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CAMPUS PARAGRAPHS

This column that usually chronicles interesting campus events will be given over to excerpts from "The Fool Hath Said," by Shirley Nichols).

A FOOL
The fool hath said in his heart: There is no God.

SPIRITUAL ADVENTURE
History is a record of struggling. Progress is a parable of pain. Every spiritual adventure has advanced the soul of man. There has been a leap in the dark.

DOUBT
Doubt is the touchstone of man's merit, the stepping stone which he may rise from his self to higher things.

SCIENCE
Science is dancing dizzily to what? Well, wherever she is dancing, she is not dancing away from the idea of a miracle interpretation of life. And as she is proving, she is doing one immense and eternally irrefutable fact, which is man knows Nothing, without the help of Something. The man who calls that Something—Is the man of Faith a fool? Or is he a fool. Aren't we out he is not such a fool as an of doubt, because he has his own folly.

CAPITALISM
Oxford Group attitude to capitalism is given by Mr. As: "We're not interested in economics, as such. We believe in most any economic system, if the men who work are filled with the spirit of it. We also believe that almost any economic system will fail if men who work it reject it. That is why we do not attack capitalism. There is nothing to attack — you as well as 'attack' the multi-national. The abuses of capitalism are not to be found in the but in the hearts of men. Men you must change, not capitalism."

TERED EVANGELISTS
We have listened to a number of preachers who, from their own hearts, have been sunk deep in the mire of sin, and always I was not only forced to the conclusion that they were flattering themselves. Those words are bitter because they were meant to be because there is nothing more revolting than the pride of man in the depths of his sin, nothing more distasteful than exultation with which religious vulgarians point to the depths of the valley from which they have emerged in order to emphasize the height of the which they have attained.

WAR
They that take the sword shall perish with the sword. I beseech you, my hearers, do not see this war in the Christ. This entreaty is from the Rev. R. C. Gillie, in Marylebone Presbyterian Church in 1915. He is calling us to hate, and continued on Page 3)

Sunday School, B.T.U. Officers Are Elected

Campus Religious Organizations Start Second Semester.

New officers of the Sunday School and B. T. U., elected to serve during this semester, took office for the first time on January 24.

Newly elected presidents of the nine Sunday school classes are as follows: Gideon, Robert Jordon; Berean 1, Durwood Muray; Berean 2, Harold Robinson; Fearless Fighters, Joe Prevette; Ever Faithful, Edna Ray Allen; Ruth, Edna Lou Moore; Workers at Work, Dorothy Haigler; (Miss Coon is taking Miss Rutherford's place as teacher of this class). Volunteers for Christ, Violet Keller; Gleaners, Versa Russell.

New presidents of the six B. Y. P. U. unions are: Hustlers, John McGee; John Lake, Crowell Pierce; Elliott, Lucille Beare; Apex, William Bates; Winnette, David Shelton; Howard-Roper, James Gann.

All officers of the Sunday School and the B. T. U., are nominated by committees from the various classes and unions, and are then approved by the B. S. U. council.

300 Books Are Added To Montague Library

BY ELEANOR CHURCH

A recent article in the Asheville Citizen-Times pointed out the dearth of public library facilities in this state. However, many colleges and schools are doing well by the clientele they serve, and can boast very sizeable libraries, and among them Mars Hill College can speak with pride of its especially fine collection of books.

The Montague Library at Mars Hill College has already added 300 books to its collection so far this year, which brings the total number of volumes up to 12,515. Some of the recent best sellers that have been added are these: "Gone with the Wind;" "Inside Europe," by Gunther; "My Ten Years in a Quandry," by Robert Benchley; "Gaily the Troubadour," by Guiterman; "Autobiography of G. W. Chesterton;" "White Banners," by Lloyd Douglas; "Audubon," by Rourke; and "Best Loved Poems of the American People."

Some other titles have been added with a view to fulfilling the needs of special departments as these: "Return to Religion," by Link; "The Psychology of Christian Personality," by Ligon; Brindze's "How to Spend Money;" "Man With the Baton," by Ewen; "Cooking For Two," by J. M. Hill; "Narcotics and Youth Today," by Corradini; "Expansion of Europe," by Muir; "Trail Blazers of Science," by Gumpert; "Best Plays of 1935-36," and Moore's "Utopia."

The International Relations Club, an honor society at Mars Hill, is unusually fortunate in being a steady recipient of books for its collection in the library from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Some of the books that have been given to the IRC collection in this way during the first term this year are: Shotwell's "On the Rim of the Earth" (Continued on Page 4)

Owen Opens Session; Speaks About Success

Former Pastor Brings Students "Two Or Three Thoughts."

"Success is conquest, not conquest." Opening the 160th semester of Mars Hill College with a message of inspiration and advice, Rev. J. R. Owen, former pastor at the college church and now pastor at the French Broad Avenue Baptist Church in Asheville, brought the students "two or three good thoughts."

Following a violin solo by Miss Guin, Dr. R. L. Moore introduced the speaker who replied with, "If you praise a young man of twenty, he blushes; if you praise a man of forty, he thinks 'That's a fine fellow', if you praise a man of sixty, he wonders what you want."

Turning to his audience he said, "I didn't come to make a speech." He continued by remarking that half of the human family talks because they have something to say, and the other half because they want to say something.

"I want to say something," he said. "If I can bring two or three good thoughts it will be a great blessing."

"Never get discouraged," he reminded his audience. "The sun has a sinking spell each day, but it gets up with a bright face."

Turning to the girls, he said, "Girls, if the conversation lags, get the beast to talking about himself. You may learn something you need to know before it's too late. Let other people talk."

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S. S. Study Courses To Be Held Feb. 1-5

The annual study courses, held here each spring for the further development in Sunday School work, begins on February 1 and lasts for one week. The nine courses to be taught offer an excellent opportunity to the students and everyone who can be urged to take advantage of them. The courses will be taught both by the faculty members and workers from outside the college.

Four teachers are coming to Mars Hill from the Baptist headquarters at Raleigh. Mr. N. C. Brooks, the new B. T. U. secretary, is to teach, "Outline of Bible History;" Mr. L. L. Morgan, secretary of the Sunday School board, will take charge of "Building a Standard Sunday School;" Miss Velma Preslar will offer "When Do Teachers Teach;" Mrs. A. V. Washburn, vacation Bible school leader, will teach "Vacation Bible School Guide." The other courses, which will be under the direction of our faculty are: "The Grace of Giving," by Dr. R. L. Moore; "The Baptist Faith," by Professor V. E. Wood; "Sunday School Officers and Their Work," by Professor Spencer B. King; "How to Win to Christ," by Rev. William Lynch.

The class hours will be shortened all week so that an hour and a half may be used for the Study Courses. They will take place from 11:00 a. m., to 12:00 noon, and from 1 p. m., to 1:30. It is estimated that about five hundred and fifty students will take the course. Those not attending will meet in the chapel as usual.

RELIEF FUND GOES OVER THE TOP; BOTH TOWN AND COLLEGE GIVE

The citizens of Mars Hill, and the students and faculty of the college, responded wholeheartedly to the plea made by the Hilltop staff for donations to the relief of the Ohio River valley flood sufferers, contributing \$212.01 to the Hilltop Flood Relief Fund, Hubert Elliott, Editor, announced Thursday night.

Griffin Memorial Planned In Laurel

A memorial to the late James Lowell Griffin, student who died here last fall, is to be dedicated by the senior class. A full page in the opening section of the Laurel will be set aside in his memory. A committee made up of the following members of the senior class has been appointed to design the memorial: Lillian Linney, Al Wester and Joe Prevette.

Griffin came to Mars Hill as a C-2 from Fruitland Institute where he ranked high in student activities. Although he spent but a short time here, his death was deeply felt by students and faculty.

Add Two to Faculty; Old Members Leave

Two new teachers have been added to the faculty to begin the new Semester. Miss Margaret L. Collins, to take the place of Miss Rutherford as head of the Home Economics department; and Miss Mildred Guin, to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mrs. King.

Miss Collins comes to us from Collins, Ga. She is a graduate of State Teachers College, Athens, Ga., and of George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn. She has done graduate work at Peabody and the University of Georgia and has spent some time teaching and studying in Europe.

Miss Collins was head of the Department of home economics at Eastern Carolina Teachers College, for three years head of the department at Central College in Arkansas, and for four years assistant at Queens-Chicora College, Charlotte.

She has also taught at Virginia College, Roanoke, Va.; State College of Agriculture, Athens, Ga.; and Erskine Woman's College, Due West, S. C.

Miss Guin comes from Chattanooga, Tenn. She studied at Blue Mountain College, for girls, in Mississippi for two and a half years. While there she studied piano under Dr. Heinrich Pfizner, German. After finishing there Miss Guin returned to her home in Chattanooga where she continued her academic work at the University of Chattanooga and received her B. A. Degree in 1934.

During this same period of time Miss Guin was working at the Cadek Conservatory, Chattanooga, toward her B. M., which she received in 1935. She studied violin under Mr. John Casale and piano with Mr. Herald Cadek. She played in the orchestra during the time of study, with the Cadek Choral Society. Also in various string quartets and other ensemble groups.

The past year Miss Guin was teaching in Central, a Baptist school for girls, in Conway, Arkansas.

Of this amount \$60.21 was given by the students and faculty of the public school, \$46.30 by citizens of the town, \$74.85 by the Mars Hill college students, and \$30.65 by members of the college faculty. Editor Elliott had set as the goal to be reached by the college \$100, and this was exceeded by \$5.50.

The 620 students of Mars Hill college contributed almost 100 per cent, as did the women members of the faculty. Enthusiasm ran high, and collectors, outstanding campus leaders, canvassed the dormitories, boarding houses, and day students, reporting widespread interest and sympathy on the part of all.

In the town, the Reverend William Lynch efficiently collected \$106.51 for the fund. Public school officials cooperated with the minister, urging the students to bring their contributions.

It had been hoped by the editors of the Hilltop, that the names of all contributors might be printed. However, since contributions were made by nearly a thousand persons, ranging from one penny up to \$5.00, this will be impossible.

The entire collection, \$212.01, was turned over to J. H. Sprinkle, Madison county Red Cross chairman, Thursday evening. Mr. Sprinkle, a former student of Mars Hill, praised the work done by the collectors, and expressed the thanks of the Red Cross for the amount. Spilman dormitory led all of the (Continued on Page 4)

Debate Squad Meets Asheville And Wake

The debating squad will again see action February 2 and 3, after a lapse of two months, from the Strawberry Leaf Tournament at Winthrop College. Eight teams will debate Asheville Normal College on the intercollegiate query, Resolved: That Congress Should be Empowered to Fix Minimum Wages and Maximum Hours for Industry. Following closely upon this a team of six debaters, orators, and speakers will travel to Boone on February 5, to enter the tournament there. At the same time two crack teams from Wake Forest will invade our campus to meet a local quartet on the intercollegiate query. These two debates, on Saturday, February 6, will probably be well worth hearing. Among those from Wake Forest will probably be Bob Costner, former student, and former state B. S. U. president.

In March the debaters plan to attend the Tri-State tournament, and the University of Florida will send several teams to our campus to debate a query on the conscription of wealth in time of war.

Mr. Huff, debate coach, was the recipient of a letter from Winthrop College, praising the forensic team that made the trip there, and inviting them back for next year, and for a debate "anytime you happen to be passing by."