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Run-off Yields New SGA Chief

In a run-off election held just prior to the Spring break, Larry Pike was elected President and Mike Gardner as the Vice President of the '74-'75 Student Government Association. In the original election, Susan Carscaddon was elected as Secretary and Paula Carter as Treasurer. Due to lack of majority votes for any candidate, a run-off was required between David Boschelli and Larry Pike for the office of President, and between Dan Christian and Mike Gardner for the office of Vice-President.

Gardner is a rising Junior Political Science major. Pike is a rising Senior English major who served the past year as President of S.G.A.

WMHC on air now

WMHC radio has been off the air all this year as they prepare to convert to an F M station for next Fall. The Board of Student Communications approved the radio station to go on the air for the remainder of the year while the station waits for its FM app-

lication to be processed by the Federal Communications Commission.

The station begins broadcasting this week with hours of 6:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m., Sundays through Fridays. WMHC is located at 640 on the AM dial.

Bombing Under Investigation at N. C. College

(CPS)—Law-enforcement authorities are investigating a bomb blast in the office of the dean of student affairs at Louisburg College in North Carolina.

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, the small explosion occurred the night after students met to protest alleged discrimination in dormitory rules.

Students at the small Methodist school have based their discrimination charge on the fact that men have no dormitory hours, while women must be home by 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, and by 11 on other nights.

Day Care Available

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church of North Asheville wishes to call to the attention of married students living in Asheville the availability of its licensed day care program. The facilities are open from 7:45 a.m. until 5:30

p.m., and there is a teaching program for 3- and 4-year olds. Special student rates are available. Additional information may be obtained from Kay Wilson at the church (254-32740) or Allen Hayes at 645-3673.

The LAW and Streaker Madness

(CPS)—Despite claims that streaking is merely fun and games, police and university authorities across the country have reacted in a very negative manner to streakers.

Although streakers interviewed at most schools expressed a desire to let off steam or have fun in an absurd manner as the reason for the streaks, most police have taken a hardline approach by arresting and handcuffing all the streakers and bystanders they were able to catch.

A survey of events at just 45 colleges and universities showed 94 arrests of students for streaking or participating in the general melee that has accompanied most streaks, an indication that the total number of streaker arrests nationwide may be in the hundreds.

Most of the arrests were on a braggab of local ordinance violations: disorderly conduct, public indecency, indecent exposure, indecent behavior, lewd behavior, and disturbing the peace. The largest number of arrests seemed to occur on the evening of March 7, when mild weather conditions promoted streaking throughout the country.

At the University of Colorado/Boulder and the University of Texas at Austin, campus police have taken photographs of streakers and crowds, with the expressed intent of later matching the photos to student ID records. Any pos-

itive identifications will result in arrests, police have promised.

In dozens of other news stories, police and local authorities promised arrests and resulting police records for streakers, while university officials threatened suspension or probation. Obviously, such threats had little effect on the fad, but arrests occurred and streaker crowds engaged in major confrontations with police officials at several schools.

The worst confrontation came at the University of Georgia at Athens, during the establishment of the still-standing record for number of streakers, estimated at between 1000 and 15000. Prior to the streak student leaders had met with Athens police, at which time Public Safety Director Edward Kassinger said he was going to gather information in case it was requested by a grand jury, but that he would not initiate action against any streakers.

When the streak took place, however, police began making arrests, which allegedly involved some streakers being dragged along the ground by police. The crowd, angered by the brutality of such actions, became unruly, and police attempted to break up the estimated crowd of 12,000 by driving patrol cars through the mass of students.

When this tactic failed, police fired tear gas which affected approximately two thousand of

the bystanders, including some students who were trying to disperse the crowd. Following the tear gassing, the crowd broke up, but not before police had made at least 17 arrests.

At the University of Delaware in Newark, nearly 500 persons, many of them intoxicated patrons of a large local bar, blocked a street during streaking festivities, and began throwing rocks and beer bottles at any cars that tried to approach the crowd. After several police units on the scene were surrounded by rioters and an estimated crowd of three to four thousand, local police called in county and state police.

Eventually over 200 police came to the scene and fired tear gas, until the crowd broke up. The day after the incident, the Newark City Council passed an ordinance empowering the major to ban liquor sales and declare an evening curfew for 30 days.

At the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, a crowd of 4000 spectators caused an estimated \$1000 property damage for unknown reasons before police broke it up.

Firecrackers and missiles such as burning paper, broken glass, rocks, cans and water balloons have been reported as streaks where police-student confrontation did not escalate.

by John Ghrist

Theatre workshop at MHC — only one approved in North Carolina for Teachers

The Theatre Arts Department of Mars Hill College will offer a two week workshop this summer which will be the only such theater program in the state to carry approval by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction for teacher training. Until the Fall of 1972, the N. C. Department did not offer certification to drama teachers; consequently, while there has been a great deal of activity in high school theatre, virtually all of it has been directed to teachers who have not been trained in theatre arts.

The Mars Hill College workshop was designed to help im-

prove the quality of theatre arts instruction in high schools. The workshop, which will start on June 24, and last until July 5, will consist of two three-hour sessions each day. The first session will last from 9 a.m. until noon, and the second session will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the afternoon. The course will carry four semester hours of credit. Work in the program will largely be organized around the needs of the participants. Possible topics include: problems involved in simplified production techniques on a limited budget; directing principles and problems; basic

principles of stage lighting; stage make-up; and problems of play selection.

Generally, one session each day will be concerned with design and other technical problems, with principles and techniques related to play directing and actor training discussed in the other session. The agendas may also include observation of high school theatre classes and field trips to play performances in the area.

Enrollment is limited, however, and those interested in the class should get in touch with Dr. John Hough, Director of the Summer School, Mars Hill College.