

OVER \$1000 PLEDGED IN THE SWIMMING POOL DRIVE

Students Lack Only Ninety Dollars of Their Goal; Faculty Expected to Contribute \$300.

After a recent check-up it has been disclosed that \$1010 has been subscribed toward the completion of the swimming pool in the McConnell Gymnasium by the three classes of the college. The C-II class has subscribed \$350.00; the C-I class \$585.00; and the A-IV class \$55.00.

The movement to complete the swimming pool was started some four or five months ago by the presidents of the C-II and C-I classes with the help and cooperation of the Hilltop staff.

The goal was set for sixteen hundred dollars, eleven hundred of this amount to be subscribed by the classes, three hundred by the faculty, and the remainder of the amount to be raised by gifts. Almost two thirds of the amount has been subscribed, and it is hoped that in the near future the other six hundred will be raised. Those students who have agreed to give their five dollar room deposits to the fund are:

C-II Boys

Marion Justice, Hubert Smith, E. R. Collis, Allen Suttle, Ed Walker, Rankin Leeper, Bruce Grainger, Bomar Lowrance, Andrew Chesson, Irving Howell, Zack Woody, Cecil Coffey, Geo. Smith, Hal Byrd, Randall Fowler, Tracy Burton, Lawrence Whiteside, Tom Moore, C. B. Jones, E. A. Fletcher, Larry McLendon, Albert Beck, Max Isenhour, Marvin Smith, M. H. Kendall, L. J. Matthews, Bill McLester, C. B. Taylor, Hartsell Scarborough, William Kirk, Everett Abee.

C-II Girls

Flora Huffman, Sara Fox, Elizabeth Corpening, Sarah Hamrick, Ruth Moore, Inez Hobgood, Willie Newell, Ruth Robertson, Christine Stroupe, Martha Stack, Madge Linney, Marie McNeill, Mabel Jones, Olive Jackson, Ruth Burt, Trula Little, Madge Myers, Eula Hudson, Kathleen Gilleland, Ray Gibbs, Marguerite Mauney, Margaret Martin, Grace West, Muriel Carroll, Catherine Rollins, Eva Robbins, Dona Shouse, Mildred DeWeese, Mary McLean, Clara Stover, Helen Keller, Lillian Crowe, Virginia Lloyd, Mildred Elmore, Pearl Howell, Avalona Hamilton, Ferne Hoover, Frances Frisbie, Frances McFarland, Jincy Owen, Pauline Young, Stella Coulter, Julia Merrill.

C-I Boys

Wilson Crawford, Frank Powell, J. M. McGregor, Connor Feimster, W. B. Murray, Claude Dills, Clifford Fox, Jacob Isenberg, Sam Justice, Thomas Sinclair, Otto Williams, John Irwin, Dud Rabb, J. L. Woody, Marshall

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Clios Elect Officers

The meeting of the Clio Literary Society on Thursday afternoon, last marked the installation of the following C-I officers for the coming year. They are as follows: President, Dorothy Crutchfield; 1st vice-president, Mary Ellen Newborough; 2nd vice-president, Ruamie Squires; Recording secretary, Sue Stuart Moore; corresponding secretary, Ruth Waggoner; treasurer, Mae Danner; censor, Doris Smiley; chorister, Elizabeth Blanton; pianist, Carolyn Haynes; chaplain, Agnes Stack; marshals, Azaleen Kickliter, Elizabeth Denham, Louise Gilliam; program committee, Emma Van Sant, Madge Thomas, Mary Ledford; reporter Kate Huskins. As is the custom, the annual Martha Cannup Oratorical contest was held. The contest showed much preparation on the part of those entering. The judges for the contest were: Mrs. Dr. Lock Robinson, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Blackwell. As there is only one place given, Madge Myers was able to claim the victory. Clara Stover and Louise Gilliam received honorable mention. It was also decided that the improvement medal, given each year to a C-II girl, should go to Kathleen Gilleland.

LAUREL IS EXPECTED MAY 15

New Feature Section Devoted to Alumni; Dedication to W. C. McConnell.

An announcement that will be received on the campus with much interest is that made by Bill McLester and Bruce Grainger in regard to the 1932 edition of the *Laurel*.

The *Laurel* will make its first appearance on or about the fifteenth of this month when the editor will present it in chapel.

There are several new features added to this edition which will place it among the best that have been produced here. While the general theme of the book will be kept secret until its appearance, a few special features have been announced.

A special section of silhouettes will be devoted to some of the outstanding alumni of the school, among which will be included A. W. Honeycutt, of Hendersonville; Judge Thomas L. Johnson, of Asheville; John Q. Tilson, Republican leader in Congress; Rev. J. H. Hipps, dean of the Baptist University in Shanghai, China; and H. T. Hunter, president of the Western Carolina Teachers college.

The dedication is made to W. C. McConnell, prominent Asheville president and trustee of the school, for whom the McConnell Gymnasium is named.

To those members of the staff who have worked so faithfully and unceasingly is due the credit and appreciation from the student body. The following are the staff members: Bill McLester, Bruce Grainger, Bradley Taylor, Bomar Lowrance, Lillian Crown, Muriel Carroll, and Nevelyn Wall.

COMING SENIORS ELECT OFFICERS

John Wilkins Is Chosen President at Class Meeting.

At a class meeting held Tuesday morning the C-I class selected officers for the rising C-II class. John Wilkins was chosen president; John McGehee, vice-president; and Hazel Herndon, secretary.

These officers are prominent in scholastic and extra-curricular activities, and the thought has been expressed that under the newly elected leaders the oncoming C-II's will be among the outstanding classes graduating from Mars Hill.

The retiring officers who have served the present C-I's in a most capable manner, are Richard England, president; Geraldine Barrett, vice-president; and Louise Gilliam, secretary.

CLASSES HOLD JOINT PICNIC

On Friday evening, April 29, the Sunday School classes taught by Miss Wengert and Dr. Moore went on a joint picnic to the old Sams Mill. The groups left at four o'clock, walking to the mill where a bonfire was built. Entertainment was furnished in the form of readings by Miss Wengert, Azaleen Kickliter, and Flora Huffman. Supper was eaten around the bonfire, and the groups returned around seven-thirty.

Commencement Program

Sunday, May 22—Sermon by Dr. A. B. Conrad, Pastor First Baptist Church, High Point, N. C.

Wednesday, May 25, 8 P. M.—Readings.

Thursday, May 26—
11:00 A. M.—Orations by Young Women.

2:30 P. M.—Inter-society Debate.

4:30 P. M.—Reunion of classes in Phi Society Hall.

5:30 P. M.—Alumni Supper in Sams Dining Hall.

8:00 P. M.—Entertainment by Music and Expression Departments.

Friday, May 27—

10:00 A. M.—Awarding of Diplomas.

10:30 A. M.—Alumni address by Rev. P. L. Elliot, Professor of English, Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, N. C.

11:00 A. M.—Announcement of honors and prizes.

MISS CORPENING GIVES RECITAL

Frances Frisbie, Soprano, Assists in Graduating Expression Recital

The expression department presented in graduating recital Elizabeth Corpening, of Granite Falls, assisted by Francis Frisbie, of Grafton, West Virginia, Saturday evening, April 30. The recital, which was given in the college auditorium, comprised characteristics in impersonations as follows: according to the oriental period, "A Gift to The King," by Agnes Sligh Turnbull; the casket scenes from "Merchant of Venice!" according to the modern period, "The Noble Lord," a one-act play by Percival Wilde. Miss Corpening's most outstanding number was the casket scenes, which she presented with strong insight and feeling. Her interpretation of the suitors was excellent. Miss Corpening made the Shakespearean scene a vivid drama.

The one-act play, a comedy in a light vein, was charming and cleverly done. The reader's characterization was good.

Miss Corpening was assisted by Francis Frisbie who sang six numbers. "On Wings Of Song," "Who is Sylvia," "Morning," "Nursery Rhymes," "Dawn in the Forest," and "June Is in My Heart." Miss Frisbie is one of the outstanding musical students of the campus.

Both reader and singer were dressed in green. Miss Corpening wore a corsage of pink rosebuds. Miss Frisbie wore a corsage of violets.

Miss Corpening is the pupil of Miss Wengert and is one of the most outstanding students of the expression department.

Marshals for the evening were: Sara Corpening, Sara Fox, Ruamie Squires, Catherine Rollins, Paulyne Wall, and Mildred Elmore.

LIBRARY GETS VALUABLE BOOKS

A valuable addition was made to the Montague Library when Dean I. N. Carr picked up, for a mere song, an expensive set of books entitled "The South in the Building of the Nation," in a second-hand book store in Richmond, Virginia, recently.

The set is broad in its scope dealing with the history of the states, their political history, economic history, educational history, social life, and biography of famous Southerners. The set was ably compiled by a group of six editors, who are professors in leading Southern colleges.

The set is made up of twelve handsomely bound volumes, with colored picture plates and engraved title pages. The approximate value of the set is one hundred dollars.

MARS HILL COLLEGE IS HOST TO S. J. C. PRESS MEET

Robert Lathan, Editor of Asheville Citizen is Feature Speaker; Convention Visits Biltmore Estate and Citizen Plant.

The third annual convention of the Southeastern Junior College Press Association convened Friday morning, May 6 with S. Marion Justice, president, presiding. Anderson, Biltmore, and Weaver Junior Colleges had representatives present for the meeting, which will last through noon Saturday.

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At adjournment of the short session the delegates left to take a trip through the plant of the Asheville Citizen-Times company and to visit the Biltmore Estate. Upon return from Asheville the delegates were guests at a banquet given in the college dining hall. Music was furnished by the college orchestra.

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One new member, Anderson College, Anderson, S. C., was received at this convention.

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"M" Club Holds Annual Banquet

On April 23 the "M" Club held its annual social feature in the form of a banquet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Trentham. Approximately fifty guests were present. Because of rain, the entertainment was held indoors instead of on the lawn as previously planned. The banquet was served buffet style.

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Non Officers are Elected

Sara Corpening Essay Contest Winner.

At the regular meeting of the Nonpareil Literary Society on May 5 the following officers were elected: President, Rubye Young; vice-president, Sara Corpening; recording secretary, Ruby Hayes; corresponding secretary, Geraldine Barrett; censor, Miriam Mohn; treasurer Jonnie Hudson, chaplain, Ruth Killip; chorister, Alyce DeCourses; pianist, Mable Shaver, reporter, Nevelyn Wall; hostess, Doris Doris Gibbs, Minnie Brooks Mary Prevost; doorkeeper, Pearl Ownby. These officers were elected from the C-I class to carry on the work next fall.

The Society was glad to welcome as a visitor Mrs. Lyday, a former Non and daughter of our own Mother Wilkins.

The winners of the Non Essay contest which was held April 14 were: first place, Sara Corpening; second place, Madge Linney; third place, Frances Frisbie; fourth place, Lily Bennett.