

As K. Snyder Sees Politics

This being the final issue of the Pilot this year, we shall say only a few words about our national politics, and stick mostly to G.W. politics.

In the national scene, we find that President "Ike" has appointed a woman or I should say two or more women to important posts. Claire Booth Luce is one of them. She is now the U. S. ambassador to Rome. I think this is right decent of "Ike" because women are capable of holding down such jobs nowadays. Also, as you know we are making leaps and bounds of progress in Korea. Our truce negotiators are making rapid progress and we are now in the midst of exchanging war prisoners with the Reds. The Russians are even acting nice at the meetings and act as if they are in favor of settling the dispute. Maybe they're ready for peace once again. No one knows what they may try next, but it really is nice to see our boys coming home from war at a second time in our life. I only hope that all the boys can soon leave that little strip of land called Korea. As for maximum defense, I don't care to make any predictions as to when the war will be over, but if every thing keep moving in the direction of peace, then it should be over by the time you return to school next year.

So students, I call on you once again to take an interest in National government and be an active participant in political campaigns, elections, and don't be afraid to voice your opinion. As a matter concerning your home, your country, and your community. Be an active civic minded citizen and make this world just a little better place than it was when you came here. Above all, don't forget that this country is a democratic one which was founded on basic Christian principles such as "love thy neighbor" and also on the basis that all men are created equal and have an equal chance to develop their own personality according to their ability. People in this country are free to do what they please just so long as they do not infringe on the rights of others. People have both freedom and liberty in this country. You can "hitch your wagon to a star" if you have the ability to do so. It's up to you! You're the boss! This is a great country, but it will be even greater if YOU will take an active part in your government. Our government was established to serve every individual that makes up our society. So, wake up and get started in selecting those whom we place in the positions and posts to run the affairs of this country.

As for our politics at Gardner-Webb, I can say that the same thing goes here. You are a part of this school. Each student is a vital part of this institution, and I might add right here, you can choose this school of your own free will. You were not forced to come here, so instead of expecting the school to do all the giving to you, why don't you leave something here? We have had our election and we now have our Student Body for next year. Instead of so much griping next year why don't you keep this in mind? Students of this school better than it was when you came here. Be an active and living part of the school. Then when you leave here, you can't least

a good name if nothing else. Sure, there's lots of room for criticism, but be sure to make it constructive and not destructive. As a student, I know it is mighty easy to gripe and complain a lot about an unwholesome school operates, those who teach us, the food, and many other things, but just remember, you chose this school of your own free will so try to make it a better place.

To the new officers and also the students, I present this challenge: Work together in an unbiased and uniform manner. Work together with the other students, the faculty, the President and the school. You new leaders are in a responsible position and you must lead the others and work along with the faculty and the college as a whole. The road will be rough at times and you'll feel like quitting but stick it out. Also, this hat on politics I mean to control your tongue! My mother has been telling me that for years, but I still get myself in trouble every once in awhile by not keeping my mouth shut. Yes, sir, if you will work and play and cooperate together, then some day you can come back and say, "Yes, that's Gardner-Webb, and I attended that school. Then you can smile and brag to your friends and say, "I believe that by going to that school that I have made the world a better place to live in."

One final word. I would like to say that I have enjoyed being your political editor. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Editor and the rest of the staff on this newspaper this year. I have enjoyed working with you students, working and playing with you and lastly but not leastly, I cannot put into words to the faculty what I would like to say to them. I know that at times I have acted rudely and impertinent toward you, but from the bottom of my heart I thank you for all that you have taught me, both in books and out of books. This school has one of the finest Presidents, faculty, and student body of any school in the nation. It's a great school and it's up to you as students to keep it that way.

Delta Psi Omega

By A. SARIS

The Delta Psi Omega held its monthly meeting April 14. The club had election of officers for the coming school year. Peter Banus was elected president, Ed Wiese succeeded the outgoing president, Charles Rich, Martha Gantt was elected vice-president. Ed Wiese was elected secretary-treasurer and Andrew Saris was elected publicity manager.

The installation of officers will be on April 23.

The Delta Psi Omega voted to sponsor the spring play "Weep No More My Lady." The life of Stephen Collins Foster.

An outing will be held at "Brackets" in Shelby on May 7.

A committee was appointed to maintain a scrapbook which will contain records of the club's past members. Also a committee was appointed to paint the two dressing rooms in the E. B. Hamrick building.

"Capt." Henson

says:

It has always been assumed in writing this column that college men are interested in a training program that offers good opportunities for advancement. An officer candidate school should be of more interest to the college student than of your own free will since in an officer training program at least two years college education is required, a student can better utilize his education and at the same time secure a better position for himself in an officer candidate school than in the enlisted ranks.

This article is devoted to you boys who are interested in the "Wild Blue Yonder." At the present time the Air Force's biggest shortage is in the field of bombardiers and air observers, both duties carry a lieutenant's rating. There is also a shortage of navigators. In fact, there is a big demand for officer candidates in all phases of the Air Force program. This demand is often overlooked because there is a limit to the number of men who can join the Air Force as enlisted men. But there is nearly always a demand for men who can meet the mental, physical, and educational requirements. The candidates must be between 19¹/₂ and 26 years old, must have completed 16 to 20 semester hours of college work by the time of enlistment, must be able to show either a birth certificate or evidence of naturalization.

Upon entering the Air Force, the candidate goes to his specialized field and trains for one year. Each candidate is given the privilege of choosing the field that he prefers; pilot training, bombardiers, navigators, air observers, and several other fields. At the end of this one year's training, the candidate receives a commission of second lieutenant and is either assigned to a unit or sent to advanced training. At the end of the one year candidate school, the pilots are divided up into their specialized fields, some going to fighter school and some to bomber training.

PRES. ESTES

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The roster for next year's Student Government is filled with capable beings, who will, I am sure, all strive to make the 1953-54 school year the biggest and best yet. With such workers on the council, I couldn't help but get good support, and I am sure next year will be a wonderful one.

My escort had climbed a fence into a small field to gather me some particularly lovely wild flowers while I waited in the car. Suddenly he called excitedly to a farmer holding a hoe in an open field. "Hey, is this hull over here safe?"

"Well," said the farmer composedly, "he's a dern stiff safer'n you are."

—Jean Condra

Campus Outpost

Someone has asked, "what happens to all the people on G.I. Hill every Sunday morning?" It seems that they all get away and leave it to be a guess. Why? Well, see the various fellows going to their respective place of responsibility in the Lord's service every Sunday. You then will understand why G.I. Hill is deserted.

Some go to their church as pastors. Many are called to fill their place as teachers, singing and many other ways of serving the Lord. Gwyn Sullivan goes to Lenox as pastor of two churches; Clarence Dodgins goes near Blacksburg, S. C. as pastor; Paul Riggs goes to Double Springs Baptist Church as Rev. Suttles' assistant. Lester Smith and Harry Vance go to their respective church in our own Kings Mountain Association as pastor. Sam O'Neal goes above Rutherfordton in the Green River Association as pastor. This is just to mention a few of the places of service, not forgetting the other fellows on G.I. Hill that are serving. What is our Master's work every Sunday in their teaching, supply preaching, and many other ways of serving the Lord? I would like to talk with different ones, after they have had an opportunity to go out into homes of the old and young to carry a little ray of sunshine in Jesus' name to those who cannot come to church, to those in prison who have wandered away and others.

The above are just a few of the ways in which the fellows on G.I. Hill are serving. Let us all try to make this a brighter, happier world.

EX-PRES. HENSON

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president, I am sure it will be a splendid year.

But your College Government officers are at best merely co-ordinators of activity. Without the help of the entire Student Body, they cannot perform to the best of their ability. If they have to waste all their energy trying to motivate an idle Student Body or quell boisterous conduct, their real value will be lost. There must be a desire on the part of every student to make our school better. You have good officers; give them good support.

On behalf of all the 1952-53 College Government officers, I wish to express our thanks and appreciation for your cooperation and wonderful attitude in our activities this year. It has been a pleasure working with such a choice Student Body as we have here at Gardner-Webb. We close our year with God's richest blessings on all of you.

In the French Parliament, one of the Deputies, making a speech urging the improvement of the legal status of women, cried: "After all, there is very little difference between men and women!"

The entire Chamber of Deputies rose and shouted as one man: "Viva la difference!"

—Milton Wright,
The Art of Conversation
(Whittlesley)