



SECOND THIS YEAR

# Mercer Ministerial Student Killed Returning From Athens

For the second time in less than six months a Mercer student met death on the highway. Hugh Burke, a freshman ministerial student from Statesboro was killed in a two-car collision last Sunday outside Eatonton while returning to Mercer from Athens where he attended the state BSU convention.

The accident occurred about lunchtime and Burke, along with Don Little, driver of the car, was rushed to Jordan Hospital. Burke died shortly after arrival at the hospital.

Little, a transfer student in his first quarter at Mercer, suffered severe injuries.

The accident occurred when an approaching automobile crossed into the Mercerians' lane of traffic and collided head-on with Little's 1956 Ford. The driver of the other car, who was about to stop and look at his road map when the cars collided, was not badly hurt.

Little, a graduate of North Hall High School in Gainesville transferred here from Truett-McConnell. He is a ministerial student.

# Demos Hold Political Rally

A small but enthusiastic crowd of Mercer students, members of the faculty and administration, local citizens and children turned out Tuesday night at 6:30 in support of a political rally held behind the girls' gymnasium on the Mercer campus.

The political rally, broadcast by local radio station WNEX, was sponsored by the Young Democrat Club of Mercer.

Jerry Hendrix, president of the club, presided.

On program were Hal Henney, law librarian and faculty advisor, and Tom Edenfield, state collegiate co-chairman of the Young Democrat clubs and member of the National Voters Advisory Committee, and Denmark Groover, principal speaker.

Groover, Macon attorney, former state representative and former Democratic national committeeman from Georgia, spoke at length on the basic differences between the two political parties. Groover encouraged all citizens to vote on Nov. 8, terming it the "greatest privilege afforded to the American people."

A sided attraction was the performance of a segment of the Mercer ROTC band which blasted forth its approval of the main points of Groover's speech.



—Photo by Ward Lowrance

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# Brewster - The Culprit?

Faculty political rivalry broke out with the posting of political and personal propoganda on a concrete post in the foyer of the student center, Monday night. Mercer Professor Willis B. Glover, an ardent campus Republican and Nixon supporter, bore the brunt of the attack.

The postings were reminiscent of the "95 Theses" of last year. Interestingly, the propoganda was posted on Reformation Day, some 443 years after Martin Luther tacked his theses to the door at Wittenberg.

The propoganda consisted of a Democratic advertisement featuring the names of scholars and artists who were supporting Kennedy. The advertisement had appeared in a recent New York Times.

The names of many of these who bore a special relation to Glover, especially his 19 Harvard professors, were checked in order to point up the fact that Glover's teachers were supporting Kennedy while he was fighting for Nixon. Quipped Glover, "A man should strive to go beyond his teachers."

The second portion was a column written for authors' day, also clipped from the New York Times. It featured remarks from well-known authors and to the side were listed "Gloverisms," allegedly Glover's reply to those remarks.

Glover immediately pointed an accusing finger at his colleague, Brewster of the Christianity department. "Ray Brewster had to have been a party in this," said the history professor.

Glover was accusing Brewster of writing the Gloverisms. For example, beside a statement that "the author who speaks about his own books is almost as bad as the mother who talks about her children," a Gloverism was listed: "Anybody interested in a copy of God and Thomas Hobbs?"

# Foreign Student Plans Continued

SGA President Olin Thompson is continuing in the plans of his predecessor, Bev Bates, to arrange for a foreign student at Mercer in the future.

Thompson has conferred with Dean Robert H. Spiro, Jr. and reports that the dean is extremely interested in bringing a number of

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# Science Awards To Be Given

During the academic year 1961-1962, the National Science Foundation will award approximately 1200 graduate and 150 postdoctoral fellowships to the candidates who are selected as most outstanding in their ability in the final judging by the foundation itself.

The National Academy of Sciences' national research council has been called upon again to advise the foundation in the selection of candidates, and it has responded by appointing a committee of outstanding scientists to evaluate the applications of all the candidates on the basis of ability.

These fellowships are open to college seniors, graduate and postdoctoral students, and others with equivalent training and experience, who are citizens of the United States. Fellowships may be applied to advanced study in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, and engineering sciences including anthropology, and psychology (excluding clinical psychology). They may also be applied toward the study of the following social sciences: geography, mathematical economics, econometrics, demography, information and communication theory, experimental and quantitative sociology and the history and philosophy of science.

The annual stipends for graduate fellows are as follows: \$1800 for the first year; \$2000 for the intermediate year; and \$2200 for the terminal year. The annual stipend for postdoctoral fellows is \$4500. Limited allowances will also be provided to apply toward tuition, laboratory fees, and

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# Howard Scores First In Annual Tournament

Howard College debaters scored top honors in the Dixie Debate Tournament at Mercer last weekend.

Nearly 150 debaters from a dozen colleges in the Southeast squared-off in two-man teams to argue the question of compulsory health insurance for all citizens in the two-day series of debates.

Although the Mercer debaters, as hosts, were not eligible for contest standing, they won 11 of 12 contests in the novice team debates.

Teams taking part in the debate were Auburn, David Lipscomb, Emory University, Georgia Tech, Howard, University of Georgia, University of Florida, University of Kentucky, Mississippi Southern, Reinhardt College, St. John's River, University of South Carolina and West Georgia.

Team standings in the novice category:

First place, negative, University of South Carolina; second place, Mississippi Southern; third place, Howard College.

First place, affirmative, University of Kentucky; second place, Mississippi Southern; third place, Reinhardt.

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University of South Carolina; third place school, University of Kentucky.

Varsity category:

First place negative, University of Florida; second place, Howard College; third place, Mississippi Southern.

First place affirmative, University of South Carolina; second place, Howard College; third place, University of Kentucky.

First place school, Howard College; second place school, University of South Carolina, and third place school, University of Kentucky.

The Dixie Debate is only the first of a probable four or five competitions the respective teams will enter in the current season, said Dr. Heleq G. Thornton, head of the speech and drama department at Mercer and official director of the school team. Assisting her were Charles Love, speech and drama dept., and Coach Robert Wilder.



Hugh Burke

Eighteen-year-old Hugh Burke had become active in the BSU, the BSU choir, and the Mercer Ministerial Association. He was a Juno graduate of Statesboro High School, where he was active in numerous musical and service organizations. He was an Eagle Scout.

Funeral services were held in the Statesboro First Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon. Approximately 30 Mercerians attended the service.

The accident bore a striking similarity to the death of Mercerian Ovid Stewart, a young minister, who was killed this summer while en route to Statesboro, Burke's home town.

BSU President Del Presley led the Mercer student body in a moment of silent tribute to Burke in Tuesday's SGA chapel program.

Mercer classmates of Burke are planning a memorial for him.

Charles Brownlee, president of the freshman class, Glenn Hayes and other friends have proposed a memorial fund to be used for an organ at the youth's church, the First Baptist Church of Statesboro.

Burke's classmates are checking into the possibility of obtaining a pulpit Bible for Willingham Chapel as a campus memorial to him.

**No Chapel Wednesday**  
There will be no chapel Wednesday, but chapel will be held Thursday at 10 a.m.