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Malicious Gossip

The *Hilltop* wishes to start a campaign to end the tendency that students of Mars Hill College have to gossip maliciously about both faculty and students.

We do not intend to "step on the toes of anyone," but it is our earnest belief that the majority of those guilty of this offense are of the male contingency. Therefore, we ask the pardon of the ladies for the space taken up, that might have been used for a more pleasant subject.

It has been brought to our attention, by the dean of women, that many untrue and out of place statements concerning the morals and character of both young women and young men have reached her ears.

Irrespective of who they are, whether they be faculty members or students, whether they hold the lofty positions on our campus or the lowest, we challenge their motives and authenticity.

"A High Thinking and Plain Living" student body cannot resort to such an illegitimate practice as backbiting or gossiping with malicious intent. We urge the ceasing of such activities on the campus.

We shall continue our fight against *Malicious Gossipers* through the year. And with the support of every student and college official, we predict a year of peace and happiness on the campus of Mars Hill College.

—H. A. E.

This Dating System

"The Dating System" at Mars Hill is and has been one of the most discussed subjects on the campus.

Numerous remarks concerning the stringency of dating rules may often be heard. To most of us these rules do seem a little rigid.

We want a little more freedom in our association with the young ladies. We want to be with them without feeling that we are breaking the rules or are endangering the freedom of some girl.

At home every step a girl takes is not shadowed by a chaperon, she is not kept from walking after supper because there are too many boys around, she is not forbidden to date because she talks to one boy too much. And why should she be so restricted in school? A girl old enough and cultured enough to enter college should certainly know how to conduct herself as a lady.

Of course there are a number of girls on the campus who will not do this. These should be governed or restricted by rules far more stringent than we now have.

Girls cannot be given the freedom in school that they are given at home, but they can certainly be given more than they now receive.

In an announcement recently made the boys were asked to leave the campus after meals so the girls could be free to walk around. Certainly we do not wish to obstruct the freedom of the girls. But why do the girls want to walk on the campus? There is only one answer and that is to see the young men. Drive them away and watch the number of girls taking walks after meals decrease. In the same way restrict the girls to their rooms after meals and watch the young men "fade from view".

L. T. H.

Students' Forum

From remarks made by a number of students on the campus, it seems that many of them have reached the conclusion that there is a strong censorship of the *Hilltop* by the faculty. There is, however, little truth in this belief.

The editor and managing editor alone reserve the right of determining what shall and what shall not go into the paper. No faculty member has, as yet, sought to interfere with the publishing of this paper.

In this issue and in coming issues, we are going to give any student who chooses to do so an opportunity to express himself. Our Students' Forum Column is for the students alone, and they may use this column to voice the opinions about any campus activity.

A few rules, however, determined by the editor, will govern this column.

Any anonymous article will not even be considered.

Any article containing indecent matter or personal "jabs" will

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H. A. ELLIOTT

A place never looked any better to me than the campus of Mars Hill College when I finally arrived "home" after a week-end of "bumming" that took me to Greensboro, where I witnessed that game of games: Oak Ridge versus Mars Hill.

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One does get rare experience when in the "gentleman of the road" role. I was standing on Battleground Avenue in the "Gate City" when my eyes fell on a prominent sign in the city burial ground reading thus: "NO PLAYING IN THIS CEMETERY!"

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When a van carries a van, that's news. It was the privilege of this writer to see Mrs. Vann riding in the cab of a potato truck with all the dignity of Queen Victoria.

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Thanks to Billy Land, we have a method to punish kidnapers. His idea is something to this effect: Place the criminal in a cage in the middle of some big restaurant and there surrounded by the savory odors of the delicious food being borne to the diners, let him slowly starve. A sure cure.

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Snapshot: J. B. Huff being touched by the pathetic illustration of a chapel orator. A true, unfeigned emotional characteristic of a man loved by hundreds of students.

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The spirit displayed by the hundreds at the game last Saturday was above par. The music of the band added to the color of the perfect football day. We are indebted to Coach Roberts for the wonderful games we are having at home this year. Everyone looks forward to the game with the Davidson Wildcats. When they play football, they play every minute to the last whistle!

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Moments of regret: after making a cutting remark. . . flunking an exam. . . letting opportunity pass unheeded. . . failure to meet specific obligations.

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The past week-end brought many former students to the hill. It certainly good to those of us who were here last year to see them. Mark T. Orr who held the office that this scribe has now, was on the gridiron Saturday afternoon. The Hunts of South Carolina, were here Saturday and Sunday, along with a score of visitors and friends of the school.

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Thingumagigs: according to a certain freshman on a recent history test, Cowpens is a small piece of silver. . . one pupil signs a pledge thus: "I know nothing to give and can't find nothing to take, so be merciful."

Mr. and Mrs. Huff Are Hosts To Club

The Foreign Language Club held its first meeting of the year on Monday evening, October 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Huff. The subject of discussion was the lives of story-tellers. Mary Louise Chamberlee read an interesting paper on Hans Anderson. Elizabeth Denham gave a violin solo, "To Spring," by Grieg. Ovid was next discussed by Kathryn Wakefield.

The club was happy to welcome several new members: Faye Ebbs from the German department; Wallace Smith, Major Arrowood, and U. A. Moss from the Greek department; Elizabeth Denham from the Spanish department.

Delightful refreshments were served by Mrs. Huff carrying out the Hallowe'en motif.

not be used. By "jabs" we mean making personal references. It is certainly unfair to attack anyone who has no chance to fight back.

The Students' Forum is yours. Use it sensibly and it will continue to be yours.

L. T. H.

ALUMNI NEWS

Weddings

Miss Emma Margaret Hartsell, a graduate of the class of 1928, was married to Rev. Rufus Knolan Benfield, August 24, 1934.

Mrs. Benfield is also a graduate of Meredith College. Since her graduation, there she has been a teacher in the Oakboro schools.

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Miss Ruth Brookshire, a graduate of the class of 1924, was married to Mr. John Estes Welch, August 15, 1934.

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Miss Mary Lisenbee was married to Mr. Bill Atkins, a member of the class of 1932, August 22, 1934.

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Miss Elizabeth Spangler, who was graduated in music in the class of 1928, was married to Mr. Oscar D. Stuart of Mebane, May 23, 1934.

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Miss Eva Virginia Morgan was married to Mr. Thomas Lee Dysard, Jr., a member of the class of 1930, September 3, 1934.

Mr. and Mrs. Dysard are now residing in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Dysard holds a position with the Alien Property Bureau, Department of Justice, Legal Division.

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Miss Mary Elizabeth Hamby, a graduate of the class of 1928, was married to Mr. Delmar Frederick White, September 14, 1934.

Mrs. White was graduated from Meredith College in 1930. Since that time she has taught in Nash County and in the Roxboro schools.

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Miss Lillian Beatrice Edwards, a member of the class of 1932, was married to Mr. James Forrest Shuford, August 11, 1934.

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Miss Mary Manning Cloe was married to Mr. Ray Tolbert, a graduate of the class of 1930, August 11, 1934.

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Miss Mary Lillian Crow, a graduate of the class of 1932, was married to Dr. W. Amos Abrams, professor of English of Appalachian State Teachers' College, August 24, 1934.

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Mr. Joseph Patterson Huskins was married to Miss Mildred Virginia Amburn September 29, 1934. Mr. Huskins was the first editor of the *Hilltop* and since graduating from the University of North Carolina has been a member of the staff of the *Greensboro Daily News*.

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Miss Hazel Bryan, of Marshall, was married August 11, 1934, to Mr. Ralph Ramsey, a graduate of 1932.

Elizabeth Denham Named to Head Society

At the meeting of the Clio Literary Society, Thursday, October 11, Miss Elizabeth Denham, by a unanimous vote of the society, was elected president for the ensuing term.

Miss Denham is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Denham of Bartow, Florida. She was a member of the 1931-32 C-I class of Mars Hill College and has returned this year to resume her work with the C-II class. She has taken an active part in the different activities on the campus.

Other officers of the society are: Rose Ellen Elkins, first vice-president; Nina Gray Liles, second vice-president; Marie Haynie, recording secretary; Rebecca Franklin, corresponding secretary; Ruth Roberts, treasurer; Faye Ebbs, censor; Mina Belle Ray, chorister; Kathleen Johnson, pianist; Mary Simmons, chaplain; Edna Jobe, reporter; Ruth Jones, librarian; Frances Brooks, costumer; Marie Young, chief marshal; Clyde Terrell and Ruth Carter, marshals; Helen Roberts, music critic; Mildred Pittman, expression critic; Katherine Wakefield, Mae Ruth Turner and Parnice Littlejohn, program committee; Irene Holcombe, poster committee.

POETRY

Unknown

NINE GRAY LILES

As pure as the snow,
As deep as the wave,
But hidden—alas!
In a dreary cave.

As constant as stars,
As sincere as love;
As blue as the clouds,
That float high above.

It Is God

NINE GRAY LILES

The hills teach me a silence,
The plains give me a strength,
The sea gives me a longing,
Of never ending length.

The mountains teach me patience,
The forests harness me;
The flowers give me fragrance,
The winds are cool to me.

A grain field in the distance,
Of golden-brownish hue
Gives me a lesson of God's love,
And gives the same to you.

First College Building Had Romantic History

(Continued from page 1) for a time was used as a hospital. The building received such treatment at the hands of the fire that it was necessary after that to replace the doors and windows and to tie the walls together with iron rods. The only other building on the campus, a large wooden structure, was burned while soldiers occupied the campus.

In its somewhat dilapidated condition the building continued to house the college until it was torn down in 1910. It was in this building that the societies were formed; while it housed a branch of the orphanage; one room was a time used by the local town lodge. For fifty-four years it was the center for the life of the college and the best bricks sold to Sprinkle. These bricks now form the foundation of the store building occupied by Landers and George.

The granite slab which now marks the spot where the northwest corner of the building stood, and which marks the center of the town of Mars Hill, was erected in 1929 by the senior class of the Academy.

Rev. Howard Brings Evangelistic Message

(Continued from page 1) about a month ago, he was present at Enfield.

On the campus this week with Howard, are his wife, formerly of Alma Dark, student of Mars Hill, and their small daughter.

Two services are being held today, one at eleven o'clock in the church and one at seven-fifteen in the church.

Both daily services are being regularly attended and those present are being afforded inspiring messages.

Rake your pockets for your dough,

Every one who doesn't know
Every one that doesn't care
Leave their Cleaning and
where.

Come to us for we are good
Leave it here right where you
stay.

Elsewhere by some chance
A rip may get right in your
pants.

Never do we fail to fix
Every hole though there
six.

Rain or shine, we're always
here.
Service sure, throughout the
year.

Owner—REEL,
President—STOUT,
Manager—RANDLEMAN,
Solicitors: Henderson & Hoffmann