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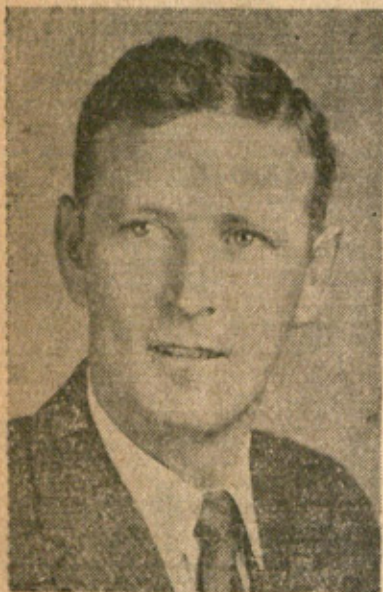
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MARCH 28 IS DATE FOR HIGH SCHOOL DAY

Trull To Join FHC Faculty

Howard Trull, Linden, Tennessee, will join the Freed-Har-



deman College faculty as Biology teacher in 1958-59.

Mr. Trull attended Freed-Hardeman in 1954-55, 1955-56. He received his B. S. degree with a minor in Chemistry from Middle Tennessee State College, Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He will receive his M.A. with a major in Biology from George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee, in June 1958.

Debate Teams

Travel To MSU

Two of Freed-Hardeman's debate teams participated in the activities at Memphis State on Friday, February 28. The national proposition was: That the requirement of membership in a labor organization as a condition of employment should be illegal.

The team members are as follows: Wayne Emmons and Hugh Fulford, Alan Highers and Bob Fulmer.

The debate club has tentative plans to attend a national convention at Houston, Texas from March 31 through April 2. Their plans are to take at least two teams.

SNEA Plans For

March Convention

A joint convention of high school FTA and SNEA college chapters will meet at David Lipscomb College in Nashville on March 28. The convention will consist of general meetings, group meetings and a banquet in the evening. Principal speaker will be Karl Berns from the NEA branch in Washington, D. C.

Two first year students were chosen as official delegates to this convention. They are Dot Greer and Inez Webb. Other members may also attend.

Conn And Felici Attend Conference

The Student Council Conference of Christian Colleges was initiated this year at Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas. The conference was held on February 13, 14 and 15, with delegates attending from eight Christian colleges, including David Lipscomb College, George Pepperdine College, Florida Christian College, Alabama Christian College, Harding and Freed-Hardeman.

Calvin Conn, president of the Student Council, and Sandra Felici, secretary, attended the conference representing FHC. "The association with Christian young people from all over the United States, the exchange of thoughts and the gaining of new ideas for our Student Council work here, all made the meeting very enjoyable for us," commented Calvin Conn.

Corlew And Cochran Elected As Mr. And Miss SNEA Of '58

By Vearl Jane Summers

This year the Student National Education Association has an innovation. They elected a Mr. and Miss SNEA who are Carol Cochran and Jerry Corlew. The requirements for such were: to be active in the SNEA, to take part in the club's activities, and to be a good example to students morally, physically, socially and intellectually.

Carol, a sophomore, is from New England, West Virginia. She graduated from Parkersburg High School in June, 1955, and was then employed at the American Viscose Corporation in Parkersburg.

After working a year, Carol decided to attend FHC and major in secondary education. Her activities in student affairs consist of secretary for the Phi Kappas, president of Girls' Religious Training Class and the annual staff. Reading is Carol's hobby. After graduation she plans to attend West Virginia University and major in social science.

Jerry, also a sophomore, is originally from Halls, Tennessee, but now resides in Jackson, Tennessee. He graduated from Halls High School in 1953 and is attending college under a Korean GI bill. Bible is his major and social science his minor. Jerry is active in the Phi Kappas and the Preacher's Club.

He is married to the former Miss Margaret McBride. Tennis, fishing and hunting occupy his spare time.

Jerry's future plans are to attend David Lipscomb College

Chorus Appears On Jackson TV

At 7:00 p.m. last night, the FHC Chorus presented a program over WDXI TV.

H. A. Dixon, president of FHC, was the narrator between songs.

The program was made possible by Brother Flavil Nichols, of the Allen & Edgewood Church of Christ, who is on this T.V. program regularly.

Gardner Serves As A.A. Delegate

From March 5-8 Dean E. Claude Gardner of Freed-Hardeman College is a delegate to the national convention of the American Association of Junior Colleges. The meeting will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The convention theme is "Diversity and Cooperation in Higher Education."

Gardner has been selected to serve as a Resource person for one of the discussion groups during the convention.

Freed-Hardeman College was one of the first members of the American Association of Junior Colleges. It was admitted in 1925.

Laycook To Teach Demonstration

Church of Christ congregations near Shreveport, Louisiana, are having a teacher's training group March 17-21. Lora Laycook, supervisor of the girl's dormitory at Freed-Hardeman College, has been invited to teach a demonstration class of pre-school children, for the teachers each day.

She has also been asked to help one hour a day in a workshop. The workshop is to help the teachers to make their own material for use in teaching.

Dixon Speaks Twice At Abilene

H. A. Dixon, president of Freed-Hardeman went to Abilene, Texas, February 25 to speak on the annual Abilene Christian College Lectureship.

Dixon made two of the chief night addresses, February 26 and 27. His subject was "God Is Love".

There was a Freed-Hardeman Alumni Breakfast on February 27, at which he attended and met many of his former students.

Brumley Reviews FHC's "Our Town"

By Mrs. Betty Brumley

Those attending Tuesday night's performance of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" presented by the FHC Thespians were rewarded with a wonderful opportunity for insight into both modern techniques of drama and the type of philosophy pres-

ently advanced by many of our drama and fiction writers.

Consistently sensitive performances by the majors in the cast enabled the ironic philosophies which characterize Wilder's work to stand out with remarkable clarity. The proclivity of mankind to ever grasp for something permanent highlighted

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TO SLEEP OR NOT TO SLEEP THAT IS THE PROBLEM

The sun is up! 7:45 a.m. But this student isn't up. Or maybe he didn't go to bed? Today is the big day — tests, tests, tests. No more time to study — time passes. But will the all-night, last-minute scholar?

Final tests seem to have a habit of being given the last of each quarter at FHC. The night before a "big quiz" is a hectic time on campus. Late into the night and early morning hours the student feeds himself —

coffee for his sleepy eyes and facts for his tired mind.

It isn't the studying that hurts, for studying is a good thing. (Can one get too much of a good thing? Hmm?) But for growing children to lose sleep is a bad thing.

As for learning things, it is said that what one doesn't know won't hurt him. (Some haven't felt a twinge of pain in years!)

Do you wonder why this picture and this bit of writing are in this paper? Doesn't it look typical? "Cramming" is an age old and time honored custom. (I would elaborate on this subject but I've got a government test tomorrow, it's 10 o'clock, and I haven't studied a bit.)

10:00 p.m. — Ready? Pencil behind ear. Gulp that coffee... "crack" that book! 1 o'clock, 2 o'clock, 3 o'clock — study! Study 'round the clock tonight. Cram-cram-cram till broad daylight.

A little rest — dozing head down on desk. Sh-h-h! Step softly while the scholar slumbers...



"Oh sleep! it is a gentle thing, Beloved from pole to pole!" — Samuel Taylor Coleridge.

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CONGRATULATIONS—

To Calvin Conn and Sandra Felici who brought back such a good report from the Student Council Conference of Christian Colleges at Harding College.

To Johnny Tork and Tokoyo Suzuki on their being selected the Sweetheart Couple for 1958.

To Jerry Corlew and Carol Cochran on their being selected Mr. and Miss SNEA.

To Dot Greer and Inez Webb on their being elected to represent FHC at the convention of the high school FTA and the College SNEA at David Lipscomb College.

WE BOW TO THE THESPIANS

We bow from the waist to the Thespians.

We "got a message" from "Our Town".

Somehow we wanted to tell our roommate that we appreciate her being such a good friend . . . we wanted to tell our Bible teacher we appreciate his patient kindness in helping us straighten out a couple of questions . . . we wanted to write a letter to Mom and tell her how we appreciate her taking the time to make our favorite cookies and mail them to us . . .

We wanted to watch the birds, take a walk in the rain, watch the sun come up . . . We wanted to put our arms around our friends because they are our friends . . . we wanted to say "Thank you" to the ones here and at home who do unselfish things for us . . .

We wanted to say "Thank you" to the people of "Our Town" who helped us realize our life a little more . . .

An Open Letter To The Student Body

Criticism is a very essential thing in any phase of life, especially in a school. If someone did not criticize about some of the unsatisfactory things on our campus they would go unchanged. We should be thankful for criticism, for, when taken in the right manner it is always helpful. Webster says a critic is "One who expresses a reasoned opinion on any matter, involving a judgment of its value, truth, or righteousness or an appreciation of its beauty or technique."

There may be many good criticisms you could make that would improve living at Freed-Hardeman. If you tell your roommate, however, or your parents when you go home you will notice that these things will go unchanged. Just "fussing, complaining, and running down" everything that bothers you will accomplish nothing.

The administration has not the time to talk to everyone individually about problems. What shall we do then?

TALK TO YOUR STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE!

We exist for your use. We meet regularly to discuss your problems. We succeed in solving many of them if you will but tell us about them. We want to know your problems. The administration wants you to be happy. This is the best possible solution. Thank you.

Calvin Conn
President, Student Council

Off Beat.. THINKING FOR OURSELVES

By Alan Highers

If any of you boys want to know about "mud baths" for your car, ask Wayne Adkins. It seems he gave Jim Clary's car a very good one.

Norman: "Dave, bring me a bowl of milk for my dog."
Dave: "But Norman, I don't see a dog."

Norman: "Oh Dave, be quiet and put the milk down. Careful! You almost stepped on him."
(You know Dave, I didn't see a dog either. Poor Norman, I guess he's just another Harvey case)

Speaking of dogs, reminds me of something Miss Lora did the other day. She told Marilyn Henderson her date was waiting for her on the front porch. Marilyn rushed out there, but all she found was an old dog. Miss Lora, are Jerry Counce's ears really that floppy?

Pete: "Betty, don't you know what the Bible says about lying?"

Betty: "No, what does it say?"
Pete: "I don't know, but it says something!"

And then there are people who get their tangles all tumbled up like Martha Helen who said, "I'm going to roll to the bathroom and run up my hair."

Proud parents do strange things sometimes. It seems Dale Buckley had to go to the magazine room of the library before he could find an audience. Reason: He wanted to show off the new yellow corduroy pants he had bought his small son. And of course, he couldn't whisper when he's talking about that boy.

Brown: "Miss Flippen, who or what is General Malfesance?"

Miss Flippen: "It's a great big purple and green polka dotted rock eater."

(Really Miss Flippen!, and in American History class.)

Overheard on campus: "I can sit down with a geography book and be asleep in ten minutes."

One absent-minded professor on campus actually wrote a check "Pay to the order of one dollar and seventy-eight cents."

Class Of 1958
Receives Rings

The presentation of the first class ring in the history of Freed-Hardeman College was made at chapel, Tuesday, February 11.

Mark Hicks, as a representative of the graduating class, presented the first ring to Carol Cochran.

The ring has a red, oval-shaped stone and bears the American seal on one side and a lion on the other. Several members of the class received a pin in matching design.

Science Club Takes
Trip To Pickwick

The FHC Science Club, sponsored by Robert Atnip and I. N. Roland, went on a field trip to Pickwick Dam, Tuesday, February 18.

Guides who took the group of twenty-one on a complete tour of the dam explained the operation of the equipment, the cost of installation, and the function of the entire TVA project.

The greatest problem in religion for most people is that they do not think for themselves. They rely upon others to do their thinking for them. There may be several reasons for this.

(1) There may be a lack of interest. The same people who fail to think carefully in religious matters may be very cautious in business affairs. They possess the ability to think, but their unconcern about religion prevents their using this ability. "For what shall a man be profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and forfeit his life?" (Matt. 16:26).

(2) People may not recognize the importance. The way we live now will determine where we spend eternity. Most people are so involved in the affairs of this life, that they do not see the need of thinking about things beyond.

(3) They may be too closely bound to others. If a certain

member of the family, or a particular preacher, or a close friend believes in something, we might also believe in it because we respect that person. This respect is commendable, but it should not keep us from thinking for ourselves.

(4) They may not know how to think. Many well-informed people use fallacious reasoning to prove their points; and they cannot see the error when others reason falsely. People should try to learn how to reason correctly, and every preacher should arrange to make a study of logic.

Never allow anyone to rob you of your right to think independently. The Bible classifies those who think for themselves as "noble". "Now these were more noble . . . in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, examining the scriptures daily, whether these things were so." (Acts 17:11).

Hodges' Podges

By Jo Ann

You know a few weeks ago when the Philos presented that chapel program about the army, it reminded me of a joke I had heard. It goes something like this:

Supply Officer: Does this new uniform fit you?

Recruit: The shirt isn't too bad, but the trousers are a little loose around the armpits.

Even editors of papers make mistakes sometimes, and here's one that made a big one. Say, what did you think when the Sky Rocket came out last month and found Teresa Brewer was its typist? Well, the gal's name is Tolar and not Brewer, and her first name isn't even Teresa, it's Theresa.

The following is a true story told me by A. Pro Crastinator: (I shall relate it to you as he told it to me.) The teacher assigned the term paper early in the quarter, but who starts to work on a paper then. Not I because I had practically a whole quarter in which to do it. Anyway, I didn't have any knowledge of the subject or any idea of what particular phase of the work that would appeal to me so I told myself, "Wait until you

know more about it then write the paper".

So the quarter wore on, and I became so busy with daily assignments, tests, and social activities that I thought I didn't have time to write a term paper. Well, one day I was informed that the paper was due the following week. Twelve weeks to write a paper and I had to do it in one! In a mad dash, I went to the library. To my dismay, I found most of the good material on the subject had been checked out so I had to take what was left. It wasn't much, but the paper had to be written. By burning the midnight oil, I read took notes, outlined and wrote the paper. In fact, the week end before the thing was due I did nothing else. On the last day I carefully and almost reverently handed in my paper. Not late—but exactly on time.

Mr. Pro Crastinator said that the moral of his story is: If you have to write a term paper, don't do it as the teachers say it should be done—a little at a time—but if you want to have real fun do it all in one week, or better still one week end.

Attention All Freshmen

Do you suffer from lack of confidence? Do you feel that your form lacks fascination? Do you have an overwhelming desire to number among the informed? Then the library's latest addition is a "must" for you.

This priceless collection of narratives entitled "FROM MY FIRST FIVE YEARS AS A FRESHMAN AT FHC" contains contributions from such illustrious authors as Charles "High-

Point-Low Note" Dowdy and Billy "Who-Would-A-Thought-It" Brackeen. Subjects covered range from how to milk a cow to the proper attitude with which to face the electric chair.

When brought face to face with such crises in your college career as Woods and Turner, Chapter Ten, turn to this valuable volume for inspiration and consolation.

A Good Play With A Different Angle

By Betty Fox

"Our Town" written by Thornton Wilder is completely different from plays previously presented by the Freed-Hardeman College Thespians. This play deals with the mind and the emotions. A vivid imagination is necessary to enjoy such a presentation. There is no scenery, and only the props which are absolutely necessary are used.

The stage manager, played by John Paul Simon, was moderator of the play. The plot revolved around two families. The first of these was the Gibbs. Dr. Gibbs was played by Jerry Counce with Delores Smith in the role of his wife. Their children were George by Bill Stanley and Rebecca by Tish Maynard. The Webb family consisted of Editor Webb, Bill Bracheen; Mrs. Webb, Carolyn Lemmons; Emily, Judy McKenzie; & Wallie, Ron Potts. In addition to these families there are various other towns people.

The setting is Grovers Corner, New Hampshire. The time is from 1901 to 1920. The three acts are quite distinct and definite about the message they set forth.

"Our Town" was a welcome change.

Robert Scott Speaks At FHC

Bob Scott of Jackson, Tennessee, spoke in chapel last week on "Personality Traits That Insure Success." He listed 10 personality traits that 70 of the nation's largest corporations look for when selecting new employees. These traits include:

1. Ability to get along with people and work cooperatively with others.
2. Ability to meet and talk to people easily.
3. Attractive appearance, neatness and good grooming.
4. Alertness.
5. Dependability.
6. Energy, drive and enthusiasm.
7. Initiative and originality.
8. Sense of humor.
9. Confidence and self-assurance.
10. Good manners and courtesy.

Scott concluded: "To acquire all these personality traits sounds like a big task, but not so much if we will only analyze ourselves, know our capabilities and limitations and then pursue the goal. . . . I would say to each of you to strive to be a Christian every day, get the most out of each day at school, education-wise, and develop your personality traits, those I've mentioned and perhaps others, to give you that degree of success in life that you desire."

CEDRIC FOSTER TO APPEAR

Cedric Foster, nationally known news commentator, will come to the Freed-Hardeman College campus April 15.

He will speak in the college auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Cedric Foster's voice is heard by millions of persons every day throughout the United States. With a broad knowledge of for-



ign affairs he is one of the nation's outstanding commentators, particularly in the field of foreign affairs.

He is in his "second million miles off the ground," having served as a war correspondent in the Pacific in 1945 and since the war crossing the Atlantic some 28 times by air, three times around the world, including visits to the Korean front and to thirty countries.

Cedric Foster has been decorated by the King of Greece and the Queen of Holland and is the friend of prime ministers of many countries. His intimate knowledge, however, has been gained in large measure by his association with the people.

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Gardner Will Serve Publications

In recent weeks Dean E. Claude Gardner has been selected to serve with two brotherhood publications. L. R. Wilson, editor of *Voice of Freedom*, Dallas, Texas, has named him to the staff of this monthly journal devoted to the exposure of Catholicism and Communism. Also he has been appointed a member of the Advisory Council of *The Christian Family Book Club*, Lawton, Oklahoma. This is a new book club "stressing good books for the Christian home."

Alpha Gamma Makes Decision

By Shirley Hysmith

In their regular meeting yesterday, the members of the Alpha Gamma Delta decided to get a Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa (national honor organization for junior colleges) at Freed-Hardeman College. It was decided that this organization would be separate from the Alpha Gamma Delta.

Qualifications are leadership and scholarship (2.0 average) and is limited to the upper ten percent of the student body. Each member will receive a Phi Theta Kappa key.

Through The Red Heart--

By Jean Bryan

The cafeteria of FHC was a dream world for this special night, the Annual Sweetheart Banquet. Everything was lovely and the spotlight was toward the white love-seat, awaiting the choosing of the new FHC Sweetheart.

Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Smith prepared a banquet supper of finger sandwiches, mints, olives, punch, and other party treats.

Entertainment included watching each couple announced as they arrived, music presented by the girl's sextet, both men's quartets, accompanied by Clement James, and songs by Don Brackin and Yoshio Inomato. Arlene Hogan read "I Love You,"

accompanied by Betty Jo Holladay. Dale Buckley, a very talented emcee held everyone in suspense as to who the sweetheart would be.

Terry Suzuki was announced Sweetheart, with Johnnie Tork, her escort. Finalists were Janice Turner and Bobby Armour; and Janice McCoy and Eugene Haslett.

Terry wore a white net gown with red cummerbund and a corsage of red carnations.

She is from Tokyo, Japan, and is enrolled in a business course.

Johnnie is from Fort Worth, Texas and is studying for the ministry.

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FHC CLOSES SEASON WITH WIN OVER LAMBUTH J.V.

Hill Captures Scoring Honors

Captain Bubbo Hill led the FHC Lions in scoring this season scoring 551 points in twenty-seven games for an average of 20.4 points per game.

The points calculated include all of the regular season games plus the tourney the Lions entered at Booneville, Mississippi during the December holidays.

The scoring for the squad is as follows:

Bubbo Hill	551
Charles Dowdy	490
Roger Hubbard	296
Pete Beecham	244
Wayne Adkins	94
Jim Clary	78
Robert Fields	46
Delbert Flack	44
Bobby Armour	9
Jerry McKinney	8
Neal Anderson	2

INTRAMURALS ARE ON THE MOVE

The FHC intramural program, under the direction of Ben Zickefoose, is moving along rapidly with action seen in boys and girls basketball, ping pong, badminton, chess, checkers, and very soon indoor olympics and softball.

Much interest and a great deal of ability has been displayed in all competition by the four campus organizations.

As we go to press, the boys basketball program is the only competition completed. The society teams placed as follows:

Alpha Taus
Phi Kappa
Sigma Rho
Philo

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Brumley Reviews FHC's Our Town

ed the wedding scene. The bride's anguished plea of "forever" and later the symbolically prolonged embrace bespoke the ever-present desire for something lasting. The ironic futility of such desire for permanency in the material realm, was clearly pictured when this same husband carried his beloved wife "up the hill to the cemetery" in the opening scenes of the following act.

Few of us agree with the implication of Wilder's philosophy—that is, that it is better to be dead than alive, because after one is dead an understanding of the futility and cruelty of life permits a peaceful resignation to disintegration. However, the author's implication that all mankind, even the best of the race (the mothers and loving wives) is entirely too concerned with material things is undeniable. This concern was repeatedly suggested: by the groom's mother being more concerned with his feet being dry than his feelings being happy; by the obvious pre-occupation of the mother during the returnee birthday party.

The dramatic conclusion possessed a typically Wilder sting. The dead, content in their graves, conclude "No, the living don't understand." That is, understand that all this straining to get some place isn't worth while, because all the end holds is an understanding that life isn't worth it! Then the narra-



Jose M. Quintans and Pablo M. Cuevas are seen deeply concentrating on a chess game as they play for the school intramural championship.

tor explains, as the curtain goes down, that now "Our Town" is asleep. Yes, they need sleep because all this straining is tiring . . . and you folks (the audience) better go home and get a good night's rest too. The obvious implication of course being that we, too, are victims of the same "rat race", the same constant, frantic strife which inevitably ends in nothing more rewarding than a realization of the futility of it all.

The viewers, no doubt, differ with each other in opinions as to the exact interpretations of the various scenes, and certainly all differ with the author's basic philosophy. However, since this is the type of philosophy motivating many of our major writers today, it behooves us to take a thoughtful view of it, and one is rarely privileged with such an opportunity as afforded by the Thespian presentation of "Our Town". It certainly obligates us to extend a hearty "thank you" to Mrs. Evanson and the Thespians.

FBLA Presents Trophy Case

The Freed-Hardeman College Future Business Leaders of America have presented the college with a glass enclosed trophy case.

Presentation was made last week by George Cooper. He presented the keys to the case to H. A. Dixon, president.

Dowdy High With 25 Points

The FHC Lions closed the regularly scheduled basketball season by beating the Lambuth J.V. team 73 to 65 in a game played at Jackson.

The locals played twelve games on the road this season, but the Lambuth game was the first win on an out of town court.

Charles Dowdy was the big man for the Lions, scoring 25 points. Following Dowdy came Roger Hubbard with 22 points and Bubbo Hill with 14.

The records show that the Lions won only eight out of twenty-four games in all, but they looked good on the home court winning seven of twelve.

Excepting Bubbo Hill, the entire Lion first team will be returning next year, and we are looking forward to a great team and a winning season.

BASEBALL, TRACK SEASON OPEN SOON

With spring just around the corner, students of FHC are beginning to turn their attention toward the warm weather sports of baseball and track.

As the weather warmed this past week, the call for all baseball candidates was heard, and from the group that answered the call, Walker Whittle will be trying to field a winning team.

An added attraction at FHC this spring will be the brand new track team coached by Ben Zickefoose. This will be the first inter-collegiate track team in the schools history.

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