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Dr. Poteat Speaks at First Chapel

Caroline Biggers Succeeds Pierce As Dean Of Women

Served Meredith College As Teacher And Dean For Eleven Years

MISS MARTHA'S SISTER

Is Third Of Biggers Family To Serve At Mars Hill College

Miss Caroline Biggers, formerly dean at Meredith College, Raleigh, is the new dean of women at Mars Hill this year.

Miss Biggers succeeds as dean of women, Miss Ella J. Pierce, who this year received her Ph. D. degree from Cornell University and who will devote full time to teaching in the English department.

For eleven years Miss Biggers has been on the faculty at Meredith College, as teacher of primary methods, as assistant dean and for the past six years as dean. Before going to Meredith she taught in several of the public schools and teacher training schools of North Carolina, at Black Mountain, Thomasville, Rich Square, Mars Hill, and Jacksonville.

Miss Caroline Biggers makes the third of that family to hold positions at Mars Hill. Miss Martha Biggers, head of the Mars Hill Music Department is Miss Caroline Biggers' sister.

Miss Biggers acted as dean of women at the Wake Forest-Meredith Summer School session of 1935.

Sunday School, BTU Announce Meetings Invite Attendance

Nine Classes For Boys And Girls Announce Teachers, Meeting Places

CHURCH OPENS DOORS

Campus Religious Organizations Get Under Way

The various religious organizations on the campus join in asking the students to participate freely in the religious activities of the campus. These activities include Sunday School, B. T. U., Church, Y. W. A., Volunteer Band, Ministerial Conference, and the regular Wednesday night prayer meetings.

The Sunday School Department is divided into nine classes, four boys, four girls, and one for the working students who are unable to attend another class. The classes, their presidents, teachers, and meeting places are:

Ruth, Floy Benfield, pres., Miss Pierce, teacher, meeting in the Eu Hall; Volunteers for Christ, Albertina Hare, pres., Miss Bowden, teacher, meeting in room 3; Ever Faithful, Lucile Smith, pres., S. O. Trentham, teacher, meeting in the Phi Hall at 8:30; Gleaners, Frances Snelson, pres., Miss Winger, teacher, meeting in the Ex-
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HAS BIRTHDAY



Dr. R. L. Moore, who is entering his 40th year as president, celebrated his birthday Tuesday, September 8.

B. S. U. Reception Tonight

The annual B. S. U. get acquainted social will be held tonight (Saturday) at eight o'clock on the college circle. This event will be the first of the annual entertainments and is considered the official opening of the social season. The purpose of this affair is to offer an opportunity for the new student to become more acclimated to the college and his fellow students.

Everyone is cordially invited and a large crowd is expected.

William L. Lynch Called To Preach

Graduate Of Rochester And Wake Forest Succeeds L. B. Olive

As successor to Rev. L. Bunn Olive the pulpit committee of the Mars Hill Baptist Church has chosen Mr. W. L. Lynch. Mr. Lynch will assume the preaching duties of the college church for the first time Sunday, when he will welcome the new, and returning students to the Mars Hill Church.

Mr. Lynch is a native of Yadkinville County, having been born in the town of that name. His residence at the time of his call was at Mountain Park, and it was there that he was ordained into the ministry.

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Hilltop Staff To Be Voted On

Nominations For All Offices Must Be In By Sept. 16 To Be Considered

Elections for the 1936 Hilltop Staff will be held, during chapel, on a date to be chosen next week.

The staff was not elected last year, as is customary, but was approved at the chapel program. Any C-2 is eligible for the positions providing his nomination is in the hands of Managing editor John Chapman before Sept. 16, and is approved by the publication committee. The positions to be filled are: Editor, Associate
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Miss Pierce Back; Quits Dean's Post To Teach English

Receives Doctor's Degree After Year's Study Of Shakespeare

DEAN THREE TIMES

Scholarship Honored By Election To Philander Theta

Miss Ella J. Pierce, former dean of women at Mars Hill, will resume her teaching duties after a years leave of absence. Miss Pierce has been studying at Cornell University for the past year in preparation for her Doctor's Degree in Philosophy which she acquired last spring.

Dr. Pierce entered the English department at Mars Hill in 1925 after teaching at Silva Intercollegiate Institute for a number of years. She became Dean of Women in 1933, a position she held until her leave of absence.

She graduated with an A. B. degree from Meredith College in 1921. She studied at Columbia University and Cornell and received her Master's degree from the latter institution in 1933. She was elected to Philander Theta, a national honor society.

Dr. Pierce majored in Shakespeare and wrote her thesis—1,000 pages—on the "Appreciation of the Elizabethans During the New England Renaissance".

Miss Pierce, upon her return announced her intentions of resigning the post of Dean of Women and devoting all of her time to her teaching duties.

Societies Invite All New Students To Attend Opening

Seventy-Eighth Year Of Service Inaugurated On Friday Night

VISIT BOTH; JOIN ONE

Girls' Societies Meet Thursday Afternoon, Get Start On Boys

The seventy-eighth year of men's societies at Mars Hill was inaugurated Friday night when the gavels of G. G. Morgan, Eu president, and Charles Weaver, Phi president, fell simultaneously. The first society was organized in 1858 and named the "Literary Society of Mars Hill College". In 1891 this society was divided into the Euthalian and the Philomathian Literary Societies. The names were selected for these societies by Dr. John E. White of Atlanta who assisted the school in their organization. It is interesting to note that the Eu-Phi members were chosen after the manner of the old fashioned spelling bee.

Up until 1895 the societies met in various classrooms for their programs, but in that year the Board of Trustees granted the two
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RETURNS



J. B. Huff, who, after a year of illness resumes his position in the college.

King Receives Signal Honor

Huff Recovers From Illness Coon Returns From Studies

Former members of the faculty, absent last year, have returned this fall. Notable among them are: Mr. J. B. Huff, Miss Zula E. Coon and Mr. S. B. King.

Mr. Huff, familiar to the old students, was unable to take his classes last year because of illness, and was granted a leave of absence. Recovered, he will again take his share of the English teaching duties. He first became connected with Mars Hill in 1910. In 1922 he resigned his position to become president of Wingate College, which position he held until 1930 when he again became connected with Mars Hill.

Miss Coon, head of the Voice Department, has been away two years, studying at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Seminary, Texas. She returns with her degree in Religious Education. While there she was a member of the Choral Club, soloist at a local church, and a member
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Mars Hill Loses Booster

Mars Hill College lost one of its most loyal alumnae when Mrs. C. C. Bruce passed away May 22, at the home of Mrs. G. B. Ellen, college secretary.

Not only was she an alumnae herself, but her sister was the first Nonpareil president, and her husband a trustee of the college.

Her father was one of the original college founders and a loyal supporter of the institution.

At one time her mother advanced much needed money to keep Mars Hill from being sold for a debt and allowed easy repayment terms for the struggling college.

Keep Your Eyes Open Cautions Dr. Poteat

Dr. R. L. Moore Introduces Speaker, Gives A Few Words Of Advice

COURAGE OFTEN FAILS

Speaks Against Girls Smoking, Is Interrupted By Applause

"Keep your eyes open, and don't be afraid." Stressing that thought throughout his entire talk, Dr. E. McNeil Poteat, pastor of Pullen Memorial Church in Raleigh, opened the 81st session of Mars Hill College Thursday.

The opening chapel session was called to order by Dr. R. L. Moore, president of the college, who spoke a few words of advice to the students. Professor Blackwell led in prayer and Miss Coon, head of the voice department sang, "I will lift up mine eyes to the Hills." Following a brief introduction by Dr. Moore, Dr. Poteat spoke . . . "Particularly to those who come for the first time in the pursuit of knowledge—or as it might better be expressed, the pursuit of character building."

An excellent speaker, possessing the touch of getting "to" the students, he was interrupted several times by spontaneous applause.

He based his talk on the biblical story of the twelve spies sent into Canaan, only two obeyed the injunction of Moses to "Keep your eyes open, and don't be afraid."

To the one who looks about, said Dr. Poteat, life is a marvel. "To
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John A. McLeod Hurt In Accident Near Dillon, S. C.

Unable To Resume Teaching Duties For Fall Session

MRS. MAC SUBSTITUTES

J. B. Huff Takes Over Position Of Faculty Advisor

An unexpected event marred the opening of Mars Hill's 1936-37 session when J. A. McLeod was injured in an automobile accident. Mr. McLeod was a member of the English department, in which he has been teaching since 1925.

The accident occurred at 1:00 A. M. Sunday, August 30, when another car ran into the one Mr. McLeod was driving, turning it over. An ambulance rushed the occupants of the McLeod car to Florence, S. C., where they were entered at the McLeod Infirmary.

Mr. McLeod was completing a trip through South Carolina in company with his mother and his three children. At the time of the accident they were near Dillon, S. C. Mrs. McLeod suffered head injuries and the children minor hurts. Mr. McLeod was disabled by a broken knee.
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