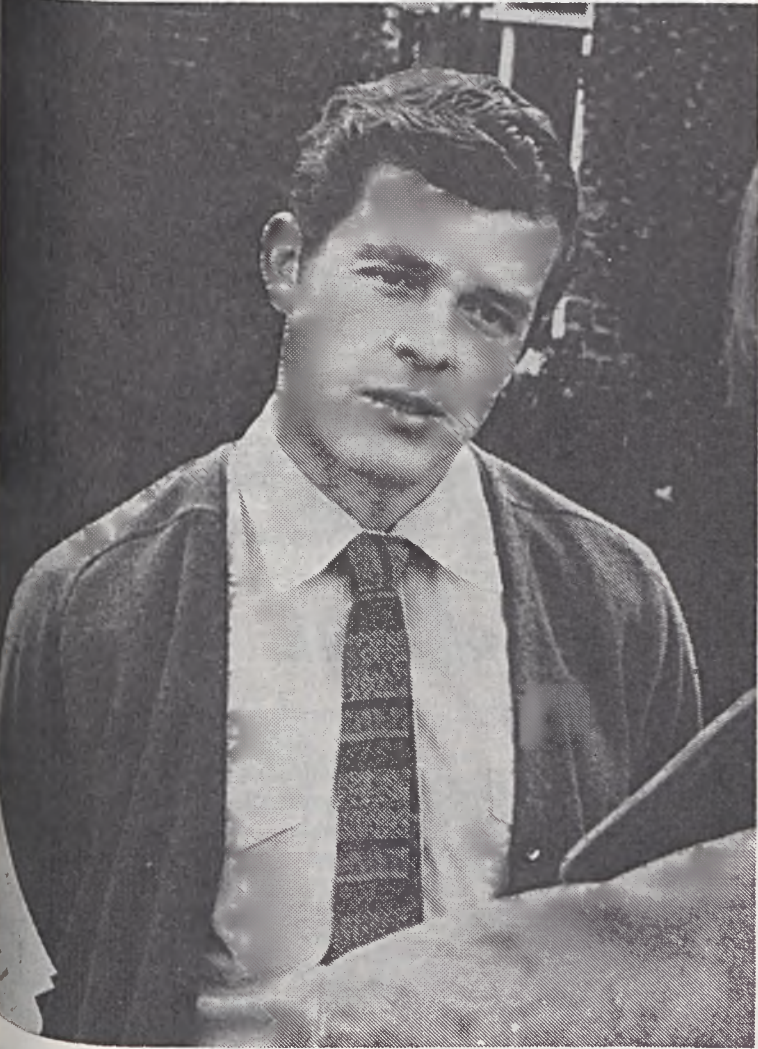




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## Student Volunteers Aid Prison Reform

by Hank Strub

This semester a prison tutorial program has been implemented by Mr. Dave Halferty, associate professor of Sociology, in connection with the Community Development Institute.

Mr. Halferty joined the faculty this fall after a year of teaching at Pembroke State University. Prior to this, he taught one year at Wheaton College in Massachusetts, worked one year for the Joint Commission of Correctional Manpower and Training in Washington, D. C., and, prior to that, worked four years for the Lane County Youth Project in Eugene, Ore., as youth counselor and organizer. He graduated from the University of Oregon, where he also received his M.A. in sociology. He has completed one year's work towards a Ph.D. at the University of Illinois.

The prison tutorial program consists of approximately 25-30 student volunteer tutors who spend one evening each week visiting inmates at the Craggy Mountain and Cane River prisons. Each student now visits from one to four inmates although a 1:1 ratio of student/inmate is the projected goal. Mr. Halferty feels that the achievement of this ratio will increase the effectiveness of the program while increasing the relationship between tutor and inmate. At present only 1/3 of the inmates are being reached by this program due to the small number of practicing students.

Offering inmates "windows to the outside world," the program introduces rehabilitative classes in adult basic education, recreation, music, choir, band, and art. A year ago the State of North Carolina established a community volunteer program in corrections, in which volunteers could bring inmates to community events in culture, education, and religion. The MHC program has provided for 10-12 inmates to be on campus for home football games this past month. These afternoon trips enable inmates to enjoy a relaxing day and a coffee break in a different atmosphere. A Thanksgiving Day party was held for the inmates at which 50 men participated. This party was sponsored by Sigma Alpha Chi and Phi Mu Alpha.

Events for which inmates are allowed to leave the prison are conducted during daylight in order to reduce the chances that an inmate might abuse the privileges granted him.

A long-term goal of the program is to organize a panel of students and inmates to visit business and civic groups in order to establish job training for prospective parolees. So far the program has helped two parolees to gain employment and has hopes of reaching and aiding many more. One problem encountered is the frequent transfer of inmates between prisons. This causes the student/inmate relationship to be broken and any progress made to be squelched.

Mr. Halferty believes this program offers the student volunteer an opportunity to become personally aware of the needs and problems

prison inmates face. He said this awareness is necessary because there is a mutual responsibility for prisons and communities to change their "apathetic views" on crime and rehabilitative programs.

## New Line-ups for Spring

For the first time MHC will have two lines set for spring semester registration Jan. 18-19. One line will be for new students, late registrants, and pre-registered students who need schedule corrections. In another line students having no registration problems will pick up their chapel cards and will have their ID cards validated for second semester. The schedule for final stages in registration will be as follows:

Monday, Jan. 18: All seniors, All juniors, and sophomores with last names beginning L-Z

9:00-11:00 a.m. Meet faculty advisor in the same place as you met him or her for pre-registration in November to pick up your schedule and first semester report and to make any tentative schedule adjustments as necessary.

1:00-4:00 p.m. Registration and corrective registration in Chambers Gymnasium according to your last name on the following schedule:

1:30—seniors/juniors S-Z; 2:00—seniors/juniors M-R; 2:30—seniors/juniors G-L; 3:00—seniors/juniors A-F; 3:30—sophomores S-Z; 4:00—sophomores M-R.

Tuesday, Jan. 19; sophomores with last names A-L and all freshmen 9:00-11:00 a.m. Meet faculty advisor

in the same place as you met him or her for pre-registration in November to pick up your schedule and first semester report and to make any tentative schedule adjustments as necessary.

1:30-4:00 p.m. Registration and corrective registration in Chambers Gymnasium according to your last name on the following schedule:

1:30 — Sophomores A-L; 2:00—Freshmen T-Z; 2:30—Freshmen O-S; 3:00—Freshmen J-N; 3:30—Freshmen E-I; 4:00—Freshmen A-D.

Procedure at Chambers Gymnasium, Jan. 18-19, 1:30-4:00 p.m.

1. Present receipt from the Business Office for registration payment (to avoid standing in the Business Office line, these fees may be paid prior to Christmas holidays or mailed to the College before you return: Boarding Students, \$600; Commuting Students, \$450).
2. Make any necessary changes in your spring schedule with department representative (most of you will bypass this step).
3. Have ID card validated for spring semester.
4. Pick up Enrichment Series cards.

## Students Usurp SGA

Washington, D.C. (CPS)—A group of students called the Concerned Students Coalition successfully ousted Student Government Association leaders at Federal City College here. Charging SGA officials with acts of intimidations against students, faculty and administrators, the groups' coup was successful only after a melee in the SGA offices involving shot guns, administrators, police, and the arrest of four students.

According to Joe Walker, Editor of FCC's student newspaper, the Spectrum, SGA President Cornelius Williams and Vice President Charles Parker, along with several student leaders and other SGA officials, were publicly accused of being corrupt and irresponsible in an assembly Nov. 13. The Concerned Students Coalition had secured SGA signatures on a petition demanding the resignations of the student leaders.

Following the assembly, Coalition organizer Malcolm Tinsley led students to SGA offices and demanded that SGA leaders evacuate immediately. Although the officers had submitted their resignations a few hours earlier, they refused to leave and pulled a shotgun and pistols on Coalition representatives. By this time a crowd of 500 was outside their offices.

Tinsley and his group refused to leave and continued ordering SGA officials to evacuate. Soon FCC President Harland Randolph and several other administrators hit the scene. As word of the guns got out, police summoned by SGA officers also arrived on the scene. A student asked an SGA officer if

they would leave should the crowd decide to leave. Much of the crowd had begun backing off anyway in fear of the guns. The officer said yes.

However, SGA held their ground. The police captain asked President Randolph whom to arrest. He said to bring in both SGA officers and the Concerned Students Committee.

According to Walker, CSC chief Tinsley told Randolph that no Concerned Students were to be arrested. Randolph relented, and said no arrests at all were to be made.

In the midst of all this confusion more police entered the building and began ordering students milling around the officers to leave. Students became angry, shouted names at the police, and refused to leave.

A scuffle ensued between police and students and four arrests were made. Police were pelted with rocks as they made their way to the paddy wagons with the arrested students.

Those arrested were not SGA officers, but students in the crowd. As a source at FCC said, "The police just grabbed."

Charges have since been dropped against the students. The SGA is out. And the Concerned Students Coalition is having a constitutional convention to draft a new constitution for a new student government.

The new constitution will be submitted to the student body for ratification.

Authorities at Federal City said that the college "would not confirm or deny" the charges against the SGA. However, they seemed to view the constitutional convention as a positive step for the student body.

## Latest Lottery Lowdown

Washington, D.C. (CPS)—The national headquarters of the Selective Service System has issued a memorandum clarifying the situation of registrants with high lottery numbers.

The new memorandum to all local boards instructs them to place any registrant with a lottery number higher than the highest number reached by the board in the second priority selection group of class 1-A, if they are classified 1-A or requested 1-A status in a letter dated before Dec. 31.

The second priority group is the pool of 1-A registrants who are considered to have completed their year of exposure to draft liability. Although the priority group system was just established under the lottery, registrants have not been called from comparable groups under the old system since the Korean War.

This action, in effect, eliminated the year of exposure for many registrants. Under a policy memo issued earlier this fall, local boards

are instructed to inform their registrants of the highest number reached in any given year as soon as possible after the last meeting in December.

Deferred registrants may choose to join this group at any time by requesting that their local board reclassify them 1-A. Under the new policy adopted this fall, if a registrant is the right age and 1-A on the last day of the year he will be considered to have been through his last year of exposure.

The latest change extends this concept even further by allowing registrants who request reclassification to be considered to have served their year of maximum vulnerability if the envelope in which their request is sent bears a postmark of Dec. 31 or earlier.

Registrants who have served their "year" of maximum exposure, and who have not been issued induction orders, fall into two categories: If the man's lottery number is higher than the highest lottery

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