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Social Care in Scandinavia Offered

"Social Care in Action", a workshop in social sciences, will be offered this January during Mars Hill College's "Mini-mester", a one month, one course term.

Arranged through the Scandinavian governments, students enrolled in the course will spend 15 days in Norway, Sweden, and Denmark studying the goals and policies, the interplay of national standards and local initiative, and the organization and financing of the whole complex of health, education, and social services in Scandinavia.

"We want to get the feel of a welfare state," comments Dr. Don Anderson, Chairman of the Behavioral Sciences Department, "particularly as it relates to the rehabilitation of criminals, especially juveniles, the strategy of dealing with the phenomenon of poverty, the effect a welfare state has on motivation, and the Scandinavian education system."

Divided into seven general areas, the students will meet initially with faculty members of the Norwegian School of Business Administration to discuss the organization of the Scandinavian government as well as its origin and nature. From there, the students will visit several schools and day care centers, a hospital in Stockholm where a computer has on file over 2 million medical histories immediately accessible to doctors in case of emergency, the Swedish Broadcasting studios for a demonstration of new approaches in

audio-visual education, the experimental Volvo plant in Gothenburg, and the community of Gladsaxe, where state and local taxes pay for a wide range of community services including trips for older people, kindergartens and youth centers, and a high school auditorium which becomes a repertory theatre six nights a week.

The students will also meet with representatives of the Ministries of Economic Affairs, Health and Education, the Swedish Board of Education, the Gothenburg Social Board, and the office of the Ombudsman.

"Frankly the trip was arranged through the Scandinavian governments as a way of showing off their accomplishments," commented Robert Kramer, Director of Learning Experiences Abroad. "But it will also give the students a preview of the application of technology in providing services for the people," he continued. The course will carry four hours of credit for students enrolled at the Baptist related college. Students from other schools will have to check with their registrars regarding academic credit transfer.

"We are not limiting this to the students here," noted Anderson, "anyone can go with us. We purposely did not set a limit to the number of people we can take." Those persons outside the college community who are interested in making the trip should get in touch with Anderson or Kramer before the cut-off date of October 10.

Holcombe New Associate Dean Of Students

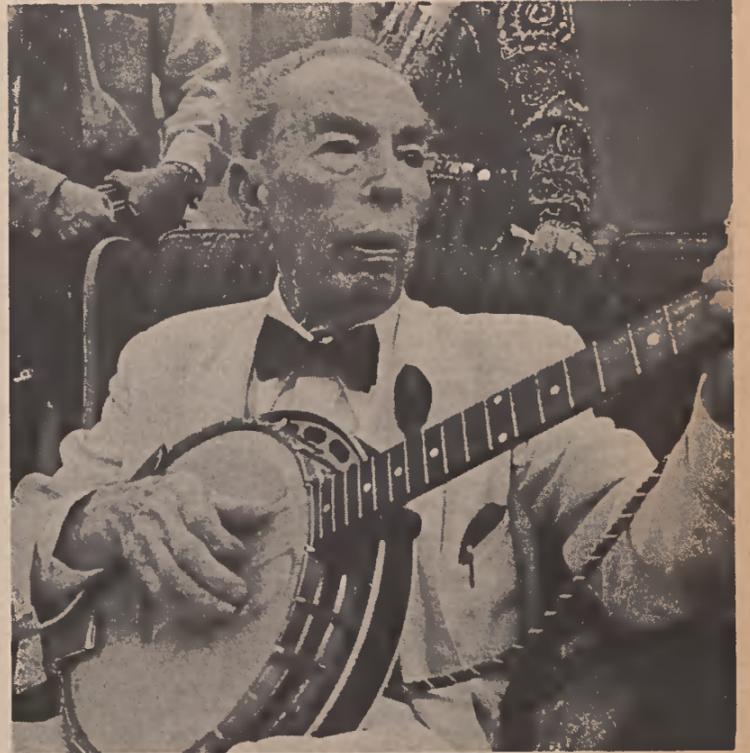
Dr. Donald D. Gehring, Dean of Student Development at Mars Hill College, has announced that Jane Mathis Holcombe has been appointed Associate Dean of Student Development.

Mrs. Holcombe, a native of Huntsville, Alabama, comes to Mars Hill from the University of Alabama at Huntsville where she was the first housing officer in the history of the school. At Mars Hill she will be responsible for all activities relating to housing.

A graduate of the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, she received her bachelors degree in 1964. In 1970 she received her masters degree from East Tennessee State University. She has served as Assistant Professor of English at Stead College at Johnson City, Tennessee; Director of Men's Housing at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, as well as Program Director of the Ridgecrest Area Men's Residence Halls there. While a graduate student at East Tennessee, she conducted research into the regional dialects, mountain music, and folk tales in the East Tennessee-Western North Carolina area.

Mrs. Holcombe is a member of the Association of College and University Housing Officers, and was the state representative at the 1973 Conference Planning Committee of the Southeastern Association of Housing Officers.

She has published articles concerning college residence hall operations in *College and University Business* and the *University of Alabama Review*. Married to Dr. Harold E. Holcombe, they have one son, Christopher.



York at Buffalo. Prior to his study at SUNY, Knott held several positions at the Baptist-related institution including Director of Institutional Research, Chairman of the Political Science-Sociology Division, and Instructor of Sociology. He was Director of the Institute for Teachers of Gifted and Talented Students of the North Carolina Governor's School in 1970 and 1971.

A 1962 graduate of Wake Forest University, Knott received a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southeastern Seminary in 1965. A teacher at R. J. Reynolds High School in Winston-Salem, he completed a master's degree at Wake Forest in 1969. During 1967-68, he was minister of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem.

As Director of the Kellogg Grant and Educational Development Officer, Knott will be primarily concerned with developing the competency-based curriculum recently funded by the Kellogg Foundation for \$100,000. The first competency-based course, a drama course, will be offered this fall. Although chiefly an administrative officer, Knott will retain an assistant professorship in the Sociology Department.

Knott is married to the former Brenda Sue Harris of Mooresville and they have two children, Andrea, 5, and Robert, Jr., 1.

Lunsford Festival October 5-6

The Sixth Annual Bascom Lamar Lunsford Mountain Music Festival, "the world's most authentic folk festival" will take on special meaning this year following the death of its founder September 4.

Bascom Lamar Lunsford, the "Minstrel of the Appalachians" died in an Asheville hospital following a period of declining health. He was 91. Born on the Mars Hill College campus where his father was president of the Baptist school and his mother was a residence hall director, Lunsford practiced law as a young man, gradually returning to his first love, mountain music and dancing. Highlights of his career included a White House command performance for President Franklin D. Roosevelt, performing for King George VI and Queen Elizabeth of England, and recording some 3,000 ballads and folk songs for the Library of Congress and Columbia University.

Those associated with the Mars Hill festival are proud of the fact that of all the festivals he founded this one is the only one allowed to carry his name. The festival will get under way Friday night at 9 p.m. with both smooth and clogging dancing. Saturday will feature informal workshops in the morning beginning at 10 a.m. in areas such as clawhammer banjo picking, flat picking a guitar, dulcimer and autoharp absics, and ballad singing.

"Jam sessions" will be held all Saturday afternoon and mountain crafts will be on display all weekend. The festival will continue into Saturday night with local and guest performers presenting music that is centuries old in its origins. College pickers and singers are invited to participate in all events and the entire college community is urged to attend.

Six Added To Faculty

Dr. Richard L. Hoffman, vice president for academic affairs at Mars Hill College, has announced six faculty appointments at the Baptist affiliated college.

With the additions, Mars Hill will have 107 faculty members as the college opens its 118th year. The new members are:

Dr. Joyce M. Bryant, a professor in the Music Department, comes to Mars Hill from Florida State University where she has just completed a Doctor of Music degree in the flute.

Marilyn Joyce Driskell, a native of Lawrenceburg, Ky., will be the director of the Law Enforcement Assistance Program and instructor in the Social and Behavioral Science Department. She has completed requirements at the University of Kentucky for a Master of Social Work.

Leroy James Lenburg, has been named Assistant Professor of History. A native of Indianapolis, he finished requirements for a Ph.D. in Political Science at Penn State University in June, where he also taught courses in Afro-American and American history.

Lloyd T. Moore, a Mississippi native, is the director of the Upward Bound Program. He will receive a master's degree in Education from the University of South Alabama in Mobile this August.

Dr. Donald Robert Russell, a native of Natick, Mass., has been named Assistant Professor of Mathematics. He received bachelor's and master's degrees from Clemson University, where he will be awarded a Ph.D. this month.

Hubert Robert Vance has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences. A native of Johnson City, Tenn., he received his bachelor's and master's degrees from East Tennessee State University.

Patricia Layman Phillips, a Virginia native, is Director of Special Services in the Upward Bound Program. She holds a master's degree from Furman in Educational Psychology.

Two former faculty members will return from leaves. Miss Virginia Hart, a professor in the Physical Education Department, has been completing work on a doctorate in Education at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. G. Worth Booth former director of the Career Opportunity Program, will return as an assistant professor in the Education Department.

Charles Franklin Phillips has been named assistant professor in the Department of Physical Education. For the past four years he has been director of the Upward Bound Program at Mars Hill.

Bob Knott Receives New Position

Robert E. Knott has been appointed Education Development Officer and Director of the Kellogg Grant at Mars Hill College. Knott, a Winston-Salem native, recently completed residency requirements for a Ph.D. at the State University of New

Hilltop Needs Editor, Staff

The Hilltop, student newspaper of Mars Hill College, needs applications for editor, assistant editor, business manager, advertising director, typists, proofreaders, and other staff positions. Hit by graduation losses, the newspaper has but one application for editor, and no definite commitments for other staff positions. If you would like to participate in the journalistic or creative field of writing, get in touch with John Campbell, Assistant for News and Information at extension 217 or 218.