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Science Club Views Planets

On the evening of February 28, the Science Club, with the assistance of Brethren Endsley and Hastings, observed a constellation of planets, in formation that occurs once in an almost incalculable length of time. Strung out in a vertical row were the planets of Mercury, Jupiter, Venus, Saturn, Mars, and Uranus.

Many were the exclamations as students saw Venus, the brightest star in the heavens; Jupiter and its four visible moons; and the red glow of Mars. However, these wonders were eclipsed by the brilliant whiteness of Saturn and its encircling ring.

It is, according to astronomers, a celestial miracle that the planets are in a row where Earth's inhabitants can see them all at once. By mathematical computations, it will be several lifetimes before such an identical position occurs again.

With the aid of a telescope it was possible to see all of the planets clearly, except for Uranus, which is located so far from the earth that it was a mere pin point of light even under the telescope. The other planets, however, stood out clearly and the sight was one long to be remembered.

Students Register For Final Quarter

At 7:30 Tuesday morning, a crowd, unexpectedly large for the time of day, had gathered to get the business of registration attended to.

In such a time as this, at least, the teachers were popular; and at each one's table long lines and groups formed.

Persistent registration was carried on until four o'clock with the exception of a noon period. Practically the entire student body was registered, and the number enrolling for the quarter is about 250.

Brother Hall was perhaps most popular of all. In fact, students scarcely suppressed urges to rush pell-mell to get the priceless signature that would admit them to the six-weeks daily course of English Composition, preferred by many to the usual quarter course.

Yearbook Theme Under Discussion

At the last meeting of the annual staff, three important items were raised for discussion, namely: the theme to be featured by the Art Editor, the deadline date for the purchase of a 1940 Treasure Chest, and the selection of a date for photographing students and activities.

The suggestion by Mrs. W. B. Powers, Faculty Advisor, that the jewel theme could be used appropriately in every department was generally approved by the staff. Other suggestions are to be welcomed at the next meeting.

April 1 was set as a deadline date for payment of the yearbook fees. Approximately 65 per cent of the student body pledged to purchase an annual. It is necessary that the business department may be able to estimate the amount of advertising necessary for publication.

The date for the photography work was not definitely set but the work will undoubtedly be done within the next two weeks.

Dorothy and Dawn Poston, accompanied by Helen McGuire and Mary Ann Sanders spent the week-end of March 16 at their homes.

THE FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP MEDAL

Before graduation in 1938, plans were made to award a medal to some deserving senior. This medal was to be known as the Faculty Scholarship Medal since each member of the faculty make the award possible by contributing a sum of fifty cents to its purchase. In that year, the award went to Ava Nelle Vernon, while last year, the envied recipient was Bonnie Beth Byler.

Since there are some who may not yet understand the true significance of this award, it might be well to give further explanation. The basis on which it is awarded does not depend on grades alone. However, they are considered first. Each grade of A counts 3 points per credit hour, each grade of B, 2 points per hour, each C, 1 point per hour, but additional hours done after requirements have been met are not considered as points but electives.

The names of the five students having the highest number of points, determined as above, are presented to the faculty and from these, they select one judged to be the most scholarly, basing their judgment on the following points:

1. Ability and inclination to study without supervision.
2. Initiative and originality in doing research and organizing material.
3. Content and quality of notebooks, class reports, term reports, etc.
4. Accuracy in work and clear thinking.
5. Love of knowledge and appreciation of learning for its own sake.

This year the same award is waiting for someone. Just who, we do not know. We'll just have to wait and see.

Sigma Rho Girls Triumph Twice

The Sigma Rho girls, led by their star forward Maxine Belue, are holding the Intramural Conference Basketball lead after two impressive victories over the Philos and Phi Kappas. In the first encounter with the Philos, the Sigma Rho basketballers were victorious 24-8 in a game which was interesting the first half but developed into an easy victory for the Sigma Rhos after that time. Belue led the Sigma Rho attack with 15 points while Treece gathered 8 to increase the margin of victory. Hardin tabbed eight points to account for the entire Philo scoring.

After defeating the Philos, the Sigma Rhos encountered the highly touted Phi Kappas and at the first period the Sigma Rhos were holding a slim 3-6 lead. At the half the margin was increased to 17-6, and after the half the result was never in doubt. Belue, living up to her name, sagged the nets for 20 points while her teammates, Treece and Gibson, were gathering 14 and 8 respectively. Caldwell was high for the Phi Kappas with 7, with Carothers contributing 2 points to aid their offense.

These intramural encounters are extremely enjoyable to all and after about seven weeks of play an Intramural Conference Champion will be crowned in both the girls and boys divisions.

The Phi Kappa and Sigma Rho boys, with one win each, are tied for the lead in the Intramural Conference. In their initial encounters the Phi Kappas trounced the Preachers 23-13 in a hard-fought fray while the Sigma Rhos eliminated the Philos 27-17 in another fast and versatile display of hardwood talent. Although both these games were won by 10-point margins their result was never safe until the final whistle blew. There is very little difference in the four teams, and any night one may get "hot" and swamp a supposedly stronger opponent. Since the Sigma Rhos and Phi Kappas were victorious and are tied for the lead, most all the fans are anticipating their encounter with much relish.

The scoring aces for the Phi Kappas are Boone, Burrows, and Clevenger while the Sigma Rhos have "Lightening" Hearn, Weeks, and Hudson. The Philo attack is featured largely by the Gibbs Brothers and Black Inc., while the Preachers' attack is led by "Dead-Eye" Cox. All the scoring aces have dependable guards to substantiate their play and much excitement is expected from their future encounters. At the conclusion of the conference play an all-tournament team will be selected by Coach Stewart and advisors.

EX-EDITOR WRITES FROM UNIVERSITY

Of all Freed-Hardeman graduates perhaps none has surpassed Bonna Tarpley, Valedictorian of the class of '39, in diligent study, sincere application, and cooperation in all her activities while here. She was Co-Editor of the school paper and member of the Treasure Chest Staff in addition to capturing varied and sundry honors. In a recent interview by mail she expresses her ideas of Freed-Hardeman as she sees it now from a large university.

"It was quite an honor to be asked to write an article for the Sky-Rocket.

"As you know, I am attending Bowling Green Business University, preparing myself to be a teacher of commerce. The University has an enrollment around a thousand or more—it has students from various states, most of them from Mississippi, the Virginias and Kentucky.

"It took me months to get used to the idea of attending classes in which I knew not a person. It was quite different from Freed-Hardeman. There I knew practically everyone by the end of the first month. Here you see every type of home represented—and some of them I'd never seen before.

"The chapel programs here are somewhat different. We seldom ever sing a sacred song, and only once in a while is the Bible read. However, prayer is seldom omitted. We have chapel three mornings a week. Talks by business men are usually the program. Sometimes they have an orchestra to play for us.

"Oh yes, in regard to credits. As far as I have been able to find out, every credit I made at F-H. C. was accepted. "Sandy" Lloyd, a student here, and myself are both graduates of Freed-Hardeman. We can't express how honored we feel in being graduates of that school."

Teacher Students Expected Soon

April 23 will see a marked growth in the size of the Freed-Hardeman family, for many teachers whose teaching is to be completed by that time are coming to further their education.

New classes will be started in subjects for the teachers. Those planned are: English Composition, Survey of Literature, Community Hygiene, Elementary Nutrition, Economic Geography. Such others will be offered as will meet the teachers' needs at that time.

Some of these teachers will be able to fulfill graduation or certificate requirements and to raise their salary rating as a result of the additional training.

Annual Staff Selected, Cary Chosen Editor

Faculty Sponsors Junior Reception

The Junior Class '39-40 was entertained March 13 at an informal faculty reception in the Home Economics Department, which was beautifully decorated with jonquils, gold, green, and white candles.

In the receiving line were: President N. B. Hardeman and Mrs. Hardeman, Dean C. P. Roland and Mrs. Roland, and Mrs. O. Foy. Others greeting the guests as they arrived at the Home Economics Department were: Mr and Mrs. L. L. Brigrance, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Endsley, and Mr. and Mrs. V. Anderson.

The decorations were carried out in a combined theme of St. Patrick's Day and Spring.

Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Wilson poured tea at a table centered with candelabra and an immense bowl of jonquils. Large trays of open-face and finger sandwiches, delicious green and gold-iced sham-rock cookies, and dishes of green and white mints were arranged on both sides of the table.

General social tete-a-tete furnished entertainment for the occasion, which was concluded by Brother Wheeler's leading the group in singing "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," and the college song.

P. S. The human interest of this gathering was found in the kitchen, where the hospitality surpassed all. The culinary committee was:

Mrs. Finley, Mrs. Ruby Morton, Aileen Bailey and Louise Foster. Brother Hardeman came to the kitchen and thanked the committee for their splendid work, meanwhile, having another cheese and ritz delicacy.

Mrs. Morton lent moral support with a sandwich in hand and a cup of tea close by.

When most of the guests had departed, much to our surprise Coach Stewart blustered into the kitchen and radiantly expressed his enjoyment of the occasion. There's a suspicion that he was begged, bribed, or forced to come, since he didn't appear at the Senior reception.

Ye olde editor stayed until the last dish was washed and each borrowed cup of Mrs. Powers' securely tied with string of dotted swiss (from the hem of her daughter's new dress). With all the work finished in fine condition, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Morton each wrapped two cookies up to take to their boy-friends, incidentally not their husbands, but rather two lads aged 5 and 3.

HASTINGS TEACHES HOUSE PLANNING

In order to aid several students meeting the home economics requirements, a course in house planning is being offered. For the course, taught by Brother S. C. Hastings, professor of mathematics and mechanical drawing, three hours credit will be given. The class meets three hours a week this quarter.

The purpose is to present a study of construction materials, the relation of rooms, proper arrangement of rooms and furniture, proper heating, lightings and decorations, and storage space. Brother Hastings received his training at Murfreesboro State Teachers College and George Peabody College, where he received his Master's degree last summer.

Eleven students, all seniors but three, have been chosen by the faculty, on the basis of merit and ability to head the 1940 annual. They are:

John Sam Cary—Editor-in-chief
Ruth Edgar—Associate
Louise Carothers—Associate
James Baird—Business Manager
James Finney—Business Manager
Bill Geer—Akin Editor
James Woodward—Sports Editor
Carl Hutchison—Art
Annie Bain—Snapshots
Clyde Sutton—Snapshots
Louise Foster—Humor
Freda Cromwell—Features

A meeting was held immediately after the announcement of the staff. The duties and responsibilities of each member were explained by the editor and Mrs. W. B. Powers, the faculty advisor.

Several of the members of the yearbook staff had experience in editing the Treasure Chest last year. Ruth Edgar was associate editor; James Baird was business manager; and Carl Hutchison was art editor. They so ably performed their duties that they received re-appointment.

Some of the Treasure Chest officials are also on the Sky Rocket staff. These are John Sam Cary, James Finney, James Baird, Freda Cromwell.

All the students are enthusiastically behind the work, and a commendable annual is expected.

Last week-end, staff members visited photographic studios in Nashville and Memphis to investigate rates for making the pictures for the yearbook. The picture-making will begin in the very near future.

Freda Cromwell, the feature editor, obtained permission of the Commercial Appeal to use the mat of their newspaper picture of Coach Stewart and Ulysses Brock, Freed-Hardeman's own world champion high-scorer.

Billy Geer is collecting pictures of the Akin boys; the associate editors are working on quotations; the business managers are taking care of the practical side of affairs; Annie and Clyde are shooting "stars" continuously; Louise Foster is even dreaming jokes, and Freda Cromwell is plotting plans for the selection of the 1940 collection of "jewels".

Spelling To Be Taught Again

Seniors at Freed-Hardeman are offered their last chance this quarter to meet their spelling requirement for graduation. A spelling class has been again organized and given an exclusive period so that all students may be able to take it.

The course, an established item at Freed-Hardeman, was not offered during the winter quarter due to so many other activities necessary in the short days. It is an example of this school's emphasis on thorough mastery of fundamentals.

The course will include both spelling and diacritical marking.

We sympathize with Louise Carothers in the loss of her aunt of Fulton, Ky. who died March 16.

We miss Paul Kelly who is taking treatments at a clinic in Urbana, Ill. We hope to have him back with us soon.

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BELIEVE IN YOURSELF

The reason so many of us fail is that we do not believe in ourselves. We fail in our undertakings because we do not have enough confidence and faith in ourselves. When people believe in themselves, they go far in reaching their goals. Lack of confidence breeds fear, and fear paralyzes the natural powers that we have. All of us in college life are required to take the difficult subjects along with the easier ones, and if we throw up our hands and concede defeat before we give our best, we can't miss failing. We must believe in ourselves, not to an egotistical degree, but to a degree of confidence and the recognition of what we can accomplish with some effort and labor. Never say, "I am nothing!" ... for if you do, you will be nothing. Say, "I am something," and then set out to prove it. All people are divided into two classes: those who make circumstances—and those who are made by circumstances. The former are those who have faith in themselves; the latter are those whom life breaks and makes unhappy. When all the books are read and all the lives are studied, it will be found that the secret of happiness, of usefulness, of character—is faith, and confidence.

—JOHN SAM CARY

LOST ARTS

We feel that the faculty is doing a commendable work in again offering an intensive course in spelling and requiring a high degree of efficiency for graduates.

The thorough mastery of the fundamental arts, such as spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, and reading, is unheard of in most schools of higher learning. As a result, colleges and universities are being blamed for turning out individuals unable to cope with simple, every-day problems of life.

Our general educational system is lacking. It has emphasized the structure and overlooked the foundation of educational training. It has neglected to make students capable of meeting the practical problems in a world that is full of them. The foundation of education which many students obtain is sandy, and perhaps explains the often tragic period of readjustment of young graduates.

The average high school graduate often has difficulties with spelling. Consider the case of a student stenographer here. She was given a letter and told to transcribe it. Three times she brought back the letter with "brethren" spelled different ways, the last one correctly spelled perhaps by the process of elimination. That could have happened to the majority of students here before they entered a spelling class.

Mastery of the English language implies mastery of words. Word mastery is essential to progress in any field: the student lawyer cannot comprehend the law books if he cannot spell; the future doctor will interpret his scientific studies to the degree of his mastery of words; and the success of a minister largely depends on his ability in this art.

Our spelling classes ought to be held dear.

—FREDA CROMWELL

Alumni News

Other weddings announced since the New Year are those of Rachel Williams, '39, of Booneville, Miss., to Fletcher Brumley, and that of Nell Johnson, '34, of Vernon, Ala., to Deems W. Dye, Jr., of Ensley, Ala. The Brumleys are living in Corinth, Miss., and the Dyes in Ensley, where Mr. Dye is manager of the A. and P. Store.

Denton Neal, '37, of Blytheville, Ark., is now the proud father of Donna Emily Neal, F-H. C. co-ed of about 1938.

Freed-Hardeman was saddened recently by the news of Brother W. H. Craft's death. He had been in failing health for over a year and recently went from his home in Rogers Springs, Tenn., to Memphis for treatment, but to no avail. He grew steadily worse and the end came on Saturday, March 2, with funeral services on Sunday conducted by Brother Morris Howell of Bolivar.

Brother Craft has been one of the staunchest supporters of the college for a number of years. He has had five children in Freed-Hardeman, two of them, Julia and Allen, being in this year's freshman class. Three others, Monteen ('37), Pauline and Eloise ('38), graduated with their respective classes. Faculty and students join in expression

of deepest regret for the loss, and sympathy for the bereaved family.

Some recent vital statistics among our alums are these:

The wedding of Cecil Anderson ('32), practicing attorney and Mayor of Henderson to Martha Jordan, also of Henderson, on Christmas Day, last.

The marriage of Arie Evans of Oakman, Ala., to Clyde Brannan, of Marietta, Ohio. Both bride and groom were in Freed-Hardeman during the year 1938-39 and until Christmas of this session.

Ava Nelle Vernon, honor student of 1938, and now Mrs. George L. Nattin, of Houston, Texas, has been since February 25, the mother of George Leon, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barkley, '34, of Ripley, Miss., are announcing the birth of a new son, John Stark, on the 11th of March.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Dear Co-Editors:

I received a copy of the Sky-Rocket today. This is the first issue I have seen in a number of years. I think you are doing a good piece of work with the paper.

Our hopes go with Bro. Hardeman in his meeting in "The Valley".

Best wishes to the Basketball team in the tournament. Congratulations to your high scorer.

Very truly yours,

Adron Doran

SPORT SPECTRUM

BY BUDDY AKIN

In their triumph over the Alabama State Teachers by a score of 63-46, the Freed-Hardeman Lions ended a very successful season. The Lions ended their season with 13 wins, 6 losses, and 1 tie. This is a very remarkable average when one takes time to think of the strong teams the Lions played through the whole season.

Throughout the whole season, the Lions scored 993 points to their opponents' 720, and averaged 50 points a game to the opponents' 36. Ulyss Brock, star forward, led the Lions in scoring for the season by ringing up 467 points, and broke the world's scoring record with 83 points in a single game.

Coach Dick Stewart, winding up his sixth season at Freed-Hardeman, stated that the Lion quintet this year was one of the best teams he had ever coached in college basketball, and that is saying a lot when you think of the strong teams the Lions have had in the past.

There will be five of the team's players who will be missing next year. They are: Brock, Harris, Cary, Holloway and Bastin. These boys will continue their basketball careers.

It is rumored that Brock will go to Oklahoma A. & M. or Pepperdine, Holloway to Alabama State Teachers or Southwestern, Harris to Delta State, Cary to Vanderbilt or Cumberland, while Bastin will teach and coach in his home town of Sardis.

We know that wherever these five go they will continue their good basketball and make the school to which they go as proud of them as we are. We regret with them that they are obliged to say, "Farewell to the Maroon and White;" and we wish them all the luck and happiness in the world.

The intramural sports of Freed-Hardeman are once more in action as the Philos, Sigma Rhos, Phi Kappas and Preachers' Club go into battle to see who will capture the basketball crown.

The societies at the present are tied up in the intramural events with the Philos being crowned "football" champs; the Sigma Rhos, baseball; and the Phi Kappas, tennis.

The Phi Kappas and Sigma Rhos are leading the basketball standings with a win each, but the contest is still open, with the Philos and Preachers improving every day.

Notes From A Gossiper's Diary

March winds and April showers always bring the bright May flowers ... but that's not all they bring to Freed-Hardeman. At least, something brought a "bunch" of mustaches to our boys. Why even Bro. Wheeler has sprouted one. And they have brought plans for school next year, as well as plans for the summer. As well as I know, Murdo must have some ... A few days ago he was looking at an Illinois map trying to find Roseclaire.

Earl West seems to be having a time with his gold-fish. He said that they got away from him every time he changed the water and that he was pulling off so many tails trying to get them back in the bowl he was afraid he was going to have to start a museum. And speaking of gold-fish, Cyril can't keep his roommate from kicking his out the window.

Gerry and Mary Ann have each been having trouble trying to convince the other that her boy friend was the best looking of the two. As for the final outcome, I am afraid to predict.

If you hear Brother Hall bragging on his Bible students of the fairer sex, don't be surprised. A few weeks ago he told Shorty Glen what he was going to ask her in class and then when she answered it correctly he praised the girls for being such fine Bible students!

Is there going to be another triangle? Bud has been away for the last few week-ends only to come back and find Violette stepping out with Sonny.

The other day Winston was saying he thought red headed boys would make powerful preachers. He must not have known about Doris' flirting with the ice-man at the Cafeteria.

When Mildred Ellis can get Brother Anderson to see what she is trying to explain and Red Holloway can persuade Brother Endsley that he knows as much about General Science as does Bro. Endsley, everything will be honkey dorey. Which reminds me of the high intelligence of Miss Edgar. Last Sunday night she toasted her sandwich without removing the lettuce and then wondered why it was all wilted.

When Louise Foster said she was working at the Cafeteria for Juanita, could she have possibly meant on Sunday night too? And was Mary Ruth Roberts working for Nell?

What was so interesting in the

letter Irene Sergerson got from Earnest Henson? What is it that the kids have on Billie Butler? And why does Matthew Vestal chew his chewing gum so loud when he goes to see his girl? I heard it wasn't always the chewing gum that made the big smack.

Before I forget it ... Another thing the spring weather brought to our campus was a ride for Miss Mary with Coach in a Model A open-air taxi. And was she cute?

Imogene may be used to holding tiny babies, but not under the recent circumstances. Not many days ago someone brought one to her in the presence of Cloyce. When Purdom walked off she had to tell him to come on back and sit down. About that time she turned all colors of the rainbow.

By special request, we'd like to ask anyone knowing any "unusual" gossip on Anita to please turn it in to the editors. She's been wanting her name in the Sky-Rocket for these many months, so much so she's getting to where she can taste it and I believe she said it tasted kinda sorta like quinine pills without a candy coat.

The past week has been rather lonesome for Verdel, Harvey, and Morris Bailey, but I guess Dodey is relieved. He said he had to put up with Wayne's kissing Verdel's picture all the time.

Coach's American History class surely is making the world's record in brightness. Mattie Lou finally answered one question. But she really isn't to blame because she does have to study under very trying circumstances. They even have to fix up the alarm clock so it will turn on the radio in order to wake them up in the morning.

Why did Delphia's being sick make the days so different for Jean? It must be for the same reason Caulde sits up in speech class and prints "L. B." all over his notebooks, and Wayne Poucher goes to analytics class. It seems as though Wayne was walking to English Comp class with Verdel when he ran into Brother Hall. Bro. Hall knew he didn't take English so Wayne had to hatch up another one in a jiffy.

Did you notice any difference in Ronelle's looks the Sunday James was away? She didn't go to any trouble to fix up her hair or face because he wasn't going to be here to see her.

A few weeks ago I heard some-

A Preacher's Notes

Corinth-bound Greyhound bus of March's first Saturday morning carried away from Freed-Hardeman Hoyt Bailey, a preacher boy from Alabama, who left us to begin mission work in distant Buffalo, N. Y. supported by Middle Tennessee congregations.

Hoyt came to Freed-Hardeman with more than the usual experience and Bible knowledge. Before many days had passed in the opening session we began to recognize in him the desirable traits of sincerity and youthful zeal, coupled with an unquenchable faith. These characteristics won him many friends among the preacher group and members of the student body.

When Nashville's Chapel Avenue congregation asked Brother Hardeman about a young man worthy of being sent by them to a northern city, he chose Brother Bailey as worthy of this trust; and it wasn't long until Hoyt was making preparations for his departure.

We hated to see him go, for we realize his value ... but also that our loss is Buffalo's gain, in that to its seven hundred and fifty odd thousand people goes one lone individual who will spend his entire time in preaching New Testament Christianity.

Our best wishes for the success of this new work accompany Brother Bailey, while we quietly admire this young man courageous enough to enter such an untillable field in which to sow the seeds of the Kingdom.

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Brother Louis Stout goes to Springfield, Mo., the fifth Sunday of March at the invitation of the congregation of that city.

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A recent letter from Kermit Nichols, of Armona, Calif., who was with us in '38 and '39, says: "How is dear old F-H. C.? The miles and months that separate us and days at F-H. C. somehow make things hard for me to grasp. Those things of yesterday are gone, dead and cold, far removed, yet somehow part of them lives on ... He is one among countless others who will always hold dear the memories of days spent in Freed-Hardeman—days that we should enjoy and appreciate fully now, lest we be like those of whom George Eliot spoke when she said: "The golden moments in the stream of life rush past us, and we see nothing but sand ..."

SIGMA RHOS ELECT AGAIN

The Freed-Hardeman assembly was transported (with the aid of the capable Sigma Rhos) to a gay antebellum party where they received an insight into the lives of the lads and lassies of the '60's. On the stage, which represented the lawn of an Alabama plantation, were groups of boys and girls engaged in singing the beautiful songs of Stephen Foster.

High point of the program was the entrance of Dennis Cecil, disguised as "a lovable old darkie" and singing the universal Foster favorite, "Old Black Joe".

At the weekly meeting, held March 4, the officers for the coming six weeks were elected. The various capacities were filled by the following students:

Eldred Stephens, president; Dennis Cecil, first vice-president; Rayford Robison, second vice-president; Martha Holloway, secretary-treasurer; Steve Patterson, sergeant-at-arms; Sue Stone, reporter.

one say that Hardman was so conceited he couldn't walk straight. I didn't get the "full" significance until he fell down in chapel a few days ago. They went on to say that one couldn't knock him down with a hint and that someone was going to have to take him down a notch or two. I don't speak anything but English so I don't know what they meant.

Bro. Davis Teaches New Speech Course

As the registration is finished and the students begin their study for the third and last quarter of the present session, we find many new and interesting courses on the schedule, but the most unusual of these is being offered by Bro. Davis in the Speech Department. The innovation is a course on "The Audience and Persuasion" and is one truly rare and indeed a gem to people interested in cultivating the power of persuasive speech. This study will clearly exhibit the relationship between the audience and the speaker, the audience and the subject, and the related emotional excitement. It will carry an extensive study in the differences of audiences and the manners and methods to be used in approaching these groups effectively. It will aid the speaker in learning how not only to convince his audience, but also to impel them to action through the art of persuasion. This subject is not only beneficial to people intending to speak publicly but is a great asset to anyone desiring to speak intelligently and understandably in ordinary conversation.

Dear Miss Fixit:

I hesitate to write you about this question, but it's a matter of no little concern to me. I realize that you have never had to confront the problem, but still feel that your advice would be good. To raise or not to raise, that is the question—whether to bear the image Nature forced upon me, unadorned, as I have hitherto kept it, by any hirsute embellishments, or to grow a moustache and thereby take on a mug that I cannot foresee. I must admit that when I look in the mirror, I am a prejudiced witness. Sometimes when I see these big he-men on the campus with their neat hedgerows on the upper lip, I get into a lather to belong to the moustache-keteers. What would you do?

Tensely,
Doyle Banta.

Dear Doyle:

You ask what I would do? . . . well, of course, I'd just go buy a new hat if I had such an urge as yours to face. But that doesn't solve your difficulty, because a new hat probably wouldn't improve your looks anyway. And you assume that I've never confronted a moustache? Forsooth, you should have known me when I was 17.

First: Are you the moustache type? Look around you and you will see people-in-pants with no more personality than a can of sardines, wearing a misplaced eyebrow betwixt nose and teeth. If you are convinced (and can make others believe) that you are a virile, masterful being, who can bear up under and not be minimized or cowed by any such trimmings, then you are ready to consider question 2.

Second: Can you produce a decent moustache? If it is not going to match the hair on your head, if it is going to be the shade of mouse-leather, don't encourage it. If the members of the 'stache are going to grow toward all points of the campus instead of uniformly south, then snip them in the bud. If they want to curl, repress such foolishness immediately. Your upper lip is no place for a permanent wave. (It would be more appropriate in your brain, if any.)

Third: Have you a moustache cup? One rarely sees them nowadays, but they are a necessity. Who wants coffee-through-whiskers? And how inspiring it is to see a moustache all dewy with soup or buttermilk? Be sure you have the equipment.

Fourth: Does it make you look like a vilyun? There's no point in scaring the girls to death.

Fifth: Can you be proud of it or be intimidated by it? Are you going to move among your fellow men and women nonchalant and unconscious of it, or are you going to be forever

SENIORS TO BUILD TENNIS COURTS

At a recent meeting of the Senior Class, President James Baird raised the question of what the Class of '40 would leave to the College as a Senior Class gift. Several suggestions were made, among which were: a curtain for the stage, a new electric bell system for the College, and the erection of two concrete tennis courts. Committees were appointed to investigate the possibilities and the cost of each suggested project.

After extensive reports were made by the committee chairmen, a motion was made that an immediate vote be taken on the various projects. The class, without any floor discussion, voted practically unanimously in favor of building the tennis courts. A committee composed of Cary, Purdom, and Emde was appointed to make arrangements for a contract at the earliest possible date.

Work is expected to begin within the next two weeks, and the seniors hope to have the courts ready for the last weeks of school and the annual tennis tournament.

Exchanges

A ONCE UPON A TIME STORY

I saw "Bluebirds in the Moonlight" sitting on "Lilacs in the Rain." But they didn't mind 'cause it was "Blue Rain" so they just sang "Hold Tight." Then along came "The Little Red Fox" "Whispering" to himself. So they're "Deep in a Dream." Well, I'll get them in my "Little Yellow Basket." Just then, however, "Josephine" came along and said to the "Sleepyheads", "Don't be That Way." So they woke up and began to sing "Good Morning"; next time we won't be so "Careless".

Add This To Your Collection Of Crazy Anecdotes

Two cats were stretched out on the lawn watching a tennis game. One said, "Come on and let's get out of here."

The other said, "No, I've got a personal interest in this game."

"Whaddya mean, a personal interest?"

With a tear in his eye the other replied, "My pop's in the racket."

fiddling with it and trying to hide it? And notice that "I don't know" coming from a mustached trap sounds more ridiculous than from the plain or garden variety.

Sixth: (This might really be included under point five) Are you going to be master of the moustache or let the moustache be master of you?

Seventh: Will your block look unbalanced when you get this additional growth? Remember it looks mighty peculiar to see a lipful of trimmings on a fellow with a wide open space on top of his pate.

Last: Who started all this business anyway? "In the Spring a young man's fancy" . . . but that doesn't say he has to LOOK fancy. Marbles for little boys, worms for fishermen, spring onions for supper, and moustaches for college boys . . . eh . . . ? Have I fixed it or have I fixed it?

Yours complacently,
Lettus

P S. Some additional advice: Try the effect of a moustache on your visage (in private of course.) Run a shoe polish sponge over the area under your nose. Choose jet-black, oxford tan, a mixture of jet-black and nurse-white, or one of nurse-white and oxford tan, or even a little of Johnson's floor wax—making the choice with reference to the shade that grows above your forehead (or once grew there). For example, it is most startling to see golden-brown on the upper lip and a pepper-and-salt rim just above the ears.

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE NOT ENOUGH. SAYS DIRECTOR

Further educational training as a supplement to a Bachelor's Degree is essential if the college graduate is to receive full recognition in the business field. This is the conclusion drawn by Mrs. Adria C. Beaver, Director of Studies of the Washington School for Secretaries, from a study of a report on the economic status of women, recently issued by the United States Department of Labor.

The report, prepared by the committee on Economic and Legal Status of Women of the American Association of University Women, in cooperation with the Women's Bureau of the department, is based on a study of questionnaires returned by approximately ten thousand of the Association's employed members.

As reviewed by Mrs. Beaver for the benefit of students of the Washington School for Secretaries in the National Capital as well as the Washington School for Secretaries in New York City, the report shows that aside from activities of University women in the educational field the largest single group is employed in business as secretaries, clerical workers, or personnel workers. One-fourth of those not in education are found in these business classifications, according to Mrs. Beaver.

Mrs. Beaver found as a result of study the answers to the questionnaires that a Bachelor's Degree while unquestionably promoting the employment stability of women was not in itself a sufficiently stabilizing influence to guarantee to the employed person adequate economic security. However, she revealed as a result of her study that supplementing the course for a Bachelor's Degree with specialized training in business improved greatly the economic possibilities of those entering the field of business.

To this extent Mrs. Beaver said the report bears out her personal observations made over a number of years of close study of personnel policies and problems both in pri-

SISTER BELLE COZZIE WRITES COMPLIMENTS

Sister Belle Cozzie, of Indianapolis, who was with us all during the preachers' course in January wrote to Sister Hardeman while the latter was with Brother Hardeman and Brother and Sister Akin in the recent Rio Grande Valley meeting at Harlingen, Texas. Her letter was so characteristic and so thoroughly worthwhile that we are quoting some excerpts. (Among other things she mentioned the death on February 19, of Brother Daniel Summer, who visited and lectured here in January 1939, at the time of his 90th birthday anniversary.)

Indianapolis, Ind.

February 20, 1940.

"Dear Sister Hardeman:

"The meeting that you and Brother Hardeman have been engaged in will be a success, I am sure. Meetings are like Christian women, the fruits of our work shows up later. Christian life and church work as I see it is a slow process or growth. It's like training a child—cannot be done in a hurry or by hit and miss, but a continual process.

"I want to tell you how much I love the college, I enjoyed my visit in the dormitory so much. Mrs. Wilson (our girls' matron) is a wonderful character and has her work at heart. I believe the girls all love her . . . and I noticed the attitude in the cafeteria line—no shoving or pushing—I know the credit for all this goes to the head of the school. Our children may be under good control at home, but to be with so many, they soon would lead each other to neglect the things they had been used to doing or not doing at home.

"I love the youth—everything depends upon them. We talk about the conditions of the country. Politics or man-made government will never make things better. They are respecters of persons, to start with—graft and greed, all lusts of the flesh. The only thing that will overcome it is the church. We can't force men to be good or vote men to be good. We must rear our children to be Christians and rear to Christian families. If we were spending more money in rearing Christian children and not so much controlling the evils of the world, everything would be better.

"I intended to spend Monday and Tuesday (after the short course) visiting classes and teachers, but I wasn't able. I hope to be able to return while Robert (her grandson) is there. I told Mrs. Wilson I had studied F-H. C. from every angle while I was there and that was not enough. I had to get sick to see if they would take care of a sick person. I surely found out: she and the girls were every ready to wait on me, even Erna Bell (the colored maid).

"The good you and Brother Hardeman have done through the college cannot be estimated in a human mind, because it isn't valued in dollars and cents. It's something that money can't buy, and after all, those are the things that make us happy. I know the college is a part of both and your stopping work in it, till your health prevents, would be like a parent's stopping work for a child."

Sister Cozzie is the grandmother of Katherine (Kay) Jones, class of 1940, and reminds us strongly of what we know of Timothy's mother and grandmother, Lois and Bernice, as well as Priscilla, wife of Aquila.

vate business and in the federal government service.

Employers now, Mrs. Beaver maintains, want a broad general background of education such as is conveyed by the Bachelor's Degree, but they likewise insist that this background be integrated to the particular position to be filled.

Continuing further her analysis of the report on the Economic Status of College Graduates, Mrs. Beaver pointed out that even in the field of education, in which college graduates are dominant, further specialized training beyond the obtaining of a Bachelor's Degree

Societies Enjoy Joint Meeting

The Phi Kappas did a fine piece of work at entertaining the joint society group Monday, March 12. Even though they used members of all societies, we'll have to hand it to them!

Mason Emde finally succeeded in getting the band members to appear for practice by yelling "Soup's On!"—and such a scramble as they made to get to it!

Their first selection was interrupted by a sudden exclamation that Mr. Jones' house was on fire. Poor Cloyce ran like wildfire nearly to the door, before realizing he was not Mr. Jones.

The quartet sang a duet rendered "Let Me Call You Lizzie"—Did they have the swing! They'll probably be receiving offers from stage producers needing chorus girls soon.

The guest artist for the occasion was Mr. Sam Hastings—from the old country. So favorable was his first appearance he was given an encore.

Our band members are so talented they found it no task at all to exchange instruments and render solos. The public may demand the permanent exchange of instruments.

Packages of Double Bubble were given to the ones of the audience who first identified the musician connected with certain songs. It was not such a difficult task. Who wouldn't identify "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," with Mason; "Juanita" with Raymond; "Mama, Oh Mama" with Josephine; and "Stars Fell on Alabama" with Cloyce.

The joint meetings are always looked forward to as a time of mutual enjoyment and cooperation as well as responsibility.

LOCALS

Mildred Kerr spent the week-end of February 24 at her home in Roseclaire and Mrs. O. C. Trail and Robert Trail of Golconda, Ill.

Mrs. Robert Cross of Belmont, Miss., was guest of her daughter, Kathleen Hallmark, March 1 to 9.

Dot and Dawn Poston spent the week-end of March 3 with Helen McGuire at Helen's home in Tusculum, Ala.

Louise Foster and Esther Fulton spent the week-end of February 15 in Memphis with two alumnae of last year, Maxey Winn and Altha Dodd, respectively.

Louise Carothers, accompanied by Eugenia Frost, spent March 10 at her home in Adamsville, Tenn.

The school is welcoming additions to its student body. Among the number are: Ripple Woods, Mary Horner and Lloyd Wright.

Back into our family this quarter comes several students after short absences—Fannie Reagan, Mozelle Griggs, Inez Bishop, Blaine Freeman, and "Bob" Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lindsey of Hohenwald, were on the campus March 9, to visit their son Kenneth.

The John R. Fulmers of Henrietta, Texas, who have been in F-H. C. since September, left on the 15th for his appointment with a congregation in Texas. We hope to have them and their two daughters with us for another year soon.

Bonnie Brooks Brinn spent February 24th and 25th with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and family of Paducah, Ky.

Brother Jewel Cox of Maury, Ky., visited the N. B. Hardemans and the college March 10 to 13.

is highly desirable if not essential. Many of the positions filled by holders of Bachelor's Degrees in the educational field are not exclusively teaching positions. They run a wide gamut and in each of them special courses would lead to improvement not only in the position but in the remuneration paid.

Burrows Stars For Phi Kappas

When it comes to quartets, neither of the two other societies has anything on Phi Kappa.

In the chapel program presented the 14th, the P. K. A. quartet, composed of James Burrow, Gene

Clevenger, Ray Whittington, and Earnest Boone massaged the song, "My Wild Irish Rose". The special arrangement received quite favorable attention and only lack of time prevented an encore.

Brother Page extolled the beauties of New York in a short, sparkling talk; and James Woodward gave a reading.

The Phi Kappas scored again.

Collegiate Review

Oberlin College seniors vote for the person they want to address them at their commencement.

Norwich University was the first military collegiate institution in the United States.

During its last fiscal year, the University of Minnesota had receipts totalling approximately 12 million dollars.

The University of Vermont next year will celebrate the 150th anniversary of its founding.

New Jersey College for Women has a new course called "Background for War".

The Pan-American Student Chain is sponsoring an automobile caravan tour of Mexico this summer.

New York University has opened a special course on the economic and political issue of the coming presidential campaign.

Harvard University's eight libraries contain 4,079,541 books and pamphlets.

There are now 550 junior colleges in the U. S.

Prince Hubertus zu Lowenstein has been appointed visiting professor in international relations at Iowa State College.

"Citizenship Education" is the name of a new course just added to the Alma College curriculum.

The Louisiana State University zoology museum recently was given a collection of skins of 300 rare birds.

Plans are now under way for the opening of the new LaSalette College in Arnolds Parks, Iowa, next September.

An Ohio State University men's dormitory has been named after former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker.

Seventy-eight Indiana University graduates have become college presidents.

Every state and 47 foreign countries are represented in the Harvard University student body.

Dr. J. E. Smith, Youngstown College dean of men, is on leave of absence to act as research advisor to GOP candidate Thomas E. Dewey.

Author Thomas Mann has been named honorary rector of the University of Dubuque.

PHILOS ELECT NEW OFFICIALS

The Philos are starting the last lap of the journey with a new set of officers. At our last meeting the following officers were chosen:

President—Charles Caldwell, first vice-president—Sara Jo Bass, second vice-president—Dorothy Poston, secretary—Imogene Fike, news reporter—Betty Gilliam.

The Philos were ably led last six weeks, but this six weeks what will be written on the new page of history will be determined by a set of officers almost all of which have had no previous experience. None of the officers in charge last period were elected to fill the same or another office. All are dependable and have shown ability, so the same trustworthy ship has a fresh crew and captain for her Spring voyage.

We are all proud of our ball teams even though we were defeated in the opening games. Hardin, supported by her teammates, upheld the Philos on the scoreboard in the encounter with the Sigma Rhos. The boys' team certainly gave the Sigma Rhos a run for their money, and we expect they were just getting in practice.

We're not through yet—so watch us go. Come on Philos!

Clyde Smith of Georgetown, Ill., was guest of James Finney, February 24.

Brother and Sister J. H. Foster of Hackleburg, Ala., with their daughter, Virginia, their son, Billie Joe, and two friends, Nolene Clay and J. B. McClendon, spent March 4 on the campus with Louise.

Brother and Sister Oscar Lanham and Susanna have moved back into their trailer, the "Covered Wagon," which they abandoned for four walls and brick foundation during our coldest weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rutledge and daughter, Faye, of Memphis visited Doris McCaleb, March 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Caldwell of Union City visited their daughter, Christine, March 4.

Brother Alvin Holt spent a few days at his home in Alabama, attending his mother, who underwent an operation.

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