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GUILFORD TEACHERS ATTEND MEETING OF ENGLISH COUNCIL

Movement to Improve English Teaching in State

The fourth annual conference of the North Carolina Council of English teachers, held at the North Carolina College last week-end, was attended by Miss Polk and Miss Smith of the English department, who report an interesting and enthusiastic series of meetings.

Charles Swain Thomas who is connected with the English faculty at Harvard University and who is editor of the classics published by the Atlantic press, was the chief speaker at the conference. His most important address on "Literary Appeals that We and Our Students Can Cultivate" was delivered at the first session of the Council on Friday evening. At this time Professor Thomas discussed the three appeals of literature, the intellectual, the emotional and the appeal to the will. He urged upon English teachers the responsibility they have as builders of character as well as disseminators of knowledge, using as an instance of what literature may do for character, the influence of Browning and Shelley upon Sir Ernest Shackleton, the great Antarctic explorer.

Saturday morning was devoted to a discussion of problems in teaching composition by Miss Eleanor Stratton of the Asheville High School and by Professor E. F. Shewmake of Davidson College.

Miss Stratton presented the subject from the high school point of view emphasizing the need for more adequate motivation and telling of the experiments made in the Asheville schools to promote more effective work in composition through publicity. That the experiments have succeeded was proved by a most interesting exhibit of work done by students in the Asheville High School under Miss Stratton's supervision, work of unusually high grade and including a wide range of literary forms.

Other subjects discussed were "The Correlation of High School and College English as Emphasized by the National Council of English Teachers" by Mr. A. C. Hall of the North Carolina College for Women and general problems in a question and answer hour conducted by Professor Thomas.

The afternoon session was given over to reports of committees and the election of officers. The most important of the reports was that made by professor C. A. Hibbard of the English department of the state university, chairman of the committee on minimum essentials in English. This committee during the past year has worked out a very practical system whereby certain definite essentials in English must have been mastered before promotion to the next grade. These requirements which begin with the third grade and extend through the high school course, were approved by the state superintendent of public instruction subject to their approval by the Council. Having been adopted by the Council, they will now be placed in the hands of every English teacher in the state where they should prove a very useful means of checking up the effectiveness of the teaching of English.

DOCTOR PERISHO IN MOORE COUNTY

Dr. Perisho is now visiting the high schools in Moore County, accompanied by the County Superintendent. On the whole he has been visiting about five schools a day where it is at all possible. Dr. Perisho is to speak at the Greensboro high school March 22nd, and Winston-Salem high, March 28th.

PLANS FOR ENTRANCE EXAMINATION IN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER

Guilford to Join Virginia-Carolina Conference of Other Carolina College Do So

In order more adequately to fulfill the requirements recently passed by the Conference of College Presidents, plans were made at the last faculty meeting, held Friday, March 17, for holding entrance examinations next year. A student who does not come from an accredited high school may take an examination in every subject he offers for entrance credit or he may take comprehensive examinations in Mathematics, English, foreign language and either History or Science. The examinations in Mathematics and English will be given at the end of the two weeks trial period at the opening of college. Those on other subjects will be taken before the opening of college. Students passing the comprehensive examinations will be credited for their High School work on the same basis as students from accredited high schools. Arrangements are also being made for these examinations to be given about Commencement time.

The question of holding a summer school to give opportunities for graduates of three year high schools and of non accredited high schools to prepare for college was discussed but left over for further investigation.

The faculty approved of the Constitution and by-laws of the Virginia-North Carolina Inter-Collegiate Athletic Conference and voted to join the conference on the condition that the other four North Carolina colleges who were represented at Richmond also join.

JENNIE W. PAPWORTH

Guilfordians will learn with sorrow of the death of Miss Jennie W. Papworth who was head of the music department for a number of years. Her death occurred last November. She was struck by an automobile and died of shock at the hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. The fact that the end came so suddenly and that none of her friends in Cleveland knew any of her Guilford acquaintance is responsible for the fact that not until very recently did the news come to Guilford.

Miss Papworth was a teacher with indefatigable energy and the highest ideals. She is remembered on the campus for the seeming tirelessness of her efforts for the success of the chorus and glee club. Her physical powers could not withstand the strain imposed upon them by her desire to serve and in the fall of 1919, after a year's leave of absence, ill health forced her to resign. She had, however, so completely recovered that she wrote her friends that she was better than for years and had begun teaching again. The news of her sudden death comes as a great shock to her friends.

RUTH REYNOLDS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The Young Women's Student Government Association last week elected its officers for next year. These officers, president, Ruth Reynolds; secretary, Ruth Ragsdale and treasurer, Frances Garner, will assume their duties in May.

JOSEPHINE MOCK WILL HEAD Y. W. C. A. NEXT YEAR

The new officers of the Y. W. C. A. are: president, Josephine Mock, secretary, Ophelia Paul and treasurer, Lois Rabey. The cabinet training will be held in the early part of April and they will be installed in office about a month before the close of school.

THE GUILFORDIAN RECEIVES BELATED BALLAD OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Interesting Verse Written by Simon Marshall Dixon in 1857.

The Guilfordian has recently received a ballad of the Revolutionary war, written by Simon Marshall Dixon of Snow Camp, North Carolina, in 1857.

This ballad will be of particular interest to Guilfordians since it is closely related to the Battle of Guilford Court House, narrating a recollection of an incident which occurred in the retreat of Cornwallis from that memorable struggle to Yorktown, Virginia, in 1781.

Many people in Colonial days, particularly in the Southern states, wrote narration and description, history and verse, not for publication

but for the amusement of themselves and their relatives and friends. Such a writer was Simon Marshall Dixon, who left quite a collection of manuscript verse.

So far as can be learned, this particular production of his has been published only once. In the February number of the Maine-Spring, a literary magazine published by the Contributors Club of the University of Maine, R. W. McCulloch, a Guilford Alumnus of the class of 1903, now in the department of English of the University of Maine, has published this ballad, with some very interesting comments on its history. It is from The Maine-Spring and by the permission of Mr. McCulloch that it is being published in the Guilfordian.

'Twas March's twenty second day
That here the British army lay,
Still covered with the bloody stains
Greene gave them on old Guilford's plains.
Toward evening, when all tasks were done,
A father thus addressed his son,
"Go, thou, and with thy cousin John,
Take all the horses to the lawn."
A mile or two they led them forth
And, loosing them, had turned back north,
Which was the way whence they had come,
And with the brides started home,
When presently there came in view,
Three or four horsemen dressed in blue,
Who when these boys they had espied,
They called and said, "Those brides hide,
The Red Coats are about your home,
And you they'll take your horses from."
Admonished thus, they crossed a bog
And hid them under an old log.
Now, soon they see from off a hill
Which does their minds with wonder fill.
One seldom such a sight enjoys
As burst that moment on those boys:
Long lines of Red Coats streaming on,
Their arms all glittering in the sun;
While o'er their heads and waving high
The British colors proudly fly.
The rolling drum and piercing fife,
To the grand scene, add a new life.
Here trail along, like branchless vines,
Three thousand men in two long lines.
They rise and fall and sweep around
As bends the road, as lies the ground.
The curves and waves together blend
And to the scene enchantment lend.
It seems to them a mighty flood
Came rolling on to where they stood,
While further on, back, beyond,
Where trees and hills flanked the mill pond,
Wagons and men move up behind,
Their flags all fluttering in the wind.
They halt,—and now they make a stand,
And having each location scanned,
Prepare to camp upon the hill
Which stretches northward from the mill.
Now, as the host o'erspread the plain,
A band of horse comes down the lane,
Whose epaulettes and caps and swords
Proclaim them all official lords.
Arrived at the house, there they stop
And nimbly from their horses hop.
They order out the landlord's spouse
And take possession of the house.
With this gay crowd two horses came
Bearing along a wooden frame,
One in the rear, one in the van,
And on it lay a wounded man,
A brave officer of high rank,
Whose blood old Guilford's soil had drank.
In marked contrast he now appears
To his gay brother officers.
Yet scarce one week has passed away
Since that, to him, eventful day,
In which he led his comrades on
When charging, hosts made blood run down.
And his face, only sad to tell,
One of a thousand there who fell.
The hill now groans beneath the tramp
Of thousands fixing up their camp.
They choose for it the fairest scene,
A promising wheat field clothed in green.
That which had been the farmer's pride,
'Neath martial feet is now destroyed.
A common fate when'er war's train
Is once let loose by wicked men.
To ruin all they had desires,
So took the rails to make their fires
And to build a spacious pen
That night to put their cattle in,
Of which they took full many a score
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CO-EDS PLAY BASKET-BALL TOURNAMENT

Freshmen Win Two Victories

The opening games of the girl's played March 14, with the seniors played March 14, with the Seniors playing against the juniors and the freshmen against the preps. The seniors won from the juniors by a score of 11 to 6, while the preps suffered an 18 to 0 defeat at the hands of the freshmen.

On March 16 two more games of the series were played. In these two games the juniors clashed with the preps, and the freshmen with the sophomores. In the game between the juniors and preps, the lower class was unable to score a single point while the juniors scored 15. The freshmen held the sophs at their mercy during the entire game piling up a score of 23 to 0.

The game between the juniors and seniors was the closest and hardest fought game of the four which have been played. From start to finish the game was interesting and exciting. During most of the first half the score was tied, but during the last few minutes of play the seniors took the lead. Ed Raiford for the seniors scored all of the eleven points while "Tiny" Raiford caged the three field goals for the juniors. Both teams displayed some very close guarding which prevented either team from piling up a big score. The four centers did excellent floor work.

Seniors		Juniors	
Ed. Raiford	r. f.	C. Raiford	
Outland	l. f.	Reynolds	
M. White	c	A. Johnson	
E. White	c	V. Farlow	
Pancoast	r. g.	N. Allen	
L. Raiford	l. g.	Lassiter	

As seen from the score, the game between the freshmen and preps was rather one-sided. The preps seemed unable to cope with the freshmen team. The girls of the prep team have not been out for regular practice, and even though they played hard during the entire game were unable to score. For the freshmen McBane led in scoring with five field goals to her credit. Ione Lowe came next with four field goals.

Freshmen		Preps.	
I. Lowe	r. f.	P. Lowe	
McBane	l. f.	V. Tuttle	
Garner	c	Hadley	
S. Hodges	c	Mitchell	
Jones	r. g.	Been	
Pringle	l. g.	Smithdeal	

The junior-prep game was also rather one sided. The preps again were unable to score while their opponents scored 15 points. Johnson, who played center in the first half, played forward in the second, and landed five field goals during this short time of play. Lassiter and Allen did some good guarding which prevented the opposing team from scoring.

Juniors		Preps	
C. Raiford	r. f.	P. Lowe	
Reynolds	l. f.	V. Tuttle	
A. Johnson	c	Hadley	
V. Farlow	c	Mitchell	
Lassiter	r. g.	Been	

In the game played by the freshmen and sophomores, the freshmen proved much the stronger. At no time during the game did the sophomores show themselves equal to the freshmen in speed and strength. Some of the sophomores have not been out for regular practice and could not play consistently during a whole game. Ione Lowe deserves most credit in the scoring line. She scored seventeen points for the freshmen.

Freshmen		Sophomores	
I. Lowe	r. f.	Clodfelter	
McBane	l. f.	G. Tuttle	
Edmund	c	Holder	
I. White	c	Ragsdale	
Pringle	r. g.	M. Tyson	
Jones	l. g.	Watkins	