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## Sinka Sinks Into MHC Routine

by Ed Lynch

Margit Sinka avers that the sequestered burgh of Mars Hill is the smallest place in which she's ever lived. A new faculty member, she teaches German and Spanish and smiles a great deal.

Born in Hungary, she lived in Innsbruck, Austria, for a couple of years. In 1952, she and her family emigrated to America, where she grew up. She entered Baldwin-Wallace College in Burea, Ohio, for her basic studies. Facetiously, she recalls it as "a small liberal arts college with Soaring Aspirations and High Ideals." Of course, I was a superb student," she grins. Majoring in German, she spent four edifying years there. That summer she attended the German Summer School at Middleburg, Vermont. Then, granted a scholarship by the German government, under the auspices of the Middleburg Abroad Program, she studied in Mainz, Germany, obtaining her M.A. in one year.

At this point she solicits some pertinent remarks from Prof. Knapp. Gently but firmly Knapp demurs.

"I taught at the University of Virginia one year, then at Illinois State University—upper level courses in Faust," she adds.

"Then I attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to continue my Ph.D. work. I've taken my exams. I'm now writing my dissertation . . . what else? . . . I'm teaching Spanish and German here, um, I'm an Assistant Professor here. I can't drive in the mountains . . . I'm under thirty and, in general, apolitical . . . I think Mr. Godwin's rather cute in his rolled up shirt sleeves."

She and Knapp exchange good-natured badinage.

"Dick barely scraped through at Columbia—he paid \$12,000 to get his degree!"

"Very conservative," says Dick.

"That didn't seem to work, so he bought a gun to intimidate. He was also in charge of the dissertation

writing agency. Later he taught at Lafayette where, as a result, the students demonstrated and got him fired."

"Sounds very surrealistic," says Dick with gleeful dubiosity.

"Very—realistic!, you mean," counters Margit. "One thing more," she smiles, "I hate articles about myself in the *Hilltop*."

### SGA News

September 14, the Student Government Association (SGA) met to discuss and to vote on various proposals. The book rentals proposal headed the agenda in the old business. A Senate committee, last May 6, met to investigate the possibility of a book rental system in addition to the book sales system.

This committee met with Mr. Don Caldwell, Jr. of the college book store and researched the book rental systems of Appalachian State University and, consequently, the needs of Mars Hill students.

The committee found three important difficulties that might hinder the establishment of a book rental system. The cost to establish a system such as this would range between \$100,000 and \$125,000. This money would cover cost of the books as well as pay the staff. Also, there would be great confusion with two systems in operation, especially if the sales and rental books were contained in the same store. Furthermore, due to the frequent title changes of books by faculty, the cost of books would be raised. The committee has been called in for further study before a decision will be made by the Senate.

Two hundred dollars was allotted by SGA to the cheerleaders for use in a Pep Club as needed. A new Junior Varsity cheering squad was acknowledged by the Senate because of the great enthusiasm shown at the varsity tryouts. All girls are eligible for Junior Varsity

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Margit Sinka

## Campus Crusade To Feature Dr. Langley

The Christian Student Movement along with the Mars Hill Baptist Church will sponsor a "Crusade for Christ" revival for the coming week of Oct. 4-7. The services, that are to be held each evening, Monday through Thursday, at 7:30 in the sanctuary of the church, will feature Dr. Ralph Langley as the guest speaker. Dr. Langley is in no way a stranger in these parts and those who remember his sharp wit in last year's Christian Focus Week.

Along with speaker Dr. Langley, Ron Alexander will be the featured soloist and music director. Mr.

Alexander a very talented voice who is now minister of music at the Far Hill Baptist Church in Dayton, Ohio, can be remembered for his participation in last years Christian Focus Week along with the vocal accompaniment of his wife Mrs. Alexander. She was a member of the college faculty last year instructing English and speech.

In addition to the crusade services, Dr. Langley will deliver an address at the college's annual Founder's Day convocation in Moore Auditorium at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 5. Ken Gregory, student co-

ordinator for the special services, said that Dr. Langley will also be available for dormitory discussions each night following the services and will be available for private counseling during the proceeding afternoons. Quite a work-out.

A junior college graduate of Mars Hill, Dr. Langley is the pastor of the Willow Meadows Baptist Church in Houston, Texas and a widely as well as frequently engaged speaker because of his wit and a background that speaks of much experience as a speaker, a leader, a traveler and an author. In 1965 he led a team of 50 people from his church in Houston—mostly young people and doctors—on a medical missions expedition to Honduras to help immunize half a million natives. His authorship includes a co-authorship of the book, "Youth Speaks" as well as authoring a chapter in a recently published volume entitled, "Baptists See Black," an interest in race problems

that has led him through being a member of a White House conference on civil rights sponsored by the late president Kennedy. He is active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and, in 13 years, has led the Houston church from a 265 total membership to a breath-taking 3403. He is married and is the father of two children which, in itself, could start another column of credits to this man.

Mr. Alexander is a native of Shreveport and holds degrees from Northwestern State University (L.A.) and North Texas University. He is a Navy veteran and has performed in a wide range of operas and musical comedies including personalities as Donald O'Connor, Phil Silvers, Ann Blyth and Ginger Rogers.

This line-up comprises quite an interesting prelude to what is in store for this revival which should prove to be a rather enlightening week of spiritual growth.

## Wanted: \$100,000

What is money? What isn't money? Well, to the students of Mars Hill College it's \$100,000, that's what it is!

The \$100,000 belongs to the "100,000 Emphasis Campaign." This Campaign is a student-oriented, student-planned program to raise the aforementioned amount of money which will be used for student-directed programs here on campus. It currently involves approximately 70 students and alumni, and is chaired by Danny Ray, member of the Class of '71, and past S.G.A. President.

The Campaign is divided into two phases. The first phase involves a group of students who have pledged to raise \$1000 apiece. The second phase will begin this fall with students presenting the Campaign to area businesses and friends of the College.

The On-Campus Director of the Campaign is Frank Farrell. He will be checking on those who have pledged \$1000, and will be present-

ing the Campaign in this area. This will go on for about three months at which time the results will be evaluated and further programs started.

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### I Bombed Out

## Advocation Of Goal's Purpose Of Convocation

by Dr. Fred Bentley

Editor's note:

Last Tuesday, after the President's Convocation Dr. Bentley came by and ask me if he could have some sort space or time in the paper. He seemed intensely disturbed with the way the whole convocation came off. The following is a statement by Dr. Bentley.

Have you ever had a desire to share with everyone you know the aspirations you have for the project in which you are most deeply involved or to which you are most committed, but then find that be-

cause of your mood, your attitude, or because of stress of the moment you not only fail to communicate your thoughts but you actually "turned people off"? Such is the feedback which I have gained from several students as it applied to my Convocation last Tuesday.

I certainly was not putting down the students. Mars Hill College has a student body which I would not swap, body for body, with any other college. We have a faculty which is second to none! We have not attracted students, faculty, or admin-

istration because I am president. You are here because you believe in the College—past, present, and future. You are the College!

The theme of my Convocation was meant to be that we have elected to be a leader among colleges and to accept the risks which accompany this commitment. There will be periods this year when various faculty members will be frustrated within our new system. There will be periods during this year when students will be frustrated due to pres-

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