



PHIDO SAYINGS

"Gather round! Hear all about it!"
 Phido seems to have changed character again to meet the necessity of a barker for the coming Phi Carnival.
 "Step right up! Join the crowd! *Everybody's* coming!"
 Numerous side shows will keep everyone entertained. Prizes are to be awarded for the best booth and there will be contests for all "carnival-goers" to test their skill in winning various little prizes.
 "The greatest show on earth, make sure you're here on the night of February 23. Hurry, hurry, hurry! Don't miss any of the fun or the show in the Big Top!"
 Congratulations to all you Phis on the Dean's list and also to you newly-pinned and ringed gals.—Phido. —Beth Morgan.

Students Model in Club Fashion Show

The February meeting of the Home Economics Club afforded guests and members a look at what will be the vogue in campus fashions this spring. Ensembles of skirts, blouses, and suits for casual and social wear were shown. The craftsmanship evidenced was the work of skilled fingers, guided by Miss Jennie Hanyan, associate professor in the department.
 The pace-setters modeling their own creations were Sarah Dale, Janis Witherington, Beth Morgan, Louise Stephens, Jane Williamson, Shirley Graham, Pat Tucker, Dot Prickett, Millie Green, Martha Kennedy, Nettie Massengill, Dot Briggs, Vera Humphreys, Mary Jean Wilson, and Nell Garrell.
 Also modeling were Charlotte Wiggins, Shirley West, Jane Luther, Mattie Lou Lee, Virginia Rodwell, Janet Tatum, Lois Johnson, and Mary Jo Shaw. Sylvia Currin, president of the club, introduced these models and described the various costumes. Jamie Perry, as pianist, provided the proper atmosphere throughout the per-



STAR GAZINGS

Valentine Day has lost much of its significance to many people of today. Its true meaning has become entangled in a jumble of comic greetings and practical jokes. This holiday is celebrated in honor of St. Valentine, who, according to legend, was so loved by everybody, even the animals of the forest, that when he was thrown into prison by a cruel king, a tiny bird flew into his dark cell with a gift of a green leaf to remind him of the beauty and love for him that still existed in the world beyond the damp prison walls.
 Such a deep love as the people felt for this martyr could never have been won by thoughtful actions and sweet words said on just one day out of the entire year. Did you stop to think of that during the past Valentine Day? Why not give St. Valentine's plan a trial, and live each day as if it were the fourteenth of February.
 —Carolyn Little.

Cost of Living Strains Meredith Budget Items

By ROSALYN POOLE
 One of the first questions asked about nearly everything now is "What does it cost?" The question, it seems, is most pertinent about education today. After checking with the college bursar, Mr. Martin, this reporter found what each girl here probably knows very well, that the total cost per student at Meredith is \$650 per year: \$250 in tuition and \$400 for room and board.
 Beginning with next year the cost will be raised to \$700, since the cost of living has risen and continues to rise. Since September, food costs have gone up at least 10 per cent on some items and as much as 25 per cent on others. Each item of maintenance, reported Mr. Martin, has advanced from 10 per cent to 50 per cent, and in one case 100 per cent.
 The rotunda was appropriately decorated with greenery and fashion posters.

A part of each student's costs at Meredith is being paid for by the state Baptist Convention. Last year, the total income of the college was \$433,000; of this amount 14 per cent was paid by the Baptist Convention, and the

remainder by endowments and by students. Meredith's budget cost is relatively low in comparison with schools of similar size and financial organization. At Peace the cost per student is \$700; at

Limestone College, \$800; at Queens, \$880; at Wake Forest, \$900; at Converse, \$1,050; at Agnes Scott, \$1,200; at Mary Baldwin, \$1,200; at Salem, \$1,090; at Randolph-Macon, \$1,200; and at St. Mary's, \$1,050.

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