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## Opening Reception

Once again the library was the scene of music and laughter, when on the evening of September 9th the annual opening reception took place. The building was brilliantly lighted, and ferns and potted plants, skillfully arranged, helped to lend a festive atmosphere to the occasion.

Just as old Founders bell rang out the hour of eight, one might see groups of boys and girls in gala attire wending their way toward the library. Not being a psychologist, nor one versed in character reading, we would not venture to suggest what might have been the sensations of wondering expectation which filled the minds of the verdant youths and maidens who were attending their first reception at Guilford College.

On arriving at the library each old girl took a new girl as her charge to pilot down the august faculty "line-up." In the same way the old boys made the new ones acquainted with the masters of their fate.

Then to the strains of an orchestra there followed a stirring season of handclaps and introductions. Soon afterward, as a natural consequence, one might see various couples earnestly engaged in getting acquainted, and in seeking out the punch bowl hidden in a bower of green at one end of the porch.

Quite a number of former students were present to renew again the happy associations of years gone by.

Every person present had on his "company manners" and old students, new students, alumni and members of the faculty all contributed their part toward making the evening one of joyous good fellowship.

### SOPHOMORE OFFICERS ELECTED

The Sophomore class held its first class meeting on the night of the 13th with a good attendance. Robert H. Frazier, president during the last term, acted as chairman, with Ruth Coltrane as secretary.

Since it was the regular meeting for the election of new officers, the following were elected and installed: Hervie N. Williard, President; D. D. Shields Cameron, Vice-President; Georgianna M. Bird, Secretary, and Sherley N. White, Marshal.

After the appointment of an executive committee to arrange a program for the next meeting, the class adjourned to spend the remaining time very pleasantly in a social way.

## College Happenings

Last Wednesday evening a little social was given on the campus for the new girls. Each girl in turn walked up in front and signed her name while the others guessed it. The new girl knowing the most names was awarded the book of autographs as a prize. This was won by Miss Dorothy Hubbard.

### Social.

The first social of the year was held Saturday evening at Founders Hall. This was attended by a large number of both new and old students. Not long after entering the hall each person was busily occupied either in talking, singing or playing games. A number of interesting games were played which were very amusing.

After arriving from Jerusalem we turned our steps in another direction and the hall lighted up with merriment as the music pealed forth and we marched in double file in uneven five and seven.

The social was successful enough to send each student away with pleasurable anticipation of the similar functions which are in store for us throughout the year.

We were very fortunate in having with us last Wednesday morning to conduct our chapel exercises, Dr. William A. Brown. In his interesting discourse he pointed out to us, in a very striking and impressive manner the horrors of war and the blessedness of peace.

He said, in the first place that "war is the elimination of the fit." He said a man cannot be so guilty but that we believe him to be worthy of life. Yet war is simply murder and we advocate preparedness. He said further that "war unhinges men's reason." "Wilson," he said, "is my President, but he has been entirely swept off of his feet in this crisis." He has let war unhinge his reason. Furthermore, he added, "The innocent always suffer in war." It is not the guilty, those deserving punishment, that receive it, but it is the innocent, while civilization punishes the guilty. His parting message was a warning against too much party spirit. He said, favor not the Democrat nor the Republican, but "Christian first, always."

Misses Clarice Newlin, Sara Richardson and Luna Cox attended the opening reception Saturday evening, September 9th.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The members of the cabinet were not on the campus many hours before they began to explain their plans for the year. They proved that they had thot about the Y. M. C. A. work before they returned. This was due to the fact that several of the members of the cabinet attended the conference at Blue Ridge last summer, and it alone inspired them to do a greater work at Guilford. Every man who attended the conference is leading a Bible class this year.

The first regular meeting of the Association was held on Thursday evening. After a few words of welcome by the president of the Association, Prof. Woosley explained the principles for which the Y. M. C. A. stands in a very simple and forceful way. He said in part that the purpose of the organization was to help others. "In meetings such as this," he said, "you will find an atmosphere which you cannot find anywhere else in college life; for here we are always looking for higher ideals, and many fellows have found them in these meetings. The friends which we make in the Christian Association will always be our nearest friends. They will help us more and will go farther to lend a helping hand. Moreover we will always revert to them with pleasure. I know it is a pleasure for me to recall the names of the fellows with whom I worked while a student here, and I am sure you will do the same thing. The Young Men's Christian Association fundamentally stands for three elements—the spirit, mind and body, and in order to be a wellrounded man we must develop the three. On the athletic field we develop our bodies and make them stronger. In the class room we endeavor to make our minds stronger by working out the difficult problems which are placed before us. In these meetings here at Guilford our aim is to take care of the spirit, and we are doing our best to try and deepen the spiritual life of the fellows around us. Fellows, I do not believe that any of you will make a mistake if you join the Y. M. C. A."

After Prof. Woosley's talk several of the fellows spoke briefly on the value of the Association to them. Their talks were enjoyed, both by the old and new men.

Immediately after the meeting the cabinet made a canvass for members, and we are very glad to announce that all of the fellows who were on

the campus at that time have joined. We wish to extend our thanks to the young men for their hearty co-operation and liberal contribution to this Christian work. We are praying that they may continue to be loyal to this work and help us elevate the ideals of the men around us.

On Sunday, September 10th, the young men met in Memorial Hall at 9:30 and there we heard an excellent talk by Prof. Balderston on the subject, "Why Study the Bible." Space will not permit summary. Also Edgar H. McBane, of the class of '14, made an interesting talk on the same subject. Jesse P. Garner, chairman of the Bible study department, announced at this meeting that a "feed" would be given in the spring to the class which made the highest average attendance for the year. The object of this is to stimulate an interest in the classes and also to place a responsibility upon each fellow. Our aim is to make the best record in the history of the Association at Guilford, and by the co-operation of every man on the campus we can easily do this. The Bible classes were organized with a good enrollment. We hope that every fellow will feel that the destiny of his class is largely depending upon his attitude toward it, and the writer can truly say that the success or destiny of the class will be determined by the members as a whole and not the leader alone. Thus by the co-operation of every member we can make the Bible study department shine this year.

The meeting on the evening of September 14th was lead by Ralph Yow. He gave us an interesting talk on "Success."

Our next meeting will be given over to the men who attended the Blue Ridge Conference. They have some interesting things to tell us. Every man is cordially invited to be present.

### SENIOR CLASS MEETING.

At the Senior class meeting held Tuesday evening, September 12th, the following officers were elected and installed: President, J. Henry Beeson; Secretary, Maude Lassiter, and Marshal, Itimous Valentine.

Mr. T. M. Gennings and Mr. and Mrs. Kidd were here to see Miss Thelma Steel Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stone visited their daughters, Misses Annie and Verna Stone, Saturday afternoon.