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The Policy of the Hilltop

Again this year the Hilltop will be based on the axiom that a whole is greater than any of its parts and is equal to all of its parts. In addition to this the Hilltop will strive to represent the school as a whole, and it will not represent one society or organization with any higher esteem than another. All shall receive the same attention, and there shall be no favors shown.

All students are invited to contribute to the paper and are assured that their material will receive careful consideration.

Any criticism or suggestion will be gladly received.

The Hilltop proposes to co-operate with all organizations on the campus and will work toward the building of a "Greater Mars Hill." It will back athletics, support and foster all campus and religious activities, and will seek to be a medium through which the alumni can become better acquainted with the activities of the college.

This issue will not reach the high standards attained by those who have gone before, but we assure you that this paper represents an honest-to-goodness effort on the part of the new staff. We shall depend on the grace of our readers to accept this issue kindly, remembering that we are new at the job and that it takes experience to attain perfection.

Beginning now we ask for the absolute co-operation of every group, club, organization, and individual on the campus. If asked to write for the Hilltop, kindly consent to do so, and your efforts will be greatly appreciated.

Our goal is high, and it can not possibly be attained without the backing and co-operation of students, faculty, and all. With your support and co-operation, the Hilltop will be a credit to you and to the school. Without your co-operation, the paper will be a total failure. Can we depend on your co-operation.—C. M.

Have Faith, and Be Faithful

Vacation is over. School days have begun with their work and play. There are smiles of pleasure when old students meet, but there are exclamations of joy when old friends meet. We see many of the alumni strolling across the campus with their friends.

Crowds of students that were rushing from matriculation to the book-room and the bursar's office are now hurrying to the classrooms. We see new students with anxious faces emerging after the first lesson assignments have been made. Often we hear faint sighs escaping from old students as they try to answer the numberless questions of the new ones. Such questions as "Bill, which is the easier English teacher, Miss Pierce or Mr. McLeod?" are common.

Students who make such statements as this are usually slack in their work. Today is the time to begin work, not tomorrow. One's final grades depend largely on what he does now. It would be well for both new and old students to remember that it is not the teacher but the pupil who makes a course easy or hard.

It will take ambition, will-power, determination, and self-sacrifice to have a successful year's work at Mars Hill. It will be impossible for all students to take in every amusement; yet all will have the chance to enjoy plenty of wholesome fun.

Dr. W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest, gave us a motto that would be fine for all of us students to take as ours: "Have Faith; and be Faithful."

The Good Ship Hilltop

It is with great fear and trembling that the new staff comes to the helm of the good ship Hilltop. The former skipper and his mates have set us a record that will be hard to follow. We shall remember the efforts of this gallant crew and strive to maintain the reputation which they have established. We pay tribute to their prowess; and though we are dubious of our ability to duplicate it, we shall do our best.

In no good ship does the captain do it all. If we put on any steam, co-operation is necessary. The engine room provides the power for all speed. Let's slave in the engine room together. Let's have no honorary passengers. Let's make every member of the crew a worker. It may be tough sailing at times, for rough waters are often reached; but, after the storm comes the calm, and after the cloud, the rainbow. Let's make this ship worthy of our home country, Mars Hill, and of the Mars Hill flag which flies above us.—J. M. B.



CLUBS

With the opening of school will come the organization of numerous clubs with all that they mean in the lives of the students. The surest means of securing good fellowship and friendly rivalry between the students from different states and counties is the banding together of all the students from one place into a club.

The South Carolina, Tennessee, Eastern Carolina, Buncombe County, and Madison County Clubs have already organized and invite the students from these places to come and

join with them in helping to make the best year Mars Hill College has ever known.

If there are as many as ten students from other counties or states who have not already organized, they have the privilege of organizing a club; and, if there are a sufficient number from a community, county, or state, they should organize.

A deed knocks first at thought, And then it knocks at will. That is the manufacturing spot, And will at home and well. It then goes out an act, Or is entombed so still That only to the ear of God Its doom is audible.

—Emily Dickinson.

An Hour to Myself

An hour with myself alone—
 What shall I think or do?
 Shall I just sit alone and muse,
 Just sit the whole time through?

How may I in the best way spend
 This time, O wondrous gift,
 To learn to draw the world aside
 And pluck it from the drift?

Oh dear old world on which I live
 Will not the haven bide;
 She now has broken from the bay
 The surging main to ride.

So in this Hour I have alone
 I'll think about the fate
 Of many men aboard the world
 Who'll near the shore too late.

—Chas. A. Maddy.



ALUMNI COLUMN

Mr. Dan Hall received his M. A. at the University of North Carolina and is to be instructor in mathematics at Texas A. & M. College.

Mr. Emory Cecil McCall was married to Miss Harriette Coleman, August 28. Their home will be at Machill Park, Lenoir, N. C.

October 12 will be the wedding day of Mr. Brecie M. Canup and Miss Ruby Sproles. Their home is to be at Jefferson City, Tennessee.

Miss Iola Day, teacher in Berea High School, Granville County, attended the W. F. C. Summer School.

This year finds Mr. J. W. Stone principal of the high school at Maxton, North Carolina.

The graded school at Wingate claims Miss Lois Ross as a teacher.

Mr. Tom J. Brawley, cashier of the People's Bank of Gastonia, visited Mars Hill in August, bringing his wife for her first visit to Mars Hill. His loyalty to Mars Hill is strong and wise.

Miss Erla Griffin with a number of friends was at Mars Hill a short while before the opening of the session.

Messrs. Robert and Charles Pool are managing the Ford sales department at Spruce Pine, with a branch at Bakersville.

Miss Ora Edwards was married June 3 to Mr. Jeter F. Johnson at Flag Pond, Tennessee.

Mrs. Ruth Harding Linn was married July 16 to Mr. John Alexander Springs, nephew of Col. Wade Harris, Charlotte. Hickory is to be their home.

Some of the old students visiting Mars Hill since the opening of this season were Sedelia Propst, Edwin Haynes, William Boger, Earl Bradley, Glenn Travis, Burt Johnson, Wade Worley, Percy Parker, Tate Shaw, and Gary Biggers.

Miss Katherine Roberts, a graduate of last year, is teaching in the graded school at Mars Hill.

Mr. Opie Wells is teaching at the Vanceboro High School.

The Mars Hill College Alumni Club of Buncombe County was organized at Asheville, August 9. "There were about forty former students present, and those present represented classes from the 1890's to those who will finish in 1930." Highest tribute was paid to Mars Hill and its work, "to the Mars Hill of Christian Spirit, sound education, and high morals." Every speaker commended the way in which the ideals of Mars Hill have been kept above those of the average school and college. The Alumni Club expressed a strong desire to co-operate in maintaining the standards and promoting the interests of the college. Mr. Clarence E. Blackstock is president and Miss Madeline White, secretary.

Mr. J. E. Hill and his wife, Mrs. Lily Abee Hill, their daughter, and some friends visited Mars Hill recently.

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The representation according to states is as follows: Louisiana 3, Kentucky 4, Tennessee 18, Maryland 1, Virginia 5, Georgia 3, Florida 3, South Carolina 68, North Carolina 335.

The countries other than the United States are Canada 2, Central America 3, and China 1.

The reports secured from each individual registration card show religious beliefs and church affiliations to be as follows: Baptists 388, Methodists 18, Presbyterians 5, Quakers 1, Episcopalians 1, Free Will Baptists 1, Holiness 1, non-church members 26.

The number of non-church members offers a real opportunity to bring about a closer relationship between the students who are Christians and those who are not. The standard of work done by the student body should be held as high as possible and should act as a sponsor of the activities on the campus so that every ideal and tradition may be respected and honored. Much depends upon the spirit and efforts of the first-year college class, as it contains more than half the total enrollment. So, in order to build up for ourselves that type of excellent and commendable character which Mars Hill affords, let us be both a toiler for knowledge and a toiler for souls as we labor together during another year.

CLIOS RENDER FIRST PROGRAM
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immediately dispelled the regretful memories of days past and inspired all to keep the faith of their Clio sisters. Several new girls have already grasped the outstretched hand of friendship and joy in the participation of the Clio Spirit which has filled all old members with a new zeal, a greater courage, and a stronger determination to make the society mean to the new members just what it means to them.

The officers delight in the promise of new material and ideas with which to accomplish greater things. It is hoped that the programs can be so arranged that every member instead of a special few may be developed and trained. Therefore the programs are not only given for pleasure and entertainment but for individual development as well. There is no better place than the literary society to rub off the rust and bring out the best that there is in one.

For the benefit of those who are on our campus for the first time let us say that the object of the Clio Literary Society is to develop in its members a higher sense of honor, truth, purity, and fidelity in all the pursuits of life; to give ease and freedom in public exercises; to create a taste and yearning for good literature; to cultivate social life, good fellowship, kindness of heart, and to promote in every way honest, upright, enlightened womanhood.

Our doors are open to visitors each Thursday afternoon. We bid you welcome.

Seniors Enjoy Lawn Party Wednesday

On Wednesday afternoon, from 4 until 6 o'clock the members of the senior class met at the home of their sponsor, Mrs. J. R. Owen, and enjoyed a lawn party.

Among the interesting features was an inspirational talk by the president, S. Gale Morse, on "Co-operating and Upholding the Standards of the Class." In his speech, he urged those present to be loyal to the class and to the college.

Miss Blackstock rendered several violin selections; Miss Roland gave several piano selections; and Miss Patton sang several beautiful songs. Members of the class have expressed their appreciation of this delightful entertainment given them by these members of the Music Department. After the program lemonade and cakes were served. Then it was necessary for those present to depart, after lingering to sing "Good-bye, Sweet Lady."

"Vice is a reversion to a lower type after perception of a higher."
 —Sir Oliver Lodge.

Y. W. A. NOTE

New girls, the Y. W. A. asks for your help, your hearty ration in rendering the first part and wishes to offer thanks for almost perfect attendance.

A number of the new girls called upon to fill the vacancies those who were not permitted to turn, and they played the role they were well accustomed to. Your helping hand was and necessary in such a trying for everyone was excited over opening of school.

Much gratitude is due those who so gladly accepted the invitation to attend the opening meeting. Their presence and worshipful aid made the program a success. Undoubtedly the new girls did not value the value of these things when they went; but, if they ever attempt to plan a program, the experience gained will be very beneficial, as be helpful in future life.

Since everyone is so vitally interested in today's youth and the exhibition of youth, a playlet entitled "Youth and Ambition," was sufficiently given. As the title suggests the play dealt with the temptations with which young girls are constantly being confronted. This made offers so many diversions from the straight and narrow way that very confusing when trying to decide which way to choose, the ever-dominant Spirit of Christ eventually leads the way to higher, nobler things.

All were very favorably impressed and several expressed a desire to join. The old girls are happy in this interest and hope to have a successful year in Y. W. A. work.

NONS OPEN YEAR WITH FINE SPIRIT

INTERESTING PROGRAM AT START OF NEW SESSION

On Thursday afternoon, September 6, true to the traditions and standards of the Nonpareil Literary Society, the door of the Euclid was thrown open for the first time of the new year. Both new and old students were welcomed with hearty handshake at the door. "Light," a beautiful solo play by Helen Woody, opened the program. Following this was a study of the "Mighty Lak a Rose." Another on the program was that of the "An essay entitled "The Lyric given by Gladys Farmer. Two beautiful lyrics were then read by Blackwell accompanied at the piano by Frances Snyder. The lyric "Dreamin' in de Twilight" and "Ole Brown Cabin." The chorus Miss Blackwell captivated the audience. The intensity of the scene broken by a number of who jokes read in an attractive manner so did the program, but there Helen Ramsey.

Certainly, the laughter and so did the program, but there were more programs to come. New students will find a cordial welcome the heart of each of the Nonpareil whose noble ideals float upon the "old gold and black." They are: president, Sarah Blackwell; vice-president, Madeline May; secretary, Hazel Welch; censor, Ramsey; chorister, Alice Blackwell; pianist, Frances Snyder.

Wife: "Where did all those bottles come from, John?"
 Husband: "Search me; I bought an empty bottle in my pocket."
 —Carnegie Public Library

Freshman: "What would you could play the piano like H. Willis: "I'd take lessons"