

To The Boys of Decker Hall

To the Residents of Decker Hall:

A competent house president, together with his house council, can make living in a dormitory on a college campus a pleasant and memorable experience. This has certainly been proved true this year.

We wish to express our appreciation to the house president, the council members, and every resident of Decker Hall for operating an efficient and effective governing organization which has made this year one of our finest. We feel that you have set a pattern which will be felt next year and in the years to come.

We trust that you who will not be back with us will continue to assume your responsibilities to the best of your ability. To those who will be back next year we trust that you will exert the kind of influence on the freshmen that you expected from your upper classmen this year.

J. Y. HAMRICK,

Dean of Men

MRS. SHYTTLE,

House Counselor.

A Message To The Girls

When you came to Gardner-Webb College you came into a family of friends—a large family, to be sure, but one which is so organized as to make every member feel that she has a real service to perform in promoting the welfare of the group. Our family motto, "Home—where each lives for the other and all for God," truly expresses our ideal of the Home we are endeavoring to build here at Gardner-Webb.

The House Council has done everything possible this year to make your college year more than a year of "books and lessons." Your willing response to the generous provisions which have been made for your comfort, your happiness and your educational progress have been most co-operative. We love you and appreciate this wonderful spirit and every memory of this year "together" will be a happy one.

To you who will go on to other schools we wish every happiness and success; and, to you who will return we are looking forward to your coming "back home" and we shall do everything to make your next year all that it should be.

Sincerely,

MABLE STARNES,

Dean of Women

HELEN BARNETT,

Ass't. Dean of Women

PILOT AWARDS

The annual Pilot staff picnic was scheduled for May 13, on the baked white sands of the Broad River. It was then that the initialed gold medals were given to all who had contributed their efforts to produce at least four issues of this year's Pilot.

The awards were presented to the following:

Ken Dettmar, Richard Yearwood, Bobbie Oxford, Harold Pearson, Betty Staton, Ann Banning, Carl McWhiter, Lols Goodman, Lib Moore, Beverly Ward, Mary Philbeck, John Elliott, Joy L. Bell, Gene Weathers, Richard Harrill, Dot Houser, Dr. Robert Elliott, Francis Dedmon, Julian Hamrick, Mason Hudspeth, Darea Mayberry, Eddie Crapps, Bill Sitton, David Austin, and Peter Banus.

POLL OF OPINION

WHAT GARDNER-WEBB HAS DONE FOR ME?

All good things inevitably reach their end, usually causing much regret. As the date for graduation draws nearer and nearer, our thoughts dwell mostly on the activities of the summer and on the colleges we've chosen to attend next fall. But most of us will regretfully call to mind in the months and years to come the good times we had at Gardner-Webb and the many good friends we left behind at commencement—most of them lost to us forever.

Each of us should pause somewhere along the way to let the activities of our two years here pass before us in review and attempt to evaluate our efforts, thus determining whether or not we have made the most of our opportunities.

The members of the sophomore class, scheduled to bid a fond farewell to the institution come May 24, list various and sundry means through which the college has been beneficial to them and many factors which have influenced their philosophy of life. The two years which we spent here were valuable ones. They came at a formative stage in our lives, a time when we might be greatly influenced by the surroundings to which we were subjected.

It was with this in mind that we sought out several individuals from the sophomore class to find out in what way Gardner-Webb had influenced them.

Mr. Allen Kincaid stated, "The college has served to broaden my outlook on life and on people."

Miss Joyce Hyde said, "I feel that during the two years here I have become a better person through association with my instructors, and the students."

Mr. Phil Elliott, Jr. remarked, "The most valuable one thing to me was learning how to get along with people. This comes partly from athletics, which employs teamwork. I have also chosen my profession during these two years."

Miss Gail Baucum was of the opinion that friendly atmosphere and smiling faces on this campus have meant most to her.

Mr. Ronald Henry stated, "I learned enough to be confused about everything. By this I mean that I have learned just how much I don't know. (This is the true aim of education.) I do feel that I now have a better understanding of people than I had when I came here; this is important to all of us."

DEDICATION

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—but actually there is no horizon, for when we reach the point at which we set our original goal, we still find the limitless stretch before and around us. The same challenge still presses in our hearts—Press on, press on.

It is to you who now embark on the greater voyage of education that we will still follow in memory, for the lessons learned from you will always live in our hearts. We'll always be more than ships that pass at sea, for from you we have gained much, much that we can repay only by passing to succeeding years the same high ideals, lofty inspirations, concrete example, unforgettable friendships, and all the component parts of our relations with you. Then, when our ships must embark upon their separate ways, others' hearts can echo the thought that is dominant in our own:

"When time has forged a parting link,

Our hearts can rightly say:

We find this world a nicer place

Because you passed this way."