

Come to the Minstrel Saturday, March 29, 7:45 p. m.

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## Societies Continue Able Work

### Topics of Interest Feature Weekly Meetings.

The Henry Clays met in regular session on Friday evening. The program was a little varied from the usual and was therefore very interesting.

The first part of the program was a debate on the question: Resolved that the U. S. Government should control the express business. All the speakers were old men except one and the manner in which they argued and delivered their speeches showed that the society is destined to have some strong members in the near future. The few old men that are back this year feel that in a short while the Henry Clay Society will be back to the old standard.

This debate was followed by an irregular debate on the subject: "Resolved that the State of North Carolina should pass a law prohibiting big 'possums' from climbing little trees." The affirmative was upheld by Murray White and the negative was defended by Tom Anderson. They gave us some valuable information about 'possums, and we learned that much of the decline of the forests of North Carolina was due to their destroying the young timber.

Berry Lee White reported all the interesting current events and showed that he keeps up with all the things of interest both on and off the campus.

The following officers were regularly installed: President, John White; Secretary, Norman Fox; Sergeant at Arms, Joe White; Censor, Roger Kiser; Chaplain, Hugh Moore. The critic then rendered his report, after which society adjourned.

Last Friday night we were very glad to see among our audience a number of old Philomatheans who not only added materially to this meeting, but gave many helpful suggestions. The program was one concerning the society. The first number was a vocal duet, by Miss Griffin and Miss Hobbs. Then Miss Dovia Hayworth conducted a Philomathean contest in which she applied quotations to girls in the society asking the other girls to guess to whom they applied. Miss Leah Stanley, a member of last year's class, gave a discussion of Philomatheans of the past, which was very interesting; this should certainly inspire present members to do their best.

The program closed with the "Philomathean Call," led by Miss Donna McBane.

After hearing the history of old Phils, the members cannot help but feel a deeper loyalty and a keener sense of their responsibility to the society.

The contest for improvement in debate is producing continual interest in the Websterian Society. At the meeting of March 21st there

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## Y. W. C. A. Play Staged With Success

### Characters of the Thirteenth Star Cleverly Interpreted by Able Cast.

An amusing and thrilling comedy, "The Thirteenth Star," was staged in Memorial Hall under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian Association on Saturday evening, March 22. This is an annual event and was a success in every respect. The plot of the play was very clever and the characters were wisely chosen. The cast follows:

Caroline Rideout Mason—Ruth Coltrane.

Wilfred Baxter, her cousin—Nina Whitaker.

Eleanor Ames—Clara Blair.

Helen Redmond—Georgiana Bird.

Mrs. Winthrop Ames—Katherine Campbell.

Marie, Eleanor's maid—Una Seal. Aunt Lucy, colored mammy—Katherine Harmon.

Maggie D. Flynn, office girl—Jean Whitney.

Inez Huntley, mill girl—Eura Teague.

The play began with a porch scene at the ancestral home of Caroline Mason in North Carolina in the year 1917. Carol announces to her friends, who are spending the summer with her at her grandmother's colonial mansion, her intention of breaking her engagement to Milton Blake, whom she feels has broken his promise to her by leaving Yale to take charge of his father's mills during the latter's illness. She then tells the story of the flag seen above the door on which are thirteen stars. This flag was made by her grandmother and bears a star for each grandchild. Carol, as the youngest, is the thirteenth star.

When it is known that war has been declared Carol determines to prove her right to the thirteenth star by taking the places of her brother and cousin and editing "The Daily Bugle." She is assisted in this determination by her classmates, Wilfred Baxter, Eleanor Ames and Helen Redmond.

The scene of Act II is the office of the Mapleford Daily Bugle. For a time all goes well with the Bugle, finally financial difficulties arise and a strike is brought on at the mills managed by young Blake, by the articles published in the Bugle's columns. Inez Huntley, hoping to prevent the strike, gets a position in the Bugle office and wrecks some machinery. She succeeded in this and also succeeds in making Carol realize the wrong she has done. Carol determines to undo this wrong and with Inez rescues Milton Blake from the mob of strikers, renews the engagement and returns to the office triumphant.

Mrs. Ames arrives during the trouble and refuses to desert a sinking ship. On Carol's return she announces her decision to invest a part of her fortune in the Bugle and this relieves Carol of all financial difficulties.

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## All Out For The Minstrel

The big show is on the way and next Saturday night, the 29th, will be the biggest night of the year at Memorial Hall. Business Manager Carroll and Musical Manager Joe Taylor recently took a trip through all the nigger towns far and near and booked some of the funniest black talent ever seen on the stage. Big niggers and little ones, old and young, round, square and oblong; slick niggers from the city and rough neck niggers from the sticks, niggers with musical feet and almost as musical voices, coy young nigger wenches, and bashful nigger swains, all will be there with the single object in view of giving you a happy time. Get your tickets early. The old prices still hold in spite of war times. 50 cents for a reserved seat and 35 cents rush.

### MISS RAYLE ENTERTAINS.

On Thursday evening of last week the Seniors residing in Founders Hall, Misses Clara Blair, Kate Smith and Vivian Hayworth, along with Miss Ethel Lovett, were delightfully entertained by Miss Elma Rayle. The evening's entertainment came in the form of a supper.

The guests were asked to come to Miss Rayle's sitting room at 6 o'clock, and when they arrived they were ushered into the presence of a well-laid table. Joy was added to joy when real fried chicken and gravy such as one only finds on unusual occasions, appeared before the delighted eyes of the guests. Then other delicacies appeared and the heart of each guest was filled with gratitude towards the hostess. This gratitude could only be expressed by doing justice to the spread and no one can doubt that this was done when the truth is told that the guests were not half through the first course when the regular supper of the rest of the unfortunate student body was completed. Both meals began at the same hour.

The guests will always hold a dear spot in their hearts for Miss Rayle for thus favoring them. Their pleasure and gratitude were unbounded.

### LENOIR GAME TO OPEN BASE BALL SEASON

Thursday of this week will see the base ball season at Guilford formally opened with a game with Lenoir College. The Lenoir team is said to be a strong one this year and a fast game can be expected. The Guilford team being made up almost entirely of new men is as yet an unknown quantity but those who have been watching the practice say that it will give a good account of itself and that Guilford base ball traditions will be maintained this year as usual.

### MURRAY WHITE LEADS Y.M.C.A.

The regular meeting last Thursday evening was led by Murray White. He chose for his subject, "The lamb which taketh away the sin of the world."

## A. C. Purdy Talks on Home Mission

The college community was fortunate in having as a guest for the week end Mr. Alexander C. Purdy. Mr. Purdy, Professor of Biblical Literature at Earlham College, is travelling for the purpose of arousing interest among Friends in the home mission work in the various Yearly Meetings. After giving an inspiring sermon on Sunday morning, Mr. Purdy addressed the students in the afternoon in the Y. W. C. A. room.

In this address Mr. Purdy gave statistics indicative of the urgent call for trained leaders in the rural and urban meetings all over the country. No one need doubt of opportunity for service in our church. In the future the salary will be sufficient to maintain a worker in efficient living conditions. The work being diversified, calls for leaders of pronounced ability.

In addition to the need in our own meetings, the Indian problem in Oklahoma can be met only by trained men who have the skill to make the meeting the center of all communal activities.

In all these cases each locality must solve its own problems. No one else has the interest or the insight to meet the difficulties of the situation. Our leaders must come from within our own borders.

Such leaders are found in our various colleges. One common mistake made by students on their return to their small home meetings, is their attitude of adverse criticism arising from the desire to get much from the service. A positive determination to give will result in a co-operation which will win for the student the respect of the community. Thus he will be able to introduce those improvements he thinks necessary for the home church.

A further hindrance in securing the necessary young trained leaders comes because of the lure of the unknown. The distant, the seemingly heroic, the dimly understood, appeals to youth far more than does the commonplace duty near at hand. In our own Yearly Meetings among surroundings we know, and with persons whose point of view we have, lies our field of most effective service.

For our Friends meetings do not need primarily organization from the top; they need a quickening of spiritual power at the home base. Only when under a strong spiritual influence the activities and purposes of our members are unified with loyalty to the Highest, will the greatest need of our home mission field be met.

In our various scattered communities, then, our trained young people will find it financially profitable to invest all their diversified talents—an investment which alone can meet the problem of their own meetings, and which alone will give the Society the needed basic strength.

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