

Dr. Purdom Asks For Strong Fourth 'R' At Guilford

Admissions to College Above Last Year's At This Point

According to information released by Mr. John C. Bradshaw, Jr., Public Relations Secretary of Guilford College, last week 65 new students have been accepted for admission to Guilford College for the 1952-53 session. Indicative of a trend for girls to complete their applications before boys is the fact that of this number 40 are girls and 25 boys. Another trend noted by Mr. Bradshaw is that the present number of accepted students far surpasses the number who had completed their applications by this time last year. Thirty-four of the new students are from North Carolina and 26 from elsewhere in the United States. Five foreign students will join the student body next fall: Jaime Garza of Mexico, Clarita de la Garza from Cuba, Eric Koutchak of Alaska, Marianne Mayer of Germany, and Kay Ota of Japan. Fourteen of the new students are members of the Society of Friends.

An active participation in student promotional work among alumni is revealed in that 23 of the prospective students have been recommended by alumni. Nine daughters and one son of former students are reckoned among the total. Present students have also been active in campaigning for new students. Four of the new students have been recommended by Ray Blakeslee, and Howard Coble has been instrumental in corraling five students. It is interesting to note that Howard's prospects are all girls. Perhaps he is dissatisfied with the feminine pulchritude presently on campus.

Joining brothers or sisters already on campus will be Martha Ann Shore, sister of John Shore; Carol Smith, sister of June Smith; Charles Farlow, brother of Betsy Farlow; Emily Warrick, sister of Les Warrick; and Jerry Paysour, brother of Bob Paysour. The Al Connor family will again be represented on campus when Douglas and Andrew Connor, brothers of the 1951 graduate, enter Guilford next fall. Marie Hopkins, sister of Rachel Hopkins—another last year's graduate, is also planning to continue her education at Guilford.

Concluding his general observations, Mr. Bradshaw stated that in order to maintain the desired enrollment of nearly 500 students, approximately 200 new students will need to be accepted. Of this number about one-half would be dormitory students and one-half day students. A rapid approach is being made to fulfilling this quota since as of March 4 sixteen additional students had forwarded either their application blanks or transcripts.

Official Life Guard To Be Larry Fine

Larry Fine has been appointed official life guard for the Guilford College lake by the administration of the college. In accepting the responsibility of guarding the lives of Guilford college students and faculty, Fine said that he intended to make the lake as safe as possible for swimming. Larry stated very emphatically that "No one should go in swimming at the Guilford College lake or anywhere else unless there is a life-guard on duty." He has had many years of experience at lifeguarding and has never had a drowning occur when he was on duty. The advice that he gives and the rules that he makes are not to be scoffed at. Larry has spent the last several weeks training a number of Guilford students in the arts of lifesaving. They may assist him in his duties at the lake.

Final Plans Laid For Junior-Senior

Meeting April 2, the Junior Class laid final plans for the Junior-Senior Banquet and Dance to be held in the college gymnasium Saturday night, April 19, at 8:30. Betsy White, chairman of the invitations committee, announced that 150 students have accepted invitations to the dinner and dance. From reports made by the chairmen of committees, it seems that rapid progress is being made on the decorations and program. Announcing an added high light on the program, Jo Cameron revealed that Ed Brooks and Barbara Money will perform throughout the meal on the Hammond Organ and grand piano. Charlie Hendricks, who is in charge of serving the dinner, with which Mrs. Martin and her kitchen staff are assisting, reported that the following freshmen and sophomores will serve as waiters or waitresses: James Armstrong, Charlie Austin, Harold Critcher, Conrad Mazingo, Joe Marsh, Ted McEachern, Bill Potter, Tribby Tucker, Ullé Poldema, Kathryn Shoemaker, Ann Newton, Bonnie Ferrell, Bobby James, and June Banks.

Marty Hoopes, chairman of the dance committee, remarked that the dance to follow the banquet will be a card dance of which the first number will be a figure composed of the presidents of the Junior and Senior classes and the chairmen of the various committees.

Scholarship Society Adds Ten Members

On Thursday night, April 17, the Scholarship Society is giving a party in honor of the 42 students who are on the honor roll this semester. The party will be held in the Hut where games will be played and delicious refreshments served.

The Society has announced the addition of ten more students to its membership. They are Zoe Campbell, Glenna Fulk, Bruce Morton, Mae Nicholson, Karl Reinhardt, Morton Salkind, June Smith, Dick Staley, Betsy White, and Ann Yarrow. We are all looking forward to the time when our Society will become a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Alumni Lead Panel Discussion at FTA

The Guilford College chapter of the Future Teachers of America recently held spring elections with the following results: President, Marilyn Linhart; Vice-president, John Shore; Secretary, Glenna Fulk; and Treasurer, Bill Yates, who was re-elected. They succeed Lucy Leake Ingram, William Topping, and Jo Butner.

At the April meeting a panel discussion on "What I Have Learned From My First Year of Teaching" was presented by three former Guilfordians: Mrs. Marjorie Jardine Williams (Mrs. J. T.), Miss Betty Jane Hughes, and Mr. Gilbert McKee. Mr. Charles Herbert, Principal of Aycock School Greensboro, was moderator.

Guilford College became a charter member of the State FTA when a conference was held at Black Mountain College near Asheville from March 27 to 29. Our representatives were Lucy Leake Ingram and William Baxter.

The next meeting will be a picnic held on May 1 at the home of Mr. Bailey. Further announcement will be made and any prospective teacher is invited.

Peace Conference Held At Quaker Lake

On the weekend of April 5 and 6, The American Friends Service Committee sponsored a conference at Quaker Lake. The purpose of the conference was to study the pamphlet "Steps To Peace" which was issued by the Service Committee. Steve Cary who was chairman of the committee that wrote the pamphlet, led the group in its considerations of the steps that we might take in working toward peace. During the weekend such questions as "What are our objectives in international affairs?"; "Where is our foreign policy leading us?"; and "Alternative program in terms of American Friends Service Committee philosophy," were discussed.

Among the sixty people who registered at the conference were many foreign students enrolled in various colleges in this area and who represented sixteen different countries.

Guilford students and faculty members who attended the conference were Aaron Tyson, Clem Swisher, Francis Petty, Ann Yarrow, Clyde Branson, Kenneth Wallace, Hugh Downing, Betty Jones, Bill Yates, Rico Gilloli, Ed Burroughs, Charles Hendricks, Dorothy Anne Ware, and J. Floyd Moore.

American Chemists Hear Dr. Colwell

The Central North Carolina Section of The American Chemical Society held its regular monthly meeting here on Friday, March 21. The principal speaker was Dr. W. E. Colwell, Chairman of the Department of Agronomy at State College, who spoke on "Tobacco Research in North Carolina."

Dr. Colwell said that "the tobacco industry is North Carolina's greatest," pointing out that, "If it were stopped many thousands of people would be thrown out of work." He stated that it is a \$500,000,000 a year business "accounting for 50 to 60 percent of the North Carolina cash farm income."

"In 10 years, annual cigarette consumption has increased 170 percent. We are concerned with what improvements the North Carolina tobacco grower can make so that his product will be tailor-made for the increased world wide market. Growers must be made to feel both individually and collectively the responsibility as well as the opportunity that is theirs."

Dr. Colwell has been with State college since 1942 except for a two-year period between 1944 and 1946 when he was with the Rockefeller foundation as a soil scientist in Mexico. He has been head of the Agronomy department at State College since 1948. He has also written numerous articles on nutritional studies of alfalfa, soybeans, corn and peanuts.

Women Students Install New Cabinet Members

In an impressive ceremony held in Memorial Hall on April 7, the women students installed their new officers for the coming year. Dr. Clyde A. Milner spoke on the Guilford College motto "I am applying myself to wisdom and virtue."

Sally Haire, the outgoing president, thanked the women students for their cooperation during the past year and challenged the new council members to do as well and to serve Mae Nicholson, the incoming president, and fellow students, to the best of their ability. Sally then installed the new council members by lighting their candles as she recognized them.

Says Physical Education Is Often Taken As Course of Least Resistance

Noted Guilford Grad Visits Campus

A recent visitor to our campus was Mr. Robert Marshall, who is now an Associate Professor of English at Ohio Wesleyan and lives in Columbus, Ohio. His novels, LITTLE SQUIRE JIM and JULIA GWYNN, are based, however on memories of the places he grew up in—Greensboro, High Point, and Mt. Airy, North Carolina. He was born in Mt. Airy on October 31, 1901, the son of Quakers. He received his A. B. from Guilford College in 1925 and his M. A. from Haverford in 1926. He did graduate work at Harvard, the University of North Carolina, Ohio Wesleyan, Iowa State, and Northwestern University. His major studies were English literature, drama, and philosophy.

While at Guilford he was an active member of the GUILFORDIAN staff, serving in various capacities.

Mr. Marshall started teaching in 1928, and has taught literature and creative writing at public and private schools, colleges, and universities.

He has been to Europe twice, where he traveled by foot, bicycle or horse, and only when absolutely necessary by train, car, or plane.

LITTLE SQUIRE JIM won the Ohio fiction award for the outstanding book of 1949 by an Ohio resident. It is a folk novel based on a North Carolina mountain legend.

A tea was held in the Fine Arts Room of the library in honor of Mr. Marshall. At that time, students and faculty members were given an opportunity to hear Mr. Marshall discuss his newest novel, JULIA GWYNN, in which he has attempted to portray the impact of modern life on old South culture.

Honor Roll

Releasing quarter grades, Miss N. Era Lasley, College Registrar, announced last week that five students had perfect records: Joyce Fulk, Betty Jones, James Montgomery, Mac Nicholson, and Richard Staley. Ten students made all "A's" but one: Sam Baker, Julian Culton, James Hamilton, Karl Reinhardt, Gwen Richardson, Morton Salkind, June Smith, Kaye Williams, Ann Yarrow, and Billy Yates.

Referring to an extensive scholastic record going back to 1926, Miss Lasley said that this quarter's grades compare very favorably with those of other years. A 2.67 per cent increase in the number of students making all "A's" and "B's" is noted over last year's record. A more creditable improvement is revealed in a decrease of 6.99 per cent of students passing less than nine hours with a "C" average.

Recalling the record-breaking number of students on the Honor Roll last semester, it seems that a new interest in academic accomplishment is taking place on the Guilford campus.

Dr. Milner Speaks Before Headmasters Association

This week Dr. Milner went north to attend the annual meeting of the Quaker Headmasters Association, a meeting of the Friends' Council on Education, and a Guilford College alumni dinner in New York.

The meeting of the Quaker Headmasters Association was held at Sidwell Friends' School in Washington, D. C. and Dr. Milner spoke there. He was the main speaker Friday, April 11, for the alumni dinner at the Parkside Hotel in New York.

Speaking before the Guilford College assembly on Friday, April 4th, Dr. E. Garness Purdom, Professor of Physics and Chairman of the Physical Education Committee, called for improvement in the athletic program of the college. Using his twenty-five years of experience on the faculty of Guilford College as a background, Dr. Purdom reviewed some of Guilford's athletic achievements as well as upsets.

Dr. Purdom said that it was his wish to see the Guilford College Physical Education Department, which comprises approximately fifteen percent of the student body, made as strong as any of the other seventeen departments in which majors are offered. "Unfortunately," Dr. Purdom said, "I do not think that is true of Guilford today." He pointed out that a major in Physical Education is often taken "as the course of least resistance."

Commenting upon the values of athletics in building character, Dr. Purdom said, "Despite the opinion shared by many, sports alone cannot build character. It can teach humility, but character building comes only from a synthesis of sports with academic studies."

Dr. Purdom is not in favor of the recent trend toward "putting athletics back into the hands of the faculty," and expressed the hope that colleges will produce more competent coaches who will be properly trained to manage athletics.

Outlining a program of improvement, Dr. Purdom favored the cutting out of all gate receipts and financing the physical education program entirely from endowment funds. This, he feels, would relieve a good deal of the pressure and criticism brought to bear on the physical education department from supporters when things go wrong.

Another reform foreseen by Dr. Purdom is the reduction of the number of games played on successive nights.

While favoring the awarding of athletic scholarships to deserving students, Dr. Purdom does not feel that the pooling of funds provides the best answer. He deems it best to have a close tie up between the recipient of scholarship aid and the donor since this procedure provides an added incentive for the boy who knows he is being backed by people at home.

Although Dr. Purdom is a physicist and mathematician by profession, he has been actively engaged in Guilford's athletic program during his quarter-century here.

Juilliard Professor Presents Concert

Mr. James Friskin, noted interpreter of Bach, composer, and teacher at the Juilliard School of Music, presented a piano concert in Memorial Hall Auditorium on Monday morning, April 7th. Numbers by Bach, Beethoven, Schubert and Brahms were presented to an appreciative audience. Mr. Friskin is on tour in this area, and on Tuesday presented a concert at Duke University.

James Armstrong Elected Chief Marshal for 1953

Dr. Eva Campbell, College Marshal, has announced that the new wearers of the tuxedos and white dresses at college functions have been selected by the faculty. Elected on the basis of scholarship and character to this laudatory position were: James Armstrong, chief; Donald Rockwell, Bill Marshburn, Barbara Anson, Christina Gidynski, Mabel Benedict, and Nancy Lou Herring.