

DR-POWELL BRINGS US FOUR LECTURES ON FOUNDATION

Dr. Sams Continues His Evangelistic Services.

Dr. W. F. Powell of Nashville, Tennessee, delivered Oct. 12 and 13 the first series of lectures under the E. E. Brown foundation.

For most of us, the experience of these lectures and the sermon were truly mountain-top experiences. It was a rare privilege, indeed, to hear these inspirational messages of such noble character as Dr. Powell. His ability and courage were exemplified when he brought us his last soul-stirring message while he was deep in sorrow from a message received a few hours before of his brother's death. We are grateful for the privilege and hope that Dr. Powell may return to us again.

Dr. Powell, in his first lecture, the subject of which was "Dust and Deity," told first something of the character of Dr. A. E. Brown, by whom these lectures were made possible. He spoke of Dr. Brown as a man of convictions. He paid a tribute of praise to him and spoke of his influence upon his own life. The mountain schools among which was Mars Hill, he said, were results of Dr. Brown's untiring efforts and ceaseless prayers.

Dr. Powell, taking his text from Gen. 1:26, said that the combination that has made history is Dust and Deity. The most marvelous conception is what deity has done with dust.

In the following lecture on "Clod and Crystal," Dr. Powell gave Adam as an example of the Clod and Christ, the second Adam, as the Crystal. He said that Adam was made a living soul and Christ a life-giving soul. "In Adam all die, while in Christ all live." He said that we needed faith in order that we might be converted from a clod to a crystal. "We need more respect," he said, "for what we shall be." The greatest joy in being a Christian is what we shall be when we awake to be like Him.

"Fetters and Freedom" was the third lecture of Dr. Powell which had to do with the three fetters—bondage, ignorance, and sin—under which man is bound. An ignorant man cannot be a free man, neither an intelligent man be a slave. "We shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." Dr. Powell said that Jesus meant for every man to be free from the fetters. "Will Christian America evangelize or fizzle? Will we who hear the name of Jesus become a missionary force in a missionary field?"

The last of the series was "Unity and Universe," in which Dr. Powell gave thanks for being an heir of Christ and proclaimed to us "You're a unit; spread out to the universe. Put within you an instinct to expand to the circumference." He showed us that Christ had left to us the universe and that all the world is our field, all people our hearers, the Book our message. We are here, but how great our God! Jesus said that He sends us as His Father sent Him, so that the blessed life might be ours.

These lectures from year to year no doubt be of a great blessing to many. They add much to the meaning of Founders Day and our Alma Mater.

Dr. Sams Continues Services

Dr. Powell had planned to remain at the college for a series of evangelistic services, but was unexpectedly called away on account of the death of his brother, after having preached only twice. Dr. Sams, however, was able to take over the services where Dr. Powell left off, and the remainder of the week preached twice each day simple soul-winning messages. The result of the ministry of these inspired messengers is still being felt on the campus.

Euthalian Society Presents Splendid Program Oct. 17

New Talent Found to Be Not Wanting.

The Euthalian Literary Society, in deference to the Brown Foundation Lectures, which were in progress during that week, held its regular meeting upon the afternoon of Friday, October 17.

The first number on the program was an oration delivered by Charles Runyon. This number, the speaker's first upon the floor, was rendered in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Thomas Moore followed with a declamation, Victor Hugo's "In Defense of His Son," to which the speaker did ample justice.

The query for the debate was, "Resolved, That the Volume and Methods of Chain Store Buying Is Beneficial to the Public." The affirmative was upheld by A. L. Chesson and Conway Sams, while the negative was sustained by Max Isenhour and W. O. Rosser. After an animated discussion, the judges' decision favored the negative, two to one.

Special music, a trumpet solo, was furnished by A. L. Brown.

This program furnished undeniable proof that some excellent talent has been taken into the society.

One Hundred Clios Head Autumnal Program Oct. 16

Mamie Kelley Is New President.

The Clio Literary Society met in the hall October 16, and delivered a very timely and attractive program. The hall was decorated with boughs of autumn leaves. The program rendered was as follows: Original poem on autumn, by Frances Saunders, given by Amanda Cannon; piano solo, "Under the Leaves," Mamie Perry; essay, "The Significance of Indian Summer," by Frances McFarland; reading, "The Last Leaf," Vernie Huffman; poem, "The Voice of Autumn," Hester King.

The Clio Anniversary will be held November 29. The one hundred Clios under the leadership of the newly elected president, Miss Mamie Kelley, are working earnestly and faithfully toward the Anniversary program this year. A fine spirit of co-operation is being manifested by every girl. The Blue and White strives to hold the banner of Alma Mater always high. The officers for the ensuing term are as follows: Mamie Kelley, president; Mildred Mears, recording secretary; LaRue Mangum, corresponding secretary; Grace Elkins, pianist.

Debate Preliminaries Held November 28-29

The preliminary tryouts for the men's and the women's intercollegiate debating team are scheduled for November 28 and 29. The query is a subject that is still receiving considerable comment and discussion among the colleges and throughout the nation. "Resolved, That the Philippine Islands Should Be Given Their Immediate Independence" is the query that will be used by both the men and the women.

Indications are that many students will compete for places on the debating team. Only one member of the varsity debating team, which last year won the men's state-wide forensic tourney, has returned, but excellent talent has been noticed in the literary society halls.

Dramatic Club Selects Play for Fall Season

On November 15 the Dramatic Club will present a Greek costume play, "Pygmalion and Galatea," three-act comedy by W. S. Gilbert. This play is generally conceded to be the most charming of all standard comedies. It concerns the sculptor Pygmalion, whose prayer is "that his statue may know life." Galatea comes to life and immediate confusion results. The situation fulfills all possibilities of comedy, pathos, tragedy, beauty, and romance.

The casting is not yet complete, but the play promises to be one of the most interesting and entertaining pieces of work during the Dramatic Club season.

Margot Hayes Symphony Ensemble Heard at Mars Hill

On Saturday night, October 18th, the students of Mars Hill College were entertained by the members of the Margot Hayes Symphony Ensemble, the first of the lyceum attractions of the season.

The artists, each of whom was a master in his or her field, afforded the audience a regal evening's entertainment.

The students thoroughly enjoyed two solo selections on the cello, an accomplishment singular because of the infrequency with which this instrument is utilized in musical performances.

Mr. Burnette rendered a violin solo with a superiority which acclaimed him a master of his instrument. The piano selections touched the audience with their rhythmic beauty.

Miss Hayes herself, however, provided the high spots of the evening's entertainment. Being a thorough and exacting student of music, her performance commanded the approval of the entire audience. She sang several types of selections, her opera numbers being thoroughly enjoyed and her old favorite songs drawing a great deal of applause.

These musicians performed admirably and thoroughly delighted the audience.

Mars Hill Club Organized at Carolina Teachers College

A Mars Hill Club was organized Wednesday, October 15, at Western Carolina Teachers College by former Mars Hill students who are now in school at Cullowhee.

The officers for the year are: president, J. Pearle Justice; vice-president, Ruth Gribble; secretary, Mattie Lou Mease; sponsor, P. L. Elliot.

The membership of the club is composed of Leonard McAlister, Porter Raper, Eulalia McClure, Roberta Bryant, Bud Thompson, George Gibbs, Charles Elmore, Jeffrie Freeman, Mattie Lou Mease, Ruth Gribble, and Pearle Justice.

Invitations have been issued to the following faculty members of Western Carolina Teachers College who were former Mars Hill students to become honorary members: Miss Lona Hill Braswell, piano teacher; President H. T. Hunter, and Dean Bird, head of the English department.

DEBATE COUNCIL

Faculty Members: Messrs. J. B. Huff, J. M. England, Hoyt Blackwell, and Miss Bonnie Wengert.

Nonpareil representative: Frances Barnes.

Clio representatives: Ruth Whitmire, Mamie Kelley.

Euthalian representative: A. T. Usher.

Philomathian representatives: Boderick Holden, Joe Plyler.

Nons Hold Program and Elect Officers

The Nonpareil Society held a very interesting meeting October 23. Elizabeth Corpening gave a delightful reading in her unusually fine way. A piano solo was then rendered by Mary Frances Clarke. Johnnie Wannamaker gave some news and comic items which were of a personal interest to the society. Miriam Padgett exhibited a very fine voice by singing "When You're Smiling" and "You're a Real Sweetheart." Then the interest of the society was carried far away from the hall to the future realms by a prophecy read by Mary Allen. She predicted many great things for the Nons.

After the program the society went into the election of officers. The following were elected: president, Frances Barnes; vice-president, Jessie Brendel; secretary, Helen Beckwith; corresponding secretary, Margaret Allen; censor, Sarah Fox; chaplain, Dorothy Whatley; pianist, Mary Frances Clarke; chorister, Miriam Padgett; janitors, chairman, Willie Mae Dills, Louise Smith, and Mary Allen. The society was well pleased with the election and feels that by the guidance of these officers they can hold a very successful anniversary, which comes December 13.

Jarrett Chosen to Head Philomathian Society

At the regular meeting of the Philomathian Literary Society, October 10, the following officers were elected: Nelson Jarrett, president; Roy Fisher, vice-president; Hubert Price, recording secretary; M. H. R. Kendall, corresponding secretary; Joe Plyler, censor; Cornelius Jones, chaplain; Andrew F. Albritton, dues collector; U. S. B. Dale, fines collector; J. L. Suttle, English critic; Oliver Lee, expression critic; "Pee Wee" Stallings, pianist; Hubert Miller, chorister; Guy Saunders, librarian; Harold Hendricks, Hilltop reporter.

The program was wholly impromptu and was enjoyed by all. The first number was a reading by Howard Cannitz, entitled, "When Casey Was at the Bat." Next came an enjoyable speech by "Buzz" Falls; and then came some music by Mr. Farmer and Mr. Carpenter, which kept the society in an uproar for some time. Carmen Greer also entertained the society with a speech.

The debate proved to be something of a comedy as indicated by the query, "Resolved, That a Fish with Corns Is More Fortunate Than a Chicken with Toothache." U. S. B. Dale and Mr. Kelley took the affirmative side against Paul Buck and Reeves Colville for the negative. The outcome ended in a tie, as one of the judges gave his decision to both sides while the other two split.

A quartet composed of Albritton, Brown, Saunders, and McCorkle next entertained the society with "Show Me the Way to Go Home." Whitesides and Miller imitated Amos 'n Andy to bring the program to a glorious end.

Mrs. Mathews was a visitor along with President Moore and Dr. Sams, who made short, inspiring speeches to the society.

Dramatic Club in "The Other Woman"

The first play of the year, entitled "The Other Woman," was presented at the regular Dramatic Club meeting October 6. The production staff consisted of Ruth Whitmire as director, with Helen Beckwith and Paul Fox in charge of the stage and lights. The play was a dialogue between a rich young widow, Sybil Pace, and a successful actress, Martha Parker. They both played their parts well and the pathos of the story was made so real that it brought tears to the eyes of many, even the masculine sector. These students presented in this first program are only a part of the talented folk in the Dramatic Club this year.

MR. TRENTHAM TO READ PAPER ON LAKE FLORA

Study of Artificial Lakes Attracts Wide Interest.

Professor S. O. Trentham of the Biology department has been invited to read a paper on the "Vegetation of the Artificial Lakes of Western North Carolina" at the annual meeting of the Botanical Society of America, to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, December 30 to January 1.

The paper will be based on a study which Mr. Trentham has been making for two or three years, the results of which were submitted as a master's thesis to Duke University last spring. Since the completion of the study Mr. Trentham has been receiving comments and inquiries from botanists of the leading universities of America. The study will be published soon in the Journal of Ecology and probably later by the Department of Conservation and Development of North Carolina.

The following is taken from an extract of the study: There are about seventy-five artificial lakes in Western North Carolina, ranging in size from one to fifteen hundred acres, in age from two to thirty-six years, and located at an average altitude of twenty-seven hundred feet. The purpose of this study was to determine the comparative effects of these lakes upon the vegetation in relation to certain environmental conditions. In general, the effects of these lakes are unfavorable and favorable: unfavorable due to denudation, flooding, and drying of stream beds below dams; favorable for certain types of plants, especially hydrophytes and marsh plants, due to increase in area of water habitat. The flora of these lakes differ considerably, due to kinds and amount of plants introduced and to the extent of sedimentation which in turn is related to environmental conditions. The actual age of these lakes can not, therefore, be determined by the apparent age indicated by vegetation present. Initial stages in plant establishment and early successions were studied, and in some cases all stages from submerged communities to a woodland forest were observed. A list of approximately two hundred and sixty species representative of the flora of these lakes is included.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES HOLD PICNICS SATURDAY

The Sunday School picnics were held Saturday afternoon, October 25, the several groups being composed of each men's class with their respective ladies' class.

The classes are reported to have utilized several local points of interest for the scene of their festivities, such places as Bailey and Swinging Bridge being chosen by some of the classes.

Upon the return, the expression of having had a jolly good time was universal. As a result of these picnics, a greater mutual understanding and closer relationship was developed, and it is reputed that the Sunday School department will be bolstered as a result.

ROBERTA BRYANT NEW PRESIDENT DRAMATIC CLUB AT W. C. T. C.

Fifty Western Carolina Teachers College students met Wednesday, October 15, for the purpose of organizing a Dramatic Club.

The following officers were elected: president, Roberta Bryant; vice-president, Minor Wilson; treasurer, Edna Erle Wilson; faculty advisor, Dean Bird; sponsor, Miss Mary Hope Westbrook.

Miss Bryant was last year a student at Mars Hill.