Assembly Honors Outstanding Efforts

Maddison's annual Honors Day Assembly was held on May 8 in Wilson Auditorium. Students excelling in various areas of achievement were presented awards at this time.

The address, entitled "What Is Honor?" was given by Karen Crain, usually, a senior music education major, is the daughter of Reverend and Mrs. W. Crain of Louden-ville, Va. Last year, she received the Duke Scholarship Award, and this year she holds the highest scholastic average with a 3.786.

Other Merit Award Certificates, given to seniors, who have made Dean's List for every semester in college, were given to Steven W. Dool, Jr., Wanda Gay Mays, Karen Faye Hager, Anna Jo. Kenneth, Jerald, N. Philip. Mrs. Linda Elaine Murphy, and Connie Marie Lowery.

Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority received the award for the highest scholastic average, (2.80), while Phi Mu and Alpha Sigma Tau placed second and third, respectively.

The Price Poetry Award, given for an undergraduate student who wrote a poem which the members of the English Department felt worthy of recognition, was awarded to Miss Earlene Gay Horn for her poem, "Modern Man in Art."

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President Miller will hold his last Open Meeting of this semester on Thursday, May 15, at 6:30 p.m. in Wilson Auditorium. This meeting is open to all students desiring to discuss problems, present answers to questions, or just to meet the deadlines for the Christmas issue. Announcements regarding the deadline date for the May issue will appear at a later time.

Communication Concentration Offered

Communication Arts is a concentration offered in the Speech and Drama Department that few students know about. Among courses offered to students are News Editing, News Writing, Television Production, Radio Production, Television and Radio Announcing.

It is one of the most liberal concentrations in the curriculum in that courses may also be taken in the fields of Arts, Music, Philosophy, Psychology, and any area helpful to the field of communication. All the student need do is explain the course to the head of the Speech and Drama Department and obtain his approval.

Dr. Eugene Mouton, head of the Speech and Drama Department, feels Communication Arts is one of the most interesting fields offered at Madison. Future plans for the concentration include offering courses in cinematography and setting up a Master's program in Communication Arts.

Nineteen Students in Madison Band Perform at Concert

Nineteen students from the Madison Concert Band participated in the Virginia Intercollegiate Band held April 25-27 at the Shenandoah Conservatory of Music in Winchester.

The group was selected initially by a directors' committees. Upon arrival at the Conservatory, each person auditioned for chair positions. Six of the Madison group placed first chairs in their sections: Ellen Halliday, 1st oboe; Jean Olbison, 1st flute; Brenda Riley, 3rd clarinet; Donna Myers, 2nd and 4th french horn, respectively; Victor Martin, 2nd trumpet.

The guest conductor was James Howard Reynolds, director of bands and head of the music department of Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston, Louisiana. He is now beginning his two-year term as president of the Southern Division of the College Band Directors National Association.

The band presented a public performance Sunday afternoon.
"Yellow Press" Creates Impact Upon Security

by Frank Humphreys

To gain recognition of any particular set of ideas, it is essential that they gain the support of the masses, generally speaking. In order to obtain this support, one must influence the minds of the people whose support is desired. This support may be either constructive or destructive, but, whatever its nature, influence must still be exercised to obtain it.

Since time began, media of some sort has been the driving force behind public opinion. In earlier times, town crier was the medium responsible for informing the people of what was happening. Today this responsibility has been taken up by the newspaper, radio, and television industries.

There is no feasible method to measure just how much support is wielded by media. However, it is clear that the media have immense and fluctuating power in the area of public opinion. At one extreme is the Spanish-American War was a direct result of the influence of the "yellow press." Time has marched onward, and media's power to exert a tremendous influence on our daily lives. Sensationalism, which has long been a tool for increased circulation and increased profits, is one of the prime factors of what news is presented for public consideration. And it is this very factor which could well turn public opinion against some very worthy causes.

Civil rights advocates must eventually grapple with the results of press coverage of the new "black militant" movement. And it is one of theardoins that work could fall by the wayside in the wake of the "black-is-beautiful" movement. Why, one might even see a counter "white-is-right" movement, such as was actively practiced by various "kinks," gain popularity just to insure equal rights for all in the major media.

This might sound somewhat far-fetched, but just what rights are the dissidents asking for? To begin with, the group one would discover that equal rights is no longer the goal, rather "special rights" are now demanded. It is precisely this point that most media is overlooking.

Today's "technicolor press" presents the dissidents in almost a glamorous light, makes the causes these groups are espousing appear noble and just, but in most cases fails to delve fully into the far-reaching impact these demands could have. Why?

As is the case of other enigmas, there is no pat answer to this problem. Admittedly there is a high degree of special awareness and going hand-in-hand with this is a high awareness of social injustices. But, in the future, I feel compelled to enter into some field of social welfare services which will benefit the few, less fortunate than themselves. Most of these projects, however, are funded by the federal government, causing an increased burden on an already financially-troubled organization.

If these same young people would stop and think for a moment, they would realize that they could accomplish toughly the same goals if they were working with media. It is their appeal is much broader, and the sphere of influence is immeasurable. Although there is no hope to person-to-person contact would necessarily be lost, the end results could be similar.

In conclusion, this potential power, it is essential that there be a drive to have channeled toward constructive ends. Should this drive fall, we could well find ourselves in a situation similar to the one we were in near the turn of the century.

REVERBERATIONS

I just want to express my sincere admiration to you and your students for the Mock United Nations Security Council meeting which you planned and executed on May's College campus on April 25-26. It was a marvelous learning experience for my students as well as for myself. We greatly appreciate your invitation to participate and are already looking forward to next year's sessions.

I personally wish to commend Madison for offering such a challenging and worthwhile project to the young people of the area. Our accommodations were comfortable, the food was abundant and plentiful and the debates were stimulating. My only regret is that the number of students attending must be limited due to space and type of participation being attempted. However, I guess this leads sponsors to select only the very best students and in the long run bodes well for the quality of the sessions.

I was especially impressed with your students, Miss Pat Merchand, Miss Betty Daverick, and Miss Mary Lou Guthrie. They worked very hard and seemed to enjoy the experience, but they always kept their friendships. Their enthusiasm and pains were set aside for the sake of the conference and made all of us feel welcome and at home.

Again, we congratulate you on the success of the 1969 Mock U. N. Security Council meeting at Madison.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. W. M. Hayes
Instructor in English
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Golf Team Drops Road Match

The men's golf team suffered its second straight loss on the road by dropping a 7-2 match to W&L at Lexington May 6. The Dukes are now 5-3 on the season going into the road by dropping a 7-2 match to Classmate on May 19. The tigers were defeated 34-11 as Bob Montgomery took the honors with a three over par 74.

HONORS

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courses for the first five-semesters.

The Outstanding Student in Home Economics Department, chosen on the basis of scholarship, leadership, potential and personal qualifications, was Miss Linda Gail Snyder of Madison. Miss Nancy Anne Gilliam received the Gold Key Award of the Gamma Kappa Chapter of Kappa Pi, the International Art Society. This included scholarships in art and production of art work.

Pi Gamma Mu, National Social Science Honor Society, presented the scholarship medal to a student majoring in Social Science. Miss Wanda Myers of Lowesville was given the award.

Miss Betty Jane Gaynor was honored by the Physical and Health Education Department as the senior who demonstrated a high degree of professional competence and high academic standards.

Sigma Delta Chi and the Speech and Drama Department presented the following awards: Outstanding Service, All of the matches were extremely close, according to Coach Ward Long who said his team could have been the winner except for a couple of bad breaks. Capt. Jim Glenn fired a 34 on the front nine but came apart on the final nine holes in losing to Carter 3 and 2. Against Roanoke on May 1, the tigers were defeated 71-115 as Bob Montgomery took the honors with a three over par 74.

Annual Award Banquet Recognizes Athletic Participants

All men and women on campus are invited to attend Madison's annual Sport's Award Banquet on Friday at 6 p.m. At this time appropriate recognition will be given to the men's and women's intramural and intercollegiate teams of 1968-69. The recipient was Miss Nancy Anne Gilliam, who was presented the following scholarships:

- $100 scholarship to Miss Jonda Hughes to a student majoring in Social Science in appreciation of her scholarship in the name of Mrs. Mary Ann Hughes, a Social Work major, for the highest ranking woman enrolled in a teaching curriculum.
- $100 is made to a member of Alpha Pi and PKB are run.
- Annual Sport's Award Banquet Recognizes Athletic Participants.
- Spirit Award given in the name of Mrs. Margaret Logan, former head of the English Department, was made on the basis of overall excellence and worth of a contribution to the publication in which it appeared. The recipient was George Franklin Humphries, III.
- The Duke Scholarship of $100 is made to a member of the junior class who has the highest scholastic average for the first five semesters of work at Madison. The recipient was a Physics major, Miss Sharon Ann Keller.
- The Logan Award, a memorial to Conrad T. Logan, former head of the English Department, was made on the basis of overall excellence and worth of a contribution to the publication in which it appeared. The recipient was George Franklin Humphries, III.
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Other menus include potatoes au gratin, French green beans, toasted salad, cranberry juice, German chocolate cake, rolls and butter, and your choice of coffee, tea, or milk. The cafeteria reserved seats for 350 people. Therefore tickets will be sold on a FIRST COME FIRST SERVED basis. The tickets may be purchased through Mr. Rader, our Athletic Director. If you wish to honor your fellow students, fraternity brothers or friends units see Mr. Rader NOW!!

Beecham's 7 Goals Face Lacrosse Win

Barbie Beecham scored seven goals to pace the women's lacrosse team to an 18-6 win over powerful Sweet Briar last week. Rev. Burkett and Debbie Wilson scored four times apiece. Sweet Briar, long a power in the state along with Hollins and William and Mary, was no match for the local girls.

It would seem that Madison has a chance to make its presence felt in the forthcoming state tournament as a result of its top-sided win over one of the state's best outfits.
Sports Of Sorts

It's been the Year of the Hitter so far this baseball season—a startling reversal of the situation of last year. At a recent count, no less than 45 major leaguers were hitting better than .300.

Needless to say, there won't be that many once the pitchers start to catch up, but the fan can't say he isn't getting his money's worth in hits and runs.

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The adjective "inert" no longer seems to fit the rejuvenated Washington Senators who of late have been anything but pushy cats. Were it not for the fact that the Orioles are in the same division, the Nats could be heading their division.

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Despite the heroics of the Lakers' Jerry West, who set a new playoff scoring record against the Celtics, John Havlicek rates this corner's vote as the best professional basketball player in the country.

Long known as the best Na. 4 man in the game, the former Ohio State star, has come into his own in recent seasons. He has always been a fine defensive man, but now he is also one of the game's most prolific scorers.

"Hondo" is probably the only player in either league who can go at full speed for 48 minutes and not show a sign of perspiration or fatigue.

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There will be a meeting for all men students interested in playing intercollegiate soccer next fall in Keowell 6 at 6 p.m. Friday, John Rad, Director of Athletics, announced today.

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The men's tennis team has been having its troubles of late. The Dukes lost three matches last week to Lynchburg, 64; Ferrum Junior College, 6-3; and EMC, 5-4.

The bright spot of the week was the superb doubles play of Steve Nardi and Craig Smith who captured all three of their matches.

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The Dukes finally have themselves a new basketball coach. It appears. The Breeze has learned on good authority that the new mentor will be Cleveland Branscum who was fresh coach at Florida State University last season where his team fashioned a 16-2 record.

Branscum is completing work toward his D. Ed. degree and has written a very popular book on basketball. We welcome Branscum to the Madison scene.

INTRAMURALS

The results of the track and field intramurals held at the Harrisonburg High School track were released recently. The physical ability of the average male student at Madison has risen sharply as evidenced by the fact that new records were established.

Phi Alpha Pi captured its first intramural team championship by winning the last event of the day, the mile relay. They totaled thirty points to defeat second place Phi Kappa Beta, who managed a commendable twenty-four points.

Tom Saunders, Harvey Almarode, and Jerry Kiser were the outstanding performers of the meet as each placed in three separate events. Saunders, representing Phi Alpha Pi, took a first in the mile run, another first in the 880, and a second in the 440 relay.

PKB's Almarode also won two events, the 100 and 200 yard dash, and placed 3rd in the 440 relay. Kiser, participating unattached, took first in the long jump and triple jump, as well as qualifying for the 100 yard finals.

The following records were established: triple jump: Jerry Kiser, 26'11"; high jump: Jim Myhre, 7'9"; 440 Relay: Scott Mackey, Mike Taylor, Jerry Breeden, Dennis Lantz, 48.9; 440 run: Darwood Michael, 58.8; 100 yard dash: Almarode, 11.0; mile run: Saunders, 4:54.5; 120 yard hurdles: Bob Hummer, 18.2; 880 run: Saunders, 2:16; 220 yard dash: Almarode, 25.7; and mile relay: Jerry Sviatko, Gary Geiger, Andy Hammond, Bill Mason, 4:10.3.