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## Top Ten Chosen In Contest

Remember a few days ago when we were asked to circulate petitions for Most Beautiful Girl and Most Handsome Boy? Then everyone was saying, "Who do you think will be in it?" or "Do you believe he'll be in the top ten?"

Many petitions were turned in, the votes were counted and everyone eagerly awaited the results. We'd like to introduce to you the top ten in each group.

"Who are these lovely ladies?" someone may ask. They are Ann Buford, Johnnie Faye Logan, Martha Goodman, Velma Fox, Libby Harrison, Shirley Montague, Jane Pierce, Racine Smith, Glenda Wade and Patsy Wooten. "...and who are the nice looking gentlemen who came out on top?" Let me present Lloyd Barker, Ralph Black, Dewain Davenport, Joe Hardin, Aaron Herron, Dale McDowell, Ronnie Milton, Martel Pace, Max Patterson and James Turner. These people were selected by the student body, and they represent what the majority of our students consider the best looking on our campus.

Ann, Johnnie Faye, Shirley, Racine and Glenda are here for the first time this year, and they have certainly proven that they can do well among our students. Martha, Velma and Libby were here last year taking part in the various activities of the school. Patsy is a married student living in town who also attended school part time last year with her husband who is a senior here. Jane transferred just this quarter from David Lipscomb College where she was a sophomore.

Freshmen boys who were rated in the top ten are Ralph Black, Dale McDowell and Dewain Davenport. Lloyd, Joe, Max, Aaron, James, Martel and Ronnie have been around for quite a while, but folks still think they are handsome. How about that?

Of course these are not all the good-looking people at FHC, but they have been chosen by us to represent the best. Let us not hurt them by being envious or making unkind remarks to them or about them, but let's be proud that we have these people to represent us and let them see that we are proud. They're a fine—as well as fine-looking group of young men and women. Congratulations to each of them!

## Lectures Termed Big Success

By Martel Pace

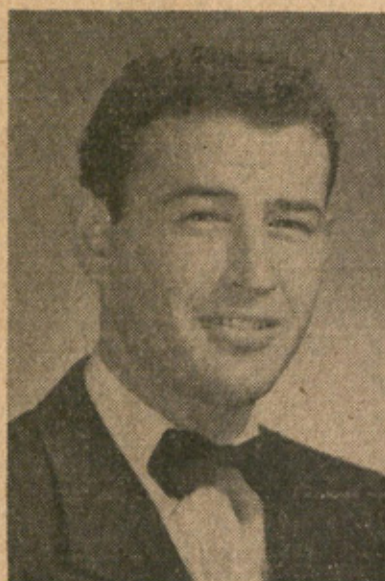
From far and near came gospel preachers, alumni and many friends of the college to hear the annual Freed-Hardeman College Lectureship. They came to meet old acquaintances and to listen to some of the most able men in the brotherhood deliver splendid lessons from the Word of God. They were not disappointed. With such men as Guy N. Woods, Gus Nichols, Earl West, Hugo McCord, and G. K. Wallace presenting the lessons, it is hardly conceivable that any could have been disappointed. The comment by those attending was that it was good for them to have been here.

The visitors came from twenty states and two foreign countries, Canada and France.

Each evening messages were given by men very capable of preaching the gospel of Christ. On Monday night Bro. L. O. Sanderson gave us a soul stirring sermon concerning "The Music in the Church." The night following Leonard Tyler of Pine



Libby Harrison



Ronnie Milton



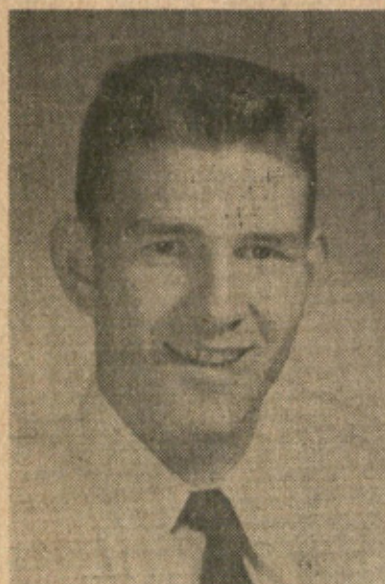
Lloyd Barker



Racine Smith



Shirley Montague



Dale McDowell

Bluff, Arkansas taught in a splendid manner that "Our Authority" was not of man but of God. On Wednesday evening after a short talk by Arnett Dreaden, the college Alumni President from Paducah, Ky., Bro. Maurice Howell of Birmingham, showed vividly the glory and privileges of being a member in "The Royal Family of God." The next evening President H. A. Dixon told us the plans for the betterment of Freed-Hardeman, which was followed by Alonzo Welch and his very excellent talk on the question "Is Liberalism the Antidote for Legalism?" Then on Friday Brother B. C. Goodpasture of Nashville, Tennessee, showed us that we must "Study to Handle Aright the Word of Truth."

Daily chapel speakers added much to the occasion as did also those who spoke at the 7:30 hour on a few mornings of the week.

To say the least it was one of the best lectureships the college has had since they began some years ago.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every New Year find you a better man.

## ANNUAL MINSTREL TO BE HELD

One of Freed-Hardeman's biggest events of the year is the annual Negro Minstrel. In past these programs have all been excellent, and this year seems only to anticipate the best minstrel ever, with such famous names as Earl Hartsell, E. M. Chandler, Leo Powers, Snookie Lusk, Truman Scott and Fuzzy Warren. Serving as Interlocuter will be our most illustrious Don Willingham.

The chorus of the Minstrel will be directed by Joe Pruett, and the Freed-Hardeman College Band will also participate.

This great event will be presented in the Chapel Hall of FHC on February 19, 1954.

Come one—Come all!

### SYLVIA DUNN IMPROVED

Miss Sylvia Dunn, who, due to illness, was forced to leave FHC, is reported to be improving. She has recently undergone treatment at Vanderbilt Hospital and immediate recovery has been promised.

Support FHC's basketball team.

## HARRISON AND MILTON ARE NAMED TOPS AT F.H.C.

Miss Libby Ruth Harrison and Mr. Ronnie Milton were chosen last night by a panel of expert judges as tops in beauty and handsomeness here on our F.H.C. campus. Racine Smith and Loyd Barker were chosen as second to them with Shirley Montague and Dale McDowell placing third. This

## ALPHA GAMMA DELTA NAMES NEW MEMBERS

The Alpha Gamma Deltas met for the first time this quarter on Saturday, January 9. This organization, one of the smallest on the campus, is based on scholarship and leadership. The members are picked by a faculty committee. In order to hold membership, the selected students must maintain an average of 2.5.

Nine new members were added to the organization on January 5. They are Rosemary Kopel, James Meadows, Wilma Pounds, Margaret Rasbury, Carolyn Sullenger, Gail Howell, Homer Picklesimer, Rene Thornton, and Sara Dixon. Old members are Martha Ary, Neal Pryor, William Woodson and Dixie Donnell.

The following officers were elected for the quarter:

President: Rosemary Kopel, Vice President: Martha Ary; Secretary: Carolyn Sullenger; Treasurer: Neal Pryor; Reporter, Sara Dixon.

Business discussion included dues, and plans to help increase the bus fund. The next meeting date is Tuesday, January 19.

## SNOW BALL BATTLE WAGED ON CAMPUS

During the middle of a quite Sunday afternoon huge snowflakes began to fall from the gray skies over Freed-Hardeman College Campus. By night fall the ground was white and amidst cries and shrieks of merriment for the beautiful snow, everyone set out towards the church building for Sunday evening worship. Upon our arrival back at the campus, everyone donned heavier clothes such as thick mittens and heavy socks and went out again to have a snow ball battle. Such fun as everyone had as snow balls began to whiz all over that campus—some hitting their desired mark and some which did not. After a long and tedious battle in which there was no victor and no loser the fun came to an end with the ringing of the bell which summoned the end of the social hour.

## HONOR ROLL FOR FALL QUARTER

Fall Quarter, 1953-54

This quality point average is based on the quarter's work exclusive of a grade in physical education.

Joanne Crum, Sara Dixon, Rosemary Kopel, Wilma Pounds, Neale Pryor, Carolyn Sullenger, William Woodson, Donald Flatt, Martha Ary, Homer Picklesimer, Yvonne Corzine, Carol Watson, Barbara Beck, Gail Howell, Almon Williams, James Robert Collins, Dixie Donnell, R. C. Stegall, James Meadows, Margaret Rasbury, Sallie Rogers, Betty Rutledge, Dorothy Helm, Rene Thornton.

In a colored school, the teacher asked a little boy to make a sentence using defeat, deduct, defense and detail. The boy stood up and said, de feet of de duck went over de fence before de fall.

decision climaxed a closely contested battle for the "best lookers", who daily adorn our campus. Ten beautiful girls and ten handsome boys were chosen previously by the student body and from this group came the judges' final decision. The girls attired in lovely formals paraded gracefully before the visiting judges for an hour before this admiring, bewildered and critical trial could come to a decision.

Miss Harrison who placed first among the girls comes from New Albany, Miss., this being her second year to place first in the top ten beauties. Libby is a second year commercial major. She is a member of the chorus, the annual staff and the Phi Kappa Alpha society.

Next the judges attacked the problem of selecting the handsomest lad, and after another hour of viewing, came forth with the results mentioned above. Mr. Milton, a third year preaching student, placed tops among the ten most handsome boys. Ronnie is a native of Oklahoma. He is president of the Senior class, a member of the Preachers Club and the Alpha Tau Lambda Society.

Racine Smith, a freshman, and Loyd Barker, a second year student, were selected as second. Racine is a native of Tennessee while Loyd comes from our neighboring state of Kentucky. Racine is a member of the chorus and the Thespians and is a commercial major. Loyd, also a preaching student, is a member of the Preachers Club, Evangelistic Forum and Alpha Tau Lambda Society.

Placing as third were Shirley Montague and Dale McDowell. Shirley, also a Commercial student is a freshman from the state of Illinois. She is a member of the Sigma Rho Society.

Dale comes to us from Missouri and classifies as a freshman. He serves as business manager of the Sky Rocket and is a member of the FHC basketball team.

Judges were Mrs. Armpstead Johnson, former Miss Alabama, Stansell Vernon and Jack Bulliner who based their decision upon natural beauty, poise and grace.

Congratulations you beautiful people.

## ATTENDANCE FOR CAMPUS CLUBS

The administration has set up a new form by which secretaries of all campus organizations may more easily keep an accurate record of attendance. The records kept by all organizations will be uniform. The roll will be checked at every regular meeting. Called meetings will not be checked. Excused absences should be kept up to date. These records are to be turned in at the end of the last scheduled meeting each six weeks and will be filed in the Registrar's Office. This record is retroactive the start of the winter quarter. All campus organizations are to hand in these attendance records dating from that time.

These records are very important. Points for attendance will be decided from them.



## THE SKY ROCKET

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## What's Wrong With Our Societies?

What's wrong with the four societies at Freed-Hardeman College? The answer comes from all sides. Plenty!!! Since there are so many things to shoot at which are faulty in the societies, it would seem to me that a long article on their shortcomings would be so much wasted ink and paper. If we as the student body are truly interested in keeping the societies, something needs to be done!

But, what can be done? When many boys and girls (especially boys) are on the campus at the time of the meetings and yet ignore them as though they were not being held, it is evident that something must be done.

The meeting time is being changed from 1:30 until 4:00 p.m. in order that many more students might be back on the campus in time to attend. But is this enough?

Many complain that there is no sense in going to the meetings because there is nothing interesting going on and nothing to be gained from them. An old saying is applicable here, "You only

get out of a thing what you put into it."

If the societies continue their downward trend, it might bring about an entire elimination of them. Do you want that to happen? If you do, don't attend any of the meetings (picnics included), don't participate in any chapel programs, and don't play in a single ball game.

But if you enjoy playing some sport, being in chapel programs, and the Monday afternoon "get togethers" and picnics, do something about it. Encourage others to attend meetings, go yourself and put some spirit into it.

The societies have many good qualities and it's a pity not to make the best of them. Every student on the campus ought to be a member of one.

You who are members find out who they are and show them how much enjoyment can come from being a part of a good society. But before you can persuade them to join yours, you've got to make yours a good one. Let's get together and work on it.

Martel Pace

## NEEDED — ONE BUS

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO THE STUDENTS OF FREED-HARDEMAN COLLEGE INITIATED A PLAN WHEREBY WE WERE TO PURCHASE A 48 PASSENGER SCHOOL BUS. THIS CAMPAIGN DID NOT WORK AS EFFECTIVE AS WE HOPED, SO NOW WE FIND OURSELVES ABOUT \$2300 AWAY FROM OUR \$3200 GOAL. COME ON LOYAL FRIENDS OF FREED-HARDEMAN. TWENTY-THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS ISN'T MUCH! BUT WAIT! I REMEMBER BRO. DIXON SAID IF WE WOULD RAISE THAT AMOUNT TO \$2,000 THE COLLEGE WOULD PROCEED TO PURCHASE THE BUS. STUDENTS HERE IS THE WAY THE THING STANDS NOW. WE STARTED IT! ARE WE GOING TO FINISH IT OR IS SOMEONE ELSE GOING TO HAVE TO? CERTAINLY THAT WOULD LOOK BAD WOULDN'T IT? I KNOW THAT EVERYBODY HERE IS IN FAVOR OF GETTING THAT BUS. SO COME ON F.H.C.

## I HAVE A QUESTION

The inspired James says, "If any man among you seem to be religious, and brideth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain." James 1:26.

These two types of an unbridled tongue we shall consider:

1. Though one be religious, his religion is worthless and his efforts are without reward if he cannot refrain his tongue from speaking evil against another, or if he cannot be enough self-controlled to avoid "passing on" harmful statements (even if they are true). In criticizing, it is not always what one says, but many times how one says it. Each individual answer honestly, as he shall in the judgment—DO I GOSSIP? DO I CRITICIZE?

2. Eph. 4:29—"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth..."; "for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." It thus seems conclusive that evil or corrupt speaking comes from the thoughts of evil persons. We do not desire to be regarded evil in man's or God's sight. Again let us inquire of ourselves—Am I guilty of suggestive talk, of repeating filthy jokes, or of cursing and using obscene language?

## PHI KAPPA NEWS

The Phi Kappa basketball team is about the fastest, highest scoring, best rebounding, finest defensive "dream team" of any club.

The Phi Kappa team won over the Sigma Rho team which will undoubtedly lead them down the hall of fame. This team is under the fine leadership of Coach Bowers, who is doing an exceptional job with the team.

The fine co-operation and outstanding work is reflected in the presentation of the trophy to our society. We are indeed grateful for this and hope that it will be a constant reminder of the value of good team work.

We are proud of our new members, Carolyn Daftary, and Tommy Corum who became members after a little persuasion.

Can we not resolve to do better and to let flow from our lips only the sweet waters? "For he that will love life and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile." I Peter 3:10. James tells us why we will "love life, and see good days," because "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body."

A VISITOR'S VIEW  
OF THE '54 LECTURES

Bruce Veteto, Wheaton, Mo.  
Coming back to Freed-Hardeman is like returning home. It was home to me for two years, '46-'48, and many of my dearest friendships were formed here. Here I learned to love the truth and to resolve to do my best to teach it faithfully and boldly wherever I went. My FHC diploma is one of my most treasured possessions.

Five and a half years have passed since I left Freed-Hardeman, and this is my first real visit back. So you want to know what I think about it? Then you shall.

In a nutshell, I might say that I cannot recall any experience of four or five days' duration that has ever equalled this lectureship in thrilling enjoyment and rich fellowship. Like a tired and thirsty traveler reaching an oasis so I have been impressed with the refreshment of the good things offered here. It was like old times—and good ones, too—to hear Bro. G. K. Wallace and Bro. Gus Nichols again. They always seemed like faculty members here. They know the answers to many matters difficult to us boys. I used to almost develop writer's cramp as I tried, oh, so hard to take note of every word they said. Bro. Guy N. handles those questions in such a fine, clear way—wouldn't we boys out in the field like to have him handy all the time to help us with hard questions? I'm sure that all of us who visited were happy to stand when necessary during the chapel and some other services. In fact, had it been needful, I think we would have stood on our heads rather than miss hearing—and by all means, seeing—Bro. Keeble. Bro. Earl West is new here; but the coming of such men as he suggests to all of us that we need not worry about Freed-Hardeman College. I heard him first in Columbus, Ohio, four and a half years ago, and rejoiced when, in Springfield, Missouri, this fall, Bro. Dixon told me that Bro. West was coming here to teach.

When a student here, I sat in the seat bearing the name of Hugo McCord. That was in Bro. L. L. Brigrance's Bible class. Naturally I wondered for years what sort of fellow this Hugo McCord was. Finding out was quite a jolt—but let me add, a most pleasant one! Bro. L. O. Sanderson and I were somewhat surprised to see the other. I had been near him for the first four years of my work, and had learned to love and appreciate him much. It was good to hear him speak on music—a subject he knows so well. And Bro. Goodpasture—it would indeed seem odd if the lectures should come and go without Bro. Goodpasture to "wind 'em up." Bro. Alonzo Welch made all of us think soberly; and it was significant that, after his address that night, little knots of brethren could be seen here and there, gravely discussing the threat of liberalism that stares us in the face.

I must say this: Bro. Dixon is the "best hand" (that's how we say it in Missouri) I've seen yet, to make a long string of announcements in chapel, and make them all interesting! I have observed how very much Bro. Dixon is loved and honored by students and faculty alike, and it makes me feel mighty good. The same, I am sure, can be said for the others who carry on here. I recall with pleasure the days spent at the feet of Brethren Hall, Roland and Witt, and can't help but envy the boys and girls who now have that privilege.

I shudder to think how pitiful must have been the result, if I had tried to go out and preach without the preparation received here. And yet—how I long for the chance to even come back to school here. I can't do that; but I can come to the lectures. And you may plan on seeing me here for them year after year, if the Lord will.

The additions to the buildings,

## GRACE AND FAITH

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Eph. 2:8-9).

We must all come to the realization that if men are saved or have been saved, it is because of God's grace, and not their own merit (Rom. 3:24). This does not mean that a person is justified by grace alone, but simply that without God's grace it would be impossible to be saved. No man could comply with God's law perfectly, with the exception of Christ, and therefore he had to depend upon God's grace.

God's grace is not something mysterious, as some teach, but it is that which teaches us to live godly lives in His service (Tit. 2:11-12). It has already appeared. It is seen in His love He manifested in giving his Son, as well as in his word. By accepting His word, we accept his grace.

Faith is a prerequisite of salvation. In Romans 10:17 we are told that this is that which is formed in the minds of men by hearing the word of God. But here nor anywhere else in the Bible are we told that a person is saved by faith only. It is true that here we are told that it is apart from certain kinds of works, but not from all kinds. In John 6:29, Jesus said "This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent", and in Acts 10:35 Peter said that the person who "worketh righteousness is accepted with him." It is evident, then, that all kinds of works are not excluded, and therefore we must ascertain which works are accepted.

The kind of works that Paul mentions in this passage are the works which a person could boast of, not the works God has commanded. When a person has complied with God's will, or has obeyed his every command, he still cannot boast because he has not earned salvation, but it is still God's gift of His grace. Paul was emphasizing that salvation is "not of yourselves; it is the gift of God." Neither is it of boastful works, but it is the gift of God. But the point so many people fail to see is that this is a conditional gift. God gave Joshua the city of Jericho, but commanded him to compass the city for seven days and comply with other details, and the walls would fall down, and he could possess the city. Simply because there are certain stipulations attached to a gift does not annul the fact that it is still a gift. Paul here states that faith is a condition, and by a careful and thorough examination of other passages we can know assuredly that it is an obedient faith.

In Romans 5:1 we are told that a person is justified by faith, but in James 2:24 we are told that a person is justified by works and not faith only. In Acts 15:9 Peter said that the Gentiles purified their hearts by faith, but he said in I Pet. 1:22 that they had purified their souls by obeying the truth. In John 3:15-16 Jesus said that those who believe on him can have eternal life, but in Hebrews 5:9 it is stated that he is the author of eternal salvation to all that obey him. Now what is the conclusion from this? Do these passages contradict one another? Certainly not! They simply teach that both faith and works or obedience are necessary to be well pleasing unto God. As Paul stat-

improved facilities on all hands, and rapid progress toward entrance into the Southern Association, all are thrilling to see and know. A week's instruction here that will provide rich food for thought for months and years to come; the encouraging and inspiring nature of the things said; and the immensely heartwarming fellowship with many who toil with us and yet whom we have not seen for years; all these are of such a profound nature that I here and now give up any further efforts to describe them. Long live Freed-Hardeman College and the cause she strives to uphold!

## UNCLE DUDLEY



An Open Letter to the Students and Friends

Dear Students,

Wrongs are sometimes hard to forget. We are often prone to hold grudges against one another. As this New Year starts rolling by lets you and me forget one another's past mistakes. Uncle Dudley is going to try his best to see de good side of people and not judge de person by his past mistakes. After all is said and done, all of us is sinful creatures and merit nothing. We ought to pray to God not out of de sense of duty, but out of genuine love and gratitude for his being so merciful to forgive us of our sins.

If we has become proud and haughty we ought to know dat God will not forgive us because God resisteth de proud, but to that humble person he shows kindness and favor because dat humble, meek man is de one dat realizes dat he is a weak mortal and never lets one day go by without bowing on his knees in humble submission to our Maker.

Public prayer excuses the high-minded, haughty, doubleminded person, because he thinks he's praying when de fact is he ain't. When he say "Amen" to his prayer of asking God to forgive our sins, he mean in his mind, "God forgive dem of their sins." He don't think he's got sins. He dat prays to God with malice and unforgiveness in his heart for his brother ought not to expect our Creator to forgive him. If you and me see a brother who we know by outward actions is sinning, we ought to tell him. But you and me is so proud dat we don't tell dat brother because we would have to give up our own sinful pleasures.

Let us forgive each other our faults. Let us love one another as true Christians should. For "If we love one another God dwelleth in us and his love is perfected in us."

Sincerely,  
Uncle Dudley.

## DOES GOD HEAR PRAYER?

If radio's slim fingers  
Can pluck a melody  
From night and toss it o'er  
A continent or sea;  
If the petaled white notes  
Of a violin  
Are flown across a mountain  
Or a city's din;  
If songs like crimson roses  
Are culled from thin, blue air  
Why should mortals wonder  
If God hears prayer?  
—Ethel Romig Fuller

Let prayer be the key of the day and the bolt of the night.  
—J. P. Richter

ed, it is a "faith that works by love" that avails. (Gal. 5:6) Noah was saved by grace (Gen. 6:8), by faith (Heb. 11:7) and by obedience (Heb. 11:7 "prepared an ark") This has always been required by God, and to be saved by grace through faith, a person must obey God's word. The Ephesians (those to whom this letter was written) heard and believed the gospel (Eph. 1:13); they repented of their past sins (Acts 19:18); and were baptized for the remission of their sins (Acts 19:1-5; Eph. 5:26). When they had done this, Paul said they had been saved by grace through faith. If you would be saved by grace through faith, then obey God's commandments by love: "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments, and his commandments are not grievous" (I John 5:3).

By O. D. Morrow.





"What would you do if someone gave you a venire facias?" This question was asked to a number of people on our campus, and you should just hear the answers they gave. In fact, they were so good that I decided to pass them on to you. Get ready to laugh, 'cause here we go —

Barbara Colwell — Give it to Bill.

Ruby Taylor: I'd take a long vacation.

Betsy Gately: Eat it.

Ronnie Milton: Throw it away.

Raymond Tenpenny: Give it to my good friend.

Jane Pierce: Go to the moon on it.

Maizie Witty: Don't know, do you?

Joe Hardin: Give it to Sister Griffey to get on the good side of her.

Porter King: Eat it with a napkin in my lap.

Jerry Nowlin: Kill it afore it reproduced.

James Truner: Cut its tail off and walk it down the street backwards.

Gene Overton: Put it in the bank.

Ruby Yates: I'd admire it.

Shirley Montague: I don't know what I'd do.

Jean Bateman: Faint!

Annette Parrish: If it was worth it, I'd keep it; and if not, I'd give it to my roommates.

Ruth Carol Owens: Stick it on the top shelf of the closet and keep it there for later years.

Rene Thornton: Look it up in the dictionary and see what it is.

Bud Aldridge: I'd give it back.

Nancy Patterson: I'd wipe the mud off and smile.

Doug James: I'd read it for an assignment in Lit.

Bill Lewelling: Get rid of it the quickest way I could.

Bruce Hunt: Give it to Bro. Dixon and run.

Neale Pryor: Tell them "Thank you".

Myrt Darnall: I'd ask Bro. Gardner what to do with it.

For the benefit of all of you who have asked the meaning of the words venire facias, Webster defines it as "a judicial writ or precept used in summoning persons to appear in court to serve as jurors."

## TEACHER PERSONALITY

Our teacher personality this month has in years passed been a farmer, school teacher, flour salesman, radio news commentator, and preacher. He is none other than our beloved Bro. John Brinn.

Bro. Brinn was born in Calhoun County, Kentucky and moved to Dell, Arkansas when he was five years old, taking his parents with him. He attended grammar school in Murray, Ky. After completing his high school work he entered Murray State College and after one year there he transferred to Freed-Hardeman College where he graduated. The following year he enrolled as a special Bible student at F. H. C., after which he went back to Murray State to get his bachelor's degree and later to get his master's.

As a minister of the Gospel Bro. Brinn has done located work in Bandana, Kentucky, Columbus, Mississippi, and Murray, Ky.

He began his teaching career at Freed-Hardeman in the fall of 1952. Besides teaching during the week and preaching on Sundays, he finds time to read and play tennis.

### Rules For A Better Life

1. Go less, sleep more.
2. Ride less, walk more.
3. Talk less, think more.
4. Scold less, praise more.
5. Waste less, give more.
6. Eat less, chew more.
7. Clothe less, bathe more.
8. Worry less, laugh more.
9. Preach less, pray more.

## THE FREED-HARDEMAN CHORUS



The Freed-Hardeman chorus made its third appearance of the year at the lecture program on Tuesday night, January 5. That sounds like a very simple item of news, doesn't it? It sounds like the kind of news that people take more or less for granted. Let's investigate, however, and acquaint ourselves with the chain of events that have taken place to make that sentence possible.

In September, 1948, Bro. Jack Frost came to Freed-Hardeman College to accept a newly-made position on the faculty—that of chorus director. Is this a shock to some of you readers? Our chorus is only singing for its sixth season.

Bro. Kelly Doyle came to Freed-Hardeman in the fall of 1951, to become the second chorus director in the history of the college. This year marks his fourth season of good work with the chorus. This good work is not surprising when you take into consideration the amount of training Bro. Doyle has had along with his great natural ability. Bro. Doyle spent three years at Harding College, and then one at David Lipscomb, where he received his B. A. Degree. He has, with this degree, a major in voice and the equivalent of a major in music theory. Bro. Doyle has done a considerable amount of work toward his master's degree at Peabody. So, you see, the chorus director's job isn't one to be stepped into on a moment's notice.

Now let's talk for a bit about the members of the chorus themselves. There are now approximately 50 members, including 15 sopranos, 11 altos, 9 tenors, and 14 basses. These boys and girls had to try out for their places in the chorus. The tryouts consisted of a test, given to each student individually, and based on rhythmic ability, voice quality, and with special emphasis on hearing tonality. There were ten points on the test, and no student got into the chorus with a grade of less than 8 points. Sounds pretty rough, doesn't it?

Hours of practice go into the preparation of each program. The chorus now meets four times a week from 12:00 to 1:00. Extra practice hours are often called when the time for performance is drawing near.

Students in the chorus culti-

## GIRLS' RELIGIOUS TRAINING CLASS

Officers for the winter term have been elected and they are as follows: President, Betty Buchanan; Vice President, Marilyn Noble; Secretary, Ramona Stackpole; Reporter, Carey Baugus; Sergeants-at-arm, Maggie and Maizie Witty.

A teaching program is being planned for this term. It was begun last meeting with Miss Lora, Ruby Yates, Judith Pogue, and Bertha Faught making talks on how to teach small children. These speakers brought out many points which will be helpful to all those attending in their teaching young people.

Plans for January 22, 1954, are for the Training Class and the Preachers Club to meet together in the Chapel Hall to hear Brother Gerganus who has recently returned from Japan as a missionary.

vate a greater appreciation for really good music. Do you fully realize what different types of music go into a chorus program?

Already this year the chorus has sung hymns, religious folk songs, Oratorio, Bach chorales and songs in the Italian choral style. Before the year is over, they will sing other types, including madrigals, and some of the beloved American Negro spirituals.

As we mentioned before, the chorus has made three appearances this year: one, a special program during the fall; another, at Thanksgiving and another at the lectures. Many invitations have already come in for the trips that will be made before the year is over. These trips help much to draw new students and create a general interest in the school. This brings us to a very important topic of discussion. Do you realize that the chorus has to rent a county school bus for every trip that is made? It is a very difficult problem to arrange the hours to keep them from conflicting with the already busy schedule of the school bus driver. The solution to this problem is for Freed-Hardeman to purchase a bus of its own. This bus could be used for chorus trips and other trips of importance. What do you say, students? The bus fund now stands at \$912.35. If it reaches \$2000.00, a bus will be purchased. Do you want one??? It's up to you!

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It seems ages since I last let you all in on the latest, but since we all went home for Christmas I haven't found time. Don't think I didn't tune my ears for the holiday happenin's, tho. Have you counted the diamonds that our girls brought back? Yes, sir! there are four of them. Carolyn Sullenger, Bettye Smith, Helen Fike, and Rene Thornton. Poor Rene had to go all the way to Texas to get hers.

Joe didn't give Ruby a diamond but heard tell that he gave her a cedar chest so she could begin her "hope chest". That implies the same.

The mail man complained about having to deliver so many letters to Doris Jackson. I believe he said about three a day. I told him to see Jerrell Hill about that. Did your postman have the same trouble, Glenda Wade? Jim said he was proud to get back to school and save that stamp money he had been spending.

Some of the boys were anxious to get back in order to date "that girl" they had noticed just before the holidays. I'm thinking now of Bud Aldridge and Lloyd Barker. Seems they are quite pleased, too. Martha and Shirley aren't complaining either.

Olea Seay was one of the first to arrive. He heard that the contest for the "Most Handsome Boy" was soon to begin and he was looking forward for an opportunity to show the other boys

up. Several of the boys and girls were quite content at home, dating the hometown boys and girls. Isn't that right Barbara Beck, John Shelton, Parker Lacefield, Libby Harrison, Bobby Duncan, and Bobby Turner? Of course, it is very obvious to see that Martel Pace isn't in this group. He ran to the phone the minute he arrived and phoned the girl's dorm. Were you calling Linda? Oh, I forgot—the line was busy, Freddie was calling Delores—but she already had a date with Wayne.

The lectures seem to have provided an opportunity for the bashful boys around here to ask the girls for dates. Everyone held all their loose parts when Garland Whitehurst walked in with Joanne Crum. And did you see Rosemary Kopel? How in the world did you ever get Arnold to ask you? Tell us so someone can use it on the other new students.

Somebody call Cathy Bingham "City Morgue" and see if she blushes.

Eugene P. has been seen going toward the Moody residence lately. Better watch Ralph Black, Eugene.

Sammy C. who is your new flame? Miss Cummings wouldn't know anything about it would she?

Joe, wher'd you get that pretty girly, Oh, Hi Beverly!! You all seem to be doing pretty well. Good luck.

Say, it looks like the "Arkansas Traveler" has just had a "sun stroke". Careful there Margaret, Leon is weakening fast.

If you should see two boys walking down the street and one looks like he is talked down, the other one is Bobby Witherington.

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## THE FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE

The fall of the great Roman Empire was by Gibbon, the famous historian, attributed to five failures upon the part of the citizens of that empire. As you look at these, measure the conduct of our own nation beside them. How long can America stand?

1. Rapid increase of divorce, with the undermining of the sanity of the home, which is the basis of society.

2. Higher and higher taxes; and the spending of public money for bread and celebration.

3. The mad craze for pleasure; sports becoming every year more exciting and more brutal.

4. The building of gigantic armaments, when the real enemy was within; the decadence of the people.

5. The decay of religion; faith fading into mere form. Losing touch with life, and becoming impotent to guide.

These reasons for the fall of the great Roman Empire are sufficient to make people of the

## SOCIETY SPORTS NOW UNDERWAY

The Societies are on the hardwood again and interest has been running high.

Early in the season the scrappy Alpha Taus looked like the team to beat, but due to the loss of intra-mural stars, Meadows and Morrow to the college team, the Phi Kappas have taken the front seat. The latter team has won its three games by substantial margins of 38-28, 38-22, and 52-31. Carl Bowers, who is now playing with the varsity squad, has been the chief point maker, followed by Chandler. In the rebounding department, Garriott has been a thorn in the opponents' sides. Knight for the Alpha Taus; Booker and Allen for the Sigma Rhos and Rester for the Philos are the outstanding players for the other societies.

The following is the won-lost record for the societies.

	W	L
Phi Kappas	3	0
Alpha Taus	1	2
Philos	0	2
Sigma Rhos	1	1

By Don Willingham

### SIGMA RHO

The Sigma Rho society held their regular meeting on January 4. Leo Powers was elected as 1st Vice President in the place of Rene Thornton. As our president, Hershell Bybee, did not return after Christmas, Rene became our new president.

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## 11 Games Remain On Schedule

By Don Willingham

The Lions have eleven games remaining on the '53-'54 schedule. Due to one or two changes in the pre-season schedule we print it here:

Jan. 15 — Lipscomb — There  
Jan. 18 — Athens — Here  
Jan. 21 — Cinn. B. S. — Here  
Jan. 25 — Athens — There  
Jan. 28 — U.T.M.B. — There  
Feb. 1 — N. W. Miss — Here  
Feb. 4 — Martin — There  
Feb. 8 — Beebe J. C. — Here  
Feb. 11 — Lambuth — Here  
Feb. 18 — Beebe J. C. — There  
Feb. 22 — N. W. Miss — There

F.H.C. should, with a little luck, win at least 7 of those remaining games. They are slated to take Athens twice and should subdue Beebe Junior College in both contests. N. W. Mississippi and C.B.C. have seemingly fairly evenly matched thus far. Our Lions have ostracized C.B.C. twice and therefore, should take N. W. Mississippi. Martin College was walloped handily here earlier in the season. C.B.C. slipped up on Lambuth last Friday night and F.H.C. did the same. Cincinnati Bible School is of unknown quality, so we at least have a chance. Our Lions gave the Lipscomb Bisons gray hair and goose pimples in the Homecoming Game and the Nashville boys have experienced a dismal season ever since. We were barely nudged by U.T.M.B. in an earlier meeting. Let's hope the boys are way up for them this time.

So this writer has it "all fixed up" for the Lions to win all eleven of their remaining games. That would tally out 13 won and 8 lost for one of the best seasons since such noted sharpshooters as W. Claude Hall, C. P. Roland and M. K. Moody led the cagers in 1902.

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## Lions Thump C.B.C. 2nd Time

By Don Willingham

Sparked by their prodigious guard, Aaron Herron, Freed-Hardeman coasted to a fairly handy 77-59 win over CBC of Memphis Monday night.

The veteran Lions playmaker hit for 27 points mostly potted from 10 to 15 feet out. Herron was followed in the heaving department by teammate Elmer "Snooky" Lusk, a tireless and speedy forward. Lusk seemed to be cold in the early stages of the game but really caught fire in the last quarter, scoring frequently with his driving crisp shot.

Herron also starred on defense as well as lanky center, Charles Brown, who played his usual clean defensive game. Jimmy Williams, placed in the starting lineup for the first time this season turned in an excellent floor game.

Freed-Hardeman ran up a 6 point first period lead at 16-10 and were never behind at the quarters from there on. The Lions added 18 more in the second stanza while holding the Memphians to 14 for a 34-28 halftime margin.

CBC outscored the locals only in the third frame, 17-16 which narrowed the margin by 1 point and made the score 50-45 at the end of that quarter.

And then Mr. Lusk took over. The agile forward with the bronco buster legs led the Lions to a 27-point final period while holding the visitors to only 14. The Lions were going away.

One of the most improved players on the squad is Arkansas-sawyer Wayne Sams. Substituting in the game, Sams poured in 7 points. He has shown fine prosocialities in the last few games.

This marked FHC's third victory of the season, and the second from CBC. The Lions journey to Nashville Friday for a return contest with "bil-ole" Lipscomb. Watch out, Bisons! or "lile ole" Freed-Hardeman may catch you with your eyes closed or is that possible after your turkey-day scare???

FHC 77	—	CBC JC 59
Hardin 5	F	Durham 15
Lusk 18	F	Lafftry 7
Brown 9	C	Buck 12
Williams 4	G	Rowling 15
Herren 27	G	Stukenborg 4

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### IDEAL BOY

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Nose — E. M. Chandler.  
Walk — Bill Pierce.  
Feet — Tom Downey.  
Dimples — Bill Lewelling.  
Hands — Bobby Rutledge.  
Outlook on life — Fuzzy Warren.  
Intelligence — Neal Pryor.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By E. Claude Gardner

We are convinced of the merits of a formal education for all youth who can profit in the pursuit. Statistics from various Christian Colleges, high schools, and elementary schools indicate that Christian education is beginning to "catch on" among us a little more. Many high school graduates who are Christians should attend college in a Christian environment, but they have been discouraged, misinformed, and are uninformed about what they can get in such institutions. What are the selling points for this type training? Who are the friends that give financial and moral support, and encouragement to young Christians to attend such schools?

In response to a question, "Who or what influenced you to attend Freed-Hardeman College?" new students reply with a variety of answers. Here is a summary of the influences: A Christian college and its Bible training, faculty, parents, students, alumni and friends, congregations, preachers, reputation, size, proximity, and bulletins.

This institution was not selected nor recommended because of its ball team, largeness, fraternities, huge scholarships, but from things which count more. It is refreshing to know that many parents yet exercise enough leadership and initiative to guide their children in the pursuit of a Christian education. It is also encouraging to note the demonstration of support from faithful alumni. We say "Thank you" to several hundred former students who wish us well in every worthy endeavor.

We accept the responsibility of making all phases of education sound and wholesome. We pledge to keep the school Christian indeed.

### HOMEMAKERS CLUB

December 11th was the date of the Homemakers' gala Christmas party; the place, the home economics department. Colorful decorations added a festive note. After a program of appropriate carols, "Santa" passed out the gifts and we had fun opening them. Delicious refreshments were enjoyed. Miss Carolyn Daftary was the guest of honor and told us about the Christmas customs of her native country, Iran.

A Bible in the hand is worth two in the bookcase.

Substitutes: FHC, Sams 7, Morrow 2, McDowell 2, Eubanks 3. CBC: Shelly 6.

Score by Quarters:

FHC	16	18	16	27	77
CBC	14	14	17	14	59