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## Presidential Primary Sponsored by S.G.A.

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"The politically conscious university students are potentially a very powerful political force in this country. Their intelligence and energy could be critical, and in many places even decisive, if they got down to the hard work of helping the best candidates available. It all depends, however, on whether they want to dream or work."

These were the words of James Reston of the New York Times as he spoke about CHOICE 68, the first national collegiate presidential primary to be held on April 24 on some 1000 college and university campuses. Mercer University has been selected to participate in the national primary which is being sponsored by Time Magazine. The primary which will involve five million college students is being sponsored locally by the Mercer Cluster.

Meeting in Washington, D. C., from February 10-13, the program's student directors selected a slate of fourteen candidates for the presidency. They are: Fred Halstead (Socialist Labor), Mark Hatfield (Rep.), Lyndon Johnson (Dem.), Robert F. Kennedy (Dem.), Martin L. King (Ind.), John V. Lindsay (Rep.), Eugene J. McCarthy (Dem.), Richard M. Nixon (Rep.), Charles H. Percy (Rep.), Ronald W. Reagan (Rep.), Nelson A. Rockefeller (Rep.), George W. Romney (Rep.), Harold E. Stassen (Rep.), and George C. Wallace (Amer. Ind.).

The students also decided that three referendum questions will be included on the ballot. Two deal with the country's current involvement in Viet Nam, and one with the priorities of government spending in confronting the "urban crises".

The high point of the CHOICE 68 conference held in Washington was provided by President Johnson's decision to meet with the project's Board of Directors.

In an interview described by aides as unusual, the President discussed for nearly an hour and a half the students' plan for the national primary to be held April 24.

Since student dissent over the past year has been directed pri-

marily against White House policies—leading most observers to believe that the student vote will be anti-administration—there was considerable surprise and curiosity that the President would take such extraordinary time with the leaders of the collegiate primary.

Nonetheless, the President expressed to the group his conviction that this kind of vote was highly significant, that when students express their opinion intelligently, people across the nation "stop, look, listen, and evaluate."

## Dr. Easterling Announces Foreign Film Festival

Dr. William Easterling, chairman of the Dept. of Modern Foreign Languages, recently announced the presentation of a Foreign Film Festival in the latter part of April or the early part of May. The purpose of the festival is twofold: first, to introduce how the people of the different countries live; and second, to show the various photographic techniques used by these countries.

## Miss Mercer Pageant Takes Shape on Campus

It's that time of year again when the Circle K Service Club at Mercer has the awesome job of selecting the best example of womanhood on campus and crowning her Miss Mercer.

Chris Borders, Chairman of the Miss Mercer Pageant for this year, announced this week the deadlines for entrance in the contest, to be held in Willingham Chapel on Ap-

## International Tennis Star Visits Mercer

Macon was the host this weekend for the First International Tennis Tournament held at Wesleyan College. Representatives participating in the tourney were from Spain, England, Ecuador, France, Germany, and the United States.

One of the tennis stars, Engl Budeng from Germany, made a special visit to Mercer last Thursday as the guest of James R. Harvey, professor of Modern Foreign Languages. Herr Harvey introduced Budeng to his third and fourth hour German classes.

Mr. Budeng is from Germany, but resides in South France on the Riviera. He has been living in France for twelve years with his parents who own the "Tennis Hotel" also on the Riviera.

Mr. Budeng, a proficient linguist, speaks fluent German, English, French, and Spanish.

Herr Harvey turned the class over to Budeng and the students were given the opportunity to speak German with a native. The students questioned Herr Budeng inquiring as to his educational background, hobbies, likes and dislikes, and his world travels. He has visited the U.S. five times previous to this past week and Los Angeles and New York were the two cities on his itinerary of tennis matches.



## Norman Luboff Choir To Appear March 2nd

The Norman Luboff Choir, one of the world's most famous touring organizations and recording groups, will be heard in Willingham Chapel Saturday evening March 2, 1968, at 8:30 P.M. as the sixth program in the Mercer University

concert series. This group of 30 professional virtuoso singers will be directed by Mr. Luboff in person, and be accompanied for part of the program by various instruments. Much of the program will be sung a capella.

The program will be a varied one, and will include selections from the folk song, popular, male chorus, sacred and secular repertoires, most of it being specially arranged by Mr. Luboff for this choir.

A few tickets to the affair are available at the Dempsey Corner in Macon and at the College Store on the university campus.

Students admitted free with I.D. cards.

## Dr. Pyun Authors Again for Journal

A paper by Dr. C. S. Pyun, Assistant Professor of Economics, has been accepted by the Southern Economics Journal for publication.

The paper is a study on the application of the game theory

to price leadership in bilateral monopoly. It is tentatively scheduled for publication in the coming October issue of the Journal. In this paper, Dr. Pyun assesses the statistical validity of the so called prisoner's dilemma game model as applied to the maximum profit strategy pursued by monopolists.



Dr. Pyun

The prisoners dilemma game model is one that is used by the behavioral scientist in explaining certain special types of human behavior. Dr. Pyun related this model to the bilateral monopolists who try to maximize profits.

This is the second article of Dr. Pyun's that has been accepted for publication this year. The first article accepted by the American Journal of Economics and Sociology deals with the monetary value of a housewife for judicial decision.

## Breazeal Sparks Appointed to W.F.G. School of Law

President Rufus Carrollton Harris of Mercer University announced the appointment of Willis Breazeal Sparks III to the faculty of the Walter F. George School of Law.

A great-great-grandson of a former president of Mercer, Sparks has been associated for five years with the Macon law firm of Jones, Sparks, Benton & Cork.

Baxter Jones, senior member of the firm, said, "The university and the law school are fortunate in obtaining as bright and able a lawyer as Mr. Sparks on their faculty."

President Harris said Sparks' background and experience "eminently equip him for the faculty at Mercer University, and we are pleased to announce his appointment."

Sparks will begin his duties at Mercer in July.

A native of Macon, Sparks graduated with honors from Lanier High School in 1952. He graduated magna cum laude from the University of Georgia in 1956 and was con-

ferred the Bachelor of Laws degree by Mercer in 1962. Since that time he has been associated with the Macon law firm.

Sparks is a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society and the Macon, Georgia and American Bar Association. He holds membership in the Kappa Alpha social fraternity, is a member of the steering committee of the Macon Council on World Affairs and the education committee of the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce.

Sparks' great-great-grandfather, Charles D. Mallary, was a member of Mercer's first board of trustees, and another great-great-grandfather, John L. Dagg, was president of Mercer in 1854 when the college was located at Penfield, Georgia. His grandfather, the late A. O. Bacon, was a gifted attorney, and United States senator from Georgia.



The American Folk Ballet, the exciting new dance company that made its first transcontinental tour last season, comes to Willingham Chapel on the Mercer University campus Friday evening, February 2, 1968 at 8:30 o'clock. This dynamic new company, under the direction of Burch Mann, and under the production banner of stage and screen star Eva Gabor, will be presented locally by the university concert series.

Last season, the company was greeted enthusiastically from coast to coast during its three-month tour, which followed its sensational reception at performances at the Hollywood Bowl, at Disneyland, and at the new Los Angeles Music Center. The American Folk Ballet has been compared by critics with the outstanding folk ensembles seen abroad.

In September 1967, the company played with such success at the Huntington Hartford Theatre in Los Angeles, that the producer of the Ed Sullivan Show signed it for a TV appearance on October 22. Ed Sullivan was pleased with the company's initial appearance and the clamorous public response to it that she signed them for additional appearances. They appeared just a few weeks ago on the Ed Sullivan Show.