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Homecoming Day, November 5, Includes Discussion On Merger Of Colleges

"...These good old days won't be forgotten, and the girls of F. M. C." No, they are not forgotten, because each year F.M.C. set aside a day for all the graduates to come back home and renew their old college friendships. November 5, 1955 is "Homecoming Day."

The program begins at eleven o'clock. Greetings from the college and the students will be brought to the alumnae members by Dr. Marshall Scott-Woodson and Mary Archie Brown, respectively. Mr. Halbert Jones, Vice-President of the Board of Trustees will ex-

plain the plans for the merger of Flora Macdonald College, Presbyterian Junior College, and Peace College to the alumnae. Dr. Vardell, Dean of the Conservatory, will furnish the music for the morning section of the day's program.

A one-hour business session will be held at 12:00. Miss Peggy Shinn, Alumnae President will preside over the meeting. A luncheon held in the college dining hall will immediately follow the business meeting.

Naturally, all Alumnae members are interested in the merger; therefore they will be given a chance to ask any questions they would like to know during an open forum, led by Dr. Vardell, Jr., which will be held in the auditorium after lunch.

Class Orders Rings

October 11th was a day that the Junior Class has looked forward to for three years. Mr. Edwin Massengill of Raleigh, the representative of the Star Engraving Company, from Houston, Texas arrived at Flora Macdonald to accept orders for class rings or for class pins.

Both the rings and the pins bear the college seal. The seal contains on its face the name—Flora Macdonald College; the year of its founding, 1896; and the college motto, "Disciplina Feminarium Christo." The ring and the pin are yellow gold and are 10 K gold.

The pin does have a guard. The guard may bear either the degree being obtained or the year of graduation. According to Frances Ann Williams, President of the Junior Class, "Most of the girls ordering the pins are getting the degree on the guard."

The price of the rings is approximately \$15 and the price of the pins is approximately \$10. Both the rings and pins are expected to arrive between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Williams Speaks At Faculty Club Meet

Faculty Club had its monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, Oct. 18, in the parlors of Flora Macdonald College at 8:00 p. m. The program was conducted by Mr. John Williams who told of his trip to England where he spent a year studying and traveling.

Mr. Williams, dressed in a kilt, showed slides and gave a running commentary. The emphasis was place on Scotland, but England, Wales, Paris, and Austria were also discussed.

Also of special interest were slides of Mr. Robert Marr's home in Scotland, and both Mr. and Mrs. Marr were present.

Refreshments consisted of orange ice cream, cake, and coffee. Mr. Williams had a display of some of his souvenirs out in the front hall before the meeting.

FMC Hostess to Open House Party

On November twelfth and thirteenth, Flora Macdonald College will be hostess for the annual "Open House Party."

Early Saturday morning girls

from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia, will arrive for a packed week end. After luncheon Saturday, they will gather in the auditorium

for a "Clan Gathering" which includes a welcome, a brief history of Flora Macdonald College, and introductions to the President, Dean, and other dignitaries of the college.

That afternoon the Athletic Association will sponsor an organized volley ball game. Then, before dinner, and informal singing in the Rotunda will introduce the College Alma Mater and Friendship Song.

After dinner, the Conservatory and the Highland Players will display their talents in a program for the guests. Topping the day will be a pajama party sponsored by the Societies and a rotunda prayer band.

Sunday morning the guests are invited to attend Church with their hostesses. Following Sunday dinner, the last function is a coffee hour given by the Sophomores, next year's big sisters.

Alumni Elected Graduate President



BETTY LOU LAMB

Betty Lou Lamb, graduate in the 1955 class at Flora Macdonald was elected as the president of the graduate women at George Peabody College in Nashville. Betty Lou is working on her Master's degree in math there.

Serving as president of the student body here last year, Betty Lou also was tapped into the FMC Honor Society, was selected for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, and was chosen as superlative in leadership.

Majoring in math here, Betty Lou is continuing her studies of math and professional education courses on both Peabody and Vanderbilt campuses. She is living on Peabody campus. Her roommate, Peggy Crow, of Wilson, N. C., was also elected to the council as dormitory representative of Peabody.

Rogers Wins Auto At Fall Festival

"I couldn't believe it was really true. I've never won anything in my life and I certainly didn't expect to win a car!" These were Dr. Rogers' remarks when asked how she felt about winning the 1955 Pontiac at the Fall Festival Celebration Wednesday, October 19. She says that at the present time she is in doubt about whether or not she will keep the car. However, things are looking brighter as far as possession of the beautiful Pontiac is concerned.

The student body participated in marching in the parade as a group. The members of the Student Council rode the Flora Macdonald float. Other floats were donned with the grace of Flora Macdonald girls.

AA Sells Scottie Dogs

The Athletic Association is ordering stuffed scottie dogs for students who are interested in them. These dogs will be white and it is hoped that they will have a plaid hat and a navy blue ribbon inscribed with FMC, around its neck.

The price of these scottie dogs will be \$1.60. Alese Harrison, who is in charge of ordering them, says that about 150 have signed up for them. She says she has no idea when they will arrive.

Gwynn Examines School

Dr. Price Gwynn, Dean of Flora Macdonald College, left Wednesday to examine schools in Louisiana and Alabama. Dr. Gwynn will attend a Leadership Training School at the First Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, N. C. for a five-day period.

From Greensboro he will fly to Monroe, Louisiana, and then go on to Gambling College in Gambling, La. There he and a committee will examine the school for the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Dr. Gwynn will spend half a week in Gambling.

Normal, Alabama, the site of Alabama A and M College, will be the next stop for Dr. Gwynn. There he and the committee will also inspect. He expects to be back in his office by the latter part of this week.

Crowd Watches Freshmen on Parade in Talent Show

by Joyce Owens

The time was October 15, 1955 at 8:00 p.m. The place was the auditorium of Flora Macdonald College. An expectant audience sat watching as the curtains were opened and the house lights were dimmed. Suddenly, from behind the curtains popped Betty Barnes, gaily bedecked in clown regalia. Easily falling into a well-suited role of mistress of ceremonies, Betty started the show with a joke and got the audience into a real circus mood, a circus being the theme of the program.

Outstanding act of the evening was Mary Sims' imitation of a drunk man mailing a letter.

Other outstanding acts on the program were baton twirling by Phyllis Faidley and Peggy Cole; Sue Martin's pantomime to Al Jolson's "Swanee", a humorous performance of "Major Operation" with Phyllis Barnette and LeVonne Maness as doctors, and Sarah Hatcher as the patient, and Peggy Perry's, "Singing in the Rain".

The campus twins, Marilyn and Mannette Layton, dressed

in attractive cow girl suits, did a pantomime to "Tennessee Wig Walk."

Pretty Patty — Patty Jo Jones, that is, gave two recitations, "Big Moment" an "Three against Ten Thousand." Beth Biggers recited "A Little Learning is a Dangerous Thing" and Anne Shipman spoke "For Wo-



Mary Sims in Action

men's Rights."

Three girls, each with much talent sang songs of a different mood. Beverly Collier sang "Bless This House"; Pat Hood — "Let Us Break Bread Together," and Becky Browning — "Into the Nights."

Adding more variety to the show was Boots Pridgen's piano solo, "Blue Star" and a quartet composed of Adaline Brady, Jeanne Flournoy, Linda Hill, and Boots Pridgen who sang "Blue Moon."

Betty Foscoe presented a unique talent for the night. Her gracefulness made the Indian ballet to "Pale Moon" a very beautiful part of the program.

In charge of directing the show were Becky Browning and Marilyn Layton, with Dee Jordan as manager, Gracie Infinger as stage manager, and Peggy Perry as co-ordinator.

The usherettes were Lou Benton, Betty Johnson, Margaret Mansfield, Betty Mazingo, Anna Partin, and Francis Timberlake.

Student Council Dance Features Various Colleges In Carolinas

by Della Evans

Mary Archie Brown, President of the FMC student body, led the figure consisting of the council members and committee chairman at the Student Council Dance. The annual affair was held Saturday night, October 22, with Mr. William Regan calling the figure.

Using as a theme, The Collegiate Ball, the dining hall was effectively decorated with various school colors. The backdrop featured the white archway of Flora Macdonald on a blue background. College queens attired in pastel evening gowns stood on the golden steps. Colorful crepe paper was draped from the ceiling and walls. Placed in the windows were pennants. Small stuffed animals and dolls were used as mascots to represent various colleges.

In the rotunda was a replica of the famous "Old Well" located on the campus of the University of North Carolina.

During the evening "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" was used as

the theme song. From 8 o'clock until 12 o'clock approximately 90 couples danced to the music of Jimmy Morgan and his orchestra from Laurel Hill.

Refreshments were served in the rotunda. A miniature pennant topped each yellow and brown party sandwich, and delicious punch and mints completed the yellow and brown color scheme.

Chaperones for the evening were Mrs. P. P. McCain, Miss Carol Robertson, Miss Genevieve Neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Skinner, and Mr. and Mrs. Worth Currie, Jr.

Those taking part in the figure during the dance were Betty Joe Hatcher, Francis Ann Williams, Joyce Stalvey, Jane Wood, Mary McLean, Norma Pittard, Sallie Ann Munroe, Shirley Chadwick.

Carolyn Johnson was General Chariman of the dance. Shirley Evans was chairman of decorations, Rosalyn Gibson was chairman of invitations, and Mary Stuckey, chairman of refreshments.