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Pigeon Holes

Are For Pigeons:

DARE TO FLY!

## Protesters Meet With Bentley

After a festive weekend at Mars Hill College student energies did not subside on Monday. Approximately 50 college students staged a protest in front of the Administration Building at Mars Hill at 9 a.m. concerning the recent incident at Kent State University in Ohio.

Many outbreaks have occurred on college campuses in direct protest against President Nixon's decision to enter Cambodia. Kent State was the scene of one such incident in which students were protesting against Nixon's decision and the eventual events in Indo-China. In the process of the demonstration the National Guard, who had been summoned to the scene, fired into the crowd and killed four students and injured many others.

The Mars Hill students who attended the local demonstration were earnest in their concerns. Some of them had composed a list of grievances which they were prepared to present to President Fred Bentley in the form of a demand. The students decided to go see Dr. Bentley and demand a statement on the issue of their grievances. As they were about to proceed on their way to Dr. Bentley's home, Danny Ray, Student Government Association president, intervened, asked the students to wait and said that he would call Dr. Bentley.

Dr. Bentley immediately responded to Danny's call and came to the Administration Building to meet with the students. He read the list of grievances several students had written and after a short conference with Jim Elens, who seemingly had played a significant role in the organization of the protest, held a discussion forum in Moore Auditorium with all interested students. Dr. Bentley orally read the list of grievances and listed the reasons why he felt he could not comply with them. The list of grievances included such demands as a guarantee that the National Guard would never be called onto the Mars Hill campus and that campus policemen be unarmed. Dr. Bentley said that he would call on any outside help at any time in which he felt it was needed to protect the community and to preserve the educational environment. (Continued on P. 4)

## Students Named To College Committees

Last Monday night a joint session of the Mars Hill College Student Government Association voted the following students into membership on College Committees: Larry Platt, Hayes Goodrum, Plans and Policies; Gretchen Mayo, Mary Ann Hazel, Curriculum; Ilene White, Don McCaskill, Religious Life; Betty Moss, George Bullard, Library; Don Cox, Gary Dale, Traffic; Dean Hicks, Ron Richards, Athletics; Ron Richardson, Dobbie Charlton, Campus Activities. These students will assume great responsibilities in the coming academic year and are the first Mars Hill students to be placed on College Committees, formerly Faculty Committees.



Dean Mary Logan is shown accepting a plaque given to her last Monday night by the Student Government Association in appreciation for the work and devotion she has given Mars Hill College.

## Dean Logan Bows Out

Dean Mary Logan has kept in step to the music of time for over a half century; and in two weeks, she'll be waltzing to her home in West Asheville.

As a child she danced to the circus calliope playing in her father's wheat fields along the banks of the French Broad; in the twenties she cakewalked with Asheville until the bust; jived with New York City during the Depression; marched with America in World War II; and for the past eight years has rocked to the raucous electronic beat of youth as dean of women at Mars Hill College.

This last dance is near an end: Miss Logan retires as dean next month.

But it will be just an intermission, for she'll pick up some new steps when she visits the Pacific Northwest this summer and the Orient next year. She also plans to keep busy teaching arts and crafts, renewing old acquaintances and becoming involved in community and cultural affairs. She'll be living with her sister, Mrs. John Lawrence, at the family home on Logan Avenue in West Asheville.

Miss Logan finished Womens College in 1927 with a major in English and a minor in education. After a year studying voice in Asheville, Miss Logan went to Avery County and taught in Crossnore High School.

Following a job as supervisor of standardized testing in Avery County cut out its supervision program and Miss Logan remained in New York, teaching in a private school and

studying voice. "I studied with James Melton's teacher. I went to a lot of broadcasts with James. He was a star on the Firestone Hour and later with the Metropolitan Opera.

When Melton died in 1961 Miss Logan bought his costumes and gave them to Mars Hill where they are used in college productions.

After a year teaching in New Haven, Conn., and another back in Crossnore, Miss Logan returned to her family in Asheville.

One day she rode out to Mars Hill College, where her mother was on the board of trustees, and talked with the president, Dr. Hoyt Blackwell. Two days later she returned

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## Three Housemothers Leaving

Next year the women of Edna Moore and Fox Dormitories and the men of Spilman will not see the familiar faces of their housemothers when returning for the fall semester. Mrs. Elsie Teague, Mrs. Mary McQuinn and Mrs. Marion Arnette will be entertaining different surroundings, such as Tennessee and Shelby and Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mrs. Elsie Teague plans to vacation to Tennessee to see her mother after the closing of the dorms later this month. Afterwards she plans to establish a home with Mrs. Forrest Teague in Shelby, North Carolina. Mother Teague has been hostess of Edna Moore Dormitory for the past twelve years. She has served several summers as hostess for summer school in various dorms

## Seniors Set To Observe Commencement Exercises

Mars Hill seniors are awaiting May 17 when the Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degrees will be handed out. Undoubtedly there will be mixed emotions but this is a common occurrence at all graduations.

The commencement program will last three days and there will be full plans for each day. Officially the commencement program will open with an art exhibit. This will be in the Fine Arts Building and will be given at 4 p.m. on May 15. Diane Brown, Marcia Gay, Carol Graham and Tommy Martin, graduating seniors, will display their works in the exhibit.

Saturday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m. there will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees. At 12 a.m. there will be a joint luncheon of the Board of Trustees. At 3:30 p.m. the Alumni Association will conduct a business meeting in Moore Auditorium. Class reunions are also a part of Commencement This year classes 1905, 1910, 1915,—1965 will attend. There is an expected attendance of about 800. The reunions will be followed by an alumni banquet in which Charles A. Glanville will speak. He is Vice-President for Planning and Development, Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania. Dr. Bentley will also present the alumnas and alumna of the year award at the banquet. These awards will go to Mrs. William K. Sturdivant of North Wilkesboro and Mr. "Gene" Roberts Jr. of New York City. Mrs. Sturdivant attended Mars Hill College in 1930-32. Mr. Roberts is the national news director of the New York Times. Both of these alumni are worthy of the awards. The day will be ended by a concert by the MHC choir at 8 p.m. in Moore Auditorium.

The Baccalaureate will be on May 17 at 11 a.m. in Moore Auditorium. The speaker will be Dr. Bruce Heilman, President of Meredith College Raleigh, N. C.

To terminate the commencement program, graduation exercises will be held at 3 p.m. in Moore Auditorium. Two hundred and twenty-six seniors will receive Bachelor degrees

in arts or Sciences. Four seniors will receive an associate in arts degree (two-year program). This makes a total of 230 seniors who will bid Mars Hill good-bye.

The commencement exercises will mark the seventh time the college has formally awarded degrees since it became a senior college. They will mark the first time that Dr. Hoffman, in his capacity as vice president for academic affairs, has presented the graduates as Dr. Bentley awards them their degrees.

## Truesdells Give Stock

Approximately one year ago Mr. Charles "Chuck" Tilley, the father of Brick Tilley '69, introduced Dr. Fred Bentley to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard C. Truesdell of Ocala, Florida, while he was visiting with the Tilleys in Miami. At that time, the only knowledge the Truesdells had of Mars Hill was that "Brick was a student up there." Since that time, Dr. Bentley has had other opportunities to see the Truesdells and he as well as Mr. Tilley has shared information on the College with them.

On April 3, 1970, Leonard and Maudine Truesdell gave to the College 1,200 shares of Zenith Radio stock valued at approximately \$42,000 through the Leonard C. and Maudine Truesdell Foundation, Inc. The purpose of this gift is to establish a scholarship fund for outstanding students at Mars Hill College. The criteria for making the awards are now being worked out by the College.

Leonard C. Truesdell has just recently retired from Zenith Corporation where he served as the President of Zenith Sales and Vice-President of Zenith Radio Corporation. He also served on the Board of Directors for Zenith Corporation and Zenith Sales. Since companies are quite reluctant to lose the experience and knowledge of men like Mr. Truesdell, they convinced him to sign a 15-year contract as consultant to the Zenith Corporation. It is interesting to note that when Mr. Truesdell joined the company and under his sales leadership he moved his company from fifteenth position in nation sales to the number one slot!

Presently the Truesdells are making their home in Ocala, Florida, at their beautiful Stone Gate Farm where it is not uncommon to see Maudine carrying a huge bottle of milk to nurse a baby calf or to see Leonard grooming one of his beautiful thoroughbred horses.

The Truesdells have a real understanding of and dedication to young people. They have two grown sons—Alan Bruce, a graduate of Colgate who is in business in Omaha, and Leonard, Jr., a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Case Institute who is with Shell Oil Company in New York City. The Truesdells are proud grand-parents, having five grand-daughters, ages ten to three.