

# THE HILLTOP

MARS HILL, NORTH CAROLINA, FEBRUARY 14, 1931.

WELCOME W.N.C. BASKETEERS

NO. 9.

## WORKERS EXCEL NON-WORKERS IN GRADES IN FIRST SEMESTER

Workers Make Average 82; Non-Workers Only 75.

TOTAL OF 141 WORKING.

Franklin Wilkins

Comparison of the grades made the first semester of the students employed by the college with those of those not working indicates that having to work is not a hindrance to scholarship.

A study was made from the records of approximately 450 students. The grades of the 141 students were compared with those of the 309 not working, as follows:

	Workers	Non-Workers
A's	11	9
B's	31	27
C's	33	29
D's	15	16
E's	6	10
F's	4	9

From the above figures, one may see that having extra duties do not hinder the working students in making good grades.

141 Workers

of the work required for running Mars Hill College is done by the students. One hundred and forty-one and girls work part or all of way here. Their jobs include furnaces, janitor work, sawing, cooking, serving meals, wash-dishes, helping in the offices, cleaning the campus in order, etc. There are no prominent jobs, all being considered on the level.

It does the time taken for work prevent these students from taking in the college activities. Of the students in the B. Y. P. U., 60 of them are included in the 141 workers. The workers are also well represented in the offices of the literary societies and in the Sunday-school classes.

## Junior Class Largest Ever, Elects Officers

of 241 Members Leads Last Year's Class by Six.

The Junior class is the largest class has ever been at Mars Hill. Its enrollment consists of 140 and 101 girls, making a total of students enrolled in this class. The number exceeds the Junior class of last year only by a total of six students, but the Juniors are proud of the fact that they have the largest in the history of Mars Hill.

The officers for the Junior class elected soon after the opening of school last September. The officers chosen to lead the class are as follows: president, Willard W. Griggs; secretary, Martha Stack; secretary, U. S. B. Dale; corresponding secretary, Eva Robbins; treasurer, Sarah Fox. The sponsors of the class "Daddy" Blackwell and Miss Zula Koon. The officers of the class are all in their power to make the class go forward, but without the help and co-operation of the members of the class the work of the officers will be a failure. So let us for the hearty co-operation of the members of the class in our large undertaking this semester, the Junior reception.

Recently, Mr. C. L. Hunt received his G. degree from Louisville.

## Our Sponsors

When the name sponsor is heard, each Junior immediately turns his attention to the names of "Daddy" Blackwell and Miss Zula Koon, two of the most loved teachers on our campus. We feel sure that we could not have made a wiser choice, although they have not had the opportunity to show their ability as sponsors so far this year. Nevertheless, we have learned from the graduating class of last year what fine sponsors they are, entering into the business as well as the social part of the class. Our sponsors are ready and willing to help us at all times.



MISS ZULA KOON  
Queen of Sponsors

## Philomathians Debate Tobacco Question

After a week's lay-off during the week of evangelistic services, the Phi got back into harness and presented the following program on February 6: Glen Wells gave a reading, "When a Fellow's in Love." This was followed by a declamation by Everett Abe. Following came the debate of the evening on the subject: "Resolved, That an Amendment Should Be Adopted Into the Constitution Prohibiting the Use and Sale of Cigarettes and Other Forms of Tobacco." The points of the affirmative were set forth by James Robinson and Glenn Watts while the negative was upheld by Theodore Cutchin and J. Nelson Jarrett. The judges rendered a unanimous decision in favor of the affirmative. A high light of the program was a declamation given by Robert James. An impromptu speech by Charles Murphy brought the program to a conclusion.

Tracy Burton a new student joined the Phi ranks and was administered the first degree initiation.

The meeting was brought to a close with a most timely talk by the president, J. Wade Baker.

## Large Number Eligible for Clubs

Science Club Has Largest Number to Choose From.

The first semester's work seems to be indeed successful when we look at the eligibles for the scholarship clubs. Somebody has worked, and the school should be proud of these students.

Those eligible for the Scribner's Club are: Margaret Allen, J. C. Adams, Dorothy Allen, Mae Ballew, Frances Barnes, Paul Buck, Robert Burnett, Eli Callahan, Howard Camnitz, Muriel Carroll, A. L. Chesson, Catherine Curl, Bruce Ellen, Hyatt Forrest, Ray Gibbs, Willard Griggs, Ruth Hoke, Charlotte Hooper, Sam Justice, M. H. R. Kendall, Hoyle Lee, Ernest Moore, Elaine Moore, Madge Myers, Sibyl Pace, Corinne Pannell, Woodrow Pettigrew, Mary Potat, W. O. Rosser, Walter Smith, William Speer, Clara Stover, Edna Stroude, Lillian Turbyfill, David Taylor, A. T. Usher, Edith VanGundy, Elizabeth Wilburn, Herman McCorkle, and Clarence Mayo.

Although science has been declared the hardest course on the campus, the eligibles for this club exceed the rest. They are: Clarence Mayo, Herman McCorkle, Martha Wager, Edith Van Gundy, A. T. Usher, Dorothy Allen, Nettie Ballew, Fred Bose, Paul Buck Corbet Carnes, W. J. Carraway, Muriel Carroll, Odessa Carter, Almeda Carter, A. L. Chesson, Bruce Ellen, Troy Estes, Hyatt Forrest, Mozelle Frasier, Gladys Poindexter, Joe Plyer, Willard Griggs, Harriet Hall, Margaret Hamrick, Nora Lee Henry, Eula M. Hester, Ruth Hoke, Ruth Robertson, Conway Sams, Ivan Smith, Kathleen Smoak, Christine Snelson, William Speer, Edna Stroude, David Taylor, John Johnson, Florence Johnson, Beatrice Johnson, Hoyle Lee, C. A. Moore, Tom Moore, Ernest Moore, Madge Myers, and Woodrow Pettigrew.

The eligibility list for the I. R. C. is: Margaret Allen, Dorothy Allen, (Continued on Page 4)

## W. N. C. BASKETBALL TOURNEY ON THE HILL FEBRUARY 26 - 28

SPONSOR



Professor Hoyt ("Daddy")  
Blackwell, Prince of Sponsors

## Clio's Present Splendid Impromptu Program

The heart of every Clio was beating with fright as the members gathered in their hall, Thursday January 29, 1931, because the program was impromptu. The heart almost ceased to beat as the secretary read the program. The following were the victims: popular songs, Ruby Robbins, Ruth Cates; reading, Catherine Curl; jokes, Jerry Holcombe.

The society was very glad to welcome four new members into its hall. Nannie McFarland, Lydia Jameson, Mary Etta Potat, and Lucy Den Acres. The Clio Literary Society always extends to every girl a cordial welcome.

## Dramatic Club Plans Some Original Plays

State Contest Preliminaries Held in Charlotte February 21.

The Dramatic Club began its new year's work enthusiastically, under the able leadership of Sibyl Pace, the new president. At the meeting on Thursday, February 3, the program committee submitted its plans for the second semester's work, which were accepted by the club—to produce two original plays, both tragedies, "Unhappy Gypsy," by Martha Parker, and "His Heritage," by Frances Barnes. Later, a comedy will be produced, and "The Accomplice," the contest play, will be presented. These aspiring players will again strive to develop dramatic ability through some scenes from the pen of the immortal Shakespeare.

The unique program presented February 3 was in the form of an impromptu play, "Who's the Star?" The plot was read to the group, after which the twelve who were lucky enough to draw the names of the characters, were chosen. Blanks were given and the characters had ten minutes in which to write their speeches of not less than twenty-five words. Following this each was allowed ten minutes to use such make-up and costumes as the property box afforded. These efforts resulted in a highly entertaining farce showing both originality and genuine talent. Mary Lou Thompson, who was voted the best actress, displayed remarkable talent in impersonation in the role of the mother. Frances Barnes received second place by popular vote in the characterization of the witty cook. Val Edwards as the clever butler, was voted the best actor; while Wade Baker contrived with make-up and impersonation to depict in an excellent manner the character of the elderly uncle of the hero. Following the strenuous period of examinations the students thoroughly enjoyed the fun of the hour.

The club this year is not being placed in the college group, as it has been heretofore in the Chapel Hill preliminaries, the first of which will be held in Charlotte February 21, where Mars Hill will meet in a triangle with the Charlotte Drama

## More High Schools to Participate in Sixth Annual Meet.

By Hubert Smith

On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 26-28, the sixth annual Western North Carolina High School Basketball Tournament, sponsored by Mars Hill College, will be held in the McConnell Gymnasium.

According to Coach Roberts, who has general direction of the tournament, fifty high schools of the one hundred fifty eligible to participate have already made application for a place. This year, however, only sixteen schools will be admitted to the tournament, and not more than two from any one county, the selection being made on the basis of location and record for the season. The method of local elimination is considered necessary to make the contest most effective in stimulating this form of sport among the high schools.

The contest will begin Thursday at 1:00 P. M., eight games being scheduled for this first day. The quarter-finals and the semi-finals will be played Friday, beginning at 9:00 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. respectively. The finals will be played off Saturday. P. Y. Matthews will be chief referee for all the games.

This will be the sixth annual basketball tournament sponsored by Mars Hill College under the direction of Coach O. E. Roberts and the event will probably be continued indefinitely, since the high schools of the western part of the state, to which the tourney is limited, are giving increased co-operation.

In the past five meets Sylva High School has won the trophy twice, Leicester twice, and Bakersville once. In addition to the trophy awarded the winning team, it is understood that individual awards will be made to the players in the finals. The teams with their coaches will be the guests of the college while on the campus.

## C-1 CLASS HAS SPLENDID BASKETBALL QUINTET

By Bruce Grainger

In keeping with the high tone of all its other products and achievements, the C-1 class has brought forth upon this campus one of the best basketball teams ever seen in action in this section of the state. From a very auspicious beginning they have swept through the intramural tournament with a dash that has carried all before them.

In their opening engagement of the season they humbled the A-4 team by a score of 26 to 15. This overwhelming victory is all the more famous because the C-1's used three complete teams in this game. However, the C-1 team is only human, and so none can blame them when they became overconfident and defeated the lowly C-2's by a score of only 18-14. It was then and then only that the cruel fates took a hand and decreed that the mighty C-1 team should lose a game. Despite this decree of the fates, the Phi team was able to eke out only a narrow 16-13 victory. Angered by this intervention of the gods, the C-1 team came back and brushed aside the highly touted Eu team by the score of 36-4. But again the mighty machine turned human and with their hearts softened they defeated the Melrose team by the score of 14-12.

This brings the tournament up to date, and if the fates do not again interfere, you can rest assured that the C-1 team will sweep through the finals in their usual victorious way.

League and the Reid Players of Reidsville. The contest play, "The Accomplice," is daily being rehearsed by the cast, and the prospects are pleasing for one of the best presentations ever given by the club.