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## NEW TEACHERS JOIN G. W. STAFF

WHAT IS

### COMPULSORY RELIGION?

By Rev. T. Max Linnens

The new pastor of the Boiling Springs Baptist Church is the Reverend Thomas Max Linnens. He and his family have been living in this area since September and already have endeared themselves to the community.

A native of Graham, Mr. Linnens is 38 years old. He is married to the former Miss Ann Davis of Burlington, and they have three children, Mackie, 12; Nancy Ann, 8; and Stephen Davis, 15 months. Mr. Linnens is a veteran of the Marine Corps service and was in business for several years before entering the ministry.

He is a 1938 graduate of Gardner-Webb College, graduated with honors from Wake Forest, and received the B. D. degree in 1957 from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. For the past 20 months he has been pastor of the First Baptist Church in Saint Paul. Prior to that he served Lenoir Baptist Church, Chapel Hill, for four-and-a-half years as pastor. While at Gardner-Webb he held interim pastorates in Spinalde, Kings Mountain, and Siontown.

We of The Pilot staff welcome our new pastor and his family and hope for God's richest blessings on them.

No college student will flunk a course in religion if he has over three unexcused absences from the worship services of the church in one semester. Attendance is not compulsory. If you are compelled to come to church it will be through the constraining love of Christ and your desire to find and follow His will for your life. To help bind you to the Lord and His church there are the prayers of those who love you and want you to have the best in spiritual preparation for life.

The loss you will suffer from neglecting the regular worship services will be far greater than the loss of credit for a college course. You may be able to make up credit for a college course in summer school, but worship services are not repeated for those who miss them. You simply have to take up where you come in. A common complaint often heard from the sporadic worshipper is that he just doesn't get much from the worship service. This isn't hard to understand, is it? Those who neglect the worship services get out of practice, and forget how to participate whole-heartedly in the worship service. Many of these wind up becoming spectators rather than participants.

Charles W. Horner, State Secretary of the Student Department of South Carolina says in the October issue of the Key News: "I believe the student who spends most of his weekends at home or somewhere other than in his college church is missing one of the greatest experiences in his college career. . . ."

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Rev. T. M. Linnens

### Looking Backward . . .

By Sue McClure

Let's look back in retrospect a few moments and see how the activities of the Baptist Student Union speak louder than their words. This proverb really speaks for itself on Gardner-Webb campus this fall. The happy-go-lucky freshmen were welcomed with friendly smiles from the D. S. U. council members. The B. S. U. made its first big hit with refreshing lemonade for all the students, new and old, on Monday, September 1, 1958.

The party given by the B. S. U. made many life long friends. Introductions were many, and all were able to learn a few of the students on campus.

The B. S. U. is interested in many aspects of the students here on campus. The progress of the devotional life of each individual has been a vital factor in the B. S. U. program. They maintain an average attendance of ninety-one. Our teachers for the year are: Mr. Moseley and Mr. Osborne for the two boys' classes, Miss Jones and Mr. Burris are the teachers for the girls. All the classes have elected their individual officers and are ready to start out on a very successful year.

The Training Union has as its leaders, Carey Green, Margaret England, and Nancy Ann Carter. It has maintained an average of fifty-six. We urge each one of you to take an hour and attend Training Union on Sunday night. We are certain you will gain much from your attendance.

Lloyd Green and his group are urging all those who are seeking God's guidance in their life, whether it be doctor, lawyer, nurse, or secretary to join the Christian Volunteer Band. This band has had two regular meetings and are ready for their selection of officers at the next meeting. The road is open to them for a very meaningful and successful year in their Christian work.

The B. S. U. organizations have really shown how they plan to plot out the life of students at Gardner-Webb this year. Under the prayerful guidance of God, the B. S. U. along with the other students on campus are sure to have a happy and meaningful life.

### Looking Ahead . . .

Although many students think that the Baptist Student Union

works only at the first of the year, this is not the case this year because the B. S. U. has a very active program planned for the rest of the year at Gardner-Webb.

One of our most long-awaited affairs is the trip to Charlotte to the Billy Graham Crusade one night each week. We truly feel that these trips will be an inspiration for all the students who are able to attend the services.

The fall convention of the Baptist Student Union will be held at Asheville, North Carolina, October 31st, through November 2, 1958. We are urging all students to sincerely consider going to Asheville with us. Any sophomore can tell you what a wonderful time you will experience at any B. S. U. convention.

The revival on Gardner-Webb campus is truly one of the highlights of the year. The theme for our revival this year is The Challenge for Christian Youth. Rev. Warren Curt will be our guest speaker for the week. The dates of our revival are November 10-14th. Now is the time to start planning for our revival. If our meeting is to be a success, we need everyone's daily prayers.

Another unusual treat we have this year is the appearance of the Missions Team on our campus on Monday, October 20th. Our missionary speaker will be Dr. Huo Culpepper, Miss Sara Ann Hobbs, the State Y. W. A. Leader, and Mr. Harold Cole from the Student Department in Raleigh will accompany him. These leaders will be available for conferences in Stroup Dormitory. We urge you to visit with these leaders anytime after lunch.

The events most welcomed by the students on our campus are the Sunday night fellowships at the different faculty members' homes. The first fellowship will be at Dean Turrell's house. We have a social hour of games and entertainment followed by delightful refreshments. Such a good attracts many persons. The B. S. U. is expecting a big turnout every third Sunday night at the different faculty members' homes. We will see you there.

We will close with our B. S. U. news bulletin for now and will continue in the next issue of The Pilot. May God's richest blessings be upon you all.



Left to Right—Mr. C. Allen Burris, Mrs. Martha Deidmond, Mr. James Chamblee, Mrs. C. A. Chandler, Coach Blackburn, and Miss Ruth Elizabeth Mabius.

### Gardner-Webb Welcomes New Teachers

By Monty Mills  
Six new teachers have been added to the Gardner-Webb College faculty this fall. Some of you probably have become acquainted with them through their teaching. For those of you who do not know them, the Gardner-Webb College Pilot introduces them to you:  
Coach Robert Blackburn, a former Gardner-Webb student, hails from Mooresboro in Cleveland County. Mr. Blackburn attended Gardner-Webb College and Erskine College in Due West, South Carolina. He majored in Physical Education and Health in college.  
When asked his opinion of Gardner-

Webb, Coach Blackburn simply stated, "I'm Back." It sounds as if Mr. Blackburn is really going to enjoy his teaching and coaching job at Gardner-Webb.

Mr. Blackburn's hobbies are naturally sports. He dislikes it very much when the boys mess up, so you guys better keep on your toes and win those games. He enjoys listening to popular music, and his favorite food is—good food.

Mrs. C. A. Chandler, the new house mother at Decker Hall, is from the neighboring Rutherford County. Mrs. Chandler attended the University of North Carolina, where she took extension courses in Social Studies.

### Attention Freshmen!

By President P. L. Elliott  
The business of going away to college as Freshmen is not a simple matter. There is the matter of adjustment to new ways and new surroundings. Regardless of restrictions there are a number of freedoms one is not accustomed to. There, too, are certain pressures the influences of which one must accept or reject. The matter of choices which at once is a person's greatest privilege and his greatest danger cannot be avoided. One is forced to grow up either with or against his will.

Perhaps your most important choice is whether you are going to seek to become educated or secure skill only with which to hold a job. Education in its finest sense is attitude which carries with it the desire to know the best and finest life's gardens and not its gutters. This attitude arises out of the atmosphere or climate of what we do. It is how and how we do it. It is through the subjecting of our minds and emotions to great literature, music, art, and helpful deeds of service to others together with the discipline of conscientious study and wholesome fun and fellowship that we arrive at adulthood. The difficulty is that no one can make the choice for you; and once made they have a way of becoming permanent. The best the college can do for you is to create an atmosphere that might make right choices more attractive and cheap things less appealing.

She thinks that Gardner - Webb has a wonderful Christian atmosphere, and she thinks highly of her boys over at Decker. Since she has six children of her own, Mrs. Chandler is well qualified for the position of house mother.

Mrs. Chandler has as her hobby growing flowers. With her duties at Decker, she probably won't have much time for flowers this year. Mom Chandler's favorite kind of food is fruit, and her favorite music is just good music.

The new History teacher, Mr. C. Allen Burris, is from Wingate. He and his wife, a former teacher, have one child, a two year old daughter. Mr. Burris attended Wingate College, Wake Forest, Southern Seminary, Southeastern Seminary, and Duke University. He majored in History and Government. This is Mr. Burris' first year as a regular teacher, and I hope that it is a rewarding year.

Being very familiar with junior colleges, he is very impressed with Gardner-Webb. Golf, tennis and singing are his favorite hobbies. Mr. Burris enjoys most any type of music, but he particularly enjoys choral and group singing. His favorite food is homemade bread.

Another of our new teachers this year is a former student of Gardner-Webb; she is Mrs. Martha C. Deidmond from Cliffside. Mrs. Deidmond teaches freshman English. She attended Gardner - Webb, Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee, Appalachian State

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