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Chancellor Thompson opens George Mason Day exercises

International Day of Protest tobe marked by demonstration

Washington area residents will mark the International Day of Protest Against the War in Vietnam by a demonstration on Saturday, April 27.

Protestors will assemble at Franklin Park, 14th and K Streets, N.W. They will then march to the Selective Service Induction Center, 916 G. Street, N.W., to affirm their disapproval of the war and the draft.

A rally is scheduled at 1:00 P.M. following their return to Franklin Park. Speakers include Howard Zinn, Boston University professor and author of "Vietnam: the Logie of Withdrawal;" Etta Horn, Volunteer Community Worker; Jan Bailey, representative of the Washington Black Anti-War Anti-Draft Union; Donna Allen, representative of the Women Strike for Peace; and James Farmer, former head of CORE, and professor at Lincoln University.

Sponsoring organizations are demanding that the U.S. government "end the war and support our G.I.'s by bringing them home now, and let the Vietnamese solve their own problems in their own way." They contend that "the first for freedom is at home."

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Similar programs have been planned throughout the country.

Friday, April 26, marks the International Student Strike Against the Vietnam War.

Washington area Negro students have organized a rally at 10 A.M. at Banneker Field, Georgia Avenue

Feinstein lites up Rotary Club lunch

Hyman I. Feinstein, association of chemistry, lite up the luncheon meeting on the Rotary Club of Vienna on Wednesday, April 24. "Fluorescence" was the subject of his talk and demonstration at the Westwood Country Club.

This is the second year Feinstein has taken part in the George Mason speakers' bureau, which provides faculty speakers for area clubs and school groups upon request.

A free roster, listing speakers and their topics, is available, and Euclid Streets. After an address by prominent speakers, the group will march to Selective Service Headquarters.

The students contend that "the U.S. government is waging a brutal, unjust war against the Vietnamese people who are fighting for freedom against the same type of enemies and system that Black People in the U.S., Africa, and Latin America are fighting." They feel "We, black youth, must unite and resist being used to murder people also struggling for liberation."

In their "call for action", the students state that 37% of all Vietnam casualties are Negro, 2 of every 5 U.S. soldiers killed in Vietnam are Negro.

George Mason Day feast highlights award, fun, luau

Amid gay colored balloons and a general air of festivity, Lorin A. Thompson, Chancellor of the College, formally opened George Mason Day ceremonies at noon, Friday, April 19. In his speech concerning the future growth of George Mason College, Chancellor Thompson said that by 1975, GMC's graduating class would be 1,000, if growth continues as planned.

The presentation of student awards concluded the ceremony. Certificates confirming inclusion in Who's Who in American Colleges were given to John Ambrose, Jean Bryson, Donald Green, Teresa Hockersmith, Michael Johnson, Dennis Moore, and Maureen Reilly.

Michael Johnson was also presented a \$150 check for his winning George Mason essay, "The Development of George Mason's Natural Rights Philosophy: An analysis of the Virginia Declaration of Rights."

The Miss GMC contest finalists were also announced. They included Dotty Blum, Chris Cole, Wendy Griffis, Pat Teagle, and Pam Welsh. Balloting will be held to select the winner to be announced at the Franternity Ball.

The activities of the afternoon then began.

In spite of the valient efforts put forth by Delta Tau Sigma, TKE won the tug-of-war, and all participants were somewhat the muddier for their efforts. The faculty trounced the students in the Faculty-Student Softball Game with a final score of 21-8. Sparked by the superb hitting of Robert Karlson, Donald Gallehr, Lawrence Leftoff, Nick Scholl, and Weber Peterson, the faculty team managed to roll over the students, led by Pat Hart, Jim Heston, Charles Mendenhall, Steve Hitchcock, and "Mo" Reilly.

In the Spring Car Bash, the first participant, Joan Bentley, failed to make a dent. After the brawnier sex took over, however, demolition continued at a rapid pace.

The relay races and other games, held in the quadrangle, were apparently so strenuous that only the more hardy students participated. Mary Antonides and her partner, Patrick Sadowski managed to survive the Egg-Throwing Contest with their egg intact, and were first prize winners. Charles Mendenhall and Wendy Griffis out-jumped everyone in the Jump-Rope Race, and Gary Johnston and Laura Beaty proved most agile

in the Lifesaver-Toothpick race. Pat O'Connell and Wendy Griffis won the Three-Legged Race and Gary Johnston again proved a winner in the Crab Race.

At three o'clock, the Folk Fest, sponsored by Sage, got under way. The first group to appear was the Uncalled Four, with Joe Fox, Joe Howard, Cris Cole, and Patricia Price. Singers Loring Shiver, Ken Leber, and Randy Gentry rounded out the afternoon entertainment.

The Drunking Chamber was used throughout the afternoon. For her efforts as chairman of George Mason Day, Patty McLean was cooled off with a dunk in the well.

The Pep Club Luau, highlighted by leis, grass skirts, mumus, and a bar-b-que, culminated the day's festivities. Spareribs, fruits, and beer were the featured cuisine. Ruth Flint and Mildred Parks, instructors of biology served as chief chefs for the evening.

Jean Meyer and Cyril Barch, were awarded a can of Punch for their costume originality.

Vietnam teach-in to conclude first week of Spectrum days

A Vietnam teach-in will highlight this week's activities in SPECTRUM's "Ten Days of Programs on War, Discrimination, Poverty, and Oppression." The program will be held in the Lecture Hall Friday, April 26, from 8 P.M. to midnight.

Speakers will include Sanford Gottlieb, Executive Director of SANE; Fulton Lewis III, conservative radio commentator and columnist, Rick Margolis, of the Institute for Policy Studies and the Washington Free Community; a spokesman from the anti-communist Committee for Peace and Freedom in Vietnam; and others, representing a broad range of opinion on the war, its purpose, and the proper procedure for ending it.

The Freedom Movement will keynote the Monday, April 29, program. Will Inman, poet and teacher in the Free University at American University, will discuss "Free Universities." Frank Speltz, editor of the Washington Free Press, will explain "The Underground Press Movement." A communal lunch will provide the setting for a discussion.

"The Ten Days" will end on Tuesday, April 30, "Resistance Day." At 12:30 P.M. in Lecture Hall I, Jim Shea will discuss "Resistance and Demilitarization." At 1:15 P.M., a panel will explain why they prefer certain alternatives to serving in the Armed Forces.

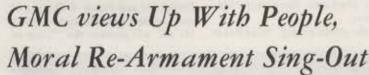
Departments plan first science night for H.S. students

The science departments at George Mason College will hold open house on Thursday, April 25, for students and faculty from about 30 Northern Virginia high schools.

The college's first "Science Night" will begin at 7:30. Members of the biology, chemistry and physics departments will show high school students and teachers what George Mason has to offer in their fields.

Science night will begin in the lecture hall with talks by Dr. Robert C. Krug, dean of the college, and by the heads of the three participating departments: Dr. Max Levitan, biology; Dr. C. Robert Walter, chemistry, and Dr. Eugenie V. Mielczarek, physics.

Guests then will have an opportunity to tour the laboratories where students will be at work on typical projects.



By Karen Marcey

UP WITH PEOPLE, the internationally famous "sing-out explosion," has hit the GMC campus. Sing-out Springfield and Sing-Out Washington, D.C., gave a free concert Monday, April 15, in the lecture hall.

Some 60 members between 15 and 25 showed GMC what they feel positive involvement in world affairs can accomplish. Sponsored by Moral Re-Armament, UP WITH PEOPLE and their local sing-out casts channel all their enthusiastic faith in people into free concerts geared towards spreading goodwill and optimism. Born just 18 months ago, now over 200 casts around the world sing the same songs in some 60 different languages.

Lee Vanderhoef, former GMC student and UP WITH PEOPLE enthusias, says "We want everyone to sort of join bands around the world through singing the same songs about freedom, brotherhood and improvement of the world's situations."

Much has been written in support of the movement. Among those who priase UP WITH PEOPLE are General Eisenhower, the Readers Digest, the late Walt Disney, artist Pablo Casals, Konrad Adenauer, foreign governments and American G.I.'s everywhere. Last week UP WITH PEOPLE gave five shows for the troops dispursed throughout Washington. On Saturday, April 20, UP WITH PEOPLE Day," the local casts gave free shows at Landmark, the Sylvan Theatre and Manassas.



Miss GMC contest finalists

self - determination

"Start fighting right where you are with the issues confronting gaining control over your life," said George Lear last Saturday in his lecture concerning the Strategy of Peace. For only if persons free themselves from the burdens of the state, an institution committed to war, can peace by realized. For a person to become a peacemaker, he must first become a free man.

Whether or not one agrees with Mr. Lear's theories concerning peace, one cannot deny that the student at George Mason is far from free to determine his academic life. There is no student representation on any authority-holding, decision-making group which determines school policy. Students have no official voice in deciding curriculum matters, academic regulations, cut policies, etc. Yet, it is the student who is most closely affected by these matters. Ironically, most final decisions are made by a Board of Visitors which has done very little visiting with George Mason students.

Students must demand now the representation which is rightfully theirs.

Letters to the Editor

KING PROTEST

In the April 11 edition of The Gunston Ledger there was an eulogy for Dr. Martin Luther King. The emotionally-toned words and ideals of this article made the eulogy extremely effective and compelling to many readers.

However, though appealing to the emotions, "The Passing of a Friend" had little concrete fact except for the fact that King won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 and the fact that he died at the age of thirth-nine.

The article stated that "He [King] was a tireless worker for his people, the American people." Who are the American people King was working for? He never worked for me (1 am an American citizen by birth). He never worked for all the Americans who were opposed to his policies. There is only one logical conclusion; the Negroes and the supporting white minority are the only Americans. Small country, America!

The article stated that Dr. King was working for the "American Dream," What is the "American Dream?" Peace and freedom are ambiguous words in the extreme and are relevent only when applied to a defined situation. Maybe Dr. King was not even sure just exactly what the "American Dream" was or will be.

The article stated that "In the carth all men are indeed equal..." If all men are equal, then why are those with college degrees and educated backgrounds the holders of the better jobs in this nation? Why do the same enjoy a better standard of living and a life of higher social prestige? The answer is obvious—the fact of being superior (unequal), not discrimination, determines a man's position in a given situation or level of society, e.g., Dr. King's position in his society.

The article stated that Dr. King wanted "all men to be free." So do I, but first I would like to be free myself-free drom the obligations that determine the course of the life of every responsible male citizen of this country for nearly twnety-five years of his life. Unfortunately, the followers of Dr. King interpret freedom as all privileges and no responsibilities. No sensible person or intelligent person will accept that philosophy. We are not free in the absolute sense that "Americans" believe they should be nor will we ever be as long as we live in a civilization governed by law.

The article stated that "It is the bondage of the oppressed, unable to overcome their brother's hatred, which robs men of their reason, and drowns them in the spew of their own sickness." This statement is without coherent meaning. Applying the present racial situation to this statement, one way assume the Negro to be "The oppressed" and the white man to be sick with hatred. Applying this statement to the very recent racial strife that destroyed millions of dollars worth of property in major cities across the nation, one could easily assume the whites to be oppressed and the Negroes to be sick with hatred!

Regardless of the situation today in the Negro ghettos, violence in the form of looting, arson, and manslaughter is not justified. No one people—and Negroes regard themselves as a separate people, not Americans—ever gained their freedom overnight. It will take many years to peacefully assimilate the Negro population into the mainstream of American life. This is the reality of the situation.

All too often today pseudo-intellectuals insist on reading about reality in books written by Faulkner, Hemingway, Fitzgerald, etc.; yet they walk through life in an unreal land of ideals like Don Quixotes. It is time for these people to face the present as it really is, to meet the future with truth, and to use their spare time for reading Don Quixote.

J. L. Hanna

Ledger Love

Since I have been a student at George Mason, I have noticed that the relationship between the Student Govemment and the Newspaper has not always been perfect. Considering this matter, I have formulated five suggestions engendering Student Government perfection in the eyes of the Gunston Ledger.

The Student Government should: 1) fight administration policies, regardless of merit,

2)donate one-half of student activities fees to the GL to use as they

 oppose desires of the faculty concerning maintaining any GPA,

4)abandon current middle class attitudes and embrace those of the intelligentia of the GL,

5)pay no attention to the silent majority groups.

If the Student Government will follow these suggestions, we will be able to add an event to the annual George Mason Day festivities. At high noon, the members of the GL staff can pelt the Senators of the Student Government with poppies. From the moment of the Government's capitulation, Valhalia will exist on this campus, as the Newspaper Editor and the officers of the Student Government walk into the sunset, hand in hand.

Gail Gallagher



George Mason blitzes Coppin State, suffers close loss to Prince George

Twelve walks and several timely base hits, drove the George Mason baseball team to a 13 to 2 victory over Coppin State in front of a large home town crowd on April 19, George Mason Day.

Jim Wentworth, Mason's number one starting pitcher, hurled a brilliant eight innings allowing only a single run in the second inning.

The big blow of the game came in the second inning when the Coppin pitcher loaded the bases on three walks. First baseman Mike Johnson then delivered a timely hit to right center, scoring all three runners. Johnson had five RBI's for the day.

In the third inning Mason came back with four more runs which shortstop Devine Hall and third baseman Kurt Wood leading the attack. Hall had two hits in three at bats and two runs batted in, while Wood also went two for three with a single RBI.

In the fourth, fifth, and sixth innings the Coppin pitcher kept the ball low and the Mason hitters were unable to make another dent until the seventh inning. In that inning four walks, an infield hit and a solid single by Joe Leahy produced three more Mason runs.

In the eithth inning, Mike Baker

led off with a bunt single but was left stranded on second as three Mason hitters went down swinging.

Al Shearer pitched to Coppin in the ninth inning and skillfully put down Coppin on three strikeouts.

Prince Georges Community College nipped GMC 9-8 by clinging to a narrow lead in the ninth inning on April 17.

Trailing 9-7 with one out in the ninth, Kurt Wood and Dave Sullivan both singled, sending Prince Georges pitcher, Regetz, to the showers. Releiver Tom Pampion was summoned from the bullpen to pitch to dangerous Vinny O'-Donnell. O'Donnell looked over two offerings before ramming a double into left field scoring Wood.

However, the Marauders attack sputtered, and P.G.C.C. hung on to win.

The GMC Marauders totaled 15 hits, ten by the third, fourth and fifth batters, Wood, Sullivan and O'Donnell. Highlighting the game were the back to back homers of Dave Sullivan and Vinegar O'Donnell. Sullivan belted another to pace GMC's hitting attack.

Hard throwing Mike Johnson was credited with the loss.

Voting on the George Mason Athletic team name will run from April 29 through May 6.

Students will choose between three names the Chargers, the Colonists, the Patriots.

College Notices

All Virginia teacher Scholarship applications must be turned in to Mrs. Jones' office immediately. These forms must be in Richmond by May 1.

All other loan and scholarship forms must be filed with Mrs. Jones by May 1.

Thomas I. Emerson of Yale University and Frank Wilkinson of the National Committee to abolish HUAC will discuss the "State of Dissent in America" at the University of Maryland Student Union, Room 120 on Thursday, April 25, at 8 P.M.

The Washington Peace Center's Free Theater will present "Time of the Locust" and "Schoenbrum on Vietnam," on Saturday, April 27. Showings, followed by discussion and coffee, will be at 8 and 9:30 P.M. The Peace Center is located at 2111 Florida Avenue, N.W.

On Wednesday, May I, Rabbi Abraham Baharan will discuss "War and Peace in the Jewish Tradition" at the Catholic University Nursing Auditorium at 8:20 P.M.

Lawrence Leftoff, professor of Mathematics, has announced that any student interest in any course that he teaches is welcome to attend his classes.

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