

*Written by Mrs Apple
when still at Hood*

TREES AT HOOD COLLEGE

Among the trees on the campus of especial interest are two English beeches on opposite sides of the walk from Alumnae Hall to the Pergola. They were contributed to Hood a number of years ago by the late Dr. William Mann Irvine, Headmaster of Mercersburg Academy. These beeches were from a number secured by Dr. Irvine from Hawarden, Wales, in the home of the Prime Minister, William E. Gladstone. They have been growing steadily though somewhat slowly, and have a double interest by their association with the names of two great men in two different fields of human endeavor.

Several of the willow trees on the campus have grown from shoots brought from a tree on the Winchester Hall grounds in the city. This tree was originally brought from the Island of St. Helena by Captain Charles Simmons, a captain in the merchant marine, who married Miss Matilda Houck of Frederick. Captain Simmons presented this tree to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Frederick, and it was originally planted on the north end of the church grounds. Later when a new Chapel was built on East Second Street, the tree was transplanted to the grounds of the Frederick Female Seminary on East Church Street, where it eventually became a quite large tree. It was of the order, *Salix Babylonica*, and had the peculiarity of having its leaves curling like a cork screw.

The large trees surrounding Brodbeck Hall and extending on either side of Brodbeck drive, in the front of the campus, were originally planted by the German society that erected Brodbeck Hall and used it for a Country Club House. The history of this society was a brief one, as they failed financially a few years after the building was finished and the grounds put in use as a pleasure resort. Unfortunately the maples chosen were of the swamp maple variety and not able to resist storms effectively. All of their number which originally lined Dill Avenue and many of those along Brodbeck Drive, have been removed. Their places are being taken by a hardier tree, the Norway maple. A line of these trees extends, at intervals of thirty feet, along the entire south front of the campus. These trees were erected at the time the grounds were graded, seeded, and planted by the firm of Harrison and Schreiber, when the college removed from Winchester Hall to the new site in 1915. Most of the young trees and shrubbery were planted at that time by the firm of which Mr. Harrison was the head.

The trees surrounding the President's home were planned for and placed by the Harrison Nursery of Berlin, Maryland. Many of the finer trees and shrubbery upon the campus have been the gift of friends, and through the guidance of the President's wife have been erected as memorials to departed friends, students, and faculty. Their number is too great to go into detail, but the beauty of the campus, in recent years, has been very much enhanced by the activities of Mrs. Apple in this line and the generosity of friends who have supported her efforts.

Under the direction of Mr. John K. Gerrich, Superintendent of buildings and grounds, and through the efforts of Mrs. Apple, the campus has grown in loveliness from year to year and is a matter of general commendation by visitors and friends who pass through the grounds or who visit Hood from time to time.

Trees on Hood College Campus

Beech (2 from Hawarden, estate of Gladstone given by Dr. W.M. Irvine)

- English Walnut
- Sweet Gum (beautiful berries)
- Norway Spruce
- Canadian Hemlock
- American Arborvitae
- White, Red, Austrian and Scotch Pines
- Juniper, Douglas Fir, Blue Spruce
- Elms
- Linden
- Catalpa Bungii (ugly worms)
- Pin Oaks
- Mimosa (14) — N. C. 20 miles Hickory —
- Poplars (4 Sentinels) stand as pillars
- Norway Maples front of campus — see to replace
- Honey Locusts
- Pussy Willow
- White Bark Birch (with Mountain Ash)
- Mossy Cup Oak—cross of Oak and Poplar
- Sumac—tree or bush in the West *Quercus Rober festigisiata*
- Sycamore or Plane Trees at library. beautiful always
- Ginko,, Japanese
- Horse Chestnut
- White Walnut or Butternut
- Walnut—Mt. Vernon registered
- Mahogany
- Polonia Imperialis
- Ash
- Flowering Crab
- Flowering Quince
- Weeping Willow (Salix Babylonica) From Island of St. Helena

- Copper Beech
- Dogwood, White and Pink
- Tulip Trees
- Judas Trees
- Red Oak
- Cedrus Atlantica glauca
- Sargent's Hemlock
- Nordmann's Silver Fir

lovely

"When Summer gathers up her Robes of glory and like a dream of beauty glides away."

48 varieties of ornamental trees

Perseas
 Pool
 Box around fountain
 Trees west of main gate
 Complete maples from Shimizu
 end of campus

Hemlocks near of Cobbley
 interest some class
 Remaining Pines whose limits
 back of ground. 10/20/29

Shrubs on campus

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| → 1. <u>Abelia grandiflora</u> | glossy abelia |
| 2. <u>Azalea</u> sp. | azalea |
| 3. <u>Berberis thunbergii</u> | Japanese barberry |
| 4. <u>Buddleia davidi</u> | orange-eye butterfly bush |
| 5. <u>Callicarpa japonica</u> | Japanese beauty-berry |
| 6. <u>Chaenomeles japonica</u> | Japanese quince <i>one end of dining Hall</i> |
| 7. <u>Cotoneaster horizontalis</u> | Rock spray ? |
| 8. <u>Deutzia gracilis</u> | slender deutzia |
| 9. <u>Forsythia intermedia spectabilis</u> | showy border forsythia |
| 10. <u>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</u> | Chinese hibiscus |
| 11. <u>Ilex cornuta</u> | Chinese holly |
| 12. <u>Ilex crenata</u> | Japanese holly |
| 13. <u>Ilex crenata convexa</u> | Boxleaf Japanese holly |
| 14. <u>Ilex crenata helleri</u> | helleri |
| 15. <u>Laurus nobilis</u> | sweet bay, laurel |
| 16. <u>Ligustrum lucidum</u> | glossy privet |
| 17. <u>Ligustrum ovalifolium</u> | California privet |
| 18. <u>Mahonia aquifolium</u> | Oregon grape |
| 19. <u>Mahonia beali</u> | leatherleaf mahonia |
| 20. <u>Myrica pensylvanica</u> | bayberry |
| 21. <u>Pachysandra terminalis</u> | Japanese spurge |
| 22. <u>Pieris japonica</u> | Japanese andromeda |
| 23. <u>Rhododendron species</u> | rhododendron |
| 24. <u>Spiraea bumalda</u> "Anthony waterer" | |
| <i>Rhodotypes tetrapetala</i> | <i>jetbrad</i> |

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| 25. <u>Spiraea prunifolia</u> | bridalwreath spiraea |
| 26. <u>Syringa vulgaris</u> | common lilac |
| 27. <u>Taxus baccata</u> | English yew |
| 28. <u>Taxus cuspidata</u> | Japanese yew |
| 29. <u>Taxus media hicksi</u> | hicks yew |
| 30. <u>Thuja occidentalis</u> | American arbor-vitae |
| 31. <u>Thuja orientalis</u> | oriental arbor-vitae |
| 32. <u>Viburnum rhytidophyllum</u> | leathery viburnum |

98.	<u>Viburnum</u> <u>lanceolatum</u>	4	Leathery Viburnum
99.	<u>Pinus</u> <u>sylvestris</u>	1	Scotch Pine
100.	<u>Malus</u> <u>pumila</u>	1	Apple ✓
101.	<u>Ulmus</u> X <u>Hollandica</u>	1	Hybrid Elm