

Sex Check

A survey among students at Mars Hill College showed that an overwhelming majority of students favored legalizing abortion, a substantial number approved of premarital sexual intercourse in certain situations, and that a slight amount of double-standard ideology still exists.

Recently a group of six students in a Christian Ethics class under the supervision of Dr. Page Lee conducted a survey on the attitudes and behavior of Mars Hill College students toward matters concerning sexual behavior. The survey was conducted at random among 176 members of the MHC student body, with an equal number of students being surveyed among each scholastic class and gender.

Each participant was given a questionnaire and was asked not to collaborate with anyone on the questions. All questions were to be answered anonymously. Questions ranged from data concerning family background to attitudes and behavior concerning premarital coitus and legalization of abortion.

The following data is the results of questionnaires returned by 94 males and 82 females. The figures and percentage stated are on the basis of the 176 questionnaires collected.

Of those responding to the question, "Are you in favor of legalized abortion?" 159 students replied "yes" and 16 replied "no." Of the 159 respondents replying "yes", 74 of these were females or 92 percent of all the females questioned and 85 were males or 94 per cent of all males surveyed. It is interesting to note that of the nine males who replied they were not in favor of legalized abortion, three had engaged in premarital sex. No females who were against legalized abortion had engaged in premarital sex.

Concerning the question regarding premarital sexual intercourse, of the 94 male respondents 53 or 55 per cent of the total males surveyed replied they had engaged in premarital sex. 41 or 45 per cent of the total amount of males questioned answered that they had not engaged in premarital sex. Of the 82 female respondents 13 students or 17 per cent of the girls questioned replied that they had engaged in premarital sex. Out of the females surveyed 66 girls or 79 per cent of the females questioned replied that they had not engaged in premarital sex. Two did not answer and one replied "sort of." (I wonder how someone "sort of" engages in premarital sex).

Of the 53 males who had engaged in premarital sex 14 of them or 26 per cent of the total males questioned replied that they would not marry a person who had engaged in premarital sex with someone else. From the 53 males that had engaged in coitus, 35 males or 66 per cent of the males questioned would marry a person who was not a virgin.

All of the 13 males who had engaged in premarital sex stated they would marry a person who had engaged in premarital sex with someone else. It is interesting to note that all nonvirgin females replied that they would marry a nonvirgin male but that a slight number of nonvirgin males would not marry a girl who had engaged in sexual intercourse.

Of the 176 people surveyed 102 respondents are 58 per cent of the total amount of respondents felt it was right in certain situations to engage in coitus. Of the 176 people surveyed 74 persons or 42 per cent of the total people questioned felt that premarital sexual intercourse was wrong under any circumstances. Of these 74 people 9 or 12 per cent responding had engaged in premarital sexual intercourse. This means there are nine people walking around MHC campus with guilt complexes).

The Hilltop realizes the built-in inadequacies of such a survey. Potentially, there are those who would answer "yes" to many of the sexual behavior questions just for the heck of messing up the poll. The Hilltop though does feel that for the most part students did answer honestly and sincerely.

The Hilltop also recognizes the fact that only a small fraction of the student body was surveyed. But due to lack of time and equipment this was the only possible method. The students being polled equally among scholastic classes and at random among their class peers hopefully established a wide range of attitudes and behavior. It is hoped that this survey will be used as a meter to measure the trends of the generation arising—a generation that is more open about sexual behavior and that is questioning long established standards of morality.

—Sam Wallace

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"WHAT A WEEKEND WE HAD IN TH' CITY! — I COULD HARDLY GET WORTHAL TO COME TO CLASS THIS MORNING."

Sounds of the Times

Frau Linda Baldwin:
News Bulletin—FLASH! The First Panzer Division has taken Raleigh! We have met light resistance. No casualties. We are on schedule according to our timetable. Our next objective is New Bern. Will keep you posted as to further developments.

Signed,
Commander Kohler
Commander Reacher
Commander Strueger
Commander Kunstler
of the 1st Panzer Division
Editor's Note: The postmark on this surprising letter was Goldsboro. After checking with Hilltop war correspondents in various outposts in the state and learning that there has been no uprising of indigenous rebels and no recent attack by the British, I deduced that the letter must be a coded message from those Mars Hill students who toured North Carolina with Dr. Underwood. The letter has been sent to Data Processing for decoding. Any information which might be learned that is deemed pertinent to the College will be printed in a forthcoming issue of the Hilltop.

Dear Editor
I would like to respond to the letter in the last Hilltop from Wilson Laney. Actually, I feel that criticism is

good as long as it is constructive criticism. It is the job of each administrator to be sensitive to the needs of both students and faculty and most of us actively seek to determine and evaluate each criticism and suggestion to the best of our ability. I feel that it is the duty of all students and faculty to respond constructively to conditions which, if altered, would make Mars Hill College a more "relevant" institution.

On the other hand, is the type of criticism which we have seen in some instances during the past year. It consists primarily of destructive criticism. For this type of criticism I have no sympathy. For the person who doesn't have the intestinal fortitude to stand up for his beliefs and who resorts to things such as sending unsigned letters with false or inaccurate statements, I have nothing but contempt.

Wilson, my invitation was not to you or those who offer constructive criticism and are willing to at least listen to both sides of a given situation. It was and still is to those who criticize destructively without any regard for the long range best interest of the College.

Sincerely yours,
Lou Moelchert

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File 34

by Sam Wallace

Springtime at Mars Hill usually means budding flowers, shorter skirts, and aggressive males but this also means more cars at MHC. According to the Traffic Control Department, 300 cars were registered to be kept on campus by boarding students and 125 cars were registered by commuters. This means MHC could be heading toward a traffic problem if conditions are not met. Beginning second semester markers were placed distinguishing parking areas for staff and students. Student patrolmen were hired that regulations would be enforced. Reports from the Traffic Control Department indicate the patrolmen being kept pretty busy. There are, on the average, tickets per week being given to students and staff for violations of traffic regulations. All tickets are not though; should a case be deemed an emergency the Traffic Control Department the ticket is voided. The Department feels that if students and staff would only pay attention to parking signs and not try to slip their cars into a violation zone, the parking problem could be solved. Fox Dorm parking lot has been suggested as a possible area to relieve the parking congestion. One likes to walk long distances to class but at present time this is the only feasible solution.

Plans are being made to alleviate the congestion around the dormitories. In the future students may be allowed to park their cars on the side next to Moore Dorm. On Boy's Hill both parking lots in of the Hill have been opened to resident and muting students.

Even with regulations being followed MHC may have a parking problem and will probably in the future have an even greater problem. Let's hope that in the near future, new parking areas will be allocated. Until then, students and staff, pay attention to where you're parked. That's not a joke!

A joke from the latest issue of Playboy comes from the mother who cautioned her daughter, "I hope you're not planning to be alone in that bachelor's apartment tonight".

"Don't be silly", the girl replied, "He'll be there with me."

Congratulations go out to junior Wanda Conner who was elected Recording Secretary of the North Carolina Student Education Association last year. This marks the second year in a row that MHC has produced the Recording Secretary Betty Smith being elected Recording Secretary last year.

The Ministerial Conference has announced the results of elections of officers. The following are officers for the second semester of 1970; Bill Johnson — President, George Bullard — Vice-President, Ken Gregory — Secretary-Treasurer.

The No Doz Award of the last two weeks goes to the Drama Department of MHC who have been practicing late nights in preparation for presenting the six one plays for the last two weekends. Actors, plastered with heavy make-up, upon returning to their dorms were practice, looked like rejects from Holcombe Football Home.

Greg Caldwell and Cindy Byler have been recognized by the Education Department as Mr. and Mrs. Future Representative Teachers of Mars Hill College. Greg and Cindy represented MHC at the Student Education Association Convention in Charlotte last week.

File 34 tips its hat to Students Activities Director Perry White for the recent schedule of student entertainment. The singing group The Saxons were generally well received and the last two films shown in the Auditorium, "The Great Escape" and "Camelot" were of exceptional quality. Keep those singing groups practicing, flicks coming, Perry.

Sure I'm going home this weekend. There's nothing going on. No movies, no plays, no dances, no concerts—nothing.

Sure I'm going to stay this weekend. There's too much to do. I wouldn't know what to do if I stayed. We've got movies, plays, dances, concerts—too much to do.

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