

106 Graduates To Hear Sweet

Twilight graduation exercises for 106 Freed-Hardeman College students receiving the Associate in Arts degree Thursday, May 31, will feature a commencement address by Dr. Gordon W. Sweet, Executive Secretary of the Commission on Colleges and Universities in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of Atlanta, Ga.

As Executive Secretary, Dr. Sweet coordinates the activities of the central office staff of the Commission. He travels widely and constantly over the eleven southern states serving as a general consultant to colleges seeking initial accreditation, and with advice as they organize and plan for the Institutional Self-Study.

Dr. Sweet received the B. S.



Dr. Sweet

degree in Music from Eastern Michigan University, and the Master of Music degree in Musicology from the University of Michigan. He did advanced graduate study in art history at Iowa State University. He served as instructor at the University of Michigan and at Queens College prior to his appointment as Professor and Head of the Division of Fine Arts at Queens in 1945. Four years later he was elevated to the position of Dean of the college. He has been awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Texas Wesleyan College.

Dr. Sweet is a native of New York State but lived for almost 20 years in North Carolina before moving to Atlanta in 1958. He is married to the former Ann Vann of Ahoskie, North Carolina. The Sweets have two sons.

Baccalaureate Sermon

The baccalaureate will be delivered by Orlan Miller of Laurel, Mississippi, at 10 a.m., May 31, at the Henderson Church of Christ. In September, Mr. Miller will serve as head of the Speech Department at Freed-Hardeman College. Mr. Miller attended F-HC, Abilene Christian College, the University of Alabama, and Louisiana State University.

Honored Graduates

The graduates will attend a reception as guests of President and Mrs. Dixon Thursday evening at the Dixon home.

They will be honored at the Alumni banquet in the college cafeteria at 7 Friday night.

Dean E. Claude Gardner has scheduled the annual Dean's Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. Afterwards the class picture will be taken.

Honor Students

Graduating summa cum laude is Nancy Helen White, Bells, Tenn. Three are graduating magna cum laude. They are Johnny Cecil Malone, Henderson, Tenn.; John Quarles, Cun-

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A Letter From The Dean

Dear Graduates of the Class of 1962:

Congratulations to the 106 graduates in the Class of 1962. You are to be commended for this accomplishment. You are, therefore, to be complimented for your diligence, determination, and perseverance. Your Associate in Arts degree will help you tremendously in your life's work. Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg states, "Your diploma and the effort you have put into earning it will serve you well in today's world."

In your class 15 states are represented. Tennessee has 59 listed and Alabama has 14. The next highest is Mississippi with six. There are 41 planning to pursue work in Education, 20 in Bible and 17 in Business Administration. In addition, there are students that have majored in Art, Home Economics, Liberal Arts, Mathematics, Music, Pre-Med, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Nursing, Pre-Pharmacy, Social Work and Physical Education.

May we express to you the pleasure it has been to have had you in Freed-Hardeman College. You have received a Christian education and you have, therefore, received some values that will always be a blessing to you. By having been a student in Freed-Hardeman College you should be more capable, more zealous, more consecrated as you engage in life's pursuit and in the work of the church. We wish you well in your future plans. We shall count on your abiding interest and loyalty through the years.

If we may help you in any way we shall be glad to be of service.

Sincerely,

E. Claude Gardner

Dean-Registrar

Editors Named For F-HC Publications



Speegle and Burns

Editors and co-workers for the 1962-63 Freed-Hardeman college student publications have been selected.

Co-editing the TREASURE CHEST, F-HC's yearbook, will be Louise Burns, of Memphis, Tenn., and Gail Speegle, of Decatur, Alabama.

Clark Hicks, of Henderson, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Olan Hicks, will edit the SKYROCKET next year.

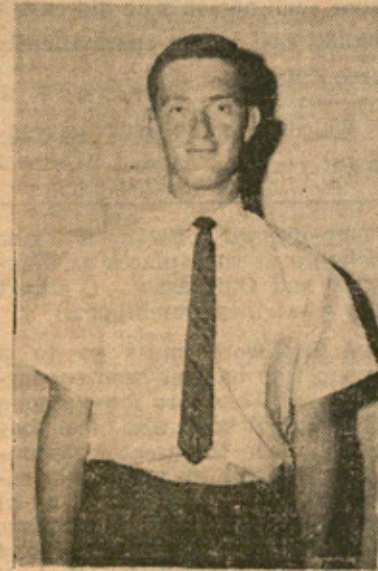
The new editors of the TREASURE CHEST both held honors in high school. Miss Burns graduated first in a class of 303 from Treadwell High School in Memphis.

Mr. Hicks also held many honors in high school, graduating fifth in a class of 112. He was also a semi-finalist in National Merit Scholarship competition.

Assistant editor for the SKYROCKET will be Kathie Rivers, staffer this year writing the regular "Assignment: F-HC" column.

Assisting yearbook editors Speegle and Burns will be James Webster, recent candidate for Student Council president. He is from Northport, Alabama.

Carolyn King, of Dyersburg, Tenn., will serve as TREASURE CHEST business manager. She will be assisted by Levi Sides, third year Bible major.



Hicks
KUDOS FOR BURLESON
Joe Burleson, Bernie, Mo., sophomore, has been selected to receive the Skyrocket's Sportsman-of-the-year trophy. See story page 4.

Teachers Leave To Study More

by Kathie Rivers

"I'd rather be despised than forgotten," rang out the clear words of a man whose convictions are as strong as he. The words of Jimmy Potts will long be remembered in the minds of F-HC students. Mr. Potts will be remembered too, not despised, as a man with whom you could talk freely. A person who treated every student on an adult level, friendly with all yet showing no favoritism.

Mr. Potts, a true scholar, will be leaving to work toward his Ph.D. degree in English at the University of Mississippi. As instructor of English Composition, Survey of English Literature,

and Bible, Mr. Potts has proved himself to be one of the most adept professors ever to work at F-HC. "Those who know him best love him most" is the application that could be made to this fabulous Christian, husband and father, teacher, and man.

"Wittiness, and culture personified" could be said of another great professor found on the campus of FHC. David Thomas will also be leaving to obtain his Ph.D. in Speech at the University of Illinois. Mr. Thomas, debate coach, teacher of fundamentals of speech, argumentation, and logic, is very enthusiastic with his future plans in

Urbana, Illinois.

Mr. Thomas is known best by the Debate Squad who could not esteem anyone higher than this loveable person who truly has a desire for the finer and more learned things in life.

With him leaves the chairman of the Home Economics department, Reba Thomas. Her hospitality towards the students has been manifested time after time. It's just a shame that two of the best are married and consequently, have to leave at the same time!

Both Mr. Potts and Mr. Thomas plan to return to our campus upon completion of work on their degree.

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Shoe Pledges Best Work

ASSIGNMENT: F-HC

Looking Back To A New Moon

by Kathie Rivers

Well, the old path of higher learning has just about all been trodden. The sun of time is right before us, sinking to its destiny. A cool breeze of pleasant memories sweep over us as we journey down the rest of this weary-worn path. With a heart that is filled with mixed emotions we turn . . . slowly and deliberately, for we know that no trip is complete without some moments of retrospect.

As we look back we see in the far distance, which seemed like only yesterday, a new moon . . . the new moon of experiences. The classes, the making of new and lasting friends, the hours of room and library study, the bond between teacher and pupil, the intramurals, all of it makes up that dear old man in the moon; a man of experience. Surrounding us on every side we see trees . . . some tall, some new, others old; and, some of the strongest to be found. You suddenly realize that the leaves of sharing, giving, holding, laughing, crying, taking, loving, all the ingredients that made your friendship so strong, will not wither away. All these friends, all these faculty members, just everyone, you wish you could stop and say "Thank you" "Thank you for contributing someone to my growing up, thanks for adding something warm and lasting to my life." You find a lump in your throat, for you realize that you will never really be able to say that to each person; but you realize, too, that the thanks will stay in your heart for the rest of your life.

Some of us realize that we will never stand on the campus of F-HC again as a student. As one stands and looks at the lone buildings that surround him he fully comprehends the true impact of his beloved Alma Mater. For after all is gone and the Bell Tower hovers over the school in serene calmness against a clear blue sky we stop; we stop and think of the closeness we attained with God, with fellow student; and the added faith and strength we found in ourselves.

As we look down we see many stones; stones of heartache and troubles. But with the metamorphosis of time we found ourselves noting that our troubles had melted away into nothing.

by Johnny Malone

A Memphis, Tenn., Bible major has been elected president of the 1962-63 Freed-Hardeman College Student Council.

Larry Shoe, a 1960 graduate of Whitehaven High School, eased by Jimmy Webster in a special runoff election Friday, May 4.

In an official statement to the F-HC student body last week, President Shoe stated:

"Thanks so much for the vote of confidence you have placed in me! This great honor and responsibility could never have been possible without the help of so many fine friends. I will try to the best of my ability to stand up for the students and accomplish those things that are necessary for a happy student body."

As if to back up campaign promises, Shoe acceded to a Skyrocket request and pledged adequately publicized Student Council meetings during the year by working with a Council reporter and issuing regular news releases to the student newspaper.

In the same election, Patsy Hardin defeated Linda Cox and Sharon Riddick to become the new Student Council secretary.

While no salient issues emerged from this year's election, student interest reached an all-time high as more than 90 percent of the student body voted in all phases of the election.

They are not only stones but pebbles of added experience and rocks of furthered maturity.

To each of you a sincere "Good Luck". It's been great getting to know each of you a little better through this media. Some of you may not know me through this way at all; that's still another attribute to journalism . . . you don't have to read it unless you like it! Even though some of us freshmen will return, it will lack something without you sophomores and third year class. As my grandmother once told me "Be truthful and remember always your Maker". With this, the one-time neophyte takes leave of you.

Phi Kappas

Elect Craighead

In its last meeting the Phi Kappa Alpha Social Club elected Ed Craighead president for the first part of the fall semester.

Betsy Mitchell was selected as club secretary.

Outgoing president and secretary are Paul Spears and Freeda Skelton.

A Final Word

In the clearing in the dense, primeval forest, in the oasis in the sun-drenched desert, in the night at the end of a work-filled day, a respite is offered, a challenge is presented, a duty is outlined.

It is for us who are earth-bound, who see much, think much, but know very little, to find our own little clearing, our own verdant oasis, our own restful night.

To most of us, that means a fact-facing realization: that clearings, and oases and restful nights are few in number in this global life and are satisfactory only insofar as they are anticipated.

Thinkers may conjure up ideals and media for immortal happiness, but they seem never to find reality (men see much, think much, but know very little!) Dogmatists orate because they are thinkers.

Our greatest need and only hope is Jesus and all He stands for. When we realize that He is the only real clearing, the only real oasis, the only real night, then all the dense forests, all the desert wastes, all the laborious days are but preludes to their antitheses. If we realize this fact then Life is great, and the Reward is greater!

Half-way Between

by Louise Burns

A few years ago a New York Times linotype operator created a new word. It is a word of tremendous possibilities, although it may have a very brief life.

The linotype operator's story dealt with a certain public official who was considered by the State Department to be, so the story said, a "poor security risk." Obviously there must be some mental conflict represented in the creation of this word, since it fluctuates half-way between good and poor. How many things are there in life that dangle halfway between good and poor?

"How was the play last night?" someone might ask and one could answer, "Oh, not too good, not too bad. Just about poor, I'd say."

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ALUMNI BANQUET HONORS SENIORS

F-HC graduating seniors and third year Bible class will be honored at the annual Freed-Hardeman Alumni Banquet Friday night at 7, according to a release from the college public relations office.

The dinner will be free to seniors and third year graduates but others will pay \$1.25 per plate. The meal will be served by Morrisons in the college cafeteria.

W. A. Bradfield, F-HC promotional director, emphasized this week that even though graduates will be particularly recognized at the fete, former students, friends of Christian education, and guests are especially invited.

The program will include a welcome by Alumni Association president, J. A. Thornton, songs by the F-HC quartets and the SNEA trio, and election of officers for the next school year.

Saying Farewell With A Hope And A Thank-You

by Johnny Malone

Well, F-HC college days are almost over, along with term papers, student government elections, morning chapel, friendly conversation—and editing a junior college newspaper.

I have really enjoyed editing this little sheet, notwithstanding the innumerable deadlines that the staff and I had to meet. I hope that, in some little way, the Skyrocket was just a tab better this year than in previous ones. I readily admit that the paper never was just the way I wanted it to be—perhaps it never could be.

All things considered, however, the paper received more praise than criticism (probably receiving more than its share of the latter). For this I am happy. I take very little credit for the scattered applause. As some of you have already guessed, the staff and not the editor make a newspaper.

This is the first Simon-pure publication I have ever edited, and I hope this will be excuse enough (if there can be excuse!)

for any unintentional blunders that have been made. Since I plan to make journalism my career, I have appreciated the editorship this year, since it taught me some basics I could not have otherwise learned.

Collegiate journalism today is going through a heat of radicalism on many of the nation's campuses. Several college administrations have adopted a complete hands-off policy in their relations with the campus newspaper. As a result, naive and inexperienced hot-heads take charge of campus journals and flames of radicalism inevitably explode.

A short while ago the editor of a New Mexico college newspaper was fired from his position because he had filled his columns with articles condemning segregation, which was not necessarily the position of the school.

Then there are some collegiate newspapers that carry the "foreign news" bit a little too far. Harding's Bison in its May 3 issue has articles displaying such titles as: "Communism in Greece", "The Iconoclast: Ame-

rican Writers Exert Influence on People," "Is the UN a Panacea?" In addition there is a letter to the editor condemning the King-Anderson (Medicare) Bill now in Congress. I am not against occasional comment in a college newspaper on national and international controversies. I AM opposed to carrying such moot discussions to the extreme of originating dogmatic assertions that could have far-reaching implications, not only for the writer himself, but for the college as well.

I am thankful that Freed-Hardeman College has not allowed minorities to take charge of campus activities. In the realm of the Skyrocket, I am happy that I had the privilege of working amid an environment of neither strict control nor complete freedom. I hope that such an atmosphere continues.

In parting, I extend thanks to Mr. Potts, all the staff members, the administration and the faculty, and the student body for giving me a year of collegiate journalism experience that I shall never forget.

RELIGION IN LIFE

Bid Farewell to Your Doubts

by George Warren

A boy was dressing to go out for the evening. He inquired of his mother, who was in an adjoining room: "Mother, is this shirt dirty?"

Without so much as looking, she replied: "Yes, it's dirty; put on a clean one."

When he dressed he entered his mother's room and inquired of her how she knew the shirt was not clean when she had not looked at it. "If it had been clean," she replied, "you would have known it and not asked me." "Remember son, if it's doubtful it's dirty."

A great sermon lies in the thought of this little story whether the story be true or not. It applies to all who flirt with temptation or approve that which is doubtful.

In a very short while we are all going to bid the walls of

Freed-Hardeman College adieu. Some will return, some will enter other colleges and universities and some will be leaving school for good. While here we have learned the main principles of right and wrong, but as we leave many questions are going to enter our mind as to whether a thing is right or wrong. While we are away from the counseling of the educated people around us we are going to have to determine for ourselves whether a thing is right or wrong.

No matter where we go after leaving Freed-Hardeman we are going to face temptation on every hand. The supreme training which we have received here is going to aid us greatly in overcoming these temptations. But what about the things which we cannot definitely, with New Testament scriptures, say are legal or illegal spiritually. "If there is any doubt it is dirty."

This short but meaningful statement could save us much disappointment in the day of reckoning. These principles which have been molded into our lives during the past few months will create doubt in our mind on actions which are questionable in the sight of others as well as ourselves.

When we ignore our doubts we are flirting with the evils of the devil. Also by ignoring our doubts we begin to crumble the foundation of Christianity upon which we stand. Our soul needs insurance against such crumbling. The amount of insurance we take out on our soul would be determined by the life we lead and by the way we interpret our doubts. As we leave school, we should ask ourselves how much our soul is worth and then guide our lives according to that estimation. We can add to the security of our soul by refraining from that which is "doubtful and dirty". The next time you wonder about a certain action, remember this little statement: "If it's doubtful it is dirty."

The Great American Privilege

by Richard Crispell

A few days ago 468 students exercised a privilege which few people on this planet enjoy. Each one wielded this power without fear of incrimination. What is this privilege and power? It is the privilege of standing on one's own two feet and choosing the leaders of the student government. By casting a ballot each one was saying in

effect, "This is the young man or woman I choose to head the student government." As an American college student each one was free to vote as he saw fit notwithstanding the allegiance of his friends or pressures brought to bear on him.

A smashing 91 percent of the student body voted—an improvement over the figure for the 1960 National presidential election in which only 63.5 per-

cent of the qualified voters took the time to cast their ballots. Congratulations to the students who voted, for showing such great interest in their government. To be effective this interest must lead to an active interest in national, state, and local politics.

The student body now has the duty to give the new government its full support in the coming year. Even the 9 percent who were either too lazy or too apathetic to vote are obligated,

for this is the American way. If you shirked your duty as an American then you deserve that type of government for which you voted (none)!

Only the individual knows whether or not he voted intelligently. The important thing is that each person who did cast a ballot, cast for a permanently free America.

Welcome to the new government.

SPRING RECITAL IS TONIGHT

Voice, piano, and organ selections will be featured tonight at 7:30 in the college auditorium in the annual spring recital.

Students of Kelly Doyle and John McDonald will present the program.

There will be no admission charge and all are invited to attend.

FOREGROUND

Why Not To Come Back

by Jerry Willis

As we near the end of another school year, we will all hear many talks and reasons why we should point our feet in this direction in about three months. To be different, I would like to give some reasons why we should not come back. After all, what does college accomplish?

First, let's look at the academic side of it. Since the average college graduate only gets about \$20,000 more per each semester he was in college, we can see that a person who drops out before getting his degree will

more than make up for it by working that extra three or four years. A person who is out working will not have to obey all these silly rules about taking time to study each night. After coming in from a blissful day of ditch digging, he can joyfully throw himself on his swayed couch and open a can of sardines for supper. Then after refreshing himself, the dropout can drop off to a peaceful sleep in preparation for his wonderful workday which begins at 6:30 the next morning.

Next is the social side of life. After becoming acquainted with

his work associates he will be invited to many of their activities. He will enjoy these activities because these people don't have a Christian education and are not prejudiced by avid reading of the Bible as is the manner of some. After becoming adept in beer drinking, telling "witty" stories, wife-swapping, and the various other "hellthful" activities of The Good Earth, he will be accepted into the hearts of those he loves and works with.

The potential dropout is undoubtedly interested in the religious side of life in the outside world, since he probably made the final decision to drop out after taking one of Brother Woodson's tests. He will probably fit into a group called the

"Out-of-town Brethren" who worship at such places as Pickwick and Chickasaw. (I didn't say what they worshipped.)

A final word must go to a group who haven't been encouraged yet. These are those among the student body who feel they cannot face the greater responsibility of college and would rather aim for that lower goal of marriage. I realize that college carries many responsibilities and I agree wholeheartedly that if you can't make it in college, the next best thing would be to marry.

I sincerely ask that all of you consider my thoughts and stay out of college.

Have a productive summer. See you next year.

THE SKYROCKET

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James Potts, Jr. Advisor

Published fortnightly except during holidays and semester tests by the students of Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tennessee.

Letters

Dear Johnny:

I don't want the last issue of the paper to go to press without my expression of gratitude for the excellent job you have done on the paper this year. It has been a good work of journalism. I have been proud of every issue.

Few people are willing to accept responsibility for a difficult job, as you have done; and fewer still are able to handle it so well. Please accept my sincere thanks for such faithful, excellent work.

Best wishes to you in your future ventures in journalism.

Sincerely,

James B. Potts, Jr.

(Ed's Note: With humble thanks.)

Dear Sir:

As you know, the administration has expressed concern about the scanty attendance at the Artist Series programs.

It seems to me that part of this problem might be solved if the students weren't made to feel that they are forced to attend. When the library closes, etc., students get the feeling that the program is being forced on them. They don't like that, and so they "rebel" and refuse to go.

Perhaps consideration of this problem might produce better audiences, in the future, for these entertaining and beneficial programs.

Sincerely,

Sherry Brown

(Ed's Note: Another headache, President Shoe.)

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John Hollingsworth, instructor of Bible and music, will leave F-HC to become the minister of the Church of Christ at Freeport, Texas.

Mr. Hollingsworth, with his wife and three children, have contributed much to the faculty; he has done outstanding work with the small group of persons who gathered to form a "band". Taking the material and persons available, Mr. Hollingsworth did a marvelous job. Many young men will remember him for his courses in song-leading and the valuable knowledge they attained there.

Marilyn's Glamour Gab

by Marilyn Randolph

Spring fever really hit this weekend and romance really blossomed. You can tell it's getting near the end of school because many are becoming engaged. Congratulations, everybody.

In my column, I've tried to stress ideals and give opinions on glamour. Any girl on this campus could do the same if she read and studied about it. In this, my last column, I would like to print the words of a woman who has actually summed up what glamour and beauty really are. "Beauty has always been of universal interest to women and men alike. It is possible to develop beauty that is captivating, sacred and compelling."

This life is the dressing room in which to prepare for eternity. Physical bodies, whether beautiful or otherwise, will decay. Beauty consists of three types: a. natural, b. physical, c. spiritual. Which is more important?

If there be anyone whose power is in beauty, in purity, in goodness, it is a woman.

Oh! Almost forgot! There is a girl on a certain fully accredited junior college campus that once

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Modern Art ... A Rebuttal

Editor's Note: Pleading for equal time, art student Suzanne Polk rebuts below Ron Wilkins' condemnation of Modern Art in the last Skyrocket.

Modern art is a very pure form of self-expression just as poetry or music; it is the attempt of a painter to project a mood, feeling, experience or idea to the viewer. One reason for the harsh criticism of abstract art is that modern art requires something of the viewer—imagination. It is easier to casually observe a realistic painting than to take the extra time and modicum of imaginative interpretation to view an abstraction of the same scene.

It is very trite indeed to drag out the exception to prove the rule. Is it sound reasoning to condemn a thing on the grounds of a personal dislike, misunderstanding or prejudice? It is simple to laugh at the painting monkeys and the sports car tracks without mentioning men such as Picasso and Jackson Pollock who have excelled in not only the abstract painting realm but also have produced many accurately realistic works. Just because some people don't like Shakespeare's works does not mean that his works are so good or that his literary achievements are invalid. This attitude would be termed cynical and narrow-minded until applied to art. As Alexander Pope said,

"In search of wit these lose their common sense,

And then turn critics in their own defense; . . ."

I believe that one should look at the modern paintings in light of their titles with a positive attitude; one should read about contemporary painters and observe and scrutinize their works more closely and objectively; one should discuss rationally and intelligently his position with others; and then, one should be better able to arrive at a sensible and precise decision as to his like or dislike of modern art. One must also justify his position intellectually, retaining always an open mind.

There will always be dogmatic, self-made art critics who set themselves up as experts in a field in which their knowledge is obviously lacking and extremely deficient. They will, by childish condemnation and hasty generalizations, keep themselves and others of their followers from an appreciation of a most vivid and sensuous art form.

Art. Dept. Growing

by Thomas L. Hopkins

A Skyrocket reporter recently asked the Chairman of the Art Department, Richard Hackett, for the following information concerning the growth of and prospects for the Art Department.

"This has been a very successful year for the Art Department. Class enrollment increased from eighteen students in the fall semester to sixty-four during the Spring Semester. We are offering the courses necessary to art majors and general education students. Our facilities are comparable to and in many ways surpass those of larger colleges and universities.

"We are looking to the future with plans for additional courses such as Ceramics, Sculpture, Graphics, Jewelry making, and commercial art.

"Our strategic location between Memphis and Nashville, plus being only twenty minutes from Jackson enables us to collaborate with other colleges and universities with exchange Art exhibits.

"Wholesome competition is also offered to the student through the various colleges, museums, and art associations in the surrounding area.

"A campus Art Club has been formed this year giving the students experience as members of a professional organization and promoting the fine arts in the campus activities.

"We are dedicated to educating students in the Visual Arts with emphasis on appreciation and application, for everyone desiring to know more about himself and his environment."

Phi Beta Lambda Elects Posey

Phi Beta Lambda members at their last meeting of the semester elected new officers for the 1962-63 school year. The new leaders of this club are: Flavil Posey, president; Bobbie Sanders, secretary and James Montague, treasurer.

Also, at this meeting the present constitution with revisions said she had never gotten her name in the paper. So, Deanna, you asked for it! Deanna, you are now getting your name in print. I hope you read this article, Deanna. Well, Deanna, you now have had your name in the famous Skyrocket four times.

Since all good things must come to an end, I must bid farewell to the school year and you, F-HC'ers. It has been great and everyone will always have long and lasting memories of our Alma Mater.

STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Norman Lewis, a camera-bug of the enthusiastic sort, has served as the staff photographer for the Skyrocket this semester. With Dan Gibson, Norman has also photographed for the Treasure Chest.

The Skyrocket wishes to thank both these boys for the work they've done on our school publications.

was read and was accepted as amended.

For the final activity of the year, Phi Beta Lambda is planning a picnic at Chickasaw Park for tomorrow.



Posey

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ningham, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Wade Edward Craighead, Shelbyville, Tenn. The following eleven graduate cum laude: Daphene Kennedy, Humboldt, Tenn.; Kathy Jane Bailey, Reagan, Tenn.; Donna Kaye Brackeen, Athens, Ala.; Helen Ernestine White, Lake, Miss.; Marilyn Kay Karnes, Kevil, Ky.; Royce Lee Dickinson, Henderson, Tenn.; Martha Carolyn Keith, Milan, Tenn.; Mona Judy Epperson, Haleyville, Ala.; Ethelwyn Haley Dobbs, Haleyville, Alabama; James Henry Bailey, Jr., Glen Rock, Penn.; and Lillie Vernice Jarrett, Erin, Tenn.

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SNEA's Benefit From Western State Work

by Kitty Herron

The project at the top of almost every SNEA's list is the work at Western State, the interest in and enthusiasm for this work has continued to increase throughout the year. There are several reasons for this, chief of which is the feeling of every SNEA'er that he has been of service, helping in a small way to combat our nation's number one disease, mental illness.

The visits, which are made twice a month, usually consist of a visiting session with the sixty patients on the ward, which the SNEA "adopted" three years ago, entertainment of various kinds, refreshments and hymn singing. During this short time, approximately four hours a month, the SNEA has been able, merely by showing an interest in these patients, and letting them know that they do have friends who are sincerely interested in them, to accomplish what some doctors considered almost impossible. Two of the ladies in particular have made remarkable progress; one lady is going to be dismissed. The patients are not the only ones who benefit from these visits. Every SNEA'er feels that he is the beneficiary. When he enters the ward, he is welcomed by smiles on the patients' faces and the light in their eyes. This feeling of being needed and appreciated is present throughout the entire visit, and, when it is time to leave, he feels he is very fortunate.

Every SNEA'er will always remember the Western State work as one of his richest and most rewarding experiences.

PHI THETA KAPPA ELECTS OFFICERS

The Phi Theta Kappa honor society elected officers last Tuesday for the 1962-63 school year.

Harold Bolton was elected president and Thomas Franklin was picked as the new vice president.

Kathy Harrison was selected as the new secretary. Linda Lane Cox was elected treasurer.

Dean E. Claude Gardner sponsors the organization.

Attend Cotton Carnival

On May 11 and 12, the SNEA climaxed a very successful year with a two-day trip to the Cotton Carnival in Memphis. Leaving the campus late Friday afternoon, some 75 SNEA'ers were met on arrival in Memphis by members of the Getwell and Dunn Church of Christ, who opened their homes to them for the night.

After a devotional service an educational and fun-filled day began early Saturday morning with a trip to the Memphis Municipal Airport, where excited SNEA'ers were allowed to board a plane for a look inside. A fascinating visit to the Memphis Museum, better known as the Pink Palace, was next on the agenda, followed by a picnic lunch in Overton Park. After lunch a delightful hour was spent in the zoo in the park, after which the group headed for downtown Memphis where an exciting afternoon was spent at the carnival enjoying the exciting rides.

Following a trip across the Mississippi River on the Memphis-Arkansas bridge with those who wished hiking back across it, the group enjoyed a picnic supper in Riverside Park, followed by a period of devotion.

Highlighting the day and a wonderful weekend was the beautiful Cotton Carnival parade, after which tired but happy SNEA'ers returned to the campus.

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In fact, nearly everything, including people, falls into the pood category. Most singing is pood. Most people are pood sports. Most chapel programs are of the pood variety unless, of course, they are presented by the Sigma Rho's. (Note from a Phi Kappa editor: Wonder to what Social Club Miss Burns belongs.)

Most people have a pood time at parties, and enjoy pood health.

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Lowly Lions Win Over Lambuth, U-T; Bethel Doubles Up

by Carl Wade

The Freed-Hardeman baseball team remains in its slump with only three victories for the season. After their seventh loss of the year to Lambuth on April 26, the Lions appeared to be shaping up, first with a victory over Lambuth on May 9 and then with another win over the University of Tennessee's "Baby Vols" from Martin, Tennessee. But, the apple cart was upset once more and the Lions dropped two in a row—both to Bethel College.

After losing to Lambuth 8-4 in April, the "slugging" Lions slipped momentarily back into the winners' circle with a close 7-6 win over Lambuth the ninth of this month. Joe Combs pitched one of the best games of the season, going seven and one-third innings and giving up only two hits. The Lions had the lead throughout the game until the ninth inning, when, in desperation, Lambuth made a last moment rally and scored two runs which added to their previous four, and tied the game at six all. Spencer then was sent in to finish on the mound in Combs' place. In the tenth, Stan Little got a base on balls and the following hitter, Thompson, doubled and Little crossed home scoring the winning run. Aside from the excellent pitching by the "southpaw" Joe Combs, another highlight of the game was the two home-runs in succession hit by Dave (Hoss) Thompson and Joe Burleson. With no one on base, Thompson hit one that cleared the high left field fence and had all appearances of going into orbit. Joe Burleson, not to be outdone, apparently felt that "Hoss" had "set the tone" and belted a homer almost before the dust had time to settle from Thompson's hit.

On the 11th, the Lions were able to draw blood from the "Baby Vols" of UTMB and eke out revenge for their first loss of the season that was administered by UTMB.

Spencer was the winning pitcher for the Lions giving up only two hits to the Volunteers. The "Baby Vols" scored three runs in the second inning but then lost their touch and consequently the game.

The Lions exploded in the first inning and staggered the Vols with four runs. The Lions managed to compile eight hits for the game and a total of five runs. With the last out of the ninth inning the Lions had chewed the Vols 5-3.

The two encounters with Bethel ring another tone. On both the 12th and 14th the Lions found the Bethel Wildcats with

too much power.

The first game at Bethel was won by the Wildcats 4-2. Hart was the losing pitcher. The two runs for the Lions were scored by Glover and Thompson. The Lions managed to rack up ten hits but they couldn't put enough together to make a good score. Bethel scored their four runs in the fourth inning from an error on the Lions part.

The second game played on the 14th at Freed-Hardeman again found Bethel taking the victory 6-2. The Lions were fortunate in getting one hit the whole game when Stan Little tripled. The Wildcats crossed the plate three times in the third inning, and from there on it was a down-hill slide for the Wildcats with the Lions pulling in their claws and ceasing to show their fangs any more during the game. But the Wildcats kept their fangs bared and with thirteen hits eased by FHC 6-2. Fletcher was the losing pitcher and Holbrook was the winning pitcher.

F-HC NETTERS DOWN BETHEL

The Freed-Hardeman "Gentlemen of the Courts" succeeded in bringing down Bethel for the second time this season. In the first match the Lions defeated Bethel 5-4, on April 17 at Freed-Hardeman. On May 14, the Lions made a jaunt to Bethel and commenced to easily down Bethel on their own courts. Bethel managed to win only one set of singles with their number one man overpowering Pat Muddock. It was a good day for the Lions and the fellows made a good showing. The final score was 7-2, the Lions winning.

Two other days that proved not to be "good days" were the two encounters with Martin College and Lambuth.

Earlier this season the underpracticed and inexperienced Lions were trodden over by an experienced Lambuth team. The second match between these two on May 10 found Freed-Hardeman with a slightly more experienced team but not enough to edge the gentlemen from Lambuth. The match was hard fought and the loss was bitter with the score 5-4 in favor of Lambuth.

The Lions were shut out in their match with Martin College of Pulaski, Tennessee, played on May 3. The score was 7-0, with Martin making a clean sweep of both singles and doubles play.

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A Fair Year That Could Have Been Better

by Carl Wade

This wasn't Freed-Hardeman's year for baseball. And, like last year, it has been only a fairly good year for tennis. As any other team of the various sports, we had the material, but somewhere during the season that winning combination of coach and team failed to get together to win and keep on

winning.

In baseball we won a trio of games and most of the games we lost were played on our "bad days". We can be consoled in the fact that in every encounter we placed a strong "second." I dare say that the three games we won were played on the "bad day" for each of the losing teams. There is little doubt though, that on the May 9th game against Lambuth Joe Combs pitched a terrific game, holding Lambuth to only two hits. Jerry Spencer hurled a good game against UTMB also and allowed the Vols only two hits and wrapped that game up as a victory for the Lion team.

Three of the good hitters for the Lions have been Bill Dinger, Dave Thompson and Joe Burleson, who were all slugging a good .400 and above (until the last game).

The tennis team has come a long way since the beginning of the season. Win or lose the last game, they have little to regret. They were up against some experienced competition and they held their own considering their

MARTIN TAKES TWIN BILL

Martin College defeated Freed-Hardeman in dual competition Thursday and nailed the lid down on the Lions' baseball and Tennis season.

The Lions returned from Martin two weeks ago with a 14-2 victory. Rhea Hart was the pitcher and hurled a good game. The second encounter between Martin and FHC resulted in a loss, the third in a series of losses and the eleventh of the season. The Lions led throughout the game until the eighth when Martin was able to bring in three runs.

On the courts, Martin was able to rake over Freed-Hardeman 5-2.

experience. The team progressed right along and I was wrong (which isn't something unusual) in thinking this would be Coach Witt's first losing season in eleven years.

All in all this school year of sports has been fair. Not too bad, but still there won't be any heads swelling because of an outstanding record.

Burleson Selected Mr. Sportsman

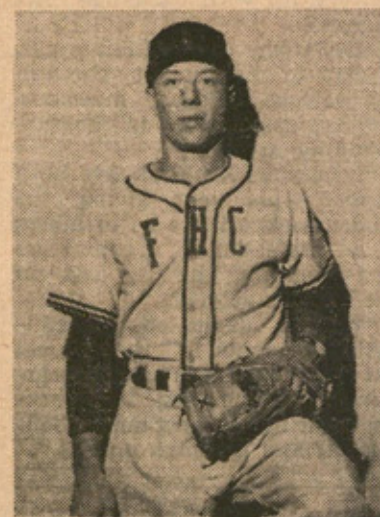
Joe Burleson has been elected by the coaches and Skyrocket sports staff "Mr. Sportsman of Freed-Hardeman 1961-62". The award was based on the athlete's ability, attitude and game participation. The "Mr. Sportsman" award nominees were selected from the athletes who played in intercollegiate sports. All tennis, basketball, and baseball players were eligible to receive the award. Aside from athletic ability, in selecting the player to receive the award, emphasis was placed on a player who would be the best representation of Freed-Hardeman College.

Joe, a sophomore, is from Bernie, Missouri, and graduated from Bernie High School in 1958. In high school he lettered in baseball two years

and basketball four years. In his senior year of high school Joe was elected "Outstanding Senior Boy". At Freed-Hardeman, he has lettered two years in both baseball and basketball playing under a scholarship.

Last semester Joe was on the Honor Roll at Freed-Hardeman with a 3.53 average. Joe is majoring in Secondary Education and Psychology. He is a member of the Philomathean Social Club, the Student National Education Association, and the Alpha Gamma Delta and Phi Theta Kappa honor societies.

Joe plans to enter Harding College at Searcy, Arkansas, next fall and pursue his major in Psychology.



Joe Burleson

Student Athletes Score At UTMB Field Day

by Judy Turner and Von Patterson

Approximately 30 F-HC athletes boarded a bus for Martin, Tenn., Saturday morning, May 5. The day proved rewarding.

At Martin's University of Tennessee branch, three schools—Bethel College of McKenzie, UTMB, and FHC—vied for top honors at the annual UTMB Field Day.

Events started at 1 p.m. and continued into the afternoon.

Results of the indoor event competition:

Tennis: Singles (women), Libby Sexton-1, Jane Eubanks-2. Singles (men), H. C. Proffitt-1. Mixed doubles, Sexton and Proffitt-1, Eubanks and Orr-2.

Badminton: Singles (women), Sexton-1. Singles (men), Dotson-1, Doug Claiborne-2. Doubles, Sexton and Knight-1, Claiborne and Dotson-2.

Both the men and women's volleyball teams were successful in winning over UTMB.

The outdoor events included men and women's track and ar-

chery.

The results of F-HC participation in track and field events: Two-mile run: Moore-1, Dinger-2; 880-yd. dash, Phillips-2, Wright-2; 440-yd. dash, Zeiner-2, Dinger-3; 220 yd. dash, Dinger-3; 100 yd. dash, Van Blair-3.

Discus, Dotson-3; javelin, Wright-3; pole vault, Waddell-3; broad jump, Crawford-2; high jump, Arnett and Crawford-4 (tie).

In the women's division of track and field:

Fifty yard dash, Judy Turner-1; Janice Sanders-2.

Softball throw: Judy Turner-1, Jane Eubanks-2.

Archery highlighted the day's events. The results: Men's: Richard Curtis-2, Carl Wade-3. Women's: Libby Sexton-3, Annis Embry-4.

From the appearances of the results of the various contests F-HC athletes were definitely on their toes.

Another feature of the day: Mentor Ben Zickefoose playing his ukulele going up and coming back.

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