

# Campus News Of Interest

## Ripley Elected Pres. of Fresh. Council

Sunday night the Freshmen held an election sponsored by the WSGA to vote on the officers to lead their Freshman Dorm Council, which is to go into effect Spring quarter.

Dori Ripley was elected President; Joan Kyllonen was selected Vice President; for Secretary Treasurer Tish Eubank was elected; and Marianna Moore was chosen as the Fire Marshall.

These officers, with representatives from each hall, will constitute the Dorm Council, which will conduct all business of the Freshmen with the exception of major offenses.

Some information about the girls: Dori Ripley — cheerleader, Jean's list, Phi Mu pledge; Joan Kyllonen — President of Chi Omega Pledge Class, candidate from Freshman Dorm for "Best-dressed"; Tish Eubank — Secretary of Freshman Class and Vice President of the Chi Omega Pledge Class; Marianna Moore — Secretary of Chi Omega Pledge Class.

Other girls running were: President — Debbie Feyes; Vice President — Tim Moshall, Rayna Paulerson, Gail Springstead; Secretary-Treasurer — Charlette Lindsey; and Fire Marshall — Carol Bishop.

## Two Year R.O.T.C. Program Outlined

Lt. Colonel Robert Brambila, Mercer PMS, recently announced that the advanced R.O.T.C. program is now opened to students without the basic two year course. Under the new plan, all male students who will not graduate prior Spring quarter, 1969 are eligible.

To take advantage of the program, which results in the student's being commissioned as a second Lt. upon graduation, the applicant must successfully complete a six week course at summer camp before entering the program. Once the student enrolls he will pursue the same type of instruction as those students in the advanced course of the four year program; this includes attending summer camp with the cadets in the advanced program. The same amount of pay will be given to the two-year cadets, \$10 a month.

Interested persons should contact someone in the military department for further details. (This applies to Law School students as well as to Liberal Arts students.)

## Van Cura Performs in Augusta Concert

AUGUSTA, GA. — John Van Cura, instructor in voice at Mercer University, was presented in concert at Augusta Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Augusta-Richmond County Public Library Concert Series.

Mr. Van Cura, a baritone, was accompanied by his wife, Kim. They have appeared in numerous concerts in Georgia and throughout the East coast. Mr. Van Cura has appeared in various oratorio and dramatic performances, and will be a soloist and vocal instructor at the Episcopal Baptist Assembly in North Carolina next June.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Cura both are graduates of Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore, Md., where they have been recipients of many prizes and scholarships.

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"I KNEW YOU'D BE STUDYIN' FOR THAT MID-TERM, NANCY — AND I'D THOUGHT JUST OCCURRED TO ME THAT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO DRIVE OUT FOR A COFFEE BREAK."

## This is Your Paper We will Run it For You as We see Fit

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The CLUSTER could still use some additional help. If you are interested in writing, proof-reading, typing, or helping with advertising or circulation, please contact someone on the editorial staff.

Also all contributions should be turned in to the CLUSTER office by twelve o'clock every Tuesday afternoon. It is better to have all such contributions typed if possible, however, we are able to do a limited amount of typing if necessary. All articles should be signed, as we cannot use unsigned material for fear of plagiarism. However, the author of an article may remain anonymous to the readers if he so desires (this will not apply to letters written to the editor except in very particular instances).

All organizations, Greek and otherwise, may have a picture of some function published, if the CLUSTER receives the picture in time and if we feel it is appropriate.

Department Heads and Faculty members are requested to submit

any information they deem newsworthy by deadline time on Tuesday. This applies especially to the administrative offices (announcements, bulletins, and the like).

A limited amount of material may be accepted after 12 o'clock on Tuesday provided it is typed.

Your co-operation and response will be greatly appreciated.

## Wesleyan Group Visit Psychology Dept.

Wednesday evening, February 22, Dr. Jean Hendricks of the Psychology Department entertained Dr. Bernard Murdock and a group of his students from Wesleyan College. The highlight of the program were lectures by Dr. Hendricks and Faye Bush on operant learning, methods of behavior modification and current work being done in the area of operant work at Anna State Hospital and Milledgeville State Hospital. Following the lecture the Wesleyans were given a demonstration of the equipment and procedures employed in Mercer's psychology laboratory. Refreshments were prepared and served by the students working in the psychology laboratory.

## Waring's Concert Receives A Standing Ovation

By Reid Harvey

Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians presented a three-hour concert in Willingham Chapel, Monday evening, February 20, before a "standing room only" audience of Mercer students and Maconites.

The arrangements performed represented a wide range of musical taste and interpretation. All were most enjoyable and surely everyone present was able to find music to suit his own preferences. During the concert many members of the company were featured in solo performances. As the evening progressed, the amount of versatility exhibited by the individual singers and musicians was amazing. Even the stage manager danced a delightful soft shoe.

There is one aspect not found in much of the "entertainment" of today — SHOWMANSHIP. Liberace is often called Mr. Showmanship; however, after seeing this concert the title should belong to Waring. He has had fifty years of experience in this field and anyone present at the concert realizes how important this aspect is to entertainment.

The students of Mercer and the residents of this "center of culture" were indeed fortunate to be given the opportunity to attend a concert by one of the all time masters of the entertainment field. Those who did not take advantage of this opportunity missed one of the most thoroughly enjoyable evenings Macon, Georgia, has seen. If the concert was disappointing in any respect it was that the audience was deprived of hearing Mr. Waring sing.

The performance received a fifteen minute standing ovation, much too short a "thank you" for the wonderful Waring and his Pennsylvanians. May Mr. Waring celebrate many more anniversaries and keep his date in Macon fifty years from now.

## Debate Team Wins 14 Awards In Fla.

The Mercer University debate team won 14 awards at the recent Florida State University Invitational Debate Tournament at Tallahassee, Fla.

Eight Mercer students competed against students from 27 colleges and universities in the southeast to capture the awards.

The senior division team of Mike Blizzard, Macon; John Winkle, Rome; Reed Banks, Dalton and Emily Wortman, Eustis, Fla., won the second place sweepstakes trophy. The team also tied with Florida State and Spring Hill College for second place in overall debating. And the affirmative team of Blizzard and Winkle won five of six debates to take a superior rating certificate.

The junior division team of Vickie Graves, Barnesville; Ellen Guinn, Butler; Becky Wilcox, Jupiter, Fla.; and Tom Cauthon, Marietta, placed fourth in the junior sweepstakes. The team also tied with Miami Dade and Manatee Junior College for first place in team debating, and each member received a first place medal. The negative team of Miss Wilcox and Cauthon won a superior rating for a 5-1 record.

Mike Blizzard was first in after dinner speaking; Vickie Graves won a finalist certificate for persuasion speaking; and Miss Wilcox and Tom Cauthon won certificates for impromptu speaking.

## Mercer Grad is New Asst. Dean at Emory

Edward Al Holmes of Sandersville, Georgia has been named to the position of Assistant Dean of College at Emory University. He succeeds Darill Fagg as Dean in charge of the Upper Division.

Holmes attended Mercer in the 40's, and his education was temporarily interrupted by the war. While here, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and was president during his senior year. He graduated with a BA degree in history.

Upon graduation, Holmes went to Emory for his graduate study. Before becoming Assistant Dean, he taught at Stetson, where he became chairman of the philosophy department and for a while served as Dean of Men. He has also served in Nigeria as a member of the Peace Corps.

Men and women such as Dean Holmes are truly a tribute to Mercer University.

## Chess Club Reformed

One way for a small school to grow besides increasing its enrollment, tuition, faculty, facilities, and so forth, is to have available to its student body a variety of organizations in which the individual may participate in order to increase his leadership abilities, enjoy a pleasurable social life, expend his energies in worthwhile service, broaden his spiritual aspirations, stimulate his intellect, honor his achievements, and sometimes just in order to offer him a minute amount of enjoyable recreation.

Mercer has a number of such organizations which help to fulfill these needs. This year, in fact this quarter, a new organization has been added at Mercer that leans more toward the last need—enjoyable recreation. The organization referred to is the Mercer University Chess Club.

Although this is not the first Chess Club Mercer has had, it is a handful of members hope that it may become a permanent organization here. It was originally established with the hopes of forming a Chess Team which would compete with other schools in intercollegiate play, but until its membership increases this is just a far-fetched hope.

Presently the Club must be content with intra-club competition, but lists in its Constitution, among its other purposes, provision of instruction and promotion of the popularity of the game of chess. Although none of its members are proficient enough to claim to be masters, most are able and more than glad to instruct any interested neophytes that they may come to enjoy this ancient game that is growing in popularity everyday. One popular fallacy concerning chess is that it is a game of intellects only, and only those with immense I.Q.'s are capable of understanding and enjoying this game. This is most untrue, and in making an analogy, it may be ventured that it is simpler to play a game of chess than it is to go through registration here at "good ole Tattall Tech."

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