

### A WORD OF VICTORY

We are passing through the Lenten or pre-Easter season. Lent, which means springtime, is being evidenced on every hand. Young men's fancies are "lightly turning to thoughts of love;" the robins have ventured north; the fields have been plowed in preparation for planting; and the jonquils are bursting into bloom.

As we prepare for the observance of Easter, we often read in John's gospel the last words of Jesus as he was being put to death. One statement is particularly appealing. It is even victorious. Jesus is recorded as saying, "It is finished."

Few of us can say, with any real truth, that it is finished. St. Paul expressed himself in almost this same way; but he was wrong; all for him was not finished. Stuart left an unfinished portrait of Washington; Lincoln left an unfinished reconstruction for the South; Chaucer never finished his famous "Canterbury Tales"; our work as students often piles up on us until we wonder if it will ever be really finished. Jesus, however, could speak with a tone of victory when he, while in great torture, declared, "It is finished."

As we come to the end of these weeks between Ash Wednesday and Easter, will God's will be accomplished in our lives; will we have accepted the redemption Christ offers; will we be able to say, when these days are over, with any smattering of honesty, "It is finished?"

### WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

Remember the time when you were a little child and you said, "I'm going to be a fireman when I grow up", or "I'm going to be a nurse someday"? Those words were spoken what seems an eternity ago; those words were spoken back when you thought there was sure to be a Someday.

But now in these troubled times, when the threat of war hangs like a dark cloud on the horizon, it may seem that there is no longer any reason to plan for the future, when a hydrogen bomb may explode it in a cloud of radioactive dust.

For many of us, the greatest danger is not in a war; it is in the fear and the pessimism which grips the hearts of us all. Why are we such prophets of doom? Can we not remember that this old world has been here for an awfully long time and has never ceased to survive the perils which have rocked its foundations since the days of Adam? Have we forgotten that a loving God created this world? Why, then, is it not logical to suppose that it is God, and God alone, who has the right to destroy it?

This is not to say that we should not be concerned over the Berlin crisis, but we should not allow ourselves to fall victims to fear, which is apparently Nikita Khrushchev's favorite weapon. Why should his blustery threats send the free world scampering before him? He is only a foolish little man, who spoke too hastily and said too much. It would seem incredible to suppose that Russia would start a Third World War simply to save face after a rash statement; she is not so superior to the combined armies of the free world that she could win without being virtually destroyed herself. As long as Russia and the United States are both afraid, there surely can be no major war. As it is, Russia is trying to attain her goals psychologically rather than atomically.

This is a wonderful and glorious world; never before has there been so much to live for. People may say that the world is "going to the dogs", but let them take a look at history. The world is a better place today, for, in comparison with the world of yesterday, one would be inclined to say that, through the centuries, mankind has taken a giant step toward "peace on earth, good will toward men." The peril of the present has been paralleled countless times in the past; the only difference lies in the atomic bombs, which two opponents have but know they cannot use.

Fifty years from now, as you sit nodding in your rocking chair, your grandson may say, "Grandpa, it looks like the United World is right now in war with Mars; they've told us to get off the moon by 2000!"

## FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

BY SARAH LOWDERMILK

### Mr. Stevenson

At one time Mr. J. J. Stevenson was a member of an eighty-piece plectrum orchestra in Atlanta. He started playing the guitar and later switched to the mandola. He likes classical music and is partial to choral and orchestral music. Other interests, besides music, include fishing, gardening, reading, and all types of games. He also finds time in his busy schedule to teach the men's Bible class at the Brevard Methodist church, to serve as a certified lay speaker of the church, and to maintain active membership in the Brevard Kiwanis club.

The last thing Mr. Stevenson thought of doing was becoming a teacher. He was sure that he did not possess the patience for teaching. He wanted to do either newspaper work, enter the field of law or become a minister. All of his undergraduate work was done with an eye on law school. After college he discovered what his mother had thought earlier — teaching was the one thing he wanted to do.

If we gave Mr. Stevenson a million dollars, he would likely do some traveling.

### Dr. Loomis

Church work has occupied many of the spare hours of Dr. B. W. Loomis. A key member of the local Lion's Club, a thirty-second degree mason, a member of the Eastern Star and of the Great Books Club, he is very active in civic life. His spare time recreational activities include hunting and fishing of all sorts.

If we gave Dr. Loomis a million dollars, he would give it to young people that they might have an education. He became a teacher because he likes to watch young people grow.

### Dean Henderson

Travel to New Orleans, all parts of Florida, and parts of the mid-

west are some of the interesting places visited by Dean Henderson. Other interests include reading, music, and playing games.

Before he became a teacher, he worked as a public accountant for a while, but he became a teacher because he likes to teach and to work with young people.

If we gave Mr. Henderson a million dollars, he would immediately embark upon a world tour.

### Mr. Harvin

Mr. Frank Harvin's hobbies include "haut cuisine" (advanced cookery, usually practiced by chefs), although he says he has no particular dish which is his specialty. Other activities which fill his spare time include hunting (when he can), fishing (the cane-pole and shady-bank type), reading, an dlistening to music, especially classical and semi-classical. Mr. Harvin also stated that to him rock-'n-roll is only slightly less nauseating than a dose of ipecac. Another of his dislikes is most modern painting and poetry. He especially enjoys doing wood-work and hopes to someday have a workshop in his home so that he can pursue his pastime of refinishing furniture.

Before coming to Brevard, Mr. Harvin was a lawyer, doing general practice before the Supreme Court of South Carolina. He states that he likes teaching and chose Brevard college because he likes the college, the town, and the facilities.

If we gave him a million dollars, the first thing he would do (naturally) would be to forestall the baying of any creditors; then, after suitable donations to church and school, would take up residence on the Caribbean for a little beach-combing, with no newspapers or TIME magazine to disturb his tranquility.

## May Day Celebration To Be May 2nd; Sader Directs Preparations

As spring approaches, plans for the traditional May Day festivities at Brevard College are now underway.

The annual program will take place on Saturday afternoon, May 2, near the Lily Pond and will feature dancing, music, and merry-making in story form. The script, now being prepared by Judy McManus, will be kept secret until the afternoon of the program. Mrs. Barbara Sader, of the physical educational department, is in charge of arrangements.

May Queen, Loretta Helms, her court of nine girls, and their escorts will reign over the ceremonies and will also be featured in the program itself.

Following the festivities, that evening, a dance sponsored by the Woodenian Club will be held. Queen Loretta and her court will also reign over this event.

Recently, after the withdrawal of Kathy Osteen, Carole Mappus was named to the May Court. Carole, a tall, blue-eyed blonde freshman, hails from Charleston, South Carolina.

### Capsule Comments

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Christian Service, was the chapel speaker on Friday morning, March 6. Mrs. Landrum told of her recent visits with Alaskan and Hawaiian Methodist women. She also counseled with students on Friday afternoon.

### Choir Sings

The college choir sang at the morning worship service on Sunday morning, March 8. Once each month the choir sings for the regular worship service at the Methodist church. Professor Cousins directs the choir; Professor Adams serves as organist.

### Jones Honored

The new cafeteria at Lake Junaluska Assembly has been officially named the Edwin L. Jones Cafe.

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Mr. Jones, a Charlotte businessman, has been chairman of the college's board of trustees since 1944. In recent years, he has been instrumental in much of the building and development accomplished at the college.

### Supper Held

Fourteen members of the Women's House Council had a steak supper at the Vagabond Diner on March 3. The menu was steak, French fries, green peas and dessert. This meal served as a sort of reward to the girls for faithfully monitoring their residence halls during this year.

### BSU MEETS

The Baptist Student Union met on Thursday evening, March 5, in the Dunham auditorium.

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