



# The Hilltop

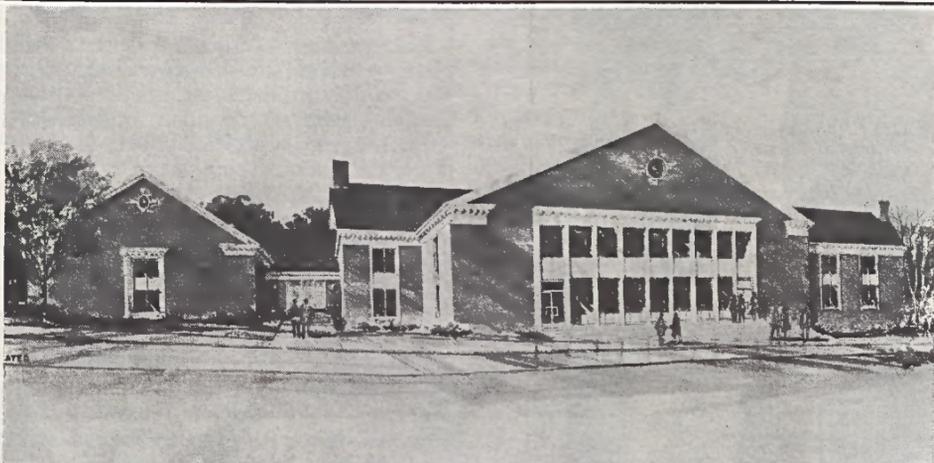
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## Plans Shown On New Gymnasium

Mars Hill's proposed new \$1 million gymnasium moved a step closer to reality recently when the architect's drawing as to the general appearance of the front of the building was accepted by the administration and trustee building committee.

Plans and specifications for the

long-awaited and much-needed structure are currently being prepared. These will be given to interested contractors about the first week in March, and bids will be received from contractors April 1.

Construction should begin as soon as weather permits in the

spring. Completion of the building is anticipated by August 1966, the president's office stated.

Details of the arrangement of classrooms, showers, storage areas, playing courts and other facilities as well as seating plans for the main basketball court have been worked out in meetings involving members of the physical education department staff, the administration and the trustee committee headed by Robert Wrenn of Gastonia.

One of the outstanding features of the massive structure will be a natatorium with an all-weather swimming pool designed to meet collegiate standards.

Provisions have been made for the building to serve the dressing room, rest room and concession stand needs of the new football stadium which adjoins it at the rear.

The building will front on Bailey Street, facing Fox Dorm and occupy the area between Athletic Street (at the rear of the cafeteria) and the creek. Removal of the four frame houses now occupying the area will begin in the spring.

## 'Miss Jo' Implements Suggestions

An effort to improve food and service in the cafeteria has been instituted by the college dietitian, Miss Mary Jo Humpston, through the use of suggestions received from students.

According to Miss Humpston (pronounced "Umpston"), who prefers to be called "Miss Jo," a suggestion box was set up "to reduce the monotony in the long drag from January to May."

First, efforts are being made to reduce the amount of grease in the food as evidenced by the addition of wire racks in the serving section.

In another effort to please students Miss Jo has added coffee servers by the center posts on each side of the cafeteria. She plans to have Parmesan cheese for spaghetti as well as several new salad dressings, she said. Also, in the near future students will be allowed eight pats of butter as one item and a half pound of sugar to carry out as another.

Food rates at Mars Hill are considerably less than at many other colleges, Miss Jo pointed out. Because students pay for meals on a semester basis rather

## Broyhill, Vaughn Head May Court Elections

Junior Dell Broyhill, senior Diane Vaughn and a dozen other lovely coeds — three from each class — have been elected to reign at the annual May Day celebration, May 1.

Results of the election of class representatives Wednesday are as follows: Seniors — Judy Barber, Peggy Dinkins and Ruth Ramirez; Juniors — Penny Ellison, Caroline Hayes and Doris Martin; Sophomores — Dianne Coltrain, Nancy Ann Johnson and Polly Peach; Freshmen — Janis Elam, Donna Lewis and Jean Miller.

The campus-wide election of the queen last week, conducted by Ron Harvey of the Student Government Association's elections and open forums committee, underscored Dell's popularity. She defeated seven other coeds for the honor.

Being second-high in the voting gave Diane the maid of honor position. Other nominees for queen were Mary Lynn Bunting, Penny Ellison, Caroline Hayes, Doris Martin, Ruth Ramirez and Frances Walker.

On the basis of nomination elections conducted Monday 9 to 12 girls from each class were placed on the ballot for Wednesday. The three highest in each class were considered members of the court.

"In view of the large number of students in each class," said Harvey, "it was an honor just to be nominated."

The others nominated, in addition to the winners, were as follows: Senior Class — Kay Brooks, Juanita Bush, Joyce Dunlap, Janice Green, Ann Mize, Nancy Trotter and Jane Young; Junior Class — Mary Lynn Bunting, Nancy Hall, Jerrie Mallone, Mary M. Moore, Frances Walker and Joyce Ann Wilson; Sophomore Class — Virginia Duckett, Elaine Mull Harvey, Judy Hill, Barbara Hunter and Sylvia Valentine; Freshman Class — Bonnie Alexander, Frances Neal Carter, Ann Russell Lancaster, Ann Peebles, Linda Skidds, Grace E. Taylor Linda Thrift and Roberta Transou.

Harvey expressed appreciation to Miss Hart and Mrs. Lynch for their help in conducting the elections.

## \$ Available To Teachers

Loans of \$350 for the 1965-66 school year are available to prospective teachers including Mars Hill College freshmen, sophomores and juniors.

The State Department of Public Instruction has set Mar. 1 as the deadline for receiving applications for the loans. Blanks are available in the Education Department in the faculty office building.

Any resident of North Carolina interested in preparing to teach in the public schools of the state is eligible. High school seniors are given priority. Awards are based on aptitude, scholarship, financial need and subjects in which there is greatest demand for teachers.

A student receiving a loan will be obligated to teach in North Carolina schools after graduation or to repay the loan in cash.

## Second Term Arrivals May Equal Departures

Actual enrollment at the college this year. The second semester may run close to the first term figure of 1324 with new students offsetting those departing.

This prediction is based on figures obtained from the registrar's office. Early this week 32 persons had paid their advance deposit and were expected to enroll for the spring term, but Mrs. Barbara Brown, who keeps such figures, estimated that the total of newcomers might run closer to 50.

Mrs. Ethel Cox, who keeps close

## Ministerial Leadership Revamped

New officers and a new critic will begin serving the Oscar E. Sams Ministerial Conference when activities resume second semester. Fred Steen will succeed Mike Teague as president, and college chaplain Robert Melvin will succeed M. H. Kendall as critic. Other new officers will include Eldridge Parrish, vice president; Eugene Payne, secretary; and Carroll Reed, pianist.

The Conference, which meets at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday in the Library Auditorium, has just concluded one of its most active terms. One of the outstanding program was a panel discussion including Dr. A. E. Jenkins and Coach Harrell Wood and moderated by Mr. Kendall.

One of the Conference's projects during the term was the expression of appreciation to Vernon E. Wood, who served for many years as critic. A sturdy rocking chair was presented to the former head of the science department who retired last spring and is spending the winter in Florida.

tab on students nearing graduation, said between 25 and 30 students expect to complete their studies next week. Taking into consideration other students who will be leaving the campus but not graduating, the net loss could offset the net gain.

Seniors and freshmen get an extra day of break between semesters. Sophomores and juniors are slated to meet their faculty advisors at 8 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 25, and register from 10:30 until 5. Seniors and freshmen follow the same procedure Tuesday. Classes begin at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, and the final day for class schedule changes will be Feb. 2.

According to the registrar's office, first semester grades will not be given out in that office but may be obtained from the faculty advisor on the day of registration.

## Focus Week Team Revealed

Christian Focus Week will be held Feb. 15-19. The team members will be Bill Junker, editor of *The Baptist Student*; Dr. Cecil Sherman, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asheville; Dr. Luther Copeland, former missionary to Japan now at Southeastern Seminary; Lowell Lawson, social worker in Louisville, Ky., who trains seminary students for social work; Mrs. Ruth Herring, homemaker; Ray Herring, researcher at Tennessee Eastman Co. in Kingsport, Tenn.; Dr. Bill Lancaster, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Anderson, S. C.; Bo Medlin, associate in N. C. Student Department; Dr. John Bridgers, a pediatrician and Mr. Max McGee Rice, president of Rice Mills in Greenville, S. C., and chairman of the board of trustees of Anderson College.

## Caldwell Promoted

A promotion from assistant to manager of the Student Center has been made to Donald Caldwell Jr., effective Jan. 1, President Hoyt Blackwell announced Wednesday.

Donald Caldwell Sr. will continue as manager of the cafeteria. A graduate of Mars Hill and Western Carolina, the younger Caldwell has been employed in the Student Center since mid-1962.