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# Faculty Studies During Summer

Turn about was the thing when, while most of the students at Mars Hill enjoyed a long vacation last summer, a good many of our teachers were studying at other schools.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hall of the music department were at the University of North Carolina. Mrs. Hall studied voice and music under Mr. Bom Lehn, while Mr. Hall did graduate work toward his master's degree in music. He did arrangements for a musical comedy, "Mardi Gras," given by Sound and Fury, a drama group at Chapel Hill. Mr. Hall also taught percussion instruments.

Miss Mary Stringfield, also of the music department, took a summer school course at the University of North Carolina in violin under Willis Gates and in voice under Gwyn McPeek. She was soloist at the Presbyterian church in Chapel Hill.

From the Mars Hill music department, too, was Miss Lucille Sawyer, who teaches organ and piano. She studied music at Chapel Hill.

In the language department Mr. J. Roy Prince, French and Spanish teacher, studied Italian at Chapel Hill.

At the University of Georgia, Mr. Harvey Lance, math teacher, worked toward his master's degree in mathematics, while Miss Alice Reed, history teacher, studied for her master's degree in history at

second year. He is a native of Ra-



Miss Pricilla Barton, wellknown concert singer, will present "An Evening in the Old South" to Mars Hillians on Saturday, October 16, at 8:00 P. M. in the College auditorium.

Miss Barton's program will include many folk songs. She will sing compositions by Thomas Haynes Bayly, Felix Kinight, Wolfgang Mozart, and Stephen Foster. Among her selections will be Long, Long Ago; Oh, Dear What Can the Matter Be? Flow Gently, Sweet Afton; Coming Through the Rye; and songs by Stephen Foster. A member of one of the oldest Virginia families, Miss Barton will be dressed for her performance here in the authentic period costumes appropriate for the numbers which she sings.

After attending Garrison Forest School and the Bryn Mawr Day School, Miss Barton studied music at Peabody Conservatory in Boston, Massachusetts, and in Paris, France. She sang before social audiences for a long time and was so successful that she was urged to become a concert artist. She studied under Doris Wright, Ernest Lert, Romano Romani, and Rosalie Miller. She has sung with the Baltimore Civic Opera Co.,

## **Forensics** Club **Plans Near** Completion

The Forensics Club held its initial meeting Monday night, September 27, 1948, in Moore Hall. Miss Imogene Cowan is assisting Mr. Ramon DeShazo in training the students for the following contests: debating, address reading, after dinner speeches, book reviews, declamation, dramatic reading, responses to the occasion, extemporaneous speaking, oration, poetry reading, and informative discussions.

The proposed activities of the organization feature two tournaments. The fall tournament will be held at either A. S. T. C. in Boone or Lenoir-Rhyne College at Hickory. The Grand National Tournament in April will be held at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

Students interested in debating will meet weekly for discussion of the national debate query: Resolved: that the Federal Government should adopt a policy of equalizing education in tax supported schools by means of annual grants. Mars Hill college will engage neighboring schools in inter-collegiate debates using the national debate query.

Among the students exhibiting an interest in forensics are Eddie Breland, James Fox, Gene Mann, George Bigham, Roslyn Wilson, Lloyd Rector, Frank Ingle, Netta

NEWS BRIEFS

Lee Rhodes, who suffered a broken collarbone in the opening football game with WCTC Catamounts, after an operation at a Asheville Hospital is now able tobe back at school. Rhodes expects to be able to play ball again near the last of the season.

Luther Dunn underwent an appendectomy at an Asheville hospital recently. He has recovered nicely and is able to be back on the campus now.

Dr. W. R. Cullom, professor emeritus of Bible at Wake Forest College, spent the week of Sept. 18-23 on Mars Hill campus. Dr. Cullom lectured in chapel on the subjects, "Jesus, The Eternal. Teacher" and "Our Present Crisis." He also spoke for the Huffman girls and the Ministerial Conference.

Dr. Cullom who has recently retired after sixty years of servicein the ministry, now spends his time lecturing and writing for magazines.

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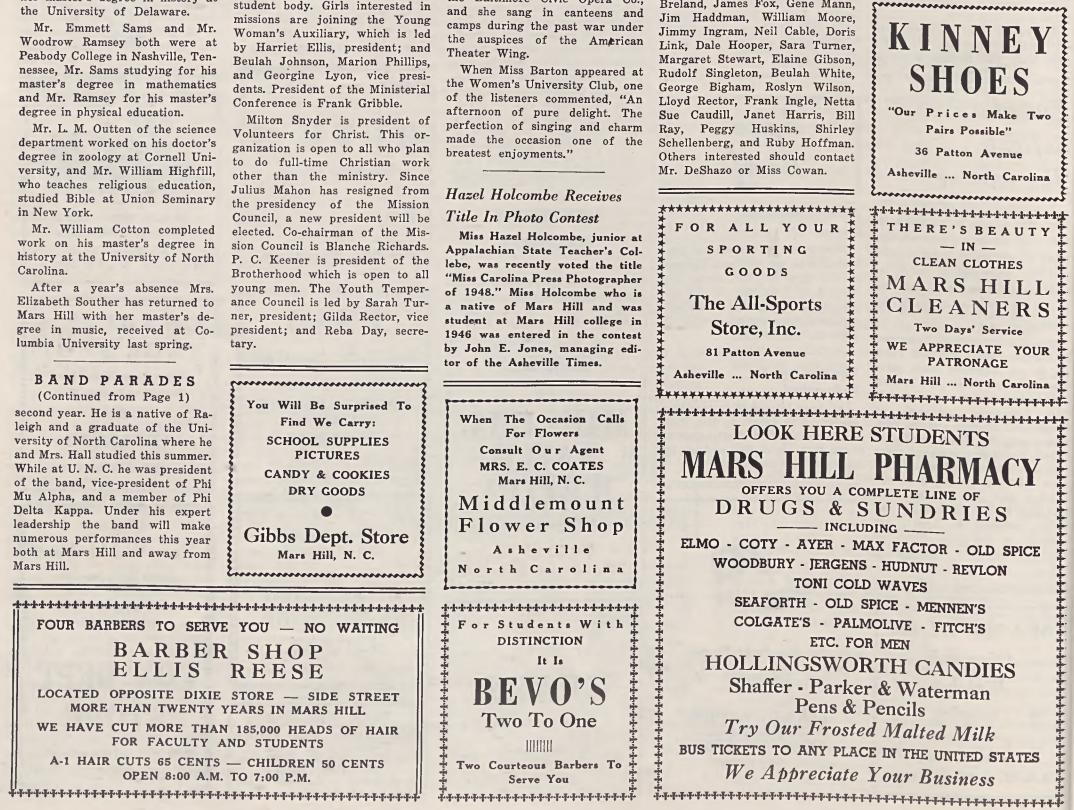
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It is significant to Mars Hill students that Dr. Cullom was a classmate at Wake Forest of Dr. R. L. Moore, president emeritus of Mars Hill, and the late Dr. L. L. Vann, a local physician formany years.





**Miss Barton** 

## Organizations Elect New Officers

The officers of the various organizations of the Baptist Student Union have successfully begun their work by enrolling large numbers of new students in their groups.

Sunday School Superintendent, Ben Philbeck, and Training Union Director, David Ward, have enrolled a large percentage of the student body. Girls interested in