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## CAMPUS PARAGRAPHS

### INTERESTED

Miss Caroline Biggers, new editor of Women, is greatly interested in the journalistic aspirations of the Hilltop staff, and has this group very much in put-out the current issue.

### PLAUDITS

Miss Evelyn Coon, glee club director, for the splendid work that is accomplishing with this choral group. The diminutive maestro will present the program in December in a candle-service.

### KING

It has been reported that the words of a greatly beloved mother of three Mars graduates, was: "R. L. Moore, King." During her lifetime she referred to Dr. Moore as a "King of Mars Hill."

### QUIET

Red Dickerson, assistant coach, comes to Mars Hill with a record, has impressed a number of students with his quiet, unobtrusive manner. Coach Dickerson will have charge of the basketball team this year.

### ATTRACTION

Dyked out in a red and white plume, sporting a dazzling red and white fluffy white plume, Dentyne, was the center of attraction on the campus for a week while last Thursday. The lady was giving away samples of this popular brand of chewing gum.

### RETIRES

Zeno Wall, Shelby, the father of a Mars Hill student, Woody Wall, and himself a former student, has retired from the presidency of the state Baptist convention. Dr. William Louis Poteat, a noble, lovable gentleman of Wake Forest, is the new president.

### ILLUSTRATOR

Miss Nona (Mrs. Robson), daughter of our president, the French classes are "heaped upon" impresses her students by frequent illustrations vividly related to the lesson or personal experience. Like some preachers, Nona has no "Book of Illustrations For Platform Use," but depends upon actual experience for striking examples.

### NOT A POET!

A reply from Gerald Johnson, '08, Baltimore Sun editorialist to the Editor of the Hilltop, had requested that he send five best original poems for compilation of a "Mars Hill Anthology," he said: "I am an artist and biographer, not a poet." At least, there's one writer who lays no claim to poetic prowess.

### SNOW

At winter is really here was reported to the students Sunday a week ago when it snowed all day (Continued on Page 2)

## EU'S TO CELEBRATE FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

### "Link Up With Life," Says I. G. Greer

#### Speaker Vividly Impresses Student Body at Thanksgiving Services.

"Life, the most important thing in the world," was the theme of the address made by I. G. Greer, Thomasville, superintendent of the Mills Home, at the chapel hour that featured the traditional observance of Thanksgiving Day at Mars Hill.

For years the college has observed the day in what is considered one of the most picturesque and colorful occasions of the school year, and one that is in keeping with the spirit of Mars Hill.

The new student at Mars Hill is usually deeply impressed with this Thanksgiving tradition. Early in the morning the silence of the hills was broken by the strains of hymns and patriotic songs, such as "Come Ye Thankful People, Come," "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart," as a chorus of trained singers dressed as pilgrims and Indians solemnly strolled through the dawn about the campus and in the village.

At breakfast, this same group led the students and teachers in singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." After breakfast the Indians or Pilgrims were not seen until the chapel hour. At the eleven o'clock assembly the group again appeared at the rear of the auditorium and marched singing down the central aisle to the rostrum—stalwart men in kneebreeches, broad-brimmed hats with bright buckles, carrying guns; demure women wearing sober dresses, quaint caps and collars of white, carrying Bibles or leading children. Following these were a group of Indian men and women with one or two Indian children. These took their places on the platform, which was appropriately adorned with Thanksgiving decorations, where they remained during the program.

Mr. Greer prefaced his remarks with, "Young people, you are preserving here some of the ideals that have been lost in other places."

He then went on to say, "Nothing is important unless it is linked up with life."

"We are in harmony with the will of God, when we link ourselves up with life," he continued.

"Your orphanage offers a great channel through which you can touch human life and its needs. The orphanage is a great melting pot with children from every conceivable environment."

Further stressing the importance of linking up with life, Mr. Greer concluded his address by quoting, "In so much as ye do it unto the last of these, ye do it unto Me."

The tabulation of the student and faculty gift to the Mills Home was made, running into several hundred dollars. As the pilgrims and Indians left the auditorium singing, the audience stood and was dismissed by the Rev. E. L. Cashwell, of Gastonia.

### What! No Plums?



### Readers Contest To Draw Large Number

#### Eleventh Annual Literary Meet Marked By Increased Entry List.

The eleventh annual readers and declaimers contest for the high schools of Western North Carolina, sponsored by Mars Hill College, will be held here December 11-12.

The high schools from 20 counties 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. The name of each contestant, with a copy of his or her declamation or reading, has to be filed with the local committee at the college before the contest date.

Last year 34 schools participated in the contest. Miss Ruth Hall of Flat Rock, was the winner of the readers cup, and Lee Suttle, of Wilkesboro, was the winner of the declaimers cup. A silver loving cup with the name of the 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 eleven years the contest has been held. This year's entry list, according to Professor R. M. Lee, who is general director of the contest, will be the largest ever.

The participants and chaperons will be given free tickets to the moving picture "Green Pastures," to be shown here December 12.

### We Present The Facts

(Editorial)

Recently in a front page story, Editor Archie McMillan of the Old Gold and Black, Wake Forest College weekly, replies to our editorial "Please Explain!" that we printed on our editorial page in the October issue. Editorially we had asked Mr. McMillan to please explain what was meant by the statement in the October 10 issue of his paper that read: "The denomination has not contributed one cent to Wake Forest during the last four years. In the same period Wake Forest Alumni have helped raise \$82,072.19 annually for Christian education, all of which went to institutions like Meredith, Mars Hill, and Campbell."

We showed facts that Mars Hill had only received \$1840 from the Baptist State Convention for Ministerial Education. We then asked how much Wake Forest ministerial students had received during this period, and how much of the \$82,072.19 was contributed by Mars Hill alumni.

We quote from the Old Gold and Black: "Mr. Elliott writes that Mars Hill has received no help as an institution, but has been given by the Baptist State Convention only allowances for ministerial students there. This sum, he affirms, amounts to 'exactly \$1,840 . . . during the past four years.' According to records from Raleigh, the college in the hills has been given \$5,035.14 in the last year, \$10,520.29 in the last four years, and \$35,522.26 in the last six years."

This statement was backed by an official financial statement issued by Mr. M. A. Huggins, general secretary, Raleigh, that was printed in The Biblical Recorder, July 1, 1936.

Checking further at our office (Continued on Page 2)

### Al Wester Presides

#### "Simplicity—the Characteristic of the Truly Great," Is Theme.

Saturday evening, November 28, the Euthalian Literary Society will celebrate its forty-fifth anniversary with a public program. Many former Euthalians and Nonpareils will return to the campus for the occasion.

Building their anniversary around the theme **Simplicity—the Characteristic of the Truly Great**, the Euthalians will present a varied program of orations, declamations, debate, and music. Of special interest is the debate on social security. All four debaters are former members of the intercollegiate team, and are also members of the team this year. The debate, with such speakers as William Fleming, James Randleman, Haynes Brown, and G. G. Morgan, Jr., should be one of the best non-intercollegiate debates presented on the campus this year.

Officers chosen to preside for the evening are: Al B. Wester, Jr., president, and French McCain, secretary. Al Wester is also the regular society president, with Exum Griffin as regular secretary.

Marshals chosen for the occasion are: Durwood Murray, chief, Lena Abernathy, Billie Po-teat, Ruby Lineberger, William Eaton, Mildred Mardin. These marshals serve only for that evening.

The program, other than debate, consists of two declamations, by Exum Griffin and William Russell; two orations, by Walter Watts and John Chapman; and special music by Emmett Davis, Francis Harris, James Sawyer, and Guy Little.

The Nonpareils will entertain the Euthalians at a reception the following Saturday, December 5.

The Euthalian Literary Society was organized in 1891 when the old Mars Hill Literary Society split to form two sections. The members were chosen by lot, and formed the competing Phis and Eus.

### Debaters to Compete In Strawberry Meet

#### Forensic Squad to Argue at Winthrop College On Dec. 3-5.

The intercollegiate debating team met competition for the first time this season on Friday, November 13 in a non-decision debate with Western Carolina Teachers' College.

Frances Summerlin and Ruby Hopkins the women's affirmative team, and Bob Bellinger and Haynes Brown the men's negative team, traveled with Professor J. B. Huff to Cullowhee to represent Mars Hill in the debate there.

Lillian Linney and Dorothy Walker represented the women's negative team at Mars Hill, debating in the Chapel at 6:30 Fri- (Continued on Page 4)

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