

JABBER

By Feoria Cleaman

Folks, we have been as busy as a one-armed paper hanger with the seven-years itch, who had orders to scratch it out in three years, this week and we are afraid that we have not had time to really wrestle with the problem of getting some worth-while bull for this column. But when we had begun to despair we got a message from Phoney Smith's little wards. They are tired of us giving them the rass-berry and they told us what was what. Reckon you would be interested in it? Fine! Here's what they said:

"Ballying our forces we are trying to fight back in self-defense. We are about to be sure enough 'Pretty Hot Damuels'—Pretty Hot under the collar! Why pick on us, your teeth are still good for that pastime.

"We wish to make an announcement, that our name does NOT mean 'pretty hot dabee,' or 'phenominally dumb' of any other such tommy-rot. It has a meaning that only we alone know about, not even our beloved advisor the great Phoney is allowed to know. 'To satisfy,' we will tell you one name, it is French and means 'little clever women,' and for those that have not had French, it reads, 'Petite Habille Damuels'.

"Furthermore we wish to make public that we do not spend the evenings WHEN WE DO NOT HAVE DATES, writing to Phoney. It is one of the requirements of the club that every Sunday night we have to write to our advisor. He is the only male of the species connected with our club."

(Signed) F. H. D. Club.
 Laura Nell Anderson
 Carrie Bell Seals
 Frances Powell
 Julia Lamar
 Ross Jones
 The End

Whew! Thank goodness that is over. They signed it "the end." We should hope so, and as a rather tardy New Year resolution, we are swearing to make it the end, truly—never more will we mess with that club. But we thank them for clearing up a mystery, we have been wondering where Phoney got all his mail on Monday morning.

Yep, we have had some of that clever tongue twisting language called French, under Hugh, Pardon, MR. Awtery and we were sure all the time that the name had something to do with the word Dam—sels. "Little Clever Women,"—time out, let us get over a giggling spell—ain't that a wow? Hope they ain't conceited. But they have a claim to it, they sure gavs us a snappy comeback. But here is a secret about their name that they didn't know we knew. The three letters stand for three boys names, and

OF THE WEATHER AND NOBLE ARNOLD

all members of the organization are crazy over one of these three. Turn over, Charite, the alarm clock's ringing!

When Julius Johnson was elected vice-president of the glee club, we hear that they had a very "thin" ballot. But as most of the fellows are from the city and knew how to handle such a situation, he was elected in a landslide. In fact it resembled a steam roller in some respects. If you don't catch this seeming paradox, you can ask Julius.

Once while we were gone, one of our fellow contemporaries, wrote in our column that we were a hot air artist, or words to that effect. Well, if we got into this talk of war with Mexico we suggest that this fellow pen pusher and ourselves, join the army and gas the greasers to death.

The Phi Delta Thetas have been getting the Christian Science Monitor regularly. Some one sent them a subscription, gratis. Wonder if they thought the Thetas needed it?

The Journalism Club had a blow-out, at school last night. Called it a smoker, and judging from the cigar stubs lying around on the dressers in the dormitory, for future reference—it was. However, it was a big time for us all, even if we did have to listen to some speeches before we could eat.

We want to congratulate Noble Arnold, and the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, on his election to president of the Glee Club. Noble is a mighty good boy and has amassed quite a bunch of honors while here in college. He is known to everyone on the campus and down town, and very popular with all that know him. He has an enviable record as a cheer leader, as well as a black face comedian. We are certain that he will wear this new honor on his shoulders, as competently as he has carried the others. Prior to this time he has been vice-president and assistant manager of the singers.

It has been cold enough to freeze the horns off a brass cow this week. There has even been a little snow. The other morning we got up to go to classes, and after the plenary clearing up of our throat, we expectorated on the side walk. It froze and hit the fire plug such an awful whack that it broke off to the ground. It was brittle we suppose, but when it broke the water spouted up as high as a tree and made one big icicle. The telephone company is now using it as an emergency post to hang their wires on. Shoot him in the trousers, Charlie, the coat belongs to me!

DR. J. G. HARRISON IS AUTHOR OF BOOK

Dr. John G. Harrison, Professor of Philosophy, has recently published a book on the Life of David Denton, Mr. Denton, before his death, resided at Stapleton, Ga. Upon his death a few years ago he left his estate principally to the promotion of Baptist education in Georgia.

A portion of his estate was left to Mercer to go toward the enlargement of the School of Education. This sum of money, approximately \$40,000, has been in the possession of the Holding Commission of the university for some time but so far no plans have been made for its use.

Dr. Harrison was a close personal friend of Mr. Denton and acted in an official capacity in carrying out the will of the Mercer benefactor.

Dr. Harrison's book is dedicated "to the many who loved Uncle Dave and expressed that love in personal courtesy or kindness."

The book by Dr. Harrison includes a genealogy of the Denton family, which is one of the largest in the state.

The book is a small volume, containing only 64 pages, but those 64 pages ably fulfill the purpose of the author, as expressed in the foreword—"to keep alive more adequately the memory of this good man."

Professor H. Lewis Battis, professor of Religious Education, is the author of an article which appeared in the current issue of the B. Y. P. U. Magazine. The article is entitled, "A Standard B. Y. P. U. is a better B. Y. P. U."

MERCER PLAYERS TO PERFORM SOON

The first performance of the Mercer Players, which was to have been held January 14, has been postponed until a later date, the tentative time being Jan. 21. The failure of three members of the cast to take their parts since returning to the campus after the holidays is the reason for the postponement.

Ed Jordan, of Macon, is not in school this term. He had a feminine characterization part. This was Jordan's first year on the cast, although he was

a member of the club last year. Charles Cork, of Macon, female interpreter, and Ed Swain, of Alamo, principal male character have given up their parts due to their work. This was Cork's first year. Swain had one of the leading roles in the play last season, and was one of the best actors in the club. The try-out for these positions was held Thursday afternoon.

Hamilton Hall, director of the club last year and during the Fall term has resigned his position. He was one of the founders of the Mercer

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DR. B. D. RAGSDALE GOES TO CHICAGO

Dr. B. D. Ragsdale, treasurer of the university, left Wednesday afternoon to attend the Association of American Colleges at Chicago. The annual session of the association began yesterday and will last through tomorrow.

Representatives from colleges in the association meet annually and discuss problems of their various institutions. Last year the subject, "The Effective College," was discussed. Phases of this will be taken up again this year according to Dr. Ragsdale. Some of the topics to be discussed are: "The Latest Developments in Intercollegiate Athletics," "The Handling of Freshmen," "The Curriculum in An Effective College," and "The Financial Needs of a College of Over Thousand Students."

Macon is not a member of the association although representatives are sent to the conference. Last year J. K. Williams, alumni secretary, represented Macon.

PHI DELTAS PICK BASKET MANAGER

Hal Cannon of Abbeville was elected manager of the Phi Delta Literary society basketball team at the first meeting of the society since the holidays Monday night. Hal played on the Phi Delta team that defeated the Ciceroonian society team two years ago. Jim Tweedy managed the team last year.

Bill Brunner, W. A. Womnack, and Ralford Trippe were appointed by the president to confer with representatives from the Ciceroonian society for deciding upon and making arrangements for Society Day.

The regular program consisted of several two-minute speeches, the subjects being chosen by the speakers themselves. Tom Cobb spoke on "The Gentle Art of Repartee"; J. H. Reddick used as his subject, "The Two Great Tragedies of My Life"; Marion Roberts chose "Ideals and Actions," and Quill Sammons, "How the Attendance of the Phi Delta May be Increased."

The program for Monday night is a debate, Resolved: That the treaty recently negotiated between representatives of Panama and the United States is unfair to Panama. There is also to be a four-minute speech by Charlie Walker, the subject to be selected by him.

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