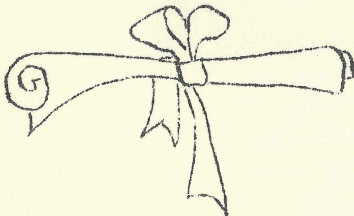
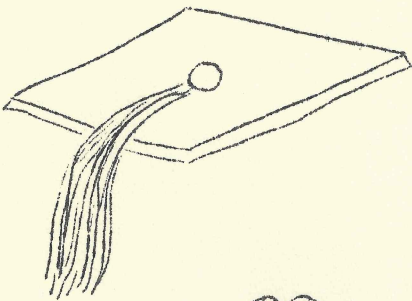
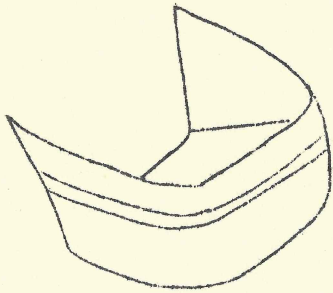


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LIFE

is a journey

...not a home; a road, not a city of habitation. And the enjoyments and blessings we have along the way are but little inns on the roadside, where we may be refreshed for a moment, that we may with new strength press on to the goal.

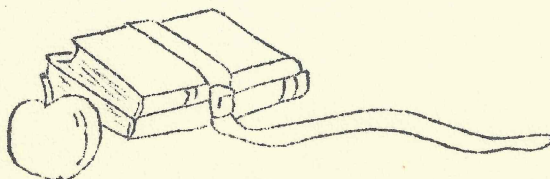
You will meet today ten men or women; perhaps twenty, or perhaps a hundred. Every one of them will have his or her day brightened or darkened by the tone and manner of your greeting. You can put a little more spring into the step and a little more joy into the heart of every one of them by a cheerful, confident salutation.

Every worthwhile accomplishment, big or little, has its stages of drudgery and triumph: a beginning, a struggle, and a victory.

A few wise friends with whom to counsel, a few good books to read and absorb, and with courage and faith we are well-equipped for the facing of life difficulties and disappointments, as well as its pleasures and successes.

Lives are made of chapters. After one is written it cannot be revised, but we can write a new chapter with each new day.

--Phillips Brooks



GRADUATIONS

Our graduation exercises began May 20, 1957 with the

CAPTAIN GILMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Eighth Grade Graduation

May 20, 1957

Program

"My God and I".....Sergi
School Choir--Grades 5-8
Welcome.....Mrs. H. E. Beck
Violin Solo: "Famous Waltz".....Brahms
Paul Boynton
Processional: "Land of Hope and Glory".....Elgar
Introduction of Class.....Andrea Griffin
Class Gift.....Betty Rowe
Piano Solo: "Drifting Dreams".....Aulbach
Elaine Anderson
Valedictory.....Sharon Ulloth
Duet: "Pilot Me, O Gracious Saviour".....Miles
Rosie Neff--Sandra Rust
Address.....Elder J. L. Everett
Presentation of Diplomas.....Prof. L. E. Nestell
Benediction.....Mr. Kent Griffin
Recessional: "The Captain Calls for You"....Miller

(Piano Duo.....Jimmy Lewis and Mrs. Helen Rust)

Graduates

Andrea Griffin.....President
Byron Griffin.....Vice-President
Rosie Neff.....Secretary
Betty Rowe.....Treasurer
Barry Ulloth.....Class-Pastor
Clifford Wynn.....Sergeant-at-Arms
Joyce Davis
Sandra Rust
Elaine Anderson
Sharon Ulloth

Class Motto....."Obey God"
Class Aim....."Faithful Unto Death"

The Commencement Program for Fletcher Academy ran May 23-25

Class Flower.....Yellow Rose
Class Colors.....Blue and White
Class Motto: "Serving Humanity serves Christ Best"
May 23, 8:00 P.M.....Class Program
May 24, 7:30 P.M.....Consecration Service
May 25, 11:00 A.M.....Baccalaureate Service
8:30 P.M.....Commencement
May 26, 7:00 A.M.....Alumni Reunion

We are giving the class night program as it appeared on the printed programs. Everyone should be congratulated for a part well done. The program was very good.

Solo: "The Halls of Fletcher" (Adapted).....	Knight
Jack Carroll	
Devotional.....	David Love.....
Class Pastor	
Introduction of Class.....	Prof. Lewis E. Nestell
"Bless This School".....	Class.....
Adapted	
President's Address.....	Bruce Gallman
"Society and the Church Vs. Senior Class".....	Class
Granting of Awards.....	Prof. Lewis E. Nestell
Presentation of Class Gift.....	Velma Holcombe
Valedictory.....	Marolyn Miller
School Song.....	Audience
(Band Concert--7:45 P.M.)	

Elder J. L. Everett Spoke and Mrs. Everett sang for our Consecration service. Each person present felt the desire for a new dedication for service as the class responded to the message and Prof. Nestell offered the Consecration prayer.

We were so happy that Elder Gordon M. Hyde and his family of Collegedale could arrange to be with us for our graduation exercises. Elder Hyde gave the Baccalaureate sermon on Sabbath morning. We caught a new glimpse of what the class motto really means as he spoke. The song "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" by the choir and the duet by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Boggs were lovely. Mr. Kent Griffin offered the morning prayer and Dr. A. A. Pearson gave the benediction.

Commencement night is always a happy time and a sad time--happy because of work accomplished and a new commencement about to begin and sad because of partings soon to take place. The processional "Pomp and Circumstance" brought in our 26 seniors. The invocation was given by Elder G. M. Hyde. We felt very fortunate to have Elder Fred Speyer present as our solist. From Western Carolina College at Cullowhee, N.C., Prof. W. B. Harrill came to give the Commencement address. Prof. Harrill is acting dean of the college. He had met our student body during the year and we were so glad that he arranged time from his busy schedule to be with us. Prof. Nestell presented the diplomas, each class member presented his class flower to his mother, Mr. C. G. Marquis offered the benediction and the notes of the recessional sounded. Graduation was over. Sunday morning after the Alumni Breakfast at Mills River the last good-byes were said and thoughts turned more definitely to another school year soon to begin.

Mrs. F. R. Boggs, organist and Mrs. W. E. Rust, pianist, did a splendid piece of work with the music. We are sorry that the Boggs will not be with us another year, but are very glad that Mrs. Rust plans to stay on and keep a song in our hearts, as well as young America's fingers busy at the key boards.

CLASS ROLL

Bruce Gallman, President--X-Ray course, Grady Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.
 Ruth Coulter, Vice-President--Madison College, Tennessee
 Marolyn Miller, Secretary--Southern Missionary College
 Velma Holcombe, Treasurer--Southern Missionary College
 David Love, Class Pastor--Emmanuel Missionary College
 Alfred Wiik, Sergeant-at-Arms--Mechanics Course in Virginia
 Sylvia Boley--Home
 Jack Carroll--Home
 Carole Doolittle--Home working
 Gayle Dunagin--Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing
 Mildred Fields--Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing
 Betty Jones--Home

Kay Leonard--Southern Missionary College
 Betty Lipscomb--Business College at home
 Edith Lynes--Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing
 Jeanette Messer--Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing
 Allene Padgett-Curry--Asheville, North Carolina
 Gary Pearson--Emmanuel Missionary College
 Margaret Perry--Home
 Charles Phillips--Home
 Shirley Poole--Home
 Ann Shanko--Southern Missionary College
 Jan Stanley--Home working
 Richard Vollmer--Southern Missionary College
 Steve Ward--Southern Missionary College
 Elizabeth Welch--Home working

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL
 COMMENCEMENT
 MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING
 August 30-31, 1957

August 30	8:00 P.M.	Consecration Service
August 31	11:00 A.M.	Baccalaureate Service
	8:00 P.M.	Commencement
September 1	8:00 A.M.	Alumni Breakfast

CONSECRATION SERVICE

Prelude: "By the Cathedral"	MacDonald
Hymn: "I Will Follow Thee" (266)	Congregation
Introduction	Mr. Gordon Brown
Invocation	J. L. Gardner, M.D.
Vocal Solo	Mrs. Patrick Hicks
Consecration Message	Elder I. W. Young
Response	Class
Consecration Prayer	Louis C. Waller, M.D.
Vocal Solo	Mrs. Patrick Hicks
Benediction	Gustave Ulloth, M.D.
Postlude: "The Lost Chord"	Sullivan

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Prelude: "Tersanctus"	Lorenz
Processional: "Marche Romaine"	Gounod
Introduction	Prof. Lewis E. Nestell
Hymn: "Lead on O King Eternal" (362)	Congregation
Invocation	T. H. Joyner, M.D.
Vocal Solo	Mr. James Haney
Sermon	Elder B. L. Hassenpflug
Vocal Solo	Mr. James Haney
Benediction	Mr. E. A. Hansen
Recessional: "The Heavens Are Telling"	Haydn

Prelude: Adagio (Moonlight Sonata).....Beethoven
 Processional: "War March of The Priests".....Mendelssohn
 Introduction.....Mr. Kent Griffin
 Invocation.....J. F. Brownsberger, M.D.
 Vocal Solo.....Jesse P. Chapman, Jr., M.D.
 Address.....Lawrence E. Eddlemon, M.D.
 Vocal Solo.....Jesse P. Chapman, Jr., M.D.
 Presentation of Class Gift.....Miss Ruth Phillips
 Guest of Honor.....
 Introduction of Class.....Mrs. Gladys M. Lowder, R.N.
 Presentation of Diplomas.....P. J. Moore, Jr., M.D.
 Presentation of School Pin.....Miss Ostine Whisnant, R.N.
 Benediction.....Arthur A. Pearson, M.D.
 Postlude: "Triumphant March".....Grieg

Mrs. David Entz, Organist
 Mrs. William Rust, Pianist

CLASS ROLL

Ruth Phillips, President
 Patricia Collins, Vice-President

Lois Carpenter, Secretary
 Jennie Leary, Treasurer

Class Motto: "Not My Will, But Thine"

Class Aim: "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow"

Class Flower: Red Rose

Class Colors: Red and White

REUNION OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING CLASS OF '42

By Gwen Peters-Jasperson (Condensed from the School of Nursing "Alumni News")

Plans for a class reunion were started, but no one dared hope for such a wonderful response.

Friday morning, early, found Ethel Ross-Stivers and Doris Gilbert-Qualls from Philadelphia, Pa.; Lillian Rottmiller-Nobrega from Tallahassee, Fla.; Gwen Peters-Jasperson from Glendale, Calif.; and Worthie Possinger-Lewis (she was our class-mate for two years); all chattering so fast. We had to blink twice at the size of Buddy Nobrega, our first class offspring. Ralph, his father, was just the same friendly fellow who was courting Lil most of our training days. Their daughter, Marilyn, and Judy Qualls became good friends, wishing someday they might follow in the footsteps of their mothers. Edward Stivers came to Fletcher for a rest and vacation. I wonder if he is rested yet from running after his two young sons, Douglas and Donald, while their mother visited with her classmates? John and Carol Jasperson were too much interested in their cousins to spend much time with their Mother's friends.

Friday afternoon Geneva Warden-Thomas flew in from Denver, Colo., with her young son Douglas. Our class president had arrived! Later on Jewell Robinson-Morris, and her husband Noel drove in from Orlando, Fla. Their two beautiful children, Rickie and Barbara Ann, we were so glad to see. About the same time Estelle McElmurry-Balli drove in from Ionia, Mich., with her younger son. So sorry we couldn't see the older boy, but he had to stay home with Daddy and watch over the farm. Now we were all together except for Clarice Dunaway-Buller. One classmate, Hazel Ray-Miller was represented by her mother. Hazel passed away several years ago.

Sabbath morning brought us another thrill to be cherished. Mrs. Elsie Brownsberger arrived with her husband, Dr. John. She was our Director of Nurses, he the Medical Director; and we respected and loved them dearly.

We enjoyed so much seeing and talking with many Fletcher people who had left their imprints on our lives. Space does not permit mentioning them all, but we want to say "Thanks to each of you".

Immediately following the School of Nursing Graduation, classes began once more. September 3 found the schools with the following enrollments:

CAPTAIN GILMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Enrollment by grades)

Teachers: Grades 1-4--Mrs. H. E. Beck

Grades 5-8--Mr. Ferdi Wuttke

Grade 1

Beck, Tommy
Chandler, Gail
Livingstone, Raymond
Moore, Billy
Rowe, Edward

Grade 2

Beck, Harry
Craig, Brenda
Dockery, Patricia Ann
Livingstone, Paule Mae
Martone, Brenda
Moore, Pierce Jones

Grade 3

Craig, Sheryl
Justice, Teresa
Martone, Linda
Ricker, Doris

Grade 4

Anderson, Sharron
Brown, David
Rowe, David
Reese, John
Lewis, Brenda
Chandler, Carol

Grade 5

Brown, Marion
Heatherly, Keith
Martone, Arlene
Reese, Ileta
Robertson, Ralph

Grade 6

Anderson, Norman
*Colburn, Shirley
Hodges, Mike
Holmes, Myron
Lewis, Billy
Pearson, Sharron

Grade 7

Brown, Karen
Heatherly, Clifton

Neff, Johnny
Robertson, Stanley

Grade 8

Boynton, Paul
Garey, Mary
Hodges, Lester

Lewis, Jimmy
Turner, Patsy
*Ramsey, Clara

*Shirely Colburn joined our group just a few days ago. Shirley came to visit us with her parents, Elder and Mrs. Harold D. Colburn from Nassau, Bahamas. She decided she liked the school so much that she just stayed with us. Clara Ramsey also joined our group a bit late. She lives just over the hill toward Fletcher. We welcome both of these girls into the Captain Gilmer Elementary School.

FLETCHER ACADEMY (Enrollment by states)

Alabama

Bush, Lewis
Davis, Sandra
Franklin, Juda
Huggins, Buster
Johann, Iela
Stinson, Mary
Sweeney, Ellen
Vance, Gail
Wright, Nona

Colorado

Rust, John
Rust, Sandra

Florida

Bishop, Betty
Bishop, Sandra
Blanchard, Melven
Braddock, Janice
Brantley, Glenda
Cartledge, Mary
Clark, Dwight
Clark, Lester
Cramer, Barbara
Davenport, Mary
Eunice, Joyce
Ham, Dolores
Hodges, Troy
Johnson, Herbert

Florida, Continued

Lambeth, Burnese
Lambeth, Louise
Lawson, Jamie
Long, Loraye
Mascunana, George
Matson, Terry
Melven, Margaret
Murray, Betty
Murray, Linda
Murray, Mary Lou
Otto, Timothy
Patten, Delores
Pierce, Wayne
Schwartz, Dennis
Smith, Dorothy
Straight, Eddie
Straight, Tommy
Weech, Nancy

Georgia

Lane, J. B.
Reagan, Donna
Rowe, D. H.
Smith, Harold
Simpson, Billy

Maryland

Stevens, Nancy

North Carolina

Anderson, Elaine
Anderson, Glen
Anderson, Kenneth
Bean, Nancy
Behre, Jane
Branson, Harry
Brown, Frank
Brown, Scotty
Charron, Steven
Charron, Dorothy
Cobb, Gary
Cook, Anita
Davis, Eunice
Davis, Joyce
Doolittle, Sharlene
Fox, Florence
Garey, James
Griffin, Andrea
Griffin, Byron
Hansen, Dennis
Hodges, Karen
Hudson, Billy
Jenkins, Janice
Johnson, Lorraine
Johnston, Lloyd
Ledbetter, Carol
Moffitt, Max
Neff, Rose

N. C. Continued

Neff, Ruth
Pearson, Marcia
Reese, Betty
Robertson, Wanda
Rowe, Betty
Rowe, Cathy
Rhoney, Delores
Shepherd, Ina
Taylor, Virginia
Ulloth, Barry
Ulloth, Dana
Ulloth, Sharon
Westbrook, Sharon
Wynn, Clifford
Young, Martha

Ohio

Draper, Ardyce

South Carolina

Dunagin, Sylvia
Marchant, Herbert
Perkins, Annette
Reece, Winona

Wisconsin

Quick, Ronald

Virginia

Belcher, Margaret	Powell, Janet
Payne, Margaret	Ricks, Joann
	Ricks, Peggy

Tennessee

Blankenship, Mary Jo	Heatherly Ernestine
Boley, Mary	Hill, Pauline
Crittenden, Becky	Lowe, Don
Darnell, Nolan	Lowe, Hobart

MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM AND HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

Pre-Clinical, Class of 1960

Miss Mary Lou Adams, Johnstown, Pa.
 Miss Gail Dunagin, Spartanburg, S. C.
 Miss Mildred Fields, Ft. Meade, Fla.
 Miss Florence Holverstott, Arlington, Va.
 Miss Peggy Ann Just, Spartanburg, S. C.
 Miss Marjorie Johlman, New Haven, Conn.
 Miss Alice Lawrence, Takoma Park, Md.
 Miss Edith Lynes, Charleston, S. C.
 Miss Jeanette Messer, East Palatka, Fla.
 Miss Carol Sue Parker, Elred, Pa.
 Miss Rita Parsons, Pennington Gap, Va.
 Miss Frances Pearson, Takoma Park, Md.
 Miss Catherine Smith, Pittsville, Wis.
 Miss Elizabeth Turbyfill, Burnsville, N.C.

Junior Class, Class of 1959

Miss Nancy McCorkle, President--Tenn.
 Miss Joanne Foster, Vice-President--Mich.
 Miss Marilyn Flyte, Secretary--Ill.
 Miss Vickie Stinson, Treasurer--Ala.
 Miss Dorothy Carrier--Tenn.
 Miss Virginia Heck--Pa.
 Mrs. Doniese Johnson--N. C.
 Miss Mary Livingston--N. C.
 Miss Lauretta Sisson--Va.
 Miss Shelba Jean Stine--Tenn.

Senior Class, Class of 1958

Miss Helen Scherer, President, N. J.
 Miss Marcia St. Pierre, Vice-President--Mich.
 Miss Rozanne Sutter, Secretary--Fla.
 Mr. Howard Pallett, Treasurer--Mich.
 Miss Marilyn Branson--N. C.
 Miss Kay Cooper--Fla.
 Miss Betty Davenport--Fla.
 Miss Margaret Heaton--N. J.
 Miss Esther Hellerud--N. Y.
 Miss Shelva Jean Hodge--Ga.
 Miss Alice Lind--Sweden
 Mrs. Marlene Marsh--Tenn.
 Mrs. Mary McDonald--Mass.
 Mr. Robert Lowder--N. C.
 Miss Shirley Parker--S. C.
 Miss Virginia Rolling--Ala.
 Miss Alice Rowe--N. C.
 Miss Sara Smith--Ga.

ACADEMY TEACHING STAFF

Mr. Gordon Brown--Assistant Principal, Bible, Band, Driver Training theory.	Mr. Vernon Lewis--Driver Training Pr.
Mrs. David Entz--Dean of Girls, English I, Organ.	Mrs. J. L. McDonald--Typing
Mr. David Entz--General Business	Mr. Lewis Nestell--Principal, History, Vocations, Algebra.
Mrs. Kent Griffin--English III, IV.	Mrs. Bessie Powell--Sewing.
Mr. David Kulisek--Dean of Boys, Chemistry, Geometry.	Mrs. Lawrence Vollmer--English II, French.
Mrs. Helen Rust--Piano, Choir, Chorus	Mr. Milton Westburg--Biology

ACADEMY CLASS GIFT

Our thanks to the Academy Class of '57 and to Mr. Martin Pearson, Doctor Pearson's father, for the lovely steps leading up to Pearson Hall from the music studio. Yes, our thanks for all 55 of them and an especial "Thank you" for the two seats so thoughtfully placed at just the right spots along the way. Grandpa Pearson kept right on working after the Senior steps were completed and now the typing students boast of a new walk, and the walk to the studio has been widened and regravelled. Also the wooden bridge just beyond the chapel on the path to the Gilliland Cottage has been replaced with a cement one, and the one in front of the chapel has been replaced. What would we do without "Grandpa" to help us along with some of these projects. We just wouldn't have them and we will never be able to thank him enough for all he has done for us.