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State Baptist Exec To Preach At Graduation



HAROLD C. BENNETT

Dr. Harold C. Bennett, executive secretary-treasurer elect of the Southern Baptist Convention, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at Mars Hill College during graduation weekend May 18-20.

Dr. Bennett, an Asheville native and a Mars Hill alumnus, will assume the duties of the top administrative post of the Southern Baptist Convention June 1. He will become only the fourth person to head the executive committee, which handles business for the 13 million member convention between annual sessions of the convention. In addition to administrative and coordinating responsibilities, the executive committee also handles approximately \$75 million per year in contributions from member churches.

Commencement weekend will officially open with an exhibit of student art May 18

in the Fine Arts Building. The board of trustees will hold their semi-annual business meeting May 19 and at noon the trustees will meet with the board of advisors in a joint luncheon. On that evening the college will honor graduating seniors and their parents and other guests at a banquet in Coyte Bridges Dining Hall. In addition to recognizing the seniors, the occasion will also provide recognition of five long-time members of the faculty who are retiring and several other faculty-staff members who have served 25 years.

Those retiring include Miss Mildred Bingham, former chairman of the Department of Business and Economics who joined the faculty in 1937; M.H. Kendall, host professor of religion and former chairman of the department

who has served for 40 years; Dr. Evelyn Underwood, former chairman of the history department who joined the faculty in 1944; Dr. L.M. Outten, professor of biology who occupies the chair for ecological research and who is also a former chairman of the department, having joined the faculty in 1946; and Mrs. Mairan Tisdale, assistant professor of French who has been at Mars Hill since 1965.

The baccalaureate sermon will be held the next day at 11 a.m. in Moore Auditorium. The college community meets at this service with the congregation of the Mars Hill Baptist Church. Finally, the highlight of the weekend, the graduation ceremonies, will be held in Moore Auditorium at 3 p.m. with Dr. Richard Hoffman, vice president for academic affairs, presenting approximately 277 seniors, to whom Dr. Fred B. Bentley, president, will present degrees.

Dr. Bennett grew up in Asheville where he was a paper boy for the Asheville Times, a doorman at the Plaza theatre, and active in the First Baptist Church. He is a member of the Class of 1948 at Mars Hill and holds a bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University. He studied at Duke University's divinity school and earned a divinity degree from Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He was a Navy pilot during World War II, and has pastored churches in North Carolina, Kentucky, Arkansas and Louisiana



JOHN SCHAEENMAN, left, and Keith Flynn, two members of Madison's Western North Carolina INS champions. John played the role as a foreign affairs diplomat and is shown holding the trophy he won as the best diplomat at the simulation.

played the role of head of state and is shown holding the trophy the school won in their first simulation. The trophy in the middle is the one the school received for winning the super-simulation held at UNC-A last Saturday. (Photo by Jim Story)

Madison High Wins Super-Simulation

By JOHN SCHAEENMAN

Madison High won first place in the third annual super-simulation competition for high school students in Western North Carolina, held Saturday at the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

Super-simulation is a contest between six teams in which each team represents one country in a simulated world. In Saturday's competition, the world was set in the year 2040. Madison represented one of the three super powers that, while strong militarily, were hard pressed by critical shortages of fuel and basic resources. Three other countries were hoarding their resources to trade for goods and modern weaponry.

During a four-year span, the world experienced a famine, an earthquake (occurring in Madison's country, Bingo), violent revolutions,

and a nuclear disaster.

By the final round, Bingo had started a nuclear war against the nations which refused to give them basic resources. Had the simulation continued, Bingo would probably have taken over the world because while they were bargaining for nuclear arms limitations they were busy stockpiling them!

The second place winners were the students from Roberson High. Kim Smith of Roberson was judged the best female diplomat and John Schaeenman the best male diplomat.

By winning, Madison will win a one-year full tuition scholarship at UNC-A for one student for study in any field. Members of the team were Keith Flynn, John Schaeenman, Steve Davis, Conrad Plout, Charles Duckett, Gail Anderson, Mike Chapman, Jon Frost, Greg Dillingham, James Brigman, Daniel

Plout, Charlene Carter, Penny Frisbee, Teddy Allison, Roger Meadows, Fran Randall, Kris Robinson, Chris Stroud, Tommy Gentry and Susan Deblacker.

The team was aided by numerous people, and they would like to give them a special thanks. David Wyatt and the faculty were understanding and helpful during the countless times team members needed to miss class. Ricky McDevitt advised them and gave them pointers. Mike Gibson and Tim Potts, students at UNC-A, donated time and money in their effort to teach the team the games' finer points. Without Mike or Tim, the team never could have been so successful and they would like them to come back next year and help out. Also, the 40 students, or so who participated in a two-week "practice" simulation.

Pre-School Registration Thursday

Pre-school registration for kindergarten and first grade will be held May 10 for all Madison County schools. In addition to the child's birth certificate, school officials are required by law to have proof of immunization against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, measles, rubella and polio before the child can be enrolled in school. Certificates of immunization must contain specific information concerning the number of doses of each vaccine administered to the child and the dates these doses were given. Parents should make sure they have these essential documents before registration.

Immunization records may be obtained from the child's physician or from the health department, depending on where the shots were given. Children who have not completed their immunizations are encouraged to do so during the summer months. Immunizations may be obtained from a private physician or from Madison County Health Department.

There is no charge for immunizations given at the health department. A copy of a child's birth

certificate may be obtained by contacting the register of deeds office in the county where he was born.

Marshall Men Sentenced In Armed Robbery Cases

Three Marshall men and a Michigan man were given active sentences in Buncombe County Superior Court last week after pleading guilty to charges in connection with two armed robberies in the Weaverville area last December.

The four, originally charged with armed robbery, pleaded guilty to reduced charges of common law robbery before Superior Court Judge H.L. Riddle Jr. of Morganton, who waited until Tuesday of last week to sign the judgments. The four sentenced were Jerry Neault, 22, of Route 5,

Marshall; Terry Norton, 30, of Marshall; Clinton Jenkins, 21, of Route 2, Marshall; and Donald R. Winrick, 23, of Sanford, Mich.

Neault and Norton both pleaded guilty to common law robbery in connection with the Dec. 17 holdup of Hyder's Grocery on Old 19-23 in Weaverville and the Dec. 19 holdup of Roberts Amoco on Jupiter Road in Weaverville. Approximately \$800 was taken in the Hyder's Grocery robbery while \$200 was taken in the robbery at Roberts Amoco. Riddle sentenced Neault

The Madison County Board of Education met here Monday and announced Tuesday morning that the board has decided to locate the new Marshall-Walnut Elementary School adjacent to Madison High School.

This is, of course, provided the June 12 bond referendum passes, the members stated.

A scheduled of meetings concerning the proposed bond referendum is as follows:

Spring Creek School, May 10; Hot Springs School, May 15; Laurel School, May 17; Walnut School, May 22; Marshall School, May 24; Madison High School, May 29; Mars Hill School, May 31.

The above meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. Members of the Board of Education plan to attend the meetings and will answer questions and discuss the bond referendum.

'Want To Set Records Straight', Gosnell Says

Leroy Gosnell, recently dismissed policeman in Marshall, stated last Friday that he "wanted to set the records straight" as to rumors that he was also dismissed as a security guard at Memorial Mission Hospital for theft while employed by Pinkerton Security Service in Asheville.

In order to "clear my name and put a stop to this false

accusation I secured the following statement," Gosnell said.

The statement follows:

To Whom it May Concern: The below signed, Ray Autry, was Leroy Gosnell's supervisor during the period of time which Mr. Gosnell was employed as a security guard at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville, North Carolina.

I, Captain Ray Autry, was Mr. Gosnell's supervisor at that time. Mr. Gosnell terminated his employment with Pinkerton Security Service for personal reasons and voluntarily. I affirmatively state that he was not fired by Pinkerton Security Service nor was he ever accused of or found guilty of theft, stealing, or any other offenses that would cause Pinkerton Security Service to deem him unfit to serve as a security guard.

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REASON FOR FIRING?

Gosnell also stated that one of the "reasons" he was dismissed as a Marshall policeman was the result of citations he had issued involving a young Marshall man for failure to stop for light and siren, failure to stop for stop sign and reckless driving.

"When I issued the citations I was under a sworn oath to enforce the laws which I did," Gosnell said. "Later I was dismissed for doing my duty," Gosnell stated.

Gosnell also stated and had court records, that the said defendant was tried in District Court in Marshall on May 2 with Judge Lacey presiding and pleaded not guilty to the above mentioned charges. "However, he was found guilty of all three charges," Gosnell said. Records reveal the following judgments signed by Judge Lacey: Failure to stop for stop sign, defendant pay cost of action; reckless driving, the defendant pay \$75 fine and cost; failure to stop for light and siren, defendant pay \$50 fine and cost.

The defendant entered appeals for the three cases.

Council At Walnut Names Officers

Officers for the Parental Advisory Council of the Walnut School were recently elected as follows:

President, Mrs. Patricia Fender; vice president, Mrs. Alice Campbell; secretary, Mrs. Barbara Sawyer; assistant secretary, Mrs. Jeter Shaffer; treasurer, Mrs. Agnes Hester.

Beer Sale Hearing Postponed

The hearing Monday in Buncombe County Courthouse over the controversial sale of beer at Peabody's Discount Center in the Forks of Ivy community was continued until May 21.

The hearing will be held in the Buncombe County Courthouse at 9:30 a.m.

Cancer Benefit Set Friday At Mars Hill

The fifth annual Madison County cancer benefit program will be this Friday night at Moore Auditorium on the campus of Mars Hill College, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The program will feature a variety of outstanding local and regional talent including square dance teams, ballad singers, gospel singers and other musical groups. This program will serve a two-fold purpose by giving recognition to local talent and raising funds to support the fight against cancer. There will be no competition among participants.

Quentine Ramsey, popular local musician and one of the originators of the Sodom Old-Time Music Festival, will again be master of ceremonies. Ramsey also serves as emcee for the Mountain Dance and Folk Festival in Asheville.

"Many outstanding performers have indicated their intention to participate in this year's event and others are invited to come and share their talents for this worthwhile cause," an organizer of the event stated this week.



BEN DUNCAN of Mars Hill, son of Hoyle Duncan of Walnut and Johnnie Duncan Robertson of Mars Hill, won in the pitch, hit and run contest sponsored by Burger King in West Asheville Park on May 5. Ben will represent Western North Carolina in the 10-year-old age group in Knoxville, Tenn. The winners in Knoxville will go to San Diego, Calif. Ben is shown holding the winning WNC plaque. He plays for the Mars Hill Giants (Four League) and is coached by Neil Willis. (Photo by Jim Story)