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Dean Lee Announces 64-65 Faculty Changes

As the school year approaches its end, the assignment of faculty personnel for 1964-65 is already beginning to take shape.

Dean R. M. Lee, who has the major responsibility for recruiting new faculty members, has announced several changes and additions for next year. One of Mars Hill's most serious needs is for a greater number of faculty members with earned doctor's degrees. Several persons who have taught several years will be returning to graduate schools to work on doctorates.

H. Page Lee of the department of religion and philosophy is taking a leave of absence to attend Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., to work toward a Th.D. degree. David Knisley of the history department and Richard Hoffmann, assistant professor of political science, also are taking leaves of absence. Both will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Others who will be leaving when the term is over include Mrs. and Mrs. Haskell Ezell, Miss Hines and Wayne Nunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezell are going to the State University of Iowa for graduate study, she in home economics and he in physical education.

Miss Hines, who teaches piano, is going to the University of Indiana to work on a doctorate in music.

Mr. Nunn has accepted an assistantship at the University of Virginia, which will give him an opportunity to pursue graduate study in French there.

Final Plans Being Made

Although our spring semester is not over, plans are already being made for the students' return next fall.

The week of orientation and registration will be Sept. 8-12. Highlights of this period will be the president's tea on Sunday, Sept. 12, and the BSU "Get-Acquainted" Party on Sept. 19.

Football season will begin with a game at Catawba College on Sept. 12. Our first home game will be played the following Saturday, Sept. 19, against Marion.

Thus far the calendar of entertainment is well mixed. The Chad Mitchell Trio, which was unable to appear as scheduled in February, has been rescheduled. Joe and Penny Aronson, husband and wife folk singers, will be here on May 5. Drama will be brought through the production of Hamlet, and music by the Harvard Glee Club. Howard K. Smith, internationally famous news anchor, will speak on Mar. 1.

Band Gets New Togs

The Mars Hill College Band will have a new look next fall.

Seventy handsome new blue uniforms have been ordered from the Ostwald Company of New York and will be delivered in August, Director Wayne Pressley announced Monday.

A slightly darker blue than the ones now used by the band, the new uniforms will be of 16-ounce wool whipcord. They will have two gold bands around the cuff of each sleeve, three gold buttons on the coat and a scrambled-eggs design in gold on the epaulet. There will be a gold citation cord around the left shoulder with an insignia on the top of the sleeve.

A gold stripe down either pants leg and a visor-type military style cap will complete the uniform. Mr. Pressley said a gold plume attachment will be worn on the hats during football games and other marching performances.

A special feature is an adjustable waistband on the trousers which will eliminate most of the alterations made on uniforms at the beginning of the school year.

The attractive new suits, each of which will come in a heavy plastic zipper bag for storage, will cost the college \$5,000.

Mr. Pressley said he is extremely pleased by the prospect of having a band attired in new uniforms. Some of the old uniforms were originally purchased in 1947.

SGA Plans Scholarships

Student Government, a new development in campus life this year, will pay a \$300 "dividend" to a trio of lucky students, SGA President Ken Pearce announced recently.

The Senate voted in its final meeting of the year to use the balance in the SGA treasury to give three \$300 scholarships. One will go to a rising sophomore, one to a rising junior and the third to a rising senior. The wards should be made before the end of this term, Pearce said.

The funds from which the scholarship money will be taken came from a student fee of \$1 per person collected at the start of school last September. It turned out to be more than was needed for the operation of student government, and thus the scholarship idea was born. Pearce said it is hoped that the scholarship program can be continued in the coming years.

Student reaction to the proposal was surprisingly favorable. Typical was the comment of Tom Hall, "I'm tickled to death that we finally spent some money wisely."

One hundred eight years old, Mars Hill College will climax its transition to full senior college status by awarding its first baccalaureate degrees to 146 students at commencement exercises on Sunday, May 31, in Moore Auditorium.

The 146 includes 66 who will receive Bachelor of Arts degrees, 72 Bachelors of Science and four each who will get Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Music Education degrees.

Seventeen others will be awarded diplomas and commercial certificates. Ten of these will be completing two-year business courses and the other seven, one-year commercial courses.



Two outstanding men from the capital city will address members of the graduating class, their parents and other friends and the faculty. Dr. John M. Lewis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh, will preach the baccalaureate sermon at 11 a.m.

The service, normally considered part of the regular program of the Mars Hill Baptist Church, will be held in the college auditorium instead of the church sanctuary.

The chancellor of State College in Raleigh, Dr. John T. Caldwell, will deliver the commencement address in the auditorium beginning at 3 p.m. President Hoyt Blackwell will award the degrees, diplomas and certificates; and Dean R. M. Lee will present the winners of various commencement honors and awards.

Special recognition will be accorded the top-ranking degree graduates. Any who have a quality point ratio of 2.9 will be graduated "summa cum laude." Those with quality point ratios between 2.7 and 2.9 will receive diplomas inscribed "magna cum laude."

Calendar

May 16: WRA Planning Day; College Chorus picnic, noon; band concert in auditorium, 7:30.

May 17: recital, Norman Selby, organist, 3 p.m., Moore Auditorium.

May 18: recital, vocalist James Sides and the Madrigal Singers, 8:00, Spainhour Hall; History Club, reorganizational meeting, library auditorium, 7:30.

May 19: Physical Education Majors' Club picnic; Classical Club meeting, Blue Room; movie, "The Ugly American."

May 22: Final exams begin.

May 23: movie, "To Kill a Mockingbird."

and those with ratios between 2.5 and 2.7 will be graduated "cum laude."

A full schedule of activities concluding the year will officially begin at 4 p.m. Friday, May 29, with the formal opening of a student art exhibition on the mezzanine of the fine arts building.



Caldwell

That night a special musical program will be presented in Spainhour Hall.

The board of trustees will hold its semi-annual business meeting in the Science Building on Saturday. Adoption of the college budget for 1964-65, granting of leaves of absence and other business will occupy the agenda.

During the afternoon the Alumni Association will elect new officers and the classes of 1899, 1904, 1909, 1914, 1919, 1924, 1929, 1934, 1939, 1944, 1949, 1954 and 1959 will hold reunions.

The annual alumni banquet, during which members of the Class of 1964 will be inducted into the Alumni Association, is scheduled in the cafeteria at 5:30 p.m. Dr. Spencer Thornton, an ophthalmologist who has appeared 10 times on the Jack Paar Show, will be the dinner speaker. An alumnus of 1949, he has received nation-wide publicity for his exploits in the field of extrasensory perception.

All members of the Class of 1964 and their guests will be welcome at the alumni banquet. Reservations may be made in the Alumni Office in the Montague Building.

Following the banquet the drama department will perform George Bernard Shaw's famous play "Pygmalion" in Moore Auditorium.

Student Teaching Program Readied

The college's teacher education program, a big success in its first year, seems headed for an even bigger year during 1964-65, according to John M. Hough Jr., head of the education department.

He reports that 140 students have already made application for student teaching for next year.

Seniors who will participate in the block program during the fall semester will attend classes from September 14 through Nov. 5, Mr. Hough said, and will do their student teaching from Nov. 9 through Jan. 22.

The block program schedule for the spring term lists classes from Jan. 27 through Mar. 18 and student teaching from Mar. 22 through May 21.