



LATE LAST WEEK, Brevard College lost a landmark, the maintenance barn which formerly was a

gym, due to a sudden and as yet unexplained fire.

Photo by Kent Deardorff

## FORMER GYM

### Historic Maintenance, Storage Building Is Destroyed By Fire

Early Thursday morning, which was parked only a few feet from the inferno, the old Brevard College gym was totally destroyed in a fire. The cause has not yet been determined.

The wood structure was built in 1938 on the present site of Boshamer Gymnasium, it was moved alongside the dairy barn, and for the past 10 years has been used there for storage space.

According to Dan Merrill, Fire Chief, the Brevard Fire Department received the emergency call from Mrs. Louise Brackett at 3:46 a. m. and by 4:00 a. m. had rushed 28 men and 3 trucks to the scene of the fire. The fire department immediately began hosing down the blazing structure, the adjacent vehicles, and buildings.

At one point during the fire, a city fireman, protected by an asbestos suit, braved the smoke and flames to save the Brevard College activity bus,

By dawn the building and its contents were completely destroyed. The college estimates that the total amount of property lost is valued in excess of \$30,000. This figure, however, does not include the items that were personal property of faculty members which were being stored there.

President Davis, who was on the scene early that morning, was extremely sad over the loss of what has been called a College landmark. When asked to comment on the event, President Davis said, "I would like to say that it is fantastic how quickly the fire department came; they really did a magnificent job in keeping it from spreading."

The cause of the fire has yet to be determined at this time; however, the insurance companies are working on it.

## Gantt, Livingston, Weishaupt, McKinney To Be Featured In Sunday's Recital

The Music Department of Brevard College will present a sophomore formal recital on Sunday, April 25th, at 3:30 p. m. in Dunham Music Center Auditorium on the college campus. The public is cordially invited.

Four recitalists will be participating.

David Gantt, a voice major from Charlotte, North Carolina, will offer works from Bacon, Engel, Durante, Morley, Keel and Verdi. Mr. Gantt's future plans are for Christian education and church music. He is a student of Mr. Harvey H. Mil-

ler of the music faculty.

Donn Livingston, piano major from Charlotte, N. C. will perform selections from Bach, Chopin and Gershwin. Mr. Livingston, a pupil of Mrs. Louise P. Miller, plans to study jazz at North Texas State University after graduating from Brevard College.

Charles Herbert Weishaupt, also a piano major and student of Mrs. Miller, will play selections from Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, Scarlatti and Tchaikovsky. Mr. Weishaupt plans to graduate from Brevard College and

continue his education in Florida. He comes from Melbourne Beach, Florida.

Yvonne McKinney, of Brevard, will be performing in piano and voice. She is a student of Mrs. Carolyn G. Cox of the music faculty, and her selections for the piano include works of Debussy and Handel. Miss McKinney will also present a vocal selection by Gaul from the oratorio "The Holy City." Her future plans are to continue in music education and teach in elementary schools and privately.

## What We Can Do Dean, Kennedy, Brown Elected To Lead Student Government, 71-72

Many students on today's college campuses sometimes ask themselves, "What can I do for my school?" This is an extremely good question and one worth considering.

Recently, Duquesne University in Pittsburgh announced that they had incurred debts up to \$6 million. This little figure set some big minds to thinking. One mind in particular was that of Duquesne's Senior, Patrick Joyce, now known as the Kingfish of Campus Promoters.

Patrick Joyce proposed three plans of raising money: 1. beg donations, 2. a \$25-a-plate birthday party, and 3. a scholarship raffle. Needless to say, they raised \$825,000 in donations and the like.

Now just think what can you do for Brevard? Don't just limit yourself to the monetary contributions. Have you ever noticed the pollution, in the mountains especially, from the "now generation"? Remember, only you can keep America beautiful!

Tuesday, March 20, marked the start of another year of student government at Brevard College. Fred Dean, Burton Kennedy, and Dennis Brown were overwhelmingly elected as the "Big Three" of the Executive Branch of the Student Union Government.

Probably the most disappointing voter turnout in many years was evident in this election. A total vote of only forty per cent was witnessed. As people left the polls, remarks such as "pathetic" and "disgusting" were made.

Yet no one on the ballots was actually opposed. Fred "Frodo" Dean received 77 per cent of the votes for President; Burton Kennedy totaled 85 per cent of the vote for the Speaker of the Legislature; and Dennis Brown tallied 90 per cent of the vote.

For Judicial Board, Miss Donna Hall and Miss Ann Rogers were elected with the two garnering 85 per cent of the total vote.

These newly elected officers will assume office next fall.

## Official Dedication Of Student Union To Be Held April 29

The Sims Student Union will be dedicated April 29, and all members of the college community are invited.

The time will be 5 p.m. The College Trustees, on campus for their spring meeting, will be present.

## Human Relations Discussion Is Held

Miss Maxine West, a black educator in North Carolina, was the speaker at an informal round-table discussion on human relations Tuesday night in Sims Student Union.

Twelve students and six adults comprised a panel, which discussed the issues.

Miss West, whose topic was "Concerns of Black Students," said, "The black man has been tolerated, not understood." Miss West also stated, "Blacks must learn to understand

Whites, and Whites must learn to understand Blacks. We must seek to understand the moods of other people."

Other panelists felt that the pressures of reality are present when white students and black students live together on campus. Also there was expressed a need for more black girls on Brevard's campus.

Milton Rankin served as moderator of the discussion. This was the second such affair held this year.

## Hike Planned For Tomorrow

Faculty volunteers will again lead a hike into the forests this Saturday. The trail selected is Horse Cove, a circular walk around the base of John's Rock, and will start from the Fish Hatchery. The trail crosses the Davidson River by cable.

The truck will leave the Student Union Building at one o'clock, and will return in time for supper. No pre-registration is necessary, and no charges are made. Last Saturday's hike on the Coontree Trail was led by Mr. Jackson, and the weather was perfect. On Saturday, May 1, a hike over the railroad bed through Swannanoa Gap is planned, and will take the entire day. See Mr. Holcombe or Mr. Henritze for details of this last hike of the semester.

## Nemos Plan Redecoration

The Nemos are in the process of redecorating Jones kitchen as a project. The shelves have been cleaned out, and new appliances will be bought. The curtains will be black and white checked to contrast with the walls, which will be painted yellow. The cabinets will be painted orange. Not all of the redecorating will be finished by the end of the year, but with the help of all the members it should be done by the first part of the fall. With the redecoration of the kitchen and parlor, Jones should be an even more lovable "home away from home" next year.