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A CHERISHED SPOT

WITCHES AND BLACK CATS.

On October 29th, at 7:30 P. M., the girls of F. H. C. entertained the boys with a most enjoyable Hallowe'en party in the college building. The rooms were beautifully decorated with pumpkins, cornstalks and everything symbolic of Hallowe'en.

On entering the building, each person was given a card with a number on it, the two holding the same number becoming partners on the path to the "place of torment." A ghost, holding a lighted candle over a casket, guided the couples by the place where the angels of darkness and their victims were wailing and screaming.

Then followed the assembling of all in chapel hall, gruesome with its lowered lights and shadowy ghosts, where the varied costumes were seen and contests of all kinds took place, including a cracker eating contest and a marshmallow and string contest.

Fortunes were told by Madame Capriccioso, of Cuba, in reality Mrs. Bell, and after these were enjoyed for a time refreshments consisting of punch, fruit, candy and nuts were served. Then

several entertaining numbers, such as quartets, solos, and a performance by the dormitory girls' orchestra, were rendered. At a late hour the witches, gypsies, ghosts and demons present passed to their homes, everyone declaring it a most delightful party.

WITH THE SOCIETIES.

Bible Society

This society has been the pride of the school for a quarter of a century. It is different somewhat from our literary societies, in that its work is more of a religious nature. Hundreds of young men have received training in this society which enabled them to be efficient debaters and effective ministers of the Gospel.

It began work this year with the splendid spirit which has always characterized it. But nothing else could be expected with J. R. Endsley as president. It meets each Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. It is composed of all those who are interested in Bible work. The very cream of all the other societies combine to make up this one. So when the many beautiful things that have been said of all the others are

added they will express what the Bible Society really is.

"Senior Highs."

We, the Senior class of Freed-Hardeman High School, held our first meeting October 15, for the purpose of organizing the class for '23-'24. The following officers were elected for the year:

J. R. Endsley... President
Edna Long..... Secretary
Alvis Shotts..... Treasurer
Verna Wright... Class Reporter

The next meeting was held October 23, when class rings were selected and other interesting points discussed.

Our last meeting was held November 7. The colors selected were green and rose; the class flower, carnation; motto: Vivamus, dum vivimus (Let us live, while we live).

Our class is striving to keep up the standards of Freed-Hardeman College and make the class of 1924 the best on record.

Bro. Foy E. Wallace, Jr., of Wichita Falls, Texas, will begin a series of meetings at the Henderson Church of Christ, November 23rd. The students and townspeople are looking forward to this with interest.

A NEW ENTERPRISE FOR F. H. C.

Freed-Hardeman College is going to have a Redpath Lyceum course this year, consisting of five numbers. The first will be given the 15th of November and the remainder of the programs will be given at intervals throughout the school year.

The course includes a performance by Miss Edna Means, purposeful reader, a musical number by the Oakley Concert Company, a lecture by Mr. Marshall Louis Meritins, an evening with the Barnaby Entertainers, and an entertainment by the Harp Novelty Company.

F. H. C. is not a whit behind the other schools of the land. She offers every advantage a student could wish for in trying to get an education. The faculty is as strong a faculty as can be found in any of the schools of its kind. They strive to develop the boys and girls into real men and women of the highest type. Realizing that much rests upon them, they have procured the Lyceum course as a stimulus to better education, knowing that the students and also the people of the town will be benefited by the same.

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What Company Do**Your Children Keep?**

Many of the accomplishments and events of the world are brought about because of the instinct to imitate our companions.

Not many years ago, in a large Southern city, as the manager of a big grocery concern was leaving his place of business one Saturday evening, with the cash receipts for the day in his pockets, he was accosted by three highwaymen, who at the point of their guns demanded his money. The man, not being in the habit of breaking trust, refused to give it up, drew his own revolver and opened fire upon the bandits. The bullets went straight to the spot and killed one of the intruders and wounded another, but the third escaped. After the fracas, an examination of the dead body was made it was found to be a beardless youth, and when his identity was established, it turned out that he was a student of the city high school, a son of excellent parents, a youth with a respectable reputation. Think of the pain and sorrow of the grief stricken parents, as they heard the news of their boy who had a short while before eaten with them and later left to spend the night with a friend! It was hard for his teachers to think of their faithful pupil as an outlaw. What a shock beyond measure his classmates received to know that one who had drilled with them on Friday had been cut down in such a wicked plot! None were more grieved than the man who did the shooting. He shuddered to think that trying to defend a trust, he had killed a boy.

What was the matter with this son of a Christian family? Bad

company, that was all. The authors of the "hold up" were experienced criminals. The officers of the law looked with pity upon the face of the boy who had been lured into this crime by the two old criminals. Should parents know where their children are? Should boys and girls be left to go where they please and do anything they want to?

The fate of this boy is no sadder than is the fate of thousands of young girls from good Christian homes each year. Better for the world that these girls had died in early life than that they live to descend into lowest depths of infamy and shame and drag dozens of others down with them.

Freed-Hardeman College is known everywhere for its moral characteristics. The people of town do everything in their power to help the students in the right way. The students are watched with the tenderest of care by the faculty. They are surrounded by a godly set of teachers, who strive to set the best examples known before the student body.

It is not too late to get your children away from evil companions with whom they may be associating unawares to you. Send them to Freed-Hardeman College, and then you can know that they will be with the best of associates.

Use Your Head.

A woodpecker pecks
Out a great many specks
Of sawdust
While building a hut.

He works like a nigger
To make the hole bigger—
He's sore if
His cutter won't cut.

He don't bother with plans
Of cheap artisans,
But there's one thing
Can rightly be said:

The whole excavation—
Has this explanation—
He builds it
By
Using
His
Head.
—K. C. Outlook.

The Secret Of Success

"What is the secret of success?" asked the sphinx.

"Push," said the button.

"Take pains," said the window.

"Always keep cool," said the ice.

"Be up to date," said the calendar.

"Never lose your head," said the barrel.

"Make light of everything," said the fire.

"Do a driving business," said the hammer.

"Aspire to greater things," said the nutmeg.

"Find a good thing and stick to it," said the glue.—Selected.

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Afield In Musicdom

By SHARPSON FLATS.

Sharpson Flats, in writing the musical activities of F. H. C., wishes, first of all, to extend to those readers, interested in musical matters, a very cordial invitation to read his report each time.

The music departments, both vocal and instrumental, are well represented this year, and a great amount of good work is being done.

Discussion of a first recital programme has already begun.

An idea is now on foot to give the piano studio a regular name, by which it shall go and be known for all time.

Miss Alvis Shotts visited friends in Humboldt last week end

Miss Edna Long spent the past week end with homefolks at Tupelo, Miss.

Miss Lorene Bolen left Oct. 30 for her home in Wildersville, Tenn., where she has a position in the school. We regret very much to give her up, but wish her much success in her new work.

Miss Lois Sanders visited homefolks in Waverly the past week end.

Only Then

"Cleo, do you always stutter like that?" asked Mr. Sikes.

"N-n-no, sir," answered Cleo, "O-o-only w-w-when I t-t-talk."

Well, Are They?

The colored cook at the girls' dormitory had heard the word "sky-rocket" mentioned several times. Her curiosity having been aroused, she asked if there were any of those things around here. Upon being assured there were she exclaimed: "Lawdy, they's dangerous, ain't they?"

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On November 13th, the student body assembled—at the regular time for chapel—to be greeted by a great surprise. When all had been seated it was announced that Bro. C. R. Nichol, of Clifton, Texas, now in a meeting at Jackson, Tenn., would conduct the exercise. Great interest was manifested by the students in the lesson he gave on a worthy theme. It was along the line of learning to see things. He admonished us to use our eyes. All enjoyed his talk and hope to have him visit us again.

Jokes

Dorothy Brigrance took her little brother to have his hair cut. When he was seated in the chair the barber asked Dorothy what kind of cut was desired.

"Please sir," she answered, "cut off as much as you can for ten cents." —Selected.

The dauntless hen rules proudly o'er us yet.

Immortal hen! Her son can never set!

—Katherine Keife.

"Vish I was as religious as Alex."

"And vy?"

"He clasps his hands so tight in prayer he can't get them open when der collection box comes around."—Ex.

Lucy Glass was happy: "I have all my lessons for tomorrow."

"And I practiced my music lesson a whole hour today," declared Ollie.

Mary Montgomery, with the air of one not to be outdone, exclaimed, "Well, I've got my prayers said up five nights ahead."

An old negro was burning the dead grass and leaves on a school campus. A smart youngster came along and said, "Uncle Eb, you shouldn't do that. Don't you know it will make the campus as black as you are?"

"Never mind," said the old negro, "the grass will grow out and be as green as you are."

—Ex.

"Did you give the penny to the monkey, dear?" asked Mrs. Hall.

John Martin: "Yes mamma."

"And what did the monkey do with it?"

"He gave it to his papa, who played the organ."

No one ever dreamed that Ben McCann had any musical aspirations until he became so interested in the "Sharps."

He Ought To Know.

Miss Jones asked Mary Katherine Hall to explain the word "bachelor."

The answer came promptly: "A bachelor is a very happy man."

"Where did you learn that?" asked Miss Jones.

"Father told me."

—Selected.

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