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Editors' Effort

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Good Beginning

The new St. Andrews Presbyterian College seems to have the right idea about sports.

It will have no athletic scholarships, and stress will be placed on student participation, rather than on building a strong team to be watched by the rest of the students.

Coaches will be picked for their academic qualifications as well as their athletic ability, and all athletics will be under the supervision of the dean of students and the dean of the faculty.

President Ansley C. Moore says the college, now under construction in Laurinburg, hopes to encourage its students to become proficient in sports which they may participate in later in life—tennis, golf, swimming, softball, and the like.

"I don't want to give the impression that we do not recognize the value of intercollegiate competition in building mature and healthy young people," says Dr. Moore. "We plan to compete with the best in our level as long as we can compete honestly and in the strictest sense of amateurism."

That is well said. Smaller schools are not able to compete in football or basketball with the subsidized teams of the large colleges and universities. The attempt to do so can be made only by penalizing the student body of the small school in an attempt to devote all athletic attention to a single team in a major sport.

St. Andrews Presbyterian College is off to a good start, even before its first team comes on the field. One wonders when, if ever, the larger schools will consider their own athletic programs in the light of what they do for the students rather than for the visiting spectators.

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"We are sick. We are tired. We are discouraged. We are Seniors." This seems to be the prevalent feeling among us Seniors. Look at any one of us and you can easily see this. But of course, it is not all true. We are living for May 29 when we will graduate, but yet the thought of leaving the friends who have come to mean so much to us during our years here is a very sobering one. The panic is beginning to take hold of not having a job; and if we do have one, we worry that we cannot perform our duties adequately. The routine of school has become even more monotonous, it seems, in the last few weeks. What is wrong with us? We do not believe it is anything serious, just "senior fever." It seems to come every year to every senior. Of course, our feelings are mixed, for we want to get out and take our places in the world. Yet it is a terrifying thought. We hope the epidemic of "senior fever" will pass quickly, and we hope it will leave no permanent scars.

S.J.

Trolly Trooper: Ann Weber

Most of us today are members of a youthful clan which seems to have no regard for human safety. We move through daily living with an air of detachment concerning illness and accidents.

All of us today live by an unwritten, unsigned creed. Move with speed and carelessness; there's nothing to worry about! Accidents, pain, fear — these things are attackers of others' lives.

Each of us today has been a witness to tragedy. We have, in the past weeks, read about and

known youngsters who have died because of sheer thoughtlessness for human life.

Everyone of us today has said with sincere pity how sick and hurt we are, for ourselves and for those directly involved. And yet with all of our sincere hurt and sympathy, we don't learn; we'll never learn. Perhaps we don't want to learn.

All of us today are too weak to say no to this spell of riot; none of us can refuse the dare or the drink.

Conservatory

Comments

BY BETTY DANIEL

NEW YORK! The very mention of the place brings about feelings of anxiety and excitement, especially among Choral Club members. Yes, on March 19, at 7:00 a.m., the big trip begins. The itinerary is as follows:

March 19 — Henderson, N. C., morning; Staunton, Va., evening.

March 20 — Orange, Va., morning; Alexandria, Va., evening.

March 21 — Ridgewood, N. J., evening.

March 22 — Ridgewood, High School, morning. New York, Hotel Chesterfield, evening sight seeing.

March 23 — Interchurch Center, New York, morning. Same hotel (if they don't kick us out), evening.

March 24 — Charleston, W. Charleston, W. Va.

While on tour we will sing at two churches where former Flora Macdonald students are now located in administrative positions. Martha Perry is at the First Presbyterian Church in Henderson, and Ceil Hines is at Charles Town, W. Va.

Many Choral Club members plan to attend "The Sound of Music," which is currently playing on Broadway. Another feature of the trip will be our seeing an opera at the "Met."

On March 9 an afternoon student recital was presented in the auditorium. Those participating were Alice Carol Huggins, Ginny Woods, Elaine Luben, Betty Daniel, Elaine Evans,

Cabinet Convenes

Have you ever wondered what goes on in Watkins Hall every Thursday night? If you happened to be passing by, you might be deceived by the laughter and merriment. The C. A. Cabinet meets here every Thursday night to plan and discuss activities on campus. It is not all work around that table, but fun and fellowship too. Won't you come in and meet the C. A. Cabinet and find out exactly what we do?

At the head of the table is the new C. A. President, Betty Ruth Barker. Betty Ruth can tell much about the C. A. because she has worked on the Cabinet for two years. If you asked Betty Ruth what her responsibilities are, she would probably reply that she presides at all meetings of the Association and of the Cabinet and oversees the activities of the Association. She is the person who co-ordinates all the many and various activities and projects of the C. A. She inspires, encourages, and aids her Cabinet members in many ways. She also has the responsibility of serving on the Student Council.

The Vice-President is a familiar person at that table too. She is Marshall Robinett; Marshall was the C. A. Secretary last year. The Vice-President of the C. A. has many responsibilities. Besides presiding in the ab-

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Betty Jean Macdonald, Lorine Kerrigan, and Joan Langdon.

The student body had the pleasure of hearing on March 3 three of the conservatory majors, who presented the chapel program. They were Lorine Kerrigan, flutist; Violet Culler, soprano; and Elaine Evans, organist.

By the way, we are glad to have Mr. Williams back in the conserve after his recent hospitalization. His cancelled recital of March 3 has not been rescheduled as yet, but we are looking forward to it.

The Choral Club will be going to Pope Air Force Base, March 17, to give a concert at the service club. The program will be the same as Home Concert.

Sports Spot

BY LIB BAXLEY

The 1960-1961 basketball tournament was a success. All the teams worked hard in order to claim the championship trophy, but the ex-champions, the Juniors, would not let up. They won the tournament without being defeated. The freshmen were presented the Sportsmanship trophy.

Girls receiving an old English M for varsity were: Lib Baxley, Helen Edwards, Joyce Hellekson, Harriet Johnston, Linda Mills, and Patty Provins. Those of honorable mention were: Martha Currie, Susan Harris, Frances Pegram, Brenda Sheppherd, Jonlyn Truesdail, and Nyal Womble. These girls, as well as their teammates, should be commended for the work they did in preparing for the tournament and for making it a success.

Patty Provins was elected President of the Athletic Association for the remainder of the year. Other executive officers are vice-president, Harriet Johnston; Secretary, Anita Brown; and treasurer, Joyce Hellekson. Board members chosen by the officers are Janet Askew, salesman; Patsy Lackey, cheerleader; Ann Weber, day student representative; Susan Harris, volleyball; Lib Baxley, basketball; Cathy Pierce badminton and tennis; Beta Willis, swimming and softball; Jonlyn Truesdail, recreation room; and Miss Ethel Bateman, faculty advisor.

Mathematical Martha

Martha Currie, the personality of the issue, is a senior from Jackson Springs, North Carolina. She has been an outstanding student during her years here both in her studies and in her extra-curricular activities. During her freshman year she was chosen to serve as the Treasurer of the Student Association, and during her Junior and Senior years she again served on the Council as Vice-President. As Head of Volleyball, Martha served on the Athletic Association Board her Junior year. She is a member of the Mathematical Honor Society, and was one of the first in her class to be chosen as a member of the Flora Macdonald Honor Society. Because of her noteworthy place in the student body, Martha was tapped into Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Martha is a math major and "almost" a science major (she lacks three hours). She is doing her practice teaching now in Lumberton in a class in Algebra III. This is the equivalent to a College Algebra Course, so those young people really keep her "on her toes". Even though Martha is struggling through her teaching, she hopes to use her mathematical abilities in another field. She plans to obtain a job as a mathematician in a big corporation.

It is common knowledge that Martha can do anything she attempts. She is "Dolly Domestic" personified. She cooks like Betty Crocker and sews like "Miss Vogue." She is a "card shark", her specialties being Bridge and Double Solitaire. Martha loves to read, dance and listen to music of all kinds, but especially instrumental records. She also plays the piano.

Martha has the wonderful ability to "size up any situation." She is very frank and quick to the point, but along with this she seems to know the nicest way to say the meanest things. Martha also has that remarkable innate common sense that gives her the ability always to do the right thing at the right time. Congratulations to Martha for a fine college record and best wishes for the future.

