

# Issues Anchor Campaign

In the past SGA elections have revolved around pertinent issues. We feel the same is true in this election. We would like to remind or acquaint students with some of these issues so that they might discuss them with the various candidates before deciding upon their ballot choices.

Some of these issues are: redistribution of activity funds, student environmental action, judicial reform, liberalization of women's rights, housing improvements, library accreditation, faculty and curriculum evaluation, parking facilities, and right of 21-year-olds to live off campus.

We would like to stress the fact that, without student participation at the polls, these issues cannot be resolved.

—The Editorial Board

# 'Can Do' Did It

Following a year crammed with improvements in the structure and function of student government, the "Can Do" administration comes to a close in the near future. President Ray is to be commended for his untiring efforts to aid the development of SGA and for his long hours devoted to meeting SGA's many off-campus responsibilities.

Next week's election of '71-'72's four executive SGA officers will see students yield a sculptor's decisive mark upon the yet nondescript face of next year's student government. Integrity will not permit that mark to be made carelessly, without consideration.

The election itself will not be the greatest determining factor in the developments next year. There is the inevitable constant of life; change. There are the variables of communications, relationships, trust, alliances, success, and failure to be met. But the election will be one determining factor and its effects will be infinite.

Between the conception  
And the creation  
Between the emotion  
And the response  
Falls the shadow  
Life is very long.

—T. S. Eliot

No challenge is more perplexing than the unanswered one, no confrontation more haunting than the finished one.

—Linda Baldwin

# Satisfy the Customer

If the educational institution is a business enterprise why do customer students have no valid avenue through which to remark on or question the types of goods and services bartered in the market place?

It is unlikely that a person in this community who purchases a good from any competitive market would have no legal channel by which he could register comments or complaints. However, the student, who purchases an "education package," has no uniform outlet through which he may express his satisfaction or dissatisfaction with that package.

If the education institution is a business enterprise why do the merchant faculty have no valid avenue through which to discover consumer reactions to their goods and services?

In academia, as elsewhere, there are often discrepancies between the assumed and the actual, the desired and the realized, as regards to sound curriculum and instruction. Some of these discrepancies could possibly be minimized with the incorporation of annual faculty and curriculum evaluations by students. Certainly such evaluations, sponsored and publicized by an organization such as SGA, would establish the channels of communication already described as missing here and would provide the kinds of statistical information which could be most helpful to several of the College Committees.

In the recent past faculty evaluations have met with some disfavor at Mars Hill, due partially to poor organization of the evaluations and due partially to improper communication students to faculty about the nature of the evaluations. Annual evaluations sponsored by SGA could easily eliminate these handicapping factors.

Mars Hill has sought in many ways to alleviate student-faculty discontent by offering responsible alternatives. It is time for the students to respond accordingly and to initiate annual faculty and curriculum evaluations.

—Linda Baldwin

# LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"OH I KNOW IT'S TH' SAME FINAL I GAVE LAST TERM— BUT THIS TIME I CHANGED THE ANSWERS."

# Sounds of the Times

## LIBRARY LAMENT

Dear Editor,

The library here is an integral part of our educational system. Students spend much time there checking out books, doing research for term papers, reading newspapers and magazines, studying and . . . settling over-due book fines. It is understandable that these students would probably have suggestions to make in the way of improving the library but often they do not know whom to contact. As a student representative to the College Library Committee, I am trying to get ideas from the students and faculty as regards changes or material they would like to see in the library.

This coming week questionnaires concerning the library will be circulated in the dorms. Opinions and suggestions can be made on the subject. I would personally like to hear some comments on the library. (Box 136-C)

Betty Moss

## PAPER POLLUTION

Dear Editor,

In the Feb. 13 Issue of the Hilltop, there appeared a statement urging readers not to use colored toilet paper, as it is just another of many

means of polluting water. This surprised me considerably, because the toilet paper used by everyone on this campus is not colored, and is more like sandpaper than toilet paper anyway.


If Mars Hill students are to seriously begin a battle against the pollution of this community, then let us start by attacking the cafeteria staff who, each and every evening, give the air near the cafeteria a black haze and an offensive odor by burning what is probably unused food.

Thank you,  
Cliff Williams

Editor's note: Just to set the record straight, some toilet paper on campus is colored (pink or yellow) and lacks the texture you describe.

Learning is not the accumulation of scraps of knowledge. It is a growth, where every act of knowledge develops the learner, thus making him capable of constituting ever more and more complex objectives—and the object growth in complexity parallels the subjective growth in capacity.

—Husserl, as interpreted by  
Quentin Lauer



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# HILLTOP

by Laine Calloway

Hello from the circular file, number 34! Right now I am going through the usual problem a creative young journalist has. Sometimes I can crank out an eloquent resume' of the news just like that and then at other times there's nothing to fill the file with. It gets down to Monday, it's press time and Captain, I mean, Linda is on my back. The ink in my pen just won't turn into words. Nothing is going on and I can't write about rumors I hear. Of course I could discuss what's going on in the dorms and maybe print quotes from Huffman girls concerning the false fire alarm that someone pulled at 2 a.m. but I rarely use profanity in this little piece of literary expression.

I could discuss the impending Honor System and write about whether honesty is the best policy or if Baptists are just naturally born honest. But you probably know the answers to the above mentioned topics. Ecology tip number 549: If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the pollution.

All of the better journalists include social commentaries in their columns. So I could tell you that in a mid-January survey by George Gallup, 78% of American women and 67% of American men favored withdrawal of all U. S. troops from Viet Nam before the end of 1971.

Since there are so many Greek-lettered paddles waving around, I suppose I should congratulate all those students who rushed and will now begin the task of joining the ranks of our fraternities and sororities.

March 2 is the day for us one and all to pay the piper and confirm a room reservation. Fifty dollars, friends, and you'll have a roof over your heads next year.

It's time again for our peaceful but nevertheless political campus to feel the pains of the election process. From a look at the ballot it seems we've got some good races going. Those candidates are sure to put to test the wisdom of the voter. I'm hoping more of us will vote in the forthcoming SGA election. We can't gripe if we don't vote.


The Friends of Distinction showed up better late than never Feb. 21. It was one of those weekends when everyone went home but many of us made it back in time to groove with the Friends' sound. The ventriloquist and dummy provided an added attraction. Their social commentaries hit pretty close to home, heart, and stomach. And, they came across with my favorite words of wisdom: "What you see is what you get."

A couple of weeks ago there was a crew on campus from WFBC-TV (Channel 4) in Greenville, S. C. They filmed an interview with Dr. Bentley and backed up their interview with film shots of the campus. They filmed more scenic spots like the cafeteria and student center. They probably canned some good shots of some of you enjoying a delicious meal. This interview will be telecast Monday, March 1, as part of WFBC-TV's "5:30 O'Clock News." Check it out, you might see yourself.

Two rising seniors will be awarded \$500 scholarships based on a gift received from Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Truesdell of Ocala, Fla. The scholarships will be presented on Awards Day later in the spring. Every little bit helps when you are a young collegiate working to gain a place in the dog-eat-dog world of academia.

Last but not least I must hand out our cherished NoDoz Service Award. It's a Memorial Award this year and it goes to Danny Ray. His presidential term is about up—one year has past and it's been quite a year. Danny has taken quite a few leaps and bounds this year but it's time for a change. I wonder who?????

That's it for this week. As you can see, all is not grandeur and glory for the future writers of the Hilltop. Not everyone is a Clark Kent or a Paul Harvey.



... IN THE BEAUTY OF THY GRACE... THY SPARKLING FOUNTAIN FLOW ... PAINTS THE WORLD A JEWELLED PLANET (M.H.C. - A.M.)