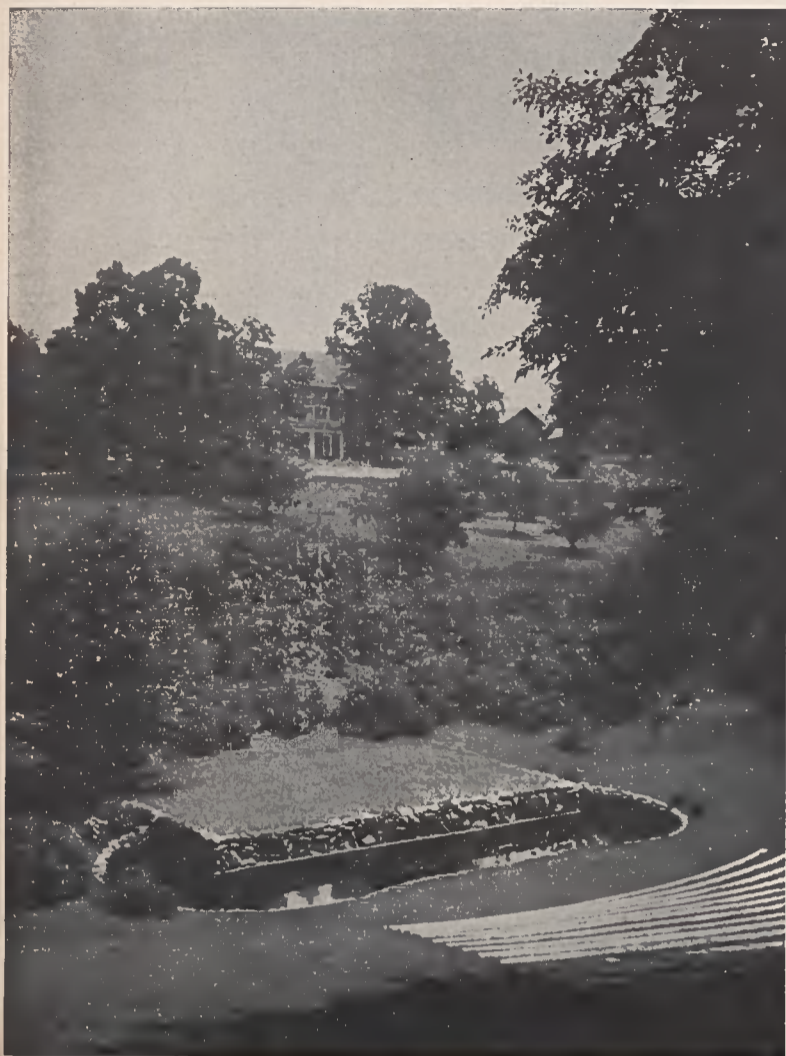


College Views ... Old and New



Homecoming Day

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the college from its inception and founded in 1856 through the period of the Civil War, the days of the reconstruction, the administration of Dr. R. L. Moore, during which time it developed from a poverty-stricken mountain school into an institution of strength and wide renown, and up to the present administration. It will be so up to date that there is to be included in it a scene of the breaking of the ground by Dr. Hoyt Blackwell for the dormitory which is now under construction. This event occurred as recently as March of this year.

The pageant was first given in 1928. The current presentation is under the direction of Dr. Ella J. Pierce of the English Department, Miss Bonnie Wengert of the Speech and Dramatics Department, and Miss Martha Biggers, Mrs. Elizabeth Souther, and Mr. Elwood Roberts of the Music Department. There will be a cast of over 125 persons, including citizens from the surrounding community who are descendants of the founders of Mars Hill College, members of the Board of Trustees, members of the faculty and administration, and students. Music will be furnished by the glee club, orchestra, and special ensembles.

Dr. H. M. Poteat, member of the faculty of Wake Forest College, will deliver the annual commencement address on Friday morning. Prayer at the graduation exercises will be led by Rev. John R. Link, pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist Church. Dean R. M. Lee will present the graduation class, with President Hoyt Blackwell awarding the diplomas.

STILL ON THE HILL

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saying persists: "You haven't really been to Mars Hill unless you've had a course under Dr. Pierce."

Ralph Marion Lee, College Dean, divides his time between his administrative duties, government and economic classes, and being a Republican. He remains famous for his smooth, witty chapel talks, and his generosity with leaves of absence. He came to Mars Hill in 1926.

Vernon Everett Wood, chemist and world strategist extraordinary, is the youngest of Mars Hill's veteran professors. He came to the Hill in 1931. Since then, he has acquired the congnomen, "Booger." His current chief interest is the atomic bomb, with which he has familiarized himself and his classes.

Last of the veterans—but by far not the least—is Oscar Ernest Sams, vice-president since 1931. He is still head of the ministerial group and, although feeble, attends chapel services often.

AUSTERE PROFESSORS LET THEIR HAIR DOWN

Lost: Myth of the dignified Mars Hill professor. Finder please keep.

The theory has been advanced that perhaps the "myth" was exploded in a recent faculty fellowship hour, when you might have seen Miss Martha Biggers beating out boogie-woogie while hep cat (Dr.) Ella Janet Pierce kept time, Miss Caroline Biggers in slouch plaid skirt, and almost any other Mars Hill teacher doing almost any other thing taboo on the campus.

OLD AND NEW—(Left to right) View of the amphitheater, scene of the coming college pageant, with Edna Moore dormitory in the background; Robert Lee Moore Hall; Dr. W. F. Robinson Memorial Infirmary; the parlor of Spilman dormitory for girls; Melrose dormitory for men (now inhabited, as is Brown dormitory, by women); Charles M. Wall Science building, home of the societies; Edna Moore dormitory for girls; and the Stella N. Montague library.