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Madison Extends Welcome to New Students

Students Gather for Fall Quarter

Over three hundred students representing a wide range of territory registered for the new school year on the campus of the Nashville Agricultural Normal Institute, classes beginning the 25th of September. This was the thirty-first annual opening of an institution founded to train Christian workers for the Southland. Members of this student body are preparing for a variety of activities in educational, agricultural, health, and medical fields.

This year, as usual, there is a prominent group registered in the preparatory course for the medical profession. It is gratifying to have substantial students, good scholastically and strong in character, prepare in this way to minister to the needs of mankind. This past year a goodly number of young physicians, graduates of the College of Medical Evangelists and former Madisonites, have entered the South for service in this line of professional work.

Our other students group themselves after a fashion according to their major interests. There are the food producers—the men of the agricultural course; the food manufacturers and food preservers—the food factory group; the food servers who feed the family at the sanitarium and in the student dining hall—these are the dietitians; the nurses-in-training who daily care for the sick; teachers-in-training; the office helpers; and others—all uniting their efforts to make life at Madison pleasant, profitable, and inspirational.

For very many this is the beginning of a wider outlook on life, the opening of the door to far larger opportunities than were ever before realized. It is the

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Dr. Webb Gives Interesting Lecture

It was a real privilege to have Dr. Webb of the Chemistry Department of Peabody College with us on a recent Saturday night. He gave us a most interesting account of his summer's trip which combined business with pleasure. He had been asked to visit "Industrial America" from a scientist's viewpoint to determine whether any of the Research Laboratories are about to bring forth a discovery which will relieve the depression, as depressions of the past have been relieved.

He covered a great amount of territory and a wide range of industries in his twenty days. He has the pleasing ability to make others see with their mind's eye the new and unusual things he has seen in reality. There were windowless rooms where glass panels in a solid wall answer for windows. A press of a button in the morning fills the room with artificial, but very realistic, rays of the rising sun. Later another button floods the room with the full light of day. In the evening a button brings the sunset glow, while at night moonlight can be produced at will. Also glass ceilings are now so equipped with lights that starry heavens plus a moon can be brought into sight at any time, whether or not it rains outside.

A large wholesale drug company gave interesting sights to Dr. Webb. Imagine 2,000,000 lbs. of Cascara in one pile! And who ever dreamed there are geographical sectioned lines for pills, and that people in these sections have a very decided personal preference as regards the color of pills they take. A pill to be palatable has eighteen coats of

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Quantum Pictures

Our good old Quantum Society is at it again with some more very interesting talking pictures. Thursday nights will probably find three-quarters of our school family seated in the Science Building rotunda enjoying the educational travelogues and up-to-the-minute news pictures regarding modern science, as well as the very interesting pictures of modern surgery. The pictures of surgical operations are of special interest to the nurses and premeds who thrill to the excellent close-ups of high-class knife technique.

We happily look forward to another year's run of high-grade educational features to be presented with our new "talky" equipment.

S. C. H.

Outside Activities Band

The Outside Activities Band, under the leadership of Frank Phillips, is doing a splendid work in visiting the Nashville jail every Sabbath afternoon. That the prisoners appreciate the efforts of this group of students has been shown many times by verbal and written expressions of gratitude. One note which greatly encouraged the band was from a man about to leave for a thirty-four year term in the state penitentiary. In it he asked for their prayers that he might be a better man.

Harvest Ingathering

The singing band continues to be successful in its work. The band is making a trip to Nashville once a week, and the results are heartening to everyone. The economic depression evidently will never reach the Lord's work.

Both Old and New Students Participate in Entertainment

Saturday evening, September 28, the old and new students of the Nashville Agricultural Normal Institute assembled in the Demonstration building for the annual student reception. The large assembly room was filled to capacity.

Naturally, to properly open the school year, the audience joined in singing our school song, "Hail to Thee, O Madison." Bill Ludwig and Royal Jensen sang a welcome song to the new students.

Roger Goodge, master of ceremonies, introduced the president of the college, Dr. E. A. Sutherland. In his address Dr. Sutherland remarked that the group of students present was one of the best in the history of the institution.

Robert Kellar gave the welcome from the old students, followed by the response by Miss Esther Hass, an answering appreciation from the new students.

Music played an important role during the evening. Misses Dorothy Rowland and Evelyn Sauer rendered a saxophone duet, and Miss Dorothy Rice played a flute solo. Mr. Stanley Harris sang "The Song Without a Name," and Miss Margaret Rice sang a number entitled "California."

The student representatives of the states were grouped into several sections; namely, Southern, Great Lakes, New England, Middle Atlantic, Southwest, Great Plains, Western, and last but not least the home state of Tennessee. As each group was called, the students who claim that region as home came forward to help represent it. The foreign countries were represented also: India, China, Japan, Korea, Roumania, Germany, and Russia. Each of

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Do You Want an Education?

How much are you going to put into this new school year? Are you starting off with the throttle wide open, or only halfway? Will you finish up as strong as you have started, or will you lose your enthusiasm before the year ends and come lagging in to the finish line with all your energetic desires burned down?

By all means, determine now to persevere in your desire to succeed. Start off strong and finish in the same spirit.

Persevere now, while in training, so that you may secure all you need to learn. No doubt you will fall many times, but always remember the encouraging words of Oliver Goldsmith who stated that "our greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." For a surety Oliver Goldsmith knew, because this was the experience of his own life.

Success will finally come to those who are patient and persevering, who can continue to advance in the face of disappointment and hardship. Even though many times there are tasks that will confront you and seem impossible to accomplish, still, if you persevere, success will come. General Sam Armstrong said, "Doing what can't be done is the glory of living."

A true example of perseverance was the young Diogenes, who was desirous of becoming the disciple of Antisthenes and offered himself to the cynic. He was refused. Diogenes still persisting, the cynic raised his knotty staff and threatened to strike him if he did not depart. "Strike!" said Diogenes; "you will not find a stick hard enough to conquer my perseverance." Antisthenes had not another word to say, but immediately accepted him as his pupil.

Persevere when defeated, because if you cannot be a conqueror you need not be a craven.

S. C. H.

Election, Cooperative Assembly

The following is the result of the election held Sunday night, October 13:

Secretary of the Council
Council Members

Recreation Committee
Reception Committee Sec'y
Reception Committee Member
Committee of Justice Members

Nominating Committee
Social Committee
Restitution Committee

Earline Thomas
Faye Johnson
Bill Ludwig
Sidney Lowry
Albert Dittes
Gordon Brown
Hans Gregorius
Dorothy Mathews
Robert Dunn
Herbert Hewitt
C. H. Jones
Denzil Truitt

The Faculty Speaks

M. K. GAFFORD

The world is full of sleepers, of shirkers, of "has-beens," and procrastinators. It has a surplus of people "born tired," who are continually seeking easy jobs. If you look about you carefully, you may find one of this class even at Madison—it may be in your classroom, in your labor department, or in your mirror.

Some time ago I came across a little stanza which describes very accurately the habitat of the shirker. It is called "The Put-it-offs."

"My friend, have you heard of the town of Yawn,

On the banks of the River Slow,
Where blooms the waitawhile flower fair,

Where the sometimeorother scents the air,

And the softgoeasies grow?
It lies in the valley of Whatsthe-use,

In the province of Letterslide,
That tired feeling is native there,
It's the home of the listless I don't care,

Where the Putitoffs abide."

I am wondering if this is your "old home town" and how long you expect to remain there as a citizen. I am also wondering how many of you are planning to spend your vacation in this locality or are even considering making it your future field of languor (I almost wrote "labor"). At any rate, let me entreat you not to take out your naturalization papers.

If you are to be of any material value in whatever you do, especially in this day of intense competition, you must be a wide-awake hustler. Do not be like the youth who one day seated himself in a dentist's chair. He wore a wonderful shirt of striped silk and an even more wonderful checked suit. He had the vacant stare that goes with both. "I'm afraid to give him gas," the dentist said to his assistant. "Why?" asked the assistant. "Well," replied the dentist, "how will I know when he is unconscious?"

Do you know that, after all, laziness is largely a matter of habit? The story is told of a certain young lady who used to shirk her studies whenever she possibly could. When told that such a characteristic would not be tolerated in business, she

Passing of Mrs. Gotzian

One of Madison's greatest benefactors and warmest friends passed away recently. It was very early in the morning on Monday, September 30, 1935, that Mrs. Josephine Gotzian passed into that sleep which marked the end of her labors on this present earth.

Truly we students and faculty members of Madison felt a deep loss at the death of our friend and mother. And she was both friend and mother to us in both spirit and action. When we saw her wheeled by her nurse, we felt that here was one who through sacrifice had done a great deal to make our school what it is; to make it possible for us to receive an education which affords us the opportunity of working with Christian people and teachers, for our daily needs.

This is best shown in the facts that it was her assistance which gave us our Food Factory, where scores of students have earned their support in the past few years; and the building which now houses the tailor shop and the sewing room. And of course we cannot forget the dormitory of the college girls, Gotzian Home, which was virtually built by her and named for her. It was with the hope of furthering the cause of Christ that she gave to us these most necessary buildings and equipment.

And now she is laid to rest. She led a life that was guided by adherence to true principles and a willingness to sacrifice everything to Christ. By that life, which was a struggle against pain and distress, and which was blessing upon blessing to thousands who are fighting for the truth, she has rightfully earned her place among the noble religious leaders of this country.

A. D.

replied, "Oh, I wouldn't shirk in a business. I'd be getting money for working then." Perhaps, she would get *some* money, but *how much* and for *how long* would depend entirely upon whether she maintained this attitude.

You cannot change your habits overnight, and if you have formed in school the habit of shirking a lesson or task that seems difficult it will become habitual for you to shirk in whatever line of work you choose.

Come on, students, let's get down to Chemistry—or Library Science!

With the High School

Happy days are here again! Yes, High School has started once more. The regular registration was held September 23. Up to date we have an enrollment of over ninety students. Many, if not most of them, are new. We wish to welcome them to our group. Almost every state is represented.

We have one new teacher added to our High School Faculty. Mr. C. G. Sharpe is teaching the Bible class.

Friday, October 11, Mr. R. R. Vance, State High School Supervisor, visited the High School for the Southern Association.

Students spend twenty minutes on four days a week for Physical Education. Some play basketball, some volley ball, and some are registered for calisthenics, while those with weak bodies and puerile minds amuse themselves on the teeter-boards and in the swings put up for the elementary schools.

The High School agricultural class has built and planted a fire-heated hotbed. They have planted peach seeds to be used in budding next summer, and have planted a number of forest tree seeds with the idea of starting a project in reforestation.

"Chasing shadows" has lost some of its popularity now. For the past week Mrs. Wheeler's biology class had been busily engaged in chasing bugs and butterflies.

V. H.

Students Gather . . .

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beginning of a life career, of what we hope will be a life of service for the Master. In such a place as this some always get more than do others. The amount a student carries away with him is in proportion to the amount he contributes. There is a divine law that he who gives, gets.

It is a recognized fact that one godly student on the campus is an irresistible power. In some respects students exert a stronger influence with their fellows than do faculty members, because of the sympathetic touch, the close contacts, the contagion of good will, loyalty, ambition, obedience to law, and right living in all respects. It is a genuine delight to be associated with students of this sort.

M. B. DeGraw

Group of Educators Visits Madison

This week Madison has had some very unusual and interesting visitors. A group of well-known educators, representatives from the Conference of Southern Mountain Workers, had organized themselves into a study group for the purpose of visiting and studying unique educational centers in the South. After visiting such places as the Berry schools and the John C. Campbell Folk School, they arrived at Madison on Monday, October 14, to spend two days with us.

This group included several people whose names are familiar to some of us, as follows: Miss Helen Dingman, secretary of the Southern Mountain Workers' Conference, member of Berea College faculty, and promoter of the Berea Opportunity School; Mr. George Kavanaugh, business manager of Berea College; Miss Edna Voss, representative from the Board of National Presbyterian Missions of New York City; Mrs. Eunice Weaver, from Gatlinburg School, Tennessee; Miss Margaret Sloan, from the registrar's office at Berea; Miss Irma Burbank, a Methodist teacher; Rev. W. A. Worthington from Annville Institute, Annville, Kentucky.

On Monday evening, Rev. Worthington spoke to us at the chapel hour on the subject of "Prayer." On Tuesday evening, Mr. Kavanaugh told us of the work of Berea College. This college is also endeavoring to carry out a work-study program with its students, but we could not help smiling when Mr. Kavanaugh told us that the minimum number of hours a student worked was ten per week and that the maximum was fifteen per week, and that any time over fifteen hours per week meant the loss of some of the student's scholastic credits. Madison students could teach Berea something about the amount of work it is possible to carry along with a full college load!

L. CROCKETT

Music Department Acquires Marimba

A marimba is the most recent addition to the equipment of the Music Department, according to

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Changes in Staff

Our Staff has recently lost some of its members. Thelma Hansen, our associate editor, has gone to Fletcher, North Carolina, where she is connected with the Asheville Agricultural School, while Elaine Leslie, our Chatter-Box reporter, is finishing some work at Loma Linda, California.

To fill these gaps, some additions have been made. Our new reporters are Gaynelle Garner, Louise Holst, and Albert Dittes, with Velma Hickman as high school reporter and Allan Munroe as assistant circulation manager.

We as your Staff aim to make your paper interesting and attractive to every one of you, and solicit your suggestions and support.

Obituary

Mr. Peter Jacobsen, who recently came to Madison, died here October 1.

After being internally injured by a bull, pneumonia set in, which quickly stole his remaining strength.

The body was taken to Shelby, Iowa, for burial. Professor Jacobsen and family attended the funeral.

Mr. Jacobsen was sixty-three years of age, and is survived by two brothers and three sisters.

A. W. M.

Campus Nature Study

Dahlias have bloomed exceptionally well this autumn in spite of the severe drought. Frost last week injured the plants but has not entirely stopped their blooming. Madison has had more good dahlias this year than any year in her history—enough to supply them abundantly to the sanitarium every day for weeks.

Chrysanthemums are just beginning to bloom. With something like a hundred of the best outdoor varieties, we should have plenty of chrysanthemums in the near future, so we shall not miss our dahlias so much.

The trial rose garden, consisting of something more than fifty varieties of bush roses and about the same number of climbers, has done very well, even though it was a new project just planted this past spring. We are hoping for a wonderful show next year.

F. BRALLIAR

Guess Who?

A friend to everyone he meets—
This lively little lad,
Filled to the brim with boyish pranks,

None of them very bad.

For politics he has a charm,
'Most always wins his part.
He argues at the chapel hour
With students' rights at heart.

We're glad to have him with us
here;

We'd miss his cordial smile.

We'll put up with his youthful pranks

And watch him grow awhile.

Last month's—E. M. Bisalski.

A. M.

Dr. Webb's Lecture . . .

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"finishing" to cover the necessary unpleasant contents.

He told us of many unusual things: a kitchen dialogue where the stove challenged the refrigerator as to its cleanliness and the refrigerator proved its claim by flinging open its door to show the condition within. Stage scenery that shifts itself is now a reality. Kodaks are reproducing the colors of the original in the pictures. We should enjoy our radios while we may, for soon the glass tubes are to be replaced with metal ones which will necessitate a new radio.

Most of us had never realized that Thomas Jefferson was an inventor until Dr. Webb told us of his home in Monticello where he saw a bed Jefferson had made that could be raised to the ceiling and lose its identity against it.

The evening's lecture was so enjoyable, we were glad to know it is the first of a series of lectures which will be part of our winter's Saturday night recreational program.

S. ARD

Students' Welcome . . .

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the foreign students spoke a few words in his native tongue. One attractive feature was the display by William Mizukami (Japan) of his ancestral sword.

The closing number was the congregation's singing of the chorus of the school song: "To Madison, our Madison, we pledge our loyalty. May our ideals, instilled by thee, last through eternity."

I. J.

Chatter-Box

Due to the combined efforts of Sam McDaniels, Milton Boskind, and Robert Kellar, the flagpole in front of the Assembly Hall has been painted with gilt paint to provide a fitting background for Old Glory.

We are glad to have with us Miss Nevada Munroe, sister of Allan Munroe, a premedical student. Miss Munroe, now connected with the nursing department, arrived here September 23, accompanied by her parents who spent three days at Madison before going to Reeves, Georgia, to connect with that work.

Elton Hansen, for four years a student at Madison, has gone to Loma Linda to continue his course in laboratory technique.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hewitt, both students here, have gone to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hermann, parents of Mrs. Hewitt, in Battle Creek, Michigan.

The College Tailor Shop is under new management. Mr. Niergarth, now in charge, comes to us

from Coquille, Oregon. He has been a tailor for forty-eight years, and has done self-supporting and conference work in Canada, Washington, D. C., and Battle Creek, Michigan, having been at the college in Battle Creek when Dr. Sutherland was president of that institution.

The Misses Dorothy Munn, Edna Renfro, Ellen Low, and Hazel Baxter recently returned to Madison from the Children's Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio, where they had just completed four months of affiliation. Nurses who went to Cincinnati to begin their term were the Misses Marie Graham, Eleanor Sutton, Ethel Womack, Hazel McConnell, Mildred Gleason, and Audrey King.

Elder A. R. P. Johnson, former pastor of the church at Elmira, New York, conducted the Sabbath service at Madison on October 12.

Music Room . . .

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Professor Leland Straw, head of that department. The instrument will be used to augment the band and orchestra, as well as for private lessons. It will be paid for with the proceeds from programs given by music students.

Elder Johnson, with his wife and children, plans to begin work in the South soon.

Warren Irwin was a visitor here last week. His father was with him. They were interested in Warren's sisters' attending school here. Warren is teaching the school at Chestnut Hill and is having a busy and profitable time there.

Nurses and sanitarium workers gathered for a farewell dinner given Tuesday evening, October 15, at Kinne Hall, for Gladys Miracle, who has left for her home in Texas.

Week-end visitors included Mr. Delmar Baxter, of Old Hickory, who visited his brother Doy and his sister Hazel, last Friday. Mr. Robert Dunn was also very happy to see his brother Raymond, who was at the school Sabbath.

Get Acquainted

Let's get acquainted, new students and old! Please don't be too formal and distant. Say "Hello," "Howdy," "Hi," or something.

Getting acquainted is an education in itself, so let's have a well-rounded education!

Current Similes

—as obliging as Miss Gafford.
—as garrulous as Simonne Haddad.
—as public as the drinking fountain.
—as informative as Dr. Bralliar.
—as sympathetic as Prof. Covert.
—as reticent as Vincent Small.
—as enthusiastic as Mr. Bisalski.
—as considerate as Mrs. Musselman.
—as demanding as Bayard Goodge.
—as phychological as Dr. Sutherland.
—as interesting as Miss DeGraw's classes.
—as sweet as Kinne Kitchen chocolate pudding.
—as gracious as Mrs. Sutherland.
—as thrilling as finding that a pretty girl has a high I. Q.
B. Mc.

Can You Imagine - -

Sam McDaniels practicing scales?
Anybody but Miss DeGraw knowing how many fire plugs there are on the campus?
Wednesday night without Dr. Sutherland?

Cost of Automobile Accidents Exceeds Cost of Public School System

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Brake Service
Wheel
Aligning
gnition
Service
Generator
Service
Over 1800
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