

## Faculty Members Complete Degrees

Three members of the Mars Hill College faculty received graduate degrees this summer. They were Mrs. Gwyndola Fish, Mrs. H. E. Jolley, and Phillip Magnus. Mrs. Fish received her M. A. in Spanish from Columbia University while Mrs. Jolley secured her M. A. in history from Appalachian State Teachers' College, and Mr. Magnus completed his Master's degree in Music at Peabody.

Several other members of the faculty worked on degrees. Dean H. N. "Pop" Lance worked on his M. A. at Furman University while L. M. Outten worked on his Doctors' Degree at Cornell. At the University of North Carolina, H. E. Jolley worked on his Doctors' Degree in history. Robert Edwards worked on his Masters' at East Tennessee State Teachers' College and Mrs. Rachel Chapman worked on her M. A. at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. Miss Pearl Francis did graduate work at Columbia University.

Other members of the faculty attended workshops, conferences, and schools. Dean R. M. Lee studied three weeks at the Economic Education Workshop at Michigan State University and also attended the meeting of the

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## Officers Chosen By Dramateers

At the organizational meeting of the Dramateers held on September 19, Martha Barnes was elected president to replace Jane McKee, who did not return this year. Tommy Stogner was chosen vice president.

"Lute Song," the first play of the season, will be presented on November 12. Tryouts were held September 26, after chapel from 10:00 till 12:00, and on Tuesday, September 27, from 2:30 till 5:00.

Mrs. Elizabeth Watson, who for the first time is teaching drama on a full-time basis, has this to say about "Lute Song":

"'Lute Song' is a classic on the Chinese stage exactly as 'Hamlet' is on our stage. It was written by Kao-Tong-Kia in ancient China. An adaptation of it was made by Mao-Taou for presentation at the Imperial Court at Peking in 1404. Since that date it has had a continuous stage life. It was adapted to the American stage by Sidney Howard and Will Erwin and presented on Broadway during the 1946 season. Mary Martin and Yul Brynner had the lead roles."

Other plays to be presented by the drama department are Leo Tolstoy's "What Men Live By," which will be presented by the religious drama class in chapel October 19 and 20, and Susan Glaspell's "Trifles" to be presented October 30 and November 1.



The new faculty and staff members are, front row, left to right: Mrs. Wilhelm, Mrs. Robinson, Miss Franks and Miss Linney. Back row, left to right: Mr. Detro, Mrs. Jolley, Miss Edwards, Mrs. Blanton, Mr. Wilhelm and Mrs. Tilson. Mr. Norris and Mr. Kruchwitz were absent when the picture was made.

## Twelve Persons Added To Faculty And Staff

Twelve new staff and faculty members have been added for the 1955-56 term at Mars Hill.

The new faculty members are Mrs. Betty Cornette Jolley, who will teach history; Miss Martha Linney, English; Miss Sadie Franks, French and Spanish; Orville C. Kruschwitz, math and chemistry; Rufus N. Norris, voice and choral instructor; and R. A. Detro, head librarian.

New staff members are Mrs. Elizabeth Blanton of Statesville, who is hostess at the new dormitory for men; Dwight Wilhelm who will work in the department of public relations; Miss Doris Edwards, dietitian in the cafeteria; Mrs. Dwight Wilhelm, assistant in the Bursar's office; Mrs. Bryson Tilson and Mrs. Locke Robinson, assistants in the library.

The increase in the faculty and staff was necessitated by an increased enrollment and the vacancies created by two faculty members who are away on leaves of absence.

Miss Mary Jean Smith, who taught history and French last year is continuing her graduate studies at the University of North Carolina.

Also on leave of absence is William Whitesides, Jr., instructor of voice and choral director. He will spend a year touring the United States, Europe, and the Near East as a member of the Robert Shaw Chorale.

Mr. Norris, a native of Mooresville, will replace Mr. Whitesides. Mr. Norris received his B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1948 and his M.A. from the Teachers College of Columbia University this year. From 1951 through 1953, he was a member of Fred Waring's choral group, the Pennsylvanians.

Formerly a member of the library staff at Mars Hill, Mrs. Jolley who received her M.A. degree in history at Appalachian State Teachers College this summer has joined the History Department. Her husband is also an instructor in history at Mars Hill.

Having done her undergraduate work at Anderson College in

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## Dean's List Is Announced

A total of 85 students were on the Dean's list for the spring semester of the past school year. To be eligible for the Dean's list a total of 40 or more quality points is required. Jimmy L. Taylor leads the list with 60 quality points.

The following are on the Dean's list: Lloyd Bailey, Jean Baker, Joan Bird, Ruth Bishop, Jane Blake, Margaret Blount, Alice Bolton, Andrew Borders, Jo Ellen Bradley, Charles Bullard, Mary Bunn, Doris Cade, Robert Carter, Frank Case, Bill Cobb, Jane Craig, Joe Currin, William Deal, Fieldy Dize, Sarah Dozier, Boyd Falls, Alma Ferguson, Jane Franklin, and Charles Freeze.

Also Gary Gantt, Hubert Garland, Eileen Geringer, Richard Green, Kenneth Hampton, Jerry Hartgrove, Benny Helton, Sandra

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## Draft Exam Set

R. M. Lee, dean, announces that there will be a Selective Service examination given here on November 17.

This test is to be taken by all who are subject to the draft. Dean Lee stated that all who are interested should contact any Draft Board and secure application blanks for the test and mail them back to the Board as soon as possible.

## Cleland Is Speaker As 100th Year Begins

Dr. James T. Cleland, of the Duke University Divinity School, was the speaker at the formal Convocation on Monday, September 19, launching the activities commemorating Mars Hill's one hundredth year.

Two additional programs will be held this semester, and a full program of events has been planned for the remainder of the year.

On Founder's Day, October 15, an address will be presented by

## Chanticleers Open Entertainment Slate

Mars Hill opens its 1955-56 entertainment series with the presentation of the Chanticleers in the college auditorium at 7:30 P.M. on Saturday, October 8. The group, a male quartet, is composed of four former soloists of the Robert Shaw Chorale. The program will consist of folk songs, spirituals, operatic and musical comedy excerpts, and solo numbers.

Organized in the fall of 1952, the Chanticleers adopted their name from the Chaucerian character in the Nun's Priest's Tale, who wooed his favorite dame by singing "merrier than a mermaid in the sea." Members of the quartet are Michael Carolan, tenor; Richard Wright, second tenor; Raymond Keast, baritone; and Thornton Marker, bass.

Next Saturday night's performance will be the second appearance of the Chanticleers on the campus.

Other outside attractions on the entertainment schedule include the University of Alabama String Quartet, the North Carolina Little Symphony, the Russian violinist Odnoposoff, and the Westminster Choir.

Dr. Gordon Palmer of Los Angeles, California. Greetings will be extended to the College from the following: the State of North Carolina, the Baptist State Convention, all church-related colleges, the American Association of Junior Colleges, the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the trustees of the College, and the alumni. Another feature of Founder's Day will be a service for the dedication of the Memorial Library and the Myers Dormitory for Men. Following this service the friends and visitors to the College will be entertained at a tea.

Homecoming Day will be observed on November 24, when Dr. Fred Brown, Pastor Emeritus of the First Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tennessee will be the principal speaker. The traditional Thanksgiving program, "Lest We Forget," will be presented by the members of the BSU Executive Council. The program, which will be under the direction of Dr. Pierce, is being presented for the twenty-eighth consecutive time this year.

Events to be observed during the second semester include: Charter Day on February 16, with Dr. Edward Hughes Pruden, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., as speaker; Honor Clubs Banquet on May 12,

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## Campus 'Facelifting' Continues Into Fall

The campus we returned to this September looks very different from the one we left in May. Most of the improvements center on the south side of Marshal Road. On "boys' hill" tons and tons of earth have been moved. The entire hill behind Brown has been leveled. The drive circling the south side of the campus has been re-located in part, widened, and graveled preparatory to being paved. Myers dormitory is in operation, though the floods interfered with the prompt arrival of beds and desks. The outlook from its windows commands a magnificent view of Gabriel's Creek valley and Bailey Mountain.

Behind Huffman bulldozers are busily moving dirt in the girls' recreational area. The girls are looking forward to having tennis courts near at hand.

Some changes were made in Spilman. The offices that were on the first floor last year are now in the basement where the reserve

library used to be. The former offices are now occupied by Spilman girls. Spilman had its face lifted with a new paint job. It really does look good!

Huffman dormitory was painted too. It looks much better. A coat of paint really makes a big change. All of the girls like the new look that their home has.

Another new building on the campus is the library. We are going to enjoy working in its light, airy, and spacious rooms when all of the books are put into their places and we learn to find our way around in the three-story structure.

The science building soaked up a few buckets of paint. The green walls make the halls more inviting. The color changes to brown on top floor.

Landscaping goes on. When the clay hillsides are covered with grass our campus will be even more beautiful than it now is.