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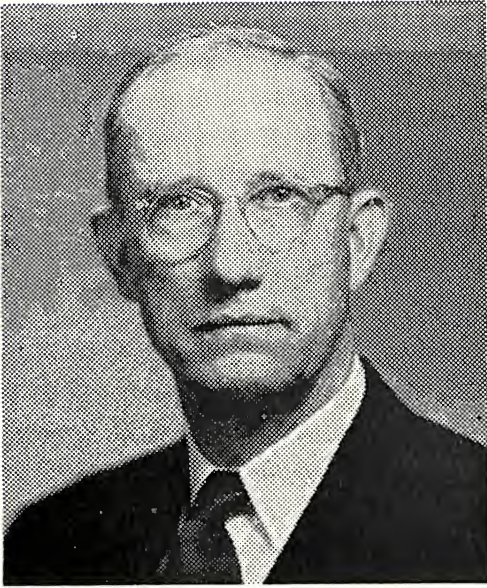


## ROMEO and JULIET

A Seasonal Play by the Gardner-Webb Dramatics Fraternity

*Dr. Elliott in Fla.*

## The President's Page



Dr. Philip Lovin Elliott

President Phil Elliott is in Florida for the winter, taking his first rest since coming to Gardner-Webb 12 years ago. The executive committee of the board of trustees met on December 13 and granted him a leave of absence until March 15.

Dr. Elliott has been bothered by fatigue and a heart condition since late September. He was admitted to the clinic on October 29, but after a few days was back on the job. His physician, Dr. W. Wyan Washburn, requested an extended rest early in December, and recommended Florida because the warm weather is helpful to circulatory difficulties.

With the president in Florida is Mrs. Elliott. Phil, Jr. and Rachel took them during the Christmas holidays. Phil is a junior at Furman this year.

During her parents' absence Rachel is residing with Mrs. Dorothy W. Hamrick.

Appointed to the office of acting president during Dr. Elliott's absence is W. Lawson Allen, director of public relations. He has worked closely with the president since returning to Gardner-Webb in May of 1953, and is familiar with the duties that have befallen him.

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**BULLETIN:** Word has just reached us from Florida that Dr. Elliott is much rested and is showing daily improvement in his health. In fact, Mrs. Elliott says he wants to return to work earlier than planned, but has been advised that it is best to take his full rest as prescribed.



## Remarks from our Acting President

No doubt all of you have heard that President Elliott is in Florida taking a long over-due rest. All reports from him encourage us to believe that he is making progress toward a complete recovery. As Acting President in his absence, I covet your prayers for his total recovery, as God wills.

This has been a very successful year by all standards. Our enrollment stands near the 400 mark. Student spirit and attitude seem to be as fine as ever. The faculty are desperately striving to meet our problems. The launching of the GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN has enabled us to get our needs before numbers of people that we would not ordinarily touch. The Alumni Association is working toward the goal of securing at least \$100,000 in the next three years for the Community Recrea-

tion Center. We have dreams, but we must stay awake to realize them and make them come true.

There is one question that poses for all our colleges a very challenging problem. According to the best authorities, our colleges will be faced with double the number of our present student body by 1970. We cannot stand still, for we will be left behind in our efforts



Mr. Allen

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#### ABOUT THE COVER

Eddie Hudson of Cramerton and Betty Staton of Charlotte played the roles of Romeo and Juliet in the Shakespearean Tragedy by that name presented by the Gardner-Webb Dramatics Department December 8-9-10. High School seniors from Cleveland, Rutherford and Gaston counties, and from bordering communities in South Carolina saw the play as guests of the college. The play was presented February 9 and 10 at Queens College in Charlotte on an exchange basis. Prof. J. Y. Hamrick is director of dramatics.

to minister to this oncoming tide of students. We must be willing to do whatever is necessary. We must help the local churches in our area. We must emphasize Christian stewardship. We must keep ever before our people the needs of Gardner-Webb College.

We are grateful for a host of interested alumni and friends who constitute the hope for the solution of the problems which face us. Pray that we may be found faithful in every area of activity, service, and need.

W. Lawson Allen  
Acting President

## Homecoming Observed October 30

Homecoming Day was observed at Gardner-Webb on October 30, with a talent show, barbecue, fellowship hour, and football game. Returning alumni were thrilled to see the Bulldogs clobber Asheville-Biltmore by a score of 26-6 in Shelby High stadium.

Entertainment for the old hands got underway with a talent show at 4 P. M. in the E. B. Hamrick Auditorium. Hubert C. Dixon was master of ceremonies, and talent was supplied by the students, faculty and alumni.

Following the talent show an outdoor barbecue was held on the hill overlooking the athletic field. Bill Allen of Shelby was caterer, and seemed to enjoy making sure all his customers got their money's worth. In fact, a few second helpings developed into third and fourth helpings.

Drawing many favorable comments were members of the college-community band, performing at halftime in their snappy new uniforms under the direction of Professor J. Y. Hamrick. Then came crowning of the Homecoming Queen, Miss Grace Rollins of Shelby, elected to this honor by the football squad.

Several hundred alumni returned for the game, and many of them took in all the festivities. Those sending reservations for the barbecue are listed below:

Wayne Sorrells, Betty Jean Emmett, Bill Bates, Peggy Summey, Richard Bass, Gail Baucom, Gail Thomas, Janice Wellman Wright, Nada Hester, Phil Elliott, Jr., Eddie Crapps, Dorothy M. Stubblefield, M. A. Conrad, Doris Harkey, Patricia Smith, Doris Upton, Marion Lineberger, Margaret Jackson, John G. Hicks, T. M. Linnens, Martha Gantt, Mrs. Charles Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Marion W. Benfield, Martha Brooks, Joyce Whisnant, Marie Ferner, D. Fitzpatrick, and Delois Hamrick.



Miss Grace Rollins, center, of Shelby, was crowned homecoming queen in halftime ceremonies at the game with Asheville-Biltmore October 30. Her attendants are Phyllis Mundy of Granite Falls, left, and Betty Staton of Charlotte. With them are football co-captains Dean Upton of Barium Springs, left, and Ronald Burns of Spartanburg, S.C.



# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF OUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Dear Fellow Alumni:

Writing to you takes me back to the pleasant days I spent as a student at Gardner-Webb. Not all of you were my classmates, but I feel that I have a special tie with each of you. That tie is Gardner-Webb College.

Here we used to work, study, play, worship, gripe, and laugh together in the close fellowship of college life. Many of us made a solemn vow that some day we would contribute something to the school out of gratitude for what it has done for us. Most of us promised each other at graduation time that we would surely get together for an annual reunion.



Mr. Forney

Soon it will be time for that annual reunion. The alumni banquet this year will be in May. Dress is optional, but gaiety and laughter are required.

Last year the Alumni Association voted to raise \$100,000 by 1957 to erect a building named the Alumni Memorial Building. Anyone who wishes to contribute to this fund may send his cash or pledge contribution to the business manager at the college.

Robert R. Forney

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## Book of Memory Records 22 Memorials

During the period from September 1 through December 31, 1954, 22 memorials to deceased friends and loved ones were established through the Book of Memory at Gardner-Webb College.

Fifty people contributed to the establishment of these memorials, which accounted for a total income of \$555.70. All contributions through this plan become a part of the permanent endowment fund for the college.



Dean J. O. Terrell, retiring president of the Cleveland County Schoolmasters Club, is shown congratulating his successor, Wayne Caudill, principal of Shelby Junior High School. Looking on is W. R. Gary, principal of Fallston school, who is club secretary.

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### **GARDNER FAMILY OFFERS \$25,000 CHALLENGE GIFT**

The family of the late O. Max Gardner has offered a \$25,000 challenge gift to Gardner-Webb for the Golden Anniversary expansion program.

The gift is from Mrs. O. Max Gardner, Ralph W. Gardner, and O. Max Gardner, Jr., through the O. Max Gardner Foundation, Incorporated. It is to be made available as soon as an equal amount is on deposit from other contributors.

Over \$15,000 is already in hand, meaning that some \$10,000 more will have to be raised to meet the requirements for the gift. Around \$40,000 additional has been pledged, \$36,000 of which is promised by the Boiling Springs Baptist Church.

In a letter to Dr. H. H. Stenbridge, Jr., Ralph W. Gardner states that it is hoped the Gardner gift

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### **BOILING SPRINGS CHURCH PLEDGES \$36,000 FOR CAMPAIGN**

The Boiling Springs Baptist Church has pledged \$36,000 to the Golden Anniversary Campaign over the next three years.

The action was taken by the church on January 9, having been recommended by the board of deacons. It was presented by Dan W. Moore, Jr., chairman of the deacon board.

Boiling Springs is the only Baptist church in North Carolina that can include Gardner-Webb in its budget for other than Christian Education Day contributions.

Although the church has a building program of its own in mind, it was the feeling of the membership that the expansion program of the college is more pressing.

will be used toward paying for a girls' dormitory.



## RUTHERFORD COUNTY LEADERS TAKE ADMINISTRATION CLASSROOM BUILDING AS CAMPAIGN GOAL

A group of 100 Rutherford County business and civic leaders met for breakfast at the Spindale House January 24 and decided to take as their goal for the Golden Anniversary Campaign the erection of an administration-classroom building at Gardner-Webb College.

Dr. H. Hansel Stembridge, Jr., presided at the breakfast, and presented W. Lawson Allen, acting president. Mr. Allen outlined the history of Gardner-Webb, and pointed out the need for expansion so that the college can be of greater service.

Motion to secure funds for the building among Rutherford County industries and individuals was made by Oscar J. Mooneyham, Board Chairman of the Security Bank and Trust Company of Forest City and Rutherfordton. The motion was unanimously and enthusiastically approved.

The administration and classroom building will cost an estimated \$142,000. It will house offices for the President and all administrative officers, conference and board rooms, and classrooms.



Coach Norman Harris is shown giving some pointers to prospects for the team of 1972. With the coach are, from the left, Mark Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts; Ann Harris, daughter of Coach and Mrs. Harris, who says she would rather be a cheerleader; and Chris Dyer, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Dyer. Miss Saranan Morgan is holding Arthur Moseley, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Moseley, Jr. The youngsters are children of faculty members.



# News From Former Students

## Class of 1913

**Dr. E. V. Hudson** is pastor of the First Baptist Church in Cramerton. His son Eddie is a student at Gardner-Webb.

## Class of 1916

**James S. Ware** is engaged in farming near Kings Mountain. He is married to the former **Mae Greene**. He earned a B.S. degree in Agriculture at North Carolina State College.

**William Gaston Camp** is pastor of the Sandy Run Baptist Church at Mooresboro.

## Class of 1919

**Dr. D. F. Moore** has a practice in obstetrics in Shelby. He is a graduate of Wake Forest and Jefferson Medical College.

## Class of 1921

**Mrs. Gleen A. Bridges (Addie Hamrick)** is a housewife in Kings Mountain. She is active in Civic and Social affairs.

**Madeline Daves** is Matron of Kennedy Home in Kinston.

**Mrs. Paris L. Yelton (Donnis Gold)** is a housewife and mother in Shelby.

## Class of 1927

**Alma F. Bell Anthony** is the Supervising Head Nurse in the Tuberculosis Rehabilitation program in Swannanoa.

**Rev. C. E. Baker** is Minister of the Durham Memorial Baptist Church in Charlotte.

## Class of 1928

**Taft S. Putnam** is postmaster at Lawndale.

## Class of 1929

**Mrs. W. G. Cole (Clara Edith Crabtree)** is a housewife in Union Mills.

## Class of 1930

**Mrs. David H. Shepherd (Ophelia A. Cooke)** is a beauty operator and owns two shops in Martinsville, Va.

**Rev. Broughton M. Strickland** is pastor of Sulphur Springs Baptist Church near Forest City.

## Class of 1931

**Forest William Hunt** is teaching at Caroleen.

## Class of 1932

**Dr. Samuel A. Wilson** is practicing medicine in Lincolnton. He is a graduate of Wake Forest and the Medical College of Emory University.

## Class of 1933

**Beatrix Blanton** is teaching the 6th grade in the Hickory City Schools. She received her B.S. degree from Appalachian in 1940 and the M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina.

## Class of 1934

**Rev. Lewis H. Lynch** is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Van Lear, Ky.

## Class of 1935

**Ben P. Jenkins, Jr.**, is employed by North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service at State College, Raleigh, as district supervisor for 15 Western counties.

**Julia Renfro** is teaching in Cherryville. She received her B.S. degree from Appalachian in 1937.

## Class of 1936

**Marlo Arthur Stroup** is pastor of a Baptist Church near Chimney Rock. He formerly had a pastorate in Mississippi.

## Class of 1937

**Capt. Fred Graham Piercy** is an instructor in Spanish at Virginia Military Institute. He attended Wake Forest College and The Universidad de Mexico and at the present time is working on his Masters degree. He married the former **Elizabeth Hughes** of Shelby.

**Annie Laura Roberts** is a secretary for Duke Power Company in Charlotte. She is a graduate of Appalachian, class of 1943.

## Class of 1938

**Jack B. Holland** is a salesman for Agricultural Chemicals Division in Southern California.

## NEWS FROM FORMER STUDENTS (Cont'd)

### Class of 1939

**Mrs. Wilma L. Davidson Lester** is self-employed by Lester Stenographic & Bookkeeping Service, Shelby. She received her A.B. degree in Speech & Dramatic Arts from Brenau College, Gainesville, Ga.

**Mrs. J. Warren Gamble (Aileen Jones)** is a secretary in the Shelby office of Ralph W. Gardner.

### Class of 1940

**Rev. O. B. Lancaster** has completed his 13th year as pastor of Washington Baptist Church in Greer, S. C.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lipscomb (Vicki Cash)** have a daughter, Minnie Louise, born September 5.

**Ruby Dixon Sides** is a housewife in La Porte City, Iowa. She received her A.B. degree in 1942 from Woman's College.

### Class of 1941

**Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick** is a Baptist Missionary at the Wailuku Baptist Church in Maui, Hawaii.

### Class of 1942

**Rev. R. W. Abrams** is pastor of the First Baptist Church in Sylva. He married **Elva Spake**.

**Gladys Brooks Boroughs** is a housewife in Greensboro. She writes that she worked for the F. B. I. in Washington for six and one-half years before she married and moved to Greensboro. Her husband is an attorney for Burlington Mills, Inc.

### Class of 1943

**Evelyn Roberts McPhaul** is a registered nurse in Winston-Salem. She is married to Graham Currie McPhaul.

### Class of 1944

**Katherine Burnett Jerome** is a secretary to J. M. Peden, President of Peden Steel Company in Raleigh. She received her B.S. degree in Commerce and Social Science from Eastern Carolina in 1946.

### Class of 1945

**Margaret Wacaster Baldree** is a social worker in the County Wel-

fare Department in Williamson. She received her B.A. degree from Wake Forest College in 1947.

### Class of 1946

**Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Beason** live in Boiling Springs. Bob received his B.S. in Pharmacy from the University of North Carolina in 1951, and his wife, formerly **Iva Jean Kincaid**, received her A.B. in 1950.

### Class of 1947

**Rev. Talmadge G. Downs** is pastor of Providence Baptist Church in the South Fork Association. He received his A.B. degree from Carson-Newman College in 1949.

**Betty Lee Peeler** is a stenographer for the State Highway and Public Works Commission in Shelby.

**Mrs. Harold B. Fowler (Jean Sanders)** is a teacher and housewife in Chesnee, S. C.

**Rev. Grady H. Hamby** is pastor of Oakley Baptist Church in Biltmore.

**Rev. Robert Frye** is pastor of Yadkin Baptist Church in Patterson.

**Arthur Maxwell (Max) Ruppe** is Assistant Staff Judget Advocate at Ft. Jackson.

**Charles D. Robertson** is working with the Industrial Loan and Finance Company of Shelby. He married **Dorothy Fortenbury**.

**Rev. Felix R. Wagner**, pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Lancaster, S. C., has resigned his pastorate to accept the call of the First Baptist Church of Muskogee, Okla.

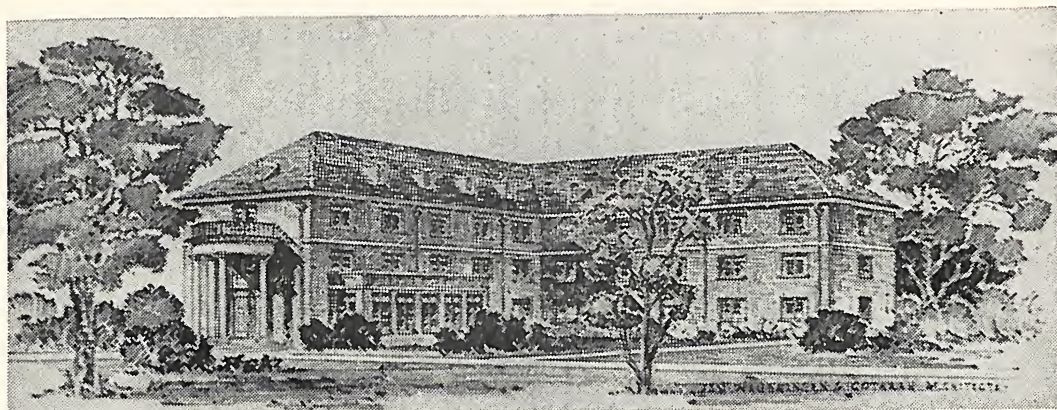
**Mrs. Mary Lee Ervin (Mary Lee Hardin)** is a secretary in Gastonia.

**Rev. Dewey H. Greene** is a student at Southwestern Seminary. He received his A.B. degree from Carson-Newman in 1950.

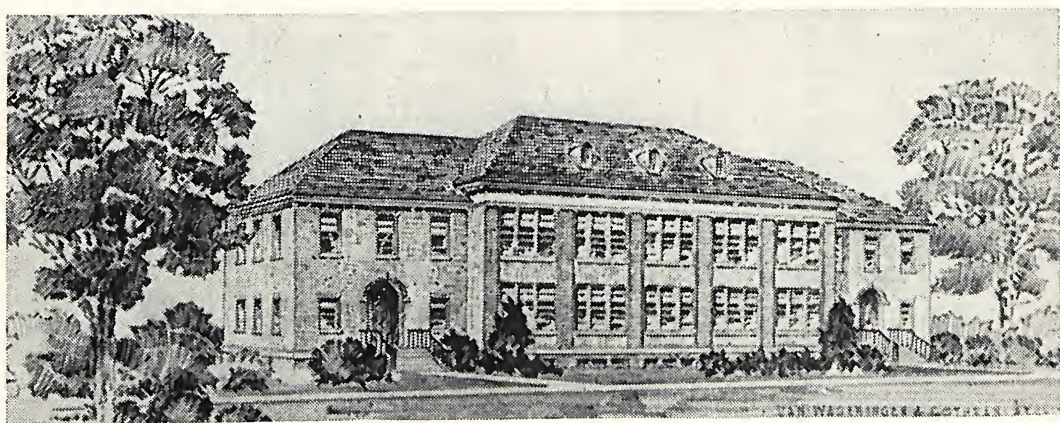
**Grover C. McClure, Jr.** is a Major in the United States Marine Corps. He is currently engaged in maneuvers in the Porto Rico area of the Caribbean Sea.

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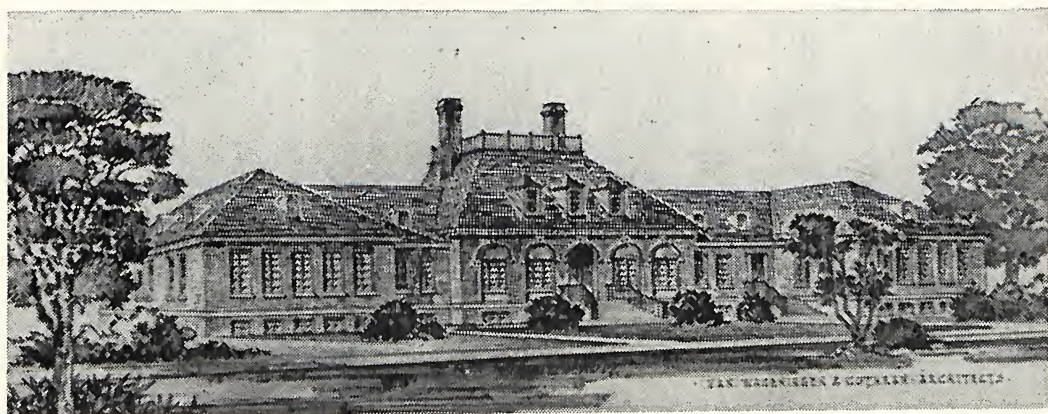




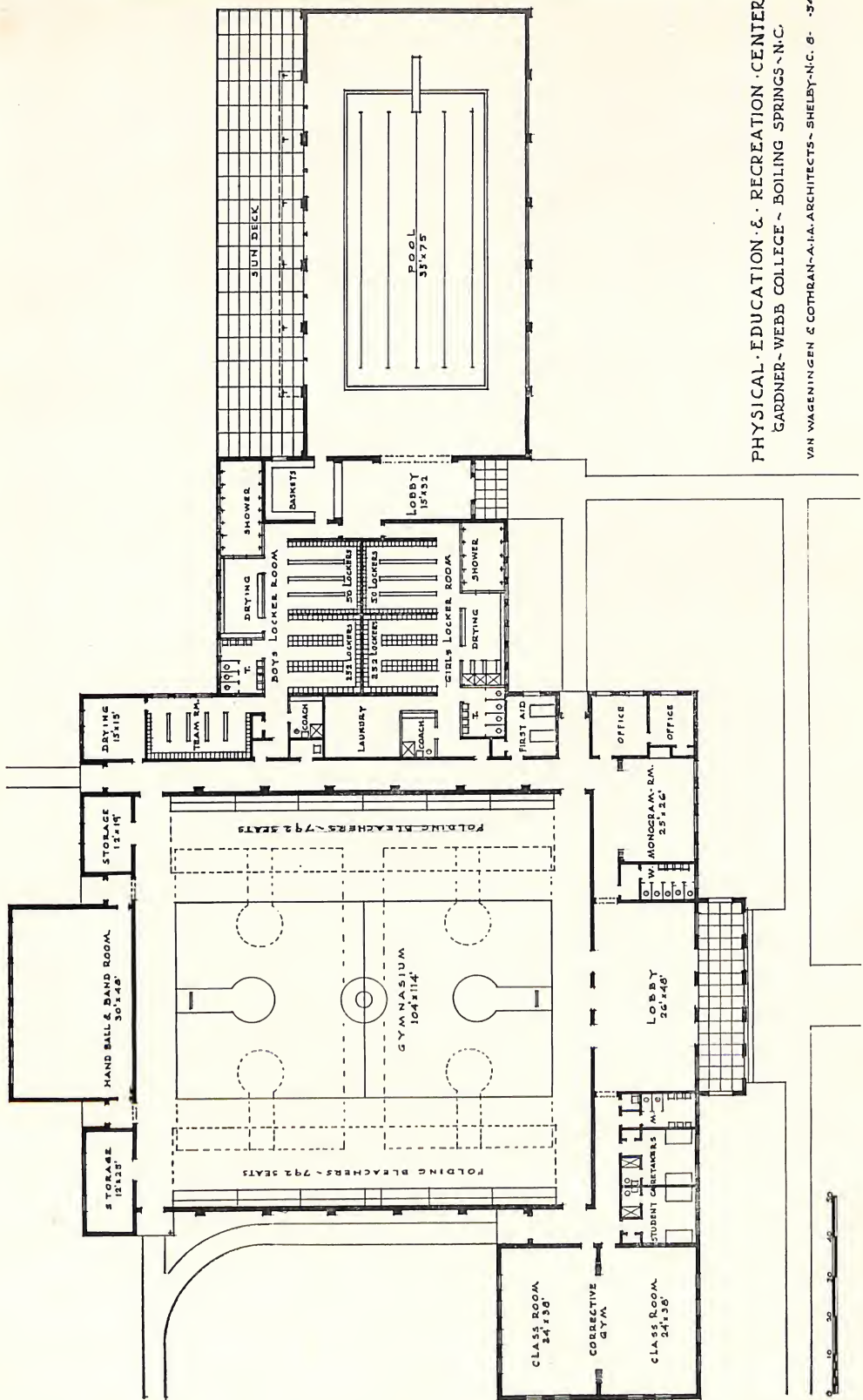
Proposed New Dormitory For Girls



Proposed Science Building



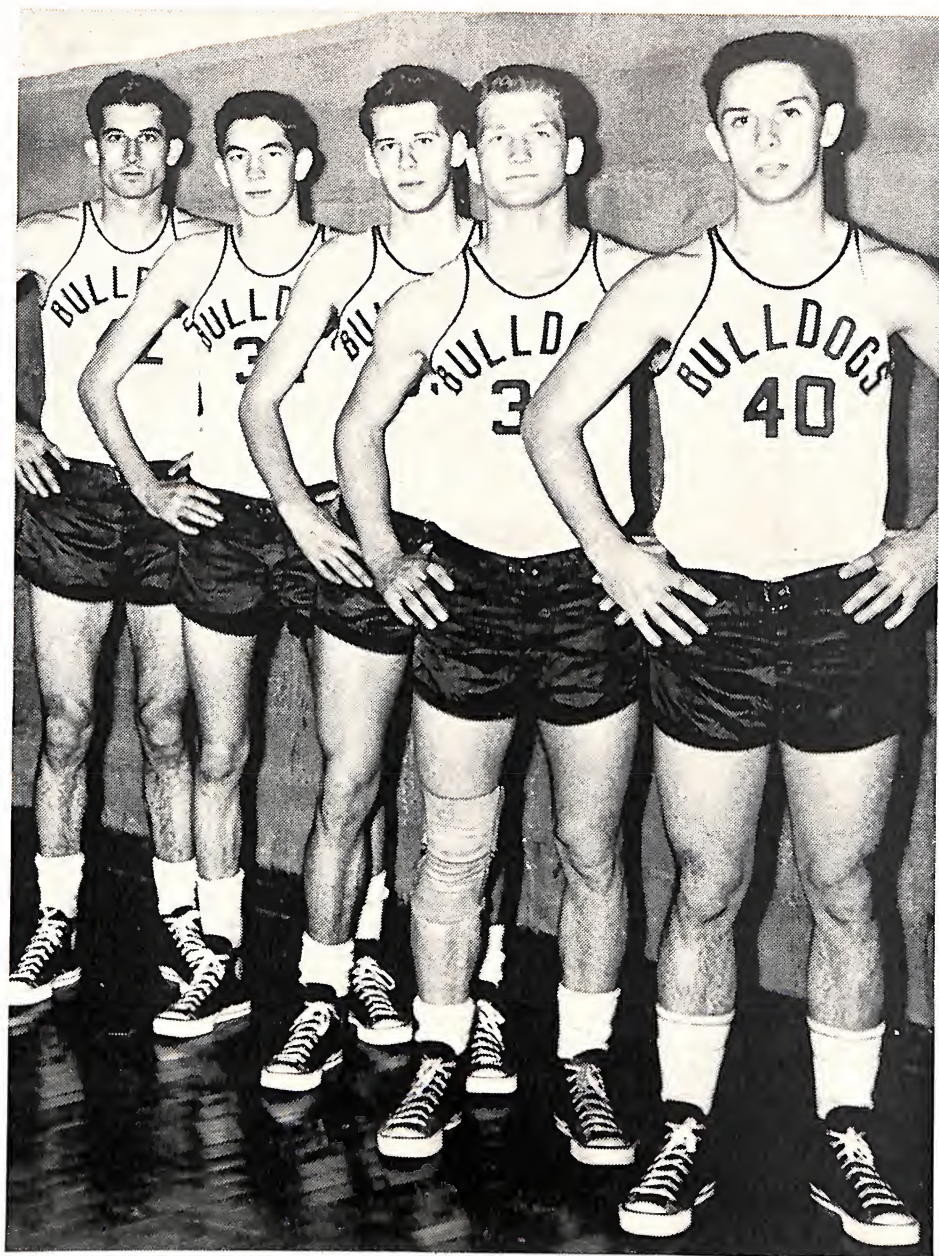
Administration and Classroom Building



PHYSICAL EDUCATION & RECREATION CENTER.  
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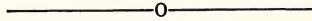




Coach Norman Harris has depended on the above quintet as starters this season in posting a break-even year. From back to front, they are: Bill Norris of Cramerton, Carlisle Hostetter of Beuna Vista, Va., Mac Hill of Woodruff, S. C., Dean Upton of Barium Springs and Shelby, and Bill Bovender of Winston-Salem. The Bulldogs play their final home game against Mars Hill February 21.



'Twas the night before Christmas Holidays, and in the Girls' Dormintory everyone was getting in time with the times. The Girls had their annual Christmas party with carols, gifts, and even an early visit from the bearded Old Gent himself.



Rev. David Roberts

## FOUNDERS DAY SPEAKER

Rev. David B. Roberts, Field Worker for the French Broad Association Marshall, was Founders Day speaker October 29. He is a graduate of Gardner-Webb in the class of 1925, and is also a graduate of Wake Forest and Southern Baptist Seminary. A number of friends and trustees of the college attended, as well as the students and faculty.

He gave an inspiring address on the need of consecrated youth who are anxious for position of service. He also enthralled his audience by recounting incidents of his student days at Gardner-Webb.





Lending their wholehearted support to the Bulldogs, and sometimes stealing the show from them, are the cheerleaders. Kneeling is Shirley Reavis, Chief, of Winston-Salem. Left to right are Pat Stout of High Point, Joyce Stephenson of Raleigh, Beverly Ward of Jacksonville, Fla., Charles Starnes of Fayetteville, Phyllis Henderson of Toccoa, Ga., Lib Moore of Shelby, Marlene Steele of Stony Point, and Betty Staton of Charlotte.

## BROWN TO HEAD HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

Ray E. Brown (Class of 1934) has been named president-elect of the American Hospital Association. He will assume the office next fall. In the meantime he is touring the nation's major hospitals to familiarize himself with his new duties.

Since 1947 Brown has been administrator of the University of Chicago Hospitals. These are a chain of some 15 clinics and hospitals scattered throughout Chicago. Together they comprise one

of America's greater medical care and research centers.

After graduating from Gardner-Webb, Brown received a degree in hospital administration from the University of North Carolina.

A native of Shelby, he was Cleveland County Auditor, and later Administrator of the Shelby Hospital.

In 1947 he was named to his present position at the University of Chicago.

He is a son of the Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Brown of Shelby.

## NEWS FROM FORMER STUDENTS (Cont'd)

### Class of 1948

**Paul Comer** received his B.D. degree in January at the Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Waco, Texas.

**Anne Newton Brown** is a personnel clerk at the Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Ala.

**Jack R. Elliott** is Manager of W. T. Elliott Construction Company, Spartanburg, S. C.

**Clemon A. "Whitey" Smith** is a coach at the Churchland High School in Linwood.

**Garland N. Tolbert** is employed by the Pilot Life Insurance Company in Greensboro.

**Billy Reid Gibbens** is sports director, announcer, and engineer for radio station WFGN in Gaffney, S. C.

**Paul Willis** is teaching eighth grade in Shelby Junior High School.

**Oscar Padgett** is teaching the seventh grade in Shelby Junior High School.

**Beryl Wallis** is Personnel Secretary for Myer's Department Store in Greensboro.

**Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cunningham** (Dorothy Bostic) are doing graduate work at Texas A.&M. College.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allen Shaw** (Lenna Runyans) are living in Louisville, Ky., where Charles is a student at the Seminary and pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

**Robert W. Moore** is a History teacher and Band director at Marshville High School. He received his B.S. degree from Western Carolina Teachers College in 1951.

**James Calvin Scruggs** received the M.A. degree at Appalachian in August. **Class of 1949**

**Mrs. J. W. Hamrick** (Carolyn Rhyne) is a housewife and mother in Boiling Springs.

**Rev. James E. Holder** is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Whitnel.

**Willie Alma Jolley** is a student at W.M.U. Training School in

Louisville, Ky.

**Shufford Martin** is a bookkeeper at the Harris Style Shop, Forest City.

**Mrs. Joe Hines** (Ethel Lancaster) is society editor of the Spindale Sun.

**Gloria Staton** is a secretary for Celanes Corp. of America in their Charlotte office.

**Mrs. Allan Brockman Wall** (Ruth Marie Masten) is teaching English at Wendell.

**Ray D. Shytle** is a designing office clerk, at the Stonecutter Mills in Spindale.

**Mrs. Dorothy Elliott Sink** is a housewife and mother in Athens, Ga. Her husband is studying in the School of Veterinarian Medicine of the University of Georgia. Their young son is 6 months old.

**Paul Williams** is at the Lockheed Aircraft plant in Marietta, Ga., as an Aeronautical enginner. He received his B.S. at Furman and his M.S. at Alabama Polytechnical Institute, in Auburn, Alabama.

### Class of 1950

**Jewell Brackett** is a teacher of high school English in Belwood.

**Zed Wilson Howington, Jr.**, is a farmer near Shelby.

**Mrs. Julius Franklin Jordan** (M. Jeanette Hughes) is a housewife and church organist.

**Mary Lena Patterson** is a medical secretary and teacher in a business school in Durham.

### Class of 1951

**Helen Painter** is Secretary at Piedmont Federal Savings & Loan Association.

**Bob Baucom Duncan** is a salesman for the Colgate, Palmolive Peet Company.

**Rev. Hoyle Bradley Alexander, Sr.**, is pastor of Oak Grove and Mull's Chapel Baptist Churches near Shelby.

**Howard Augustus Schrum** is administrator to the Gaston County Negro Hospital in Gastonia

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## Effort to Raise Suttle Memorial Endowment Will Begin In April

A drive will be launched in April to raise \$100,000 endowment as a memorial to the Rev. John W. Suttle, who retired last year after more than 65 years as a Baptist preacher.

The proposed endowment is for the Church-Community Department, which offers counsel and assistance to churches in the greater Gardner-Webb area. One phase of this department's work is the adult education program which enrolls between 1,200 and 2,000 students annually.

These people study in schools held in associations throughout western North Carolina and upper South Carolina.

John William Suttle was born in Cleveland County, April 7, 1872. He began preaching at the age of 16, and at 19 was called to his first pastorate.



Rev. John W. Suttle

Since 1890 he has been pastor of 37 churches. For 28 years he was pastor of five to seven churches at all times. When he resigned his last two pastorates, Double Springs and Beaver Dam, he had served them 37 and 20 years respectively.

The "Little Preacher" as he is affectionately called, is known throughout the South for his leadership among rural churches. For 40 years he was moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, and in 1948 he was elected president of the Baptist State Convention.

A friend of Gardner-Webb College from its beginning, Rev. Suttle has been a trustee most of the time since 1913. He is sincerely interested in the college, and in the Church-Community Development program.

April 7 is the "Little Preacher's" 83rd birthday anniversary. Christian Education Day will be observed April 24 in most churches. Contributions can be made to the Suttle Memorial Endowment on Christian Education Day, or by mailing donations to "Suttle Memorial Endowment," in care of the college.



This picture of the Gardner-Webb College trustees was made at the November meeting. Included are new, continuing, and retiring members. Seated left to right are Dr. Wyan Washburn of Boiling Springs, secretary; R. E. Price of Rutherfordton, Mrs. A. B. Clayton of Gastonia, Mrs. O. Max Gardner, Sr., of Shelby, Rev. J. W. Suttle of Shelby, Dr. H. H. Stembridge, Jr., of Forest City, Chairman; and Dr. Philip L. Elliott, Gardner-Webb president. Standing are John Moore of Tryon, Rev. H. M. Baker of Union Mills, Claude Hinson of Belmont, Rev. H. Gordon Weekley, Jr., of Kings Mountain, Dr. M. O. Owens of Lenoir, Arnold W. Kincaid of Kings Mountain, vice-chairman; Felix Hamrick of Boiling Springs, Bruce Hildebrand of Marion, Rev. Harold White of Spindale, and W. B. Hair of Gastonia.



## News of Former Students

**Alberta Hamrick** is employed in the business office of the Jefferson Standard Broadcasting company in Charlotte.

**Mrs. James H. Miller (Sarah Reese)** is church secretary for the First Baptist Church in Elkin.

**Marion T. Lineberger** is pastor of Grace Baptist Church in Wilson. He graduated from Furman University in 1953, and is studying at Southeastern Seminary.

**Milton L. Higdon** is in his senior year at pharmacy school at the University of North Carolina.

### Class of 1952

**Bobby Hefner** writes from Korea that he finds it hard to realize that he is half way around the world. He sailed from Seattle last August and is in a communications outfit at Taegu, Korea.

### Class of 1953

**Mrs. Robert Louis Wright (Janice Wellman)** is keeping house in Shelby. They have a baby daughter, Cathy Elaine, born last May.

**Mrs. Bruce Williams (Eloise Bumgarner)** is a housewife in Coneley Springs.

**Nancy Boger** is doing her student teaching at Appalachian in Boone.

**Betty Jo DeWeese** is a student at Carson-Newman. She is a senior this year.

**Joyce Ann Hamrick** is a student at Meredith College.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Diaz (Jean McRae)** are attending Lenoir-Rhyne College.

**Mr. and Mrs. James Garrison (Joyce Malone)** are living in Cullowhee. James is a senior at Western Carolina. They have a son.

**Jewel Borders** is a senior at Appalachian.

**Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bates (Betty Wise)** are living in Converse.

**Clifford (Tip) Carpenter** is employed by the Bell Telephone Company in Rutherfordton.

### Class of 1954

**Joyce Whisnant** is a secretary for the Carolina Chain and Saw Co., in Shelby.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jack Creech (Valeria Banning)** are living in Shelby. Valeria is housekeeping and Jack is attending Gardner-Webb.

**Gail Baucom** is a junior at Appalachian. She is majoring in library science.

**Linda Earp** is teaching the first grade at North Wilkesboro High School.

**Janet England** is in Nurse's training at the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem.

**Nada Hester** is attending Appalachian.

**Jane Crawford** is a Junior at Woman's College.

**Johnny Elliott** is a radio announcer for WOHS in Shelby.

**Phil Elliott, Jr.** is a junior at Furman University.

**Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson Cathey, Jr. (Juanell Randolph)** are living in Johnson City, Tenn. Bill is doing his student teaching at East Tennessee State College. They have a son, William Johnson Cathey III who will be a year old in June.

**Mr. and Mrs. David R. Early, Jr.** have a son Russell Lee Early.

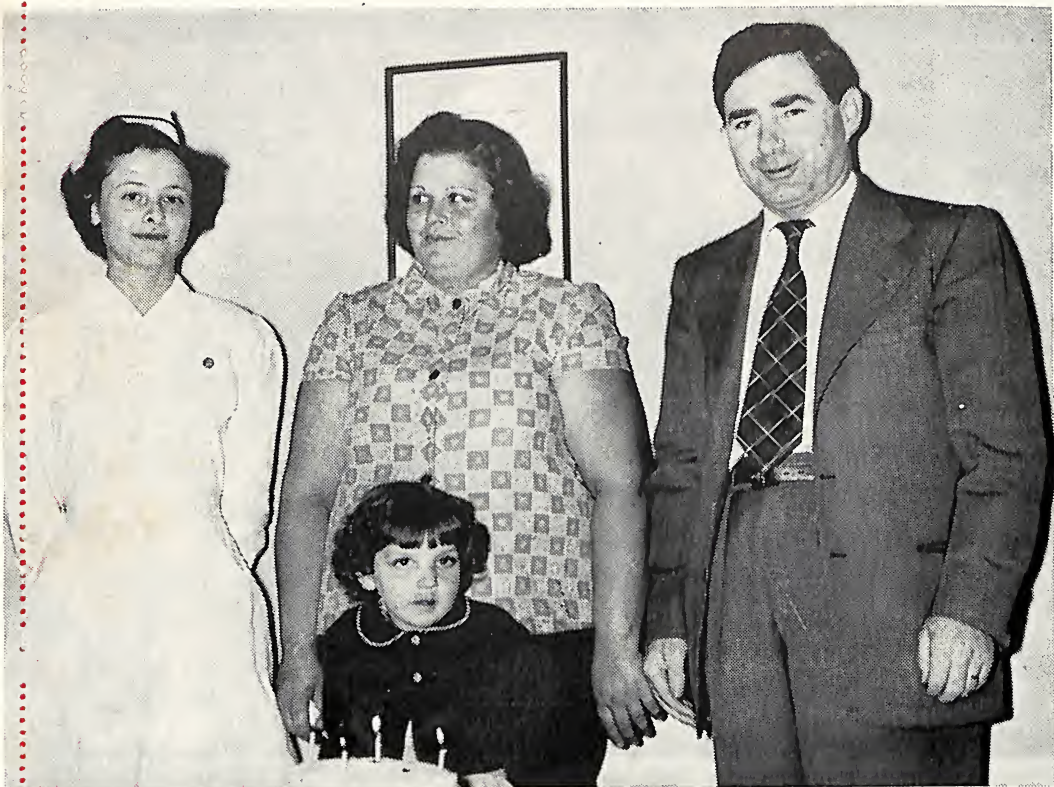
**Miss Virginia Huggins** is a student at Carson-Newman.

**Mr. and Mrs. Steve Morrissett (Jean Dawn)** are living in Boiling Springs. They were formerly living in Miami, Fla., but have returned to Boiling Springs and Steve is enrolled at Gardner-Webb. They have a son, Mike.

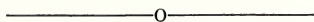
**Mrs. Charles Bridges (Daphne Randolph)** is secretary to the director of the News Bureau at Gardner-Webb College. She and Charles were married September 26, 1954.

**Ann Banning** is a Junior at Carson-Newman.

**Harold Dean Pearson** is in the Army and stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.



When it comes to remembering birthdays, the S. S. Royster Memorial Clinic has a living reminder of it's initial day of operations. On that first day, December 1, 1949, Emily Jean McSwain was born at the clinic. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evans McSwain of the Sharon community near Shelby. Mrs. McSwain was the first patient admitted to the new clinic. For her fifth birthday anniversary Emily Jean and her mother came to the clinic for a little party with members of the staff. The above photo shows Mrs. Jesse Wall, nurse, Mrs. McSwain, Emily Jean, and Dr. W. Wyan Washburn, attending physician.



## Leaders In Five Associations Endorse Golden Anniversary Plans

Pastors and associated officers of five of North Carolina's Baptist associations have endorsed the Golden Anniversary expansion plans set forth by Gardner-Webb College.

Kings Mountain, Sandy Run, Green River, Caldwell, and Catawba River Associations have voiced approval and support of the program, according to a statement recently from Dr. H. H. Stembbridge, Jr., campaign chairman. Several other associations are expected to endorse the program in the near future.