



## Library Concedes One Hour

### Haywood Still Remains Silent

## Harris Speaks At Founder's Day Program At Agnes Scott

Dr. Rufus Carrollton Harris, president of Mercer University, said today (Feb. 22) that government is everyone's business, and he questioned "who will the state follow out of the confusion of the contemporary tense and despairing moment?"

Speaking at the annual Founders' Day program at Agnes Scott College, he said "the uncertainty of our region generally is apparent in leadership, and it is a factor in the search for leadership."

"Aren't you dismayed," he told the audience, "by an elected public official who contemptuously labels editors and others who discourse in public action as being those who are best qualified to 'stick their noses in other people's business,' as if the public business of his office belongs to him and is not the business of anyone else?"

Dr. Harris posed some questions which he said are of active concern to all college students and citizens in Georgia:

"What sources will afford our state unselfish, thoughtful and compassionate direction?"

"Instead of backward through the embers of love to hate, bitterness and empty revenge, where forward must leadership take us to find the inspiration, unselfishness and patience by which we may live and advance?"

"What is the depth of our concern over the lingering problems in political morality and full representative government?"

"As we conclude the legislative session will we manage to find an agreeable, progressive and rational consensus, or must we fall back to an ancient and untimely posture?"

"Shall the smart political operators use their offices again on the exploitation of the area's traditional provincial fears and hates?"

The Mercer University president was speaking Wednesday morning while half a dozen miles away in Atlanta the Georgia General Assembly was in session.

He also questioned whether Georgians should "accept the unchastened and senseless abuse by politicians of the President of the United States and the government which he heads."

"Aren't we made weary by observing the strange condition of an area whose economy and education

would stagger without federal assistance?" he asked, pointing out that only "with such assistance it becomes strong enough to pretend denunciation."

Dr. Harris said that the proposal of the federal government to attack national poverty is the most sensible, necessary and timely project proposed in this part of the 20th century.

He posed it as "the logical response to the years which brought about the population explosion and the sensational revolution in modern industry and science."

"The war on poverty is the great necessity," he declared. "It must be fought and won or paid for in blood and disorder. Large numbers of people cannot be left without training, health, hope or employment in the ghetto areas of American life, wherever these areas may be."

The Mercer University president noted that many changes have taken place in the South in recent years, and added that the region "is beginning to comprehend that in order to become an organic, functioning part of the United States, unified in a new society for national greatness, some of its ways once held in high esteem must from honor fall."



He went on to say that in some ways the South already is a conspicuous part of the new age, as noted by foreign journalists visiting the United States and students from scores of countries around the world who are enrolled in colleges and universities in the area.

"We should be pleased if we are able to note an appreciation acquired by any of them of our new competence, determination, valor and compassion," he added.

Dr. Harris said that amid much of the confusion of today's society "our culture needs, now, an improved image of gracious life and deportment."

He added that "this image can well be established by an educational experience from which will emerge the ideal and example of an unobtrusive ease of manner, portraying poise, calm and assurance."

He went on to say that "it has been kept alive, however, by those concerned with the cultivation of the appropriate posture. Its relevance lies in the area of inner qualities of character which contain the ability to bear accomplishment lightly." (A-2-21-67)

TO: Editor of the CLUSTER

Would you run a notice in the next CLUSTER that in the future Sunday hours for the Library will be 2 P. M. - 5 P. M.? Thank you for your help.

## OK, What Now?

"Thank Heavens for small favors." Now, instead of a two hour "spree of immorality," we have three in the Stetson Library each Sunday afternoon. At least, now, there is time to ride the elevator a couple of times, and if luck is with us, time to check a book or two in or out. Of course reference or reserve book work is still out of the question. Heaven forbid, that we should be allowed to absorb a little, much needed knowledge on Sunday. Of course, no doubt the doors will be open during the weekend preceding finals but this depensation is a quarterly occurrence.

As of yet, the CLUSTER has had no official reply regarding the editorial of February 3, 1967. Perhaps our head librarian does not see fit to recognize such a blasphemous challenge.

Let it then be formerly reiterated, with all due respect to members of the faculty and the administration that 1) whereas weekend assignments are assigned, 2) whereas students need some amount of relaxation from academic tension (although some students have no relaxation), 3) whereas Friday or Saturday evening affords the most logical opportunities for this relaxation and this applies not only to procrastinators but to conscientious students as well), 4) whereas Monday is a class day, 5) whereas Sunday is not only the Sabbath but a day before a class day, 6) whereas most students who attend Church services attend Sunday morning, 7) whereas assignments must be completed, 8) whereas library facilities are needed to complete these assignments; that we humbly beseech those in high places to provide the additional dispensation of allowing the library to remain open regularly from 2:00 to 10:00 at least, even if some hours must be removed from Friday's schedule.

We are not of the opinion that it is asking too much for this institution to bend its rigid rules to suit the needs of its students, since in fact, the students are the institution.



## Exam Schedule

The following is a correction of last week's erroneous listing of the exam schedule:

- Monday, March 31 —
  - 9 A.M. third period
  - 2 P.M. first period
- Tuesday, March 14 —
  - 9 A.M. fourth period
  - 2 P.M. fifth period
- Wednesday, March 15 —
  - 9 A.M. second period
  - 2 P.M. sixth period

For further information please contact good old Mr. Posey — He will set you straight.

**Be Smart And Don't Buy A Meal Ticket**

## Suzanne Thornton Is Best

### Dressed Girl On Campus Will Represent Mercer In The Glamour Magazine Contest

Suzanne Thornton is Mercer's representative in the *Glamour* magazine contest to find the "Ten Best-Dressed College Girls." Suzanne was elected by the Women's Student Government Association from nine candidates, and this choice was based on her fulfillment of the qualifications set up by the magazine. With the entry form were required photographs of Suzanne in three special types of dress.

The other candidates were Nancy Johnson, Alpha Gamma Delta; Janet Kirkley, Chi Omega; Bonelle Bray, MICA; Becky Sims, Phi Mu; Muriel Lindsey, Unaffiliates; and three representatives from the Freshmen Dorm, Joan Kyllonen, Mary April McCready, and Robyn Peek.

A junior from College Park, Georgia, Suzanne has had a variety of modeling experiences, and she is a 1967 applicant for Rich's College Fashion Board. A contestant in the Miss Freshman Beauty Contest and the Miss Mercer Pageant, she is at present on the Tech Alpha Tau Omega Sweetheart Court. A member of Alpha Delta Pi, she is presently President of the Panhellenic Council. As for future plans, Suzanne wants to attend graduate school and hopes to be a professor of English.

