

ENROLLMENT SETS NEW RECORD

Dr. Priestly Featured In Assembly Program

The Assembly Program Committee is combining all efforts to bring to S.T.C. a group of programs for the coming year that the students will find pleasure in attending. Many programs are already scheduled for the remainder of this year—programs of different types, but which will all be of interest to you.

They have scheduled during this month a speaker who will present some of the unseen conditions of our country. Dr. Gerard Priestly, who visited more than one hundred colleges in our nation last year, will be speaking in the S.T.C. auditorium, September 30, 1954, on the topic "America and the Present World Crisis." Dr. Priestly holds six degrees in history, political science, international economics and philosophy. He has traveled extensively, having lived in thirty-seven countries. A superb person, Dr. Priestly has a great insight on world conditions, and he is capable of giving a very stimulating address. Watch the bulletin board for more information on this subject.

To take a slight peek into programs for the coming month we have one program which is of special interest to the freshmen. Yes, Freshman Talent Show will bring many of the shy, talented freshmen into the bold spotlight stage. The upperclassmen are already talking about and expecting great things in this coming event.

Remember, these programs are for you. The Assembly Program Committee, through combined efforts, can bring to our stage entertainers and speakers whom you as an individual could not. Your appreciation of their efforts will be expressed by your attendance to each assembly program.

Snack Bar Party Marks End of Initiation Week

The low and humble "rats" of S.T.C. have been exterminated. Celebrating this fact Friday night, September 17, were the sophomores, who gave a party for the freshmen. The party, held in the Snack Bar, lasted from eight 'til twelve. There was dancing and, as one freshman put it, "loads to eat." From comments of the students, this party, like all the Snack Bar parties held at S.T.C., was very successful.

Seven of Class of '54 Chose Teaching Career

In the midst of the excitement and activity which surrounds the first few weeks of school several familiar faces are conspicuous by their absence for last year's senior class have now entered the big wide world on their own. Clutching their diplomas in their hot little hands they have scattered over the state in an earnest endeavor to enlighten America's youth. A few of S.T.C. students are gracing the halls of Havre de

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Mr. Burnet Returns as Instructor in English

The faculty and students of S.T.C. are happy to welcome back this semester a person who in the past has contributed much to the college, not only in the classrooms but around the campus as well. Mr. MacCurdy Burnet, who is an English instructor here at S.T.C., has just returned from a year's leave of absence, teaching at the University of Michigan. He has spoken before learned societies in Ann Arbor, Detroit, and Chicago on applications of linguistic science made first here at S.T.C.

Mr. Burnet's lectures have been published in several professional journals. While at Michigan he taught graduate and undergraduate courses and worked toward an advanced degree.

Before leaving S.T.C. Mr. Burnet participated in various extracurricular activities. He acted as advisor to the Sophanes Players and also advisor to the Fencing Club where he gave much informal instruction in the art of fencing.

The Holly Leaf Staff would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mr. Burnet back to S.T.C.

State Allocates Car, Home to STC Pres.

On April 1, 1953, a new edition was made to the S.T.C. Campus—the president's new home was purchased. This had been a state aim for several years. The new home, located near the men's dormitory, was built four years ago and was the property of Mr. Austin Mills. It is a two-story white house with three bedrooms, a living and a dining room, and a kitchen. It has a very nice lawn with attractive landscaping.

Dr. Blackwell was also very fortunate in having a new car given to him by the state. The new car which was given to him this summer is a 1954 '88 Oldsmobile, and it replaces the 1947 Buick.

These two additions only serve to make the students more proud of their college.

R. T. Grant Speaker at Frosh-Parent Banquet

The annual Parent-Teacher-Faculty dinner of the Salisbury State Teachers' College was held at six o'clock on Friday, Sept. 24, in the college dining hall. Dr. J. D. Blackwell, president, issued invitations to parents of members of the largest class to enter the college.

Mr. James R. Focht, in charge of student personnel and adviser to the freshman class, acted as toastmaster. The invocation was delivered by the Reverend Waldo I. Peterson, rector of the Episcopal Church in Easton, and father of Mr. Theodore Peterson, a freshman. Following a welcome by President Blackwell, Miss Suzanne Meintzer of Easton, a member of the class, presented a vocal solo. Mr. James E. Emerson of Salisbury, president of the freshman class, spoke on the topic, "What Freshmen Expect of the College." Mr. William Jewby of Pocomoke City, a class member, presented a piano selection. Mrs. Robert P. Grant of Snow Hill, mother of freshman Miss Anne Grant, gave a brief talk on "What Parents Expect of Freshmen and Faculty Members." The program closed with "America, the Beautiful" led by Dr. Jessie L. Fleming, director of music.

Mr. Frank D. White

By this time few words are needed to introduce Mr. Frank D. White, the faculty member pictured above. He joined the faculty at the time of the opening of the fall semester in 1952. Since then he has gained the admiration and respect of the student body in and out of the classroom.

He quickly became useful by applying his interest to the assembly committee. Now he has been unanimously chosen by the Holly Leaf staff as faculty advisor.

Best of luck, Mr. White.

College Building Plan Enters Its Fifth Year

Students of a growing school such as S.T.C. should all be aware of the facilities necessary to maintain such an establishment. Appropriations for these essentials were tentatively approved in 1950. The State Board of Education set up a six-year building program for S.T.C. designed to meet the needs of this institution.

In 1950-51 expenditures of \$127,500 were used for construction and equipment of our Student Activity Center, construction and equipment of lounges in the women's dormitory, and the purchase of an administrative office building. Also included in this amount was money for the purchase of land and lots for the South Campus.

The following year brought with it the realization of a new men's dormitory as well as construction of roads and parking area for the building. This total

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Ninety-Two Men, Eighty-Seven Women in Present Freshman Class

The scholastic year at S.T.C. has gotten started in a booming fashion with an enrollment of 352 students. Eighty-three, Tuesday morning, September 7, saw a huge crowd of students descend on S.T.C. to register for the first semester of the current school year. And not until late in the afternoon did the crowd show any signs of dwindling. The line to Dr. Blackwell's office stretched half-way down the main hall, and this continued until about four o'clock.

The business of registering, paying tuition, and the approving of schedules was changed a little from previous years, and sometimes both upperclassmen and freshmen became confused as to where they were to go. Always before, the business office was located where Dr. Blackwell now has his office. The business office is now located in the Ranch House.

This year's freshman class is the largest yet. It contains 92 men and 87 women. Included in these figures are 27 student nurses from the Peninsula General Hospital.

The figures for the other classes, though not as great as those of the freshman class, are still impressive. There are 34 men and 45 women in the sophomore class, 21 men and 27 women in the junior class, and 17 men and 19 women in the senior class. Also, there are 4 men and 6 women enrolled for part-time study.

With this near-capacity enrollment, the men's new dormitory is completely filled, and there are very few vacancies left in the

men's old dormitory. There are also few vacancies in the women's dormitory.

Orientation Week for the freshmen was given over to parties, picnics, dances, a buffet supper, and a reception by Dr. Blackwell and the faculty. Thursday night of Orientation Week, open house was held at the men's dormitory. This afforded the girls an opportunity to look over the dorm and see how the men students live. Later in the evening, everyone gathered in the lounge of the dorm where a variety show was presented.

The unreasonably hot weather made life that week a little less pleasant than normal. At the faculty reception, and later on at the dance, almost everyone was in shirt sleeves.

The picnic held on the back part of the campus was the first real opportunity the students had to get to meet one another. When that was over, the snack bar was put to good use, and everyone continued making new acquaintances.

With the coming of Rat Week, freshmen could be seen frantically copying the Rat Rules which were placed in the main hall, upside-down; rushing to buy their beanies or get their signs made in time for Tuesday morning. Essentially though, none of the freshmen minded too much having to do the sophomore's bidding, or to perform some stunt on the balcony in the dining hall. But now Rat Week is over, and the students have all settled down to the task of digging into their lessons.

Rat Week Is Shortened Hours As The Result Of Tug Of War

Beanies, signs, and Rat Rules hurriedly departed from their freshmen owners at 12 noon on Thursday as the clock marked the end of Rat Week. "We're free again," shouted the freshmen at the top of their lungs as they appeared in normal array once more. This jubilation was doubly increased by the fact that the freshmen unexpectedly won the annual tug of war on Wednesday evening and so shortened their period of subjection five and a half hours.

Now what is it about Rat Week that makes the sophomores glad they are sophomores and the freshmen wish they were sophomores? Of course, one of the good points of this week, freshmen say, is that it lasts only three and a half days and not a week after all. However, these three and a half days create a problem when they perpetually get off to such a rousing start as prevailed in the dormitories Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings of Rat Week.

Rat Week dawned bright and

early, at 12:01 A. M. to be exact, on Tuesday morning with the blood curdling shouts of the sophomores breaking the silent slumber of the freshmen. Amid this confusion rose a scattering of shouts to the effect of "Where is my beanie?" and also the exciting thud of water pouring down upon the heads of the serenading freshmen boys, the reaction of this breaking the silence of the night into shattering pieces.

Again at 6:30 A. M. the sophomore voices rung throughout the dorms as freshmen were roused and, after donning their signs, beanies, and neatly slipping their rat rules into their socks, walked silently to the social room in an orderly line. Here they remained silent until chosen to attend breakfast by a "most honorable and distinguished member of the upper class". When the hunger of all the boarding rats had subsided after a warm breakfast, the freshmen began their day of classes, making sure to detour the main thoroughfares of the upper-

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AS THE EDITOR SEES IT

S.T.C. is a College! When an individual graduates from high school and enters a college to further his quest for knowledge, he undertakes a large responsibility. Mr. Joe and Miss Jo College are mature individuals. They are looked upon with admiration and envy by some of their less fortunate cohorts. To be able to enter and finish college is an undertaking of the highest caliber. To have a college education behind you is an honor. The friends you meet in college will be your friends for life. All childish habits and idiosyncracies should be left behind where the college entrance hurdle is leaped.

You are now men and women. The world awaits your commands and is at your disposal; it is up to you to act the part of an adult and set the standards for your contemporaries and posterity to follow. For only you can set this standard. Think before you act or talk, and see if you think of it as being on a college level. Think of what people see when they look at you. Remember what Robert Burns said: "O Wad some power the giftie gie us, to see ourselves as ithers see us."

A WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of members of the faculty and more than one hundred and seventy sophomore, junior and senior students, I wish to extend to each of you one hundred and eighty new students a hearty welcome. The carved pineapple placed above the main entrance to the college is a symbol of true friendship, as is also the wreath inscribed in the paneling of the dining hall, and the myrtle bushes located on the campus.

A genuine attitude of friendship is demonstrated by members of the faculty and students in real cooperative living. Truly it may be said that Salisbury College is distinctive for its hospitality, individuality, and personality.

A visit through the main building and to the campus will convince you that the Maryland legislature and the State Board of Education, in 1950, not only set up a Six-Year Building Program, but that they have since provided the funds necessary to complete such a program.

The main building has been modernized by the addition of an Activity Center consisting of a bookstore, a snack bar, and facilities for dancing. The dormitory lounges in the women's dormitory have been enlarged. The Social Room, the dining hall, and the kitchen have been refurbished. The men's new dormitory with annex, the administrative offices, the president's home, and the new demonstration school have been provided. The new Library is now being planned. These are evidences of real cooperation. In fact all buildings included in the Six Year Plan have been realized with exception of a separate gymnasium for men. It is, therefore, with genuine pride that we welcome you to a small college well prepared to give you an all around development for cooperative living.

Ladies Home Journal Views School Problems

What do we want of our schools? In an issue centered on America's unprecedented education problem, the LADIES' HOME JOURNAL this month examines

our aims and methods of education. "We offer these stories and articles," say editors Bruce and Beatrice Blackmar Gould, "not as a cross section or endorsed solution, but to stimulate those who must grapple with similar situations in their own communities."

Six distinguished educators share their views in a round-table forum. "Let's Attack the Problem—Not the Schools."

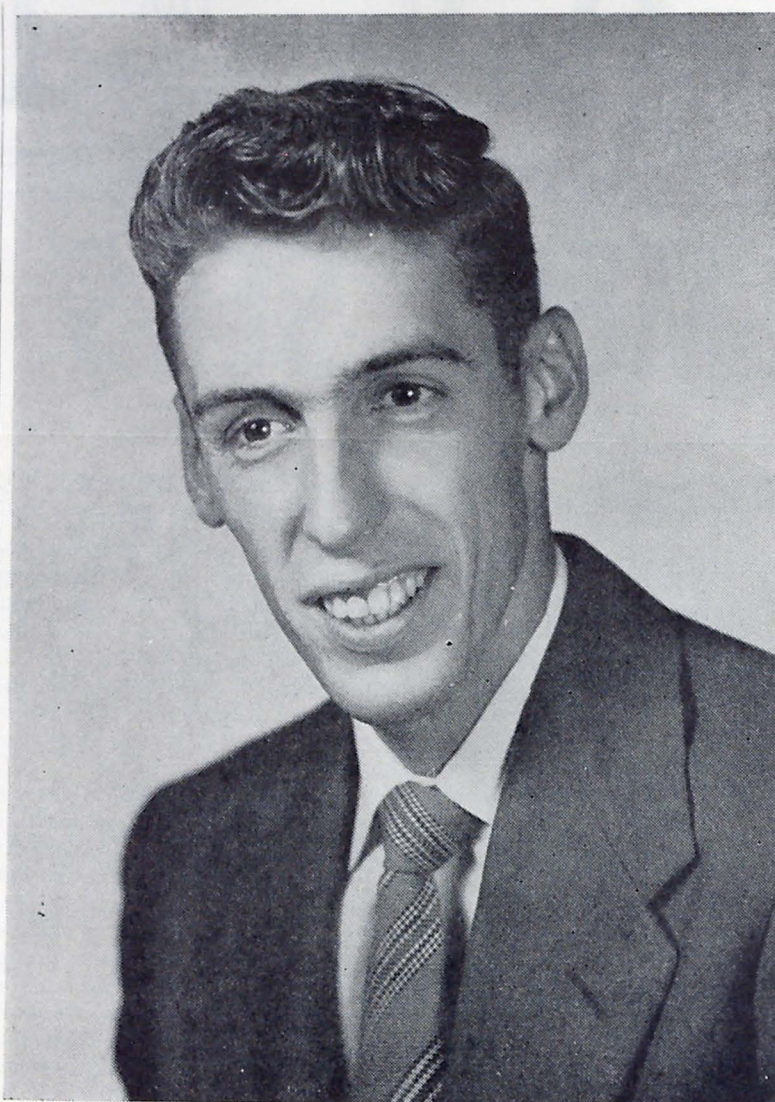
Margery Wilson gives a three-point plan for increasing teachers' prestige and efficiency. Parents speak out about the schools in a survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion, and teachers have their say, too often denied to them, in a selection of letters and articles called "Let the Teachers Speak."

Glenn M. White, associate editor of the JOURNAL, gives new hope to discouraged parents in "Your Child Can Learn to Read." And two male teachers discuss the personal problems of teaching in the How Young America Lives feature. Ed Hough, of Trenton, N. J., quit his \$3700 teaching job to become a gas station manager so that he could support his wife and three sons. On the other hand, Bob Hart, of Verona, Va., says, "Teaching is my life—you place service before profit in your work."

Finally, the JOURNAL presents complete a powerful, brutal new novel about crime in our public schools—"Blackboard Jungle," by Evan Hunter.

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Grace: Gene Culver, William "Uncle Willie" Horner, and Betty Lou Townsend. Ethel O'Conner has also joined her former classmates at Havre de Grace, but as the librarian. Graduates who have not strayed too far away are Barbara Jones who is teaching at Pinehurst; Chuck Navatril, Pitts-ville; and Roger Ayres, Wicomico Junior High. Members of the class who have not entered the teaching profession are Jayne Harrison and Doris Lutz, Jim Williams, who is selling insurance, and Creston Long, who is in the service. S.T.C. wishes them the best of luck in whatever they do.



WERNER REBSTOCK

Spotlighting Students

A "bum from Brooklyn," a guy with a personality envied by everyone, an honor student, and our SGA President, are only a few of the terms one could use to describe Werner Rebstock, a fellow who is known for getting things done in the right way. "Reb," as he is popularly known, was born in Brooklyn, New York, on July 14, 1931. Shortly afterward he and his parents, who had been married in Germany, moved to Huntington, Long Island, where "Reb" attended elementary school. His father being the head gardener on a large estate, "Reb" had the chance to meet several people who have since become famous in several different fields. Among his close friends was Jon Lindbergh, with whom he went to school. When his father bought a farm in Caroline County in 1943, "Reb" became a "Marylander" and attended school in Federalburg. There he was a three-letter man, participating in soccer, basketball, and baseball. In his junior year he served as president of his class, and he was vice-president of the senior class. Besides these activities he managed to hold down a number of part-time jobs. He has at one time or another been employed in a bakery, chicken factory, barber shop, shoe store, soda fountain, canning factory, as a truck driver, surveyor, and has held a job in farm service.

After being graduated from Federalburg High School with an academic diploma, "Reb" entered S.T.C. in 1949. After finishing his freshman year, he left to work on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Two years later he returned to S.T.C. and decided to major in social studies with government and economics as electives. Much of his time is now spent in carrying out his seemingly endless duties as president of the SGA. When he is not in conference with various members of the administrative council, he may be found listening to a complaint about the lunch line, or trying to locate a room for a meeting, or perhaps helping a dorm friend to straighten out a problem.

Students Find Many Major Improvements

Many students upon returning to S.T.C. were pleasantly surprised at the many changes and improvements which have been made throughout the college. Through the combined efforts of Dr. Blackwell, Mr. Foltz, and the maintenance staff, S.T.C. has undergone a thorough "face-lifting."

Upperclass girls were very happy to see that all the dormitory rooms had been repainted, which was a considerable improvement. All the rooms have been painted with blue or yellow and the halls are resplendent in a deep pink. In addition the showers and lavatories have been painted a sparkling ivory. The entire cost of this redecorating amounted to nearly one thousand dollars, not to mention the fact that Mr. Foltz and his staff worked all summer to finish the job.

In the gymnasium, Miss Whitney and Mr. Maggs point with pride to the new electric scoreboard which was installed for basketball games at a cost of about five hundred dollars. It seems that there will be no question as to what the score is from now on.

Moving to the front of the building we find that the old rug in the Social Room have been replaced with some very beautiful new ones. Some of the furniture in this room has been reupholstered as well as some of the pieces in the Women's Dormitory.

There has also been some moving going on. The room which last year housed the business office has been reconverted into a lovely room for use by Dr. Blackwell as the President's office. This room has also been painted and completely refurbished. Mr. Betts and Mrs. Mallory are now temporarily located in the Administration Building in front of the college where they will remain until the garage in the ranch house has been finished. At that time they will move into a completely new office there.

In the auditorium the curtains have been repaired and are now equipped with completely new backing. Also—a not so spectacular improvement, but a costly one, nevertheless—the green carnyal has been completely overhauled at a cost of over one hundred dollars.

These are just a few of the improvements which S.T.C. is undergoing to become a better college. The pride of the students and the admiration by the townspeople proves their worth.

New Mail Distributor Is Named by S.G.A.

A committee set up by the president of the SGA made up a list of qualifications for this semester's mail distributor. The qualifications are:

1. Must be a junior or senior
2. Must have a record of dependability
3. Must be a boarding student
4. Must have a scholastic average of C or better
5. Persons having the fourth period hour free are preferred. However, those having the fifth period hour free may also apply.
6. Male and female students are eligible

The final vote will be by secret ballot of the SGA board with the approval of Mr. A. L. Fleming. The chosen applicant will receive \$100 per semester. Should this person prove unsatisfactory in carrying out his duties as mail distributor, he will be dismissed by action of the SGA board.

Applications for this position should be turned in to an SGA officer.

12 Freshmen Prospects Report for Soccer

At the first glance, for all those that follow soccer here at the college, it was quite shocking to enumerate the number of good soccer players that are not returning due to graduation, transfer, new ones. Some of the furniture in this room has been reupholstered as well as some of the pieces in the Women's Dormitory.

But upon closer examination and a look at the freshman tryouts, the situation is not critical at all. The team appears to be shaping up in good form. Coach

Benn Maggs seems to be very difficult to defeat. Al Younger, veteran line man of three seasons, says that it looks like a winning team.

Of those returning are Al Younger, Bob Hall, Tom Comer, Ralph Dryden, John Shaheen, Bill Curtis, Ronnie Ayers, Lionel Massey, Walter Brittingham, Phil Slacum, Jimmy Brodes, Werner Rebstock, and Don Collins. Freshman prospects are Ned Forsythe, Jerry Bell, Tom Fallon, Joe Steelman, Charlie Muir, Dick Gosnell, David Wheaton, Bob Davis, Charlie Kay, Gene Hottle, David Kline, and Dick Murphy.

On Saturday, September 25, the squad will journey to Towson to participate in a four college tournament. Also entered are Towson, Frostburg, and Wilson Teachers. This is something unique which has been added to the schedule. This tournament will be played on a "Sudden-death" elimination basis. By this they mean you play until you lose. So State Teachers may play only one game or they

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Sport Beat

By Bradley

Sport Beat time has rolled around again, and I am mighty glad to return to the halls of learning for my final fling at this, our institution of education. What a race for the pennant in the two leagues there is! It looks as if my predictions for a sub-way series between the Yankees (still my boys) and the Dodgers has gone down the Hudson River and out to sea. Cleveland is playing good ball—too good. Cleveland has won over 100 games and lost a lot less than 50. They are playing over their heads. Any team playing as close to 750 per cent ball as they are in a position that the only way they can go is down. They are at the peak of the upgrade and, what is more, I will go on to predict that the Giants will take the Series, leaving all personal feelings out because I am a Cleveland fan also.

College football has returned to the Sport Spotlight, as it seems annually to do. College football is one of the most inspiring, publicized, wholesome activities there is to be found on Sport Beat. Every kid wants a football to become another Stan Jones or John Lattner. It is one of the few sports not publically ruined by money, gambling, bribes, etc. Most of the players are actually devoting their time toward playing football for their Alma Mater and meanwhile gaining a college education. Football is an incentive to go to college for some of these fellows, and athletic scholarships enable it.

Again I am going to select my choice for the top eleven candidates for All-American honors, and tell you how I think the top ten teams in the nation will finish. Compare my selections with those of my contemporaries and see how they come out.

End—Bill Walker from Maryland
 End—Max Boydston from Oklahoma

Tackle—Frank Varrichione from Notre Dame
 Tackle—Jack Ellena from UCLA
 Guard—Cal Jones from Iowa
 Guard—Kurt Burris from Oklahoma

Center—Larry Morris from Georgia Tech.
 Back—Ralph Guglielmi from Notre Dame

Back—J. C. Caroline from Illinois
 Back—Alan Ameche from Wisconsin

Back—Leroy Bolden from Michigan State

1. Notre Dame
2. Oklahoma
3. Maryland
4. UCLA
5. Georgia Tech.
6. Illinois
7. Michigan State
8. Texas
9. Iowa
10. Alabama

may play two. The schedule is rapidly filling up, including games with Towson, Frostburg, Wilson, Kings, Washington College and others.

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Soccer Roundup

Our 1954 soccer team made its debut Saturday at Towson, Md. Competing against our boys were the teams from Frostburg Teachers and Towson Teachers. Wilson Teachers failed to show up. The Maryland Soccer Association was sponsoring a soccer clinic, with all three teams competing against one another. The games were of half-hour duration, with the team that scored the most goals becoming 1954 champions of the Maryland State Teachers Colleges.

Before the afternoon's sports program was launched the Maryland Soccer Association displayed 13 trophies which were to be awarded at the conclusion of play. Lots were drawn to see who would play first. Salisbury drew a pass so Towson and Frostburg squared off. After a half hour of play there was no score but Towson was awarded the victory on the basis of having one corner kick.

The first game was highlighted by the defensive play of both teams in which the goalies were especially strong. Salisbury met Towson in the second game and came up on the short end of a 3-0 score. After a brief rest and numerous substitutions, Salisbury went against Frostburg in the third game of the afternoon. It was evident that the boys from Salisbury were going to play this second game in the manner that had been expected of them. With the characteristic drive of a Maggs' coached soccer team, Salisbury pounded two balls into the goal. Old reliable Al Younger accounted for the first one with the hard driving foot of Jay McCrea adding the second. For their efforts in this contest, Salisbury came out on top of a 2-1 score. The results of these games showed Towson the champions

Women's Association Announces Managers

Well, a new year has begun, and with it have come hopes for more girls' varsity and intramural sports participation than ever before. The Women's Athletic Association elected officers this past year and they are as follows: Barbara Bailey, president; Peggy Rose, vice-president; and Carolyn Bennett Kniceley, secretary-treasurer.

The WAA has set up some tentative dates until Thanksgiving for intramural hockey. These will be announced at a later date. All students are urged to participate in these intra-mural sports. The WAA is sure you'll enjoy the fun and friendly competition involved. Barbara Bailey, president of (Continued on Page 4)

with 3 goals, Salisbury second with 2 and Frostburg third with 1.

The Maryland Soccer Association picked a Md.-D. C. all-star team, composed of four boys from Salisbury, four from Towson and three from Frostburg. The all-star soccer players from Salisbury are Bill Curtis, left half; Bob Hall, Center half; Charlie Muir, left fullback and Al Younger, left inside. All members on the all-star team were presented with trophies with the most valuable player award going to Reese Livingston, goalie for Towson. It is hoped that this tournament will be an annual affair.

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Joan Green and Bob Sawyer were married on May 22. Bob is in the service; Joan has returned as a Junior.

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Spuck Bennett and Libby Elzey were married June 4. Spuck is teaching at Wicomico Junior High School and Libby has returned as a Senior.

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Carolyn Bennett and Bill Kniceley were married June 12. Bill is teaching at Pittsville, and Carolyn has returned as a Senior.

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Mary Lou Horsey and Bill Truitt were married on June 12. Bill is attending a seminary in Ohio and Mary Lou is back as a Senior.

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Joey Bounds and Buzz Filkins were married June 16. Joey is teaching at Dundalk Elementary School in Baltimore and Buzz is attending Maryland Law School in Baltimore.

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Carolyn Leister and George Godfrey were married on June 19. George is attending American University Seminary in Washington, D. C., and Carolyn has returned as a Senior.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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WAA, has chosen managers for the various sports. They are as follows: basketball, Bettie Smith; softball June Thorne; hockey, Janice Marshall and Ina Rae Calloway; badminton, Isabelle Brown, and tennis, Jackie Moore.

The Women's Athletic director, Miss Alethea Whitney, is planning to hold varsity basketball tryouts some time immediately following the Thanksgiving holidays. She hopes to see a really big turnout this year. That means freshmen, too.

Miss Whitney is now planning a tentative basketball schedule. This year's schedule will be bigger than it has been in past years if all goes well. With the cooperation and interest of the students at S.T.C., the WAA hopes to make that an undefeated record.

As everyone knows, the enthusiasm and interest shown in girl's sports at S.T.C. in the past few years hasn't been too good. Slowly but surely that interest is being built up again. If you can't play a sport, you can come to the games and cheer the home team on. So girls, get behind our school and make 1954-55 the best ever for girl's sports!

State Teachers College History Is Recorded

An event of great interest to anyone connected with S.T.C. occurred this summer with the publication of the college's history in a large and very attractive booklet. Written by our president, Dr. J. D. Blackwell and Miss Henrietta Purnell, the booklet is entitled *Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*. It begins the story of S.T.C. with an account of the legislation passed by the state government in 1922 which brought about the existence of the school. Then a recounting of the opening in September of 1925 is given. The original faculty numbered thirteen. Three of them still remain.

With the resignation of Dr. William J. Holloway in the mid-nineteen thirties, Dr. J. D. Blackwell became the second to assume the office of president. In 1935 also the State Normal School became a full-fledged teachers college with a four year course leading to the Bachelor of Science degree. Its history in the ensuing nineteen years has been one of

continuous progress and growth. A full and complete picture of this is given in the new publication which is illustrated with many photographs taken at different times during the past twenty-nine years. Each page gives a summation of the outstanding events of a particular academic year and at the end of the book is found a complete financial report of the past four years with an estimate of the cost for future improvements and additions.

Copies of this booklet have been sent to Governor McKeldin, to members of the State Board of Education, to holders of administrative positions connected with education and to county educational supervisors. Copies will be sent to all members of the 1955 state legislature. Each member of the faculty has been presented with one, and several copies have been placed in the library for the use of the students. Governor McKeldin acknowledged his reception of the booklet by a letter in which he said: "The photographs that have already caught my eye prove conclusively that we have every right to be proud of the past three decades of college history."

COLLEGE BUILDING

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came to \$307,500. In 1952-53 funds were allocated for the purchase of the Allen home and three and one half acres for the men's dormitory annex as well as for the purchase of the Mills home for the President's residence. This was an expenditure of \$67,500.

Last year \$692,500 was apportioned by the State Board of Education for the construction of a new Demonstration School which is to be completed by November or December of this year. One thousand shrubs and trees have been planted on the South Campus. Funds for the new Library and for the campus lighting were all part of the \$1,195,000 allocated

for the first four years.

A look into the future shows an even more urgent need for new additions to make the campus a more efficient and attractive place. For example: a men's symposium and athletic field and the remodeling of the present Campus Elementary School and old library have yet to be realized. The Demonstration School, auditorium, and equipment, as well as the two preceding needs mentioned, are all a part of the 1954-55 building program. The last year of this program has as its objective a second men's dormitory including kitchen and dining room amounting to \$967,000.

With such a fine building program there is every hope of approaching a decade of new advancements designed to better the previous standards of our school. The six-year grand total which amounts to \$2,162,000 leads one to believe that the students of S.T.C. will have every right to be proud of these accomplishments.

RAT WEEK

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classmen as much as possible. For those souls happening to meet face to face with a sophomore or violating a firmly stated law of the Rat Rules there was a great chance of drawing from the fish-bowl for a special duty. Also, quite a few rats found time to digest their food between mouthfuls as they sang, danced, or ran around the balcony for their dinner.

The week was highlighted by the initiation services administered to blindfolded girls on Tuesday night and by the long trudges of the freshmen boys from fifteen miles distant of Salisbury.

The freshmen, who had been secretly hoping to win over the sophomores in the annual tug of war, gained the object of their desires on Wednesday as they finally

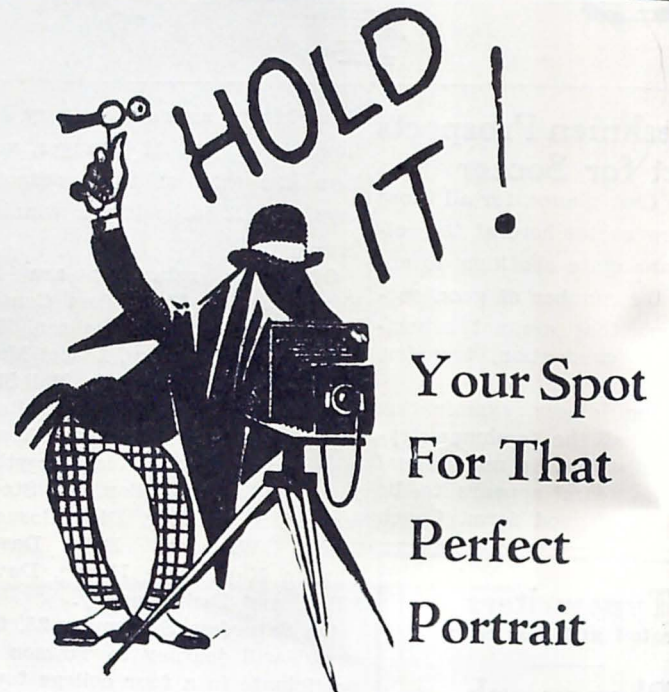
gained the rope after a series of damp dunkings in the stream. High spirits of the freshmen prevailed as they cheered the boys on, and Rat Week was pulled to an early close.

The echoes of Rat Week have died away from the halls of

S.T.C., but both freshmen and sophomores will long remember the activities of those three full days. Really it wasn't as bad as most freshmen expected, and now they feel they have become a part of S.T.C. in the true sense—incidentally, the hard way.

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