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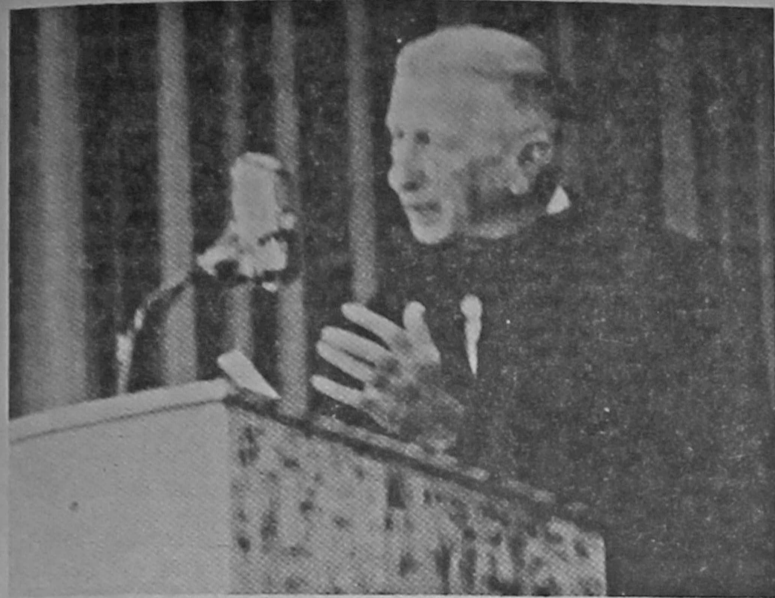


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Dr. Andrew Holt

Convocation Honors Students; Pittman Wins Hopper Award

by Kay Williams

Honors Day, an annual event at VSC honoring outstanding student achievements, was held Wednesday in the gymnasium.

Dorothy Eugenia Pittman, a 20-year old history major from Carrollton, received the coveted Annie Powe Hopper Award.

The Hopper Award, given by the VSC Alumni Association in memory of VSC's former dean of women, goes to the senior who stands high academically and best exemplifies the traditions of the college.

Dorothy, who also received the award for excellence in history, plans to pursue a career in library science and has been accepted at Florida State University for graduate work in the fall.

VSC President S. Walter Martin presented this and other awards at the Convocation, which honored over 150 students.

David Ratcliff, in a speech as outgoing SGA president, recommended active participation of students in campus government. "Criticize only after having actively and audibly participated," he said.

Dr. Ward Pafford, Dean of the College, who presided at the Convocation, gave a brief talk concerning honor societies on the college campus.

The distinguished Andrew D. Holt, President of the University of Tennessee, was the featured speaker at the event.

Dr. Holt is recognized as one of America's leading educators and has been accorded an unusually large number of national and regional honors in the education profession. He has served in virtually every capacity of the educational field and was awarded the highest honor that America's teachers can bestow upon a member of their profession—President of the National Education Association.

A native of Tennessee, Dr. Holt earned the B.A. degree at Emory University and the M.S. and Ph. D. degrees at Columbia University. He is currently serving as a member of the national Steering Committee of the Education Commission of the Status, which was recently established by governors and legislators throughout the nation.

The American Association of University Professors award, presented to the junior who has the highest scholastic average and who will complete four years of undergraduate work at VSC, went to Lynn Hodge of Valdosta.

Lynn also won the award for the outstanding student in the senior division of the Speech and Drama Department.

The Valdosta Daily Times Award, a tuition scholarship and citation for excellence in student publications, was presented



Dorothy Pittman

to Edward Harvey Lightsey, Jr., of Valdosta. This is the first year of this journalism award sponsored by the Valdosta Daily Times.

The Marga and Mac Awards, presented by Sigma Alpha Chi Honor Society to the Most All Round Man and Woman students, went to Howard Freeman, Jr., of Waycross, Mac of the Junior College; Becky Rushin of Fitzgerald, Marga of the Junior Col-

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Mass Demonstration Planned May 17 For Foundation Drive

Valdosta State College students are going to hold a demonstration on Saturday May 17, in downtown Valdosta, and the prize for the best "demonstrators" is a gigantic trophy.

A trophy at a demonstration is unusual. But this will be an unusual demonstration. Complete with placards, the demonstration is being planned with the full support of the College's administration. It is a different kind of demonstration - one which will involve many of the VSC student organizations.

The demonstration will come on the final day of the VSC Foundation fund-raising drive, a drive with a goal of \$25,000. The students will be demonstrating for the Foundation, collecting donations in the downtown area as well as in shopping centers around the city.

The students have an added incentive other than helping the VSC Foundation reach its goal. It is in the form of a four foot, nine inch trophy, donated by The Citizens Bank of Hahira. The trophy will become the property for one year of the organization which collects the most money throughout the week leading up to the May 17 demonstration.

The idea for the student demonstration was introduced by members of the VSC Veterans Club at a meeting of Foundation Trustees in February. Walter Harvey, president of the club, and Ed Lightsey, a member, have worked with the Foundation and the Veterans Club in preparing the groundwork and will meet with student organization representatives on May 7 to finalize plans.

The huge trophy has been put

on display in the College Union on VSC's Main Campus, and Lightsey said student enthusiasm is at a high pitch.

"Students want to help raise money," Harvey said. "And the possibility of winning the trophy for a year has really increased their enthusiasm."

The Trophy, donated by the Citizens Bank of Hahira, will become the property for one year of the organization which collects the most money throughout the week leading up to the May 17 demonstration.

"In addition to this," Lightsey added, "it is logical for us students to help in raising these funds because we are the ones who ultimately benefit."

Tentative plans for the demonstration have been completed. It will form on Main Campus, and the students will march to the Lowndes County Courthouse

Play Opens Tonight At Pound: Lady Burns Three Nights

Tonight, May 8, at 8:15, the VSC Speech and Drama Department will present their opening performance of "The Lady's Not for Burning." The cast and crew have been working long hours, six days a week since the beginning of the quarter, to perfect their presentation of Christopher Fry's poetic comedy.

The Lady, Jenett, will be played by Bronwyn Clarke, a Rotary Exchange Student from Australia. Larry Long, a junior speech major from Remerton, will be featured as the male lead Thomas.

Other leading roles, those of Richard and Albert, will be played respectively by Danny Peterman, a first year speech arts major from Warner Robins, and Sally O'Leary, a musically inclined history major from Atlanta.

The play's action revolves around a small English town's judicial system, contrasting

Thomas's desire to be hung with the town's desire to burn Jennett as a witch. The setting is in the home of Mayor Tysen, who is played by a sophomore music major from Adel, Clifton Young.

The town's justice, Tappercoom, is a comic figure portrayed by Steve Seyfried, a sophomore speech major from Valdosta.

The two roles of brothers in the show offer a contrast of apparent personalities. They are Humphrey, a comic character, played by Riley Howard, a sophomore biology major from Valdosta; and Nicholas, a more sombre character, played by Harvey Ray, who is a senior psychology major, and



Cast rehearses play

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Convocation Honors Outstanding Achievements

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lege; Joey Davis of Valdosta; Mac of the Senior College; and Gloria Thompson of Albany, Margara of the Senior College. These awards are presented on the basis of leadership, to students maintaining a 3.0 average. The recipients are chosen in an election.

Johnny Mack Oliver, a junior from Doerun, Ga., majoring in Business Administration, was announced as first recipient of the Communications Workers of America Scholarship. This is a \$500 scholarship awarded to an outstanding junior student who is enrolled in the Divisions of Natural Sciences, Business Administration or Humanities.

Others receiving awards were Mrs. Georgia Swink Barnes of Lake Park, an art award for creative achievement in painting; Abram Taylor Coppage, III, of Valdosta, a biology award; and Drewy Clinton Hilburn, Jr., of Bainbridge, the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award presented to the graduating senior in Business Administration - Economics who has attained the highest level of academic achievement. Hilburn also received the local CPA's award to the graduating senior with the highest standing in ac-

counting.

Mrs. Nell Whaley of Nashville received the National Business Education Award of Merit for outstanding achievement in business education; Kathyne Henrietta Davis of Cairo is the outstanding student in English; Mary Elizabeth Wilkinson of Ocilla received the excellence in history award for juniors; and Modern Foreign Language awards went to Sandra Walker of Tifton, Virginia Anderson of Valdosta and Pamela Guice of Lakeland.

The outstanding senior music major is Chlo Nichols of Jesup, and the outstanding freshman music major is Cecil Pollock of Quitman.

Richard Crider of Willacoochee is the outstanding graduating physics student; and the achievement award for freshman physics went to Robert Shiver of Camilla, now a student at the University of Georgia.

The Department of Psychology's outstanding student is Janice Gilmer of Boston. The outstanding student in the junior division of the Department of Speech and Drama is Karen Luke of Ocilla.

Students who have obtained memberships in the two VSC Hon-

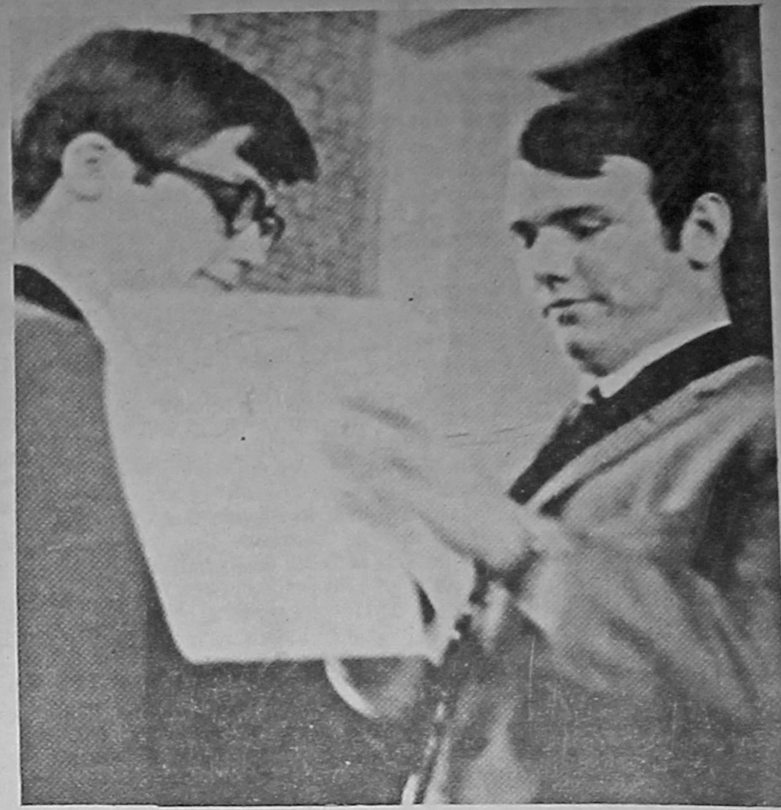
or Societies, Sigma Alpha Chi and Alpha Chi, were introduced in addition to the students who have been recognized for membership in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

New members of Black Key, honor society for men who best exemplify the ideals of leadership, spirit, and scholarship, were announced. They include Daniel Avery, Richard Baker, Ed Hanahan, Walter Harvey, Jeff Mays, Steve Seyfried, Calvin Smith, Mike Strom and Penn Wells.

Music for the program was presented by the VSC Glee Club, under the direction of Webster Teague, and the VSC Band, directed by Sanford Campbell.

The Invocation was given by the Rev. Henry I. Louttit, Jr., rector, Christ Episcopal Church. The Rev. O. C. Dean, Methodist minister, gave the Benediction to the Honors Day program.

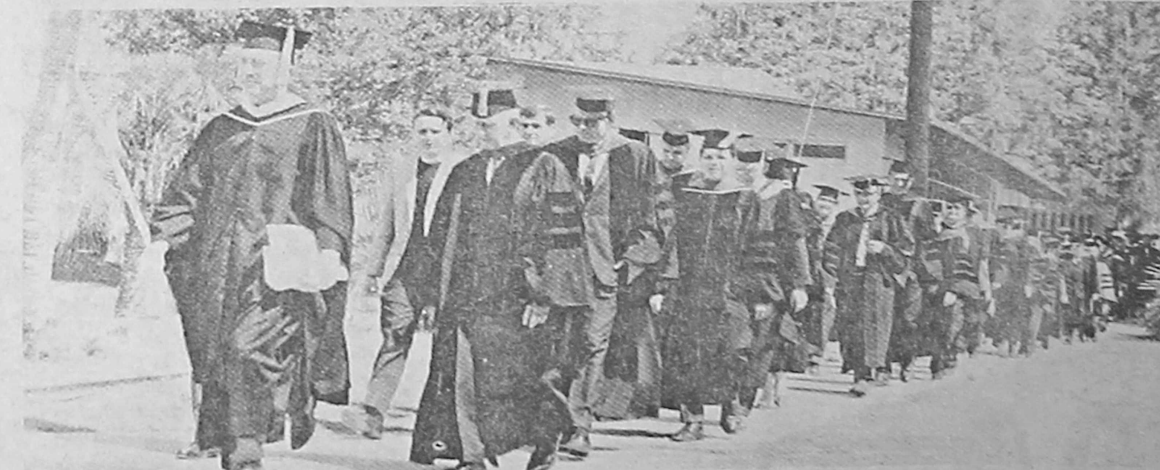
Dr. Louis Schmier, professor of history, assisted Dean Pafford in presenting the awards.



Mays accepts Black Key



Margas and Macs



Professors form ranks



Glee club performs



VSC band performs

Clubs Elect Officers

APO

New officers of Sigma Iota chapter of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity were installed April 27.

They are President Charles Joyner of Valdosta, First Vice-President Tommy Sorrells of Valdosta, Second Vice-President John Shattuck of Dunstable, Mass., Third Vice-President Ernie Sledge, of Thomasville, Ga., Treasurer David Babock of Valdosta, Recording Secretary John Cooke of Valdosta, 2nd corresponding Secretary Glynn Sapp of Alapaha, Ga.

Alpha Chi

Elissa Landey will serve as president of Alpha Chi, VSC's honor society, for the upcoming academic year.

Walter Newson will act as vice

president, with Joyce Joyce as secretary.

Lynn Hodge will serve as treasurer of the organization, and Debbie Morse will be representative.

Sock and Buskin

Lynn Hodge, a junior from Valdosta, will serve as president of Sock and Buskin, VSC's Speech and Drama Club, for the upcoming academic year.

Steve Seyfried, Valdosta, was elected vice-president. The position of secretary will be filled by Vicky Vickers of Willacoochee.

Ed Green, Jacksonville, was chosen treasurer of the club. Sheron Long, Jacksonville, will serve as parliamentarian. Elinor Davis, Cairo, was elected scribe.

Karen Luke Receives Internship In Capitol

Karen Luke, a 19 year old sophomore speech and drama major at Valdosta State College, is one of two Eighth Congressional district students selected to receive a five-week internship in the office of Eighth District Congressman William S. Stuckey.

Karen, who has maintained an A average during her two years at VSC, is a member of Alpha Delta Chi Sigma Alpha Chi honor society, VSC band and debate team.

In the recent campus elections Karen was elected secretary of the Student Government Association.

"Since the debate topic this past year had a great deal to do with the relationship of Congress powers to those of the Executive Branch, I have become extreme-

ly interested in the national government and how it functions. This summer's work will be an excellent chance for me to see many of the things we studied and to see the machinery in action," commented Karen.

"Whether I go into the counseling field or remain in the field of education, I will be in a position to influence many young people. Therefore, I feel I should know as much as I can about all phases of life in which U.S. citizens must participate," she said.

In the event that either Karen or Laurence Day, a sophomore at South Georgia College who was also selected, are unable to participate, Jeff May's was selected as an alternate from VSC.



Karen Luke

DeSercey Outlines Curriculum Changes

by Cherri Collins

A change in curriculum policy is being planned by Patrick deSercey, head of the philosophy department at VSC.

"This plan, with a general degree with no specific major," he said, "will offer blocks of courses in certain areas to pick subjects from."

Students will work under an advisor or tutor, like in Eng-

land," he continued, "and will study, under the guidance of his tutor in areas he is interested in."

The final examinations, tailored to each student according to the subjects he has taken, will be a substantial paper and/or a comprehensive exam, written or oral, given by three faculty members, similar to Oxford University.

If a student under this plan transfers, the Core subjects will transfer along with some of the other selected courses.

The courses the student selects will be decided by the counselor after consultation with the student.

"The main idea," deSercey added, "is to allow as much freedom as possible in selection of courses and still obtain a worthwhile program."

In addition to regular courses, special classes will be offered to tie the courses together. For example, in the area of art, this interdepartmental course would deal with changing styles, value judgements, what it means to a cultural value context, and what the moving trend means, bringing in psychology, sociology, philosophy, music, art, and history.

"The student will not just get a degree in this program, deSercey added, "but will be told what's going on and why."

"He will learn the significance of what Michelangelo did, instead of when he lived and what he painted."

These inter-disciplinary courses will be added to the regular program, especially in the humanities department. Other institutions with this system are the University of Chicago and Columbia University, with Mercer considering such a program.

EOG Appropriates Funds For VSC Student Grants

Valdosta State College has been awarded an educational opportunity grant of \$31,683 by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare for students of exceptional financial need. Georgia Senators Richard Russell and Herman Talmadge made the announcement in a telegram to VSC President S. Walter Martin last week.

The grant, being made for the third consecutive year, is to range from \$200 to \$1,000 per student for each academic study year. Each student may receive the financial aid for a maximum of four years.

VSC Financial Aid Director Gary Bass said the money would be available to approximately 92 students beginning July 1. "We estimate the student need

on previous information but the actual number of students benefiting from the money could be more or less."

Although money can be given only to those students who qualify under strict regulations, Bass said there would be no problem putting it to good use at VSC.

"In most cases, the grant enables students to attend college who ordinarily could not afford it," he said.

"The grants are awarded on a matching fund basis with other programs," Bass said. "We determine the need of the student and then break the figure down into money from the EOG, the College Work - Study Program, the National Defense Student Loan Program, as well as other aid."

Pember Heads Fine Arts

The creation of the Division of Fine Arts at Valdosta State College and the naming of Joseph W. Pember acting chairman were approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

The newly formed division will incorporate the departments of art, music, and speech and drama, which are presently a part of the Division of humanities at VSC. The Humanities Division also includes the departments of English and modern foreign language.

Essential reasons for the formation of the division are the physical unity of the departments which will be achieved when the new Fine Arts Building is occupied in September, and the academic logic of this reorganization as the college grows in size and complexity with the accompanying increase of programs.

"The information of a Division of Fine Arts is a progressive step in meeting the problems of growth and adjustment in the departments of art, music and speech and drama," Pember, who is head of the VSC art department said.

The formation of the new division and the appointment of Pember as acting chairman was recommended by the College's Academic Council

Concerning Pember's appointment, Dr. Martin said, "It is immediately clear that a single

Pember has been head of the art department since joining the VSC faculty in 1949. He holds the A.B. and M.F.A. degrees from the University of Georgia

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Campus Participates In Community Clean-Up

by Maureen Quinn

On May 3, 1969, three thousand volunteers participated in an Operation Clean-up for forty-three square blocks in Valdosta. The Valdosta State organizations included: from the Interfraternity Council -- Delta Chi, Tau Kappa Epsilon, and Phi Kappa Phi; from the Panhellenic Council -- Alpha Zeta Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, Kappa Delta, and Phi Mu. The independent on-campus organizations were represented by the Campus Canopy.

This clean-up was organized by the Community Development Corporation of the Citizens and Southern National Bank. The idea of cleaning up large areas of cities was originated in Georgia

last spring by Mr. Mills B. Lane, president of the C&S Bank in Savannah. Other cities which have been or will be cleaned include Atlanta, Albany, Athens, Augusta, and Macon.

The long range goals of the cleanup projects are to instill in the residents of an area pride in their surroundings, as well as a desire to own their own homes. For this purpose of ownership, the C & S Bank is offering low interest loans to individuals who would not normally be able to procure them. Landowners in the areas have been for the most part, receptive to the idea of selling the homes to their tenants. Another use to which this high-risk loan venture has been put is the financing of small business-

es. Since the clean-up in Savannah last spring, one barber shop and several small restaurants have opened up with funds made available by the Community Development Corporation.

In Valdosta, the director of the Spring Clean-up is Mr. John B. Lastinger, assistant Vice President of the C & S Bank. Miss the bank are overwhelmed by the support given the cleanup. They had expected from 1500 to 2000 volunteers; whereas the actual total came to 3000, including such organizations as the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and 350 men from Moody Air Force Base. Members of the Boys Club of Valdosta distributed American flags, and over 800 trash cans to residents of the area. Also

represented in number were students of Valdosta High School, Pinevale High School, and West-Emily Oxford, graduate of VSC, is his project co-ordinator.

Miss Oxford described the success of the clean up in Valdosta. She said that the people at side High School.

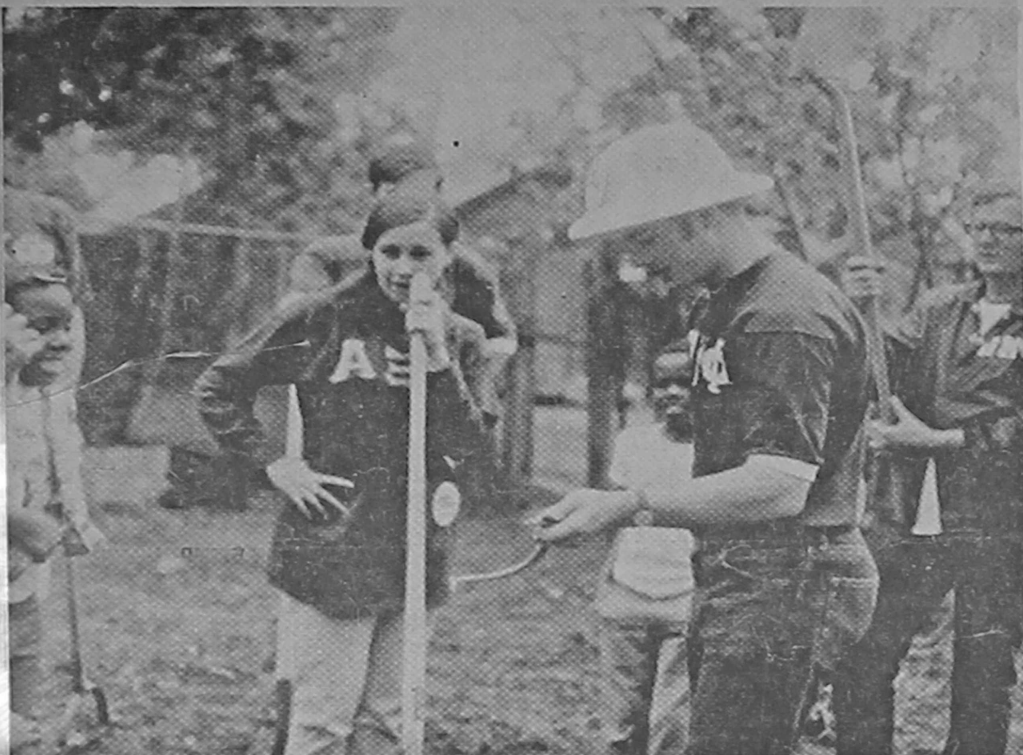
The clean up is said to be 100% effective. There were 51 junk autos towed away, along with untold tons of debris. (There were also over 500 bandages distributed.)

The reaction on the part of many of the residents were equally favorable. In most of the clean up districts, the residents were busy cleaning up their own yards. The children were coming out of the homes to join the

raking teams as they worked. The people expressed appreciation for the assistance they were given in the removal of the heavy accumulations of debris.

The awards for the best fraternity, best sorority, and best independent will be distributed within the next two weeks. These awards of \$250 will be matched in the amount of \$750 to be donated to the VSC Foundation fund in the names of the organizations that receive the awards.

Mr. Lastinger and Miss Oxford are tremendously pleased with the outcome of this year's clean up, and the only improvement they can suggest at this point for next year is the issuing of work gloves for the raking team.



Campus organizations participate in Clean-Up

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en mass. After a brief meeting, the organizations will split up and "pound the pavement" collecting donations.

In late afternoon, everyone will meet back at the courthouse to total the donations, declare the winning organization and present the trophy. A cup will also be presented to the winning student group and will become that group's permanent possession. The winning organization's name will be engraved on the trophy and the cup.

The Veterans Club will also give a prize to the organization which has the most original placard.

The establishment of an endowment fund is the key project

in the drive, according to Harley Langdale, Jr., chairman of the Foundation. A total of \$17,325 is the goal for the endowment fund, which is greatly needed at VSC.

VSC President S. Walter Martin said, "The present fundraising drive for monies to establish an endowment for the College is one of the Foundation's most outstanding projects. As the endowment grows, there will be interest available for many programs which we cannot presently undertake."

All fraternities, sororities, and other organizations are urged to join in the drive. Cooperation from everyone will be needed to reach the intended goal.



Craftsmen Exhibit

The Georgia Designer Craftsmen is now on exhibit. The traveling exhibit, one of the projects sponsored by the Georgia Commission on the Arts, was organized through a grant by that commission and will be in Valdosta through May 21.

This exhibit represents the works of members of Georgia Designer Craftsmen, some men and women from all over the state, in all fields of crafts. The members are not amateurs; each is a highly skilled, successful artisan in his respective field.

Every hand-made product exhibited - metal, wood, jewelry, enamels, fabrics, maintains the high standards of quality and originality set by each craftsman.

Don Penny, assistant professor of art at VSC has works of pottery included in the exhibit, which is open seven days a week to the public at no charge.

Regents Approve Promotions

The promotions of eight faculty members at Valdosta State College were approved at the April meeting of the University System Board of Regents in Atlanta.

Manelle Jeter, former associate professor of education, and Marvin Evans, former associate professor of English, were promoted to the rank of full professor.

A native of Rydal, Ga., Dr. Jeter received her B. S. Degree from Valdosta State and earned the M.S. and Ed. D. degrees at Florida State University. She was in the Moultrie School District as Curriculum Director for Colquitt County before coming to VSC in 1963.

Dr. Evans, a native of Moreland, Ga., received the A.B. degree from Berry College, the M.A. from Emory University, and the Ph.D. from Florida State University. He taught at Berry and in the Newton County School System before coming to Valdosta State in 1957.

Three faculty members were promoted from assistant professor to associate professor. They are Eugene Alvarez, history; George Young, psychology; and I. Rhys Jones, physics.

Three others were promoted from the position of instructor to assistant professor. They are Joel Boatright, speech; Beth McRae, speech; and Mrs. Jon Schroer, history.

All of the promotions will be effective fall quarter.

Professors To Participate In Study - Abroad Seminar

Valdosta State College has been nominated as one of 15 colleges and universities which will participate in a three-phase Faculty Development Seminar on South Asia, beginning this summer on the campus of Syracuse University.

The seminar, sponsored by the Office of Education, has awarded 30 faculty fellowships-two fellowships to each institution selected - for the eight-week first phase of the program which begins June 16.

The VSC nominees who have been selected to participate in the seminar are William M. Gabard and William M. Morrow, members of the Department of History and Political Science. Dr. Gabard is head of the department and is on leave this academic year, and Mr. Morrow is an assistant professor of political science.

The two VSC professors will spend the eight weeks at Syracuse in an intensive multidisciplinary seminar on the history, cultures, politics, peoples and problems of South Asia, including the countries of India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

The seminar will meet 10 hours a week and will emphasize the contributions of major disciplines to the understanding of South Asia. Enrollees will take a six-hour (per week) introduction to Hindi course as a preparation for the overseas phase of the seminar in the summer of 1970.

During the 1969-70 academic year, Dr. Gabard and Mr. Morrow will carry out the second phase of the program - a supervised, guided-readings program at Valdosta State. The program will be arranged before leaving this summer's seminar

at Syracuse.

The Syracuse Seminar faculty will remain in close correspondence with enrollees concerning their progress on the reading program. A visit to VSC will be made during the year, at which time the Syracuse consultant will confer at length with the two professors concerning their directed readings, advise on library development problems and discuss all relevant aspects of the South Asia development plans with other faculty and administrative personnel on the VSC campus.

In the summer of 1970, the third phase of the program will send the 30 participants to India for an eight-week seminar. The program in India will include initial orientation lectures by distinguished Indian public figures and scholars, further Hindi language training, five weeks of serious investigation through interviews, seminars and briefings of certain major themes essential to informed pedagogy and two weeks of local travel and independent study on pre-selected topics closely relevant to the enrollee's teaching obligations on his home campus.

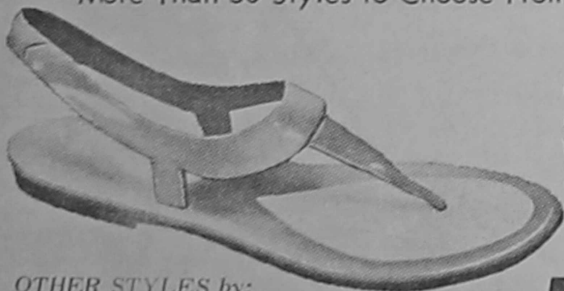
Ragan Gives Senior Recital

On May 15 at 8:15 p.m., Angela Ragan will present her Senior Recital at Pound Hall Auditorium. She has been studying piano for 15 years, and was elected to Who's Who in American Colleges from the Music Department.

Miss Ragan is the accompanist for the VSC Gleeclub, and the organist for the Lee Street Baptist Church in Valdosta. Her recital will be one hour in length, and will consist of pieces from each phase of music ranging from Baroque to Contemporary.

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Mandatory Attendance Issue: Who Should Be The Judge?

"Students are normally expected to attend all regularly scheduled class meetings held for instruction or examination. However, class absences are essentially a matter between the student and his instructors" you have just read the major portion of the first paragraph of the VSC attendance requirements as indicated in the college catalogue.

You, the student, are paying a specific amount of money for each class hour of every school day. If you should fail to attend a class on a certain day, have you wasted that money or that time? This question cannot be answered by an instructor. It can only be answered by the student. Who is hurt by your absence from any specific class? It is not the instructor, or your classmates; the only person hurt is you. Who is hurt by your absence from any specific class? It is not the instructor, or your classmates;

It is to the instructors benefit to have your complete attention through-out his lecture. If you are in attendance on a certain day merely because you are forced to be there, you will not devote your full attention. The instructor can communicate his thoughts with a greater degree of ease when the students who would not be paying complete attention are not present.

It is common knowledge that all instructors are not equally efficient. Some do nothing more than read the text book back to the student; others, of course add a tremendous amount

Ed Lightsey

SDS Neglects Peaceful Means Of Achieving Desired Reforms

The demand for a Democratic Society calls itself the conscience of America's students. They claim to be a corrective force and back up this claim with destructive action. But it has been my experience that seldom are they students, they are not democratic; and their society is corrupt.

Granted that some of their demands are valid but they need not be demands. They refuse to recognize the existing channels through which change can be made. First of all, because these channels are not fast enough, and, second of all, because they don't trust the people who control these channels.

Recently I had the opportunity to talk with SDS members as they ejected the President of American University from his home. I asked one of them if they had considered making their demands into requests, and, by the use of petitions, submitting them to the university president or the Student Government Association.

They had considered it, but that was all. Surely, no logical person can expect an administration to make decisions on the basis of rumors circulating within the student body. Our government, national, local, and campus, is so constructed that change can be made by an orderly and peaceful means.

This is the context in which we live and has in the past provided us with protection, service, and an orderly form of government.

If change is to be made, this government must be used. Certainly no country or community can exist without a power structure, simply because not all men stay within the limits of the law. Now passing a law and enforcing it are two different matters. For instance, the tactics used by Martin Luther King, Jr. were most effective, just as they had been for Gandhi. They did not ask for amnesty when thrown in jail. They simply said "we have broken the law and must suffer the consequences, although the law is wrong." The only violence in the early civil rights movement

of motivation and knowledge through their own abilities. Because of this non-equality, the student should be able to decide how beneficial each class hour may be. It is possible in some classes, for a student to attend only the examinations and derive as much knowledge as the person who has had perfect attendance.

It would be a wasted effort for the administration or anyone else to try to derive a study schedual that would be equally valuable for every student. This task is impossible. It is also impossible for the administration or the instructor to evaluate the importance of the way in which the student spends the hours of his day.

"Educators should stop worrying about the knowledge explosion and start doing things that will help students be creative. No one will ever be able to learn all there is to learn. Creative people will seek out the knowledge they need." The preceding section was written by Dr. Donald Simpson, graduate of the university of Southern California, and may be applicable to this editorial.

With these thoughts in mind, should the instructor judge the utility of a students time? Should absence or presence be the measure of the knowledge one has derived from a specific class? If this is so, why have examinations?

The students attendance should only be mandatory in the case of examination. Why not put the decision in the hands of the individual that is affected, that is, the student? Who should be the judge?

came from that common Southerner animal, redneckitus.

What the SDS wants is change for the sake of change. They want programs dropped which affect thousands of students because they, the SDS, the minority, think it is wrong.

The purpose of the university is to serve the students, and if 4,000 students want to sign up for a particular program, then they should have that chance. But 25 students do not the right, morally or legally, to have that program abolished, especially when they are not affected by it.

They would serve their cause better by trying to create change from within, rather than from without. Most certainly some of these demands are valid, and should be met, not as demands, but as requests.

No one student has the right to throw a man out of his home.

The reason for violence on campus lies with the administration. The purpose of the administration is to anticipate the need for change and take action. Administrators must leave their offices occasionally and walk among and talk to the students, for that is where the grumbings begin.

As long as the administrators sit in their offices and greet parents, dignitaries, and occasionally a student, they are not doing their job. The reason the SDS and similar groups gain control of so much of student activity is because the administration does not become aware of them til they are standing outside looking at red banners hanging from their windows.

I do not believe the SDS is Communist-controlled. They are, I think, frustrated young men who want to be important without the hard work it takes to gain that importance. Their idealism would be best used in the existing government and not by throwing stones at it. Their attitude is best reflected in a popular song of the movement, which state, "We want the world and we want it now." But I'm afraid their world would even be worse than the world we live in now.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"WELL, MY FIRST REACTION WAS: WHAT KIND OF A DUMB STUPID BLIND DATE HAS THIS JERK-OF-A-ROOMMATE OF MINE LEFT ME ALONE WITH — THEN —"

Without The Least Regret

In memory of Rufus Sirmans Specialist 4, United States Army, who gave his life in combat in Chu Lau South Viet Nam on April 28, 1969.

My brother went across the sea;
He left for what is best.
He fought a fight for you and me
Without the least "protest."

He was so handsome, strong, and true,
A symbol of his land.
You took one look and then you knew
That God made him a MAN.

God's hand has lifted him away;
He went without a fear.
I have no words to tell just how
But, I know that he is here.

Now he strides away from hate,
Away from creed, away from race,
And we must rise above ourselves
And pick up his gallant pace.

Our brother went across the sea;
He fought for what is best.
We too must make a sacrifice
Without the least protest!

Charles Nolan Howell, Jr.
May 1, 1969

Problems On Reserve

by Carolyn Kluball

How many of you have ever tried to check out a book on reserve? This is a problem which the students vocalize quite often. It is next to impossible for an out-of-town day student because of the restrictions of time and the heavy fines placed on these books.

A student in desperation will keep such a book for as long as he needs it, much more willing to pay the fine and pass the course than return the book on time. This not only keeps a useful book out of use but also consumes some of the student's limited resources.

Help is on the way, so take heart. According to Dr. Willa Valencia of the English Depart-

ment, this department is working with the library to try to get a 3-day reserve system into operation. Dr. Valencia believes that "if a student can't get all he needs out of a book in three days, he has no business treating such a difficult topic."

According to other members of the English Department, they have long been aware of the library conditions under which their students must work, but it was the only way to get anything accomplished. "This will be a very good thing when it gets into application," Dr. Valencia said, "it should make the researching of papers an easier task, especially for those who live off-campus."

Letters To The Editor

Battle Rages Over Foreign Language Requirement

Dear Editor: In response to Mr. Wayne Bennett's letter to the editor concerning the advantages and disadvantages of a foreign language requirement of the Division of Humanities at VSC:

A student, as differentiated from an individual who frequents an institution of higher learning, who has taken four quarters of a foreign language is capable of reading and understanding any text of moderate difficulty. He should even be able to discuss it in the foreign language if he applies the methods which are taught here at VSC. The library offers current events magazines, newspapers, literary and scientific periodicals to broaden the students' understanding and to aid in his development in a specifically oriented area of interest.

In order to translate a paper by Descartes, one must be familiar with seventeenth century French (since le Discours de la methode was published in 1637). A student of French 204 has not yet been exposed to this particular literary style any more than a student of English literature has been exposed to Old English. It is doubtful that with only four quarters of any particular subject a student could become an expert.

Further, it is recognized fact that translation is a poor and unreliable substitute for the original text. Authors, politicians, diplomats, all attest to the lack of understanding caused by translation.

Anyone who searches for the truth and wishes to apply Descartes' precept, "ne jamais recevoir aucune chose pour vraie que je la connusse evidemment etre telle" should not rely upon a translation.

An understanding of a foreign language is surely worth the effort required for an individual who wishes to acquire a liberal arts education built upon a firm foundation.

Arlette G. Haight Modern Foreign Languages Dear Editor:

I am sure that Professor Pat de Sercey is one of the best things that ever happened to Valdosta State College.

I am equally sure that if Mr. Wayne Bennet would gently pin him to the top of the coffee table he would admit that the great majority of the people in his native France could not read a paper by Descartes "and hope to understand it for its philosophical worth..." Irrelevantly, most of the same majority couldn't care less. La gloire de la langue francaise is not necessarily Cartesian.

So cheer up, you muttering slaves in French 204. You'll not regret it even if Descartes in French remains as unintelligible as ancient Sanscrit.

But why does Mr. Bennet have to be told that Pat is pulling his leg?

Mark Shovar History Department

Dear Editor,

In Mr. Bennett's letter of the 29th, he states that he feels a student, finishing through 204 in a language, has no fluency in reading, writing, or speaking. He bases his judgment on the fact that Mr. de Sercey believes one cannot translate Descartes and understand its philosophical worth after finishing 204.

This is not the aim of this course of study. A student in 204 is capable of reading, writing and conducting a conversation in everyday French. This goal is reached if a student ap-

plies himself (as he should in following any course of study).

At the end of my 204 course, I had read several novels of average difficulty (Honore Balzac, Georges Simeon) Since I am a French major, Mr. Bennett may feel, quite rightly, that I have put forth more effort.

Allow me to cite another case. I have a friend who is not a language student and who is simply fulfilling a requirement by taking French. She is 204 this quarter. The other night, at the library, she read some articles in the French Reader's Digest while I did some research. Perhaps the Readers Digest does not compare with difficulty to Descartes, but it is certainly an indication that a useful comprehension of a foreign language can be reached in four quarters.

None of the advanced courses would teach Mr. Bennett to translate and understand Descartes. This is done through individual study, using the foundation gained in the 101-204 series.

Sincerely Pam Guice

Dear Editor:

In reply to the letter of Mr. Wayne Bennett, I have the following comments concerning his disenchantment with the modern foreign language requirement for Humanities majors.

First of all, Mr. Bennett should realize that if he wants information concerning the four French courses, he should go to the primary source (namely the head of the language department or the language professors) to learn the objectives of this sequence of courses.

Secondly, I wish to make it clear to Mr. Bennett and his mentor that the purpose of French 101-102-103-204 is not to make the student a philosopher capable of

understanding the intricacies of Descartes, Pascal, Camus, Voltaire, or Sartre, but to train the student to understand French at the intermediate level, from which he can proceed, after further serious study, to delve into nuances of French writing when this task is required of him.

I should not insult

Mr. Bennett's intelligence by enumerating the many benefits of foreign language study. They are self-evident. Let me remind him, however, of Goethe's statement: "Wer fremde Sprache nicht kennt, weiss nichts von seiner eignen." (He who knows no foreign language knows nothing of his own.)

Sincerely, C. Lee Bradley Assistant Professor Modern Foreign Language

Dear Editor:

I am concerned about the growing feeling of student unrest on the campus, but more than my concern for the unrest is my concern for the student government's inability to cope with the problems. Apathy will sustain the status quo - that is if the status quo is what the majority wants. The fact is, however, that some students have not always received their just due, nor have these students rectified the situation effectively. The fact that they attempted to do so shows their dissatisfaction.

On the other hand, discontent breeds riots and disorders both of which will never resolve unfavorable conditions. The "Establishment" is able to cope with apathy and with disorder equally as well to the furtherance of its desired end, but the same "establishment" is unable to cope with order. By or-

der I mean: the presentation of documented, legitimate complaints by an authorized representative to an authorized recipient with the full support of the student body.

Under the present government system this means of organized protest is not possible. With fraternities and sororities vying for the greatest number of seats in the student council those who need representation are left without. I propose a revision of the representative structure. At least every fifty students should be represented by one councilman. Each fraternity and sorority should be represented on the same basis. Furthermore, I propose that a grand council be held at least once a quarter which would allow every student a personal voice in school and school government policy. As a point of business for this grand council to undertake, I propose that they either ratify or reject campus rules and regulations. If a rule or regulation is voted a rejection it should be taken to the faculty for review at which time total rejection or amendment can be made, another change that I would suggest is that the student court be made a court of appeals in which any student who feels that he has been handed an unjust penalty for an infraction of rules can have his case reviewed. The judgement of the court can be passed on to the faculty for ratification or review.

The students need to have a feeling that the environment on campus is an environment that they helped to establish, but this sense of belonging will never be a reality unless organized processes are carried out.

David R. Smith

Martin, Young, Brooks Answer Questions Of Concerned Students

by Ed Lightsey

VSC President S. Walter Martin participated in a "rap" session with the Association of Concerned Students last night, and ACS president Chip Boyett called it a "successful meeting and another step toward better communications between students and administration."

President Martin, with the help of Dr. George Young, dean of student affairs, and Sam Brooks, acting comptroller, fielded questions during the hour and a half session.

The most controversial subject on campus, the new parking lot, was discussed at length by the students. Mr. Brooks pointed out the fact that VSC paid only for the "lighting fixtures and 500 truckloads of dirt."

For protection of the students two new security officers will be hired to control traffic to and from the area at night.

The question of the creeping threat of Communism and taxpayer reaction was also discussed.

"I feel we have no reason to fear budget slashes because of over-reaction from the legislature in view of current student unrest," said Martin. He continued, saying that the students at VSC are mature enough to take student problems through proper channels.

The newly-purchased Abrahams house on South Patterson St. was suggested for various uses. One student suggested turning the structure into a co-op house, with students being held responsible for rent and food service. The house is presently being considered as a Panhellenic house. But "we are still open for suggestions," announced Dean George Young.

Other plans for the campus include expanding the Student Center, Nevins Hall, residence halls, library, and self-service in the Student Center.

Mr. Brooks announced plans for a complete survey of bookstore operations, stating that at present, "the bookstores must account for the loss made at the

snack bar, which last year approached the ten thousand dollar mark." The two services are

part of the auxiliary enterprises service, which, July 1, will be incorporated into a new office with its own director.

Dr. Young, commenting on liberalization of female dorm rules, said "They must be related to educational values and not part of some fad."

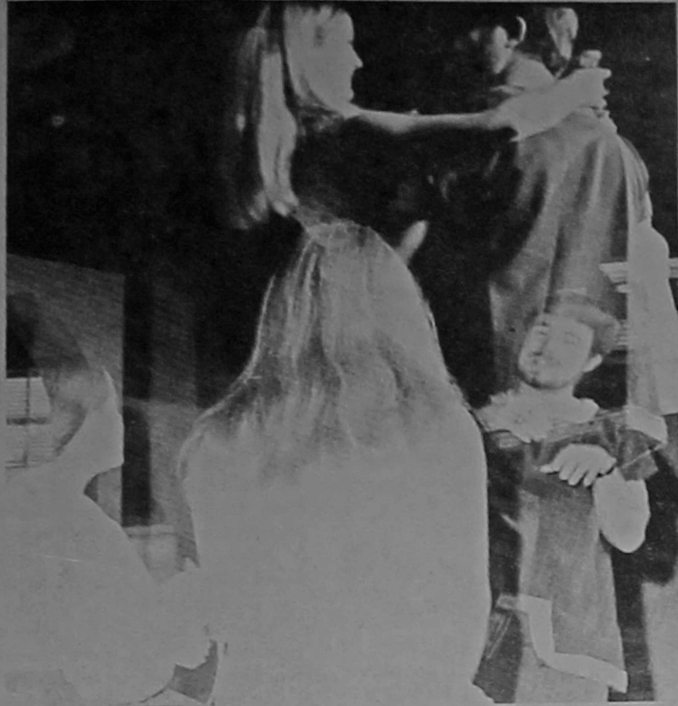
President Martin, answering a question concerning campus expansion, predicted that "VSC will eventually reach just under or about 7,000 students." He added that he did not feel that the school would ever be any larger than this number. Pointing out his service to education for the past 34 years in various offices throughout the university system, President Martin looks forward to his retirement "in about ten years."

He stated that he welcomed constructive criticism and offered students priority in his office. "The door is always open," he concluded.

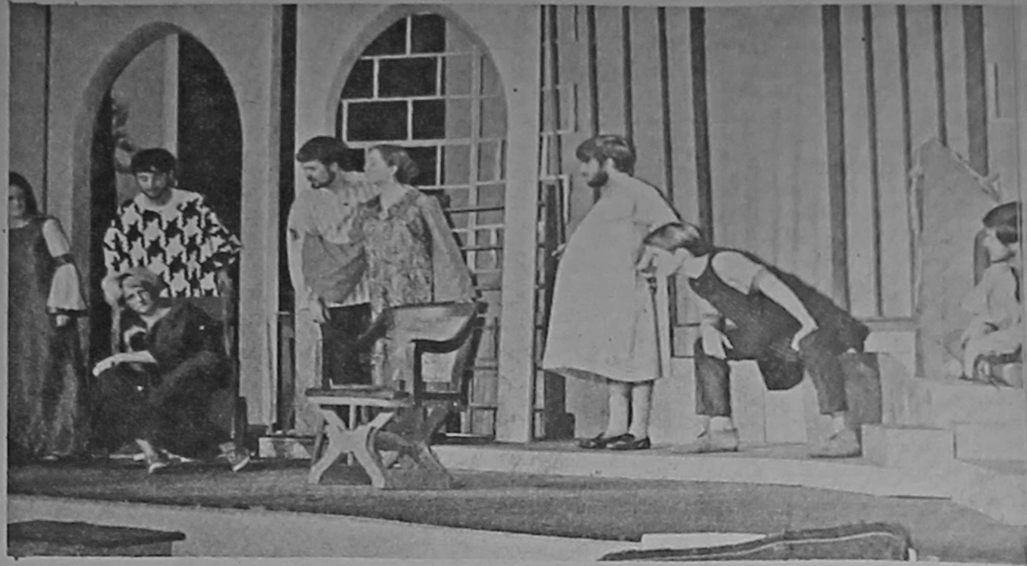
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Cast Rehearses "The Lady's Not For Burning"



Looks are deceiving



She's alive!

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Their mother, Margaret Devize, is portrayed by Marcia Owens, a junior speech major.

Cool Clary is played by Valerie Chapman, a shopmore speech major from Bethesda, Maryland.

Any town that burns witches potential re-
pennized reli-
Mother of

Nelson Hitchcock of the Speech and Drama Department is directing this play, with the student assistance of Sherron Long.

PHOTOS BY LARRY NORTH



I think....



Lights control



Enter stage right



Silence Tapperroom!