

An Era Has Ended

An era in the history of Brevard College will have ended when President Robert H. Stamey accepts the office of vice president and Rev. Emmett Kennedy McLarty, Jr.



President Robert H. Stamey

becomes the new president of this institution. The five year period which ends with President Stamey's change of office is one that has been filled with growth, the raising of standards, and an extensive building program. President Stamey's statesman-like way of conducting all college affairs has certainly raised the prestige of the college. In speaking of President Stamey it is impossible to speak in anything except superlatives.

One would scarcely recognize the campus of Brevard College if they had last seen it five years ago. The new dormitories, the Campus Center and a renovation of the Administration Building has taken place in the seemingly short period of five years. The college is now engaged in the biggest building program in its one hundred years of existence.

The entire campus was saddened when illness struck President Stamey at the beginning of this year; as a result of this illness, he will have to slacken his customary pace. No matter what pace is suggested by a physician he will do what he thinks necessary for the betterment of Brevard College.

Speaking for the entire student body, I am privileged to give to you our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your sincerity, hard work and influence. This is our tribute to you.

Annual Is Dedicated

The traits of understanding, patience, friendliness, sincerity, and straightforwardness certainly describe the dedicatee, Rev. C. E. Roy. Because of his implicit faith in students, he has given much of his time to guide and counsel students, helping them prepare for a more abundant and successful life.

To Sue Jackson, editor of the Pertelote and her entire staff, a resounding "thank you" for the 1957 Pertelote. A casual glance through the glossy pages will certainly show the arduous work that went into its publication.

I think I speak for the entire student body when I say "Congratulations on a job well done."

It's Been Great!

With the close of the school year 1956-57, many students will sever their educational ties with Brevard College and replace them with ties of affection and sentimentality for their alma mater. In looking over events of the past year, many names come to mind; names of people that have devoted their time and energy to directing clubs, publications and student government functions.

These people certainly deserve our expressions of thanks and congratulations: Steve Davis, student government president first semester; Pete Beatty, second semester president; Margie Long, secretary of the student government; Sue Jackson, editor of THE PERTELOTE; Don Gentry, editor of THE CLARION; Jimmy Calloway, business manager of THE PERTELOTE, M. S. M. president; Barbara Davis, president of Phi Theta Kappa; Louise McTaggart, president of Sigma Pi Alpha; Paul Blackburn, president of Alpha Beta Gamma; Libby Moore, president of Women's Assembly; Jack Kimbro, president of the

ACROSS THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Not every college president has the courage to resign when he feels thus disposed. It was not an easy decision to reach. So much is involved that one encounters many fears in the contemplation of this action. My illness last fall was a clear indication that relief of some nature was necessary. The Executive Committee of the Board was most gracious in this matter. I look forward to my association with President McLarty. I shall seek to give him the assistance which I needed so desperately during the past five years. I regard this move as a forward step in the progressive development of this institution. The next five years should be more significant in the history of Brevard College than the past five. A new day is upon the horizon.

As we come to the end of another year and the end of my tenure as President, I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the alumni, the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, students and generous friends of the college for their support and cooperation during these years. Some great advances have been made. Let us rejoice in these accomplishments and look forward to the future with confidence under new leadership.

Letter To The Students

Another year of college is swiftly drawing to an end. This time of the year brings mixed emotions to everyone. New friends have been made by everyone, some we shall see often in the future, while there are others whom we may never see again. We are happy in that we have succeeded in finishing two years of work toward our goal, yet we hate to leave our dear friends, this college, and even the hills or mountains around the town of Brevard.

If I may, I would like to thank each and every student here at Brevard College for the faith and confidence they have shown in me. As I looked over some of the things written in my annual about me by some of the students, I feel very humble and ashamed of myself for the times I tried to think that I was somebody.

I would like to speak for myself and the student council and say that we have enjoyed serving you this year, and that we sincerely appreciate the support given us by the students. We realize that we haven't done very much for the school this year, but it was because I didn't have the experience to successfully fulfill the duties of my office. I hope you will forgive me for this.

I want to take this opportunity to thank every member of the student council this year for the things they have done. I believe that if each of you knew what some of the council members have tried to do for the students, everyone would seek out each member of the student council and thank them personally. They have done a wonderful job in supporting me and also restraining me in some of my more radical ideas. They have been splendid this year and I am deeply grateful for what they have done.

In closing, I would like to say that I have enjoyed serving you this second semester as president of the student body. My only regret is that I was not any more ca-

A Tribute

Sincerity counts for much, endeavor is worth more than all save sincerity. A person who has had to work for a living and keeps both of these attributes has proved himself. Such a person who is interested in helping others in a teaching capacity is truly rare. This means an interest not only in teaching a certain academic subject, but also, in a student's personal life as a good member of his community and a respectable citizen.

We have among us such a person.

She is new to Brevard College and yet in her short time with us she has integrated herself and has her hand on the pulse of our beloved college. Her interest in students is surpassed by none. She has not only fulfilled her academic position to the best of her ability, but she has taken on the yoke of advisor to her assigned extracurricular activity with the same dedication.

The entire staff of the Clarion would like to take this opportunity to recognize her much appreciated effort as advisor to the Clarion. Mrs. Sigmon, thanks!

Alumni To Hold Meeting, Officers Will Be Elected

An alumni luncheon at 12:30 p. m. on Saturday, June 1, 1957, will initiate commencement activities. At this meeting new alumni officers for the year 1957-58 will be elected. The members of this year's graduating class will be guests of the Alumni Association and will be officially welcomed into the Association by the alumni president.

Alumni To Elect Officers At Meeting

The annual spring business session of the Brevard, Weaver, and Rutherford College alumni will be held Saturday, June 1st. President John Benfield, of Mount Holly, has urged alumni to attend the meeting and the graduation exercises.

A nominating committee has chosen candidates for the election of alumni officers. They are:

- President
John Benfield
Mount Holly, N. C.
- Vice-presidents
Miss Lillian Zachary—Brevard
Brevard, N. C.
Mr. Riley Palmer—Weaver
Asheville, N. C.
Rev. Rollin Gibbs—Rutherford
Charlotte, N. C.
- Secretary-Treasurer
Miss Dot Wallace
Brevard, N. C.

pable than I was. But I can honestly say that I have relied on my true convictions in every decision that I have had to make. I have tried to base my actions on what my idea of what the students would want. Some of the students have been disappointed in me, I know, but I had to do what I thought was the opinion of the majority. I do not apologize for anything I have done as student body president, but I do apologize for the things that I didn't do.

I hope that each one of you will receive the best that life has to offer. Farewell, and God Bless each and everyone of you.

Pete Beatty

Men's Assembly; Bob Cantrell, Wodenian club president; and to all others too numerous to mention, who have aided in making this year a highly successful one.

The returning students will strive to carry forward the traditions and ideals set before us by these outstanding people.

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