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STUDENT BODY AT OPENING LARGEST IN HISTORY OF COLLEGE

INITIAL CHAPEL SERVICE INTRODUCES PASTORS OF CITY

Meredith College had its opening day for the year 1924-25 on Friday September 12. The pastors of the various churches of the city were introduced, but Dr. A. Faul Bagby, pastor the Wake Forest Baptist Church, was the speaker of the day. His talk was very impressive and inspirational. However this was not the only treat of the morning, Miss Eberhart and Miss Parsons sang for us. They sang beautifully, and we are glad to have such voices in our faculty. Naturally we sang the Alma Mater in closing. This was the first time the new members of our College community had heard it, and by the way I haven't told you about these new members.

There were ten changes in the faculty this year. They are as follows:

Miss Eva Belle Covington—Dean of Women.

Mr. H. Judson Perry—Education.

Miss Elizabeth Stueven—French.

Miss Emma Krause—German.

Miss Beth Carroll—Assistant to Dean of Women and part time English.

Miss Susie Herring—Mathematics and Education.

Miss Katherine Armstrong—Piano.

Miss Emily Parsons—Soprano voice.

Miss Constance Eberhart—Contralto voice.

Miss Harriet Wakeman—Violin.

There are one hundred and thirty-five new girls, that is, they were new; the newness is about worn off now. We have twenty new town girls who are taking regular college courses. Of all the new girls about half a dozen are juniors and equally as many sophomores.

But to return to my subject—class-work began in dead earnest the next day, Saturday. Oh, it was hard after such a glorious vacation, but of course it will all work out for the best.

FIRST Y. W. A. SERVICE OF YEAR IN CHAPEL

B. Y. P. U. LEADER OF NORTH CAROLINA ADDRESSES Y. W. A.

At six o'clock Sunday evening the girls assembled for the first Y. W. A. service of the school year. The devotional exercises were conducted by the president, Annabelle Abbott. After a pageant showing the value of the Y. W. A. in the college girls life was given, Miss Kellam, the leader of Baptist young people in North Carolina talked on the Standards of the Y. W. A. The inspiring message of Miss Kellam brought out the aims of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, and gave each girl a vision of the duties and opportunities that were hers as a member of this organization.

MEREDITH GUESTS OF CHURCHES OF CITY CHURCHES OF RALEIGH ENTERTAIN STUDENTS WITH SOCIAL ON FRIDAY EVENING

We of Meredith who enjoyed the hospitality of the respective churches of Raleigh last Friday evening wish most heartily to express our appreciation for the enjoyable occasion that each of us experienced.

This year a new custom was inaugurated; all the churches entertained at the same time, this cutting off any ambitious individuals who had designs on attending them all in turn. Although a large contingent from Meredith went to each social, Pullen Church probably drew the greatest number, there being at least two trolley cars full. The former reputation of Pullen as a social center was probably the reason for the large attendance. Many State College boys, both old and new, were present.

The other churches from all reports were quite as successful with their social functions as Pullen Memorial. The Tabernacle, the First Baptist, and Edenton Street Methodist churches each entertained for the colleges of the city from eight to ten o'clock. Each reception, of course, was different, with various forms of entertainment but it is not entertainments themselves that we appreciate most; it is the people of the churches with their radiant and cheerful cordiality. It was not uncommon on Saturday morning at Meredith to hear the exclamations "Oh Yes—I had a wonderful time. I felt so much at home." So again may we express to those who have been so thoughtful of us our sincerest thanks for a most delightful and merry evening.

SUNSHINE ON INSIDE IF RAIN ON OUTSIDE CONTINUED RAIN HARD ON FRESHMEN

Jupiter Pluvius has evidently gone to sleep and left the spigot of his watering cart turned on. The mettle of the class of '28 has been well prove by the fact that so few of them have packed their brand new wardrobe trunks and beat it home to Mommer, for nothing could be more depressing than the combination unfamiliar surroundings and ceaseless cold, slow rain. Even this has apparently been a blessing of a sort, for it gave opportunity for the wearing of bright yellow slickers by the young men who visited the city during the past week end. And then there are those who are none too eager to keep inviolate that commandment which charges us to remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. It is so much easier to sleep in one's own bed than in church!

SEND IN YOUR NEWS

If you have a bit of news,

Send it in;

Or a fact that will enthuse,

Send it in;

A story that is true,

An incident that is new,

We want to hear from you—

Send it in.

Never mind about the style

If the news is worth the while

It may help to cause a smile,

Send it in!

—Selected.

NEW DEAN OF WOMEN GIVES CHAPEL TALK

MISS COVINGTON ADDRESSES GIRLS FOR FIRST TIME

Any dynamic, developing organization sees many changes, nor is Meredith an exception to the rule; there are, and must be changes—the process of evolving to something higher so to speak. Yet amidst the changes which have come there lingers the custom of giving over to the students and the Dean of Women, the Wednesday morning chapel period. It is during this time that the Dean, who is not merely an automatic, or mechanical giver of permissions but a helper and assistant in every phase of student activity, and students may come in closer, more intimate contact. Indeed it is her perhaps that the Dean may find one of her broadest fields of influence and inspirations, so it is with keenest appreciation of what it means to them that the students, give a welcome to Miss Covington, who is to be the Dean for the coming year.

The inspirational talk, at the first of the Wednesday morning exercises brought to mind the opportunities which face the girl who is entering or living in a college community. Using Jesus as the highest and best examples of him who fulfills his opportunities, Miss Covington spoke of the different ideals or goals which each person may set for himself. "Jesus sought men as some seek money or popularity. He was not a sight seer, merely; if he knew some one was fighting a particularly hard battle or was under some great pressure, he took a route that would interest him."

From these observations, she showed the truth that "we find in this world just about what we are looking for," asking the students to stop and consider their own aims as they lived in the college halls. She expressed the desire that each one might realize and answer the many calls for sympathy and help as they lived at Meredith together. "Know then," was her injunction, "that the sacred writer could find no higher tribute than, 'Jesus of Nazareth went about doing good.'" Her last words might well be taken by each girl as her aim.

"If you sit down at set of sun
And count the things that you have done
And counting find one self-denying deed
One word that eased the heart of him who heard
One glance, most kind, that fell like sunshine where it went
Then you may count that day well spent."

INTERESTING SERVICE IN CHAPEL WEDNESDAY

DR. HARRIS ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO DO MORE READING

Our Wednesday morning chapel services are a source of real interest as well as inspiration to us.

Last Wednesday Dr. Harris, announced that the English faculty had selected a list of books from the library, and had chosen a certain number for the members of each class to read if any wished to attain honorable mention

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JOINT PROGRAM OF SOCIETIES MUCH ENJOYED BY STUDENTS

STUDENT CONFERENCE TO MEET AT N. C. C. W.

BAPTIST STUDENTS WILL MEET IN GREENSBORO

The Baptist student conference which met in Raleigh last spring is to be held in Greensboro, this year for three days, October 10th, 11th, and 12th. Much interest is being aroused throughout the State in this most worth-while event and a delegation of 300 students is expected by the Forest Avenue Baptist church. There are from 25 to 50 students expected from the University alone.

There is no limit set on the number of delegates and it is hoped that Meredith will be well represented. Entertainment will be on the Harvard plan—bed and breakfast free. The only cost necessary will be transportation, registration fee of one dollar, and other meals than breakfast.

All who were present at the meeting of the student conference in Raleigh last spring will remember the inspiring talks and delightful social occasions which distinguished it. The lecturers were all prominent workers, each in his own field, and the conference proved a rare treat in every way to those who attended it. "Pharaoh's Army" will be remembered by any delegate to last year's convention, and it is probable that these and many more will be at Greensboro, although the prospect of so many guests makes us glad that we are not to be hostesses to this year's student conference. However that may be, we all like to be entertained. Come on, girls, let's go!

WELCOME TO NEW DEAN OF WOMEN AT MEREDITH

MISS EVABELLE COVINGTON COMES FROM N. C. C. W. TO MEREDITH

"The old order changeth, giving place to the new." While there are many to whom we said good bye with sadness last year, knowing that they could not be with us thru the days that are to come, and while these same ones will not be forgotten, there are new friends who have come in our midst, taking up the work of those who have gone and who will endear themselves to us. It is to those that The Twig is expressing gladness and happiness for their coming. All the new members of the faculty we are glad to have with us. But, especially does The Twig give sincerest welcome to our new Dean of Women, Miss Covington, our Dean who is with us in all trials and troubles, pleasures and happiness, who comes in such close contact with the entire student body. She it is who will greatly help to mould the girls, who will, with her influence, keep the college family living a happy, useful life. To her the Twig in behalf of the student body, extends heartiest welcome and utmost cooperation, trusting that with her to lead, the year will be one of the happiest and best.

Nor, as we greet new friends do we forget the old ones who remain a part with us. We are glad that they have stayed with us and are to continue our helpers and guides.

SOCIETIES HONOR NEW STUDENTS WITH CLEVER PROGRAM

"Of which society are you a member?" This was the question last Saturday evening. Hitherto, there has been no joint entertainment for the new girls, other than the annual social given for them, but this year, the whole college spent an interesting hour witnessing a delightful display of talent from the Astrotekton and Philaretian Literary Societies. Much ability and originality was shown in the amusing stunts given that evening, thus creating a vital interest among the members to be.

During the first period the Astrotekton Society presented "The Lamentable Tragedy of Julius Caesar," which was indeed a melodramatic affair. Surely Caesar himself could not have refrained from laughter had he seen the ludicrous costumes and the humorous action of the characters. All the speeches were sung with untold expression and Marc Antony tearfully delivered his famous address to the soft tones of Long Long Ago.

Until the very last scene, as the curtain was drawn upon the four survivors, the triumvirate with Caesar's ghost in their midst, the audience listened sympathetically and appreciatively. Now it was certain that all the Freshmen would have joined the Astrotekton Society had they been given their chance, but as they discovered there was still more to follow.

CHARACTERS

Julius CaesarMargaret Overton

BrutusAnnie Harris

Triumviri

Mark AntonyMargaret Blackstock

Octavius CaesarGeneva Benthall

Mark LepidusVirginia White

Conspirators

CassiusRuth Janet Sykes

CascaElizabeth Purnell

TreboniusRachel Wilkinson

PindarusVirgie Harville

Cato

SoothsayerRuby Harville

Calphurnia (wife of Caesar) Margaret Cone Tucker.

Portia (wife of Brutus).....Katherine Shields.

ACT I

Scene 1—Street in Rome. The conspirators gather together and plot against Caesar. Caesar is offered the crown three times by Mark Anthony.

Scene 2—Evening of same day. The lot thickens.

ACT II

Scene 1—Brutus' garden. Brutus resolves to be the man of bloody murder.

Scene 2—Caesar's house. Despite the advice of Calphurnia and his friends Caesar determines to go to the Senate.

ACT III

Before the Capitol. Here the comical tragedy occurs, after which Marc Anthony eloquently harrangues the crowd.

ACT IV

Room in Anthony's house. The triumvirate declares revenge for the death of Caesar.

ACT V

Plains of Philippi. With "Much Ado About Nothing" "thus ends our little play, in battle array."

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