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GLEE CLUB IS HEARD BY DAVENPORT GIRLS

Appreciative Audience Hears Rutherford Boys In Program.

Thursday evening, May 16, the Rutherford College Glee Club and Merry-makers presented an interesting music recital at the college auditorium. Songs sung by the Glee Club and Merry-makers, and the duets, solos, and the musical comedy made up a very interesting program. This program was better and enjoyed more than any other local entertainment given here this year. Under the direction of Mrs. Crawford, who has done so much to promote the interest in music and striven to develop the music talent of the school, the Glee Club and Merry-makers have experienced wonderful progress. The students have given them many compliments and also the faculty upon the improvement of the voices of those who took part in the program. The ones presenting the program faced a rather large audience which showed their interest.

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MISS USRY GRADUATES IN HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC

Assisted by Misses Crawford and Barnhardt; Skill Shown.

On the evening of May 14, Miss Margaret Usury, with the unlimited assistance of Miss Julia Crawford and Miss Elma Barnhardt, gave a very interesting and delightful musical recital in the college auditorium. Under the direction of Mrs. Crawford, Miss Usury was graduating from high school music. The program was rendered very successfully, and the entertainers showed by their performance that they had progressed ex- ceedingly. The soprano voice of Miss Crawford and the reading of Miss Barnhardt gave the program a touch of perfection and made it so completely effective that a great crowd was delightfully entertained. Quite a crowd of people was interested in the graduation of Miss Usury who has so diligently and successfully applied herself to the difficult task of mastering music. The most striking thing about the program was not in the fact that she had memorized such a great number of pieces, but in the fact that she learned those of so great differentiation in both time and key. Much credit is due Miss Usury for her work of excellency which she has rendered throughout her course in music.

RETIRING EDITOR



Edwin B. Hunt

This is the energetic young man who who has been behind The Rectangle, and who, with his tireless efforts and marked originality, has made The Rectangle one of the features of the school this year, and has brought the paper to be recognized as the outstanding Junior College paper of the state. Hunt accepted the editorship of the paper just after the third number of the year came off the press, and since he took over the reins he has made many improvements, and additions to it that have made the paper far superior to any previous year. Hunt possesses a wonderful talent in newspaper work, as well as in nearly everything else he undertakes. His keen judgment in editing the Rectangle is seen in the fact that he not only has planned minutely the arrangement of all the material in the paper, but has written the headlines for each issue.

Edwin hails from Davidson county. He is a graduate of Reeds High school, and this year finishes the freshmen year of college.

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MINISTERIAL NEWS

On Friday afternoon of May 24, the Ministerial Band held its last regular meeting of the school year of 1928-29. The time was taken up in the election of officers for the coming year, and in the students making farewell speeches to their beloved ones. Everyone present expressed his appreciation for what he had received from being a member of the Band and showed his regret of having to leave the school and the organization.

As officers for the first quarter of the coming year the following were elected: John Gibbs, President; Dowless, Vice-President; Rollin Gibbs, Secretary, and Fred Hedgepeth, corresponding Secretary.

GASTONIA MAN BOOSTS RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

Mr. Kirby Heard Over Radio; Merry Makers Give Program.

The Rutherford College Merry Makers gave a programme over station WRBU, at Gastonia, Sunday, May 19. One of the features of the program was the speech of Mr. A. J. Kirby, vice-president of the Board of Trustees of Rutherford. Mr. Kirby's speech is as follows:

"Rutherford College, as many of you know, is located in Burke County about twelve miles west of Hickory in the foothills of North Carolina.

As you stand on the campus and view the surrounding peaks, you are impressed as was the Psalmist of old, when he said, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help."

No student can stay at Rutherford with these surroundings and with its very fine President, Reverend E. P. Billup, and his splendid corps of teachers and not have made on him an impression that will be life-lasting. There is an

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MERRY MAKERS GIVE FINE PROGRAM HERE

Many Interesting Numbers Heard; Large Crowd Present

On the evening of May 1, the Rutherford College Glee Club and Merry-makers gave a delightful musical concert at the Davenport Junior College. The program was a great success and was greatly enjoyed by the large audience which was composed almost entirely of girls who heard the music and looked on with much interest. The program consisted of songs by the Glee Club, Quartette, and some solos, duets, and was concluded by a musical comedy, which was rendered very successfully. As for most of the boys, this was their first appearance before this audience of girls and were greatly delighted and almost bewildered because of the fact that they showed such interest in the program. The whole audience seemed to have been astonished by the performance of Messrs. Ormond, Hedgepeth, and Gibbs, led by "Little Sammy" Goode. Some of the members of the audience expressed sentiment to the effect that they really enjoyed the program and wished to hear another similar to it.

When the program was over, the boys were conducted to a well decorated

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SPORTS EDITOR



W. Ralph Whitley

Ralph is the wide-awake, hustling youth who has piloted the Sports department of The Rectangle this year with unparalleled success. He is a product of Piedmont Carolina, and a graduate of Kannapolis high school. This year he finishes his first year of college work.

In editing the Sports Page, "Whit" has worked tirelessly and has given the best of cooperation to the editorial staff. He has made the Sports page one of the features of The Rectangle. In fact, the Sports Page has been commented upon by several critics as ranking alongside that of many of the four year colleges. Many times when others failed "Whit" was at his post. Many times when others were despondent his smile and good nature were valuable helps. Ralph is a friend to all the students and is one of the most popular students on the campus. He is just one of those fellows whom you can always depend upon. Probably not a more energetic and capable Sports Editor could have been found among the student body, and The Rectangle has been fortunate in having his services. "Whit" is a valuable young fellow and we are all hoping he will be back next year.

GLEE CLUB NEWS

The Glee Club met and chose a very capable set of officers for the coming school year. The men who were chosen hope, with the aid of those who become members, to make the next year's Glee Club a greater success than that of this year. Fred Hedgepeth was elected President; Samuel Goode, Vice-President; Rollin Gibbs, Secretary and Treasurer, and Bill Ormond, General Manager. With the leadership of these officers and the cooperation of the students, the Glee Club of next year will very likely be able to surpass the fine record made this year.

ANNUAL RECEPTION IS GIVEN SENIOR CLASSES

Third and Fifth Year Classes Entertain Graduating Classes.

On the evening of Monday, May 13, the Third and Fifth Year Classes conducted the two graduating classes into the beautifully decorated dining room of Burke Hall, and gave them a most delightful reception. Well prepared punch and ice cream were served as refreshments and this was delivered by angelic waters. Everyone present had a delightful time and at once began to realize that the reception was a sign of the nearness to the end of the school year. The two graduating classes seemed to appreciate the kindness of the other classes who were giving the reception. As another means of enjoyment, many contests were held, and many were puzzled over the complexities which were presented to them. When the time was up, a few words were heard from each one representing his respective class. The people left feeling that everyone had had a most delightful time and had enjoyed the occasion to the highest degree.

EPWORTH LEAGUE HAS GOOD YEAR OF WORK

New Officers Are Elected; Delegates Chosen For Conference.

The Epworth League concluded a very successful school year by electing the officers for the year of 1929-30. In the business meeting the following officers were elected: John Gibbs, President; Mary Dew, Vice-President; Ernest Dowless, Supt. of 1st Department; Thelma Goode, Supt. of 2nd Department; Catherine Cassels, Supt. of 3rd Department; Lewis Carpenter, Supt. of 4th Department; Evelyn Pons, Treasurer; Pansy Hinshaw, corresponding Secretary; Windall Faw, Secretary; Pauline Satterwhite, Epworth Era Agent. During the last year there has been a great success in the work of the league, but these officers hope to make the league greater next year than in all years heretofore. Those who are chosen as the officers of next year will be able to make the work as successful as that of their illustrious predecessors who have gone to some field of more difficulty service.

The league during this school year has been a great success, and it has made much progress under the presidency of Mr. Harold Rob-

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