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## Ferrell Heads Sophomore Class

### Helvey, Link, Olive Complete '49-'50 Slate

Edgar G. Ferrell pushed the polls to a majority win over the other two candidates for the C-II class presidency in the election staged Friday, October 7. Bill Helvey won the vice-presidential office, Doris Ann Link, the secretarial position, and Bruce Olive, the office of treasurer.

In a brief class meeting called in the auditorium October 6, John Claypool, BSU President, opened the floor for nominations to the four offices. Persons whose names were nominated were submitted to the Committee on Classes, Clubs, and Societies for approval and appeared on printed ballots Friday morning.

Edgar Ferrell, Durham, is studying for the ministry. A native of Saint Louis, Mo., Bill Helvey is a pre-med student, while Doris Ann Link, Hickory, is studying liberal arts. Bruce Olive, Raleigh, also is enrolled in the liberal arts course.



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### Briefly . . .

**The Challenge of the Cross** was the second in a series of short dramas sponsored and played by YWA members. The latter play was staged Friday, October 7.

**Bob Solomon**, former student of MHC, is engaged to a girl whom he met while attending summer school at Mars Hill.

**Jo Miller**, 49 graduate, is recovering successfully from an operation undergone September 29.

Clios and Nons alike were thrilled once more when **Bob Scaff**, graduate of '49, on a brief visit to the campus, serenaded them Friday night, October 7.

Former English Department member, **Miss Mary Logan**, who resigned from the faculty in 1945 to affiliate with the USO, was a visitor on campus the weekend of October 8. Miss Logan is with the USO in Washington, D. C., at present.

Word has been received from **Janice Aiken**, another '49 graduate and English major at Baylor University, that there are ten MHC alumni at the University this year, among whom is her fellow '49 graduate, **Walter Smith**, majoring in religious journalism.

Two former Phi presidents, **Frank Yandall** and **Bill Smith**, visited the campus last weekend. Bill and Frank are at Wake Forest this year.

Another visitor on campus last weekend was **Miss Hilda Mayo**, '47 graduate, who is now State Director of WMU and YWA.

**Miss Mary J. Augenstein**, WMU Field Worker from Louisville, Ky., visited MHC campus Sunday and Monday of this week.

Two former Mars Hillians, **Fred Haga** and **Johnny Brigman**, have evidently turned poets, since poems by each appear in a current issue of Carson-Newman's newspaper, **Orange and Blue**.

should "make an investment in Christianity."

### Seventeen States, Seven Foreign Lands Represented At MHC

Nine hundred eleven students represent sixteen of our forty-eight states and the District of Columbia on Mars Hill campus. Seven foreign countries are also represented here.

North Carolina has 626 enrolled for the fall semester. Virginia sends 88-students, while 62 hail from South Carolina. Florida comes fourth with 38 representatives and Georgia next with 28. Tennessee sends 15 and Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New York send 11, 8, and 7 respectively. The states of Kentucky and West Virginia are represented by 4 each. Three come from the Nation's Capitol, and three hail from Alabama. Two are enrolled from Louisiana, while one comes from each of the following states: Indiana, Michigan and Missouri. Two are enrolled from each of the following foreign countries: Cuba, Hawaii, and Guatemala, while there is one each from British West Indies Portugal, and Brazil.

Of these students there are 493 men and 418 women. Special students total eight. Thirteen church denominations are represented on the campus. The majority of students fall in one of three groups: Baptist, with 717, Methodist, with 85, and Presbyterian, with 28. A few belong to other denominational groups, while a very small number claim no church affiliation.

The Hilltop urges all clubs and organizations to elect a reporter who will keep in contact with the publication's staff.

### Mars Hill Observes Religious Focus Week

"Adventuring With Christ" will be the theme of Religious Focus Week to be observed on MHC campus the week of October 17-21. Speakers for the week are: Mr. James W. Ray, director for the week; Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, Wake Forest College; Dr. Clarence Jordan, Kionia Farm, Americus, Georgia; Dr. John Wayland, North Wilkesboro; Miss Edith Arrington, Student Secretary, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem; Miss Maxine Garner, Student Secretary, WCNC, Greensboro.

Services will be held in chapel each morning both in the church and in the auditorium, and at specified hours during the remainder of the day speakers will address classes. Evening services will be held in the church.

Six seminars will be conducted each evening by the team members. The seminars are: "Christianity's Answer to the Isms," Dr. Blackburn; "What's Right, What's Wrong?" Mr. Ray; "Minority Tensions," Dr. Jordan; "Being Honest With Myself and Others," Dr. Wayland; "My Job Under God," Miss Arrington; "Exploring Our Christian Faith," Miss Garner.

### Nons, Eus Hold First Joint Meet

"Our Changing World" was the theme of the first joint-meeting of Nonpareil and Euthalian Literary Societies staged in the college auditorium last evening at 8:00 o'clock. Paul Barwick, Euthalian president, presided, while Betty Jo Bernard, Nonpareil president, acted as secretary.

Richard Stephens, chaplain of the boys' society, gave the devotion, after which a joint quartet, composed of Nons and Uus, Betty Houston, Carolyn Heavner, Joe West, and Bert Clay Edwards, sang.

Other features on the program were: a humorous debate with the query: Resolved, That dating privileges are becoming too liberal; an oration by Frank Litaker; and a humorous impersonation by Jack Coffee.

### Year's Agenda Formed For MHC Glee Club

Plans for Glee Club activities for the coming year have been announced by Mrs. Elizabeth Souther. Definite plans for the immediate future include a trip to Weaverville on October 22, to sing at the meeting of the Western District of North Carolina Federated Clubs, and a concert in Marshall, October 29.

Several selections will be sung by the Mars Hill Chorus alone, and others by the entire gathering. Further plans include a Christmas program in which excerpts from the *Messiah* will be used.

Tryouts for solo parts in this presentation will be held this month. The annual spring tour will be taken sometime in April.

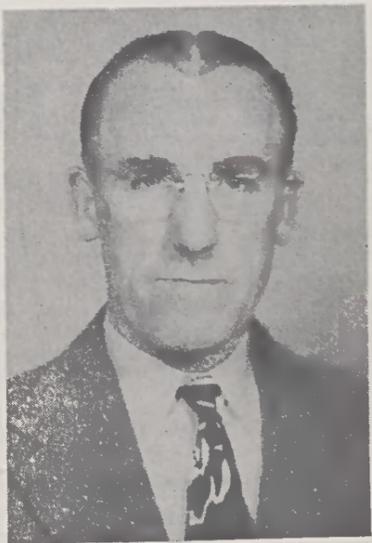
Officers elected by the choral group are: president, Paul Barwick; vice-president, Barbara Morris; secretary, Margaret Lee; treasurer, Geraldine Poole; reporter, Margaret Stewart; pianist, Bert Clay Edwards; librarians, John Adams and Martha Ann Kelly.

## "Pop" Lance Becomes New MHC Dean of Men

Anyone who knows "Pop" Lance, our new Dean of Men, realizes that he has found a friend with whom he can talk, in whom he can confide, and from whom he can obtain a world of helpful stories and illustrations from the football gridiron and from everyday life in general. When he was being interviewed, Mr. Lance, as would be expected, was "equipped" with every detail concerning when, why, and how the Yankees got the one run scored in the first game of the World Series which had just been played. After a brief discussion pertaining to the probable outcome of the Series, Mr. Lance shared a few facts and experiences of his life.

"Pop" was born on a farm near Mills River, North Carolina. When he was eight years old, his family left the farm and moved to Hendersonville. When he was thirteen, they again moved, this time to Fletcher, the town which Mr. Lance has come to call his home. His mother died when he was three years old, and his father, when he was seventeen, so that Mr. Lance has been "on his own" for the greater part of his life.

The first of Mr. Lance's two-year periods at Furman University was spent in liberal arts academically, and athletically in playing football and baseball, in both of which he received school letters.



Dean Lance

He made All-State in football and was recommended by one Alabama newspaper for All-Southern. During his second two-year period, the freshman team which he coached won the championship one year, and his team held second place the second year. He specialized in mathematics and studied extensively in French and Latin.

After leaving Furman, Mr. Lance went to Edisto Academy as a teacher of French, Latin, physics, and biology, and as a coach of football, baseball, and basketball.

In 1928, Mr. Lance went on to Pleasant Hill Academy where he again taught and coached. His girls' basketball team and his boys' baseball team lost no games for two years, and his football team beat every team that had defeated them the year before. From this school he went to Fruitland Institute, then successively to two state schools in South Carolina, and finally to Alexander School in Union Mills, North Carolina, teaching and coaching at each school. Then, in 1943, Mr. Lance came to Mars Hill College as a teacher in the mathematics department. He coached all the intramural teams and also two baseball, one football, and two basketball seasons.

Aside from a hobby of collecting old and strange clocks and watches, Mr. Lance's deepest interest is still in sports. His greatest thrills have come from the football field which he thinks of as "laboratory of life." He feels that when one has learned to deal with "human beings at their meanest moments," that is, when they have just come from the gridiron with "a temper of 106 degrees," then one should have no difficulty in getting along with his fellow man under normal conditions. Mr. Lance is a devout Christian, a deacon in Mars Hill Baptist Church, and recommends that all