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PORTRAIT OF CHAS. W. ROPER UNVEILED

Impressive Service Held

An impressive memorial service was held on Friday evening, October 5 in the college auditorium for Charles W. Roper, a former student here whose memory is revered by all who knew him. The service was held on the occasion of the unveiling of a portrait of Mr. Roper, a splendid likeness of him in his most characteristic expression, made by Mrs. Howard of the Howard Studio of Asheville.

The old hymn, "Abide With Me," was played softly on the piano as a prelude while the audience were being quietly seated. After brief introductory remarks by Mr. N. C. Brooks, president of the Euthalian Literary Society, President R. L. Moore, and Mr. S. Gale Morse, president of the Philomathian Literary Society, in behalf of all societies, and prayer by Pastor Owen, the picture was unveiled amid a profoundly reverent silence. The audience looked with hushed veneration on the likeness of perhaps the most beloved

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From the Laurel

There seems to be some tendency or reaction on the part of many seniors and some few organizations on the campus toward not having their picture in the Laurel this year. The staff is striving to give all students and organizations a fair deal and it will be only after the students co-operate that the staff will possibly be able to produce an annual worthy of the true representation of Mars Hill College.

In giving this representation there must be co-operation. If the annual is the student's publication, why should they not assume their responsibility in helping?

The annual this year will comprise the administration, classes, activities, and athletics. The art work will bring to mind the period of chivalry in English literature. All of the cuts that enter the Laurel this year will be entirely new.

The staff wants your support!!
William B. Logan, Editor.

Church Relationship Day Observed

Professors Moore and
Lee Speak

On Sunday night, October 7, the Mars Hill Baptist Church observed Church Relationship Day, extending the right hand of fellowship to over two hundred of students of the college who have united with the church.

Mr. Moore addressed the congregation on "The Relation of the Student to the Church." The following is taken from his talk: "It is a beautiful thing to see one confess Christ. All eternity is affected by a decision of this kind. Paul in his letter to the Ephesians refers to the grace, fullness, hope, and glory of one who has dedicated his life to Him. It is wonderful for one to become a Son of God, united with the church, and be able to say, 'I'm a child of the King.'"

"Through Christ we have access to God the Father, and for fellowship with the saints we should seek the church. Christ who redeemed us is head of the church.

"I wonder if school is a preparation for life, or a cross section of life? The question answers itself. If one is a Christian at home, he is a Christian when he leaves home. Some students look upon school days

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Rev. J. Ben Eller, Pastor First Baptist Church, Statesville, speaking at 10:30 on "The Student's Contribution to the Greatness of a School."

Clios Entertain With a Lovely Program

A delightful program on love was given by the Clio Literary Society Thursday afternoon, October 4. Jerry Mobley opened the program with a piano solo, "Whisperings of Love." Neva McCoy delighted her audience with a reading, "Oh, I Don't Know." A vocal solo by Eva Hensley was followed by a poem on love given by Bernice Hutchins.

One of the most attractive features of the program was an impromptu debate: Resolved, That the soupline is more romantic than the sun parlor. Although the negative put up a splendid defense, the final decision gave the affirmative the victory.

While Ruth Singleton read Foss's "House by the Side of the Road," a group of girls acted it out. Ruth Cooper and Bobby Bryant lived in the house by the side of the road to be a friend to man. The wise, the foolish, the rich, the poor they directed over the road to happiness, to peace, to purity, and to love. A beautiful setting of flowers, vines, and plants added to the effectiveness and charm of the pantomime. An essay on love by Novella Deaton concluded the program.



FAITHFUL GRAD

Rev. J. Marcus Kester, Pastor First Baptist Church, Wilmington, speaking at 11:15 on "The Education of the Soul."

Reporters and Stenographer Elected

At the regular Hilltop meeting October 1 the staff elected three reporters and one stenographer. The reporters are James Cherry, Pearl Justice, and William Capel; the stenographer, John Blackburn. The work of these reporters, individually, merited the position on the staff. Their work gives promise of their being valuable additions to the corps of ink slingers. The stenographer's job is the least recognized and most thankless of all; yet it is one of the most important. Mr. Blackburn has assumed the position handed him in good spirit, much of the copy for this issue coming from his machine.

MR. CARR SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

Mr. I. N. Carr, Dean of the College, who is now away doing graduate work at Duke, delivered a most striking address in chapel Friday morning on "The Measure of a Man's Responsibility."

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ALUMNI PRESIDENT

Dr. Zeno Wall, Pastor First Baptist Church, Shelby, and President of the Alumni Association, will preside at dinner at 5:30.

B. Y. P. U. STUDY COURSES ARE ANNOUNCED

Will Begin October 15

Yesterday is gone. We are living today. Tomorrow may never come. Communities of today would not live without a church and school. Do we ever think why we go to school? Perhaps it is to train ourselves to equal—may to surpass our fellowmen. But just as surely as a community will not live without a nucleus of church and school around which it may center, a church will not thrive without a real young people's organization. Then if we go to school to train ourselves to equal those about us, it is more necessary that we train ourselves to lead our communities up to equal all other communities. The

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Endowments, lands, buildings and equipment are important, but these alone do not make a school. Even teachers with high sounding titles and degrees, lacking in personality and Christian principles, may be mere cogs in an educational machine powerless to produce a worthy product. Sometimes, it is true, an outstanding teacher may be the central factor around which a school is built, as in the case of Mark Hopkins. But would Mark Hopkins have been heard of but for the great student who sat at his feet? The pupil richly endowed, with high ideals and determined purpose, who goes forth to serve according to the will and plan of God—his achievement is the measure and mark of an institution. And a dozen students of this type fix the standing of a school for generations.

Mars Hill is rich in the lives of those who have gone from its walls. Men of vision and leadership in strategic centers, as professors in colleges, school superintendents, doctors, editors, lawyers, judges, bankers; women as secretaries, missionaries, pastor's assistant, teachers, homemakers—these who by kindly word and deed foster their Alma Mater are more than money and gilded halls; they constitute resources of spirit and achievement far above material possessions.

The college authorities desire to keep in close touch with the former students and to have them write more often of their work and hopes and plans. And they ought to visit the old campus more often. Grounds and buildings and faces change, but the old-time spirit, please God, shall abide, incarnate in the hearts of those who "carry on" with a devotion seldom equaled. You are always welcome.

R. L. Moore.

DRAMATIC CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL SOCIAL, OCT. 6TH

Stunts! Refreshment! Dates!

A flash of color! All school cares forgotten in anticipation of a good time.

Last Saturday evening the Dramatic Club held its annual social. The cozy expression studio served as a background for the dainty maids and gallant lads in evening attire and tended to create a homelike atmosphere. Upon entering each person had the name of an animal pinned on his back. The fun was found in trying to gain knowledge of what animal one represented by hints thrown them from other participants.

Everyone entered into the games with zest. Frances King and Bill McLester played the parts of Queen of Sheba and King Solomon. They were formally introduced to the crowd by Helen Ramsey. The skillful trick in the handclasp cornered ripples of laughter. After this numerous games were enjoyed, such as town gossip, community sneeze, partner stunts, and buzz.

There were ten four-minute dates in which to determine the best conversationalist. Katherine Bennett and Ed Harrell were presented with a box of animal crackers as a signification of their having won this contest. Bobby Bryant and Miss Wengert favored the guests with humorous readings that brought forth bursts of merriment. The keen appreciation of the listeners as the quartet (John Blackburn, Ed Harrell, "Red" Mason, and Orville Creech) sang several selections, proved their ability.

Now, to complete the evening, an appetizing plate of block ice cream, chocolate cakes and sliced bananas was served. Amidst the strains of "Good-night Ladies" reluctant good-byes were heard.

Hats off to Evelyn Hughes, the social chairman!

Gaston County Club Elects New Officers

The Gaston County Club held its first meeting in the sun parlor September 20 for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected:

President, Charles Stowe; vice-president, Eva Froneberger; secretary, Lemmie Fite; treasurer, Sara Holland; and sponsor, Mr. Furches.

Plans were made for the annual banquet which is given during Christmas holidays at the First Baptist Church, Gastonia. Although the enrollment is small, the club is expecting to accomplish great things this year.

Buncombe County Club Holds Its First Meeting

The Buncombe County Club was called together last Monday evening for its first meeting, and plans were made for the work of the year. It is the aim of the club to make this the most successful year it has ever known and to give Buncombe County even a more prominent place in Mars Hill College than it has ever attained. An interesting program for the year has been planned, and many good times are looked forward to by all the members. A sunrise breakfast and a trip to Little Mountain has been planned for October 12, and everyone is expecting a good time.

The following officers were elected: Helen Ramsey, president; Louise Clark, vice-president; Vernice Martin, secretary and treasurer; Mr. Blackwell, sponsor; Edith Roberts, reporter.

Intercollegiate Debate Tryouts November 8

The try-outs for the intercollegiate debating team take place November 8. There will be three teams, and possibly four, requiring eight debaters at least, or sixteen in all, for both boys and girls. The query announced for the try-outs is: Resolved, That the Philippine Islands should be granted their immediate independence.

There seems to be quite a number going out for intercollegiate debating. Spirited competition brings out the best debaters, and that is what is desired. Mars Hill must maintain the record that she made last year in forensic clashes. Eight victories with only two defeats, over strong teams, is not a record to be sneered at. This year the representatives will be chosen from the school as a whole and not as last year when a certain number was chosen from each society.