

Alpha Beta Gamma

The "ETA" chapter of the National Alpha Beta Gamma Fraternity held its first meeting of the year on October 10. New officers were elected to the following positions: President, Jim Stokes; Vice-president, Roland Yow; Secretary, Fred Childers; Treasurer, Steve Dalton; and Program Chairman, Irene Schmidt.

At the following meeting of October 26, Miss Jo Anne Brittain was chosen as the club sponsor for Homecoming.

At the next meeting which will be held early in November, Mr. M. A. Mosley, faculty advisor of the club, is to speak on astronomy and Greek Mythology. At the meeting, members will observe various constellations, planets, stars, craters on the moon, and perhaps the "Russian Man in the Moon."

The club is looking forward to a very active program in the coming

Prof. Mosley Writes Slide Rule Book

Three years ago Mr. Mosley started teaching the slide rule. He could not find a book that would fit the needs of his students, so he started writing one of his own. After writing and revising for two years, he has come up with **Fundamental Function on the Use of the Slide Rule**, which is in the process of being published.

The slide rule is an aid and not an escape from mathematics. One should know some mathematics before he takes a course in the slide rule.

After years of teaching Gardner-Webb students and students out of college, he found a great deal of difference in the background of students. The book deals with the slide rule from the most basic and fundamental level and is intended for a self-study book as well as a book to be taught in a classroom. It begins with the simplest scales and goes through to the log log, or engineering, scales. There is also an interesting discussion on the Chinese abacus.

At the present the book is being taught in several high schools and some colleges. The book is intended for high school and college use and for people who may lack a formal background in mathematics.

Mr. Mosley will teach a course on the slide rule this semester to Gardner-Webb students. Next semester he will teach the course to interested people in the surrounding area. In the past three years he has taught an average of ninety-five students per year to use the slide rule.

Mr. Mosley is working on another book, which is a laboratory manual for freshman chemistry. It will be used next year at Gardner-Webb in mimeographed form.

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CROWNING OF QUEEN HIGHLIGHTS HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

Gardner-Webb observed the annual Homecoming activities during the half-time exercises at the Gardner-Webb and Lees-McRae football game on October 31 at the Shelby football stadium. The main attraction was the crowning of the Homecoming Queen by Dr. P. L. Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb College. Gardner-Webb's reigning Florida beauty, Miss Jeri McCormick, comes from Jacksonville. Jeri is a freshman and supports the Bulldogs as one of the leading cheerleaders. The sophomore attendant was Miss Scottie Proffitt, a beauty from Dak-

ersville, North Carolina. Miss Linda Sharpe, hailing from Lenoir, North Carolina, attended the queen as the Freshman attendant.

Surrounding the queen and her attendants were a number of beauties sponsored by the sophomore class, freshman class, and other various organizations of the college.

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Much glamour was added to the Homecoming football game by the Homecoming queen and her attendants. Left to right are Miss Scottie Proffitt, sophomore attendant; Miss Jeri McCormick, queen; and Miss Linda Sharpe, freshman attendant.

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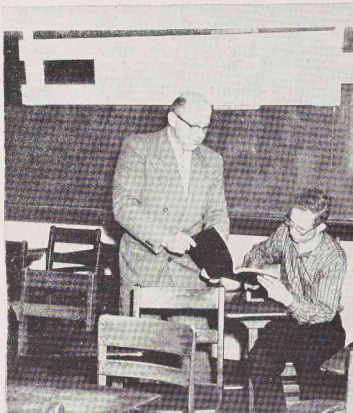
The Future Teachers Club held its regular monthly meeting October 29. Although most of the members were not present due to the Convocation program, those present had a very impressive meeting. Nick Thrope gave the club an idea of the educational system in Greece. His talk, though very informal, was most interesting.

The club voted to be affiliated with the National Future Teachers of America. This move promises to add more prestige and interest to the club.

Any student interested in the teaching profession is cordially invited to attend the next meeting held on November 19, in the O. Max Gardner Building at 7:15. The club is under the leadership of Max Crowder, president, and Mr. Thirion Osborne, sponsor.

Gardner-Webb Novice Debaters Win Three Debates At Wake Forest Tournament

The Gardner-Webb novice debaters came away from the recent Wake Forest Novice Debate Tournament with three wins over three teams from three different states. Falling victim to Gardner-Webb's persuasive and argumentative powers were teams from Wake Forest College, the University of South Carolina, and Bridgewater College. The debates were on the national collegiate debate question: "Resolved, that Congress should be given the power to reverse decisions of the Supreme Court."



Mr. Mosley explains the mimeographed copy of his slide rule book to one of his chemistry students.

English As She Is Spoke In Them Thor Hills

Dialects are common among all English-speaking peoples. It should be understood, however, that the dialect varies a good deal from place to place.

Since the Appalachian people have a marked Scotch-Irish strain, we would expect their speech to show a strong Scotch influence. But so far as vocabulary goes there is really little of it. A few words — cagy, cooie, ferret, gim for if, reddeasy, trill-p — almost exhaust the list of distinct Scottisms.

Scotch influence does appear, however, in one vital characteristic of pronunciation; with few exceptions the highlanders sound "r" distinctly — though they never trill it. Mountaineers don't say "nigabah" or "with Catina."

Mountaineers waste a lot of breath at times by inserting sounds where they do not belong. Sometimes it is an added consonant: garden, across, yards.

Sometimes they substitute one sound for another. Hed (had), kem (came), keerful, rifle (traffle), wrop, fur, rutner, sarve (serve), chist, uper, arr (there), catch, whaps.

The word woman has suffered some strange changes. Some mountaineers drop the "w" (oman); others add "r" (owmerr), while in Mitchell County, we hear ummerr and dummers ("ha, look at all the dummerses a-comin").

Seldom is the mountaineer at loss for a word. Lacking other means of expression, there will come "spang" from his mouth a connotation of his own. Instantly he will create new words by combination or by turning the parts of speech.

"That her'll meel me a month!"
"They churred sal for tale-bearing!"
"Grammy kept faultin' us all day!"
"Are you fixin' to go squerlin'?"
"I disgust bad liquor!"
"This poke salat eats good!"
"I wouldn't pleasure them enough to say it!"

Then a verb will be coined from an adverb: "We better git some wood, bettern we." Or from an adjective: "Much (pet him) that dog and see won't be come along." "I didn't do narythin' to contrary her." "That onion'll strong yer!" "Litle Jimmy fell down and he benastified himself!"

Conversely, nouns are created from verbs. "Hit don't make no differ." "You can get yer one more gettin' o' wood up thar."

There are many corrupt forms of "say it!"
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