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Mars Hill Participates In National Tournament

AMATEERS OPEN DRAMATIC FESTIVAL

Present Sinclair's Original Play

Plot Of The Revolution Inspires Patriotism

Wednesday afternoon the Mars Hill college dramatists opened the dramatic festival at Chapel Hill with the presentation of "Storm on The Mountain," an original three-act play by Mrs. Suzie Smith.

Mrs. Sinclair, who has been writing for a number of years, had one or two original plays presented at the dramatic festival each year since she began writing for that event. Last year a radio play by her name "Storm on The Mountain" will be the only original three-act play presented this year, as one of that type is chosen each year. She also wrote a dramatic play which will be presented in the festival. The most outstanding characteristic of Mrs. Sinclair's work is the simplicity. (Continued on Page 4)

Literary Societies' Contests

Springtime brings commencement, with which is always followed the friendly rivalry between the Eu and Phi societies. Great interest has been shown in both groups and has brought once more to this campus the traditional wholesome competition. Already the preliminary contests have closed and the speakers have been chosen to represent their respective societies, and it looks as if there will be a close race.

The Eu Speakers
Temperance Reading Contest: Edward Clarke, Carlton Light, Clyde Rollins, alternate.

Declamation Contest: Edward Clarke, George Blake, Wallace Ham, E. A. Brooks, alternate.

Oration Contest: Forest Denman, Henry Anderson, Tommy Over, Clyde Rollins, alternate.
Debate Contest: Bob Harris, Clyde Rollins, Forest Denman, alternate, Jerry Laughlin, alternate.

Three Phi Speakers
Temperance Reading Contest: John Robertson, David R., alternate.

Declamation Contest: James Clarke, Hoyt Evans, David R., John Robertson, alternate.
Oration Contest: Luther R., James Clarke, Luther R., alternate, John Robertson, alternate.

Debate Contest: James Hall, Norman Caudle, Kenneth E. R., alternate.

News Flashes

The picture to be shown in the auditorium tonight is "Brigham Young," starring Tyrone Power, Vincent Price, Linda Darnell, and Dean Jagger.

Vocational Emphasis Week will be observed on our campus from April 13 through April 20.

Members of the newly elected B. S. U. council are attending the spring retreat at Ridgecrest this week-end.

The radio program for Monday night is to be given by the glee club, under the direction of Miss Ellison.

The annual band concert

NEW 'HILLTOP' STAFF

Shown here is the newly-elected managing staff of the "Hilltop." Upper left: Russell Jordon, editor-in-chief. Upper right: John Chandler, managing editor. Lower left: Bill Williams, advertising manager. And lower right: J. P. Young, business manager. The next and last "Hilltop" of the year will be in the hands of the new staff.



will be presented on Saturday night, April 18. The program will be found elsewhere in this issue of your paper.

On April 17 the Nonpareils and Euthalians will hold their annual joint meeting.

Bring out your evening dresses and prepare yourselves! Junior-Senior banquet is coming up for April 25.

On April 2 we were delighted to have Dean Daniels, of Furman university, as a guest. With him were two former Mars Hill students who are now enrolled at Furman.

Since Mars Hill is not having spring holidays, many of the dates for commencement events have been changed. The following events have been scheduled: declamation contest, May 2; oration contest, May 9; reading contest, May 16. On May 22 the commencement address will be delivered.

Band Concert Next Saturday

On April 18 at eight o'clock the Mars Hill college band, under the direction of Mr. Herbert Sebren, will be heard in its annual concert in the college auditorium. The band is composed of forty-five pieces, and we are looking forward to an enjoyable evening.

The program will consist of:
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Y.W.A. Study Course

During this last week the annual Y. W. A. study course was given. Mrs. Canup, Mrs. Lee, Miss Hardin, Miss Brewer, Dr. Pierce, and Mrs. Tilson taught Dr. J. F. Plainfield's book *The Stranger Within Our Gates*.

The purpose of this course has been to interest Christians and Southern Baptists in particular in the foreigner who has come to make his home in our midst and is a stranger within our gates, and in the problems confronting Americanization and evangelization of these foreigners.

A SECOND ALUMNUS SACRIFICES HIS LIFE

On April 3 the second Mars Hill student has added to the list of those giving their lives in military service during the present war. Lieutenant George Loris Dover, of Shelby, an outstanding member of the class of '35, was one of five occupants who were killed near West Greenwich, Rhode Island, when their medium bomber crashed into a wooded section and exploded. Lieutenant Dover is believed to have been piloting the plane at the time.

At Mars Hill Dover achieved remarkable success, both in scholarship and extra-curricular activities. Among many other honors, he held positions as
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Forensic Teams Meet Nation's Leading Institutions In Grand Eastern Tourney

First Two Rounds With Notre Dame And Dartmouth

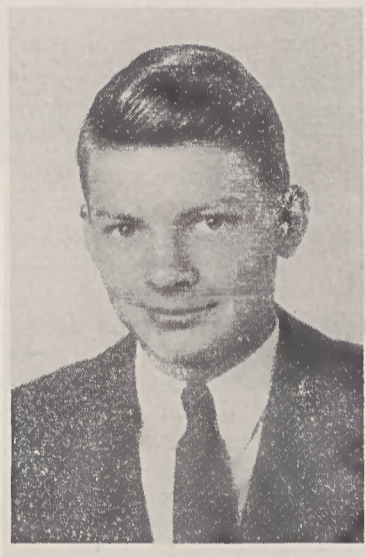
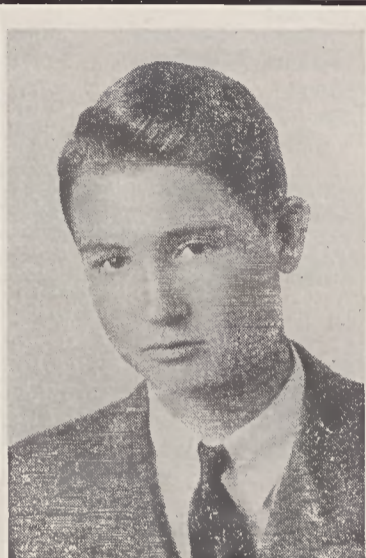
Mars Hill's forensic coach, Mr. J. B. Huff, and his two best debate teams attended the Grand Eastern Forensic Tournament held at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, South Carolina, on April 8-11. Mars Hill, by special invitation, participated in this nation-wide tournament ordinarily open only to degree-granting institutions. This is an extraordinary honor, since a junior college has never before been admitted.

Mars Hill was represented in direct clash debate by Norman Caudle and James Hall and in regular debate by Bob Harris and Henry Huff. Both teams are so thoroughly acquainted with their query that they were prepared to defend either side of it.

Caudle, Dixie Champion in broadcasting, also participated in that event, as well as in extempore speaking. Harris entered the contest in oration, and Hall represented Mars Hill in impromptu speaking.

The magnitude of this experience can perhaps be more clearly recognized when the fact is considered that Mars Hill's first and second rounds were scheduled with Notre Dame and Dartmouth, respectively. Our boys were up against highly experienced, even professional speakers. Before leaving for Winthrop Mr. Huff said, "These boys may have more grit than judgment. . . . They've bitten off a big hunk. I hope they can chew it."

We think they can. As this publication goes to press we wait eagerly for the results of this unprecedented venture.



King Conducts Course In Current History

A non-credit class on current events entitled "Open Forum of Current Affairs" has been introduced at Mars Hill College by Professor Spencer King of the History department.

The class meets each Monday evening at 7:15 o'clock; the program begins with the radio broadcast of Edwin C. Hill and continues until 8:00 o'clock. At 7:25 there is a discussion of the day's news and Hill's opinions, followed by a discussion of a general topic at 7:35. From 7:50 until 8:00 is the quiz period and announcement is made of the next week's general topic.

The requirement for admission is a reading card with a report and brief summary of a timely article from an approved magazine. Anyone is eligible; the attendance now runs around 50. Each Monday night a student discussion leader is chosen for the following meeting.

Miss Willie Ruth Edwards of
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Glee Club Gives Radio Program

The Mars Hill college glee club, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Ellison, will give the following radio program on Monday evening, April 13, at 8 p. m.

Now Thank We All Our God. Crueger; **Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee.** Bach; **The Aria for Two Violins** (Mary, Stringfield and David McAdams), Stoessel; **Cherubim Song**, Bartianski; **There Was Great Darkness**, Hayden; **Were You There?** (Solo, Warren Reddick), Arr. Burleigh; **O Saviour of the World** (octet), Goss, Annette Joiner, Helen Hayes, Frances Elam, Eleanor Clark, Henry Anderson, Jack Floyd, Fred Ellison, Bill Hamlett; **Gloria in Excelsis Deo**, Mozart.

The regular Monday evening radio program for March 30
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