

Diary of A Mad Editor

The Hilltop, in the form of a newspaper has been in existence since 1953. During this time 20 Editors-in-Chiefs have come and gone, leaving their printed impressions letter-pressed in the history of Mars Hill College. I am the 21st. And the beginning of a third decade, is now.

As each edition of this paper comes out I face the sometimes unpleasant fact that there is no possible way to please everyone with the content of the paper. Subject to title of "radical," "fanatic," or just plain unjournalistic, my staff functions under the premise that a newspaper's main responsibility is to inform, reflect, and guide.

When I came back to Mars Hill after my recent absence I found that the issue of what this paper is supposed to be had come to a head. It was brought to my attention that the administration of this college was not pleased with the manner in which this paper functions. I heard this through the grapevine. No member of the administration thought it necessary to consult me on this issue. As of the date of this editorial no communication between the newspaper or the administration has taken place.

It would be a lie to say that no problems exist within the structure, the staff, the operation, of this newspaper. Each year editors face the problem of recruiting and teaching new staff members. In the eyes of a freshman the concept of working on a newspaper, at first glance, is a prestigious responsibility. However, as time progresses and issues come out a dedicated staff member can easily turn into a frustrated and lost individual.

I firmly believe that part of the problem lies within the fact that even though this college expects a newspaper to exist, they fail to recognize us. Proof of this can be found when one looks at Freshman Orientation. Plans were made, speakers invited, and programs drawn up. Through all this Student Publications were ignored. This has been the case repeatedly. The only time any branch of Student Publications is recognized is when it is recognized in one of the student publications. Absurdity.

Because of this lack of recognition, and the everyday problems of a newspaper few staff members feel enough satisfaction to continue to dedicate hours on end to the Hilltop. Lack of time and lack of experience causes a staffer, when sent out on an assignment to feel baffled and misguided. The situation is worsened when a staffer is shunned by the party they are seeking. We function on a system of deadlines. How can a newspaper be expected to report news when the sources aren't available, interviews are putoff?

Complaints of lack of news may be justified. However, the reason for this is not because we are not aware. To be sure we know exactly what is going on on this campus. This complaint will hold more weight when certain sources make available certain information. We do not create articles out of our own mind. Rather, we print it as we see it.

We constantly make an effort to revamp this newspaper to fit the needs of the students. It is a newspaper designed specifically for students, they

And the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the faculty, administration, or the student body. They are ours.

It is coming, Laine Calloway



by Ed Sams

Welcome back, you week-end commuters. How was the trip home? This school is always going to be a suitcase college until someone finally comes to grips with it. Oh, well! Though Mars Hill on the week-end has been described as the set location for the Night of the Living Dead, a few insomniacs managed to raise a good time Saturday night at the dance with the Clear Smoke. Stay calm, MHC students, but more importantly stay here because Student Activities is planning plenty of things for week-end entertainment.

If by some chance you find yourself some Sunday night around 7:15, already unpacked with nothing to do, I have been asked to say that you are always welcome at Baptist Student Fellowship in the basement of the Baptist Church. The BSF is a campus Christian organization formed to relate to the college individual of today through talks, discussions, trips, and community service acts. And if they do manage to accomplish this all in 45 minutes weekly they do deserve their title as the magic Christians.

Warning to all seniors who are planning on graduate school. Dust off those thinking caps and get ready to take the Graduate Record Examination this Dec. 11. If you have failed to register for the GRE before last Tuesday, 16, you can still pay a \$3.50 late entrance fee to take the test. Since the test will be Dec. 11 and the MHC Greek ball will be Dec. 10, it wouldn't be safe to say that those light bulbs blinking above each head at the test won't be the only thing lit.

The Abbey Theater is not forgotten! Though it probably will wish it was when the Scriblerus Club will give their original Christmas farce, Dec. 7 at the home of Mrs. Betty Hughes for their annual Christmas party. The play is entitled "A Victorian Christmas" and it offers an evening of polite conversation with Charles Dickens, his contemporaries, and his creations.

This week's riddle: If a senate meeting is held Tuesday night, November 9 with only 12 senators there and adjourned because it at least takes 14 for a quorum, where did the rest of the senators go??????

Remember all you potential Rod McQuen's out there that dead-line for Cadenza material is February 2, so shoot those poems, short stories, and original drame to Box 625-C. We also accept art work too. Even Laurel staff is planning to help out; they plan to st in their finger paintings that they made in school

Palmistry tip 11: If your index finger on hand is the same length as your middle finger left and you like raw Gainsburger there is a strong c that you could become a werewolf on the next full m

Lost and found: has anyone any information of lost, misplaced stolen, or strayed senators on the senate sanitation committee who were missing they were supposed to meet with the housing count investigate college bath rooms.

Those volunteer services people, Phyllis Dorfl Mike Snyder are hard at work at this Thanksgiving and Christmas time to provide holiday comforts and new lines. sities for needy families. If you would be interested helping on a community drive to gather Christmas orations for county families or to work with the portunity Corporation to collect food and clothing the destitute get in touch with either Mike or Phyllis Box 53-C or come by the SGA office. Their houls 7:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

The Mars Hill College Choir received bravos standing ovations in Florida State University, November 12, for the Southern division of the Amel Choral Directors Association. The 38 member under direction of Dr. Robert Rich has sung for convention of American Choral Directors at Kansas Missouri and has been invited to represent the States in an International Symposium this year in

A voter's registration drive is being started by sophomores, Linda McClure and Mary Sanders for project in Human Society. The campaign which November 17 and will continue untill November remind all students through posters, fliers, radio newspaper announcements to register when they home this week for Thanksgiving.

The No-Doz award is bestowed to Nancy Buch and her committee, the contestants, Phi Mu Alpha all of the people responsible for this year's "Miss I

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WATCH FOR IT!

The Grecian Roll

Well, those busy pagans have been at it again with their Bacchus parties, Vestan charity drives, and Mercurian road trips.

Kappa Phi Theta was wined, if not dined, last Saturday night, Nov. 13, by the loveliest sirens in the whole Aegean Delta Phi Zeta, at the Downtowner in Asheville. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Kappa representatives went to East Tennessee State College to meet with Sigma Chi and discuss their plans for going national.

Those Delta maidens have not

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Mary Lynn Rhinehardt Charles Revis

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remained idle. Besides their party, which was to repay Kappa for a party given for them last year, their charity drive came off with a tremendous success. The winners of the drive were the members of the International Club with Sigma Alpha Chi as honorable mention. Delta chairman of the drive Jennifer Stevens wishes to thank all participants for the time and effort that was spent.

President Debbie Henry resigned from her office as president of Sig-

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ma Alpha Chi with vice-president Judy Tallman acting as president in her place. Robby Gatlin resigned from her post as sorority treasurer, effective next semester, with Becky White filling in her place. Projects this semester for the Sigma sisters will be a food basket for some deserving family this Christmas.

Alpha Phi Omega, besides helping with the blood drive, will begin working with the Methodist Church this Thanksgiving in collecting food for needy families.

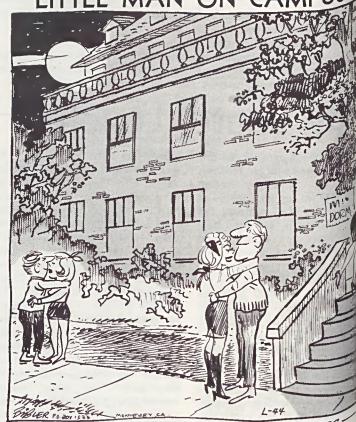
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Exams To Come

MAN ON CAMPUS



WHEN YOU CALL DON'T HANG UP IF A MAN ANSWERS

Jolley (cont. from p. 1)

Running a close second to the Atlanta trip, Is one to Cape Kennedy. The N.A.S.A. Space Center, would, of course, be the main attraction.

Country music buffs will be pleased to know that it is hoped a jaunt can be planned to Nashville, Tenn., to the Grand Ole Opry. Three cheers for Merle Haggard!

The cost for these outings, if enough people show interest, will be minimal.

However, It isn't necessary to journey very far from campus to enjoy some of the sights of America. Rock-hounding in the spring for emeralds and aquamarine; hikes in the Shining Rock and Linville area; and a pure pleasure trip to Sliding Rock, are just a few well within easy reach of MHC.

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