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Appreciation

The Euthalian Literary Society wishes to express appreciation to the editor of The Hilltop for the fine service rendered in the publishing of the Euthalian Anniversary issue. We know that it took the time and work of him and his co-workers, and we appreciate this opportunity to express publicly our gratitude.

Sunday School Begins a New Year

There are yet no blots against our names for the year 1931. Are we going to be able to say that when the bells ring out this year? One way to keep this record clean is to attend Sunday school every Sunday. We feel that every boy and girl has come back to the Hill with a new determination to enter into all the work on our campus with a new interest. It is an evident fact that our spiritual being becomes weak without nourishment. Let us go to Sunday school and get this nourishment.

Our Sunday school study courses are to be taught the first week in February. We hope to have two or three of the state workers with us at that time. We hope every boy and girl will sign up for one of these classes. One certainly will not be wasting his time by attending.

Every class in the Sunday school department worked hard last semester, and we are going to work harder this semester. Come on, let's make this semester count by putting our whole self into Sunday school. —M. K.

Your Honor Again

By the time you receive this edition of The Hilltop, final examinations will again be just around the corner. An examination of any description is merely a portrayal on your part of the things that you were supposed to have learned while studying the subject you are to be tested on. The final examinations of this institution are simply a test of the knowledge that you have obtained from your various courses of study. You are supposed to be here with one primary purpose: to gather for yourself a clearer knowledge of the subjects that will be of aid to you in the pursuit of your life's work. To prove yourself false to that purpose is one of the lowest and most contemptible forms of untruthfulness, not only to your professors and to the institution, but to yourself. Methinks it unnecessary to call the attention of this student body to any such points of interest. However, everyone is capable of being tempted, and should the occasion present itself to you during the next few days, assert your manhood and conquer any such desires. It will mean much to you to fail rather than to pass for something that you are not.

Students, always remember that you have to live with yourself, and that you would not care to live with anyone, or come in contact with anyone, who is not worthy of the highest and noblest thing any person is capable of possessing—PERSONAL HONOR! —J. N. J.

The New Year

In reality, there are but two tenses in the life of man—past and future. The past is memory, whether satisfaction or vain regret; the future is hope, the only factor that makes possibility realized in any enterprise. In spite of what it may have been, the past becomes but a guidance against the future and a source of wisdom voiced out of its experiences. The dawn of a New Year is the birth of a new dream and a stronger hope for its realization. Hope is the most sacred and powerful message conveyed by the New Year. It is the only emotion that makes the trials and disappointments of the past vanish before its powerful significance. It is the strongest link between aspiration and achievement. Therefore it is the sweetest realization of the New Year.

There is an indefinable sensation—a feeling close to gratitude—which surrounds one in the event of a New Year. There is a glorious forgetfulness of past and a wondrous expectation of what is yet to come. All the miserable mistakes, all the mortifying failures are forgotten and the spirit of man, young and strong in regeneration, goes forth in quest of whatever may lie veiled within the untold mystery of the Coming Year.

May the New Year be entered with sincere resolution and determination to make it better and fuller than the old. Whatever it may bring will be made richer and better if it is received by a purposeful heart and brought about by earnest endeavor. Whatever is attempted will be better accomplished because of the experiences and associations of the past years; for, although the

A SONNET OR A SONG

By D. L. Stewart

RETURNING

Cease, iron fiend, your fierce and lurid scream!
 And have I not enough of pain to bear
 Beside the mocking of your hiss and jeer,
 The lurid belchings forth of fire and steam?
 A monstrous and malicious fiend you seem,
 Who puffing, screeching, hissing, hot and sear,
 Has snatched me swiftly from this heavenly sphere,
 And waked me rudely from a pleasant dream.
 Oh, wasn't a dream—this sojourn brief and rare?
 Somehow 'tis hard to think that it was real,
 'Twas so much like—O let me, if I dare,
 Say it was heaven, for this is how I feel,
 For—hush!—I think I saw an angel there,
 Who sealed my heart,—till she shall break the seal!

past can never be real again, its influences linger forever and place their soul on the future. Out of the store of wisdom accumulated in the past and through the inspiration shining through the broken horizon of Another Year, may the success of the future be made secure.

I can only wish in all sincerity that the coming year may be for each of you as bright, happy, and memorable as you have made the past for me. —F. B.

The Staff Speaks

Faculty Advisor: John A. McLeod—

Grant me, O Lord—
 Hunger . . . for truth;
 Thirst . . . for the living water;
 Loneliness . . . without Thee;
 Bondage . . . to Thee;
 Tears . . . for others;
 Discontent . . . for what I am;
 Toil . . . at my task;
 Hardships . . . to make me a better man.

Editor-in-Chief: J. Nelson Jarrett—

May the blessings and the opportunities of the new year find in you a gracious spirit wholly capable of receiving and appreciating them.

Associate Editor: Frances Barnes—

Sincerest best wishes for a most enjoyable and beneficial New Year.

Associate Editor: B. G. Leonard—

Each New Year sounds a challenge—a clarion call to the higher and nobler. May each of us heed the challenge, take up the gauntlet, and press relentlessly on toward our goal of sublimity.

Religious Editor: Mamie Kelly—

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Ye students of Mars Hill College. Greetings: Accept ye my wishes for ye bestest success on the ensuing year.

Society Editor: Boyd Brown—

With the year '30 as history, and the year '31 to be; with the "good old days gone," and "better new days" ahead; let us be happier, more cheerful, more kindhearted, more friendly, smile more, make the most of our opportunities during the New Year; and let us do this New Year what we had planned to do last year; in other words, a great and prosperous New Year to all.

Athletic Editor: Howard Cannitz—

May the year 1931 bring happiness and a state baseball championship to M. H. C.

Assistant Athletic Editor: Harold Hendricks—

May the year 1931 be a happy and a most prosperous one for everybody.

Poetry Editor: D. L. Stewart—

Come, friends! The Old Year goes!
 Cast in his train
 Thy broken vow, lost love, and heart of pain,
 Thy failures, thy regrets, thy longings vain,
 And (if thou hast them) malice, hate and fear,
 And let them perish with the dying year.
 Come, friends! The New Year comes! Upon his scroll
 Unstained by records past, your name enroll,
 And write the new ambitions of your soul:
 New hopes, new vows, to brace a new career;
 And let them prosper with the marching year.

Alumni Editor: Conway Sams—

I wish for all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Typist: Charles Lamley—

Best wishes for a happy New Year.

Business Manager: B. T. Falls—

Greetings!

Assistant Business Manager—

Wishing each and every one a happy and prosperous 1931.

Circulation Manager: Hoyle Lee—

Let us each strive to make 1931 the best year that Mars Hill College has ever had.

Exchange Manager: W. O. Rosser—

Happy New Year once, happy New Year twice, happy New Year three times, and donated to the faculty and the student body of this invulnerable institution. May it be just what we all desire—the most successful and enjoyable year that it has ever been our privilege to spend together.

Reportorial Writers:

Charlotte Hooper— Happy New Year.

David Mashburn— Best wishes for a joyous New Year.

Elizabeth Wilburn— The tomorrow that we talked about yesterday is here and we have the chance to do all those things which were postponed until—today. May each member of the student body and faculty realize 1931 to be the happiest and most successful year ever.

Marion Justice— Prosperous New Year.

Margaret Allen— As each student and teacher closes the door of the past year and opens the door which leads to new paths of adventure, may I wish for each one the happiest and most profitable New Year ever.

Martha Stack— As the New Year unfolds, bringing new visions, hopes and accomplishments, may it bring the greatest benefits to Mars Hill College and its student body.

VARIETY PROMISED IN SCHOOL CALENDAR

Faculty to Be Hosts at Party January 24th.

The social calendar for the second semester will offer a varied program of entertainment, according to Professor Lee, chairman of the public and social functions committee. While the calendar is not complete, a number of events have been scheduled.

On Saturday evening, January 24, after the strain of examinations is over, the faculty will play hosts at a party for all the students. Other events slated, some tentatively, are as follows: January 31, a movie; February 14, a campus-wide Valentine party; February 21, Woman's Club play; February 27-28, W. N. C. basketball tourney; April 4, B. Y. P. U. reception; April 18, Junior-Senior reception; May 9, senior expression student's recital.

With the intercollegiate and intramural athletic games, the field day exercises, the intercollegiate debates, club and Sunday school socials and picnics, expression and music recitals, movies and lyceums yet to be scheduled, the program promises to be a full one.

"He is not only idle who does nothing, but he is idle who might be better employed." —Socrates.

SOMETHING FOR EVERY

By the Editor

You have witnessed the clock slowly but surely midnight hour on the last cember; suddenly there seemingly quiet atmosphere of many bells; firearms the cess of exploding; much gaiety are manifest by who have stayed up till on to witness this genesis and the exodus of the self have joined that tion—seven minutes his over. You retire to your domiciles wondering if New Year holds for you old one has meant. There is something of in this old custom, but too, have felt that alter tings of sadness that with the beautiful and is the silent, suffocating sadness of the outgoing year that makes the days one seem so full of opportunities.

The year 1930 has been eternity—it has given from those things that you fro of grasping. For 365 days or you wasted these no days or you wasted these no If the old year could sp what its parting message I wonder if tears would v its eyes at the thought r obviously unappreciative parting message would I have given myself to ent mand for the past 365 has been yours! You hance twisted, and scarred it, rejoyce that you have amall ly new and beautiful bur tr and to twist, and to scaru mine. In one more min the treat the New Year with —and, above all, find the symb decency in your own so City make you love, and hone were the New Year rather than in slander, and subdue it." Miss

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The puzzle that confronts ernment, and which is of ew a cir interest to the cosmopolitic—rebe was discussed by Elizabethove and It is indeed a challenge threw a cir are realized.

The next subject that we courag cussed promises to be of e courag terest; it will deal with t manfull ere exist ed with world.