

Contract For Laurel Recently Awarded To News Printing House

*Published Book Will Contain Be-
tween 100 And 110
Pages*

L. STALLINGS IS EDITOR

*Ready More Than Two Hun-
dred Fifty Laurels Have
Been Sold*

L. Stallings, editor of the Laurel, reports that splendid progress has been made by the staff in bringing subscriptions and that at present time more than 250 Laurels have been sold.

The contract for printing, engraving and binding has been let to the News Printing House of Charlotte.

The house printed the Annuals for Brevard College and Appalachian State Teachers' College last year, and it is believed that they will be the staff in putting out a book of the senior class will be proud.

It is hoped that the majority of students will have their pictures taken for the Laurel before the holidays. Mr. Stringfield has begun taking pictures, and he will be in the studio from 12:30 to 4. If any conflicts arise as to these hours, Clarence Poe will arrange a time for those having such conflicts to get their pictures taken.

The editor requests that each of the students bear in mind that the deadline on his subscription is due immediately after the Christmas holidays.

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Former Student Dies Recently At Louisville

*Alexis Vinokuroff, A Former
Student From Manchuria,
Dies November 22*

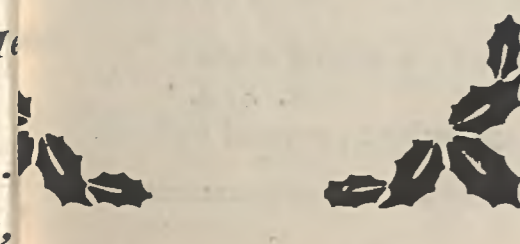
News of the death of Alexis Vinokuroff, who died at Louisville, November 22, brought grief to the number of his friends at Mars Hill College, where he was a student for years.

Vinokuroff was born near Moscow, Russia, and was reared a member of the Greek orthodox church. During the revolution of 1917 he with his family left Russia for Manchuria, where Alexis and his father became members of the Baptist church.

Vinokuroff came to Mars Hill from Dablin, Manchuria, in 1931 as an exchange student under the United States immigration laws, planning to return to Manchuria or Russia as a minister of the gospel. He came to Mars Hill highly recommended by Charles A. Leonard, Southern Baptist missionary to Manchuria. At Mars Hill Vinokuroff rapidly acquired proficiency in English and graduated in honor student from the college. While a student here he made many friends and was particularly outstanding as a spiritual force on the campus.

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**A Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year
to All**



TWENTY-ONE WIN IN TRYOUTS FOR DEBATING SQUAD

The debating squad for 1935-1936 has been chosen by Professor M. E. Oakes and other members of the debating committee. The girls who made the team are: Judith Eller, Helen Corpening, Priscilla Pendleton, Judy Wynne, Ethel Davis, Ethel Hill, Lillian Linney, Lucille Hartley, and Frances Summerlin.

The boys who made the squad are: Thomas Fulk, Boyd Ray, Joe Robertson, James Whitt, U. A. Moss, Jerome Peak, Charles Weaver, G. G. Morgan, Bob Query, Ernest Harrill, Cecil May, and Bill Hill.

Coach Oakes is giving the team a thorough workout before dividing it. The query has been taken apart, each part properly discussed, and then put back together ready for use.

It is hoped that after Mr. Oakes has given this squad such a thorough workout, that they will not lose a decision during the debating season.

Dramatic Club Is Busy Organization On College Campus

*Club Has 53 Members Divided
Into Three Groups
Of Players*

PRESENT "MISS MOLLY"

*Gives Plays In Chapel, C. C. C.
Camps, And At Club
Meetings*

One of the more active clubs on the campus is the Dramatic Club. The club this fall is undertaking the broadest field of activity ever undertaken by the club. Plays are being presented each week in either club meetings, chapel, or in C C C camps.

Two plays have been presented in chapel this semester. One act of the Dramatic Club's fall play "Hedda Gabber" was presented on one occasion. "Shimmering Steel," written by Mildred Moore, a former student, was given on the other occasion. Both were well received by the student body. Another play, "Miss Molly," will be presented Friday in the auditorium.

At every meeting of the club some dramatic endeavor is presented for the members. The club of fifty-three members is divided into three groups under the direction of Doris Johnson, Mavis Allman, and Jessie Indorf.

One of these groups has charge of the program each time.

The two-act comedy, "Miss Molly," was given at the Barnardville C C C camp recently. Other plays are to be given at this camp and also at the Mars Hill camp.

Christmas Candle Light Service Program Scheduled For Sunday Is Made Public

The Christmas Candle-Light Service annually held at Mars Hill prior to the Christmas holidays will be held again this year on Sunday evening in the college auditorium. The service was not held last year because of a conflict in dates.

The program which has been held for a number of years will begin promptly at 7:30 Sunday evening. The program is to be given by the following groups: Glee Club, Dramatic Club, String and Wood-Wind Ensemble, and the Athenium Music Club.

The program will be given in the form of a dramatization of the Biblical story of the birth of Christ with appropriate music.

The program is as follows: Christmas hymns by the congregation; Lo!

Dean Carr Returns After Louisville Association Meet

*Many North Carolina High
Schools Dropped From
Accredited List*

THREE REASONS GIVEN

*Mars Hill And St. Mary's Only
Accredited Junior Colleges
In State*

"Colleges in general are in better condition than they have been at any time since the depression began," Dean I. N. Carr of Mars Hill College, said Monday as he returned to his duties from attending the fortieth annual meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in Louisville last week.

Distress was felt among the North Carolina representatives, Dean Carr said, when 47 North Carolina high schools were dropped from the approved lists and the state was placed at the bottom in the number of accredited high schools. Three causes, he said, were responsible for the action of the association in regard to North Carolina schools, the eight months school term, over-loaded teachers, and underpaid teachers.

Mr. Carr attended the meeting as a representative of Mars Hill college, which has been an accredited member of the association since 1926. The other junior college in North Carolina which is a member of the association is St. Mary's of Raleigh. Five junior colleges of the South were placed on probation this year, and four were admitted to the association, making 39 accredited junior colleges in the South. The report shows 139 senior colleges on the accredited list.

Mr. Carr was away from the college for a week. The meeting at Louisville lasted from December 2 to 6.

John T. Davis, Dean of Texas A. & M. College was elected president of the association for the coming year.

Ernest Harrill Takes Third In Horace Contest

*State Translation Contest Held
In Commemoration Of The
Horace Bimillennium*

Ernest Harrill, prominent senior on Mars Hill Campus, won third prize in the state translation contest for Colleges in commemoration of the Horace Bimillennium held at Chapel Hill, according to a report received last week.

The contest was under the auspices of the American Classical League, and each state was to choose one of

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TENTH READERS & DECLAIMERS CONTEST OPENS TODAY IN COLLEGE AUDITORIUM; LARGE NUMBER OF SCHOOLS TO COMPETE

WELCOME

In behalf of our group of six hundred teachers and students I am glad to welcome to our campus those who have come to represent their schools in the tenth annual contest of declaimers and readers. During these years there has been a marked improvement in the quality of the readings and recitations presented and in this fact there is ground for congratulations to all concerned. Crowded dormitories and class rooms will expand just a little to help take care of you who have honored us by your presence. The welcome is just as hearty as it can be under the circumstances, though the entertainment cannot be quite what we have it in our hearts to make it, and would make it if our quarters were larger and better.

R. L. Moore
President.

College And Academy Classes Complete Winter Elections

*Elect Sponsors, Intramural
Basketball Managers In Last
Meeting Before Holidays*

MISS JOHNSON POPULAR

*First Semester Parties Put Off
Until After Christmas
Holidays*

The chapel period on Monday, December 8, was given over to the meeting of the Senior, Junior, and Academy classes. The most important business attended to by each one of these was the election of class sponsors. The Senior and Academy classes clinched in one of their elections, both desiring Miss Florence Johnson as one of their advisors.

The other Senior sponsor elected was Mr. John A. McLeod. Mr. R. M. Lee and Mrs. S. P. King will serve as Junior sponsors. Mr. P. C. Stringfield was the other Academy class sponsor chosen.

The intramural basketball tournament managers were also selected. They are as follows: Gerald Almond, Senior; Mack Griffin, Junior; C. J. Ellen, Academy.

The discussion of the class parties was postponed until a later date.

The matter of rings for the Senior Class was brought up in the Senior Class meeting by Charles Hurst but this was put off until further details are worked out.

Y. W. A. To Present Christmas Program

The Y. W. A. will have a special Christmas program Wednesday night, December 18, 1935 at their regular meeting. The Lottie Moon Christmas offering will be presented through the program.

The Christmas Story with Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus will be dramatized, and the girls will bring their offerings to the baby as the wise men of old brought their gifts.

The aim of the Y. W. A. this year is that the Lottie Moon Christmas offering will reach \$100.00 and that not only the girls in Y. W. A. shall contribute but that every girl on the campus shall have a part in it, small though it may be.

The question that is facing the girls is not "Shall I give?" but "How much am I able to give?"

Preliminaries To Last From Two To Five This Afternoon

R. M. LEE HAS CHARGE

Finals In Contest Will Be Run Off Tomorrow Morning

The tenth annual readers and declaimers contest for the high schools of Western North Carolina, sponsored by Mars Hill College, will be held at Mars Hill College today and tomorrow.

The high schools from 20 counties of Western North Carolina, with the exception of special charter schools, have been invited to participate in the contest. Each school is entitled to enter two students, one boy in the declaimers contest and one girl in the readers contest. Already several of the schools have sent in the names of their representatives, Professor R. M. Lee, who is general director of the contest, said today. The names of each contestant, with a copy of his or her declamation or reading, was to be filed with the local committee at the college by noon December 10. The college will provide this year as usual free entertainment for the contestants and their chaperons.

Last year 32 schools participated in the contest. Miss Jane Hunter of Cullowhee, was the winner of the readers cup, and Junior Pressley, of Edneyville, was the winner of the declaimers cup. A silver loving cup with the name of contestant and his or her school engraved thereon is awarded the winner in each contest. This cup may be held by the winning school for one year. If any school wins the cup two years in succession, it becomes the permanent property of the school.

Interest in the contest has grown greater each year of the ten years the contest has been held. This year's entry list is larger than ever before in the history of the contest.

Preliminaries will be held this afternoon from two until six. The declaimers will speak in Miss Wengert's studio and in the auditorium.

The finals in the contest will be held tomorrow morning from nine until twelve in the college auditorium. Here the final winners in both the readers and declaimers contests will be chosen.

Twenty Voted Into Scholastic Groups

Twenty students were given bids to membership in the five scholarship clubs on the campus at the last meetings of the clubs. The Science Club took in eight, the I. R. C.'s and Foreign Language Clubs four each, and the French Club and Scriblers Club two each.

Those to whom bids were issued were students of high scholastic standing. To be selected for membership to any one of these clubs is to be highly honored. Eligibility consists in making "B" on the subject with which the club is connected, and a passing grade on all other subjects. The clubs meet monthly, on the second Tuesday.

To the following were given the privilege of membership:

French Club: Deward Hoyle, Robert Olney.

Foreign Language Club: Malcolm Dunkley, William Fleming, Reid Gentry, Reid Smith.

International Relations Club: Nettie Cornell, Jessie Croom, Livingston Stallings, Alfred Taylor.

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