

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

For more than twenty-five years Rutherford College has been training young men for the Christian ministry. During this time more preachers have gone out into the ministry from Rutherford than from all the other institutions in the State combined. The Ministerial Association of Rutherford arises from the spirit of the men of the past. In the beginning, there were many preachers, who would walk several miles and eat brown sugar and water sandwiches in order to be able to attend Rutherford College. Many of these things sound like fairy tales to us of the younger generation, but they are true, nevertheless. It is the spirits of these noble men that loom up in the background of the ministerial association, casting that peculiar spirit that exists here at the college. This is the only reasonable way to account for the fact that boys from wealthy homes will come to Rutherford and live here in the college community for nine months where there is such a contrast between the living conditions and their homes.

The aim of the ministerial association is not circumscribed by any petty conceptions, but it is one that should cause any individual or institution to feel proud to possess and pursue—the development of Christian character. When we think of the greatness of the ministry today, with its social and economic problems, not saying anything about its great responsibility in the field of religion, it behooves us to strive for the most thorough preparation that is possible. Service is the motto of any Christian today, and for service we must prepare if we would be effective in life. We feel that our legacy is in terms of Christian character. This inspires us to delve into the eternal elements of truth, and take our stand upon those principles of truth that have stood and will stand throughout the ages. We are striving to lay aside those petty things that have caused so much quibbling and retardation in the rank of the so-called Christians. We are striving after the things of the universe which we think will tend to build Christian character.

The officers for next year have been elected and we are expecting a great year. It is one of the effective organizations on the campus, and will remain so as long as our purposes and aims change with the needs of the world.

AMBITIONS OF OUT-GOING STUDENTS:

- Jack Honeycutt: To be able to plow successfully his father's broncho pony.
 - Rockett: Teach in a girl's school and coach checkers.
 - Slim McKeithan: Get a square meal and love a white girl.
 - Bass: Row a boat and never get sober.
 - Griffin: Pitch league ball and sleep fourteen hours per day.
 - Hunter: To be a singer and a social gripe.
 - Shinn: To be a preacher and outwit Prof. Goble in History.
 - Condry: Walk to the river every night.
 - Yarborough: To be a professional bridge shark.
 - Stough: Chef in the White House.
 - Literary critic and smoke a cigar.—Shrum.
 - Samuel: To keep his hair combed.
 - Jonas: To write a sequel to Woolley.
 - Bill Spurrier: To pay the preacher \$2.50 and live happily ever after.
 - Boyd: To gripe the whole world.
- Trade with our advertisers.

ARE WE METHODISTS APPRECIATIVE?

Is there a Methodist in the State who is not proud of the record Rutherford has made during the past seventy-five years of her history? Through years of struggle and adversity she has more than justified her existence by sending out from her halls men of worth and large usefulness, giving them to church and state with no thought of returns to herself. Rutherford has literally found her life in the indomitable spirit which has made such sacrifices possible. She has given of herself to the limit that the church might be filled in its pulpits by men of vision, consecration, and courage out outlook. As one of the smaller children in the family of the church's educational institutions, Rutherford, then, has indeed kept the faith and made herself a large contributing factor in the growth of our Methodism.

Is there a Methodist in the State who is proud of Rutherford's present physical equipment? If not, who is to blame? Why, the Baptists and Presbyterians, of course. Let us face the situation frankly—and just admit that we Methodists—comprising the largest and wealthiest body of Protestants in the world—at least that portion of us here in North Carolina—are to blame. Let us at least be candid and say that it is we Methodists who stand in the need of the grace of giving, particularly as it is applied to our educational institutions. Yes, we are Methodists, thank the Lord, and we sometimes boast of our numerical and financial strength; but making a right-at-home application of our religion, are we showing the gratitude we ought to, especially to a college so deserving as Rutherford? If the church were as loyal to Rutherford as Rutherford has been to the church, there would be no need for making such a plain statement of facts, but it has not. And it is time we were waking up to the fact.

Methodism's record of contributions to her educational institutions in this state is not one to boast of anyway—Mr. Duke's family having come to the rescue has somewhat saved our faces in building us a great University at Durham—but otherwise most of our schools and colleges have had to sweat blood for what they got—have had to live at a poor dying rate—and some have been forced to die for lack of funds. Some data on our wealth as a church and the contributions we have made to the schools which educate our children and give us our ministry would be interesting, if not to say embarrassing. May we not be grateful enough to turn something back into the college which has so blessed our church; and self-respecting enough to equip "old Rutherford" with a plant we will not be ashamed of? It is really time that this seventy-five year old child of Methodism were being given some decent clothes to wear.



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THE WORK MUST GO ON

(Continued from first page) diminishing of effort. We have a goal to reach; we have our team organized; we can do nothing short of keeping up the work that has been started and has taken us so well along the way toward success.

Needed buildings and equipment, improvements of many kinds, increased endowment—all these are assured to date, and with the work continuing there is no limit to the extent to which Rutherford can grow.

The response thus far has been gratifying, but we cannot stop here. There is still a great amount of work to be done—work that will keep us all busy for the next several months, so that when the final reports are made at Commencement time all of our hopes will have been realized.

For Rutherford, now on the road to success, offers an excellent opportunity for investment in Christian education and the building of Christian character. Its work in the past has been glorious; with a higher standing, better equipment, and with the experience of the past to build upon, Rutherford will bring honor and glory to all who participate in its new era.

The work of rebuilding Rutherford must go on!

NEWTONIAN NEWS

Although we cannot say that this has been the most successful year in the history of the Newtonian Literary Society, we can truly say that much constructive work has been done this year. On a number of occasions the weekly meetings have been interrupted by other affairs, consequently we have missed much training that would have come to us otherwise. A number of likely-looking debaters have developed this year, as well as a number of orators and debaters. With this newly developed material and the material which will come in next fall, we shall have a foundation upon which to build one of the best literary societies in the State.

Last Friday evening at the weekly meeting, officers for the coming year were elected. Following are the names of those who were elected to official positions: A. B. Bruton, President; B. J. Crouch, Vice President; J. Michael, Secretary; W. R. Ormand, Critic; D. M. Rockett, Marshal; Arnold Kilkough, Janitor.

RUTHERFORD'S PROGRAM OF DEVELOPMENT.

1. New Dormitory (Now constructed.)
2. New Dormitory (To be constructed.)
3. Remodeling of the Administration Building.
4. Construction of a new home for the president.
5. Establishment of an endowment of \$300,000.
6. Completion of the gymnasium.
7. Improvement of the campus.
8. Establishment of faculty chairs.
9. Improvement of the library.
10. Through these improvements to bring about recognition of the institution by the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States as a Standard Junior College.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

This year our Epworth League has been more active than ever before. We have had interesting and helpful meetings throughout the entire year. Besides our regular meetings, we have given several special programs. It is one of the really wide-awake or-

ganizations on the campus. It is constantly seeking to furnish recreational and social activities on the campus, and in a very fine way has succeeded.

Mr. Harold Robinson, of Denver, N. C., is our new president for next year. He has proved himself worthy of this position by constant, diligent service throughout the year, and under his wise supervision our league is bound to be even better than it has ever been before.

The remainder of the cabinet for next year is as follows: Jane Goode, vice president; Chas. Smith, first department superintendent; Elma Barn-

hardt, second department superintendent; Vernon Morton, third department superintendent; Myra Wagg, fourth department superintendent; Margaret Usry, secretary; Kate Shrum, treasurer; Laurie Smith, Era agent; Catherine Cassels, corresponding secretary. With such a wide-awake, hard-working cabinet of consecrated young Leaguers, our League is sure to grow. So interested are they that those who remain here during the summer will carry on the work without a break. Rutherford College is primarily a religious institution, and we Leaguers hope to do our part to make it "All for Christ."

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