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Co-operation

Nearly every organization, club, and publication, in the Student Body has elected its new officers for the coming year. It is only through our co-operation and support that these will be able to do their best work. There is an old saying that a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. This is very true in every job that we, as a group, may undertake together.

As the new staff begins its work on the publication of THE SKIRL for this coming year, we are asking for your support and cooperation. We want you to feel that this is your newspaper. We will be glad to welcome any suggestions that you may have for its improvement.

It is our hope that THE SKIRL may truly be enjoyable and informative for each of you and a very real asset to Flora Macdonald College.

Personality Profile

By Dot Hamilton

This seniorita is outstanding, no less. . . .
 Her identity will you be able to guess?
 Zetesian Society, St. Cecilia, Choral Club as well. . .
 Was Prayer Band Leader, served on Cabinet—and yet there's more to tell. . .
 IRC, was Class officer, Captain in Volleyball. . .
 Was on A.A. Board, Made Varsity, but this is still not all. . .
 Monogram Club, last year voted the Outstanding Athlete. . .
 Now Best-All-Round, A Scribbler, mischievous but, sweet. . .
 Gave a joint Senior Recital; the organ swelled with pride. . .
 To this Church Music major, talent was not denied.
 Always up to tricks, an angelic little imp
 Neither red hair nor personality on her did skemp. . .
 Perhaps because it's home, "Brazil" is her favorite tune,
 So now meet Seniorita Charlotte Willard Calhoun.

And now can you guess the identity of another lassie fair
 She's a piano major with smooth, silky, golden hair. . .
 Vice-President of St. Cecilia, treasurer of Epsilon Chi. . .
 Sang four years in Choral Club, her voice sweet and high. . .
 Last year she was a marshal, and played volley ball as well. . .
 She had summer work in piano under Dr. Vardell. . .
 A little French poodle named Fifi receives all her devotion. . .
 One day in class Fifi caused quite a bit of commotion. . .
 Lately she neglected Fifi to watch her "Cat and Mouse"
 Scamper up and down the keyboard—No, not in her house!
 For these animals sneaked in, somehow, to her Senior piano recital. . .
 And I just know I saw them, though they were merely a title. . .
 This talented pianist from Hamlet, an ardent student of Back Is none other than our own dear Jessie Rourk Blalock.

Why Student Government?

Betty Lou Lamb the new President of our Student Body, has returned to our campus after her trip to Tallahassee for the meeting of the Southern Intercollegiate Association of Student Government. The delegates, who met together March 19 and 20 at Florida State University, used as their theme, "Why Student Government?" The background for the theme and the meeting was taken from the first chapter of Isaiah "Come now and let us reason together."

The two days were spent mostly in discussion groups and panels, where the delegates exchanged ideas. This discussion of problems which confront student government and the exchange of ideas about how to face the problems was very beneficial to each of the delegates. For one discussion group the representatives, according to the size of their college, met in order to exchange problems that might appear only in certain size schools. We were proud to learn that Flora Macdonald rates high in comparison to the student government of other colleges similar in size to our own.

In connection with the theme of student government one of the speakers of the meeting from the United Nations said, "Despair of reason and ability to settle our problems through reason is at the bottom of our problems of today."

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Next Sunday, April 11th, an Easter Sunrise Service will be held on the front campus at 7:00 a. m. It will be a service of Scripture and song. Three phases of this service will be the Triumphant Entry, the Crucifixion and the climactic phase—the RESURRECTION.

The faculty and students are invited to participate in this worshipful experience.

OBEY THE TRAFFIC LAWS

Reed & Barton Silver Contest Open To FMC Seniors

America's oldest major silver-smiths, Reed and Barton of Taunton, Massachusetts, have announced the appointment of Mary Sue Coleman to conduct their nationwide "Sterling Silver Contest" for college seniors only on the FMC campus.

The Reed and Barton contest—part of the 130 year old silverware firm's continuing Design Research Project—is open to duly enrolled women students at this college now. The contest closes midnight, May 10th. More than 100 valuable prizes will be awarded including a complete "table trousseau" of Reed and Barton sterling silver (in the new "Classic Rise" design), Castleton china, Fostoria crystal and Ametex lace. In addition to the 100 national awards, there will be a "best-of-campus" award at each college.

The rules of the contest are easy. Entrants have only to write in 25 to 50 words "I think Classic Rose is an attractive sterling design because" Official entry blanks may be obtained from Mary Sue. She also has actual samples of "Classic Rose" sterling to show to those interested in entering the contest. All entries will be mailed by the campus representative direct to Reed and Barton silversmiths.

The subject of the contest, "Classic Rose", has been described by leading home furnishing authorities as "The new Romantic Modern look in sterling". Company officials give much credit for the design of "Classic Rose" to college women, who indicated in a recent nationwide poll that this was the kind of silver design that they wanted.

Mrs. Jack Odom Speaks To Class

As a special treat for the Children's Literature class on the birthday of Hans Christian Andersen, Mrs. Jack Odom, a native of Denmark now living in Red Springs, visited the group Friday and helped to broaden their interest and appreciation for the great fairy tale author and his homeland.

Mrs. Odom read two of Andersen's poems, "The Pearl" and "The Rosebud", and shared many pictures, books, and other materials which she had concerning him.

Figurines, china, silver, scarves, cards, calendars, pictures, dolls, jewelry, and various other things were also shown as she talked to the class about Denmark. She pointed out that the churches are controlled by the state in that country and that very few young people attend the services. "I've missed a great deal" she said, "and am trying to catch up now."

She also gave a very impressive description of a Danish wedding, pointing out that the groom arrives at the church about a half hour early and is on hand to receive the guests when they arrive, hymns are sung by the congregation before and after the ceremony, it is customary for the bride and groom to go to a photographer immediately after the wedding for the first picture, and a Danish dinner party with dancing, speeches and a tea usually end the event.

Mrs. Odom told a little about her own life and how her desire to come to America was fulfilled. Her visit here lasted about six months; and, during that time, she met Mr. Odom.

The Children's Literature class, taught by Miss Annie Cherry, was very grateful for the opportunity to hear Mrs. Odom.

Your Opinion

By Nancy Bell

The question that was asked for this column this week was: Why do you plan to marry or not to marry in the month of June? To this many of the girls who are engaged replied.

Mary Sue Coleman, senior from Asheville: "I plan to be married in June because it's the next month after I graduate and I want to get married as early as possible."

Barbara Arrington, freshman from Rowland: "I have always wanted an autumn wedding because I feel that the colors are prettier."

Geraldine Worrell, senior from Rocky Mount: "I like the month of June and I want to be a June bride. Anyway, it is more convenient then."

Gail Simpson, freshman from Red Springs: "I do not plan to marry in June, because Charles will be at National Guard Camp in Georgia the 13 through 28."

Fran Bobbitt, sophomore from Aberdeen: "I think it is the ideal month. Anyway, the earlier the wedding the longer the honeymoon."

Mary McCracken, junior from Winston-Salem: "I think that fall is a pretty time for a wedding and it will give me more time to make plans."

Allene Powers, senior from Lansing: "In the first place, Wilmer says that he is anxious for that day to come. Being a football player and having made a touchdown on my heart without any passes or fumbles, I do not wish to be kicked (aside)!"

Eva Gray Davis, sophomore from Hamlet: "That is the month after we graduate. . . the sooner the better."

Alice Brantley, junior from Selma: "Yes, June and Junius sound fine together."

Betty Joel Price, sophomore from Lilesville: "I want to be a June bride because to me the month of June means joy and happiness."

Sara Margaret Floyd, freshman from Fairmont: "After I finish this year of school, June is the earliest time we can be married. I know that at this time my life will be made more complete."

Carolyn Musselwhite, sophomore from Lumberton: "I have plans for the first two months of summer and I need the time to get ready for that great day!"

Peggy Calahan, junior from Whiteville: "I plan to be married in June, because it is the first month after I graduate."

Ruby Bierman, sophomore from Washington: "I want to be a June bride because June 20, was the first date I had with Joy. June is one of my favorite months."

Jean Morris, junior from Maxton: "I want to be married in July because there are so many weddings in June."

Patsy Teer, senior from Hillsboro: "I plan not to marry in June because I've only been dating Paul for eight years, and I don't want to rush into anything."

Deputation Team From A. T. S.

Several students from Assembly's Training School in Richmond, Va., were guests of the FMC Christian Association on March 27-28. They were Dot Williams, Carlisle Hoyt, Nancy Lou Hudson, Sue Ruddock and Peggy Helms.

All of the girls taught the College Sunday School Class at the Red Springs Presbyterian Church Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon they showed slides of ATS and talked to prospective students about ATS. They also led the Westminster Fellowship program Sunday evening.

PC Entertained At Square Dance

Approximately twenty-six boys from Presbyterian College were visiting the campus at Flora Macdonald Saturday, April 3, as guests of the Choral Club. Saturday afternoon the two groups practiced the songs that they sang Sunday morning in the Red Springs Presbyterian church. After practicing all afternoon, they had supper at the outdoor fire-place. Later on in the evening a square dance was held in the gym after which refreshments were served. The highlight of the entertainment was the dancing of the Highland Fling by some of the members of the FMC Choral Club.

New A.A. Officers

At a meeting of the Athletic Association a new slate of officers was elected to serve with Mary Ella Mize, President, for the coming year. Lucille Graham was elected Vice-President. She has served this year as Treasurer of the Board. Carol Jons, Captain of the Freshman Basketball team, was elected Secretary. Dee Stone, past Salesman, was elected Treasurer for the coming year. She will be succeeded by Pat Powell, Salesman. Jo McMillan was elected to be the College Cheerleader. This new Board will go into office this week.

RED CROSS DRIVE

Congratulations to the Business Students! They lead the entire college in the percentage of those who contributed to the Red Cross drive this year. They attained a hundred per cent. The Seniors followed close behind with 96 per cent. The Junior, 78%; the Sophomores, 74½%; and the per cent of the Freshmen who contributed was 64.8. The total amount of money that was received was \$30.43.

BENNETT CERF

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campuses all over the country. Bennett Cerf, the publisher, has given the public such books as Guadalcanal Diary - a manuscript which he read, decided to publish, and contracted within 8 hours - Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo, The Snake Pit, The Disenchanted, and The Young Lions. His 27 years of work with books and their writers have given Mr. Cerf a comprehensive view of the literature of the times.

Despite the time-consuming duties of running a publishing house, he still finds a spare moment or two which he utilizes by writing his columns. His weekly columns, "The Cerf Board" and "Trade Winds," appear in This Week Magazine, and in The Saturday Review respectively, and his daily feature "Try and Stop Me," is widely syndicated. He is also a regular panelist on the country-wide television favorite, "What's My Line?"

Those who know him are continually amazed at his remarkable ability to do all that he does and still remain, at 53, the vigorous, tall, well-tailored man that he is. One columnist explains the mystery of Cerf's survival by suggesting that "he is run by a storage battery that continually recharges itself." To the millions of people who have listened to his unforgettable words on the lecture platform the answer may more logically be that Bennett Cerf likes people, he likes contacts, he likes to feel the pulse of the nation whose humor he so ably chronicles.

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