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Clan Donald Assembles at FMC

The first gathering of Clan Donald of the Carolinas will be held on Saturday, April 23, on the Flora Macdonald College campus. There will be 169 sects of MacDonalds, McQueen, MacQueen, McAlister, and MacAlister present. The purpose of this gathering is to organize an active Clan Donald in the Carolinas.

The meeting will start at 3 p.m. with Maj. Macdonald, great-great grandson of Flora and Allen Macdonald, as guest speaker. Setting a Scottish background will be kilted bands and three separate groups of dancers from Harnett County, Fayetteville, and Flora Macdonald College doing the highland fling. Vivian Morrison will play the bagpipes and dance the sword dance. The College choral group and soloist will sing Jacobite songs.

At 6 o'clock there will be a picnic dinner on the college grounds. At 7 o'clock Mrs. Ingis Fletcher will tell of her visit to the Isle of Skye. Mrs. Fletcher is a noted author and her latest book, "The Scotswoman," is the novel chosen by the Literary Guild as their selection for May.

Annual Dance Features May Time Theme

"May Time," the annual May Day Dance will take place on Saturday, May 14 at Flora Macdonald College. The dance will be sponsored by the Athletic Board.

Held on the college porch terrace, the dance will last from 8:00 p. m. until 12:00 midnight. It is to be informal. Music will be furnished by Jimmy Morgan and his band from Laurel Hill, North Carolina.

Heading the various committees are general chairman, Betty Lou Lamb; decorations, Billiegene Addor; refreshments, Jane Macdonald; invitations, Jo McMillan.

When asked about the dance Betty Lou Lamb replied, "We hope this dance will become a tradition for future students at Flora Macdonald."

Club Plans Outdoor Party

On Friday, May 13, the Math Club plans to have its annual party, a hamburger fry at Lake-wood.

The club members will go out in two groups via the school bus; one group going at 3:00 p.m. and the other later on in the afternoon. Once there, everyone will have their choice of recreation which will be made up of fishing, swimming, and playing ball.

Shirley Willis is in charge of the planning. She is being helped by Sue Blakely, Jo McMillan, and Pat Clark.

Pool To Open

Athletic Board announces the opening of the swimming pool, otherwise known as the "Tea Cup" on Monday, April 25. The pool will be open for the enjoyment of all at any time during the day.

Donald Macdonald of Charlotte, North Carolina has been chosen District Commissioner or District Toshachdeor (pronounced "Toe-shock-kair" in Gaelic) of the Clan Donald in the Carolinas. The Chief expects to

visit the United States in 1956. The High Chief, Lord Macdonald lives in Armadale Castle on the Isle of Skye, Scotland.

This is expected to be a great day for the college who is so proud of its Scottish Heritage.

Spanish Club Prepares Fiesta

Fiesta plans are underway by the Spanish Club of Flora Macdonald. To take place Monday, April 25, the party will be at 10 o'clock.

Costumes are in style, and a prize will be given to the wearer of the most attractive Spanish or South American costume. "Mac" Calhoun, student from Brazil, will judge the contest.

After playing games with a Spanish accent the group will be served South American styled refreshments.

All Spanish students under Mr. Thomas Wright are invited to the party in Epsilon Chi Society Hall. About forty are expected to attend.

New officers of the Spanish Club are president, Ruth Evelyn Topping; vice president, Nancy Overton; secretary, Jane Carson; treasurer, Barbara Arrington. Outgoing officers are Mildred Drumheller, president; Betsy Freshman, vice president; Yvonne Brumbles, secretary; Jean Blalock, treasurer.

Student Council Sends Two As Regional NSA Delegates

Regional Conference of the National Student Association will be held in Chapel Hill April 21, 22, and 23. Delegates from Flora Macdonald College are Mary Archie Brown and Betty Joe Hatcher who were elected by the Student Council to represent them. This will be the first meeting in which the Flora Macdonald delegates will have voting power. A few weeks ago the College became a member of the NSA. The delegates plan to attend discussion groups, panels, and plenary sessions.

Prayer Band Leaders Fill Appointed Positions

Prayer Band Leaders for 1955-1956 were installed at service Wednesday evening in the Flora Macdonald Auditorium. The newly chosen leaders are Barbara Cockerell, Becky Taylor, Alese Harrison, Carolyn Newcomer, Betty Tolar, Mac Calhoun, June Jarrett, Betsy Freshman, Barbara Wingate. Also chosen were Elise Williams, Macel Cox, Jane Carson, Helen Maness, Un-Hi Choi, Mary Stuckey, Cynthia West, Sarah Dawson, Dorrie Bissett, Mary Louise Nelson, Emily Williams, and Gwen Fussell.

Each new Prayer Band Leader has been presented with the devotional booklet, "Daily Strength For Daily Needs" by Mary W. Tileston, for their personal use. This is to become a continuing tradition that the booklets will be passed to each succeeding Prayer Band Leader.

After the installation service, the leaders met for a brief training period. Thursday morning the Cabinet and Prayer Band Leaders met for a short worship and ate breakfast at the fireplace. Thursday evening Dr. Hall spoke to them concerning their responsibilities and duties as Prayer Band Leaders.

Students Register

Room registration for the coming year of 1955-56 at Flora Macdonald College started on Mon-

Grimm's Fairy Tale Sets Stage for Annual May Day

The front campus of F.M.C. on May 7 will be the setting for the Grimm's Fairy Tale. "Dancing Princesses". The traditional Scottish Dances will be performed by members of the Junior Class at the beginning of the program, and then the scene will change to a Royal Palace where the princesses elude their father and dance at night. Their father the king, tries to find the secret to their disappearance and their worn out shoes. He appoints a handsome young soldier to follow the princesses into the enchanted forest and discover their secret. Delightful dances representative of this theme will be performed by members of the Freshman and Sophomore Classes.

Lucy Flemming will reign as the Queen of May, and Kathleen Murchison will be her maid of honor. Attendants are Sarah Dawson and Joy Stalvey, Freshman Class; Carolyn Johnson and Shirley Chadwick, Sophomore Class; Sallie Anne Munroe, Peggy Waldo and Frances Shaw, Junior Class. Representing the Senior Class are Jo Mays, Doris Mazingo and Billiegene Addor.

day, April 18.

Before being able to choose their rooms students had to pay their \$10 registration fee to the bursar. After this was done, then the election and the signing up for rooms began. Many students had already decided upon what room they wanted, and it did not take long for them to be signed up.

The registration was done by classes. The Seniors registered Monday night along with the Juniors. The Sophomores registered Thursday night, April 21. The Students were allowed to sign up in the order in which they had paid their registration fee.

Silver Tea Honors Seniors, Students

The annual silver tea for the seniors and second year business students will be held Thursday, April 21 at 6:40 p. m. The affair will be held in the college parlors.

Miss Ellie Mae Sowder, the class sponsor; Dean McCain, William Lovin, class mascot; and Mrs. Archie Lovin will be special guests.

Prior to the tea, each senior drew another senior's name. On the night of the occasion, every girl will receive a teaspoon in her chosen pattern, given by the

senior who had her name. In the past, according to Norma Kelly, class president, each class member was given a letter along with the gift of silver. This was written by the senior giving the gift. This letter was to be opened one year later. This senior class will possibly continue to carry out the tradition.

Sarah Dudley Accepted by Eastman School of Music

by DOTTI MORRIS

Sarah Dudley has been accepted by the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York for the coming year of 1955-56. She received her letter of acceptance on Monday, April 18.

She went up for an audition during spring holidays. Eastman is a part of the University of Rochester. While there Sarah will study for her Master's with a major in music literature and piano as applied music subject. She will start on Monday, September 12, and she plans to be a dormitory student.

In addition Sarah hopes to get a teaching award which will mean that she will be teaching while studying. It runs for two years and means that Sarah will spend two years in her work rather than one.

Sarah will be graduated on May 30, 1955 from Flora Macdonald College. This summer she hopes to spend in Atlanta, Georgia doing interior decorating. She is a B.M. student with a major in piano. She was a marshal last year and is Vice-President of St. Cecilia this year.

When asked how she felt, Sarah replied, "I am very pleased with the whole situation."

Chief, Recorder Begin

Fire Chief and Recorder of Points for 1955-1956 were elected at Student Body meeting on Wednesday, April 6. Sue Owen is the new Fire Chief. Sue's duties will be to appoint a fire squad who will be in charge of the halls during fire drills and to schedule these drills.

The new Recorder of Points is Emojeane Womeldorf, who will be a Senior next year. Emojeane will keep an up-to-date copy of the Point System. Both girls have been active in school activities.

Epidemic Sweeps Campus

by ROSA MOORE

Flowers popping up, buds breaking out, birds chirping early in the morning, brisk breezes, unpredicted showers — Mother Nature's signs that Spring has come! Dreamy eyes, starry eyes, girls lounging on Vardell porch, a crisp, cool cotton here and there, diamonds, third finger, left hand hint that SPRING FEVER has followed on the heels of Spring. It is reported that the entire nation faces the worst epidemic of this disease in its history.

Transportation stalled — the Grey Hounds stricken by Spring Fever! Communication slowed — telephone workers also victims of this ancient disease, which science has yet to conquer!

This unexplainable disease is disrupting the field of education. Professors are cancelling term paper assignments, term projects, etc., and advising the students to play tennis, go to movies, take life easy until the pres-

ent danger is past. Meanwhile, the teachers are seeking some relief by playing golf, sipping lemonade, and going abroad.

Evidence that the disease is penetrating the minds of the people can be found in the content of the hit songs such as "Take It Easy, Baby", and "Sleepy Time Gal," in the Book of the Month titled "Let Me Go, Spring Fever" by I. Wana Rest, and the latest motion picture release, "A Bed Called Rest" starring Barlon Mando and Krace Gelly.

Medical science has developed a few aids; so if you are among the Spring Fever victims, go to the nearest Body Repair Shop and get a shot of Peptomycin, which give sadded go-ities, some gas-filled pills for added speed, and last, but not least, some oil tablets to loosen up your tired joints. Though the doctors have found several cures for this disease, as yet, they can see no successful means for preventing