

FIRES AT COLLEGE CLOSE DUNHAM HALL

Culture Series Is Announced For Year

The college administration has announced a series of events designed to advance culture in the college and to provide entertainment for students, faculty, and interested townspeople.

The individual programs, to be presented through the year at dates to be announced later, will include such artists as Robert Frost, dean of American poets; Bess Furman, author and newspaper correspondent; and Warren Lee Terry, interpreter of Gilbert and Sullivan.

Included also will be a full-length play presented by a company of the Barter Theatre players, the State Theatre of Virginia.

ROBERT FROST

Best-known of the lecturers in the group is Robert Frost, who, it has been said, has won more honors than any other living American poet.

BESS FURMAN

Bess Furman is an author and is Washington correspondent for the New York TIMES. Under the topic "Washington By-Line" she will give insights into Capital news. Miss Furman has been active political reporting since the Hoover administration.

BARTER THEATRE

The Clarion will announce later the specific play chosen for presentation here by the Barter players. This repertory group is familiar through the Southeast for its service in bringing legitimate drama to the smaller towns and cities.

Organized by producer Bob Porterfield in 1933, when many fine actors were going hungry during the depression, it takes its name from the fact that in its early days the company traded plays for "ham n' eggs" in the communities of Virginia where it made its first appearances. The excellence of its work has won it official recognition and support from the State of Virginia.

Ecusta Publishes Book For College

School Daze, a booklet published by Ecusta Manufacturing Company for Brevard College sophomores, was distributed last week to all sophomores. The periodical, printed as a scrapbook, is appropriately illustrated, and has sections on sports, music, homecoming, and the like. The 24-page booklet is of notebook size.



Armed with a load of programs to sell at the game tonight, CUBA GILVER, enthusiastic student body member, smiles as if to say, "Wont you buy a program?"

Story Of Brevard College Fires Published In Clarion Coverage

Action began here Sunday, October 22, when Mrs. Ellard Shook of Caldwell street, seeing smoke issuing from the eaves of the Administration building, rushed to phone and set the sirens howling on main street.

As the alarm sounded, Joan Gamble, Brevard freshman, turned from her walk near Taylor Hall and saw what Mrs. Shook had seen.

Joan raced into Taylor, where the president of the college happened to be, paused to break the shocking news—"the ad building is burning again!"—and raced on toward the fire.

She looked into the basement window left of the south portico. "It seemed like a boiling inferno to me," she said later; "I thought the whole building was going this time. I was badly scared, and I ran as hard as I could go, to tell the girls in West."

When the alarm reached West Hall, Freshman Geraldine Barrier thought, "The boys will hear the siren, but how will they know that the fire is here?" She remembered the bell atop West Hall and set it ringing wildly.

Out of the men's quarters burst every student male that had re-

mained on campus—not many at first, for it was Sunday afternoon. In the van was Arthur Moriarty.

Moriarty, an absentee member of Columbia Engineer Company Number 4, of Alexandria, Virginia, had ten year's experience as a fireman. He knew exactly what to do. He did it.

Assisted by Clinton Tutterow, Howard Graham, Mack Lassiter, and Reid Gilbert, who had raced to the scene with him, Moriarty unlimbered the college hose. He smashed a window and brought water to bear upon the flames.

Things happen fast at a fire. The Brevard fire company arrived at once and brought its powerful equipment into play. In thirty minutes, or less, the fire was out.

Already burned by the earlier fire, the region of the Sunday blaze, once ignited, kindled furiously. Seconds counted. And the work of the Brevard student volunteers may well have saved the building.

Fire Chief D. W. Merrill credited the work of the college boys with delaying the spread of the flames; and President Ehlhardt on Monday morning publicly declared the gratitude of the college

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Ehlhardt Plans For Renovations Soon

At an assembly of the college, held in the James Addison Jones Library on Wednesday, November 1, President George B. Ehlhardt discussed plans for the repair and reopening of Dunham Hall, the college administration building, which was badly damaged by successive fires on October 20 and 22.

Bids are being received for a complete rewiring of the hall in accordance with modern building codes, Mr. Ehlhardt revealed. The plan is to repair the building by phases, looking toward early use of the auditorium and other sections not directly affected by the fire.

ADMINISTRATION ACTS TO ASSURE GENERAL SAFETY

When Dunham Hall re-opens it will be safe. "Every recommendation made by the civic authorities will be carried out in detail," Mr. Ehlhardt said, "since it is the intention of the administration and of the trustees to take any action that may become necessary anywhere on the Brevard campus to assure the safety of the students and of the faculty."

The college administrator remarked incidentally that following the fires the college, assisted by competent local officials, has made a thorough survey of the campus for possible fire hazards. EHLHARDT PRAISES STUDENT

HEROISM AND CO-OP- ERATIVE SPIRIT

Pleased that the academic work of the college has gone on well despite the serious handicap imposed by the temporary loss of the big administration building, President Ehlhardt praised what the students have done to make the necessary emergency measures work.

From the very outset of the fires, when heroic student action helped to save the building, the students have assisted splendidly in every way. The president expects this fine spirit of the Brevard student body to make less difficult the necessary continuance of temporary arrangements. For the time being classes must continue to meet in the dormitory parlors and other available space called into service for the emergency. Administrative work will continue to center in the library.

REOPENING DATE IS UNCERTAIN

The president could not predict, in the face of possible materials shortages, when complete repair of the building could be accomplished. He expects early commencement of the work. At pres-

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