

Congratulations, Bob!

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Converse College Trio Performing Here Tuesday In College Auditorium

The Converse College Trio from Spartanburg, S. C. will be heard in concert at Mars Hill College Tuesday evening, April 28, at 8 p. m. in the College auditorium.

The Trio is composed of three faculty members of the Converse College School of Music, Spartanburg, S. C. They are Edwin Gerschefski, Dean and Professor of Piano; Marvin Mutchnik, former pianist with symphony orchestras in Indianapolis and at Tanglewood; and Eckhart Richter, former cellist in the New Haven, Houston National Symphony orchestras.

Works by Brahms, Mozart, and Mendelssohn will comprise the



Mr. Edwin Gerschefski

Program which will open with "Trio in B Major, Op. 8" by Beethoven. This will be followed by Mozart's "Trio in C Major, K. 543". And for a final selection the Trio will render Mendelssohn's "Trio in C Minor, Op. 10, No. 3".

Mr. Gerschefski has appeared as a piano soloist throughout the country under the auspices of the Association of American colleges. He is a graduate of Yale University, and also holds a diploma from the Longmeadow Pianoforte School, Longmeadow, Mass.

Among other honors he has received are grants from the Carnegie and Ford Foundations. Mr. Gerschefski, pianist with the trio, was a member of the team of Southern Association examiners who visited Mars Hill campus in February. He represented the National Association of Schools of Music at that time.

Mr. Mutchnik has been a member of symphony orchestras in Indianapolis, at Tanglewood, the University of Chicago.

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The Editors of the HILLTOP regret to voice their regrets for an article published in good faith in the 1959 Literary Edition of the HILLTOP. The article entitled "Peter Is Dead" was submitted as original work by Anne Elder, sophomore. Upon publication, it was speedily brought to our attention and the article referred to was paraphrased, some sections copied verbatim, from the story "Peter's Last Gift" by Archibald MacLellan, appearing in the November, 1958 edition of READERS' DIGEST.

Our special apologies go to the forty-odd other contributors who presented in the magazine and cannot receive the recognition due them because of this mistake.

Hancock To Head B.S.U. For '59-'60

Newly elected officers of the Baptist Student Union Executive Council were installed in a candle-lighting ceremony on Sunday evening April 19.

Bob Hancock, a ministerial student from Van Nuys, Calif., was elected president for next year. Bob feels that, "This is a good opportunity for me to get started in the work for which I feel that I am called." At Mars Hill Bob is president of New Hope training union, teaches a Sunday School class in the Intermediate Department, is a member of Dramateers, the Ministerial Conference, and Logothia honor club.

Doris Jacobs, from Roanoke, Va., will serve as first vice-president. She is freshman class secretary, a member of Scriblerus honor club, and a member of Clio Literary Society.

Mount Holly is the home of Joanna Powell, second vice-president. Joanna plays saxophone in the college band, is a member of Dramateers, and is chief hostess of Nonpareil Literary Society.

Loretta Millsapps, third vice-president, is from Concord. She is an active member Dramateers, the Debate club, Scriblerus honor club, and Clio Literary Society.

Jeanne Threatt, from Greenville, S. C., is secretary. She is a member of the Campus Choir, and is a hostess in Nonpareil Literary Society.

Nelson Tunstall, treasurer, is from Raleigh. He is a member of the band, Scriblerus honor club, and a member of Philomathian Literary Society.

The other B.S.U. officers who were elected are Sunday School Superintendent, Thurston Martin of Avon Park, Fla.; Training Union Director, Don Davis of Arlington, Va.; Campus Y. W. A. president, Peggy Lois Tatum of Kailua, Oahu, Hawaii; Town Representative, David Bradley of Mars Hill; Publicity Chairman, Peter Wong, of Hong Kong, China; Music Director, Ruth Teague of Shelby; Ministerial Conference Representative, Bobby Cutts of Richmond, Va.; Volunteer's for Christ president, Shirley Edney of Marion; Chairman of the Youth Temperance Council, Betty Davis of Asheville; Brotherhood president, Mel Luther of Raleigh, and Chairman of the Mission Council, Vollis Summerlin of Hampton, Va.



Sandra Rogers

Sandra Rogers Will Reign As Queen In May Day Festivities On May 2

The annual May Day activities will be presented on the Mars Hill College Campus May 2 at 3 o'clock in the Amphitheater. Reigning as Queen and King of the festivities will be Sandra Rogers from Waxhaw and James Langford. Mary Lawrence from Boone will attend the Queen as Maid of Honor and will be escorted by Mike Williams. Joan and Jean Wood will be the crown bearer and flower girl.

Sophomore attendants for the May Court and their escorts are Peggy BeShears from Boger City with Ray Dehart; Jonita Harris of Atlanta, Ga., with Emory Chronister; Karen Hopkins from Raleigh with Johnny Jordon; Mary Richerson of Spartanburg, S. C., with Mickey Conklin; and Beverly Rogers from Miami, Fla., with Lowell Bachman.

Freshman attendants are Doris Jacobs from Roanoke, Va., will be escorted by Paul Jacobs; Hellen Kelly from Richmond, Va., with Robert Smith; Mary Etta Mann of Concord with Robert Mann; Deloris Wilson from Chapel Hill with Larry Fink; Ann Woodall from Spindale with Morrison Lawing.

Miss Virginia Hart is in charge of the activities which will include a one-act play, "The Tenth Word," by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clemente. The cast members for this comedy are Victoria Norris, Irene Snow, Sally Holbrook, Carol Harris, and Olene Swain. Mrs. Elizabeth Watson is director.

A member in the cast of "The Tenth Word" describes this play as "hilarious". The plot revolves around the differences in the proper girls' school of a hundred of a hundred years ago and the girls' school of today. The differences, the play points out, occur because of the change in the customs — not in the problems and desires of young ladies in general.

Also taking part in the program will be Frankie Stewart, Martha Colburn, Jeanne Huntley, and Inez Mills.

Business Alumni Sponsor Banquet

The annual meeting and banquet of the Business Club Alumni Association will be held on May 2.

Sophomore members of the Business Honor Club will attend the afternoon business session and will be received into the Association at the banquet in the cafeteria.

Theme for the banquet will be "Let Peace Begin With Me." Mr. Robert Melvin will be the speaker. Sophomore winner of the Business Club Medal will be announced and other awards will be made.

Officers of the Business Club Alumni Association are John Lackey of Asheville, president; Mrs. Mary La Logue Anderson, Greenville, S. C.; vice-president; and Mrs. Patsy Henderson, Mars Hill, secretary.

The Association serves as a link between the Business Department and the off-campus world.

Poteat Scholarship Winners Released

Three Mars Hill students, Lethia Mullins, Carol Young, and Allen Page have been selected as winners in competition for the first annual series of five William Louis Poteat Scholarships, as established by the Wake Forest faculty for graduates of the five Baptist junior colleges in the state.

Applicants must have a quality point ratio of at least 2.3 (2.00 is a B) on three semesters of work and expect to graduate from the junior college in the spring of 1959. The scholarships are renewable for the senior year. They are awarded on a basis of leadership, scholastic ability, and financial need. The Mars Hill winners report that they underwent a 30-minute competitive test and "... had more interviews than tests." The interviews were before an eight-member committee.

The amounts of the scholarships won are: Allen Page, a \$400 scholarship; Lethia Mullins, a \$500 scholarship; and Carol Young, a \$400 scholarship.

Speakers Succeed In Southern Contest

Mars Hill was represented by five students in the Southern Speech Association Forensic Tournament at Louisville, Kentucky from April 6-8. This is the largest tournament ever held in the South and this is the first year Mars Hill has attended. There were over 700 speakers, and 70 schools represented.

Speaking for Mars Hill were Nancy Carroll, Loretta Millsapps and Morrison Lawing, contestants, and Stanley Jackman and Claiborne Hopkins, debaters. Mr. Crisp, debate team coach, accompanied the group.

Loretta Millsapps and Nancy Carroll both won "Excellent" ratings in oral interpretation and Stanley Jackman won "Excellent" in after-dinner speaking.

In debate, Mars Hill won four out of six rounds, alternating from affirmative to negative from round to round. The last two rounds of debate were of the cross-examination type. Mars Hill won over Stetson University, Cumberland College, Texas A&I, and Ballarmine College. Losses were to Tennessee Tech and Lamar Tech. The Mars Hill team won an "Excellent" rating and Jackman won a "Superior" rating as a debater and Hopkins an "Excellent."

This was the last event of the season for the Mars Hill speakers.

Nelson, Neal Duo-Pianists, To Perform at MH May 2

Allison Nelson and Harry Neal, famed Australian-American pianist, will present a piano concert in the Mars Hill College Auditorium May 2 at 8 o'clock. This will be their third appearance on our campus.

They became a duo-piano team in 1948 and were married shortly after. They have become one of the world's most popular and distinguished piano teams. Nelson and Neal have played many hundreds of concerts in Europe and the United States. They have also been featured on their own television and radio series. Both studied at the famed Curtis Institute in Philadelphia, Pa.

Nelson and Neal are noted for their tasteful transcriptions, although they specialize in original literature and have introduced many new works for four hands. Allison Nelson was Australia's leading child prodigy and was brought to this country by Eugene

Ormandy in 1944. While studying with Rudolph Serkin at the Curtis Institute of Music, she met and fell in love with Harry Neal, studying there with the renowned Mme. Isabelle Vengerova.

Today this brilliant young couple fills a rigorous concert schedule, traveling with their three children in a specially constructed bus. This mobile unit in complete to the point of carrying short wave radio, television, and a mobile telephone. Tucked in the back are two matched Baldwin concert grand pianos.

Their fascinating life story was recently published in Mr. Neal's own words in an autobiography, whose title is taken from the buoyant sign on the back of their bus: "Wave As You Pass."

A great added honor was bestowed on Nelson and Neal this past January, when they were the subjects of the Ralph Edwards' NBC Television Program, "This Is Your Life."