

J. B. HUFF

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Wilmington high school, was professor of English at Carson-Newman college, and was for several years president of Wingate junior college.

Mr. Huff was a most inspiring teacher of English literature. His former pupils in all parts of the country declare that they were first taught to appreciate literature in his classes.

One of Mr. Huff's major interests as a faculty member at Mars Hill was coaching of students for debating and practical public speaking, and his teams always compared favorably with their opponents when taking part in various tournaments.

He taught his pupils not to make set speeches in their debates, as is the usual custom, but to go after the points made by their opponents as soon as their turn to speak arrived.

Mr. Huff held several responsible positions on the campus, one of which was chairman of the executive committee. In this position the students respected him for his fair dealing and sympathetic attitude.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mattie Ireland Huff; six sons, Leonard Huff, Sylva, James Huff, Newton, Richard Huff, Notre Dame university, South Bend, Ind., Alfred Huff, Dobson, Joseph and Henry Blair Huff, on duty in the Pacific area; two brothers, T. E. Huff, Mars Hill, and F. E. Huff, Fletcher; two sisters, Mrs. Clara Shea, Mars Hill, and Mrs. J. W. Swanger, Asheville.

Philomathian News

Despite the "blackout" which hampered the society program on Friday night, the Phi's had a most enjoyable meeting. The highlight of the evening's program was a debate. The query was: "Resolved, that a hunting license should be required for DEAR hunting at Mars Hill." The affirmative, defended by Bob Norton and Boyd McGuire, had excellent points; but the negative, upheld by Edgar Morton and Thomas Swann, had enough points to win the decision of the judges.

A declamation entitled "A Rendezvous with Destiny," by Franklin D. Roosevelt, was delivered by Morgan Robinson. Bob Chapman played a trumpet selection. He was accompanied at the piano by Miss Forrestine Snider. The next part of the program was carried on in the dark. Carl Westmoreland, Ronald Hill, Jay Keeter, and James Taylor, president of the Phi's, participated in impromptu's which proved to be very enlightening on many subjects. The lights seemed to serve as a lie detector for the speakers. When truth was spoken, the lights flicked on, but when the truth was not exactly observed, the Phi's remained in the dark.

After all hope had been given up for the lights to come back on, some candles were lighted, and the program continued with the recognition of the visitors.

Fifteen new members were accepted.

KNOW YOUR CAMPUS**First Building**

By Clyde McLeod

"Who was N. W. Corner?" This question has been asked by new students and visitors who first view the tombstone located near the center of the spot of grass on the campus, commonly known as the "Little Circle." On this stone are inscribed the words "N. W. Corner, First Building, 1856-1910, A-IV Class, 1929." There is an interesting story behind "Mr. N. W. Corner's" life.

This stone really marks the northwest corner of the first building erected on the Mars Hill campus. Thus "N. W. Corner" was not a man at all, as many uninformed students have believed, but a very important building. It was torn down in 1910, and the students of the Class of 1929 decided to erect a sun dial to mark the place where the first building stood. They went to Asheville to purchase a suitable stone from a certain stone cutter, who, being an accommodating fellow, sold them a tombstone he happened to have on hand. A sun dial was fitted into a groove at the top of the stone, and for years students without watches had only to walk over to this marker in order to

Clio News

Another year for Clio has begun! Our junior president who was elected last spring, Connice Peterson, did not return this semester because of her marriage. Phyllis Rowe has been elected to serve as president for the remainder of the first term.

The annual Clio pajama party for the new students was held in the parlor of each of the dormitories on September 25. Clio songs were sung and a resume of the activities of the society during the last year was given.

The first regular meeting of the Clio Literary society was held in the Hall of Blue and White on September 28. The program consisted of an entertaining skit, "Crios at Mars Hill." The Clio Literary society was happy to welcome each new student to its first meeting.

News Notes Of Nonpareil

Under the excellent leadership of her president, Pinky McLeod, and her vice-president, Lillian Miller, the Nonpareil Literary society is beginning the year with enthusiasm, and plans for a very successful term.

On Wednesday night, September 27, Nonpareil pajama parties were held in the parlors of all dormitories on the campus. Varied programs were presented, and the president and vice-president visited each dormitory for a few minutes to extend a cordial invitation to all new students to attend the Nonpareil meeting.

On Thursday, September 28, the Hall of Black and Gold opened its doors to a large number of visitors. The theme of the program was "Nonpareil, Her Ideals, and Her Feeling of Affection for Her Brother Euthalians."

learn the time of day. Finally the sun dial was broken loose from the stone, but the marker of the first building still stands.

The old building had only four large rooms, which were used for classrooms, society halls, and assemblies. It was erected in 1856 under difficult conditions. The bricks were made by hand at a spot near the stream flowing by the athletic field. The main timbers were hand hewn. The late W. B. Murray hauled the lime for the mortar by wagon from near Hendersonville. It was this building for which Joe, a slave belonging to a member of the board of trustees, Mr. Anderson, was taken to secure payment to the contractors. This building and two wooden buildings were on the campus before the Civil War, and housed a detachment of troops for a time. The two wooden buildings were burned during the war, and this old building remained, though it was badly damaged. The old building continued to serve Mars Hill College until 1910, although for a brief period it housed a branch of the Oxford orphanage, and for some time the Masonic Order used an upstairs room as a lodge. Some of the hand made brick of which it was built may now be seen in the basement walls of the Dixie Store on Main Street. A few of the hand-hewn timbers support the floor of this building.

Euthalia News

The first regular meeting of the Euthalian Literary society on September 22 brought to the hall of "black and gold" a spirit of enthusiasm and loyalty. With many of the members in military service only fourteen old members were able to be back.

Interest ran high during the debate of the evening, "Resolved: That Sadie Hawkins Day should be observed at Mars Hill." The affirmative team composed of Jimmy Pegram and Bob Reid won the decision over the negative team, Bob Jones and Charlie Peterson. No visitors of the society were accepted as members on the first night.

The spirit of Euthalia reached its height on September 29, when, at the end of a black-out program, twenty-seven new boys decided to make the hall of "black and gold" their home. These were welcomed to the hall with the hope that society will mean much to them during the coming year.

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INTRAMURAL TILTS DOMINATE SPORTS PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR

**Harvey N. Lance, Director Of Boys' Athletics,
Announces Prospects In Various Sports.**

Fifty gridiron candidates, almost a third of the college's male enrollment, turned out Monday afternoon for organization into two squads and for initial work-outs, launching a fall-winter sports program, which will be dominated by intramural tilts.

Harvey M. Lance, director of the boys' physical education program, around which football and projected cage activities will be centered, said the first intramural pigskin game has been billed tentatively for October 14, but might be later.

He indicated that the necessarily tardy start may shove football into the background to a certain degree, with a resultant heavier emphasis on basketball.

"There is no immediate prospect," he said, "of slating football clashes with neighboring high schools and Brevard College, contrary to campus rumor. He added, however, that there is some likelihood of booking inter-school matches for the basketball team later. No organization for the cage sport was under way at press time, although scattered groups were using the court for unorganized games during physical education periods and after-class hours.

Monday's football session, after two squads had been chosen by two captains, holdovers from last year, was devoted chiefly to working out formations and passing and receiving. Daily practice leading up to scrimmages are planned.

Mr. Lance, who says he will leave the coaching "up to the boys," had not made a complete survey of material, but commented after practice Monday, "Some of them look pretty good."

After almost two weeks of uncertainty, the official word is that the swimming pool will not open this fall. The demand for the pool is light and would not warrant its heating expense, he said.

Tennis ranks number three on the Mars Hill sports popularity

Y.T.C. Holds Its First Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Y. T. C. met Monday night at the respective meeting places. One hundred twenty-six were present for the first meeting compared with the final enrollment of one hundred last year. Mars Hill, the largest unit in the state last year, promises to be one of the largest in the southeast very soon.

Mrs. Vann, who is the head of the Y. T. C. here at Mars Hill, is also the state president. The council is divided into five groups with Mrs. Vann, Miss Anderson, Miss Bingham, Miss Biggers, and

Mrs. Sparks as leaders. Frances Hobson is president of Mrs. Vann's group; Neal Ellis of Miss Anderson's; Johnny Walker of Miss Bingham's; Mary Elizabeth Lawton of Miss Bigger's; and Winnie Hollowell of Mrs. Spark's group. Carl Westmoreland is general president and Lucille Chambers is the general secretary.

poll. "About a dozen of the boys have netmen potentialities, according to Mr. Lance. Five are out for tumbling and "three or four" are going in for boxing," he said.

Twice-weekly calisthenics are planned for the some 140 boys enrolled in physical education classes, the physical education instructor said.

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