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L. C. PROMOTES DEFENSE PROGRAM

Louisburg College today, as many times before in its history, is preparing to meet a war situation. With the rest of the nation it is scaling its activities on a war basis. Classes, students, instructors, and measures for economy have been planned to support the defense movement.

As the campus became attuned to thoughts of national defense, Dr. Patten brought back his message from a meeting early in the year of educational leaders and school representatives held in Baltimore in the interest of national defense. This meeting included the National Association of College Presidents, the American Association of Junior Colleges, and the Association of Presidents of Methodist Colleges. Following his return on January 6, Dr. Patten spoke in chapel, giving the students something of what the meeting revealed as to the trend on college campuses and the part that college students may play in the present situation. He stressed the need of preparing for the defense effort and insisted that the students conserve everything possible to be used by the government in our war effort.

In keeping with these instructions, students are giving individual service on the campus. Though defense at Louisburg is not a matter of shouldering a gun, the several things that can be done are stressed. Some girls are aiding in the Red Cross work in Louisburg. A Red Cross sewing room is visited for the making of garments, in the emergency, an activity suggested by Miss Stipe's Sunday school class.

Another campaign begun by Miss Stipe's class is the plan to save paper for defense. Special cans have been placed in each hall for the collection of waste paper.

The suggestion is being carried out that a flag be put at the end of the walk in the place originally designed for the purpose. Contributions have come from students and faculty for the purchase of a flag.

With the beginning of the second semester, about one month after America's entrance into the war, two classes in particular took on new importance at the college. First Aid has become an especially important course. Classes in First Aid and Home Nursing at the college contain at present forty-seven students, an

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I Am a Worthy Patriot If I—

- Recognize my supreme allegiance to God as the sure foundation of my patriotism.
- Do my best to conserve my time, talent, and possessions for worthy ends.
- Apply myself sincerely to my daily tasks, to be prepared for what the future may bring.
- Strive to train my mind, better to serve my country.
- Do my part, however small, to contribute to my country's greatness.
- Be worthily loyal to the elected leaders of my country.
- Desire the right to triumph in the present struggle.
- Love my country for whatever true greatness it has achieved and for the worthwhile contribution it can make to other nations.

Religious Emphasis Week Observed



Louisburg youth stands by colors.

FREEMAN HEADS SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

John A. Freeman of Raleigh has come to take the position left vacant by Mr. Badalas, head of the Science Department, who recently resigned to take a government course in explosive chemistry at Duke University.

Mr. Freeman's previous teaching experience has been on a fellowship at Wake Forest College.

He has several interesting likes: he's a fiend for definitions, plays the flute, enjoys collecting parameria, raising them (either one), delights in talking—which pastime, one student has suggested, may break up some playhouse, if he likes to talk as well as we do.

At Wake Forest Mr. Freeman did some research on human blood.

When Mr. Freeman decided to accept the position here, his wife, who is teaching in Gaffney, South Carolina, was, he confessed, disappointed, because she would be a widow for eleven weeks.

The scientist is son of a Baptist minister and shows interest in what his father's as well as his own field represents.

His quiet ways and smiling eyes have already won students.

"The reason I am not in the army," he explained, "is that the army doesn't take ugly men."

PLANS FOR MAY DAY GO FORWARD

In several meetings of the Girls' Athletic Association, definite plans have been going forward for the sponsoring of the college May Day program on May 2. The theme of the program will be "Dances of the Nations." Following this theme many nations will gather to celebrate the coronation of the queen, costumed for dances characteristic of their centuries. After the native dances, the May Pole dance will be executed by all the dancers together.

The May Queen, whose coronation will be the feature of the May Day exercises, has been elected, the vote going to Ella Lewis, of Faison, by student body ballot from the six floor nominations. As her maid of honor the queen has chosen Catherine Lewis of Faison.

Following the election, the attendants to the queen were elected by student ballot as follows:

Lela Adams, Annie Sue Barrett, Sarah Davis, Annie Lee Dorsett, Margaret Holmes, Grace Johnson, Evelyn Long, Jane Murphy, Mozelle Privette, Catherine Rogers, Frances Terrell, and Emily Wynn.

These attendants, as well as the queen and her maid of honor, will choose their escorts for the May Day program.

DEFENSE TAKES MR. BADALAS

George E. Badalas, former professor of science at Louisburg College, has resigned to enter Duke University for a government defense course in explosive chemistry.

Mr. Badalas graduated from the science department at the University of North Carolina last year and has done work on his master's degree in science. During the past months of the current year he taught chemistry, organic and inorganic; zoology; and recently a general science course.

Youngest member of the Louisburg College faculty, Mr. Badalas still seemed just a schoolboy—until he started to talk about science. Then the students wondered.

Everyone who has come to Louisburg this year knew Mr. Badalas. Why? Because he was worth knowing.

Physically he is not large or even average, approximately five and a half feet tall. He has full features, black hair, slicked straight back; wears glasses; and has, when he walks, a jaunty air about his whole person.

To those who knew him he was not "Professor Badalas" or even "Mr. Badalas," but just plain "Coach" or "Prof." No, he wasn't connected with the athletic department; he simply coached the third-floor football team and did a good job while he was at it, too.

In the classroom he wasn't hard-boiled; yet he wasn't "soft." He had the respect of the students. When he began lecturing, he always used notes. It was one of his favorite "comebacks," when asked by a student to read a certain sentence again, to say, "Read what? I'm not reading anything." He seemed to take pride in the fact that he could, one might say, recite his notes.

He was always ready to talk about any subject. That tendency was one of his most characteristic, and he loved to talk. In class, usually after an exam, he was always ready with a pep talk, sprinkled freely with references to his past errors, trials, and achievements; at times he seemed almost conceited, but that was just "Prof."

A favorite subject with him was his Alma Mater, Carolina; and he never tired of singing her praises.

STUDENT INTEREST CHALLENGED

REV. O. L. HATHAWAY, SPEAKER

The Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor of Edgerton Memorial Methodist Church, Selma, is speaking to the students of Louisburg College in the annual Religious Emphasis Week being held in the school auditorium from Monday through Friday.

Each year one week is set aside that these discussions may bring to the students an awareness of their Christian privileges and responsibilities.

The general theme of Mr. Hathaway's sermons is the relating oneself to God and his fellowmen. His specific topics for the series are "Three of the Essentials: God, Self, and Others"; "The Awareness of God"; "The Art of Being Grateful in this world"; "Achieving Christian Virtues in Our Day for Our Generation," "Discipline and Everyday Living" and "What Shall Be My Destiny?"

Not only are the irregular sermons given each evening, but afternoon sessions also have been conducted, for group discussions and private consultation on personal problems. Mr. Hathaway has an art in such informal contacts, and his rich experience and sincerity give him an understanding of youth and to youth a trust in him.

He has made himself the "parson of the week" by friendly association with the students. He is quite familiar with the young people of Eastern North Carolina, having been for the last five years the "dean" of the Methodist Young People's Assemblies held each summer here at the college. His congeniality has gained him the confidence of the students and an opportunity to work with them in as they think of choices that will help determine their own lives and the lives of others.

Wednesday morning Mr. Hathaway talked to the students about the explosion of an ammunition truck near Selma early Saturday morning. He told of the great property damage, loss of life of seven persons, and injury to about fifty. He spoke of the loss of valuable church windows, one imported from Italy. Even though they were demolished, he symbolized the remaining broken fragments as being the most significant part of the window; as, in the scene of Christ in Gethsemane, where the fragment picturing the uplifted face of Christ in prayer remained.

Mr. Hathaway commented, "In the trial of an hour like that my people could still pray and have courage."

The discussion Tuesday afternoon was on the subject, "What makes me do as I do," in which Mr. Hathaway helped the students understand their actions in relation to their friends.

Only 5 More
Cramming Days
Until
Mid-Semester
Examinations

TOMMY TAKES TOURNAMENT TRIUMPH

The Louisburg Trojans entered the Albemarle Basketball Tournament on Thursday, February 26, drawing Wingate for their opening game—and their opening loss. But—we thought the Trojans deserved this victory as a reward for a hard year's work; however, Lady Luck just wouldn't keep their company. She was in favor though, when it came to individual laurels, as our own "Teebie" showed "them thar folks" a few things about playing basketball. He played that same game he has played in teens of games this year, you know, keeping the ball and opponents spinning as if he were a juggler. Yes, he was plenty good in our opinion, and the official thought so, too; so, when the all-conference line-up came out,



High scorer for the season, with 278 points in twenty games!

there was Tommy Wheeler, Louisburg forward, right there in black and white. No doubt some one was surprised, but not "us" (the writer), for we hinted this in our sports issue. See—we know our ball players.

Yes, the campus is tickled to death at this honor, but you would never guess why by the attitude of the Durham Dervish. When asked what he thought about "bringing home the bacon," he only smiled that calm genial and nonchalant smile, shook his blonde head, shifted his slender torso, and stammered, "Nothing."

Well, Tommy might think "nothing" of this distinction, but we can say for him that he does think a lot—and does a lot about his basketball. Just watch him next year.