented to include a probationary system in student court procedures. This would allow the court to hand down suspended sentences in certain cases.

Wikle's Weak Warriors Charge Into Action

The SGA Commission took initial steps toward future establishment of an honor system at Mars Hill College at its September 16 meeting. Ken Rickett and Lester Boyde were appointed to head a student commission to study the issue. It is hoped the student commissioners will work with a faculty group set up for the purpose of studying advantages to be gained by implementing an honor system to the college academic program.

Commissioners approved a motion creating new student officers at the dormitory level. This measure is expected to be given SGA Senate study before final approval. If set up it would create the post of an intramural director in each dormitory and these officers would be part of the house council and would occupy seats on the commission. It would be the intramural director's duty to work with the college athletic department in setting up intramural schedules in all available sports. Directors would be expected to cooperate with all departments to acquire needed facilities in the organization of intramural athletic teams.

Commission members voted to hold regular meetings on the second

and fourth Thursdays of each month. Meeting time is 6:30 p. m. Next scheduled commission meeting is Sept. 30.

Commission Chairman Jim Wikle appointed a cafeteria committee to study possible operational improvements in the cafeteria. Duties singled out were lending assistance with menu planning, food selection and preparation by working with the dietitian.

Suggestions offered at the meeting included acquiring art work from the art department to decorate the blank walls in both the cafeteria and the student center. Also it was suggested that adequate drapes might be obtained from the Home Economics Department to lend a more friendly and homelike atmosphere to what is described as "empty and bleak" surroundings.

October 18 was announced as the deadline for ordering private phones for dormitory rooms. The telephone company serving this area is expected to install the necessary equipment soon which will permit installation of one telephone to each dormitory room on campus. Installation fee was listed at \$8 per phone with a monthly charge of \$6.32.

'Jungle Hell' Will Be Topic Of Forthcoming Moratorium

Washington—The Vietnam Moratorium, a series of nation-wide convocations within the academic community, will begin October 15. Students at more than 500 colleges are already committed to spending the day in the community with door-to-door campaigns, teach-ins, rallies and vigils.

A faculty statement endorsed by sponsoring faculty, administrators and college and university presidents at participating institutions is forthcoming.

The "Student Call"—signed by student body presidents and campus newspaper editors—states that "Ending the war in Vietnam is the most important task facing the American nation. Over the last few years, millions of Americans have campaigned, protested, and demonstrated against the war. Few now defend the war, yet it continues. Death and destruction are unabated; bombs and fires continue to devastate South Vietnam"

"The discredited policies of the past which have brought about this American tragedy have not been changed. We follow the same military advice which has created a

futile and bloody conflict Thus it is necessary for all those who desire peace to become active again and help bring pressure to bear on the present Administration.

"We call for a periodic moratorium on 'business as usual' in order that students, faculty members and concerned citizens can devote time and energy to the important work of taking issue of peace in Vietnam to the larger community."

The student statement carefully avoids the terms "strike" or "protest" in describing the interruption of classes. Concern is that intelligent questions be raised about the war, that the academic community mobilize its resources to arouse a war-weary public to the fact that unless current policy is changed, the Wednesday evening statistics on Vietnam casualties will be a standard item on Huntley-Brinkley in 1972, as it was in 1968.

The statements conclude, "We call upon all members of the academic community to support the moratorium, and we commit ourselves to organize this effort on our campus and in the larger community. We ask others to join us."