

**PILOT POLL OF OPINION**

Our QUESTION: "What Would You Like To See In THE PILOT?"

"More articles about the students." —Mylene Radford.

"More casual pictures; pictures about typical scenes." —Jimmy Harlin.

"More 'info' about college papers." —Rachel Greene.

"More crazy jokes about funny people." —Larry Motstler.

"Intramural sports played up more, especially pictures of outstanding players." —Mrs. Haynes.

"More club news." —Patsy Cook.

"Jokes about students; I don't mean gossip." —Jeff Simmons.

"Something that would cut Roland and 'Chris.' —Mackie Day.

"Some good cartoons." — Charles Hunsinger.

"More editorials like the one before." —Betty Bridges.

"(THE PILOT)... could be improved." —Wilma Hecker.

"More material in the gossip column." —Bobby Moses.

"Think that THE PILOT could be improved by printing articles which the students want to read." —Dillard Hiat.

"I think we need a press room." —Johnny Powell (Editor's roommate).

**CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST**

By BILL KINCAID

In past years it has been customary to give an award, at commencement, for the best piece of prose and the best poem written by students for that year. This was not done last year, but THE PILOT plans to renew the contest this year.

Each edition of THE PILOT from now until the end of school will carry both a story and a poem written by a Gardner-Webb student for that month. It is the hope of the special committee of faculty members, and the best one will be recognized in the graduation services and the writer of the best prose work and best poetry will receive awards.

To be eligible for competition, the prose must contain over 300 words. All entrants for this month's contest must be handed to Ray Rollins or Bill Kincaid, or left at Mr. John Roberts' office, before January 15.

The best selection of prose and poetry will be printed in THE PILOT in its next edition.

**THE NEW LOOK IN THE PILOT**

What's this you're holding in your hands? It's a newspaper—a real newspaper. And believe it or not, this is THE PILOT—your own school newspaper. But this month, THE PILOT is different.

In an effort to top the already high previous achievements of THE PILOT, we have come up with largest volume yet in that in this issue there are eight tabloid pages of newspaper. Although this is not the first time that THE PILOT has contained as many pages as, this issue, the space increase is caused by the fact that the pages are bigger than ever before, causing the college paper to more nearly resemble a commercial newspaper.

"It has been my job as associate director of public relations," says faculty advisor John Roberts, "to make the college newspaper more like a newspaper—have it resemble a commercial newspaper. With this issue, THE PILOT more nearly does that than any previous newspaper has done. It is another step toward giving our advertisers something for their money."

The bigger and better PILOT has been made possible through the support of local merchants who realize the value of advertising. We appreciate their co-operation and we ask you to PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS.

Not only has THE PILOT increased in size, we have endeavored to make THE PILOT a newspaper that the students will look forward to reading by printing articles that the students ask for. A survey has been made among the students to find out just what the students would like to see in THE PILOT. Some of the answers received are found in the current "Poll of Opinion" column on Page 5 of this issue. Many of these requests have been complied with already.

Much credit is to be given the following students who have given much effort and sacrificed much will to meet the advertisers and come up with new material: Duane McDougald, Charles Loftin, Brannon Wilkerson, John Powell, Arthur Pullman, Ray Rollins, and Bill Kincaid.

**PLATTER CHATTER**

By ELVIS

Well, here we are again with some of the coolest of the platters. Some new discs are coming out every day. Now is a good time for you Kats with the "hot platters" to pick up a few platters, that is if you have got the "scratch". A crop of new artists are coming out with a pile of real frantic dishes.

There are some dedications to make this spinning. "The girl can't help it" by Jimmy Dean and Peggy McDowell... Skinny Dymno's recording of "So Long" to the Kats who are flunking out, and "Just for a Kick" by the Flamngos to Robert Webb... If anyone has a nickel please play "D-I" for Betty Banning... "Bring My Cadillac Back" for Doc... "One Kiss Led to Another" for Bill and Margie... "My Head is a Spinning" for "Thunderbolt".

"I Love that Girl So" for John H... "I Ain't Got No Home" to Jack W... "Since I Met You Baby" for Beana and Shelby Jean... enough for the trash let's see what's new for Christmas. Well, Clyde Mc Platter has one out on "Whirl Christmas" which is really a panic. At last there is something for the Christmas season that the Kats dig. The "Cadillac" have the "Whirl" through the Red Nose Jangle. Don't laugh, when the "Cadillac" do it the squares are cut out.

A couple of weeks ago the music business lost one of its greatest men, Tommy Dorsey. Tommy had one of America's greatest bands. At the time of his death he and his brother, Jimmy Dorsey, had a band together and have made several records in the last year that are really still going strong. Tommy and Jimmy and their own T. V. Show during the summer that was the sensation of the network. Tommy Dorsey is gone forever. A record of good music he will never die.

Play a cool role and let's hear about your favorite Platters.

**MEET MRS LEFLER**

By MRS. NITA LEFLER

NO doubt we all heard members of the female species conspicuously referred to as "gold diggers" and "money grabbers."

Although Mrs. Nita Lefler, assistant business manager of the college, could hardly be regarded by either of these terms in their figurative sense, she is responsible for "grabbing" as much as \$16,000 in one day.

To most students Mrs. Lefler is familiar as the gracious maternal exchequer who greets them periodically with "How much do you want to pay?" The usual "check" from students' accounts are due is between \$3,000 and \$5,000 per day. When asked how it feels to handle such money, Mrs. Lefler took time out to receive another student payment before answering. After she had dispensed with the "victim," she came back to the question.

"How does it feel to handle so much money? Real good! It's a pleasure!"

Actually, looking after payments of such accounts is only one of Mrs. Lefler's many-fold duties, she is well experienced in the job she performs and she fills a vital spot in the administration. In performing the general office duties, she does "a little bit of everything."

**PUBLIC DUMP NO. 2**

By TWO SQUARE FROM DELAWARE

This is the Christmas issue of the Public Dump, and in keeping with the Christmas spirit we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, BUT a word of advice to all concerned; be careful of Santa Claus, we hear he is loaded with demerits. Congratulations to Jack Watts for being selected over many candidates for "Trash Mouth" of the month.

Bill Garrett's blue Porg seems to be the fellowship wagon most in demand.

What did Lib Scruggs lose in the shop after the Basketball game?

We are wondering why Betty O'lor burst when she saw Gary Cannon's knee.

Who makes "Country" dream? Reid Armstrong, maybe.

We hear that there is a certain link on the campus whose lips curl fades when she hears a certain nickname... Isn't that right, Gladie.

We hear that M. Lou is complaining because Jackie isn't spending any money on her.

What's all this about Rollins going to chow at 5:00. Must have been hungry.

Lightning, do you still want that \$30.00 diamond ring?

Who lost their teeth on the athletic field?

Who wants to teach Hearn how to play golf?

Who was the cat with the red sideburns and green hair?

How did the cat get in Willard's room?

Makxane—Why did you black your boyfriends' eyes?

**HIC JACET DAY**

The National Association of Poetry selected this for their annual Anthology of College Poetry, selected from the best of the college poetry for 1956. The selections were made from thousands of entries from colleges all over the nation. It was written by Charles Loftin, Gardner-Webb sophomore.

Dawn comes breaking  
Like a new borne babe  
Fresh with the morning dew.  
Moon comes creeping  
Like a young maiden  
With roses in her cheeks.  
Dark comes creeping  
Like a gentle old lady  
Venerable with age.  
After dusk comes the night  
With death riding a pale white horse.  
Baby of dawn  
Maiden of noon  
Venerable lady of dusk  
You're dead  
And my heart's a-breaking.  
Loftin.

**MOVIE REVIEW**

By RONALD WILLIAMS

The top five movies I have chosen for this issue of THE PILOT have been creating a lot of talk around the campus. I suppose the one they have been talking about most is "War and Peace", starring Audrey Hepburn. It is followed closely by Elvis Presley's picture "Love Me Tender." A picture for real enjoyment is "Cute and Dolly", starring Marjorie Brande, Jean Simmons, and Frank Sinatra.

For a hilarious time in a picture that is about army life, be sure to see "The Girl He Left Behind," starring Pat Hunter, and Natalie Wood.

To fifth one I would like to recommend is "You Can't Run Away From It", starring June Allyson and Jack Lemmon.

If you have seen all of the above you will be sure to see "High Society", with Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly; "The Sharkfighters", with Victor Mature and Karen Steele; "The Magnificent Seven", with Yul Brynner, John Hodiak, and Tony Curtis; Gina Lollobrigida and Tony Curtis; "Crime in the Streets", starring Audie Murphy.

**FROM THE I. P. Bulletin**

Huntingdon, Pa. —(I.P.—) Another step in modernizing the curriculum at Juniata College has been taken by the faculty on the recommendation of its academic policy committee. The freshman course once known as Remedial English, later as Fundamentals of English, has been dropped officially this year.

For several decades this non-credit course was required for freshmen, who on admission to college, were found to be seriously defective in English. Now the department of English has urged its removal to fit with the gradual changes in admissions practices, guidance and instructional plans.

It is felt that Juniata's freshmen can be expected to take a greater share of responsibility in meeting handouts, and that other means of helping them will be more satisfactory from many angles.

Training in English composition at Juniata College has, since 1939, been provided by means of writing reports in all introductory courses in the various departments of study. Each student is assigned to write reports of the faculty for regular conference and guidance. There is no formal course in English composition.

The three R's run throughout life. The first R is Romance, at 37 it's Rent, and at 67 it's Retirement. A sensible girl is one who is more sensible than the looks, because a sensible girl has more sense than to look sensible.

**I MEET DEATH**

By RONALD BEANE

Have you ever wondered who stays on campus during the holidays? Ghosts? I encountered quite a few of them during my recent stay in the campus during Thanksgiving holidays.

Having more studying than I could handle at the moment, and since my parents were going to be away, I decided to remain here during the holidays.

Everything was fine the first night, Wednesday, but the following night was another experience. After spending some time studying, I decided to commiserate with my friend, the T. V. in Ducker Hall.

It was late in the evening and I was slowly, mainly because of the deathly silence in the atmosphere around the campus. The days weren't too bad because I ate my meals (my deepest appreciation to Miss Odum and one member of her staff, Mrs. Jolley) in the cafeteria while the meals were in preparation for the clinic. There were several football games on T. V. along with many interesting programs which also passed the time.

Everything went according to schedule until Saturday night and that is when my thoughts (horror to be exact) reached their highest peak. I began to wonder about many things, namely Satan. "What if I should suddenly be asked to wear a shower sign during? What will I do? Why am I brave, (Just my thinking) I'd go see who the chap is and find out what he is up to. "I prefer it," I would say, "who are you, and what do you want?" My is very coldly answered, "my name is Death and I want you." I decided right then and there that he didn't want me and he would play a hard game trying to catch me.

I finally brushed this aside and there were more. This was only one of my many participations in such

**G-W Debators Take Honors At Boone**

Glenda Parton, Gardner-Webb College freshman from Spinale, won a place award Dec. 5 in the Appalachian Mountain Forensic tournament in Boone.

The debate tournament had its 10th annual meet last week with entrants from eight colleges in the Carolinas and Tennessee.

Another honor copied by a Gardner-Webb representative was won by Carolyn Profit of Bakersville, who took second place in women's poetry reading.

Gardner-Webb also won team dedication over representatives of West Hill College and Appalachian State Teachers College. They used the national debate query: "RESOLVE: THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD CEASE TO GRANT ECONOMIC AID TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES."

The debate teams are composed of Sandra Clark of Charlotte, Lois Gillette of Atlanta, Ga., Jeanette Bolok of Gastonia, Carolyn Profit of Bakersville, and Glenda Parton of Spinale. F. E. DeWitt, head of the English department is faculty advisor.

Here lies my wife Samantha Proctor. She ketches a cold and wouldn't doctor. She couldn't stay, she had to go. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

encounters. All in all, I became very close friends with these jokers and perhaps I'll meet up with them in the future—let's hope it won't be soon.

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