

Alumnae Supplement to The Twig

MEREDITH COLLEGE, RALEIGH, N. C., SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1945

Luncheon Proves Gala Occasion

Winnie Rickett Pearce
Excels As Toastmaster
At Annual Event

The annual luncheon of the Alumnae Association was held in the dining hall immediately following the Association meeting on June 2, 1945. Winnie Rickett Pearce, '25, served as toastmaster for the occasion, which was attended by approximately three hundred alumnae and friends of the College.

Following the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the assembled group, the toastmaster made a short speech of welcome and introduced the special guests for the occasion. These included President and Mrs. Campbell; Miss Anna M. Baker, Dean of Women; Foy Johnson Farmer, '07, the speaker of the morning and an alumnae trustee; Marguerite Mason Wilkins, '30, president of the Association; Miss Beatrice Donley, head of the department of voice, who sang at the morning session; Mr. Satterfield, field representative of the College, and Mrs. Satterfield; Mr. Hadcock, director of the Expansion Program, and Mrs. Hadcock; Dr. J. Rufus Hunter, past president and present member of the board of trustees; Mr. R. N. Simms, member of the board of trustees, and Mrs. Simms (Virgie Egerton, '04); Mabel Claire Hoggard Maddrey, '28, and Maude Davis Bunn, '10, alumnae trustees; Mrs. Charles E. Brewer; Miss Mary Shannon Smith, former professor of history in the College; Mr. J. G. Boomhour, former dean of the College, and Mrs. Boomhour; Miss Mary Hanchette, instructor in piano in the College and sponsor for the Senior Class; Miss Helen Price, professor of Latin and Greek, and Miss Annie White, former house director. Other guests included the resident members of the college faculty.

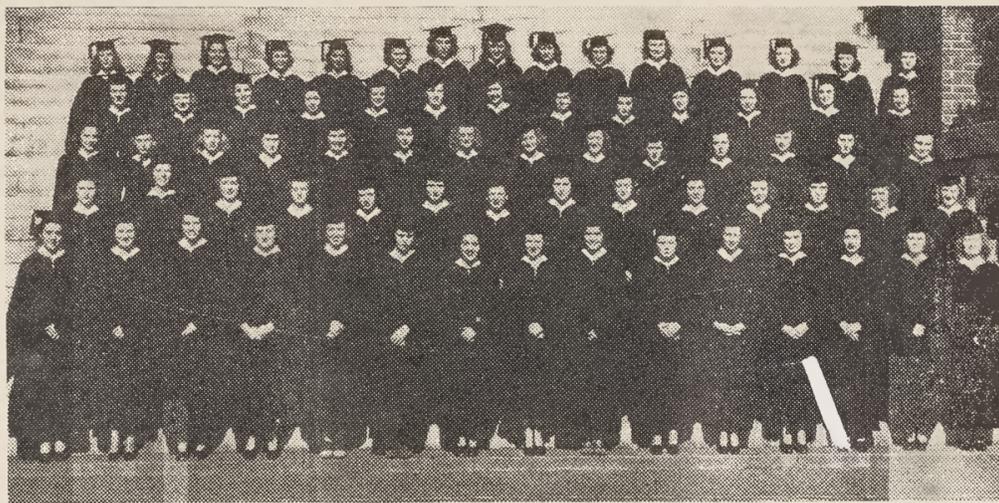
The Class of 1945 was inducted into the Association with the traditional ceremony, and Rachel Strole, president, presented the class doll to be added to the alumnae collection.

The recognition of reunion classes, under the direction of Ellen Brewer, '18, took the form of conferring the degree of LL.D. (Loyal Loving Daughters) on a representative of each class. Marguerite Mason Wilkins read the citation and recipients of degrees were hooded with appropriate ceremonies. The citation read as follows:

Because of your love and loyalty to your Alma Mater, and in recognition of your reunion year, by authority of the Alumnae Association and upon recommendation of Father Time and Mae Grimmer, I confer upon you the LL.D. degree (Loyal, Loving Daughters) and declare you entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto (even to the paying of your Loyalty Fund and continuing your active membership in the Association year by year—yea, even to the sending

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GRADUATES OF 1945 JOIN RANKS OF ALUMNAE



Many Gifts Presented By Loyal Alumnae

Many tangible expressions of love came to Meredith on Alumnae Day, June 2, 1945. The gifts included books, pictures, a silver vase, a mirror, bonds, and money.

Two original hand-colored bird prints, mounted and framed by the late Catherine Moseley Love, were presented by the Class of 1935, of which Mrs. Love was president until her death in 1943. The prints came into the possession of the class through the kindness of their late president's mother, Mrs. H. A. Moseley of Warrenton, N. C.

The Class of 1920, honoring their silver anniversary, gave a silver vase to the College. Madge Daniels Barber, permanent president of the class made the presentation. She also presented to the Association a mahogany gavel, made by students of the high school in which she teaches in Ardmore, Pennsylvania.

Books received totaled six; two from the Philadelphia Chapter of Meredith Alumnae, one from the Class of 1909, and three from the Class of 1920. One of these volumes was given in memory of three deceased members of the Class of 1920.

The Class of 1935, observing their tenth anniversary, presented two twenty-five dollar bonds purchased with special tenth anniversary gifts from the members.

The youngest alumnae group, the Class of 1945, made two presentations: a class doll for the alumnae collection and a donation of twenty-five dollars to the Ida Poteat Loan Fund.

From the Alumnae Association, the College received the mirror, presented to the faculty for the Faculty Parlor. The Association also contributed \$2,100 to the Swimming Pool Fund, increasing to \$7,000 the total given by the organization for this purpose.

Association Will Edit Supplement

Eight Issues to Carry Alumnae News and Views

The Alumnae Supplement to the Twig, which appears for the first time with this issue, is the outgrowth of the resolution passed at the last annual meeting of the Alumnae Association "that the alumnae sponsor a supplement to the Twig, in lieu of a Bulletin." The publication, to be prepared by an alumnae staff, will appear eight times during the college year and will be mailed with the Twig to all alumnae.

The Supplement represents an intermediate step between the alumnae columns of former years and the independent alumnae magazine which the Association hopes to publish in the near future. The aim will be to keep alumnae informed on matters of interest at the college and on news of Meredith alumnae and friends wherever they are. The staff will accept responsibility for the former, but alumnae cooperation will be needed in supplying items of interest concerning individual alumnae and friends.

Features which will appear regularly in the Supplement will include a message from the president of the Association, a report on the progress of the Loyalty Fund, a calendar of events at the College, and the usual news of chapter meetings, marriages, births, and deaths. Subsequent issues will carry also a column of class notes, featuring each time a selected group of the reunion classes. Requests will be made for information for this column, and alumnae are urged to cooperate by sending the desired details and pictures as promptly as possible. The staff will welcome suggestions for features and news articles and will solicit aid from alumnae in the preparation of such material.

The committee for editing the Supplement, appointed by the president of the Association, is composed of Norma Rose, '36, chairman; Mary Lynch Johnson, '17; Eleanor Edwards Williams, '37; and Ione Kemp Knight, '43.

Executive Committee Meets At College

The first meeting of the Executive Committee of the Meredith College Alumnae Association for 1945-46 was held Friday, September 21, in the alumnae office at the College. Eleven members of the committee were present.

In the course of a business session several decisions concerning events in which alumnae will be interested were made. The complete calendar will be found elsewhere in this issue, but attention should be called especially to Meredith Week, October 8 to 15; Homecoming Day, set for Stunt Day, October 27 or November 3; and Founders' Day, which will be observed this year on November 9 instead of the traditional first Friday in February. The president was requested to appoint a committee to handle details of a radio broadcast to be sponsored by the Association on that day.

Committee chairmen reported progress on the various projects under way, and after some discussion a motion was carried that inasmuch as the Association had realized \$124.87 from the coupon and magazine projects last year, both of these should be continued another year.

President Campbell, speaking to the group, brought a gratifying report on enrollment, faculty additions, and other such matters. His statement that there was definite hope that the building program would be started by next spring was particularly welcome news.

Following the meeting, the officers were guests of the College for a cafeteria luncheon in the dining hall.

Alumnae Hold Annual Meeting

Foy Johnson Farmer
Speaks On Meredith
College and the W.M.U.

The annual meeting of the Meredith College Alumnae Association was held Saturday morning, June 2, 1945, in the Astrotekton Hall. Marguerite Mason Wilkins, president, was in charge of the meeting, which consisted of usual committee reports, recommendations of the Executive Committee, and the morning address by Foy Johnson Farmer, '07, of Raleigh.

Reports were given by the chairmen of the various committees. Mary Yarbrough reported an increase of approximately \$500 in the Ida Poteat Loan Fund. Jane Greene reported for the Bulletin Committee. In the absence of Bernice Kelly Harris, Chairman of the Friends of the Library, reference was made to a printed report of gifts to the library and the commission on magazine subscriptions for the year. Displayed in the hall was a maroon and white chain of names, prepared by the Loyalty Fund Chairman, Lois Stafford Kelly, each of the seven hundred links in the chain representing an active alumnae. Reba Parker Hooks, reporting for the committee, announced the addition of twenty-eight Life Members during the year. The hope was expressed that before the end of the year the 30 per cent active membership goal would be reached.

Mae Grimmer, Executive Secretary and Treasurer, reported on the financial status of the Association, the addition of nine new chapters, and the progress of the Expansion Program. She presented also the recommendations of the Executive Committee, which were accepted unanimously by the Association. Among these was the recommendation that each alumna should redouble her efforts in behalf of the Expansion Program. It is hoped that the goal of \$565,000 soon will be reached. In the coming year all are to continue to help with the student enrollment, as well as strive to reach the goal of 40 per cent for active membership in the Association. Replacing the Bulletin, a supplement to the Twig is to be published during the coming year. Authorization was also given for a survey, conducted by means of a questionnaire, for determining the occupations of all alumnae.

Margaret Craig Martin, '30, Chairman of the Hospitality Committee reported that approximately two hundred had registered, and that Kathryn Privott Sledge, '35, held the distinction of having come the longest distance, from Gadsden, Alabama. Bringing the largest number of coupons were Madge Daniels Barber, '20, and Ophelia Johnson Nance, '20, both of Pennsylvania.

Blanche Burke Satterfield announced the results of the competitive ballot for officers for 1945-1947. (A complete list of the officers may

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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Marguerite Mason Wilkins

"Every day in every way, Meredith gets better and better." Especially do I say this to myself (if not aloud) every fall as I return to the campus to witness the beginning of another school year. Fresh paint in halls and rooms makes us conscious that Mr. Zeno Martin, college bursar, and others have been busy through the summer, improving the physical appearance of Meredith. Perhaps there will be new buildings by next fall. We certainly hope so!

New faces among the faculty remind us that Dr. Campbell and the Board of Trustees have been marvelously successful not only in meeting the demands of the new day, but also in upholding the high academic standards of the American Association of Universities and other accrediting agencies. Every year we miss more and more those faculty members "long loved and lost." Meredith grows in appreciation for those founders and faculty members who laid well the foundation for today. The trustees in a beautiful and fitting way at their July meeting presented gifts of silver to those living who have served the College twenty-five years or more. Those so honored were J. Gregory Boomhour, former dean of the College, who joined the staff in 1904; Mrs. Gertrude Royster Sorrell, former head of the department of physical education, 1905; Dr. L. E. M. Freeman, professor of religion, 1910; Catherine Allen,

former head of the department of modern languages, 1917; Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson, associate professor of English, 1918; Ellen Brewer, head of the department of home economics, 1919; Lattie Rhodes, secretary to the president, 1920; S. G. Riley, head of the department of history and government, 1920; and Dr. Ernest F. Canady, head of the department of mathematics, 1920. Recognition was accorded also to six members of the board of trustees who have served for more than twenty-five years: Dr. James Yaddin Joyner of LaGrange and R. N. Simms of Raleigh, since 1902; W. A. Thomas of Statesville, 1910; W. H. Weatherspoon of Raleigh, 1917; Mrs. S. J. Everett of Greenville, 1918; and Dr. Z. M. Caveness of Raleigh, 1919. Two servants of the college who have served more than twenty-five years, Catherine Evans and Will Nichols, were presented with purses.

The large number of new students each year makes us realize that Meredith is growing as the years go by. Doesn't it sound wonderful to hear Dr. Campbell say that Meredith is full—even guest rooms and practice house? There is a waiting list, signifying that Meredith offers the type of education which the girls of today want. They want mental acumen, practical knowledge, and skills—yes! But they also want inner strength for the Atomic Age. All this can be found in a Christian college like Meredith.

LOYALTY CHAIRMAN REPORTS

Margaret Craig Martin

Now that the new year is under way and we turn our thoughts from summer to the pleasant things of fall, please tie a little string to your finger so that it will remind you to send that \$2 or \$2 (plus) to Mae Grimmer for the Loyalty Fund. Just in case some of you still don't know, the "Loyalty Fund" is our name for alumnae dues or that little amount which keeps you an active member in our ever increasing organization.

You will be delightfully surprised to know how much we have grown in "active" membership during the last few years—from a mere 15 per cent to 30 per cent and now this year our goal is 40 per cent. We can reach this if we get that "early bird" habit which will eliminate the last minute spurt.

Did you know that we gave the College \$2,100 last year to be added to the Swimming Pool Fund? Let's have a great deal more than that this year. From all reports, we'll have some dreams in the process of realization when spring comes again.

Watch this active membership Chain of Names grow: Annie Sarah Barkwell Abbott, Lillian Horton Ammons, L.M., Mary Farrow Baker, Madge Daniels Barker, L.M., Hildreth Squires Barnes, L.M., Virginia Anne Craver Barnett, Marguerite Harrison Berry, L.M., Lois Arnette Bliss, L.M., Ruby Harville Boyles, L.M., Ellen Brewer, L.M., Lida Page Bridges, L.M., Margaret Bright, L.M., Anne Ashcraft

Brooks, L.M., Clarice Holder Bryan, Dr. Blanche Tabor Burchard, L.M., Mary Louise Huffman Cornwell, L.M., Martha C. Dail, L.M., Elizabeth Dark, '45, Elva Wall Davis, L.M., Annie D. Denmark, L.M., Lullie Dickson, L.M., Janie Parker Dixon, L.M., Lillian Draughan, L.M., Ada Briggs Edgerton, L.M., Lois Edinger, '45, Fannie Memory Farmer, L.M., Foy Johnson Farmer, L.M., Minnie Farrow, Hester P. Farrow, Mirvine Garrett, L.M., Callie Dunlap Gibson, L.M., Eleanor Lilley Gobble, L.M., Bernice White Goodman, L.M., Juliette Loving Green, L.M., Jane Greene, L.M., Mae Grimmer, Mary Little Henley, L.M., Emma Byrum Hobbs, L.M., Bertha Carroll Hoyle, L.M., Frances Jones Jackson, L.M., Mary Lynch Johnson, L.M., Eunice Edmundson Johnston, L.M., Josephine Arnette Kendall, L.M., Ione Kemp Knight, Katherine Nooe Knox, L.M., Dr. Bessie Lane, L.M., Sophie Lanneau, L.M., Evelyn Squires Lloyd, L.M., Margaret Pope McIntyre, L.M., Betsy McMillan, '45, Leila Memory McMillan, L.M., Ann Bradsher Martin, L.M., Juanita Arnette Matthews, L.M., Louise Mays, L.M., Odessa Arnette Memory, L.M., Ethel English Moyers, L.M., Hattie Sue Hale Newcomb, L.M., Sarah Nooe, L.M., Sophronia Jordan Nordan, Phyllis Mays Nottingham, L.M., Mae McMillan Olive, L.M., Kate Johnson Parham, L.M., Rosa Paschal, L.M., Rosa Hocutt Powell, L.M., Evelyn

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1945-1946

Chapter Presidents' Meeting,
October 6.

Meredith Week, October 8-15.

Founders' Day, November 9.

Council Meeting, November
10. Also Palio and Stunt
Night.

Alumnae Luncheon during
Baptist State Convention,
November 13-15, in Raleigh.

Alumnae Luncheon during
W.M.U. Convention, March
12-14, in High Point.

May Day.

Commencement, May 31-June
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Alumnae Day, Saturday, June
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