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Exchange Recital Slated Monday



The newly-elected editor-in-chief of the Hilltop, Walt Whittaker, pounds out some copy for his first edition. A freshman journalism major from Baltimore, Md., Whittaker will direct the work of the staff of the twice-monthly publication through four page editors: John Grier, news editor, front page; Dick Ergenbright, editorial page editor, second page; Thelma Taylor, features editor, third page; and John Baskin, sports editor, back page.

Whittaker Named Editor By Publications Committee

Walton Whittaker, a freshman liberal arts student from Baltimore who plans to major in journalism, has been named editor-inchief of the Hilltop.

Nominated for the position by the paper's advisor, Mr. Smith, Whittaker was approved by the faculty publication committee which includes Mr. McLeod, Dean Lee, Miss Garner and Mr.

Whittaker's journalistic background includes work as reporter, assistant sports editor and sports editor at Kenwood High School. He has had several articles published in the Baltimore Sunday American and has edited two church papers.

He was awarded second place in a sports writing contest for the Maryland Scholastic Press Association, and his term as publicity director and member of the church cabinet at the Tabernacle Baptist Church just terminated in Sep-

Already anticipating certain changes in the Hilltop, the new editor is currently organizing his staff and familiarizing himself with the paper's typographical set-

"It may sound ambitious," he said, "but I'd like to set an 'All-American' rating as our goal. We have a good staff and I think such an objective can be achieved."

"All-American" is the highest tating of the Associated Collegiate Press, of which the Hilltop is a

Mars Hill Debaters Enter Final Round

debating team is in the last three rounds of the six-round Novice Debate Tournament which began yesterday at Wake Forest College.

The paper shares office facilities with the yearbook in the Office Building (formerly the Music Building) and both may be addressed in care of Box 486-T.

Articles, tips for news stories or features, suggestions, questions and criticism should be directed to the newspaper staff through the new

Freshmen Elect Class Officers **Next Thursday**

Nomination of class officers and selection of sponsors will be made at a called meeting of the freshman class at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Owen Building.

Mr. Sams, chairman of a subcommittee of the Student Activities Committee, will preside.

According to the Student Handbook, freshmen class officers must be passing a minimum of 14 hours at the time of their election. They must have displayed outstanding character and leadership traits, must declare themselves in harmony with the principles and ideals of the college, and must be approved by the Student Activities Committee. Other members of this committee are Dean Lynch, Mr. Kendall, Miss Medford and Dean Biggers.

The nominees will be checked for eligibility and those receiving the most nominations will be listed on the official ballot.

The election, by secret ballot, will be held in the Student Center all day Thursday. To insure an accurate final count the name of each person casting a vote will be checked against a freshman class roster.

Canterbury Club Plans Mountain-Top Retreat

The Canterbury Club, which Meetings this year have featured consists of Episcopal students, has made plans for attending a retreat in Black Mountain; holding Evening Prayer Services; and discussing controversial topics of interest to Christians.

For the first time since the Canterbury Club has been established at Mars Hill, it has an advisor, Mr. Julian Douglas, who is a teacher at Mars Hill

High School. Canterbury Club meetings are held Sunday nights at 6:45 in the Fireside Room of the Mars Hill Baptist Church. The meetings are composed of worship periods and discussions.

STC Elects Vernon **Publicity Director**

Mr. Glenn L. Vernon, speech and dramatics instructor and debating team coach, has been chosen news publicity director for the Southeastern Theater Conference which is to be held in Durham, Mar. 16-18, 1962. The conference will include educational, professional, community and children's theaters in the ten southern states from Virginia to Alabama.

discussions of issues which were brought up at the convention of the National Council of the Episcopalian Church. Tomorrow night the discussion topic will be "Changes in Christian Beliefs." Future programs will include guest speakers and mov-

Several of the members of the club will attend a retreat in Black Mountain February 23-25. Canterbury Clubs from all colleges in the Western North Carolina Episcopal Diocese will be attending also.

Hardins Trace Course of Love

Jerry Hardin and his actresswife Diane Hill, of the Barter Theater, presented "The Course of Love" in the Robert, Lee Moore Auditorium Tuesday,

After the production the Dramateers, along with some members of the Asheville Community Theater, had a question and answer period with the actors. Refreshments were served in the dramatics auditorium.

Noted Seminary Professors To Give Varied Program

Two distinguished musicians from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., Dr. Maurice Hinson, pianist, and Dr. John Sims, tenor, will give a joint recital in Moore Auditorium at 8 p.m. Monday.

The performance, open to the public, is part of an exchange program between Mars Hill and the seminary, where Drs. Hinson and Sims are associate professors of music. Mars Hill's portion of the exchange was fulfilled Oct. 17, when Dr. Robert Hopkins, head of the MHC music department, gave a piano recital at the

DramateerProgram To Feature Play

The Dramateers will hold an open meeting in the Dramatics Auditorium at 7:30 p. m., Nov. 20. The program will be a oneact comedy by Thornton Wilder entitled "The Happy Journey." Michael Roch is directing the play and the cast includes Laura Nash, Jo Whatley, Jerry Thompson, Arliss Suttles, Rosalyn Skelton and Robert

Anyone wishing to attend this program is cordially invited. After the play there will be a brief business meeting conducted by Jerry Thompson, president of the Dramateers.

The Christmas play to be given in chapel is an adaption for stage of Charles Dicken's immortal "A Christmas Carol." Dates will be set for tryouts for the 16 speaking parts as well as extras.

Mrs. Elizabeth Watson, drama coordinator, is attending the meeting of the Western Carolina directors today at Cullowhee to help make plans for the spring festival of the Caro-lina Dramatics Association.

The Dramateers are sponsoring a play-writing contest for anyone wishing to take part.

Nurses Club Elects Harvey President

Miss Sandra Harvey, a sophomore from Salem, Virginia was elected president of The Nurses Club at their organizational meeting which was held October 27. Other officers elected were: Mary Sue McIntire, vice president; Pat Dixon, secretary; Linda Pipes, treasurer; Mary Flo Foster, scrapbook chairman; Karen Pearce, Jane Slate, and Alice Mahoney, reporters.

The pre-nursing students are anticipating an interesting and rewarding year. Their program will be high-lighted with guest speakers from various fields of medicine, also during the year they planned to visit St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Mary McCall gave the girls a brief account of what to expect in nursing. She also related several of her interesting experiences; after which the program was concluded with refreshments.

A varied program will be presented by the visiting musicians including such works as "Songs on Spanish Lyrics" by Hugo Wolf, a group of vocal selections from famous operas, and "Candlelight," which is a modernistic cycle of old nursery jingles by Peter Warlock.

Other musical programs scheduled during the first semester include a concert next Saturday by the Chapel Hill String Quartet; a vocal recital Nov. 21 by T. J. Cole, director of the Touring Choir and College Chorus; a recital Nov. 28 by Miss Katherine Bacon, an English-born pianist and former teacher of Miss Martha Biggers, former head of the music department here; and a vocal recital Dec. 5 by tenor Robert Rich, a new member of the music facility.

Negro Baritone Coming Climaxing the semester's musical performances will be a concert Jan. 5 by the world-famous Negro baritone William Warfield. A Columbia Records recording artist, the powerful singer appeared at the Brussels World Fair and has sung in four performances of Handel's "The Messiah" with the Philadelphia Orchestra, one of which was in Carnegie Hall.. In 1958 he gave 28 concerts in Asia, sponsored by the U. S. State Department.

An organ recital by Clair Hardenstine on the new concert pipe organ in the main auditorium, originally scheduled for Nov. 13, was cancelled.

Both of the artists appearing Monday night have had extensive musical training and experience. Dr. Hinson, holder of a Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Michigan, is the composer of two published songs, "Praise Ye the Lord" and "Orchids."

Holds KMTA Office

At present he is state piano chairman of the Kentucky Music Teachers' Association and president of the Greater Louisville Music Teachers' Associa-

Dr. Sims, who received a Bachelor of Music degree cum laude from Stetson University in 1952, also received the Doctor of Sacred Music degree at Union Theological Seminary in New York. He has appeared several times on television in Rochester and New York City and was guest soloist at Ridgecrest Assembly in 1959 and this last summer.