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# The Hilltop

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## News Flashes

March 11, Ralph Lang was elected B. S. U. president for next year by acclamation. This is the first time in the history of the college that confidence has been placed in the election of the S. U. president.

The girls' literary societies have elected the following officers for the commencement:

Nonpareil: president, Bever Middleton; vice-president, Thie Harris; secretary, Idella dlett; censor, Evelyn Garrington; pianist, June Hallyburton.

Olio: president, Nancy Mose; first vice-president, Edna ne Johnston; second vice-president, Burnette Selph; secretary, Eoline Keeter; censor, dred Colvard; pianist, Edna u Lamb.

The Civic Music Association ended the concert given in heville last Thursday by lu Sayao, Brazilian Metropolitan soprano.

The orchestra will present its annual concert in the auditorium next Saturday night. This is an event to which we look forward.

Harriet Orr was chosen Y. A. president in the election. She was elected last Wednesday night. We are looking forward to a good year under her capable leadership.

A week ago last Thursday we enjoyed having as our guest speaker in chapel Mr. Lewis Llewellyn, a representative of the Southeastern Convention of the Foreign Mission Fellowship Society.

The chapel programs for next week: Monday, Mr. Wendall; Tuesday, B.S.U.; Wednesday, music; Thursday, Mr. Cleod; Friday, Mr. Canup.

## Dramateers Plan To Attend Festival

March 13-15 the Western Division of the Dramatic Festival is to be held in Asheville. Mars Hill college will present on Saturday night the comedy, "Trial by Moonlight," by John Arkpatrick. The following students are cast in this production: George Blake, George Coleman, Maureen Coley,leanor St. John, Wallace Parham, Luther Jarvis, Claire Cox. Only the groups receiving first rank will be invited to present their plays at Chapel Hill at the State Festival, April 8-11.

Mrs. Susie S. Sinclair of Hendersonville, author of the only three-act play accepted for production at the State Festival and an outstanding playwright, has asked Miss Vengert to produce her play, "Storm on the Mountain." This is a distinct honor to Mars Hill students. The cast will be selected soon.



West



Gabbert



Mr. DeShazo



Davis



Byrd

Shown above are: Mr. Ramon DeShazo, faculty sponsor of the Hilltop; John F. West, editor-in-chief; William Gabbert, managing editor; Kenneth E. Davis, advertising manager; and Bill Byrd, business manager.

## MEET THE STAFF

In writing of the boys and girls who edit the Hilltop twice each month, one thinks first of the editor-in-chief, JOHN FOSTER WEST. John comes from Morganton and plans to continue journalism as a career. At Mars Hill he takes part in athletics and is a Euthalian. Recently Life carried a snapshot of this member of our staff. Our editor is an enthusiastic writer and is well qualified for his post. His willingness to help the junior writers and his eagerness to maintain a high standard in the publication of the paper are notable characteristics.

BILL GABBERT, of Lancaster, Kentucky, is the man behind the paper you hold in your hand. He is the managing editor—his is the thankless, creditless job of chasing down the news stories and making out the paper in its final form. Bill has chosen medicine as a career. At Mars Hill he has been outstanding in campus activities, having been president of the Philomathian society, a member and officer of the Scriblerus club, and a participant in other activities. None of us could come near the admirable job Bill has done; to him we can only say—"Thanks Bill."

KENNETH DAVIS is the advertising manager and it is he who tells you where to eat and why, when you go to town. His is a job with much work, little thanks, and less credit, but Kenneth has done it well. Well known and well liked, he is fitted for his job and will leave a place hard to fill on the Hilltop staff.

When your mind turns to money, BILL BYRD is your man. In his own quiet, capable way Bill has gone about the constant auditing that his job requires. He is the man behind the scene whose only recognition lies in the simple inscription, "Business" (Continued on Page 3)

## Ministerial Students Elect Officers

Programs Are Planned For Following Weeks

At the regular meeting of the Ministerial Conference on March 5 the old officers gave up the helm to the following newly elected officers: President, Richard Heller; vice-president, George "Lem" Sales; recording secretary, Bryant Spivey; corresponding secretary, Bill Farrar; chorister, Norwood Davis; and reporter, Ronda Robbins.

Following the regular meeting the program committee, composed of the officers, Luther Copeland, Cecil Davis, Ronda Robbins, and Mr. W. L. Lynch, met and planned the following programs for the ensuing weeks: Norwood Davis and (Continued on Page 2)

## Forensic Successes

Mars Hill entered the North Carolina Junior College Speech Tournament at Pfeiffer junior college, Meisenheimer, N. C., March 6-7, marking up another brilliant victory for our forensic and dramatic group. Six colleges were represented at the tournament.

The following first places were won by Mars Hill students: oration, Henry Anderson and Burnette Selph; dramatic reading, George Blake and Claire Cox; humorous reading, Ruth Beattie; poetry reading, Claire Cox; after dinner speaking, Henry Anderson and Ruth Beattie; extemporaneous speaking, Burnette Selph and Henry Anderson. Mars Hill did not enter the debate contest. Pfeiffer girls and Wingate boys won the debate.

## The Hilltop, Producer Of Many Careers In Journalism, Celebrates 16th Year

### International Summary

By Henry Huff

Now that all but guerrilla activity has ceased in Java, we must try to see what effect this will have upon the allied position in the Far East. First, it will strangle much Anglo-American aid to China; second, it will place more than ever the future defense and future offense upon the shoulders of America. The American supply lines are approximately 12,000 miles round trip from the U. S. A. to Australia. This means that one ship can make only three trips a year between America and this vital out-post in the Pacific. Australia is a continent nearly as large as the entire United States, with a population less than that of New York City. This continent has arid deserts and a coast line almost impossible to defend, without an adequate navy and air force. We see, therefore, that all available ships must be used for the defense of this island continent. The attack upon Australia will not be long delayed and will come with the full force of Japanese military might. America must awaken to its opportunity and its obligation and lend every effort consistent with national well-being, to the staving off of the threatened Japanese attack. (Continued on Page 2)

## Former Student Dies In Country's Service

On Tuesday, February 24, Lieutenant Leonard William Carter, 22, was killed in an airplane crash at San Juan, Puerto Rico. Lieutenant Carter was a native of Mars Hill and was educated at Mars Hill college. After graduation here he attended a business college.

A little over a year ago Lieutenant Carter went into active duty. After completing a course in the A. A. C. advanced flying school of Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama, in September, 1941, he was commissioned as second lieutenant. Gunter Field, Montgomery, was the place where he received his basic training.

Edward Carter, great grandfather of Leonard and one of the founders of Mars Hill college, gave his life in the service of his country, as did his great grandson.

Lieutenant Carter was given a military burial in Puerto Rico. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carter; by two older brothers, Hal and Oscar; and two sisters, Marjorie Carter and Mrs. W. G. Fowler of Mars Hill.

## Former Hilltoppers Achieve Success In Various Fields

First Hilltop Was Larger; Printed On Rough Paper

This, the two hundred and thirteenth issue of the Hilltop, is chosen to commemorate the sixteenth anniversary of the campus newspaper.

If you should happen to find in an old treasure chest a copy of the earliest Hilltop, you probably would not recognize it unless you looked carefully at the heading. It was larger, being almost the size of an ordinary daily, though having fewer and wider columns, and it was printed on rough paper. The heading stood out against a background picture of Bailey and her sister peaks.

The Hilltop appeared for the first time in its modern dress September 18, 1937.

J. P. Huskins was the first editor of the Hilltop. He continued his study of journalism and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1930. At present he is city editor of the Greensboro Daily News. Miss Mary E. Carter was co-editor of the first paper, a position akin to managing editor. She was graduated from the University of North Carolina with an A. B. degree and taught school in 1932-33 at Chinquapin, North Carolina. In 1938 she married C. L. Sanderson. She is now living at Mars Hill.

J. Glenn Travis was the editor in 1927-28. In 1932 he was attending the Teachers College, Kansas City, Missouri. He is at present principal of a high school in that city. Miss Mary Hamby was associate editor. She was graduated from Meredith college and later (Continued on Page 3)

## Radio Programs To Continue

Mars Hill college marches successfully on with the Monday night radio programs. The string ensemble, directed by Mrs. King, played five numbers on Monday night, March 2. The members of the ensemble are Betty Mullinax, Ruth Sims, Marv Stringfield, Mrs. King, David McAdams, and Henry Anderson. On Monday, March 9, Miss McMillan appeared for her third program, playing three piano solos by Brahms. On March 16 the brass quartet, directed by Mr. Sebren, will have charge of the broadcast, and on March 30 the glee club will give a program.