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Finlator To Give Baccalaureate

The Reverend William W. Finlator, pastor of Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, Sunday, June 1, at 11:00 a. m. in the Mars Hill Baptist Church.

Mr. Finlator, a native North Carolinian, received his B. A. degree from Wake Forest College and is a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky.

At present he is a member of the board of trustees of Meredith College, Raleigh, and also of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served pastorates in the Pittsboro-Bonlee-Liberty circuit; Wells-Baptist Church, Elizabeth City, before taking his present pastorate at Raleigh.

In addition, Mr. Finlator is chairman of the social action commission of the North Carolina Council of Churches of which he is a member of the executive committee also. He is president of the Raleigh chapter of Protestants and

American United for Separation of Church and State and a member of the National Executive Committee of the same organization.

Mr. Finlator is married to the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Purvis Salisbury, and they have three children.



Mr. Finlator

Students Present Spring Art Exhibit

The Mars Hill Art Department will show over 100 pieces of art in its annual spring art exhibit, May 26 - June 2, in the visual room of Memorial Library and in the Art Room, under the direction of Joe C. Robertson, Mars Hill Art director.

The final student art exhibit of the year will consist of work completed by the 25 art students during the second semester. Each student will be represented by several pieces in the exhibit, which will include paintings, drawings, and ceramic work. The ceramic exhibit will be shown in a glass case on the first floor of the library.

Work in the exhibit will range from abstract to realistic, from casein medium to oils, and from figure drawing to imaginative



The Dramateers are shown in a scene from "Christmas in the Market Place", the performance that won first place in the Spring Dramatic Festival at Chapel Hill. Seated are (l. to. r.) Jan Hensley, Martha Caudle, Carl Olney, Barbara Ann Carmichael, and Tom Lawrence. In the performance given at Chapel Hill, Mary Lawrence replaced Miss Carmichael.

Sunday School, Training Union Elect Officers For 1958-59

The Sunday School and Training Union officers for 1958-1959 have recently been installed.

The new Sunday School general officers are superintendent, Bob Blanton; assistant superintendent, Peggy BeShears; secretary, Jonita Harris; music director, Sandra Thorne; pianist, Madeline Bragg.

The incoming Sunday School class presidents are Mrs. Vann, Joyce Joyner; Miss Martha Biggers, Frances Keen; Mrs. Jarvis, Dorris Lominac; Mrs. Fish, Sandra Rogers; Mrs. Sparks, Kay Archer; Dr. Pierce, Joyce Anderson; Mrs. Wilhelm, Pat Glass; Mrs. Ammons, Barbara Dill; Miss Caroline Biggers, Lavana Seagroves; Dean Lynch, Robert Smith; Mrs. Lane, Jim Langford; Mr. Lance, Jim Sheppard.

The general officers for the Training Union Department for 1958-1959 are training union director, Eugene Funderburke; assistant director, Jack Henson; program chairman, Mary Jo Gossett; secretaries, Peggy Cabanias and Tom Foster; music director, Phillip Kelley; and pianist, Madeline Bragg.

Receiving keys of challenge were the new Training Union presidents, Paul Jacobs of Daddy Blackwell; Larry Fink of New Hope; Grenfell Leonard of H2SO4C; Frances Stewart of Gro-Glo-Go; Emily Hester of Joy; Larry Holder of Emoclew; Marvin Gold of John Lake; Kay Taylor of Pro-Christo; Ken Spainhour of John Lawrence; Jolyn Seawright of Bykota; Frances Keen of Living Christ; Pat Glass of IXL; Ken Hayes of Arthur Gillespie; Bill Suter of young married people; and Gresh Northcott of Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Showers Honor Staff Members

Recent social events include showers for Miss Betty Shoaf and Miss Earline Martin.

Miss Shoaf, bride-elect of Coy C. Privette, is being honored today at the home of Mrs. Don Henderson. Miss Martin, fiancee

Band To Present Concert June 1st

The Mars Hill College Band will give a concert at 3:00 p. m. Sunday, June 1, in the college auditorium.

The band under the direction of Mr. Philip Magnus, will present a program of varied music. The program will consist of the "National Emblem March" by E. E. Bagley; "Light Cavalry Overture", Von Suppe; "Mardi Gras" from *Mississippi Suite* by Ferde Grofe; "First Suite" in E Flat by Holst.

During the intermission Golden Keys will be presented to thirty-one students. These keys are earned by loyal and active participation in one of the campus music organizations for two years. The music organizations who have members earning the keys are the band, campus choir, college choir and the string ensemble. These organizations are under the direction of Philip Magnus, John C. Christian, Rufus Norris, and Mrs. Hobart Whitman, respectively.

The remainder of the program will be composed of "Fantasy on American Sailing Songs" by Grundman; "Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks" by Richard Strauss; "Sabre Dance" from the *Gayne Ballet*, Khachaturian; "An American Week-End" by Morrissey; and the "Footlifter" by Fillmore.

of Frederick Guy Walker, will be feted on the evening of May 29, in the Blue Room of the Coyte Bridges Dining Hall. Both plan early summer weddings.

Dr. W. E. Oates To Be Graduation Speaker

Speaker at the one hundred and second graduation exercises of Mars Hill College will be Dr. Wayne E. Oates, professor of the psychology of religion at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. The exercises, in which approximately two hundred and fifty students are scheduled to graduate, are to be held at 9:45 a. m., in the Mars Hill Baptist Church.

Dr. Oates, an alumnus of Mars Hill, attended Wake Forest College,

Duke Divinity School, and has received his B.D., Th.M., and Th.D. degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served as pastor, assistant pastor, and educational director at churches in North Carolina and Kentucky. He was also chaplain at the Kentucky Baptist Hospital and the Kentucky State Hospital.

As an instructor, Dr. Oates has taught psychology and philosophy at Wake Forest College. Since 1948 he has taught psychology of religion and pastoral care at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. For five summers he has been visiting professor in pastoral counseling at Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University.

In addition to being a pastor and professor, Dr. Oates is also an author. In the last seven years he has had seven books published. These books deal with psychology as pertaining to religion. Also he is on the editorial advisory board of *Pastoral Psychology*, *The Journal of Pastoral Care*, and *the Review and Expositor*. He has contributed to four other books which have been published recently. In addition he is chairman of the commission on the Ministry of the conference on counseling and psychotherapy of the New York Academy of Sciences.

Laurel Dedicated To Mrs. L. L. Vann

The 1958 *Laurel* has been dedicated to Mrs. Cornelia H. Vann, thirty-seven years teacher of German and Spanish at Mars Hill College. Miss Barbara Ann Carmichael of Thomasville is *Miss Laurel*.

Mrs. Vann has been in the field of education for forty-one years. In addition to teaching subject matter, she has "aided and inspired her students to achieve the very best in life." Her life is an example of Christian living.

Coming to Mars Hill in 1920 from Texas, Mrs. Vann has served Mars Hill College as teacher of Spanish, German, and as Dean of Women. She is a graduate of Baylor College for Women with an A.B. degree. She attended Columbia University, was a graduate student in Spain, and received her M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. A. H. Becker, only daughter of Mrs. Vann and the late Dr. L. L. Vann, was present for the dedication service. Mrs. Becker's husband is a captain in the Air Force stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Banquet To Honor Alumni And Grads

Members of the class of 1958 of Mars Hill College will be special guests at the Alumni Banquet to be held May 31, at 5:30 p. m. in the college cafeteria. The speaker of the evening will be Earle E. Bradley, Mars Hill '28.

Mr. Bradley attended Wake Forest College and the Divinity School of Duke University. He has served as pastor of churches in Spencer, Asheville, and Wilmington.

For the past thirteen years, he has been Secretary of Promotion with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention.

Presiding at the banquet will be Frank H. Watson of Spruce Pine, president of the Alumni Association. Other officers of the Association are Mrs. Katherine Roberts Harrell of Newton, vice-president; and Miss Bex Ramsey, Mars Hill, secretary.

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