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## International Summary

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Europe's Destiny  
Mars, god of war, and his liege, Death, again ride their steeds of destruction across the plains of Europe. Again the headdressed munition magnates march back in their palaces and thrones. But what will happen to war-torn Europe? It matters not which side wins. Empires have risen and fallen before, and that is certain to happen to the mighty British empire. It does not matter what will happen to the millions of innocent people in Europe. Should Hitler and Stalin in the present war and destroy the power of France and England, they themselves will clash sooner or later. Yet there are some in America who try to tell that if the legions of Hitler win, they will next seek us. We are either fools, illiterates, or people who are frightened by the thought of war, or the paid assistants of our dear friends, the munition magnates. They fail to tell us that the greater number of non-Germans people that the Reich absorbs, the weaker she will get. The destiny of Europe is as of old, a decade of war and a decade of peace, and with one or more powerful enjoying leadership for a while until she is replaced.

America's Destiny  
Liberty, goddess of Peace, smiles on America and tries with her.

## Service Held On Thanksgiving Day

### Reverend Mastellar Speaks To Students In Chapel Service

Throughout Thanksgiving day there was much activity on the campus. At five o'clock on Thursday, November 30, selected members of the college glee club sang in the dormitories and other places on the campus.

At eleven o'clock the students gathered in the auditorium for Thanksgiving service. A large number of alumni, who had returned to Mars Hill to spend Thanksgiving, were present at the service, and they were recognized by the student body.

When the auditorium was filled with the sound of voices singing from the outside was heard; and the B. S. U. council marched in, dressed in Pilgrim costumes, and took their places on the stage. A very impressive program followed. After the scripture had been read by Margaret Pritchard, Dean N. Carr read the Governor's proclamation. The speaker of the evening, the Reverend Mastellar, of Canton, was introduced by President Blackwell.

At the close of the chapel service, President-emeritus R. L. Moore superintended the collection of the annual Thanksgiving offering, which is sent to the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville.

## B.S.U. Gives Stunt Program In Gym

Governor Charles R. Greene Serves As Master Of Ceremonies

Stunt night, presented by the B. S. U. as an aftermath to the Mars Mill-Brevard football game, was held Thursday night, November 30, in McConnell gymnasium. There were present a large number of tennis-shod and stocking-footed students, still heated with the spirit of the major Mars Hill gridiron game of the year held that afternoon.

After a few songs, led by community sing-leader, Joe Breedlove, to get in the spirit of the thing, so much spirit was shown that Sheriff King could keep order only by the threat of arrest. Bob Allred, president of the Baptist Student Union, presented mustached-Governor Charles R. Greene, who took charge as master of ceremonies.

Presenting impersonations of Mayor Lee and Dean Carr, Governor Greene exhibited his ability in the art of impersonation and duly justified himself therein.

The major part of the program consisted of a humorous reading by Mallie Mae Bennett; a group of songs by the Euthalian quartet, Bill Avera, Harold McCroskey, T. L. Cashwell, and Paul Brunner, who, in one of their numbers, brought in the popular though slightly old joke of Miss Biggers and her bell. Jane Sondley caught the torch of fun and humor and presented a melody of songs with her "talking harmonica." She was followed by an amusing skit, presented by a group of third-floor girls at Edna C. Moore dormitory, which moved us all with compassion for the modern soda-jerker.

Claire and Mary Nell Hardin presented as a duet a lovely impromptu number, "The Indian Love Call," after which the quartet of faculty members rendered an inspiring number which tore at the heart strings of everyone present. Later in the program the

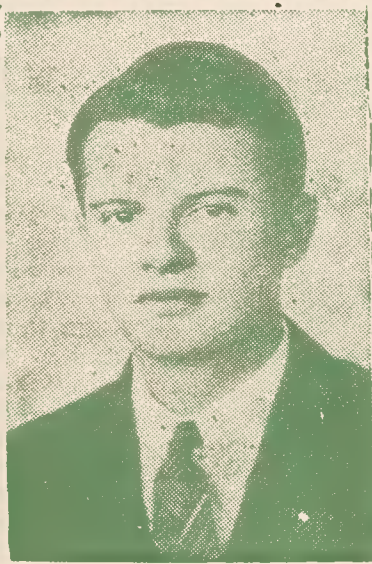
## Dramateers Form Playwriting Class

Group To Present Play At Carolina Dramatic Festival

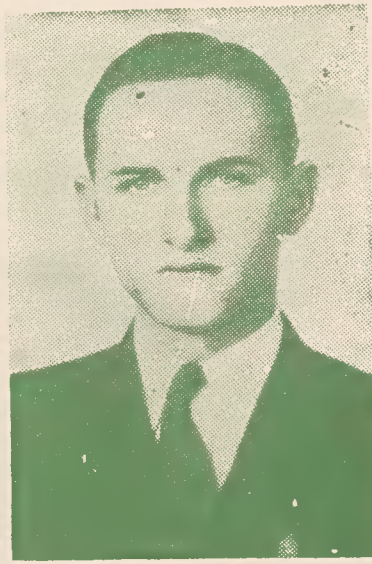
With the hope of presenting an original play at the Carolina Dramatic festival for 1940, the Mars Hill Dramateers have sponsored the organization of a playwriting class. The group, under the direction of Miss Bonnie Wengert and Miss Ella J. Pierce, is composed of college students interested in the writing of dialogue. The plot of the play will revolve around the story of "Uncle" Joe, negro slave who was held for the first debt incurred by the college. Those at work have interviewed the townspeople of Mars Hill and learned a great deal about the college history as well as the life of Joe.

The result of the rapidly progressing work shows promise of being a drama of originality and freshness. Mars Hill looks forward to creditable representation at Chapel Hill.

## Anniversary Presidents



WILLIAM DUCKWORTH



CHARLES GREENE

## CASHWELL HEADS EUTHALIANS

Officers for the third term were elected in the Euthalian Literary society Friday night, December 1, during the regular meeting.

T. L. Cashwell, of Gastonia, was elected president of the society. Other officers serving under Mr. Cashwell are George Blackwell, vice-president; Ralph Jinnette, secretary; William Avera, censor; David Britt, treasurer; Norman Harper, chorister; Paul Brunner, pianist; T. C. Wagstaff, English critic; Harold Sluder, debate critic; Bill Allred, expression critic; Jim Hutchins, collector; Harold Spainhour, recording secretary; James Thomas, reporter; H. B. Parrott, time-keeper; and Hugh Transou, librarian.

## Clio's Entertain With Reception

Phi's Entertained By Clio's Anniversary Reception December 2nd

At eight o'clock on Saturday night, December 2, the Clio Literary society gave a reception honoring their Phi brothers' 49th anniversary.

The decorations and program were built around the theme of Alice in Wonderland. The staircases of Moore hall became tunnels whose sides were draped in moss. A very large toad stool was in the front hall, surrounded by characters who seemed to have stepped from Lewis Carroll's appealing story. Tweedle-dum and Tweedle-dee checked the girls' evening wraps, and the boys gave their warm ones for animal crackers which were numbered. On the landing there were two white rabbits who presented the guests with programs.

The second floor was decorated with a picture of Alice herself. The receiving line stood at the head of the steps.

The Nonpareil-Euthalian hall became the Yuletide Wonderland where a program presented a very clever view of customs of Christmas.

## Phi's Celebrate 49th Anniversary

Program Typifying Their Weekly Meetings Is Presented

On Saturday night, November 25, at 7:30 o'clock in the college auditorium, the Philomathian Literary society presented its 49th anniversary program to a host of friends and students.

The program rendered was one of the type that is given each week at the regular society meeting. At the beginning the entire assembly sang a hymn. The presiding officer, E. Clifton Merrill, extended to all the welcome of the Phi's. This was followed by a thought-provoking devotional led by Rexford Campbell, the Philomathian chaplain. Dr. Hoyt Blackwell delivered the invocation. The challenge to Non-Eu was then presented by Charles R. Greene, president of the society. An oration, a declamation, and a piano solo preceded a debate on junior college student government. After this came another oration, declamation, and a vocal solo. Then the Phi's and their Clio sisters joined in singing praises to Clio-Phi.

The climax of the evening was the presentation of the grand finale, in which all the Phi's and Clio's took part. On a white semi-circular platform in the center of the stage, Mary Louise Howell, Clio president, and Charles

## Queen City Line Passes Through Hill

Interstate Passengers To Be Taken; Drug Store Is Station

The Queen City Coach company is now running a regular schedule through Mars Hill. This will prevent the inconvenience of many students of changing buses in Asheville. The Mars Hill pharmacy, where students may purchase tickets for their transportation home Christmas, will serve as the terminal.

The buses will leave Mars Hill for Asheville at 9:35 A. M., 10:30 A. M., and 8:35 P. M., and return to Mars Hill at 8:00 A. M., 3:30 P. M., and 6:00 P. M.

## Faculty Changes Date Of Holidays

Decision Permits Students To Begin Holidays On Sixteenth

For many months the students have discussed the possibility of their being permitted to leave the campus. Now this desire has been satisfied by the recent decision of the faculty and student council, which dismisses school December 16. When Earl Price, president of the student council, made the announcement about the change in holidays, pandemonium broke loose; and it was some time before the students recovered from the shock of the good news.

In making this decision, the faculty and student committee took into consideration several things. Many of the students financially will be helped in that they have jobs waiting for them, which they would have been unable to hold had the holidays begun the twenty-first. Also, a large number of the Mars Hill students live a large distance from their homes, and most of their holidays will be consumed by travel.

When this decision was presented to the students, several provisions were made. These provisions are: the use of fireworks on the campus is to be eliminated, students are not to ask to change or cut classes before and after holidays, and students must attend make-up classes at the request of the instructor.

## Forensic Team Goes To Winthrop

Mars Hill Represented By Fourteen Students At Speech Festival

Fourteen members of the Mars Hill forensic team attended the Strawberry Leaf Forensic festival, held December 7 through December 9 at Winthrop college Rock Hill, South Carolina. At this festival the Mars Hill students competed with representatives from colleges ranging from Dartmouth to Stetson. Large delegations from numerous colleges attended the forensic meet.

Each year at Winthrop a large number of forensic contests are held. Among these are debating, after dinner speaking, impromptu, extempore, poetry reading, and the direct clash. Mars Hill had representatives in each of these contests.

The last year Mars Hill representatives made an enviable record at this forensic festival for the present team to uphold. Last year Miss Daphne Penny and Horace Chamblee, Mars Hill students, received outstanding honors. Miss Penny was selected as the Dixie champion in the impromptu speaking division for women, and Mr. Chamblee was chosen as one of the ten best debaters in the men's division.

Those students who attended the festival were Virginia Lisk, Gwen Reed, Ernest Cox, Paul Meyers, Charles Greene, Doris Thompson, George Culpepper, Caughey Culpepper, Bartlett Dorr,