

Personalities In Highlight

By ALAN BROWNING

Hailing from Kings Mountain is John Roberts, editor of the PILOT.

John graduated from Bethware High in '44 after which he entered the Army for a two year hitch, traveling all over the Pacific theatre. He entered Gardner-Webb in the fall of '47 where he has since proved to be a very capable and responsible student. Last year Roberts was Assistant Business Manager of the school paper, and due to his consistent efforts to raise the culture of the news and features printed, he was elected to serve as Editor-in-Chief for the '48-'49 term.

In addition to his responsible post as "head man" of the PILOT, John is also a member of the Mental Hygiene Society and the I.R.C. Last fall he proved that he was also a capable actor with a definite flair for dramatics when he very earnestly portrayed the role of Warden Holt in the first production of the season—"The Valiant." In the past few months, he has participated in several radio broadcasts from the campus. Among them were "A Christmas Carol," and "November's Child."

After his graduation from Gardner-Webb, John plans to attend Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina.

It was shortly after Thanksgiving Day that someone asked the little boy to define the word appetite. His reply was prompt and enthusiastic: "When you're eating you're 'appy; and when you get through you're tight—that's appetite!"

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Perhaps the most responsible student on the campus is Sophomore John Arndt, president of the College Government Association. Arndt's home is in Mt. Holly, N. C. He entered Gardner-Webb in the fall of '47 where he immediately fell into the routine of daily college activities. In fact, due to his many responsibilities, he was elected one of the six most outstanding boys on the campus.

During his Sophomore year, John made All-State in football, besides being elected Captain of the squad by his teammates.

Besides his heavy responsibility as head man of the governing body, John is also a member of the Mental Hygiene Society, the International Relations Club, the Science Club, and of course the Monogram Club.

Arndt plans to enter Clemson College in South Carolina or State College at Raleigh after his graduation from Gardner-Webb this spring. As yet he hasn't decided which, although he definitely intends to major in agriculture.

WHAT A ROOMMATE

While groping for a subject to use in a feature story for The Pilot, the young cub reporter could think of nothing of interest. As he stared blankly across the room at his roommate, an idea suddenly hit him and the cub decided to write on "Features"—those of his roommate. Why, his roommate had features—like a rabbit. The way he could wiggle his ears would make Bugs Bunny sit up and say "What's up Doc?" When asked where he acquired those unusual abilities, he mumbled something about his mother being frightened by a hare, or else Miss Odom's carrot salads were beginning to affect him.

After the novelty had worn off, the two retired to their burrow to dream of carrots and Easter bunnies.

CABINETS MADE BY DREAMHOUSE MAN

Frank Pendergrass does mechanical drawing and blueprinting as a hobby.

Frank, a 20 year old veteran from Rutherfordton, has a blueprint of his dreamhouse as a result of his hobby. This house is a brick bungalow with five rooms, a hall, and a bath.

Pendergrass began this avocation while he was in the navy. He spent two years as a draftsman and a filing clerk for submarine blueprints.

While Frank was in the navy, he drew up the blueprints for two twelve-room houses. One was an apartment house for three families and the other was a private home. Both of these homes were built by two of his buddies.

To put more life into his pastime, Frank carries his blueprinting into cabinet making. He has his own woodshop at home with all the necessary power tools to carry out this phase of the work.

Frank makes end tables, whatnots, bookshelves, and small cabinets. His masterpiece of workmanship in this field is a plywood chest-of-drawers that he made for his sister.

Frank intends to turn this natural ability into a profession by becoming an architectural engineer.

We may cite the story of the college student, who was attacked by three bandits. He fought them desperately, and inflicted severe injuries. When at last he had been subdued, and searched, the only money found on him was a dime. One of the thieves remarked glumly: "If he'd had a quarter, he'd have killed the three of us."

The little boy, sent to the butcher shop, delivered himself of his message in these words:

"Ma says to send her another ox tail, please, and ma says she was very nice, an' ma says she wants another of the same ox!"

Travel By Postcard

Joyce Digh collects picture postcards as her hobby. Joyce, who is a freshman from Rutherfordton, began collecting postcards two years ago and has accumulated over three hundred cards to date.

Joyce has a card from Salt Lake City, Utah, that has a picture of a passenger train on it crossing the lake. The card has a bag of salt attached to the corner that came from the Great Salt Lake.

There are cards in the collection from twenty-one different states and from three foreign countries. There is one card from Rio de Janeiro, one from the British West Indies, and one from Honolulu, Hawaii.

The majority of the cards bear a picture of a church, a school, a public building, a landscape, or some other form of scenery.

During the period after the university examinations, when an unusually large number of students flunked, one of the boys went to his professor, and said: "I don't think this is fair, sir; I don't think I should have a zero on this examination."

"I know it," replied the professor, "but we do not have any mark lower than that."

"Did your watch stop when it dropped on the floor?" asked one man of his friend.

"Sure," was the answer. "Did you think it would go through?"

She (tenderly): "And are mine the only lips you have kissed?"

He: "Yes, and they are the sweetest of all."

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