FROM THE EDITOR

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the first issue of the 1958-59 Pilot. I, along with the Pilot staff are hoping that each of you will take a personal interest in the school paper. The staff has been working hard to try to bring you a paper that will take a place right beside your chemistry, algebra, or any other subjects. We are trying hard to bring you topics that will be both interesting and educational. Also, we realize that a paper without pictures does not hold much interest. Therefore, this year we hope to put before your eyes more action shots. However, even though we are putting a lot of effort into the paper, there will still be room for suggestions and improvements. We will gladly welcome any advice or suggestions, pro or con. After all, it is your paper.

With a new crop of freshmen in, there seems to be a better atmosphere on campus this year, something which Gardner-Webb needs. School spirit up to this point has been better than last year, but there is still need for improvement. This spirit has one source—the students. Spirit started off with a bang at the Chowan game. Since then it has tapered off somewhat. When this happens not only the ball games lose this spirit but what social activities we do have lose it also. Last year attendance at ball games was off, student participation in intramural sports and activities, and things of this nature, were also off. Part of the cause was that of bad organization of activities on the part of the students and faculty. However, the major cause was that of the lack of interest and spirit on the part of the student body. It all goes back to the old saying, "A school is no better than the people in it."

This year has the potential of being a good year for Gardner-Webb. However, this potential lies in the spirit of the students at Gardner-Webb. It is up to YOU!

FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

Welcome to the first issue of The Pilot. This is your paper, and in it will be found the articles which reflect the attitudes and atmosphere of the Gardner-Webb campus. We, the editors and staff, are dedicating ourselves to the task of issuing a monthly paper of which you can be proud. Your help is needed, too, to make this promise become a reality.

To you who are here for the first time, we say hello; to you who are returning for the second year, we present our congratulations for your courage; to you who are trying for three consecutive years, we extend our sympathy.

In The Pilot this month you will notice some new and different articles—"Meet Your Staff," "Top Sophs," "Club Capers," "Top Prof," "Ramblin' Around," "Mic's Message," and "To Help You." We sincerely hope you will enjoy these monthly features and will receive beneficial results from them. If you have any criticism for the paper—either adverse or constructive—we welcome it; indeed, we ask for it! The first few issues will necessarily be experimental and succeeding issues will be the result of much alteration and manipulation. But by the process of evolution and maturation The Pilot is going to emerge a top-flight paper.

The paper is to be a "mouthpiece" for the important happenings, questions, and arguments here at Gardner-Webb. Both the good side and the bad side of various topics will be presented. The lethargic lack of interest which envelops some schools is not to be found here. The Pilot plans to increase our school spirit by presenting to the student body problems that need solving. We ask your support in our efforts for a good school newspaper.

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The Gift Of A Teacher

The following poem was clipped from the Mountaineer of Lenoir High School. This bit of verse exemplifies the qualities many people consider ideal for a teacher. Jay Allen, who wrote this poem, is in his third year of teaching.

BY JAY ALLEN

Ah, but this is my desire!
To give this package to you, O world.
I will wrap it with the greatest of care.
Line the inside completely with love,
And wrap it carefully with knowledge.
Then would I tie it with the bonds of wisdom,
And make the bow of great character.
Too, I would smooth away the creases of crudeness,
And brush off the spots of ugliness.
Finally, place on it seals with the Blessings of God.
Oh, the contents of this package?
My students.

COMPULSORY RELIGION
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thermore, the habitual 'week-end excuser' who goes home is being retarded in his emotional development as well. College students are supposed to be on the threshold, at least, of attaining emotional maturity, but if too frequent tightening of apron fittings is indulged, his attaining adulthood is delayed. Actually, permanent damage may ensue."

Your education, apart from a strong faith in Jesus Christ will do little for you in making a life. Our early forefathers knew that the only education worthy of the name was Christian education. One hundred and forty years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence the motto of Harvard University was given as **In Christi Gloriam** (for the glory of Christ). The school's first president, Master Dunster emphasized the spiritual values to the students when he said: "Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well, the main end of his life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life . . . Christ is the only foundation of sound knowledge and learning." Our church seeks to help you learn the chief end of your life and studies.

The Choir

The new choir officers for the coming year are as follows: John Jordan, President; Rebecca Greene, Librarian; Mr. Chamblee, Director.

The aim of the choir is to bring a message in song.

The choir gives several concerts a year: the Thanksgiving Concert, the Christmas Concert and a spring tour of concerts. There are also a number of individual engagements.

The choir meets as a class on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

To be a member of the choir you must have a willingness to work hard and a deep appreciation of music.

MIC'S MESSAGE

By Mickey Morrow

II Corinthians 4:5

For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

On campus, we have the opportunity of glorifying the name of our Saviour everyday. God has blessed us with so many talents—a smile, a handclasp, a friendly word. These things were given not to bring any praise or honor to ourselves but to the name of Jesus. Be mindful of every word you say and every action you perform that they might be used to lead others to Christ.

TO HELP YOU

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE

By Joseph Godwin

Each month in this section Mr. Godwin will discuss various vocations. For this issue he is introducing his subject with an explanation of vocational guidance.

There is nothing magic about vocational guidance. There are basic considerations which should be a part of every person's preparation for life's work. These apply to every vocation.

First is the question, "Do I have the basic intelligence for the training and work required in this field?" Some jobs require much more mental endowment and cultivation than others. There are available tests to determine one's mental ability.

Social adaptability is important. "Can I get along with people? Am I happier working in close contact with people or working alone?" There are tests to help determine this, and it is very important. People quit jobs far more frequently because of inter-personal difficulties than they do because of salary, or the physical conditions of the plant or office in which they work. This simply means that people will not continue to work on the same job permanently if they are not happy.

Personality makeup must be considered. A person remains a part of his total past. Some people choose jobs which will eventually cause a "nervous breakdown." To avoid this emotional disturbance, it is helpful sometimes to take a series of tests to find out if there are emotional or personality weaknesses that might be regarded as danger signals.

There is no such thing as intelligence that can be exerted in only one direction. **Theoretically**, a person who can do things well should succeed in any one of several fields of endeavor. But what one would like to do and what God would like for him to do has much to do with success. The Christian concept of talent stewardship is that we, as Christians ,are servants of God; and in the master-servant relationship, it is always the Master who gives the orders. In obeying those orders there is no failure!

When all other considerations are had one might recall that "The quest for God's will is life's greatest adventure; the finding of God's will is life's greatest discovery; and the doing of God's will is life's greatest achievement."

OCTOBER — TOP SOPHS

By Paula Winstead

This new feature, "Top Sophs," we hope to make one of the focal points of The Pilot this year. Each month the Sophomore Class will elect two of its members—a boy and a girl—as the two to be honored in this column. The results of the secret voting will appear first in this column.

As they are coming out of the local Baptist Church, we meet our "Top Sophs" for October, Sandra Gibson and Mickey Morrow. The church is where they most often can be found since they are both greatly interested in the Lord's work.

The feminine half of our couple is a native Shelbian, having been born there. Sandra attended Number 3 High School, near Earl. When it was time to begin investigating colleges, her immediate preference was Gardner-Webb because, as Sandra tells us, "I knew some former students who recommended the college; also, Mr. Godwin, who is a good friend of the family, influenced me." Taking a Liberal Arts course, Sandra's favorite course is Professor Dedmond's Shakespeare class. If things work out, Sandra will be traveling "Deep in the Heart of Texas" to Baylor University next year in order to complete the training necessary for her chosen profession—Minister of Music and Educational Director of a church. Her old tomboy attitude shows through in Sandra's wish for a family—six sons; no daughters. Each of us has a secret ambition; Sandra's secret wish was to be a brain surgeon, but she realizes now that she was being called to her present choice.

Active in many fields, "Miss Top Soph" is Vice President of the B. S. U., a member of the Y. W. A.'s, Christian Volunteer Band, and the Choir; she is the very capable organist for the Sunday School of the Boiling Springs Baptist Church, of which she is an active member. In addition to her many extracurricular activities, Sandra handles the very painstaking job of checking the 300 or more meal tickets which pass by her cashier's table in the cafeteria three times a day.

In her spare time, Sandra enjoys cooking and sewing. Making her clothes is one of her hobbies as is reading and horseback riding. She also enjoys football games and is an exuberant G-W Bulldogs fan.

When asked some of her favorites in the literary, musical, and entertainment field, Sandra gave the following replies: movie, "Gone With the Wind," food, pizza; book, **Pilgrim's Progress**; song, "You'll Never Walk Alone"; and vacation spot, the mountains. Her ideal date should be a wholesome type who likes to have fun in the right way. She likes to go out, but enjoys a "stay-at-home" date, too—listening to Mantovani's music and eating home-made candy.

Sandra feels that the most pressing need here at Gardner-Webb is heightened school spirit and more fellowship between the boys and girls, and, especially, a closer relationship with Christian ideals.

In answer to the query of how can the adverse conditions in our world be changed, Sandra said, "I believe that Christ has the answer to better world conditions, and that our leaders must come to realize that there is a greater power than they, which can lead us to a better world."

The other half of the October "Top Sophs" is one of the friendliest and most courteous students at Gardner-Webb. As a matter of fact, Mickey Morrow attained these two titles — "Friendliest" and "Most Courteous"—in his Senior year at Shelby High School. Shelby is his home, and it was there that Mickey first "set the world on fire"—on May 4, 1939, the date of Mickey's birth, his home caught on fire!

Living so near to Gardner - Webb, Mickey knew enough about this institution to agree with his pastor that this was the place for him. Liberal Arts is the course which "Mr. Top Soph" is pursuing. The subject in which he finds the most enjoyment is Advanced Bible under Mr. Morrisett because Mickey feels that "I am, in Advanced Bible, discovering a lot of new truths that I never knew were there." Although Mickey is somewhat undecided about his plans after graduating from Gardner-Webb he hopes to continue his study for the Ministry at Carson-Newman College.

To put Christ into the hearts of all with whom he comes into contact is Mickey's ambition; he hopes, as his future vocation, to be a "plain, everyday preacher."

Mickey has been very active here at Gardner-Webb both last year and this year. He is the President of the Dramatic Society, President of the Circle K Club, LISTEN Chairman, Vice-President of his B. T. U. class, Vice-President of HAPY Dorm a writer on The Pilot, and a member of the Radio Club. Last year the Dramatics Award was presented to Mickey in recognition of his many achievements in that field, the most noteworthy being his participation in "The Glass Menagerie." Mickey works in Shelby on Saturdy at Hudson's Department Store and here on campus is one of the capable library staff.

For his list of "favorites," Mickey offered the following: movie, "The Ten Commandments"; food, steak; book, **The Count of Monte Cristo**; song, "Walk Hand in Hand"; vacation spot, mountains; and color, pink.

More and better recreational facilities are needed at Gardner - Webb, Mickey feels.

Mickey's ideal date should have the following requirements: be full

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