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# Gragg to Lead Student Union

## Seven Enter Tournament

Mars Hill College sent seven representatives to the National Forensic Tournament at Martha Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia, March 21-24.

Students entering the tournament were Joretta Devinney, Betty Winchester, Mary Jo Isaacs, Harold England, Perry Ellis, Jim Greene, and Demauth Blanton. England, Ellis, Greene and Blanton, debating as both affirmative and negative teams, participated in nine rounds of debate.

Winning awards in various conlests were these: Joretta Devinney, After Dinner Speaking for Women; Harold England, Declamation; and Perry Ellis in Poetry Reading and After Dinner Speaking for Men.

Mrs. Richard D. Watson of the Inglish Department accompanied the group to Fredericksburg.

#### <sup>C</sup>ollege Choir Gives Concert

Mars Hill College Glee Club and Pouring Choir presented a concert the college auditorium, Saturday, April 21, at eight o'clock.

The program consisted of a riety of choral and solo numbers. Among the selections sung by the Glee Club were the following: "Almighty God of Our Fathers" James; "Omnipotence" by Schubert; "Halleluiah" by Beethoven; "Soon It Will Be Done" tranged by Dawson; "Herman the Violinist" arranged by Swift.

The Touring Choir was heard i: "Ezekiel Saw de Wheel," "Old ling Cole," and "Skip to my Lou."

Soloists for the performance vere Miss Alda Jean Clarke and liss Dorothy Weaver.

### <sup>lenior</sup> Day <sup>ln</sup> Campus

Yancey County high school chiors visited Mars Hill College pril 10. Arriving at the college chy, the students were met by the Lee and other Mars Hillians took them on a tour of the chipus.

After the tour, the seniors athered in the Non-Eu Hall where ean Lee gave them information on the earliege. Bob Melvin spoke about different phases of activities arried on here.

the afternoon the students entertained at a tea in Stroup given by the student counDean Biggers, Dean Lee, other" Wells, and "Mother" wells, and "Mother" Refreshments were served Home Economics majors.



Newly elected members of the Baptist Student Council are (left to right): Frances Haynes, Ann Tunstall, Alan Gragg, Jean Short, Catherine Bowen,. (Second Row): Eddie Gray, Corbin Cooper, Sarah Thomas, Rachel Granger. (Third Row): Lionel Cornell, James Powell, Jim Greene, Bob Owens, and Frank Woodlief. (Larry Power and Bob Reese were not present when the picture was made).

Alan Gragg was elected president of the Baptist Student Union for the 1951-52 school session during the elections of religious leaders of the campus which extended throughout the week of March 15.

Jim Green, Rachel Granger and Anne Tunstall are to act in the capacities of vice-presidents for the Union in the coming year, while Sarah Thomas and James Powell serve as recording and corresponding secretaries of the Council. Bob Owens is to take the position of treasurer.

Other students who were elected to serve on the council are: Larry Power, music director; Bob Reese, town representative; Lionel Cornell, Training Union Director; Eddie Gray, Sunday School Super-

#### Girls Elect Dorm Officers

Officers for the girls' dorms have been elected for next year. Edna Moore Dormitory has chosen the following as leaders: Mary Ruth Linville, president; Gladys Draper, vice-president; Sara Black secretary; Christine Ferrell, social chairman; Eleanor Gathings, musician; Frances Haynes, chaplain, and Betty Jean Hartsell, treasurer.

Faye Pace will be president of Stroup Dorm next year, while the other officers are as follows: Janet Belote, vice-president; Virgie Coggins, secretary; Rebecca Jackson, social chairman; Miriam Roper, chaplain; and Norman Jean Banner, pianist.

Officers of Huffman are Margaret Hudspeth, president; Barbara Herrin, vice-president; Dot Shields secretary; Mollie Stevens, chaplain; Freida Stiles, social chairman; Phyllis McCarn, treasurer; Margaret Morgan, historian; Scottie Clark, pianist; and Gay Chandler, chorister.

The presidents and secretaries of these dorms will make up the student council for next year and are to be installed at a banquet which both the old and the new councils will attend April 25. intendent; Barbara Short, Y.W.A. president; Frances Haynes, Volunteers for Christ president; Catherine Bowen, Youth Temperance Council President; and Corbin Cooper, Mission Council Chairman.

Gragg, who will lead the council, has been outstanding in the religious life of the campus throughout his freshman year. He is a member of the Oscar E. Sams Ministerial Conference and has been active in the Oteen work. Before coming to Mars Hill, Alan, an ordained minister, was pastor of a church near Brunswick, Ga., his home town.

Jim Greene of Asheville, vice-(Continued on Page 4)

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#### Touring Choir Sings At Church

After several appearances in the state during the months of February and March, the Mars Hill College Touring Choir continued its series of programs with an appearance at the Mars Hill Baptist Church on Sunday morning and at the First Baptist Church, Franklin, on Sunday evening, April 8.

The choir rendered inspiring messages in song. Appropriate scripture references were given by members of the choir. Numbers included on the program were "We All Believe," "If Ye Love Me," "Were You There," and "There Is a Balm in Gilead." Those singing solo parts were Cora Mae Rickey and Bill Ritchie.

#### Johnson Leads New Marshals

Marshals for the 1951-52 session have been selected by the deans and the registrar on the basis of scholarship and campus citizenship. Their term of office begins on May 1, when they will be recognized officially during the Recognition Day Program.

Roy Johnson, from Hendersonville, N. C., has been selected as chief marshal, while Cara Blake, from Lumberton, N. C., will hold the position of assistant chief.

Others who will serve during the forthcoming year are James Heizer of Louisville, Kentucky; Truett Allen, of Midland Park, New Jersey; Ben Sloan, of Charlotte; Ned Teague, of Salisbury; Walter Long Jr., of Belmont; Mary Ammons, of Mars Hill; Lydia Berghauser, of Baltimore, Maryland; Nancy Lee Duckworth, of Canton; Carol McAlister, of Biscoe; and Betty Jo Usher, of Bennettsville, S. C.

Gene Roberts of Pikeville and Bobby Heafner of Belmont have been elected to head the two campus publications, The Hilltop and the Laurel, respectively, for the 1951-52 session. Roberts is the present managing editor of the Hilltop and is affiliated with the Publications Department. Heafner assisted in the work of the 1950 Laurel, which will soon be here.

Assistant editor of The Hilltop is Joann Schwab of Frostproof, Florida; and Joyce Taylor of Asheville, will be assistant editor of the Laurel.

Ralph Riley of Lowell will manage the business transactions of The Hilltop, and Janet Belote of Newport News, Va., will assist him. Business manager for the Laurel will be R. L. Crisp of Cheoah. His assistant will be Mary Ammons of Mars Hill.

Others appointed to editorships of the publications are: James Heizer from Louisville, Ky., the Laurel, and Margaret Morgan from South Hill, Va., and Mary Ruth Linville, Winston-Salem, The Hilltop.

#### Barbara Short To Lead YWA

Barbara Short, the new president of YWA, has announced the names of those who will lead the organization on campus next year.

They are, 1st vice-president, Margaret Morgan; 2nd vice-president, Bea Adams; 3rd vice-president, Mollie Stevens; recording secretary, Betty Jo Usher; corresponding secretary, Janet Belote; treasurer, Blanche Richardson; dormitory representatives, Edna Moore, Jo Anne Hiers; Stroup, Julia Horne; Huffman, Lou Stewart; pianist, Julia Ann Sigmon; chorister, Ruth Durham; social chairman, Joan Schwab; publicity chairman, Mary Ruth Linville; community mission chairman, Sarah Lunsford.

Saturday, April 21 the old and new YWA Councils met on Little Mountain for the annual Spring retreat. Each new officer talked with the former officer about her duties for the coming year.

## BSU Council Represents MHC at Spring Retreat

Fourteen members of the newly elected Baptist Student Union Council represented Mars Hill at the State BSU Spring Retreat in High Point April 13 and 14. Approximately 300 students from fifteen colleges and universities were in attendance.

All meetings of the retreat were held at the First Baptist Church of which Dr. Albert Hale, who recently conducted a youth revival on Mars Hill campus is pastor.

The primary purpose of the Retreat was to plan BSU work for the 1951-52 term and to instruct new council members in their duties.

Keynote speaker on the program Friday night was Dr. G. Kearnie

Keagan who challenged his hearers first "to know" then "to show" their religion.

Saturday morning's session was concerned with more specific training for council duties. In the election of state officers Eddie Gray was chosen vice-president. In the afternoon each delegation reported briefly on the highlights of its year's work. The session closed with the installation of state officers.

John Wells, present chairman of the Mars Hill Mission Council, also attended the retreat and gave a report of the past year's work. Miss Vera Ruth accompanied the council.

#### Kendall, Nelson Attend Meeting

Mr. M. H. Kendall and Dr. J. R. Nelson attended the meet of North Carolina College Teachers of Religion held at the Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte on April 21.

The program this year was based on "The College in the Present Crisis." In the afternoon the "Emotional Impact of the Present Crisis on College Students" was discussed.