

PTK Honors Miss Kiser

A certificate of honorary membership in the Lambda Omega chapter of Phi Theta Kappa was awarded Miss Ruth Kiser, dean of women and co-sponsor of the chapter, at chapel services at Gardner-Webb College on February 1. The certificate was presented on behalf of the chapter by Professor J. O. Terrell, adviser to the faculty committee of Phi Theta Kappa.

In presenting the certificate Mr. Terrell said that much of the credit for organizing a chapter of the national honor society was due to Miss Kiser's efforts. The Phi Theta Kappa chapter, which received its national charter last spring, grew out of the former Marshal Club which Miss Kiser sponsored.

Mr. Terrell said that Gardner-Webb College now has the unique distinction of having three members of the faculty who have been awarded honorary membership in Phi Theta Kappa chapters in three different junior colleges. Norman College bestowed honorary membership on Dean Eugene M. Keebler, while he was serving as dean of the Georgia college. Miss Kathryn Copeland, co-sponsor of the Gardner-Webb Chapter, was recognized with honorary membership by the Anderson College chapter, which she helped to organize and sponsored before coming to Gardner-Webb College.

At the special service on Thursday morning certificates of membership were presented to three students who met the scholastic requirements for membership and were initiated during the last semester. Students receiving certificates were Bobby Devine of Lawndale, Melvin Flynn of Pilot Mountain, and Walter Davenport of Greenville, South Carolina.

Charles Gidney, president of the Lambda Omega chapter, announced that a ticket was to be presented to Dean Keebler for the Phi Theta Kappa breakfast to be held in Seattle, Washington, in connection with the annual convention of the American Association of Junior Colleges, February 28.

35 Students Excel Academically

About five per cent of our students (a number far too small incidentally) are walking around these days with a light in their eyes which has nothing to do with Valentines. Comments being heard are: "Let me figure it, that's not right," and "Won't Mother be proud of me now?" "My, what a bright child I must be!" These people have had the good fortune to survive all the horrors and atrocities which their professors spent the long nights dreaming up. Three students came out with almost an unbelievable 4.0 average. These were: Walter Davenport, Nancy Rider, and Mrs. Shirley Luckadoe. Other students on the Dean's List are: Clyde Buckner, Melvin Flynn, and David Washburn. There are others to be congratulated—those who managed to maintain a 3.2 average. Their names are:

Dianne Anderson, Floyd Benfield, William Biggerstaff, Richard Bruggemann, Deanna Caldwell, Jimmy C. Cooke, Annie Dilling, Mrs. Nancy S. Dyson, Barry Edward, Charles Gidney, Ben Harding, Karl Hedrick, Jr., Suzy Hedrick, James Holland, Sue Humphries, Cornelia Jenkins.

Diane Jones, Jacynthia Jones, Richard Lineberry, Dorothy Pennington, Robert Redding, Betty Richie, Jack Spainhour, Jr., Alpha Sourlin, Glenda Turner, Wallace Tysler, Jr., Louwanda Watson, William B. Watterson, Barbara Wright.

This in itself is quite an achievement. These, we are sure, will in time receive due reward for their efforts. We, the unfortunate, admire you. In the immortal words of Professor Stacy, "Hallowed be thy name." Seriously, we are very proud of your efforts. Congratulations!

Break-Out Staged Great Books Club

If you happened upon what looked like a break-in in the Webb building a few weeks back, you were mistaken in your deduction. It was an inside job—a break out. About an even dozen, including three G-W faculty members and some leading citizens of Shelby, members of the Great Books Discussion Club had the misfortune of being locked in by Mrs. Dorothy Hamrick, who claimed she didn't know there was anyone in the building. "A good time was had by all" climbing out the front window. We just wish there had been a camera handy to get shots of Miss Copeland and Miss Jones taking their unusual constitutional.

Miss Kathryn Copeland and Tom Harris are the leaders for this group of nineteen members organized in Shelby in October, along with another faculty member, Miss Doris Jones, who was hostess for the group in the Conference room in the Webb building at the time of the break out.

English Professor Authors Article

By Johnny Greene

In spring a young man's fancy also turns to travel. Everyone, like myself, has probably dreamed of that trip to Europe.

"Every summer the continent of Europe comes with crowds of culture seeking, camera carrying, cola-consuming American tourists," writes Miss Kathryn Copeland, English professor at Gardner-Webb College in an article which appeared in the summer edition of the Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin, official magazine for the international honorary organization for key women teachers.

In the article Miss Copeland warned that "Like William the Conqueror, who laid waste the English seaboard to prevent the Danes from finding foothold on his newly-won territory, our neighbors to the East (notwithstanding the lucrative tourist trade) may eventually be tempted to set up hazards to turn back the plundering hordes of western tourists."

I consider the consumption of Miss Copeland's article as necessary as a wash-and-wear suit for your dream trip to Europe. The magazine containing the article may be found in the college library.

The article in contrast to Mark Twain's *Innocents Abroad* is called *Irritants Abroad*. Inspired by a former Baylor University teacher and Browning scholar, Dr. A. J. Armstrong, Miss Copeland and a group of what she calls Irritants Abroad crossed the Atlantic in 1959 for a tour of Great Britain and European countries. In a humorous style the author makes a number of suggestions for Americans planning to travel in Europe.

The Gardner-Webb teacher emphasizes that "Every American who goes abroad is helping or hindering the reputation of his country." She says that "A well-informed American can become an admirable amateur ambassador."

I suggest that we all read the article before taking that first train abroad so that we may feel less like Yahoos among Houyhnhnms.

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