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STUDENTS ORGANIZE REGIONAL CLUBS

College Debate Teams Active Again

State And Lees McRae Visit Campus

Three student representatives from North Carolina college, under the direction of Prof. Edwin H. Patton, director of forensics at Mars Hill, visited the Mars Hill campus March 24. The State and Lees McRae debaters demonstrated before members of the forensic council and interested visitors the subject clash system of debate, engaging the Mars Hill debaters in two debates. Prof. Patton served as debate chair for both rounds. Mr. DeShazo, Mars Hill debate coach, engaged the other.

The Mars Hill debaters, although they enjoyed immensely and learned much from the demonstration of the unfamiliar debate form, both rounds to the more experienced State boys.

The State representatives are: Jim Spence, Leon Mann, and "Yank" Mandell.

The Mars Hill debaters, on Wednesday, March 29, engaged four visiting debaters from Lees McRae college at the Elks Club. Two standard debates were held in the administration building, at 10 a. m. and at 1:00 p. m., giving both the Mars Hill debaters a chance to engage the visiting teams.

Judges for the debates were faculty members: Dr. Trammell, Mr. King, Dr. Pierce, and Dr. Russell. Debate chairman was Mr. DeShazo. The Mars Hill teams won both decisions in the visits.

The Mars Hill debaters who engaged both the State and Lees McRae teams were: William Miller, Nina Guard, Charles Taylor, and Carl Westmoreland.

Dr. Gillespie Returns To United States

Dr. Arthur S. Gillespie, former graduate of Mars Hill College, has returned to the U. S. after serving for 12 years as a missionary in China.

For seven months prior to his return aboard the S. S. "Lipsholm" with the 1,500 patriots who were exchanged at Goa, Portuguese India with Japanese prisoners. Dr. Gillespie was a prisoner of the Japanese.

"I was a prisoner of the Japanese for seven months, and during that time I never heard an unkind word spoken to me," states Dr. Gillespie.

Dr. Gillespie has this remark to make relative to his return.

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SPRING ARRIVES AGAIN AT MARS HILL



It's springtime again on Mars Hill Campus. The air has become more invigorating, Mount Bailey's trees are bursting forth with blooms, the birds seem to sing a little louder, and the sun even shines a little brighter. And as this, the nicest season of the year, rolls 'round, we would like to extend to you our very best wishes for a happy Easter and a most joyous spring.

—The Staff.

Summer Session To Open June 6

The Mars Hill College summer session will open on Tuesday, June 6. The officers and administration of the college are looking forward to a very successful period. All indications show that the campus will be buzzing with activity during the summer.

Any student eligible to enter college in regular session may be admitted in summer session. Students transferring from other colleges, who wish to become candidates for graduation, should furnish the registrar a transcript of work previously done in order that proper guidance may be given in registration.

Students generally register for courses whose total credit does not exceed ten semester hours.

Along with the regular college courses offered, there are special courses for high school juniors and seniors. High school students are allowed to complete one unit of work or to take up partially completed high school units upon the recommendation of the high school principal or superintendent from where the students come.

Provision is made for interesting recreational and social activities during the summer session. The program will include picnicking, mountaineering, dramatic productions, and moving pictures. There is a summer society, the Thero Literary Society. Living arrangements are reasonable and comfortable, and proper medical attention is provided to protect the health of the students.

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Societies Select Their Temperance Readers

The Philomathians have selected their temperance reader. He is the esteemed Harold Spangler of Lawndale, N. C.

The Euthalians, who have not been affected so much by the man power shortage, selected Earl Vaughan, Bob Gellerstedt, and Ray Marshall as their temperance readers.

Mars Hill Observes Home Missions Week

During the week of March 19-25 Mars Hill College observed the annual Week of Prayer for Home Missions.

The Annie Armstrong Offering that is taken each year at this season is in memory of Miss Annie Armstrong, a North Carolina woman who was a pioneer in Home Missions work.

The Young Women's Auxiliary of the college, under the direction of Irene Glass and Celeste Porter, had charge of morning and noon watches. Each of these services gave attention to the needs in one (See HOME MISSIONS—Page 6)

Chapel Schedule

Monday, April 3: Advisory Meetings.
Tuesday, April 4: B.S.U.
Wednesday, April 5: Speech Department.
Thursday, April 6: Movie, "Bound to Last".
Friday, April 7: Dr. Pierce.

Monday, April 10: Dr. Blackwell.
Tuesday, April 11: B.S.U.
Wednesday, April 12: Music.
Thursday, April 13: Mr. Canup.
Friday, April 14: Mr. Lee.

Dramateers Attend Chapel Hill Festival

On Thursday morning, a group of thirteen Mars Hill Dramateers left by train for the twenty-first annual Dramatic Festival in Chapel Hill, at the University of North Carolina. They arrived Thursday night minus one actress, Jeanne Wall, who, because of an acute attack of appendicitis, was forced to stop in Greensboro for an operation.

Friday morning the group registered at the Playmaker's Theater. Illustrations, demonstrations, and lectures were given by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, Paul Green, and Professor Koch, all experts in the field of dramatics. Friday afternoon and Saturday were given over to presentation of plays by the various groups. Saturday night Professor Koch presented awards for the best costume designs, the best makeup, the best original play and the best play production. Awards were given to all authors of original plays.

Friday afternoon the Mars Hill group presented a professional play, "The Mistake of a Night," by Oliver Goldsmith. Bobby Waldrop played the part of Tony Lumpkin; Harold Shoemaker, Mr. Hardcastle; Evelyn Brookshire, Kate Hardcastle; Clinton Harris, Young Marlowe; and Mary Mundy substituted for Jeanne Wall as Mrs. Hardcastle.

Rachel Bruton's "Come Vi'let Time" was presented Saturday afternoon. David Kimberly played the part of Joe Nathan; Mary Mundy, Lilly Ann; Jack Hughes, Saul; Johnny "Kid" Davis, Billy; and Rachel Bruton, Biathy. (See DRAMATEERS—Page 5)

Club Leaders Are Selected

Twenty-seven groups of students met at the chapel hour March 27 and organized themselves into seventeen county clubs, 5 state clubs, and one cosmopolitan club. Four other clubs were formed by combinations of various counties.

Some of the functions of the clubs are for social purposes, to further fellowship among students from the same area, to disseminate knowledge of the area among members of the club, and to promote the interests of the college in that county or region. The clubs are allowed one meeting per month and one social meeting per semester. The officers and sponsors of the various clubs are:

Burke County—Susan Harbison, president; Helen Davis, secretary; Mavis Hudson, treasurer; Ruth Poteat and Cleo Grady, reporters; Mrs. Sparks, sponsor.

Caldwell-Catawba — Katharine Pierce, president; Sue Henderson, vice - president; Katherine Ulmer, secretary; Yvonne Lawing and Frances Pope, reporters; Dr. and Mrs. Moore, sponsors.

Chatham—Dalton Buckner, president; Jane Frazier, vice-president; Betty Gilmore, secretary; Mr. and Mrs. DeShazo, sponsors.

Cleveland—Harold Spangler, president; Martha Ann Mauney, secretary; Carrol Spurling, vice - president; "Pop" Stringfield and Miss Logan, sponsors.

Forsythe — Carlos Cooper, president; Jean Joyner, vice-president; Jackie White, secretary; Jane Joyner, treasurer; Mr. McLeod, sponsor.

Haywood — Glenn Brown, president; Dorothea Green, vice-president; Grace Wilburn, secretary-treasurer; Mr. S. O. Trentham, sponsor.

Henderson — Ray Marshall, president; Edwina Creech, vice-president; Betty Sue Sinclair, secretary; Cynthia Hill, reporter; Dr. Trammell, sponsor.

Madison — Alta Ponder, president; Jean Brown, vice-president; Helen Runnion, secretary; Mr. Trentham, sponsor; Ruth Cogdill, treasurer.

Davidson—Luther Morphis, president; Grace Haynes, vice-president; Oma Shew, secretary; Miss Lunsford, sponsor.

Gaston—Jerry Hobbs, president; Gerry Dixon, secretary; Mr. Wood, sponsor.

Iredell — Betty Lazenby, president; Helen Gillispie, secretary; Edith Swann, sponsor.

Mecklenburg—Joe Daniels, president; Doris Layton, secretary; Speedy Hendricks, social secretary. (See REGIONAL CLUBS—Page 5)