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PHI'S CELEBRATE 42nd ANNIVERSARY

STUDENT WINS HONORS IN AVERETT SPEAKING TOURNEY

**Ella Newbrough Places
First In Dramatic Reading
Selection "The Breaking
Of The Calm."**

Mars Hill received a first place in the dramatic reading contest at Averett college, in Danville, Va., last Friday when Mary Ella Newbrough won first place in the dramatic reading contest with her selection entitled, "The Breaking of the Calm."

Campbell Wins Two
Mars Hill College was one of the odd schools invited to attend the contest. Contests were held in the afternoon. Simultaneous readings, extemporaneous speeches, dramatic readings, and humorous readings, Campbell, another North Carolina junior college, won first place in the extemporaneous speaking contest. She won first place in the dramatic reading to give Mars Hill College three of the first places. Virginia Intermont College won first honors in the preliminary.

On Saturday afternoon, Miss Newbrough read again Friday night and was awarded the coveted readers' medal at Commencement last spring with the same selection she used in the tournament.

Other Students Entered
Mars Hill students who entered the contest were: Elizabeth Paul, humorous reading; Beth Parker, oration; and John McGehee, extemporaneous speech.

There was no contest held in the spring when it will be held in Bluefield, W. Va. Mars Hill is going to send representatives for the contest.

Students Attend B. S. U. Convention

**Held At Chapel Hill On
Nov. 4, 5, and 6; "If I Be
Lifted Up" Theme.**

Mars Hill students who attended the B. S. U. Convention at Chapel Hill on November 4, 5, and 6, returned after having received inspiration and enjoyment.

The group reached Chapel Hill five o'clock and were assigned to their respective places of abode for the week-end. They did not stay long at a time because sessions were planned for practically every minute of the time.

The keynote of the convention was "If I Be Lifted Up." The theme of the meeting on Friday night was "Lifting the Task and Oppor-

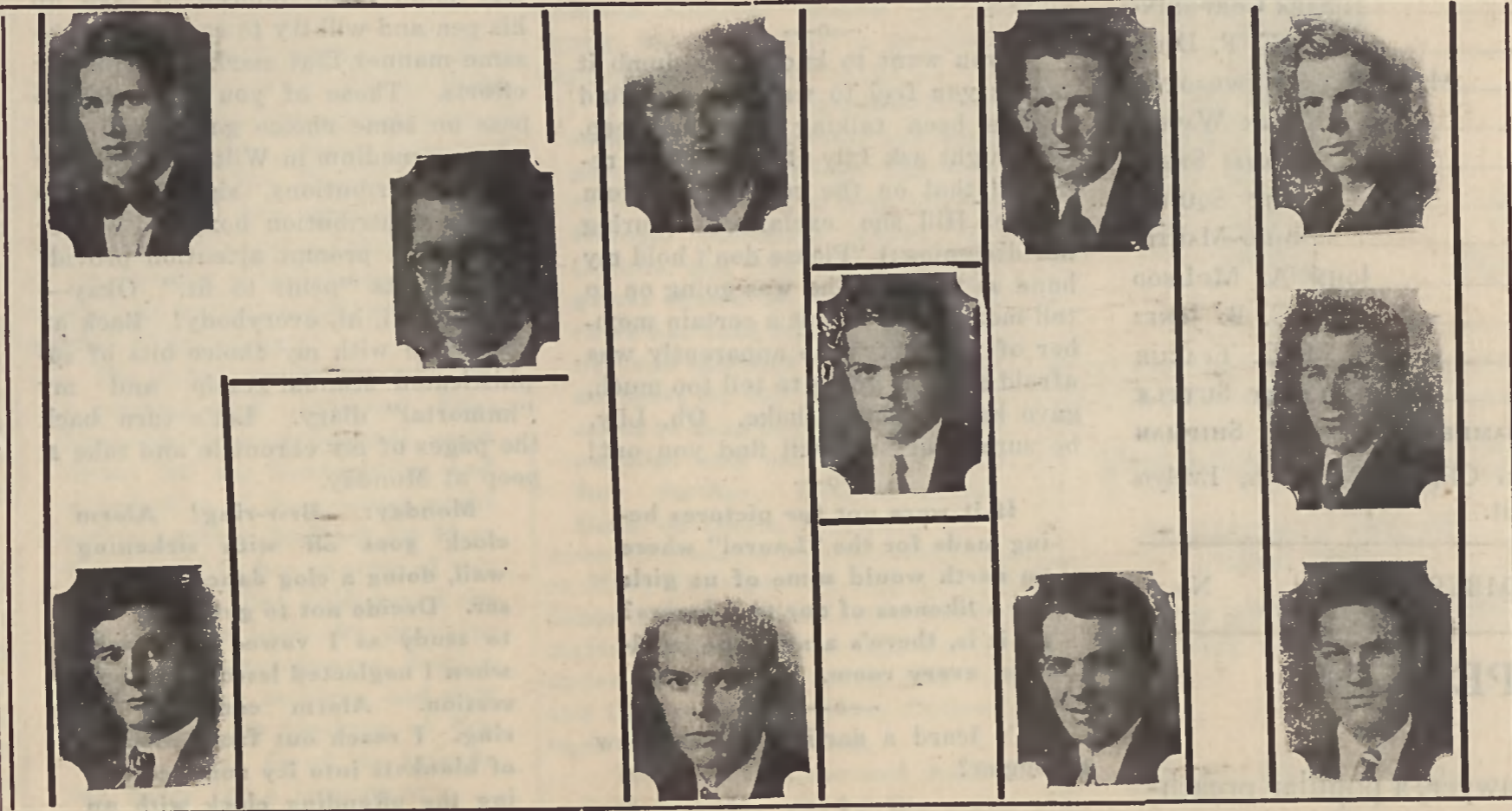
Dr. Ellis Fuller, pastor of the Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, delivered an inspiring message on "Power and Survival Value of Christian Character." His message was that the world is waiting today for men and women with character, because only through such, may our problems be solved.

Dr. Fuller closed his message saying, "Christian Character is the only thing of value and wealth that you and I have."

The theme of the Saturday morning session was "B. S. U. projecting an Living." Mrs. W. Oscar conducted an open forum on the part of Southern Baptist students.

Students from different colleges participated in eight tests of Christian living on the college campus. The tests of character, Bible study, prayer and devotion, social activities, church

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Above are the participants in the Forty-Second Anniversary of the Philomathian Literary Society Saturday night. Reading from top to bottom on the letter "P" are: Thomas Speed, orator; James Matthews, orator; and Edwin Powell, declaimer. On the "H" from left to right starting from top: C. B. Jones and Falk Johnson, debaters; Jack Dale, declaimer; and Dick England and Carl Rogers, debaters. Reading from top to bottom on the letter "I" is the Phi trio composed of Dudley Rabb, Robert Richardson and John Wilkins.

McGEHEE PICKED AS NEW EU HEAD

**Jack Bost Chosen To Preside At
Anniversary**

John McGehee, popular campus figure, was chosen to head the Euthalian Literary Society for the next nine weeks, when that organization held its election of officers on Nov. 18. Mr. McGehee was not present at the time, having gone to Averett college to enter a forensic tournament, and did not learn of his election until his return to the campus on Saturday night. He succeeded Franklin Wilkins as president of the society.

Parker Is Vice-President
Other society officers chosen were: vice-president, Fred Parker; recording secretary, Hobart Ford; corresponding secretary, Alexis Vinokuroff; censor, Francis Coachman; chaplain, Daniel Johnson; debate critic, Ralph Maxcey; English critic, Arthur Childs; expression critic, Reed Wood; librarian, Charles Waters; choirster, Claude Dillers; pianist, Luther Hawkins; time-keeper, Hugh Nanney; collector, Luther Atkinson; reporter, Vance Hardin; and janitor, Edison Picklesimer.

Anniversary Officers Selected
The officers who were elected for anniversary are: president, Jack Bost; secretary, Marvin Harris; marshalls, Hugh Nanney, chief; Jack Hodges and Francis Coachman.

Tom Moore, a former president of the society, was present at the meeting, and at the request of the president, presided over a part of the program.

Foreign Language Club Holds Regular Meeting

The Foreign Language Club met on November 8, presenting a program that was enjoyed by every one present.

"Our Roman Flavor," a paper by Ralph Maxcey, was heard with interest. Following this Ralph Cole gave "The Life and Works of Lope de Vega." The members were then entertained by a conversation in French by Sara Corpening and Elizabeth Blanton. The program was brought to an end by a study of a "Prison in the German University," by Miss Claudia Allen.

Reverend Lester Reddin is a prominent pastor in Philadelphia.

Time Is Short For Short Story Contest

The time is shortening (don't slip up on it) for the closing of the short, short story contest. As the time is already so short, you will doubtless want to use this short-cut.

First scratch your head until your hair becomes short—or gone. By that time, or shortly thereafter, you will think of some character—somebody different, say like Mr. "Shorty" Richardson. Then bite your pencil—it too will become short—until you see your character short of money, brains, love, or anything like that. Shortly thereafter some wonderfully beautiful lady with short hair should enter your short, short story. They should shortly become sweet with each other. Then very, very shortly should your short, short story close with a short end twist a la O'Henry.

Shortly, that is the short cut for writing a short, short story in a short, short time . . .
—The Editor.

VOLUNTEER BAND STUDIES CHINA

The Volunteer Band has recently completed several weeks of helpful study on China. The subject was suggested to them by the Rev. L. Bunn Olive, pastor of the Baptist Church.

The verse that came to be the keynote of the study is from the Psalms: "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein." Yet the students found in their study that there were thousands of Chinese who do not know that the world was created by God. Neither do they know that Christ died for them. They are said to live under conditions which are wholly foreign to us and it is believed that many of them are so poor that they could live in luxury on what Americans throw into garbage cans. The band was given to believe by Mr. Olive that only those who have visited China realize how badly the Chinese need Christ.

The band is planning to spend much time in working up inspiring programs for the future. All students who have consecrated their lives to definite Christian service are invited to attend the programs.

Clios Make Plans For Anniversary

**Program To Differ From Former
Routine**

At the meeting of the Clio Literary Society on November 10, much interest and enthusiasm was expressed when the plans for the Clio anniversary were presented by the president, Miss Agnes Stack.

Although the plans for anniversary this year are different from anything which has previously been given every Clio feels that this year's celebration of the founding of the society is going to be the best that has ever been presented.

Following the program, Rubye Young, a former president of the Nonpareil society, was recognized and in her brief talk expressed the desire of the Nonpareil society for the success of the Clio program. In response, the Clio president sent back a similar message to the Nonpareils.

Revival Services Prove Successful

**Inspiring Message Brought By
Pastor Olive; Several Mem-
bers Added To Church.**

A most fruitful series of revival services was held in the Mars Hill Baptist Church from October 30 to November 6. The new pastor, the Rev. L. B. Olive, brought on each morning and evening stirring sermons. The opening sermon was "Ye Are The Salt of The Earth." This was followed by "Riches in Christ," "The Keys to Heaven," "The Broad Road," "The Narrow Road," "Sin," "The Wages of Sin Is Death," "What Shall I Do With Jesus," "Justification," "Rejectors of Jesus," "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" "One Thing Thou Lackest," "Making Excuses," and "David's Confession." Each message was filled with inspiration.

Throughout the series of meeting there was a spirit of deep reverence and quietness. Many Christians re-consecrated their lives. Twenty-seven young people came forward making professions of faith. Several students united with the church by letter. The meeting brought much new joy as well as a new determination to live a more consecrated life.

The entire revival was a success in winning the lost and in gripping the campus with a new zeal and determination to be about the service of Christ.

APPROVAL OF PROGRAM VOICED BY MANY

**Affirmative Team, Composed of
Jones and Johnson, Wins De-
bate Over England And Rog-
ers On Query Of Isolation
Of Russia.**

PHI SYNCOPATERS PLAY

The Philomathian Literary Society of Mars Hill college successfully presented its 42nd anniversary program before a packed house here Saturday night.

The program was opened by the singing of the Alma Mater by the audience, with Dr. O. E. Sams, vice president of the college leading the invocation. At this juncture the presidents of both the boys' literary societies, the Philomathian and the Euthalian, were escorted to the platform as the audience rose in a body. Carl Rogers, president of the Phi's challenged the Euthalians to put forth their best efforts in the anniversary, two weeks off. The challenge was accepted and answered by Franklin Wilkins, president of the Euthalian.

Phi Trio Sings

The regular program opened with a declamation by Edwin Powell entitled, "A Nation's Honor." Next came an ovation, "Life, The Ideal," by Thomas Speed. This was followed by special music by the Phi Trio, composed of Dudley Rabb, John Wilkins, and Robert Richardson, who sang the "Echo Song."

Then came the debate on "Resolved, That All The Nations Of The World Should Diplomatically Isolate Russia Until She Discontinues Her Present Foreign Policy." After a fiery discussion of the query, the decision was awarded to the affirmative team, composed of C. B. Jones and Carl Rogers. Dick England and Carl Rogers represented the negative.

Following the debate more music was rendered, this time by the Phi Syncopaters, under the direction of Pegram Holland. After the music, another declamation was given, "The Diminishing World," by Jack Bale. The last number of the program was an oration given by James Matthews on "Paintings From Life."

Phi Group Assembled On Stage

Following the oration, the stage was drawn apart revealing the entire Phi society assembled on the stage. After a toast to "Clio-Phi" given by Emmet Francis, the entire group sang "Clio-Phi."

After the program the Phis and Clios assembled over in the two literary societies where a most enjoyable reception was had.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE LAUREL

By a Staff Member.
"Yet once more, O ye Laurels, and once more" is an unuttered prayer significant to the members of each new Laurel staff when it is selected to place the message of the various activities of school life into a more or less permanent and concise form. Year after year as the editors aspire to present an acceptable book they find themselves in a whirling eddy of benighted tasks that arise, and near asphyxiation in the most painful degree is imagined.

The present form of the Laurel evolved from a combination of the Quarterly, a news magazine, and the Laurel as a former monthly literary publication of the students.

The Quarterly is a publication prepared by the officials of the college and contains various news items of interest to patrons and alumni of the

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