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Pan-Hel Council Gets Al Donahue For Mid-Winters

Castlebury States That Big Name Band Has Been Signed

ORCHESTRA COMES FROM NEW YORK

Donahue Brings 'Lovely Songstress' To Ball In February

Al Donahue, nationally known band leader, and his orchestra will furnish the music for the annual mid-winter dances to be held February 9-10, the Pan-Hellenic council announced last night. The place where the dances will be held has not been specified at this date.

Frank Castlebury, president of the Pan-Hellenic Council, revealed that negotiations had been carried on for several weeks before the final arrangements could be made. The details as to the place of the dance will be released next week.

One of Ten Best

Donahue, a graduate of Boston College, is listed as one of the first ten orchestra leaders in the nation, according to popularity ratings. He is noted for his "Low Down Rhythms" which feature the smoothness for which he is well known, as well as the "light" swing which is now reaching a peak in popularity.

"Low Down Rhythms", theme song of the Donahue band, was the direct result of the new trend to swing. This was first introduced at the Rainbow Room in New York City, and proved to be such a success that the band adopted this type of music for all their programs.

Al Is Handsome

Al is also considered one of the handsomest and best-dressed bachelors in the business. While appearing in person with his band at the Hotel Bermudian six years ago, Donahue met the lovely blonde Frederika Gallatin, a social register debutante. Within half an hour he had told her that he disliked and distrusted blondes. Within a year he was married to her.

Featured with the orchestra to appear for the Mid-Winters is Miss Paula Kelly, lovely, dark-eyed vocalist with a voice destined to take her to the top in the vocal field. Phil Britte, dashing "Beau Brummel" with a flashing smile, also assists with the vocals.

Ork Makes Recordings

The orchestra is also known for several current recordings released during the past year. Donahue has made his mark as an arranger and composer. The tune "Don't Cross Your Fingers, Cross Your Heart", was a success last season. He has also written many novelty tunes, among which is his latest, a swingy tune titled "Do You Wanna Jump Chillin'" and his current hit "Sweet Sorrow. His

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Phi Beta Kappa Nominates Wake

Wake Forest College, along with eight other liberal arts colleges and universities, was accorded on December 13 nomination to membership in the United Chapters of Phi Beta Kappa national scholastic honor society, by the society's senate at its annual meeting in the board room of the Carnegie Corporation, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York.

It was explained that the nominations are tantamount to final election by the triennial council of Phi Beta Kappa, to be held in San Francisco in September, 1940.

The nine institutions named comprised one of the largest groups to be admitted to Phi Beta Kappa since the society was founded in 1776. Those named besides Wake Forest are: Albion College, Albion, Michigan; Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; Catholic University of America, Washington; Elmira College, Elmira, New York; Milwaukee-Dowder College, Milwaukee; Wake Forest College, Spartanburg, South Carolina; University of Denver, Denver, Colorado; and University of Wyoming, Laramie.

Dr. Frank P. Graves, New York State Commissioner of Education and president of the United Chapters, presided at the Senate meeting.

MID-WINTER DANCE FEATURES



Pictured above is Al Donahue, who will bring his orchestra to Wake Foresters Feb. 9-10, when the annual Mid-Winter dances take place. With him is pictured lovely Paula Kelly, dark-eyed songstress rapidly rising to fame. This combination is slated to be the tops in the dance history of Deacontown.

Brissie Writes Review Of "Terrible Thirties"

Last Decade Has Been One Of Great Progress

By EUGENE BRISSIE

Where were you on the morning of January 1, 1930, when the first morning of the new year—and decade—was ushered in amid the mourning and glooming of stock exchange handlers? That was a morning on which the name Hoover was still prominently mentioned among the cut-throat circles, and the name Roosevelt either referred to the "Teddy of Big Stick" fame or the governor of New York.

—That was also the first year of the decade which has been since called the "terrible thirties"—when everything happened. A decade, which, in the college world, featured everything from football tournaments of roses to ping-pong double features in the athletic way; it was the beginning of a period when nothing—not even goldfish—was safe in front of the proverbial "man in the conksin coat."

They Were News

In other words the characteristics just mentioned, along with numerous others, applied to the college news front of the 1930-39 decade. They were news: And in the world of news Wake Forest was no exception. And what news some of the items were. Getting off to an early start, the March 29, 1930 issue of Old Gold and Black screamed forth with the following headlines: "Flames Leap Skyward, Burn Historic Wingate Hall." That was news, temporarily, however. For in the following issue the editor printed retractions to all the front page stories of the preceding issue. It was April Fool!

Even earlier in the year there came the news that "Gaines Chosen Head of Washington and Lee University." And Wake Forest lost her president who was succeeded by Thurman D. Kitchin the following autumn. But before the president abdicated, he came out with a plea for the "Union of Wake Forest and Meredith"—something which found its way to

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Famous Doctor To Speak Here

Herbert L. Wells to Speak Tuesday At Monthly Convocation

Dr. Herbert L. Wells, noted physiologist, will be the speaker at the January student convocation on next Tuesday when the Medical School sponsors the monthly gathering of the student body.

Fred Johnson, president of the medical classes, said today Dean C. C. Carpenter will present Dr. Wells to the convocation at 10 a. m. in the church auditorium. Class periods will be shortened on Tuesday to give the speaker more time.

Studied At Harvard

Dr. Wells is associate professor of physiology at Vanderbilt University. He studied a year at Harvard under Prof. Walter B. Cannon, and for the past 12 years has been at Vanderbilt in the departments of pharmacology and physiology. He is a graduate of Johns Hopkins.

Dean Carpenter said he is expecting one of the largest crowds of the school year to hear Dr. Wells.

To Have Pertinent Theme

"He will speak on a theme every student will be interested in," Dr. Carpenter said. "It will be on some phase of biology, chemistry and physics as they relate to man. Dr. Wells has recently written a book on that subject, and knows how to approach the subject from a layman's point of view."

In recommending Dr. Wells to the student body here, Dr. W. E. Gary, head of the Vanderbilt department of physiology, said, "He is easily the keenest intellect in our young scientific group today. His research is fundamental and noteworthy, and has many clinical applications. His exposition is clear, with a rare sense of the fundamentals of his subject."

Wake's Bluebeard Society Vies With House of David

Wake Forest College's newest ornery fraternity, the Bluebeard Society, held its first regular meeting on Tuesday night of this week, at which John Snow was elected head of the group with the title of Old Rumblebug.

Membership in the fraternity, which has as its purpose the separation of the college men from the college boys, is open only to those students who can grow three-eighths inch of beard within seven days. The total membership is restricted to two per cent of the student body.

Spottswood's a Pledge

Eight men are charter members of the body. Other members will be tapped in the spring at the same time that Golden Bough taps its members. Freshmen may pledge the fraternity, provided they can show a growth of beard a fourth-inch long after one week. They will become members of the Freshman Auxiliary, which is headed by G. Spottswood Butts of

the straggly black moustache. His title is Little Rumblebug. The charter members are as follows: John Snow, Charlie Yirinec, John Jett, Bub Sweel, Bub Bolmer, Glenn Miller, Spottswood Butts, and Frank Zakim. Pledges will be announced next week.

The Rumblebug Speaks

Rumblebug Snow announced following the meeting Tuesday night, "We members of the Bluebeard Society believe that with the founding of our society Wake Forest College has entered upon a new era of a better, fuller life for all. Our pledges shall be only the super-elite of the college students."

The constitution of the fraternity was written with the intention of going national within the next decade. Negotiations will be begun shortly with the House of David for establishment of a local chapter here, under the auspices of the local society.

WRAL To Seek Air Announcers From Colleges

Nine Men From Wake Forest Slated For Tests

TRYOUTS TO BE HELD ON ADDRESS SYSTEM

Winner of State Contest "Understood" to Have Job In Store

Nine men will be selected from Wake Forest to appear in a series of special Sunday night programs sponsored and featured by Radio Station WRAL in Raleigh, according to a report from the Department of Speech, directed by Professor George Copple.

The plan, which has been devised by Program Director Fletcher and Announcer J. B. Clark of the station, has been arranged so several North Carolina schools may participate in competition for possible jobs as radio announcers. Further directions from the Raleigh studios indicate that three men will appear on each of the thirty-minute, Sunday night programs. Script will be furnished by station officials.

Will Have Local Audition

As a preliminary step in selecting the nine men who will enter the actual broadcast competition, Professor Copple has arranged for local auditions. The English Department's public address system has been adapted to the occasion, in order that actual studio conditions may be obtained for the preliminary contestants.

Students from any class or any group may try out in the local auditions. According to a report from the department early auditions have already begun. Students wishing to enter the competition are urged to see Professor Copple.

Designed by the WRAL officials as a "Discovery of Talent" search, the group have not restricted the try-outs to any particular phase of the college curriculum. It has been generally understood that the final winner of first place will receive an appointment as announcer—either full time work, supply work, or summer work—either of which would be invaluable experience to the aspirants in the radio field.

PENDERGAST SPEAKS

John Pendergast, accused in the Charlotte News of being a traitor, wishes to make known to all and sundry that "it ain't so."

Pendergast was supposed, by Clemson publicity agents, to have given valuable information on Clemson plays to Boston College, in order that their game struggle with Clemson in the Cotton Bowl might be eased. "Goose," however, says that he knew nothing of the charges until he returned from his Christmas vacation; furthermore he didn't even see a B. C. coach, much less talk to one.

PRE-REGISTRATION

The annual period for pre-registration for the spring semester, as announced today by the Registrar, will begin Monday, January 8, and continue through the week. Each student who will have any form of schedule change for the coming semester is expected to cooperate with this office in making the necessary adjustment.

All members of the freshman class must see their faculty advisors and arrange for a conference before the period of pre-registration. The conferences will begin Tuesday.

Upperclassmen who attend pre-registration and have no changes to make in their schedule for the spring semester, are given preference at that time, and are directed into a rapidly moving line. Only those students who find it necessary to consult the Registrar before registration may be completed are delayed in the registration hall.

Students who desire to take re-examinations should secure a permit from the Registrar during the pre-registration week.

Scores of Former 'Boys' Join in Paying Last, Sad Tribute to Dr. B. F. Sledd

Beloved Poet-Teacher Had Endeard Himself to Generations of Wake Forest Men By His Colorful Personality

By EUGENE BRISSIE

If Dr. Sledd were writing this story, he would begin it, "Well, boys, Old Slick is gone."

But since he is not, we must do our best in another manner.

No member of the Wake Forest faculty has more anecdotes associated with his name and personality than Dr. Benjamin Sledd, who died at his Wake Forest home Thursday morning. According to an old student of his, it was nothing for him to read "Hamlet" from cover to cover, using the wrong book and it turned upside down. That was characteristic of the literary genius, whose influence on Wake Forest College has loomed, and still looms, on the mental horizons of men for over fifty years.

Known to the members of his classes as "Old Slick" for the fifty years of his active classroom work as a member of the college faculty, the character of Dr. Sledd has become a part of Wake Forest. In his passing the 106 year-old institution has lost its "Grand Genius of Literature," who, as a professor of students and leader of men, walked the red brick walks of the magnolia-covered campus.

Great Influence

But his influence cannot be restricted to the relatively small space of the Wake Forest campus; it extends to the most remote parts of North Carolina, all over the South—even into the distant corners of what scientists have called "the Earth." Into the souls of men he breathed his distinguished spirit of love and appreciation, as he, himself, breathed the very essence of beauty and life from classrooms, books, and his fellow-men.

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DR. SLEDD

Dr. Maggs To Be Forum Speaker

Professor D. B. Maggs, of the law faculty of Duke University, will be the guest speaker at the January meeting of the Current Law Forum next Thursday at 8 P. M. in the Medical Auditorium, according to a notice issued by Cliff Everette, president of the law school.

John G. Neihardt To Lecture Here

John G. Neihardt, outstanding American poet, has been scheduled to deliver a lecture and two informal talks at Wake Forest on Monday and Tuesday, March 4 and 5.

Neihardt's lecture on the evening of Monday, March 4, is to consist chiefly of interpretative readings from the cycle of epic poems of Western America which he has written. An interpretation of several lyrics will also be featured. The meeting will be in the church auditorium.

Sigurd Neihardt, son of the poet, will accompany his father's reading with piano music. Sigurd Neihardt manages and arranges the schedule for all of his father's programs.

Poet to Meet Frosh

On Tuesday Neihardt will hold meetings both with the assembled freshman class and with interested upperclassmen, speaking on subjects of interest to all who are students of contemporary literature and creative writing.

Neihardt, regarded as one of the foremost modern poets, is well studied at Wake Forest, his epic, "Song of the Three Friends" and

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Former Deacon "Comets" To Rocket For W-Club

Comets of yesteryear's basketball—star players of the State and Wake Forest squads of last year—will dash happily up and down a basketball court again when the Wake Forest Monogram Club calls them forth from their seclusion and presents them in a joust at the local gym as one of the features of their first annual Monogram Night on Feb. 8.

All-Southern Jim Waller, Boyd Owen and other Southern Conference leaders such as P. C. Hill, Jim Rennie, Honeycutt and Charlie Aycock, late of the State squad, will make this event a true mix-up of "old timers."

Sweet to Add Charm

Adding color, grace, charm and beauty to the thrills of the evening, Bub Sweel will play the leading role in "The Milk-Maid's Daughter" or "Cows Won't Bite."

Bub usually plays in more athletic shows than this dainty and dramatic revelation of the strange emotions of a courageous woman's

heart, but she is described as "divinely inspiring."

Bub is accompanied by a bevy of chorus girls from the Gridiron Follies, including Johnette Jett, Clementina Crabtree, Lois Trunzo, Carlotta Givler, Touch Me Ann Tingle, To My Ringgold, and others.

Drama Has a Moral

The moral of the drama is "A bull's hide is tough and it makes a good basketball." Athletic officials are busy boring auger holes in the gym floor to furnish an outlet for the flood of tears that is expected during the more touching scenes, and Walter D. Holliday, superintendent of grounds, is considering building an aqueduct to the college pond.

The "Whetstone of Wit", a clash between the brawn of athletes and the brain of professors, will be the final feature of the program and is designed to dis-

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Had Taught Here Half of Century

College Bell Tolls To Call His Students For Last Time

Scores of his "boys" returned to Wake Forest yesterday to attend funeral services for Dr. Benjamin Sledd which were held at the church at three o'clock, following his death Thursday morning, after an illness of several weeks.

The seventy-five year-old poet and teacher was buried in the local cemetery, after the final rites in the church.

The college bell which for fifty years summoned him and his students to classes tolled for a quarter of an hour as the "boys" and other friends filed into the church. Large sprays of flowers were banded against the altar, forming a background for the coffin bearing the beloved professor, who oftentimes in life had stood in that very spot and proclaimed the teachings of the Bible to members of his Sunday School classes. And three of his colleagues took part in the funeral service. These were: Dr. W. R. Cullom, who read the Scripture; Dr. J. W. Lynch, who led in prayer; and Dr. James Easley, who conducted Dr. Sledd's "last message."

Impressive Service

The almost-springtime sun-rays of the January mid-afternoon sifted through the stained-glass windows of the church auditorium. Some eighty odd colleagues and friends followed the coffin down one aisle, forming an honorary escort, while six of his townsmen friends acted as active palbearers.

Outside the church a group of students, some of whom never knew him as a teacher, stood with bowed heads, in respect of a man whom they had come to know from the words of others. Several negro workmen, who shared in knowing him stood to the left of the church with hats removed, and two negro women took seats in an obscure corner of the left wing of the auditorium.

Easley Says

In speaking of the Poet, Teacher, and Christian Gentleman, Dr. Sledd, Dr. Easley said, "His poet spirit lived in a world of wonder and beauty. It is no marvel that literature should have claimed him for her own. He was her child. As a teacher he had in a marked degree the power of awaking in his students an enthusiasm for the world of literature. It is not strange that he should have inspired such a large number of men who have made significant contributions to the field of letters. "Here was one of earth's finest Christian gentlemen, courteous and courtly, whose chief treasure was his character and whose chief

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Pfohl To Assist At Band Meeting

Donald L. Pfohl, of the Wake Forest music department, in collaboration with Major C. D. Kuchinski of N. C. State College, will direct an All-State high school band at Greenville's East Carolina Teachers College on Friday, Jan. 19.

Mr. Pfohl has been chosen to work with Major Kuchinski by the North Carolina Bandmaster's Association, which sponsors the all-state clinic.

Sixty-five star bandmen from five high school bands throughout the state will play in the eastern division of the all-state clinic in Greenville under the direction of Mr. Pfohl and Major Kuchinski.

Sessions will begin on Friday in East Carolina Teacher's Wright building and will continue through the next day. The clinic meets on Saturday will be open to the public. During this period numbers used in music contests by winning bands will be played.

The annual band clinic has become an established event in North Carolina. The meeting was held last year in Raleigh in conjunction with the State educational conference.

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FIRST OF ALL, A TEACHER

We are sorry for the younger students of Wake Forest who did not get to know Dr. Benjamin F. Sledd. They missed an influence they can now never experience. For fifty years he was a vital part of the college, and it will seem strange to older students and alumni to think of the school without him. He was a remarkable personality, a fine writer—but above all, as he would have reminded us, he was a teacher.

He had a rich literary talent. His mind was crowded with delightful creations which were forever escaping their bounds and dancing into life. His conversations teemed with them; sometimes he clothed them in prose or verse. In his several published volumes of poetry he exhibited the singing joy of his beloved Victorians, a fine imagination roaming free, genuine emotion and warm sympathies, and a love of the beauties of nature. In all his writings there was a Puckish humor which he kept ever under control by his keen feeling for what was apropos and in good taste. He might have given the world far more than he did to secure his name in Southern literature, had he chosen to do so.

In 1926, when a new volume of poems had been made ready for the press, and when Dr. Sledd was receiving the praises and congratulations of friends, he reminded them that he was first of all a teacher rather than a poet, and that the works of which he was proudest were "my boys," the scholars, writers, and teachers who make a notable list attesting his abilities in the classroom. For half a century this Gentleman from Virginia elected unselfishly to use his talents in developing others, rather than in seeking fame for himself. His imagination caught students in a literary net from which few cared to escape; his own warm emotions quickened theirs; his musical language enchanted them; and made them love the poetry he read; and his appreciation of beauty opened their eyes to a new world. Add to these factors the salt of his wit and humor, and one may see why he had an irresistible appeal to young men.

In Dr. Sledd's work as teacher, two qualities stood out. One was his ability to invest all the materials of his courses with charm and interest; the second was his remarkable ability to inspire his students. Other teachers have known their subjects as well, but few have been able to "get hold" of men as Dr. Sledd did for generation after generation.

"Old Slick" he was called as far back as anyone can remember. He even called himself that when he had the grace to poke fun at himself, and he never resented the nickname in students' mouths, for he knew it was a term of affection. And he knew so much else about boys and about literature. But the man was himself greater than all he knew. There could be only one Old Slick, and he is gone. That is why we are sorry for the younger students, and for future classes of Wake Forest men.

LIFE BEGINS AT '40

The year '40 ushers in a new decade which may prove to be the beginning of life—the real life towards which centuries and civilizations have worked.

The "terrible thirties" are over. The gloomiest span of years in the history of this civilization has passed, and already the rays of hope illuminate the horizon. Through all the turmoil, upheaval, and social confusion of the past ten years we have seen indisputable forces—some the brewing of centuries, and others the result of the depression—which have come to the front. Some have been choked by stronger forces, and others have sped on, gaining momentum and power, and forever heading for that final showdown which will prove their worthiness or tyranny.

The totalitarian principles of Hitler, Stalin, and Mussolini; the shaking off of old rulers and traditions; the determined energy we have

adopted to reshape our economic and social system; and our kindled passion for liberty as well as the burning sympathy for the oppressed, have all reached a peak in this first month of a new decade. Now we await the climax which will show the results of the past years' unparalleled struggle.

Allan Nevins, professor of history at Columbia University, in an article in the Sunday magazine section of the New York Times, says that . . . "The ten years past have been a decade of terrible material losses; even in America of want, unemployment and frequent despair; in international affairs, a decade of brutality with the spirit of greed and cruelty seizing four powerful nations, the resources of the machine age used to crush weaker peoples. But it was also the decade of a great rally. If the forces of disintegration and aggression won victory after victory, they created in the end a spirit which resolutely announced: 'Thus far and no farther!' . . . It is this rally, this awakening of a grim moral determination which alone redeems the decade and gives hope of a brighter world to come . . . A terrible decade—so we may well exclaim in looking back on it. But its very blows and losses have had their compensations in stripping away some of the illusions which have blinded great multitudes. And it has closed upon a note of rigorous dedication which is more than encouraging—which is inspiring."

We realize that the world has lost much in life, property and security during the past years; yet this is secondary when we realize how many of the best of us seem to have gone far in really finding our souls. Whether Germany, Russia, Italy, and Japan finally realize the uselessness of their resolute struggle or not, we are aware that at least the American public is headed for a greater era.

A DECADE OF PROGRESS

The years of 1930-39 were definitely a "Decade of Progress" for Wake Forest.

The dawn of the 1930's was the future decade of Wake Forest just ten years ago. And at the same dawn business faced the worst prospects of American history. Then what may we say about the Wake Forest "business"?

Early in the decade two buildings were lost by fire. However, to replace this loss the school has gained four new buildings, namely, the gymnasium, Amos Johnston Memorial Medical Building, Wait Hall, and Simmons Hall, an up-to-date dormitory. With the exception of \$40,000 (according to a statement from the Alumni News) the buildings have been paid for entirely—an enviable record for any college. The library has increased its number of volumes by 137 per cent; the school enrollment has been approximately doubled; and today Wake Forest, including its schools of law and medicine, is accredited by every related state, regional, and national standardizing agency. The Phi Beta Kappa Chapter has been approved, recently, and a chapter of O. D. K., national leadership fraternity, has been added to the local campus.

According to a further statement from the Alumni News, Registrar Patterson reports that approximately one-half of the new students who come to Wake Forest come from the upper one-third of their respective high school and senior classes. Not much more could have been expected from the student activities department of the school.

Then we might view the often-referred-to as "terrible thirties" with more pride than regret. Figures and facts show a decided up-beat from all departments of the college. In the hands of capable directors, and under the guidance of President Thurman D. Kitchen every phase of college activity bids fair to advance even more during another decade.

It is being widely and generally accepted that the new decade, in which someone has said "Anything can happen!", will be one of specialization. The day of the jack-of-all-trades is over. To meet the demands of a one-task-perman world, Wake Forest has equipped itself creditably well during the past decade. As a bit of prophecy, we predict that the advance will not halt with the new ten-year period.

With its predecessor being one of preparation and advancement, the years 1940-1949 loom as a decade of continued progress for Wake Forest. All of us will have a hand—either to retard or promote—in what realities we make of our new dreams and resolutions.

YOU MUST FACE THE MUSIC

There are many things we shun in this wild race with life and all that goes with it. . . . but this . . . we can only feel with you and print it in 6 point type all because it is an editorial that needs no explaining. . . . even though we're agin it.

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SCORES OF FORMER 'BOYS'

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 He found an inward appreciation in the silken rustle of magnolia leaves, the massive walls of ancient cities, and the nest of robins alike. His was an appreciative soul.

Dr. Sledd was born in Bedford County, Virginia, August 24, 1864, but for over fifty-two years North Carolina has been his dwelling place. For exactly fifty years—from 1888-1938—he was a member of the Wake Forest College faculty. The last two years of his life were spent in the quiet of his home, just off the campus, where he lived in a world of his own, only a few paces from the primary loves of his life—students and literature.

Boyhood Days

His boyhood days, which were spent on his father's expansive estate in one of the most beautiful sections of his native state, no doubt influenced the rest of his life. It has been reflected in his ability to use inimitable descriptions, his colorful poetry. There he learned the beauties of nature, as, perhaps, he would lie beneath the towering branches of giant trees, reading from the works of his masters, and basking in the glories of even the simplest realities.

Reading Matter

The old professor, in recent years, often referred to his sources of reading matter when he was a youngster. "I used to read anything and everything I could get my hands on," he said. And then he wandered off into the realm of reminiscence, describing the day he paid five dollars for a copy of Mark Twain's "Life on the Mississippi." He even told of the day an older brother gave him a "sound thrashing" for hiding his book in a hay stack, so he might read it before the brother could get it.

When it came time for Young Sledd to go to school, he chose Washington and Lee. In 1886 he graduated with a Master of Arts degree, after which he went to Johns Hopkins for further study. It was there, while studying, reading, and writing with incessant persistence, that he incurred permanent injury to his eyes. And the later years of his life were spent in near-total darkness. From Johns Hopkins he came to Wake Forest to serve as Professor of Modern Languages. That was in 1888. Four years later he was made Professor of English, a position which he held for forty-six years—until his retirement from active service two years ago.

Treasurer

Within the portals of his fifty-year-old storehouse of teaching and guiding at Wake Forest, there are housed many treasures. To the thousands who have sat at his feet and studied, he has been a master of many subjects, including, primarily, the beauties of the English language.

Of the Teacher Sledd, Gerald Johnson, now associate editor of the Baltimore "Sun," wrote in the January, 1932, issue of "The Student": "Dr. Collier Cobb, of the University of North Carolina, told me once that Benjamin Sledd was turned out more men who have made a creditable showing in the world of letters than any other North Carolina teacher, living or dead. I am prepared to believe it, when I run over in my mind those that I know—Academy of Cornwell, McCutcheon of Tusane, Murchison of North Carolina, Murchison of Clark, Bailey of the United States senate, Stallings of the New York "Sun," Martin of the Winston-Salem "Journal," Smethurst of the Raleigh "News and Observer," Keener of the "Durham Herald," Cash the magazine writer, John Charles McNeill—these are but a few of those who have at one time or another, depended mainly upon the pen for a living, and who learned to write under Benjamin Sledd."

A Traveler

To venture into the storehouse of Dr. Sledd's own writings, we must call him a traveler. First, he was a traveler of his own rich mind, contributing to American literature many immortal stanzas. He had a particular interest in Robert E. Lee, and in speaking of his stay at Washington and Lee he said: "My first hours in Lexington were spent largely at the grave of Jackson and the tomb of Lee. Mine had been indeed not a journey, but a pilgrimage." From the early years of his life and the growing years of an ever-youthful imagination he drew many pictures of life during and after the Civil War.

In 1897 he published a volume of poems which he called "From Cliff and Scur," and five years later, in 1902, there appeared "The Watchers of the Hearth." In 1908 there came "Margaret and Miriam," and in the same year he edited "Milton's Minor

Poems." Twelve years before the latter he had edited "La Princesse de Cleves." And in 1926 he published "Hands Across the Sea." These titles represent the poetry he has had published in book form, but these are comparatively small when compared with the innumerable poems which he has published individually in the nation's leading magazines and newspapers.

In Palestine

But his travels have been physical as well as mental. He has traveled the world over. For days he wandered through Palestine and other sections of the Holy Land; and he has visited scenes from which the most beautiful stories of all literature have been drawn. Into the plebeian homes of Italy, into the massive abodes of the wealthy he wandered. He found inspiration and life in the smallest of cottages and the greatest centers of learning.

In fact, it was just twenty-five years ago this past fall that he was stranded in London when the World War broke with all its fury. It was then and there that he wrote "A Virginian in Surrey," a poem which was published in the London "Times" and later reprinted in the Paris "Les Temps."

Knew Great Men

Through his travels and associations he came to know men who were and are noted in the field of English literature. He knew Alfred Noyes, John Masefield, H. G. Wells, George Bernard Shaw, and Sidney Lee. These men and their masters were his daily associates.

It is only fitting that the name of one of his most widely known and closely associated colleagues be mentioned here. That is the late Dr. William Louis Poteat. Of Dr. Sledd, he once said: "Sledd is a rare spirit. And he is mostly spirit. He does not lack substantial contacts with the visible world, his vegetable garden, for example, history and current politics. But these matters are significant mainly in their higher relations. If range of interest is the range of man, where a man is here—length, breadth, and depth. But I think his best love is beauty, no matter in what colors she decks herself. Beauty of word—poetry."

One Pause

Varied thoughts flash over the mental horizon when one pauses to think of Dr. Sledd, a man whose passing is still but a dream, that is, his physical being, for his spirit will never die. Perhaps a stranger once had reason to think that Dr. Sledd was "Shakespeare himself" when he saw the loveable old man in the house of Anne Hathaway.

Perhaps during the long, wintry evenings of his late years, he retraced the days of his boyhood development as he sat by his books which he could no longer read from actual sight. He could have lingered many hours, thinking of "Dear Land of many dreams and mighty hills"—the Virginia which belonged to Dr. Sledd. Or maybe his mind flicked back to some of his younger inspirations, as, for instance, when he wrote: "Better in time's still, pensive noon to lie
 Mid the sweet grass, on lonely pasture slopes—
 Some lowly poet's new-discovered rhymes,
 A far white hamlet, with its faint heard chiming neobobbers
 Murrur of youth and maiden loitering by.
 And all our little world of dreams and hopes."

PAN-HEL COUNCIL

(Continued from Front Page)
 theme song, "Low Down Rhythm In A Top Hat," replaced his "Dancing In The Clouds," which was his theme song before changing his style.

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PAGE ACREE
 Kappa Sig House

The annual Mid-Winter dances have long been listed as the peak in social activities at Wake Forest. It has been the aim of the Pan-Hellenic Council to bring bigger and better orchestras to the campus to "put Wake Forest on the map socially." The dances this year will be opened to all members of the student body, although the dance is officially sponsored by the local fraternities.

DEACONS MEET GENERALS

(Continued from Sports page)
 year's five that boasted four regulars and one Soph.

The Generals will be led by Dick Pinck, crack forward, who was an outstanding performer in last year's Southern Conference wars, and one of the leading scor-

ers in the loop. Take the Deacons, they will be handicapped by the lack of capable reserves—Bob Stein, Nelson Parks and Ed Cutino, all lettermen, having failed to return to school this Fall.

Cunningham Is Coach
 Harold Cunningham is coaching the Lexingtonians this year, replacing the former coach Cy Young, so well-known in conference play. The new coach was an assistant at Ohio State last year—the university that eliminated the Deacons in the Eastern finals last Spring.

The probable starting lineups:
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 C Davis Dobbins
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Wed. — "Dime Day" Gleason Family in "Money To Burn" also "God's Country and the Man" Serial — Comedy	Sat. — Double Feature — Jack Randall in "Across the Plains" also "Titans of the Deep" Serial — Comedy

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THE DEACONTOWN

SPORTS WHIRL

BY LES CANSLER

ROSE BOWLING

On January 2, 1939, Southern California's Trojans rose up in the last 40 seconds of play and passed their way to a 7-3 victory over an unbeaten, untied and unscored on Duke University football eleven. Last Monday afternoon, the same Trojans, boasting several stars that participated in that Duke defeat, fought their way to a 14-0 victory over the University of Tennessee.

And when the final outcome of the contest became known through-out this section, many and long were the bull sessions that it effected—Wake Forest being no exception.

In all conversations the first thing that was brought to mind was the Volunteer's schedule—now considered by all to be unworthy of the school. In Sewanee, Chattanooga, Mercer, and Citadel, Tennessee definitely meets teams of far less than big time football importance, and victories over such squads should not prove a team's power or capability. I dare say if Tennessee's schedule contained ten teams the calibre of Alabama, Auburn and Vanderbilt, three foes, their 1939 record might not have been so perfect.

When Duke was invited to the Rose Bowl last year, great was the anger stirred up both in California and Tennessee. On both sides came the same question of not playing good enough teams. Wake Forest was one of those teams mentioned, but I do believe our Deacons could dispose of Mercer, Sewanee, and Chattanooga just as good as Tennessee did this season. As for Citadel, they went under by 31-0 score.

In all it seems to sum up that Major Bob Neyland's Volunteers are just not the team that the public expected. I would not go so far as one student, however, and say that because the Vols only beat State by 13 points and that we beat them by 32 we are 19 points better. However, I will say that Tennessee is not the powerhouse and unconquerable outfit that it is generally conceded to be here in the Southland.

Well, California wishes good-bye to Tennessee and Tennessee wishes good-bye to California. Maybe they're all satisfied, Remember Western Maryland slammed a beating on our Deacs in '38 but this year they were slightly outclassed.

AND JUST BOWLING...

Deacowntowners vow and declare after listening to the Orange and Sugar Bowl games they'll never let their beard growth get out of hand... and the blade that cut the beard of the local quarterbacks was the plug by Red Barber that the ball was less than the length of a blue blade from being a first down.

That Sugar Bowl fray might have been headed Kimbrough 14, Tulane 13. The Green Wave looked like a silvery ripple when it came to stopping that 210 pound giant, The Aggies, by the way, seemed to be the only logical choice for the Rose Bowl. It's getting so being termed the number one team of the nation will put you in any bowl except the Rose Bowl, the granddaddy of 'em all. I suppose all of you know that the Sugar Bowl is merely Tulane's own stadium, and when the Green Wave participates in that affair they get all the publicity, their own city gets all the extra money spent by tourists, and their own stadium accommodates all the fans. Some monopoly I call it!

Down in Miami the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets, beaten by Duke who was in turn outplayed by Wake Forest, showed Missouri and Paul Christianman how to play the game. Clemson stopped the Back Bay boys from up Boston way to give the South two out of three in the bowls. Three Southeastern Conference teams participated in the post-season affairs.

THE GREASONMEN...

Tonight Coach Murray Greason's courtmen take the floor against Washington and Lee's always dangerous Generals in what should prove a good early-season contest.

The Generals are entering their first season under a new coach and will consequently be more or less held back by a new style of play. However, they will have a starting lineup full of lettermen, and the outcome of the battle should give local fans a idea of what kind of aggregation will represent Deacowntown this year on the hardwood.

This year's squad has been handicapped all along by the lack of confidence in them on the part of the student body. A great deal of the prejudice was lost last Wednesday when Wake Forest defeated the White Flash team from Raleigh by a much better score than did Carolina, but much still remains. A victory over Washington and Lee would just about end it all, and I'm sure Captain Sweet and his squad will be in there fighting.

It might be well to mention, however, that the Generals have already played five games with a semi-pro club, the others with colleges—and will have a decided advantage in game experience.

And then there was the rumor that John Polanski had quit school!

'Tarzan' (Big Boy) Hughes Wants Publicity, Or Else--

John Thomas "Tarzan" Hughes, minute-man of bell-in-the-belfry fame and veteran basketball manager dashed into the sports office last night and startled the force by demanding recognition.

Said "Tarzan," as he pulled his "ft. 9in." to the table top, "Listen Dopes! I have been manager of the basketball squad for two years, come next March, and no one outside my room-mate, two men on the team, and the Selma homefolks know it. I want publicity."

With these demands, the en-

larged termite stormed from the office.

(Ed. note) Since "Tarzan," like "Bub" Sweet, Hedy Lemart, and "Dupont" Snider, has succumbed to the publicity bug, and since it is the policy of this public-spirited paper to promote harmony and, among other things, to inform its select readers, the following story is printed:

Wake Forest, N. C. Jan. 6, 1940 (OG&B)—John Thomas "Tarzan" Hughes was twenty minutes late climbing the bell rope last Thursday morning.

DEACSWIN TWO TRIAL TILTS

Asheboro, Dec. 14—After exchanging the lead twelve times, Coach Murray Greason's basketballers jumped ahead in the final four minutes on two charity tosses and a field goal by Herb Cline, Sophomore guard, and went on to defeat the McCrary Mills' semi-pro team of Asheboro here to-night by a score of 39-35 in a pre-Christmas practice game. The Deacons led 21-19 at the half.

The Eagles were paced by Larry Bill Mann, former N. C. State

Led by Captain Bub Sweet, Wake Forest trounced the White Flash five of Raleigh by a score of 54-31, last Wednesday night.

Outstanding for the Wakemen was H. O. Barnes, who led the scoring list with twelve points, and Herb Cline, with eleven.

Outstanding for the Lynnmens was Holleman, who also scored twelve points, and proved to be a very competent floor man.

N. C. State begins off season football drills Tuesday.

OLD GOLD AND BLACK SPORTS PAGE

"Follow The Demon Deacons"

LES CANSLER, Editor

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1940

GLENN MILLER, Assistant

Bull Shooters Pick Ten Best Stories Of '39

Cage Team Tops Field; Ringgold, Polanski, Pate Win Honors

STATE CONTEST BEST

(By GLEN MILLER)

According to the leading sport commentators throughout the nation, 1939 produced more than its share of thrills and big stories in the world of sports. Wake Forest was no exception. A search through the records revealed that during the past year, ten stories were particularly outstanding, according to O. G. and B. Bull Shooters.

Probably the foremost event in sports was the Southern Conference basketball tournament. For the first time in tournament history, the Deacons were seeded. The fact that they were eliminated in the first round by Clemson, the eventual winner, does not detract from the phenomenal team of last year.

The climax of the 1939 basketball season came with the invitation to participate in the national championships in Philadelphia. The Deac quintet acquitted itself nobly, losing to Ohio State 64-62 in a very hard fought battle. The score at the half was 28-20 in Wake Forest's favor.

That Football Season

The football season furnished many thrills and spills. Jimmy Ringgold, captain of the '40 Demon Deacs, did much to gain recognition for Wake Forest and himself. The powerhouse blocking back won both the Southern Conference and Big Five blocking trophies. His path-clearing did much to enable the Deacon running attack to click.

Another outstanding performer from the ranks of the gridmen who aided in establishing Wake Forest as a big time football school was John Polanski. The "leaning tower of Pisa" set the pace for all the backs in the country in yards gained rushing. In addition to that he was the fourth high scorer of the country and led the Southern loop in this department. He was picked on the all-Southern team by Collier's magazine.

Two games were outstanding. For the second consecutive year Wake Forest outplayed Duke, and for the second consecutive year the Blue Devils eked out a victory over the Deacs by a one-touchdown margin. Wallace Wade had a very bad case of jitters when a Wake Forest drive carried to the Duke 4 yard line.

The most satisfactory contest that was played with State College. Gallovich, Mayberry, Polanski, and Edwards ran wild as State was trampled under by a 32-0 count. This is the worst defeat the Technicians have received in the last ten years.

Pate Plays In Montgomery Rupert Pate captain of the '39 team, played in the North-South game. The star tackle performed well all season, being named on several all-opponent teams. The Freshman team was one of the best around. They won the State championship, defeating the Blue Imps, the Tar babies, and tying the Techlets.

Baseball furnished several good stories. Probably the best was the Duke game, in which the Blue Devils won 6-5 in eleven innings. Tommy Byrne, sensational soph southpaw, pitched a magnificent game, losing when Duke scored an unearned run.

Monogram club day was one of the outstanding features of the year. Wake Forest fans saw several of the country's best players when the monogram club team met the Barrett all-stars. Meyer Bloom, Ace Tramatan, Mincey Manczak, and Mario Rossi were among the outstanding stars.

FROSH MEET CHARLOTTE

Coach Phil Utley's freshman basketball team will take the floor tonight against what is expected to be an unusually strong Charlotte high outfit. Though Coach Utley has not decided on a definite starting combination, Lougee, Hart, Maxwell, Savas, Weedon, and Berger will see much action.

Sports Scribe Proves Worth With Crystal

John Donald Gazes Into Future To Make News Before It's Made

STARTLING FUTURE

(Never let it be said that Wake Forest is minus a fortune teller. Scribe John Donald, only the other night swayed into the Sports Office, pulled a glass door knob from out of his coat and within its depths saw everything from pink elephants to bowl games. Below are his monthly sport findings for the year 1940.—Ed.)

(By JOHN DONALD) JANUARY—Southern California slated to take National basketball honors. Glen Cunningham plans to retire from track after this year.

FEBRUARY—Duke, North Carolina, and Maryland waging close SIC battle in basketball.

MARCH—San Romani dominates indoor track performers. Reports that Jock Sutherland is headed for Rice. Maryland noses out Duke to win Southern Conference basketball tournament.

APRIL—Many coaches sing blues as spring training closes. Walker looks to another brilliant grid campaign next fall. Wake Forest baseballers swamp Springfield.

MAY—Sutherland reported headed for Stanford. Wake Forest baseball team wins Big Five race. Phillies and Athletics assume cellar positions. Carolina enlarges stadium.

JUNE—New York Yankees forge ahead in American league. Duke enlarges stadium.

JULY—Phillies and Athletics drop double-headers in Fourth of July attractions. American all stars defeat Nationals.

AUGUST—Yanks tighten American lead. Cards, Reds, and Cubs in battle for National pennant.

SEPTEMBER—Southern conference gridders begin practice, with Duke, Wake Forest, and North Carolina rated as teams to watch. William and Mary serves grim notice of great power by swamping another Virginia eleven.

OCTOBER—Nebraska, Texas A. & M., Georgia Tech, Duke, and Wake Forest pace nation's grid teams. Polanski of Wake Forest heads conference scorers. Yanks beat Cubs four straight in World series.

NOVEMBER—Texas A. & M., Nebraska, and Southern California remain undefeated in national grid race. Wake Forest defeats Duke.

DECEMBER—Wake Forest gets Bowl bid. Southern California to meet Texas A. & M. in Rose Bowl.

Marshall and Mitchell Withdraw From School

Hopes for a Wake Forest championship baseball team this season were dealt a severe blow last week when two freshman stars, Willard Marshall and Pete Mitchell, failed to return to school after the Christmas holidays.

Marshall, a nineteen year old, 190 pound outfielder, signed a professional contract with the Atlanta Crackers in the Class A-1 Southern Association and will, according to club president Earl Mann, report for Spring training the first of March. A product of Manchester High in Richmond, Va., he held one of the best batting averages on the freshman squad last year and was one of the most reliable men on the field.

Mitchell, who earned a name for himself last season by hurling a no-hit game against the N. C. State freshmen, quit school in order to take a job in his home town of Kannapolis. The 185 pound curve ball artist was being groomed to bolster Coach John Caddell's comparatively weak pitching staff and his decision should be heavily felt by the team, handicapped by a light-hitting outfield and a pitching staff built around Tommy Byrne alone.

The biggest disappointment of the year is a toss-up between the Wake Forest-Carolina baseball game, in which the Tarheels won 10-2, and the Carolina Football game, 26-6. The biggest surprise of the year occurred last spring when "Scop" Phillips graduated.

Deacons Open Campaign With Washington & Lee Tonight In Danville, Va.

BEGINS ANOTHER CAMPAIGN



Coach Murray Greason starts another basketball campaign tonight when he takes his Deacons into Danville, Va., to meet Washington and Lee's Generals in the first Southern Conference game of the season.

First Conference Test For Locals

Harold Cunningham Is Coaching Virginians This Season

Coach Murray Greason will lead up his 1940 edition of the Wake Forest basketball team at noon today and move into Danville, Va. tonight to give battle to the ever-dreaded Washington and Lee "Generals" in a Southern Conference game.

It will be the first collegiate test for the Deacons, who hold two pre-season wins over Carolina semi-pro clubs. The Generals however, have participated in five contests to date and will have a decided advantage in experience, their five starting men all being veterans.

The Deacon line-up will be composed of two of last years regulars, two lettermen and a Sophomore, quite a difference from last

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RESEARCH EXPANSION SEEN FOR MEDS

Carpenter Says Medico Faculty Seeks Finances

Dazian Fund Is Seen As Aid for Research Proceedings

Possibilities for expanded research by the medical school during the coming year were announced today by Dr. C. C. Carpenter, dean, who with other members of the faculty spent part of the Christmas holidays working on the project.

Dean Carpenter visited in New York and Philadelphia in the interest of the school and contacted the Commonwealth and Dazian Foundations which are now aiding medical schools with study grants and which may increase Wake Forest's income in the future as plans for the expanded medical school at Winston-Salem develop.

The Dazian Fund, which provides money for research, is for \$1,900 this year and Dr. Carpenter said officials indicated he might hope for from \$3,000 to \$4,000 next year.

Artom Praised
A fact of peculiar interest in connection with the application for this fund, Dr. Carpenter said, is that Dr. Alexis Carrell, famed writer-scientist, a member of the Fund's board of trustees, complimented the research of Dr. Camillo Artom of the Wake Forest biochemistry department by declaring it very outstanding and saying Dr. Artom's plans for next year are even more promising. Dr. Artom was rated as one of the highest of those who applied for research aid.

The Commonwealth Fund assists with student scholarships and faculty fellowships for postgraduate study, and especially leans toward aiding rural boys to study medicine on the condition that they return to a rural area to practice.

Mackie Tries Also

Dr. George C. Mackie went to Summit, New Jersey, to discuss research work with the Ciba Pharmaceutical Company which is sponsoring a \$3,000 project in research in pharmacology here this year.

The grant is expected to be continued and possibly enlarged, it was learned.

Dr. R. P. Morehead, of the pathology department, attended a meeting of the American Society for the Study of Neoplastic Diseases in Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, where he exhibited a rare tumor which experts there said was the first of that type ever recorded.

HAD TAUGHT HERE

A HALF A CENTURY
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pride was his unsullied name. The great mark of his life was an instinctive nobility which abominated the dishonest and mean.

Fitting, indeed, "Lead Kindly Light," "Abide With Me," and "Jerusalem the Golden" were the songs used at the final rites.

Hundreds displayed their love for their grand old master; some stood silent before the open coffin; others sent letters of personal grief; and numbers conveyed their sorrow by sending telegrams. "While hundreds" are extending their sympathies, a typical message would read, "I want to include mine. Dr. Sladd was my dearest professor." One man, who was a freshman at Wake Forest during Dr. Sladd's first year as a member of the faculty, came to pay his respects to his "first and greatest" master-teacher.

All Classes Attend

Writers, teachers, ministers, lawyers, doctors—men from all walks of life—offered tributes of words and flowers. Men from all corners of North Carolina, remote sections of the South, and distant parts of all America sent their humble expressions of praise for the impressions Dr. Sladd had carved upon their mental and spiritual beings, intermingled with expressions of sorrow in his passing.

Surviving the English Literature Master are his three children; one son, Arthur Sladd, professor of Chemistry at Judson College in Alabama; two daughters, Gladys Sladd, member of the faculty of Chowan College in Murfreesboro, and Elva Sladd, who lives in Wake Forest.

The array of honorary pallbearers, including men of all walks of life, was in itself a symbol of Dr. Sladd's versatility. The president of the board of trustees, members of the board of trustees, president of the college, faculty members were included in the honorary escort. In addition there were Dr. William Calloway, Dr. Edward Organs, Dr. Baynard Carter, Dr. W. L. Thomas—all of the Duke

Hospital; Dr. Talbert Wilkinson and Dr. George Mackey of Wake Forest; Hoke Norris, prominent news writer; Dr. Hassell Brantley of Spring Hope; Dr. J. L. Carrick, president of Chowan College; Dr. John Bunn, pastor of the Baptist Church of Murfreesboro. And there was an honorary escort composed of the students who were staying in Dr. Sladd's home at the time of his death. These were: Richard Speight, Jr., Lemuel Bates, Woodrow Batten, Norman Boyer, Paul Hensley, Bryce Iley, L. F. Gunter, Roy Stone.

Members of the active escort included T. E. Holding, Jr., John Adkins, Jr., Thurman Kitchen, Jr., Allan Paschal, Sam Sidenburg, and William Royall.

BRISSE WRITES REVIEW

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the news front more than once during the decade.

Building Fund Begun

Then came the inauguration of a Loyalty Building Fund for Wake Forest, headed by Dr. A. C. Reid and Professor J. L. Memory, Jr. And over the short period of one week, the students and faculty members combined pledged \$18,000 to the cause—a figure which looks gigantic today, not to mention what it must have looked like so soon after the crash of '29. Scarcely two months later the pledges on the fund had grown to \$80,000, and was still growing.

Springtime of the same year; students take time out to see the second run of John Boles' and Bebe Daniels' famed "Rio Rita." Summer of 1931 Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Potat celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary while traveling in Europe.

Record Enrollment In '31

It was in the fall of 1931 that Wake Forest broadcast to the world a record enrollment, announcing the amazing total of 25 students. All buildings filled to the overflowing and then some.

Some time later the students took it upon themselves to determine what presidential candidate was the more popular; Roosevelt snowed Hoover under in the student straw vote. Professor J. L. Lake, retires from the physics department—after thirty-three years of service. The Duke of Killdare, dog belonging to Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Eamshaw and general mascot of the college, dies at the age of eleven and a half years.

More news comes to the front, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnston give a \$60,000 Medical Building to Wake Forest in honor of their son, Dr. William Amos, who was killed in an accident. Summer of 1933, and Wake Forest and Meredith combine summer schools.

Waite Hall Burned

May 5, 1933, and Waite Hall is destroyed by fire. A building which was nearly a century old was burned into smoldering embers, and the origin of the fire puzzles college officials. By some authorities it was viewed as the "best college building in the state."

On into 1934, with a new athletic department, headed by Jim Weaver, assisted by Murray Greason. And here came the student council trial of C. E. Schaible, editor of Old Gold and Black, who was brought before the group for "past editorial policies."

Once more the fires come to the front and this time the historic Wingate Hall is entirely demolished by ravaging flames. It was the second oldest building on the campus and the third building in ten months to be destroyed by fire. A real detective comes to the campus to do a bit of sleuthing, in an effort to locate a "fire bug."

New Buildings Begun

While two important buildings were destroyed by fire during the decade, four new buildings have arisen during the same length of time. The new gymnasium, a new administration building, Simmons Hall—dormitory for boys and the William Amos Medical Building have been added to the Wake Forest plant. In addition Henry

Groves donated money for the Gore Field addition.

And into the ranks of every institution, death invariably creeps during the course of a decade. Wake Forest lost its former president and master of men, Dr. William Louis Potat, who died on March 11, 1938. He was eighty-one years of age, and had served Wake Forest a greater portion of his life. Over 1000 friends, colleagues, students and admirers packed the church auditorium, while hundreds of others were unable to find room inside.

Four Professors Retire

Graduation of the same year found four great educators retiring from active classroom service, namely, Dr. J. W. Lynch, "Pulpit Orator and Teacher," Dr. W. R. Cullom, "trainer of ministers and professors of religion," Dr. Benjamin Sladd, "The Gentleman and Scholar from Virginia," and Dr. N. Y. Guiley, founder and Dean Emeritus of the local Law School. The following year found Dr. J. H. Gorrell, teacher and moulder of men for forty-five years, joining the ranks of the retired.

On down to the latter part of the decade the news events from Wake Forest College—both large and small—continued to reach the public. The State Baptist votes to give Wake Forest a new Chapel building, and Henry Groves contributes another huge sum to increase the size of the football stadium. The Demon Deacons lash the football front, and rank second in the nation—in number of total points scored; Polanski ranks fourth in individual scoring, with Mayberry and Galovich both coming inside the seventh place. . . . And only the season gone by did Jim Waller break the Southern Conference record as individual scorer.

Four Year Med School

Included in the news items we find that the Medical School is increased to a four year school,

Wake Foresters Aid In Services

Many Direct "Student Night" At Churches During Holidays

More than eighty Wake Forest students directed student nights in their home communities during the Christmas holidays, a canvass of one-third of the student body indicated. The survey, undertaken by Old Gold and Black, showed further that better than four hundred students attended the programs or had an active part in their presentation.

The student activity nights, which had as their purpose the presentation of a picture of college social and religious life to those not in college, were mainly given in churches in lieu of regular preaching services; some, however, took place in high schools during the week.

Same Subjects

Almost to a man the students spoke on the same subject: "The Social and Religious Activities of Wake Forest College." Other topics were strangely lacking, though some few students spoke on the B. S. U. and college life in general.

Many students expressed dissatisfaction with the programs as carried out. Most disliked the idea of being set on a pedestal, so to speak, for others to observe and admire merely because they were college students. Others believed that the programs would prove an incentive to greater effort on the part of those now not in college in order that hopes of attaining college attendance might be fulfilled.

Decision Upheld Later

The case was tried before the United States Supreme Court in October, 1939, and this tribunal upheld the decision of the lower court.

Dr. Maggs has taught at the University of California, University of Southern California, Yale University, Cornell University, University of Chicago, Stanford University and University of North Carolina. He was editor of the California Law Review for four years.

JOHN G. NEIHARDT SELECTED

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"Song of Hugh Glass" being required reading in all freshman English classes. The department possesses more than 75 copies of these works. Virtually every student should, therefore, be acquainted with Neihardt's work.

making it one of the only two in the state . . .

Forensic team continues to bring home "bacon," winning majority of events in Dixie Strawberry Leaf Tournament at Rock Hill, S. C.

Generally speaking we might mention the fact that the library has doubled its number of volumes in the course of ten years, the school enrollment has been almost doubled, four new buildings were added, and many physical improvements—such as additional brick walks—have been added.

And Finally

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Maggs Well Qualified

Dr. Maggs is well qualified to speak on his subject, "Prosecution of the American Medical Association for Violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act." When the case came up in the summer of 1939, Dr. Maggs was appointed assistant to the Attorney-General of the United States. He assisted in prosecution of the case before the United States District Court in the District of Columbia and before the United States Supreme Court.

The controversy on which Dr. Maggs worked grew out of an argument over group health in the District of Columbia. Group health was discussed by the American Medical Association, which, in some cases, went so far as to refuse membership in the Association to doctors who practiced this form of medicine.

Trust Act Violation

This action was considered by some to be a violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, and, consequently, the affair was taken to court.

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Eu Hall To Be Scene Of Proceedings; All Are Invited

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Euzeilian officials here profess no knowledge as to the nature of the program, but it is rumored that all eight of the Angels are seniors and practice teachers. More rumor has it that they are planning to give a skit to reveal their ideals as to the true specimen of manhood. "If this be true," said Jim Copple, president of the Monday night session, "considering the fact that Meredith teachers are known for their tenacious holds and clinging qualities, I can promise that this skit will be nothing less than a sensational enlightenment."

The Meeting, Greeting and Eating committee is selecting eight Eu men on the basis of their moral character, intellectual development, and conversational ability to escort the Meredith Astros to the evening meal—at the society's expense.

There is no admission charge and the public is invited to the program. However, there will be no reservation of seats or standing room.

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