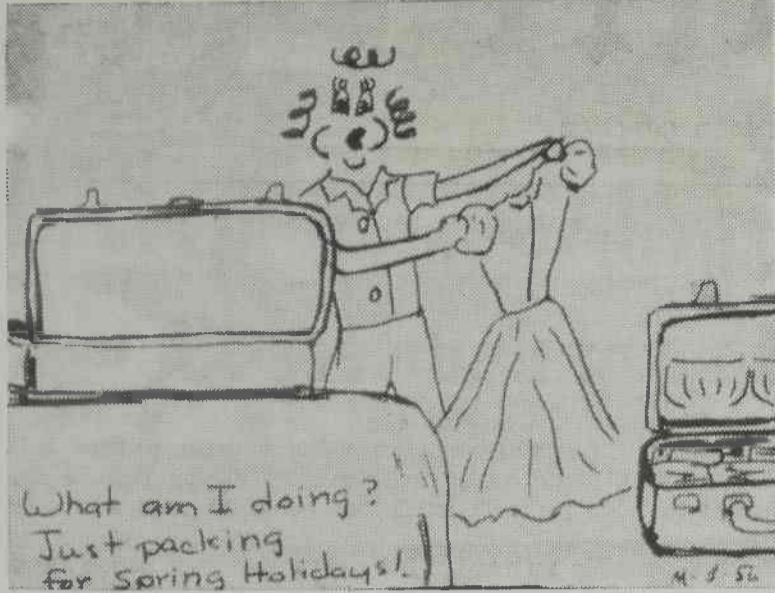


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Be the Best of Whatever You Are

We all dream of great deeds and high positions, away from the pettiness and humdrum of ordinary life. Yet success is not occupying a lofty place or doing conspicuous work; it is being the best that is in you. Rattling around in too big a job is worse than filling a small one to overflowing. Dream, aspire by all means; but do not ruin the life you must lead by dreaming pipe dreams of the one you would like to lead. Make the most of what you have and are. Perhaps your trivial, immediate task is your one sure way of proving your mettle. Do the thing near at hand, and great things will come to your hand to be done.

from Best Loved Poems of the American People

If you can't be a pine on the top of the hill,
Be a scrub in the valley—but be
The best little scrub by the side of the rill;
Be a bush if you can't be a tree.

If you can't be a bush be at bit of grass,
And some highway happier make;
If you can't be a muskie then just be a bass—
But the liveliest bass in the lake!

We can't all be captains, we've got to be crew,
There's something for all of us here,
There's big work to do, and there's lesser to do,
And the task you must do is the near.

If you can't be a highway, then just be a trail,
If you can't be the sun be a star;
It isn't by size that you win or fail—
Be the best of whatever you are!

Douglas Malloch

Calendar Stars Events For Next Weeks

- March 13 — Election of vice president of the CA.
- March 14 — Election of secretary of the SA.
- March 15 — Election of secretary of the CA. "The Madwoman of Chaillot" — 8 o'clock.
- March 16 — Election of treasurers of CA, SA.
- March 17 — Junior-Senior dance.
- March 19 — Election of class presidents. Red Springs Religious Emphasis Week begins.
- March 20 — Election of society presidents.
- March 21 — Election of Skirl editor and Day Student president. Red Springs Religious Emphasis Week ends.
- March 24 — Chorus home concert, Music Federation.

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Personality Profile

Personality Likes Recreation, Scouts

by Sarah Jordan

Our personality this month is an only child. She doesn't live too far from here, either. Rockfish, her home, is only a few miles from Red Springs, and in the second semester of her freshman year she was a day student. She is very interested in science, and even considered teaching it, but now she is a Bible and Christian Education major.

She is quite good at sports, especially volleyball and basketball, which she enjoys playing. Another favorite pastime of hers is reading. Among the top ones on her "reading for enjoyment" list are movie magazines and Mad Comic books. She is also fond of sleeping and studying.

Good at Sports

She has worked on the Pine and Thistle staff, and was Girl Scout leader on the Westminster Fellowship council.

She is very conscientious about her work, and, as all Bible and Christian Education majors, she spends hours in the library. It is a good thing she likes to study. Perhaps she will leave some of this valuable trait behind for some of us when she graduates this year.

Works in Camps

She has spent very interesting summer vacations working at camps. Doesn't this sound like fun? She thoroughly enjoys this part of the year I am told.

Her favorite foods are honey, coffee, and Mars bars. (Not at the same time, though.)

Charleton Heston is her favorite movie star and Duke is the school she pulls for. Her mother, another favorite, is a frequent visitor here.

Plans DCE Work

She plans to work as a Director of Christian Education next year, and with her experience working in camps, she will be a good leader.

This vivacious and versatile 'gal' who was a class officer in her junior year is none other than Pat Ritter.



Personality Pat Ritter lounges in the tea hole.

From The Circle Outgoing Council Looks Over Past Year

by Betty Joe Hatcher

Elections are well under way now and the old council looks over the past year with mixed emotions. We have had a great year but we wonder if we have done our best.

To the new council we say good luck and we hope you have a good year. Thanks to the administration for their work with us. Thanks to the students, they have really made this year a great one for us. To sum our work this year the main projects have been the establishment of the student store and the purchase of the filing cabinet and secretary's file.

I think I speak for the council when I say thanks to everyone for making our year on the council a great one. It has been a year filled with joys, sorrows, and disappointments. It has meant long hours in the Spanish classroom. These were things we knew would come when we accepted the job a year ago. Our joys have outweighed our disappointments and our re-

wards have been many. It has been a great privilege to serve you.

Members of the outgoing council make their observations: "The year was one of hardships and triumphs, discouragement and encouragement, sadness and happiness—all blended to make it a wonderful year. I'll always remember," Hazel McLean, treasurer of the student body.

"Fun and fellowship together with long hours and hard decisions—all these have made the council much to me," Jean Flournoy, president of the freshmen class.

"The council is an experience that I've been thankful for and I express to the student body many thanks for the support given by them!" Jane Wood, president of Zetesian Society.

"It's been interesting working with the council and all F.M.C. students—quite an experience," Barbara Arington, president of Epsilon Chi.

Traditions

Odd Incidents Make Scholarships Fun

by Betsy Fleshman

There are many different kinds of scholarships at F.M.C. They can be interesting and lots of fun at times. Some may say that work in the dining hall is not very interesting. It is always fun when a boy comes to eat with us or comes to the door of the dining hall and asks for his date. Last week a snake was found there and caused a little excitement. However, our dining room hostess says that the most exciting thing she can think of happening is for everyone to come to breakfast on Monday morning. The table girls always enjoy talking with the cooks. One of them has nicknames for many of the girls.

Library work is not all checking out books and dusting shelves. Can you imagine how much fun it would be to drop a desk drawer, with money,

pins, pencils, paper clips and anything else that helps to make a big noise? Once in a while a library girls finds to her horror that she has locked someone in. And there are always "strange" noises from upstairs to keep things lively.

Working in Mrs. McCain's office is plenty exciting says Hatcher. There was the time she spilled a bottle of ink on a new desk blotter with about twenty-five cut slips on it. Then the time she put the weekend cards in alphabetical order and dropped them over the rotunda also when she jerked open the door of the big file and had to raffle everything. Working at the phone desk can be interesting, such as the times when boys come in and ask for some girls who want dates to please come down. These are only a few of the interesting incidents in the lives of some of the "scholarship" girls.

Highland Hearings Humorous Happenings Fill Column

by Gay Mothershed

In the last issue of the Skirl, I told you a few of the jokes which have appeared in the various exchange papers which we receive. From here at FMC comes the following from Helen Carapatian. Incidentally, Helen knows quite a few of these stories and enjoys collecting them. Many thanks to her for her bits of humor.

A middle aged women lost her balance and fell out of a window into a garbage can. A chinaman passing remarked, "Americans velly wasteful. That woman good for ten years yet."

And then there was a woman traveling by train who was talking with the man in the next seat. In describing her holiday, she said that she had visited San Jose.

"You pronouce that wrong."

said the man. "It is San Hosay. In California, you should pronounce all J's as H's. When were you there?"

The woman thought a minute, then answered, "In Hune and Huly!"

It's amazing what humorous information may be found in other collegiate papers.

From the Missippian comes this economic discovery. "Russian housing experts visiting the United States say the walls of American homes are far too thin. They don't realize there are some advantages in having thin walls, as, for example, being able to drive a nail into the wall and hang two pictures on it — one on each side of the wall."