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Miss Christine McSwain, May Queen

# The President's Page

## A LOOK AT THE JUNIOR COLLEGE

Twenty-eight states and the territory of Alaska now have general legislation approving Community Junior Colleges. This includes North Carolina which already has three Community Colleges in operation. Any community that can furnish 300 college students is eligible to provide such an institution. According to the original plan the community would be required to furnish the plant plus \$175.00 per student enrolled for operation. The state would match this amount; and the students would be charged \$50.00, making a total of \$400.00 per student for operation.

It is thought by some that this development will drive the private junior college into the four-year class. That is indeed a possibility.

A number of changes are obvious. Instead of caring for hundreds we must prepare for thousands. A small college like Gardner-Webb is a luxury in education which will be kept with difficulty if at all. Larger classes, more teaching hours, various media of teaching seem to be inevitable.

On the other hand a great deal of experimentation is going on relative to four-year colleges comprising the upper two years of undergraduate work plus one or two years of graduate study.



**Dr. Elliott**

Other plans are being tried, notably one university which will allow a junior college graduate to begin a program of graduate study, by-passing the B. A. and M. A. degrees and going directly to the doctorate.

Our greatest danger may be that in the mad scramble we might forget that we are about. Too late we could learn that engineers, doctors, and business men are more than technicians; that whether Johnnie can read or not is not determined altogether by technique. One of the signs we sometimes see in office is—T H I N K ! That may come to have meaning.

One may naturally wonder if the junior college will last. There is no question that the most significant development in American education in the last twenty-five years

has been the junior college. Many of the great universities are creating their own junior colleges to relieve them of the sifting process necessary in the first two years. The junior college is now a respected institution. It is accredited; its credits are easily transferable. As a matter of fact, many find it easier to enter the junior class of a university as graduates of junior colleges than to enter the freshman class from high school.

On the basis of an intelligent appraisal of the experiences of the past, together with a realistic understanding of the intellectual and spiritual problems of our expanding present we must find a way to a greater tomorrow.

**P. L. Elliott**



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Zeb Moss ----- Alumni President  
Adam Haynes ----- Vice-President  
Mrs. Dorothy W. Hamrick ---- Sec.-Treas.  
John Roberts ---- Editor of the **Quarterly**

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## New Plans For Quarterly Publication Announced

As you may have noticed, the **Quarterly** is sent to you under authority of a bulk mailing permit beginning with this issue. This plan affords considerable saving of postage, and expedites mailing procedure to get your **Quarterly** to you sooner than under the former policy.

The **Quarterly** will hereafter be published during the academic year only, with issues scheduled for November, February, and May. The August issue will contain material heretofore published in **The Log**, the college catalog. It will be used primarily by students and prospective students, but will be mailed to alumni on request.

This plan will simplify preparation and mailing of both publications, while serving a necessary function of each. You will continue to receive the **Quarterly** as before during the school year, with the catalog number being published during the summer.

Actually the most obvious change will be in dropping "The Log" as the name for our catalog number. This name has been used for 15 years, along with other nautical names such as "The Pilot"

for the school newspaper, "The Anchor" for the yearbook, and "The Porthole" for the handbook.

Please let us know what you think of the **Quarterly**, give us information to use, keep us informed of your address, and look for the next regular issue of the **Quarterly** in November.

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## Alumni Banquet Invitation

May 24 at 6 P. M. is a date to remember, because you and your friends and classmates are expected back at your Alma Mater then for the Alumni Banquet.

Invitations have gone out by mail, but in mailing 3,500 letters we could have made a mistake and failed to send you one. At any rate you are invited so get your reservation in right away.

Alumni President Zeb Moss got the directors together and began planning the event in February. Attending the meeting with him were Adam Haynes, '50; Mrs. Dorothy W. Hamrick, '35; Robert Spratt, '34; Marjorie Bridges, '48; Mrs. Bess Wilson Lavender, '31; John Roberts, '49; and Janie Odom, '31.

They appointed the following committees to complete banquet plans:

Decorations, Mrs. Ann Hamrick Elliott, '52; Thelma Earl, '21; Mrs. Helen Goodwin Roberts, '48; Mrs. Margaret Morris Smith, '48; and Mrs. Bess Wilson Lavender, '31.

Publicity, John Roberts, '49; James Jolley, '43; Jonas Bridges, '50; Bobby Heafner, '52; and Ray Jimison, '55.

Program, Robert Beason, '46; Robert Spratt, '34; Marjorie Bridges, '48; Mrs. Lena Dula Mayberry, '50.

Nominations, Rev. W. T. Hendrix, '42; Adam Haynes, '50; Dr. S. A. Wilson, '32; Sen. Robert Morgan, '41; and Mrs. Hugh Harrill, '31.

## COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM INCLUDES ADDRESSES BY BAPTIST LEADERS

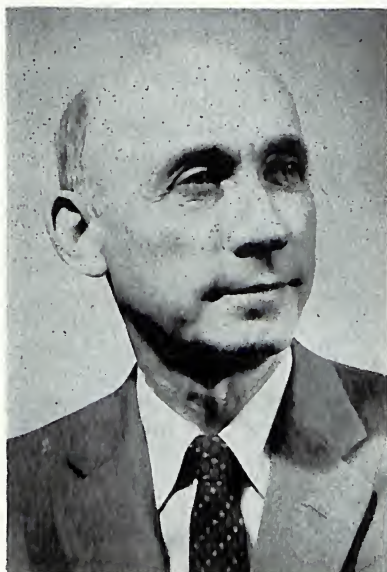
Two of North Carolina's most prominent Baptists will address the graduating class in commencement exercises scheduled for May 25 and 26.

The baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night, May 25, will be preached by Dr. A. L. Parker, president of the Baptist State Convention. Dr. Parker is pastor of Asheboro Street Baptist Church in Greensboro. This program will be in the Boiling Springs Baptist Church beginning at 8 o'clock.

The Hon. C. B. Deane of Rockingham, former congressman from the Eighth North Carolina District, will give the commencement address May 26 in the E. B. Hamrick Auditorium. The program begins at 10:30 A. M. The Hon. Mr. Deane is recording secretary for the Baptist State Convention.



**DR. PARKER**



**MR. DEANE**

Candidates for graduation number 83, one of the largest groups in recent years. The prospective graduates are:

Anne Abernathy, Mildred Alexander, Louise Allen, Jackie Anthony, Billy Ashley, Claude Austell, Ed Baldwin, Cecil Ballard, Ronald Ballard, Billie Beason, Pressly Beaver, Winnie Benfield, Rachel Black, Mrs. Glenda Parton Blanton, Jeanette Bolick, Billy Brackett, A. Dean Bridges, Betty Bridges, Jimmy Bridges, Daniel Byrd.

Joe H. Camp, Jack Carpenter, Charles Christmas, Fain Combs, Jerry Cooper, Becky Deaton, Mrs. Carolyn Proffitt Eller, Rachel Elliott, Joy Fox, James Gantt, Maxine Gardner, Mrs. Joyce Bridges Garner, Jimmy Greene, Mrs. Leona Arrowood Greene, Rachel Greene, Margie Greer, Beverly Guffee, Paul Gunn, Jean Hambright, Betty Jo Hamrick.

Philip Hamrick, William Hamrick, James H. Hardin, Glenda Hawkins, Mrs. Margaret Perkins House, William Hovis, Hamilton Hudson, Charles Huey, Sonny Huggins, Judy Hughey, Charles Hunsinger, Mrs. Suzanne McSwain Hunsucker, Jerry James, Charlene Kiser, Sandra Mc-



# Our Alumni President Speaks

May! Oh beautiful month of May. This is the time when the April rains have revived the apparently dead branches of the barren trees, and have pushed tender leaves from every swelling bud. This is the time when flowers are at their most fragrant and lovely best. This is May! This graduation time in our high schools and colleges. Out of the high schools come the boys and girls eager to learn as they enroll in the college of their choice. Out of colleges and universities come these same boys and girls, four years removed, more appropriately equipped to supply the needs of a



MR. MOSS

world crying for trained personnel. Graduation from high school and college means that another alumnus of that institution has been sent out to do his part in making this world a better place in which to live.

How well we who are alumni of Gardner-Webb have accomplished our part, God only knows. Let us once more return to the campus upon which we set halting feet, where the mass of raw materials called our brain was agitated and stirred to action previously unknown. Let us return to give praise to our Alma Mater and to those who have made her what she is, her faculty and administration. Let us return to renew friendship bonds made and bound on these grounds and in these buildings. Bonds which are none the less real than when they were formed, but which have been stretched by the intervening years to the point of thinness. I hope to see you in May. May 24th to be exact for the Alumni Banquet of 1958.

Let me say thank you for the opportunity of serving you as president of the Alumni Association for this year. It has been a privilege and a joy to me.

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Ginnis, Martha Mason, Pat Mobley, Mrs. Beulah Philbeck Noblitt, Grace Ollis, Mrs. Marian Davis Packard.

Shelba Jeanne Packard, Ruth Ann Poole, Modene Radford, Marilou Reepe, Hubert Sanders, Lib Scruggs, Nina Scruggs, Mary Ellen Shytle, Charles Smith, Sara Spangler, Carolyn Sparks, Freida Stanley, Jean Tipton, Pat Trantham, Dean Turner, Larry Tysinger, Charles Walker, Marian Walters, Dean Ware, Bill Williams.

Douglas Wilson, Floyd Wright, and Sue Wright.

# Life With The Alumni

## CLASS OF 1913



Mrs. Craig

*Era Plummer Craig* (Mrs. Claude M.) retired last spring after 44 years as a teacher, 34 of which were in the High Point City schools. She and her husband live in retirement in High Point.

*Dr. E. V. Hudson*, formerly of Cramerton, was succeeded as pastor of Cramerton's First Baptist Church by the Rev. R. O. Baker, Jr. of Charlotte. Dr. Hudson is now retired and living near Gastonia.

*Eva Long Miller* (Mrs. N. A.) lives in Brevard, where she was secretary to the superintendent of public welfare for Transylvania County until her retirement in 1956.

## CLASS OF 1920

*Rev. W. L. McSwain*—see Alexander '51.

## CLASS OF 1921

*Rev. Horace G. Hammett* of Columbia, S. C., was speaker at the state-wide clinic on the Forward Program of Church Finance held at First Church, Hickory, March 17-18.

*Mary Sue McBrayer*—see Walker '22.

*Lucile Harrelson Shore* (Mrs. Ernie G.) lives in Winston-Salem. She is a member of the board of trustees of Gardner-Webb.

*Lillie Blanton Wilson* (Mrs. Robert T.) recently celebrated 35 years as postmistress of the Lattimore Post Office. She began work there April 12, 1923.

## CLASS OF 1922

*Merlin H. Walker* of Gaffney, S. C., Route 2, died at Cleveland Memorial Hospital on March 23. He had suffered a heart attack the previous day. He is survived by his wife, the former *Mary Sue McBrayer* '21, and by several sons and a daughter. Mr. Walker was a farmer and owned considerable land in the Camp Creek Community. He operated a cotton gin and was a fertilizer dealer.

## CLASS OF 1923

*Broadus Evans "Pop" Simmons* of Moores-

boro, who is Shelby's American Legion baseball coach, was chosen as the North Carolinian contributing most to baseball in 1957. He was chosen by the Raleigh Chapter of the Hot Stove League and was presented the "Will Wynn Award" in Raleigh on April 11. "Pop" started coaching the Shelby Legion team in 1942. He is married to the former *Ida McMurray* and they have a son, Curt, 4.

## CLASS OF 1929

*A. V. Washburn, Jr.* was one of the featured speakers at the Baptist State Sunday School Convention which met in Charlotte's First Baptist Church on April 28-29.

## CLASS OF 1930

*Judson Petty* lives at Chesnee, S. C.

## CLASS OF 1931

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Forney* of Shelby will be local "parents" of a Finnish girl coming to Shelby as an American Field Service exchange student in August. Mr. Forney is vice-president of Lily Mills and secretary-treasurer of Shelby Box Company.

## CLASS OF 1932

*Lorene Stroupe Bass* (Mrs. Joe N.) lives near Bessemer City.

## CLASS OF 1934

*R. D. McCraw* is principal of John Dodd High School near Spartanburg, S. C.

## CLASS OF 1936

*Clara Delle Stroupe* is a school teacher in Belmont. She is a graduate of Asheville Teachers College with a B. S. degree and of Winthrop College with a Masters in Elementary Education.

## CLASS OF 1938

*Florence Burnett Alden* (Mrs. Alex E.) lives in Stamford, Conn. She is director of public relations for the Church of All Nations Neighborhood House in New York City.

*Mr. and Mrs. Marsdon Blanton* of Earl announce the birth of a daughter on March 3.

*Mrs. Mildred Annette Ezell McKinney* is a homemaker and mother in Richmond, Va. She and Mr. McKinney have four children, Harold, David, Loraine, and Marlene.

# Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

## CLASS OF 1939

*George Basil Dixon* died of a heart attack March 27. He was in his first year as agriculture teacher at Casar High School in Casar. His wife, the former *Mary Lowery*, teaches sixth grade at the Casar school. They are parents of a small son.

*Nina Mae Ezelle Moffitt* (Mrs. D. T.) is a homemaker and mother at Chesnee, S. C. She is also a substitute teacher in the public schools there, and is taking extension courses from the University of South Carolina. She and Mr. Moffitt have three children, Frank, 12; Gail, 9; and Linda, 6.

## CLASS OF 1941

*Rev. Leon H. Hollingsworth* of Boone is President of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

## CLASS OF 1942

*Gladys Brooks Boroughs* (Mrs. Lewis) lives in Greensboro.

*Rev. Samuel A. High* observed his fourth anniversary as pastor of Loch Raven Church, Baltimore, Md., on March 1.

*Rev. A. V. Ledford* is pastor of a church at Lincolnton, Route 1.

*Rev. Robert L. Trexler* is pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Charlotte.

## CLASS OF 1943

Dr. and Mrs. *Roy G. Burrus, Jr.* (Ella McNeil Jenkins) of Shelby announce the birth of a son on March 17.

*Dr. Eugene Poston*, pastor of Wallace Baptist Church, Wallace, for the past several years, went some months ago to Mississippi to become pastor of a church there.

## CLASS OF 1945

*Martha Ellen Calton Lockey* (Mrs. Alfred R.) lives in Rockingham. She is child welfare social worker for Richmond County, and Mr. Lockey is assistant coach and teacher at the Rohanen High School in Rockingham. They have a daughter, Laura Louise, six months.

## CLASS OF 1946

*Rev. and Mrs. Charles Auten* live at Paw Creek, where he is pastor of Thrift Baptist Church. He has been pastor of this church for 10 years. This year he is president of the Mecklenburg Baptist Ministers Association. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and has studied at New Orleans Seminary. He and Mrs. Auten have two children, Carroll,

14; and Truett, 8.

*Rev. Glenn E. Felmet* is pastor of Southside Baptist Church in Greer, S. C. He and Mrs. Felmet have four children, Harold Dean, 23; Joe, 20; Jerry, 14; and Tim, 6.

*Mrs. Gladys Johnson Hatcher* is now living in Lakeland, Fla.

*Katherine Crawford Moore* (Mrs. James B. Jr.) lives in Forest City.

## CLASS OF 1947

*Rev. A. C. Hughes*—see Rabon '52.

*Rev. and Mrs. Thomas A. Sheppard* (Frances Williams) of Lancaster, S. C., announce the birth of a son, John Thomas, on February 8.

*Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Walker* (Mary Ann Parris '57) of Shelby announce the birth of a daughter on March 27.

*Rev. O. B. Williams* is pastor of a church at Canton, Route 1.

## CLASS OF 1948

*Marjorie Bridges* is education and youth secretary at the Enderly Park Baptist Church in Charlotte.

*Rev. Kenneth E. Snyder* lives at Reidsville. In April, Mt. Herman and Calavry Churches of which he was pastor went to full time programs, and now he is full time pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

*Lois Snyder Strickland* (Mrs. Benjamin F.) is a homemaker and mother at Wadesboro. She and Mr. Strickland have three children, Angela Renee, 3; Marcia Cheryl, 1; and Benjamin LaMont, two months. Mr. Strickland is principal of the Wadesboro High School.

## CLASS OF 1949

*Kenneth Lee Archer* of Cornelius graduated from Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., at the winter commencement exercises Thursday, Jan. 16. He is minister of music and education at First Baptist Church, Carmi, Ill.

*Rev. Arthur Charles Bridges* and Wanda Jean Johnson of Cleburne, Texas, were married Jan. 31, at the First Presbyterian Church in Cleburne. They visited the campus the first week of February while on their honeymoon. He is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Durant, Miss.

*Rev. Yuell R. Hawkins* is enrolled in the Rochester Divinity School, Rochester. He is pastor of a Baptist church near Rochester. He and Mrs. Hawkins (Dorothy Hord) have four children, Glen, Carol, Barry, and Jackie. They



## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

are living at East Pembroke, N. Y.

*Rev. Clifford Lewis Holland* is pastor of Buffalo Baptist Church near Shelby. He was formerly pastor of Telatha Baptist Church in Aiken, S. C. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and Mrs. Holland have a son, Stephen Leslie, 5.

*Norris "Pee Wee" Jones* is coach at Swain High School in the Smoky Mountain Conference. This year his Swain basketball boys captured the Smoky Mountain Conference title for the fifth straight year, and then went on to cop the tournament.

*Dr. and Mrs. Cecil L. Thompson* sailed from New Orleans March 6 to Buenos Aires where they will spend the next five years as Southern Baptist Missionaries to Argentina. At Buenos Aires, Dr. Thompson will teach in the International Baptist Theological Seminary, which has an enrollment of approximately 75.

*Wilburn Palmer Wellmon* is now living in Houston, Texas.

### CLASS OF 1950

*Rev. W. C. Bearden* of Morganton was visiting evangelist for revival services at East-side Baptist Church in Shelby in April.

*Ray Dean Davis* resigned April 25 after several years as Cleveland County Tax Appraiser with offices in Shelby.

*Rev. Eugene B. Elmore* is pastor of South Marietta Street Baptist Church in Gastonia. He and Mrs. Elmore have two children, Erick Vaughn, 8; and Stephen Eugene, 1½.

*Rev. Quinn Howe*, who is pastor of Pine View Baptist Church in Martinez, Ga., was guest speaker at revival services in April at Highland Baptist Church in Shelby.

*Rev. R. H. Lineberger* is now pastor of Well's Chapel Church in the Wilmington Association. He was formerly pastor of Barlow-Vista Church near Holly Ridge. *Mrs. Lineberger* taught at Dixon High School in the Barlow-Vista Community. They have a daughter, *Ruth '57*, who is a junior at East Carolina College, Greenville, N. C.

*Wade R. McSwain* of Ellenboro was graduated from Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., at the winter commencement exercises Thursday, Jan. 16.

*Joan Graham Wilson* (Mrs. Robert Charles) lives at Columbus, Ohio.

*Rev. and Mrs. Zeb Vance Moss* (Evelyn Krause) announce the birth of a daughter, Suzanne, on Dec. 30, 1957. They have another daughter, Lynn, who will be 4 on June 29.

### CLASS OF 1951

*Rev. Hoyle B. Alexander* of Gaffney, S. C., helped to conduct a revival at Mount Olivet Church near Hollis in April. *W. L. McSwain '20* is pastor of the church.

*Mr. and Mrs. Quinn Fisher* are living in St. Petersburg, Fla.

*LeFoy McPherson* lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

*Robert Max Morrow* and *Bettie Evelyn Landers*, both of Shelby, are engaged to be married. A June wedding is planned.

*Velma Carra Stamey* lives at Waynesville, Route 3.

*Bobby W. Whitlock* is now living in Charlotte.

### CLASS OF 1952

*Moseline Jeanette Blanton* is a teacher at Jefferson School in Shelby.

*Cline Wilson Borders* was graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with a bachelor of divinity degree at fall semester graduation Jan. 17. He is pastor of Ephesus Baptist Church, Spring Hope. He and Mrs. Borders have three children, Cline, 10; Timothy Hal, 7; and Cheryl, 3.

*Frances Allen Kiser* (Mrs. J. E. Jr.) conducted the Easter sunrise service at Lafayette Street Methodist Church in Shelby.

*Dr. Charles Donald Lowery* of Avondale and *Janie Mae Ferguson* of Gastonia are engaged to be married. The wedding is planned for June 22.

*Bobby Nix* is now living at Chickamauga, Ga., where he is assistant football and head basketball and baseball coach. Bobby majored in physical education and social studies and graduated from Jacksonville State College, Jacksonville, Ala. He was married July 20, 1957, to Barbara Koger of Chickamauga.

*Rev. Charles H. Rabon*, pastor of First Baptist Church of Cannelton, Ind., was visiting evangelist for revival services at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church near Shelby in April. Mrs. Rabon is the former Jo Lena Bridges. *Rev. A. C. Hughes '47*, is pastor of the church.

## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

*Rev. Raymond Donald Wagner* is pastor of the Columbia and Southside Baptist Churches in Columbia, N. C. He graduated from Wayland Baptist College of Plainview, Texas, in 1954, and is now enrolled at Southeastern Seminary. He and Mrs. Wagner have two children, Michael Ray, 3; and Steven Wayne, 1.

*Ray Snyder* will receive his D.D.S. from the University of North Carolina this month. He is married to the former Freida Moss. They have a daughter, Felisa, who was born last Sept. 28. Ray has received a commission in the Navy.

### CLASS OF 1953

*Rev. Dewey E. Bovender, Jr.* lives in Winston-Salem where he is associate pastor and minister of music and education at New Hope Baptist Church. He is also enrolled at Wake Forest College.

*Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cannon (Merry Hardison)* are living in Winston-Salem where Harvey is unit manager for Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., (Mercantile Claims Division). They have two children, Sheri Lynn, 2; and Robyn Elizabeth, two months. Harvey is also a night student at Wake Forest College.

*Hattie Joleen King* is a nurse at Cleveland Memorial Hospital in Shelby.

*P.F.C. Adrian M. Littlejohn* participated in "Sabre Hawk," a Seventh Army maneuver which involved more than 100,000 troops in Germany. Adrian, a chaplain's assistant with the 72d Field Artillery Group headquarters in Wertheim, entered the Army in February, 1957.

*William Glenn Mauney* of Shelby and Asheville and Nancy Jane Falls of Shelby were married Sunday, April 13, at Central Methodist Church in Shelby. He is employed as assistant manager of Rose's Store in Westgate Shopping Center in Asheville and is a veteran of two years of Army service. They are living at Dunbar Apartments in Asheville.

*Harold M. Pasour* is in the Navy.

*Carl Truitt Rogers* of Gastonia is enrolled at the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Berkeley, Calif.

*Rev. Marvin Whisnant* is pastor of a church at Buffalo Junction, Va.

*Betty Rose White (Mrs. Meredith)* lives at Fort Worth, Texas, where she teaches at the

Cerebral Palsy Clinic of Fort Worth. Her husband is enrolled in Southwestern Seminary in the School of Sacred Music.

*Samuel Bright Wilson, Jr.* of Shelby was awarded a bachelor of science degree in business administration by the University of South Carolina in February.

### CLASS OF 1954

*Mr. and Mrs. George Michael Bostic (Conelia Harrill '56* live in Charlotte. George is accountant for Leeksville Woolen Manufacturing Company and Conelia is a homemaker and mother. They have a small son, George Michael, Jr., six months.

*Mary Hensley Buchert (Mrs. Frank A.)* teaches English and social studies at the Junior High School in South Haven, Mich. She and some friends visited the campus recently. She is going to Germany soon to join her husband who is stationed there.

*Doris Ann Dedmon* of Shelby and Dale Oren Steele of Charlotte are engaged to be married in August. Doris is a graduate of Carson-Newman College, did graduate work at the University of North Carolina, and at present is a teacher at Ardmore School in Winston-Salem. Dale is a rising junior at Wake Forest College and is an announcer for WSJS-TV. He served in the Army for two years.

*Cobia Goforth* is now teaching at the Blue Ridge School for Boys in Hendersonville.

*Doris Harris* of Marion is enrolled in Southeastern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas.

On Sunday evening, Feb. 16, *Rev. Mason Hudspeth* was ordained to the Gospel Ministry by the Warrenton Baptist Church. Mason is a student at Southeastern Seminary. He has been called to serve as student pastor of the Bethesda Church in the Tar River Association.

*Owen Lawter* of Mooresville went through the Air Force Cadet Training Program and received wings at Phoenix, Arizona. He is now a 1st. Lt. and instructor pilot stationed at Greenville AFB, Miss. He was married to Miss Erlyne Bowers in March.

*Bobby Trivette* of Winston-Salem is enrolled in the New Orleans Seminary.

### CLASS OF 1955

*Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hamrick (Joyce*

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Scenes  
and  
Seasons  
at our  
Alma Mater



The Court for May Day,  
an event of May 3 . . .  
Campus scene including  
heavy snowfall of Febru-  
ary 15 . . .

The Bulldogs began an-  
other march toward a  
baseball pennant in  
April . . .





# BIOGRAPHY OF THE REV. JOHN W. SUTTLE PUBLISHED AND SOLD BY COLLEGE

**Canaan In Carolina**, a biography of the Rev. John W. Suttle of Shelby, came from the publishers and went on sale April 7, the Little Preacher's 86th birthday anniversary.

Written by Dr. W. Wyan Washburn of Boiling Springs, the 335-page book is packed with lively accounts of the life and ministry of the Rev. Mr. Suttle, who for more than 65 years was a country pastor in the Carolinas.

The entire printing of 2,000 books is a gift to Gardner-Webb College, with all sales income to be placed in the Suttle Endowment Fund. All cost of publication and promotion was borne by the author, who has been college physician for Gardner-Webb since 1946.

As of May 1, over half the books had been sold, and sales were continuing at a brisk rate at designated stores in Shelby, Forest City, and Boiling Springs, at the Baptist Book Stores in Charlotte and Raleigh, and by mail at the college.

**Canaan In Carolina** is an excellent local history as well as a biography. Names of well over 500 people living in Cleveland, Rutherford, and other nearby counties appear in the book. In addition many Baptist leaders throughout the state and the South brush elbows with John Suttle between the book's pages.

Suttle was born in 1872, and a vivid picture is drawn of the post-Civil War South of the late 19th century of his youth. Muddy roads, horse-and-buggy travel, unbridged rivers, poor communications, typhoid fever, and annual dosings of sulphur and molasses are reviewed by the author.

With all this, however, he includes the determined joy of leisurely rural life, quilting parties, "corn shuckin's," camp meeting and revival times, and family reunions.

John W. Suttle holds an enviable record. In his 65 years he was pastor of 39 churches, often as many as seven at one time. He baptized some 10,000 converts, performed over 2,000 wedding ceremonies, preached over 30,000 sermons, and traveled over a million miles. During this time he was president of the Baptist State Convention, served 40 years as moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, and was a trustee of Gardner-Webb College for 45 years.

The story could go on indefinitely, but for your copy of **Canaan In Carolina** clip and mail the coupon below.

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## COLLEGE VISITATION DAY APRIL 16 ATTRACTS 300 TO GARDNER-WEBB

Close to 300 pastors and laymen from 10 Baptist Associations in nine counties visited Gardner-Webb on April 16 for College Visitation Day, an occasion similar to those held at each of the state's Baptist colleges during April.

Permit us to boast that your Alma Mater had far more visitors in attendance than did any of our sister colleges.

Purpose of the visits is to give church leaders an opportunity to become better acquainted with the work of the colleges, and to strengthen the bonds between the schools and the churches.

### Christian Education Day To Be June 15

Baptist churches throughout North Carolina are scheduled to emphasize the value of Christian education on Father's Day, June 15.

Plans are being made by the Council on Christian Education of the Baptist State Convention, and every Baptist church in the Convention is expected to participate. The program is left up to the individual church. In most churches a special offering for Christian education will be taken, but in some instances this is included in the budget.

For purposes of promotion the Council on Christian Education has designated areas surrounding each of the colleges for primary emphasis by the particular school. The college is responsible for helping supply information to the churches in its area.

Gardner-Webb is working closely with the Kings Mountain, Sandy Run, Gaston, Green River, Blue Ridge, Catawba River, South Mountain, Theron Rankin, South Fork, and Caldwell Baptist Associations. These embrace Cleveland, Rutherford, Gaston, Lincoln, Polk, McDowell, Burke, Catawba, and Caldwell Counties.

Offering envelopes made available in these areas will provide for designating gifts to Gardner-Webb or to any other Baptist college in the state, or the gift may be speci-

Each of the college presidents were present with exception of Dr. Harold W. Tribble of Wake Forest who had a conflicting appointment. He was represented by Dr. C. Sylvester Greene, vice-president. Other presidents in addition to Dr. P. L. Elliott were Dr. Leslie Campbell of Campbell College, Dr. Bruce Whitaker of Chowan, Dr. Carlyle Campbell of Meredith, Dr. Hoyt Blackwell of Mars Hill, and Dr. Budd E. Smith of Wingate.

Appearing on program in addition to the college presidents were the Rev. Tom S. Lawrence, chairman of the board of trustees; Prof. Joseph Godwin, and Dean Bridges, a freshman student. Each of these gave his perspective on Gardner-Webb as a center of Christian education.

Following lunch in the college cafeteria the group heard an address by the Rev. Leon H. Hollingsworth, '41, pastor of Boone's First Baptist Church and president of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention. His address is published elsewhere in the **Quarterly**.

fied for division among the schools on a pre-determined basis.

Every former student is urged to prayerfully remember Gardner-Webb on Christian Education Day. Pray for your Alma Mater, tell others what it has meant to you, and **Give** to its support.

# Across The Desk

By John Roberts, Quarterly Editor



Mr. Roberts

Please pardon ye ed as I dry my sentiment - al eyes. On April 23 I enjoyed an impressive chapel program in wh- ich superior students

umbia University in New York. Her study was in special education, and the degree was given this month.

**William F. Troutman, Jr.**, head of the social studies department in 1949-1956, is associate professor of political science at Atlantic Christian College.

**Dr. Eugene Vosecky**, head of the commercial department in 1949-1957, is associate professor of commercial studies at Western Carolina College. He received the Ph.D. degree from the University of Tennessee last year.

**Miss Mabel Starnes**, dean of women in 1950-1956, is instructor in Bible and dormitory counselor for girls at Carson-Newman College.

**Mrs. Ralph Phillips, Jr. (Laura Jean Keeter)**, who taught secretarial science in 1954-1956, lives in Greensboro where she teaches in the city schools.

**S. M. Hughes**, instructor in Greek and Bible in 1955-1956, is teaching in the public schools in Florida.

**Robert Carr**, professor of music in 1954-1956, is head of the music department in Cumberland College, Lebanon, Tenn.

**Miss Saranan Morgan**, physical education instructor in 1948-1955, is teaching in Shelby High School where she also coaches girls' sports.

**Revis Frye**, physical education instructor and baseball coach in 1947-1949, is head football coach at Garden City College, Garden City, N. Y. This summer he will coach the Union County American Legion Baseball team at Monroe. Mrs.

were tapped for membership in the Marshall Club. The beautiful candlelight ceremony is made even more meaningful to the students by realization that a tap from an active marshall is the highest honor that can come to a Gardner-Webb College student.

As I watched the ceremony it suddenly dawned on me that 10 full years have passed since I sat in the same auditorium as a freshman, waiting, not too expectantly, during the same procedure. When I mentioned this to Hubert Dixon, venerable professor of the Exact Science, he reminded me that 26 years have passed since he finished his freshman year.

How long for you?

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In response to a request by Betty Jo Williams, '56, here are news glimpses of former teachers, most of whom served at Gardner-Webb in recent years. A series of articles of this type appeared in the *Quarterly* two years ago. Suggestions of this type are welcome, so let us hear from you.

**Miss Willie Kate Baldwin**, dean of women in 1949-50, has been awarded a doctor of education degree from Teachers College of Col-



## Across The Desk (Cont'd)

Frye is the former Miss Emmalyn Gamble, voice instructor in 1947-1950.

Miss Jessie DeShong, librarian in 1954-1957, now works in the Archives Division of Virginia State Library in Richmond, Va.

Dr. Robert A. Dyer, director of guidance in 1946-1956, now holds a similar position on the faculty of Wake Forest College.

Mrs. J. D. Huggins, wife of the school's first principal and counselor for girls until her retirement in 1952, lives in retirement in her home adjoining the college campus.

Wayne Bradburn, head football coach in 1946-1952, lives in Brevard where he is superintendent of Transylvania County Schools.

Dr. Robert N. Elliott, Jr., professor of history in 1953-1956, is associate professor of social studies at North Carolina State College.

Mrs. Joe S. Wray, instructor in Latin and counselor for boys in 1946-1950 lives in retirement in Gastonia.

James M. Anderson, instructor in commercial subjects in 1956-1957, is studying dramatic acting at The American Theater Wing in New York, and is teaching in Cambridge Business College there.

Noel C. Carr, instructor in physics and mathematics in 1947-1948, retired last year from the faculty of Atlantic Christian College. He now makes his home in Florida.

Claude Britt, language instructor in 1956-1957, is pursuing a doctorate in his field of study at Northwestern University.

Mrs. J. R. Barnett, counselor for

girls in 1952-1956, is teaching primary students in the Asheville City Schools.

Word comes from Winston-Salem that Dr. Robert A. Dyer, director of guidance in 1946-1956 and now in a similar position at Wake Forest College, suffered a heart attack on Monday, May 5.

### LIFE WITH THE ALUMNI

*Walker*) of Shelby, Route 3, announce the birth of a daughter on March 12.

William Edward Jones of Hendersonville and Charlotte Elizabeth Carroll '56 of Mills Home and Shelby are engaged to be married July 5. Charlotte is a senior at Meredith College.

Joe Anne Ledbetter of Shelby, Route 2, and George T. Hopkins of Fort Valley, Georgia, are engaged to be married. A June wedding is planned. Joe Anne teaches first grade at Lowell.

George Lee Magness and Rachel Ann Clay, both of Charlotte, were married Friday evening, February 7, at Southside Baptist Church in Charlotte. George teaches science at the Eastway Junior High School in Charlotte and Rachel is employed by Southern Bell Telephone Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Proctor (*Marolyn Howell*) are living in Mooresville.

Betty Joan Staton of Charlotte and George Richard Reid of the United States Navy were married Saturday, May 10, at Midwood Baptist Church in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stepp are now living in Orlando, Fla.

Ervin R. Wagner is employed in the Office Department of the Chemstrand Corporation in Pensacola, Fla. He has been there for the past two years.

Gene Weathers graduated from the University of North Carolina with a major in marketing and received a bachelor of science degree in business administration in January.

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Henry Gaitie Beveridge, Jr. of Gastonia and Jerri Sue Robertson of Mooresville are engaged to be married. The wedding will be an event of June 8.

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## "MOM" SHYTLE RETIRES JUNE 1 AFTER EIGHT YEARS AS COUNSELOR FOR BOARDING MEN

Mom!

A name of endearment to all of us.

But to well over 1,000 of her boys now scattered from Alaska to South Africa, "Mom" means Mom Shytle, friend, confidant, and . . . Just Mom, that's all.

Mom is retiring at the end of this school year, and already in imagination we can hear the outraged howls from her "boys" across the land. They thought she was a fixture, untouched by the passing of time.

Indeed she is, for who would have guessed she has seen 70 summers?

Mom has another name, but that doesn't matter. When she was a homemaker in Shelby her children called her "Mother." Then she worked downtown and was known as Mrs. J. D. Shytle. Years earlier as a rosy-cheeked girl she had been Oster Whisnant. But since September of 1950 she has had her present honorary degree of "Mom."

What does she plan to do? Where will she go? Mom has an apartment at the home of a daughter in Shelby. She is also considering the idea of resident employment at a tourist center in Florida. "I'm not sure just yet," she says, and we glance away to avoid a tear . . . Hers . . . or ours?

We would wager a small guess that regardless of who succeeds her in Decker Hall, months and



years will elapse before the last sailor's uniform, business suit, college sport coat, or Marine jacket returns to the Alma Mater and dashes straight to her apartment in Decker Hall to tap eagerly on the door and call expectantly, "Mom!"

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### Two Alumni Die May 5

Two alumni who were residents of Cleveland County, died on May 5. A. P. Anthony, '23, of Kings Mountain, died in the hospital there after a heart attack. Henry W. Gheen ' , of Shelby, died at home after an illness of 11 years.



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND THE BOY; AS SEEN TWENTY YEARS LATER

By Leon H. Hollingsworth

This article contains portions of an address by the Rev. Leon H. Hollingsworth, '41, made following the luncheon given college visitors on April 16, College Visitation Day. The Rev. Mr. Hollingsworth is pastor of the First Baptist Church in Boone and is president of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention. -- Ed.

I remember twenty years ago. A boy came to this college when only one building that still stands was in use, the magnificent old Barn across the way. He was long, lanky, gangling, and raw. The only thing he had was a hesitant heart pulsing with earnest desire to find and fulfil the will of God. He was afraid, unsure of himself, and therefore somewhat blustering, as boys sometimes are. His mind was nothing but a mass of raw material. But the good people of our

taining old Boiling Springs College on a shoestring, at the cost of real personal sacrifice. And there were some men and women here, some of them are still here, who believed that an awkward, blundering boy was worth teaching.

What they did for that boy, those who maintained this institution and those who taught in it, can never be measured. And gratitude for it can never be expressed. God bless them, and all their wonderful company. One of that group was not even a Baptist. But they spent themselves for that boy, and his companions in the sometimes suffering process of growth. He faltered and fumbled, boasted and blundered, knew it all, and knew nothing. But they never lost patience with him nor faith in him, or more properly, faith in God that He could do something even with that kind of boy. They taught him—in spite of himself—some of the laws of mathematics . . . of science . . . and grammar . . . and history. But most of all, and best of all, they taught him that education was a life process.

They taught him that the fear of God was the beginning of wisdom. They reminded him that the word "know" was one of the truly great words of the Bible . . . and



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churches believed that boys with minds like that and hearts like that were worth their attention, their prayers, their efforts, their scarce depression dollars, and, above all, their understanding! And because they believed it they were main-



that life itself would be an opportunity of learning for him, as, under God, it is for all men, and that the only diploma or degree that would ever be eternally significant would be the inner sense that he was being true to the trust of his own life and personality. They made him sensitive to the miracle of grace that he was God's creature, in God's image. From them first, and then from others in their glorious craft, whom God had called and who were the instruments of His purpose as surely as any preacher in any pulpit in all the world, he began to learn that it is the mind of Christ to be identified with God, and with humanity, and that the only life ever really possessed is the one truly given up to the uniting of these two, God and man.

He began to understand that this is redemption. And because he saw it in them, because while they taught him from books they gave up themselves to help him find himself, in fellowship with the highest he could be, which is fellowship with God, because they helped him begin to understand that the knowledge of truth is the constant search for it in love, they led him to face the personal implications of Paul's commandment when he said, "Let this mind be in YOU, which was also in Christ Jesus!"

I was that boy.

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## Graduates Succeed At Wake Forest

Gardner - Webb graduates who continue their studies at Wake Forest College earn grades at Wake Forest averaging within .135 points of their Gardner-Webb records.

These findings were released in April by the dean and other administrative officials at Wake

Forest. They are the result of a survey covering the years since 1952. They reveal a close cooperation between the two Baptist colleges in maintaining high academic standing.

Admissions officials at Wake Forest also stated that they give first preference to graduates of accredited junior colleges.

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## Dr. Elliott Contributes To New Biography

Dr. Phil Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb College, is a contributing writer for a book to be published soon by Lowell M. Greenlaw of Chicago.

The book is a biography of Dr. Edwin A. Greenlaw, who headed the graduate school at the University of North Carolina from 1913 to 1925, and later taught at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Elliott was a graduate student of Dr. Greenlaw and assisted in preparation of the latter's philosophy of Edmund Spenser, the noted English poet. He studied with Dr. Greenlaw at Carolina and at Johns Hopkins.

Included in the biography will be a letter of appraisal by Dr. Elliott. The author has also chosen Dr. Elliott's evaluation as the keynote in the epilogue, and refers to it a number of times.

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## Death Takes Alumnus In Car-Train Crash

J. Newton Bridges, 1923, was killed in a traffic accident in late February near his home in Mooresboro. His car was struck by a train at a railroad crossing.

Mr. Bridges was a graduate of the old Boiling Springs High School and of Wake Forest College. He worked as a farmer and salesman.

## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

*John Ellis Biggers* and *Nancy Ruth Wyatt*, both of Patterson Springs, are engaged to be married on June 7.

*Charlotte Elizabeth Carroll*—see Jones '55.

*Dee Gerald Deal* of Spartanburg, S. C., was one of three young men who drowned at Lake Lure on Saturday afternoon, March 15.

*Pvt. Ted E. Grayson* participated in "Sabre Hawk" a Seventh Army maneuver which involved more than 100,000 troops in Germany. He is a squad leader.

*Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Goodson* (*Rilla Anne McKinney*) are living in Charlotte. She is a voucher clerk for General Electric Company there.

*James Franklin Hall* is now serving in the armed services in Japan.

*Conelia Harrill*—see Bostic '54.

*Eddie Hudson*, Cramerton native, has won a full scholarship to the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. Eddie, a senior at Wake Forest College, was one of three students awarded the scholarships by the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation. The four-year scholarship is valued at \$14,400.

*Larry E. Jones* is in the Air Force stationed at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.

*Jerry Manson Keeter* of Cramerton and *Ann Marie Ellis* of Shelby are engaged to be married on June 28.

*Rev. and Mrs. Harold Long* are living at Chilton, Texas. Harold is working on his master's degree at Baylor.

*Mary Jane Seagle* of Lawndale, Route 3, who is a student at Appalachian State Teachers College, is practice teaching at D. Matt Thompson Junior High School in Statesville.

*Bill Sitton* of Hendersonville and *Ruth Turner* of Gastonia were married April 5 in the chapel of the First Baptist Church in Charlotte. Bill is in the Air Force stationed at Portsmouth, N. H., where he is sports editor of the Army newspaper. Ruth is secretary at First Baptist Church in Charlotte.

*Elizabeth Ann Wheeler* and *James E. Day* of Spartanburg, S. C., were married December 4, 1957. They are living at Hamilton Avenue in Spartanburg.

*Roger Lee Wilson* is now living in Berkeley, Calif.

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*Sandra Ammons* and *Freida Austin*, both of Charlotte, visited the campus on March 15. Sandra is enrolled at Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in Charlotte, and Freida is bookkeeper for Nole Knitting Company there.

*Gloria Faye Bolch* and *Floyd Burt Rhyne*, both of Gastonia, were married Friday evening, April 4, at Loray Baptist Church in Gastonia. Gloria is employed with Hinde and Dauch Paper Company. Floyd is connected with Canteen Service of Carolina. They are living on West Circle Drive in Gastonia.

*Douglas David Hamrick* and *Melba Jean Roberts*, both of Shelby, were married April 4 at Second Baptist Church in Shelby. Doug is a senior at Wake Forest College, and Melba is a senior at Shelby High School.

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keith Hawkins* of Shelby announce the birth of a son on March 29.

*Wilma Faith Houser*—see Hudson '58.

*James E. Huey* of Marshall is enrolled at Wake Forest College.

*E. J. Huffstickler* is enrolled in a business school in Raleigh.

*Hal Hughey* and *Gwendolyn Dismdale*, both of Spindale, are engaged to be married in June. Hal is a student at the University of California in Oakland, Calif. Gwendolyn is a student at Berea College, Berea, Ky.

*Shirley Jolley* of Mooresboro and *Harolyn Sparks* of Cliffside are enrolled at Woman's College.

*Horace Ledford* is a student at Wake Forest College.

*Ruth Lineberger*—see Lineberger '50.

*Troy Neal McCraw* of Shelby and *Sherra Antonia Hatcher* of Winston-Salem are engaged to be married this summer. Troy is a student at Wake Forest College where he is a member of Alpha Kappa, honorary business fraternity at Wake Forest. Sherra is a senior at Shelby Hospital School of Nursing.

*Rev. Bobby Charles Meeks* and *Faith Loueen Barker*, both of Gastonia, were married in February at Ridge Baptist Church in Gastonia. They are now living at South Oakland Street in Gastonia.

*Jimmie Mode* and *Ann Walker* '58 were married January 25.

*Bradford F. Moser* is now living in Hialeah, Fla.

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## Life With The Alumni (Cont'd.)

*Mary Ann Parris*—see Walker '47.

*Ruth Ann Price* of Casar is a student at Catawba College.

*Garland Queen* and *Hilda Jane Whitworth*, both of Casar, were married April 5 in South Carolina. They are now living in Shenandoah, Va., where Garland is employed.

*Roland Robert Rabon, Jr.* of Shelby and *Lorene Marshall* of Mount Airy were married Friday, March 7, at the First Baptist Church in Boone. Both are sophomores at Appalachian State Teachers College.

*Ray Rollins* is enrolled at Wake Forest Col-

lege. He was formerly feature editor of the *Cleveland Times* in Shelby.

*Richard D. Rollins* is an electrician in Greenville, S. C.

*Irva Smith*, who is a student at Appalachian State Teachers College, visited the campus on April 26.

### CLASS OF 1958

*William Hamilton Hudson* of Cramerton and *Wilma Faith Houser* '57, of Belmont are engaged to be married. A June 21 wedding is planned.

*Ann Walker*—see Mode '57.

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## WHERE ARE YOU?

We feel like good second-rate bloodhounds, by being forever on the trail of former students in order to know your correct address and other news that may be of interest to your former classmates.

It's a losing battle without your help, however, so won't you please help by clipping the form below, filling in the blanks, and mailing it to the **Quarterly** editor—Please?

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