

# Drug Corps or Bust

Drug usage for other than medical purposes is no longer restricted to any one of the several subcultures in our society; to a significantly large percentage of our population it is a frequent, sometimes regular indulgence of the mind and body. For too long the nation's general attitude has been one of, "If I keep my eyes closed long enough, then when I open them again the problem will be gone."

This game of hide-and-seek tomfoolery is easy to play with the unidentified masses of persons whom we call "Them." But the game is difficult to play with our own. In fact, when it's one or more of us who is involved in any kind of drug experimentation or who is caught up in a kind of cyclothemia synthesized through a negative reaction to a drug, the word "game" goes sour in our mouths and we face reality: drugs are here.

The proposed drug corps appears to be a refined, constructive reaction to the problem of drug abuse. Its counseling and/or rehabilitative potential would be an asset to our community efforts to meet the needs of individuals.

Drugs are to be reckoned with here and perhaps the most serious reckoning must be done by the students. A student cannot be so naive as to believe that he can frequently experiment with any drug harder than grass without it directly affecting his academic and personal life. In the same light, neither can one be so naive as to believe that he can experiment with grass or any harder drug and not face the legal penalties. It is here that the drug situation becomes a point of concern for the college community as well as that of the individual. To deny this is to negate any theory of social responsibility and to ignore this is to commit a social injustice.

We believe the establishment of a drug corps here would be a much-needed improvement and would offer invaluable, long-term benefits to the citizens of the community.

—The Editorial Board

## New Answer to Problem

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menters and this, of course, means that we are certainly not immune to the problems. The students, faculty, and administration of Mars Hill College realize that we, as a community, have a tremendous lack of knowledge with regard to the total drug scene and yet at the same time we feel an obligation to this community to have hard data available for students, and to provide counseling services for the potential user or one who has experimented with drugs or even one who is a regular user of drugs."

SGA President Danny Ray said, "Because of the conflict in roles which would occur, I feel that the response would be far better if any SGA official would not participate in the actual work of the corps but would lend wholehearted support to it."

The Editorial Board of the Hilltop has pledged full support of the proposed drug corps but have, as have SGA officials, also pledged to disassociate themselves from actual work in the corps because of the possible role conflict which could arise.

As regards the proposed drug corps in relation to the room searches of last Wednesday night, Dr. Bentley said, "We all recognize the fact that on-the-spot room searches are an invasion of privacy and that the freedoms of the total student body are placed in jeopardy by a few persons who abuse the regulations. Likewise, we are aware of the fact that these searches will not serve as a long-range constructive program for students at MHC, even though they may act as an immediate deterrent, the consequence of which will probably be to send the problem underground. It is therefore with all of this in mind that we propose to arrive at an educational program which can have constructive value rather than punitive effects."

# LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"BUT OF COURSE YOU HAVE A PLACE IN COLLEGE--IF IT WEREN'T FOR TH' DULL, LAZY, IRRESPONSIBLE, STUPID STUDENT, HOW EVER WOULD WE BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE TH' BRIGHT, INDUSTRIAL, HARD WORKING, INTELLIGENT ONE?"

## Sounds of the Times

### Business Blues

Dear Editor,

It has been surprising to me to note the decrease in the number of customers eating in The Campus Corner during the past few nights. Upperclassmen know, if they were here last year, that The Campus Corner was not open last year. When a short order restaurant doesn't get enough business there may be a very good chance that it will have to close, perhaps permanently.

Bill Chapman, Jr.

### Apathy Apalled

Editor's note:

The following letter is a reprint from the Flambeau, official student newspaper of Florida State University. The letter appears in the Hilltop because the subject, if enacted, would have interesting effects upon the political life of the college community.

Dear Editor:

With the barrage of fall student elections, politically inclined groups have resumed their attacks against the apathetic voter.

It is becoming obvious that the apathetic is being grossly mistreated. Not only has he voluntarily relinquished his voice in government (whether caused by aversion to worry or out of moral conjunctions is

unimportant), he is subject to continual scorn by the rest of our bureaucratic society.

I propose that Florida State University establish an Apathetic Student Party, the Chairmanship of which to be forced upon the dean of one of the more backward departments of the university.

Candidates for the party ticket would be chosen by lottery from a list of students who have never distinguished themselves politically (never held office, joined a political group, nor voted in a student election), who then would finalize their candidacy by swearing to support the platform of the ASP, namely to never vote for any new legislation, to support the discontinuation of any existing legislation, and to miss as many meetings as possible. As opposed to other candidates, ASP candidates would receive credit for every vote not cast by an eligible voter.

Like most student governments, FSU has a group of people who are high in ambition and low in useful ideas. They see their office as a chance to do something, but do not realize that there are a very few things which a government can or should do (especially a student government). As a result the student

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# File 34

by Laine Calloway

Congratulations to the football team and all the people and organizations who made Homecoming a success. If you think that Saturday night was a bummer, here's a word of advice: never bank on first "impressions" they're usually unreliable.

I hear that 17 students received gold stars and became members of the Science Honor Club. Good enough for Jesse Campbell, Joseph Harding, Rick Harris, Barbara Hord, Ben Jolley, Diane Lee, Mildred Mein, Al Parks, Jane Simmons, Jan Sparks, Andy Tintle, Denise Turner, Charles Winfield and Mary Frank Yates are the members. Rumor has it that they will receive, free of charge, transfusions, appendectomies, and a year's supply of dead frogs for dissection.

The Freshman Class Meeting last Thursday was transformed into a floor show during the speeches for freshman class officers, when MHC's own little Boop, Rosalind Pendegrift accentuated her campus speech for Treasurer by her rendition of "Big Spender." The song could also be considered her acceptance speech since she ran unopposed.

If any homeless veteran is looking for a place to call his own—other than the dormitory—how about a mobile home? The Veterans Administration has announced that it will finance mobile homes starting Oct. 22. Administrator of Veteran Affairs Donald Johnson said the bill PL91-506 which President Nixon signed Oct. 23 gives VA the authority to guarantee or make direct loans for this purpose. Oh by the way, if you want to take advantage of this opportunity offered to you because of your service to America, see our own Dean Sears. He has to approve your orders.

It is general knowledge that the feminine half of the editorial board is always on its toes. But Linda I found that being on our toes could mean being drenched in a heavy downpour while chasing Baldwin's Falcon down the street in front of the laundromat. Singleton tells me that there is a moral to this tale: whoa . . . when the gears are stuck don't have a couple of loose nuts under the hood.

Want to see the world? Temporary paying jobs now available in England, France, Germany, Switzerland or Spain to all students. The SOS (Student Overseas Services) Place Offices in Luxembourg, Europe, screen applicants and places applicants, and obtains work permits needed by each student. SOS also gives students an orientation in Luxembourg before they go out to their individual jobs. If you think you might dig a work travel job with SOS, P. O. Box 5173, Santa Barbara, California.

Back to MHC: Some students seem to take a rather dim view of the 4-1-4 system; but really it appears to hold a great many exciting possibilities. For instance, how would you like to be taking such courses as "Philosophy of Peanuts" or "The Lone Ranger Legends" or even "Mickey Mouse and the Viet Nam War?" It looks like all the hours we've spent watching TV and reading the funny papers will finally pay off. These courses are still on the drawing board; but if backed with enough interest, they could easily become classroom realities.

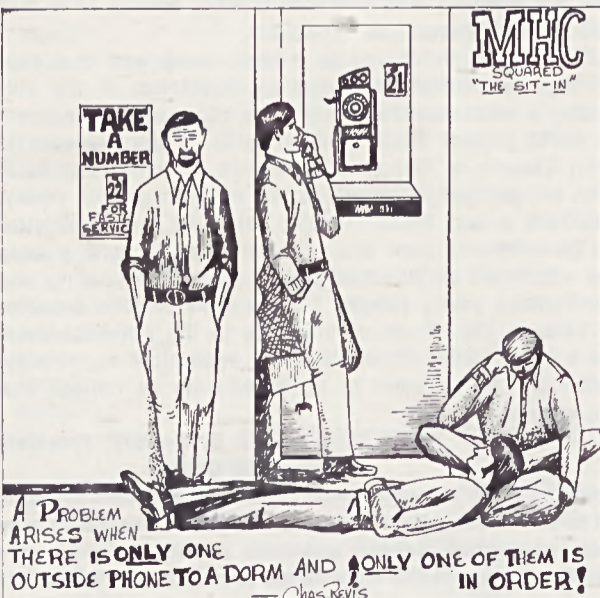
Got any beautiful poetic thoughts? Write them down and send 'em to Cadenza in care of Box 599-C.

Anyone wanting to romp in the sand and sea during Thanksgiving vacation should see Doc. or Mrs. Jolley. They are sponsoring a tour that will cover Marine Beach, Daytona Beach, St. Augustine, and NASA spaceport Cape Kennedy. The cost of the tour will be \$60 which will include transportation, lodging, and admissions. Reservations must be made with the Jolleys before Monday.

This week's No-Doz Memorial Award is bestowed in loving memory on Allison Hilltop, for service above and beyond the call of duty in her all night vigil on Halloween eve. Our pumpkin mascot was ruthlessly kidnapped while guarding the Rock Castle. If this abduction is part of a political maneuver to apply pressure to a newspaper free society, then File 34 can only respond with—this is ridiculous!"

No government ought to be without censorship; and where the press is free none ever will.

—Thomas Jefferson



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# On-Campus

On-campus tutoring of the overall tutor Mars Hill College, is mental stage this semester, funded by a Sabcock Foundation. meet the needs of difficulties in any ac-

Miss Vesta Baughn the program, is resp- ranging tutorial assi- interested student. Tu- scheduled to receive- hours per week for a

# Tricksters

The Baptist Student Oct. 29 provided a H- for Mars Hill child- through eighth grade- of the party was "Ha- val." The amusement- for the children- Baptist, Calvary Bapti- get Church included a- monster beauty page- seller, and a puppet-

Booths, decorated- "spirit," included a- lass game, a witch o- a false face thro- apples, and "pin the- One of the most visite- the party was that o- Hook) whose guiles p- Ibis to seek her gu- covering their fortune-

Ending the evening puppet show, "The Great Pumpkin" writte- and performed by p- Clutterham and Kathy-

The following morn- small party was given- ers of the mental- sponsored by the- Church.

The parties were u- vision of Miss Sue F-

# Fine Arts

Art majors and tea- santly displayed the- in exhibitions- on and off cam-

The art departmen- art faculty memb- many art events in- Piedmont University C- of colleges in centra- North Carolina, spon- travelling exhibition,- ment of the students- Mars Hill College- percent of the work- in a recent student- show, MHC's Nar- the \$40 first prize, Ja- the \$25 second prize,- received honorable-

Students are not- members of the art- outside showings. Mr- Mr. Stephen Wing,- Chris Robertson, pro- contributed in a fac- the Asheville Art Mu-

On campus art s- Charles Revis, cart- and Judy Tallman, Ed- Laurel. Though cam- present have not- work is displayed in- of the Fine Arts Bu-