



Five majors in the business department at Meredith spent a day recently in Miller and Rhoads department store in Richmond, Virginia. Shown in the store above are, left to right, front row, Jeanette Atkins, Miss Martha Hill, and Evelyn Barden. On the back row, left to right, are Beth Boggs, Ann McRackan, Marilyn Hunt, and Mrs. Powell, training representative of the store.

Retailing Students Spend Day in Richmond Department Store

By Beth Boggs

Amid semi-darkness and misting rain on a recent Saturday morning, five sleepy retailing students climbed "aboard" Miss Hill's car heading for Richmond, Virginia. Since the hour was 5:00 a. m. we had a difficult time recognizing each other—Jeanette Atkins, Evelyn Barden, Beth Boggs, Marilyn Hunt, and Ann McRackan, but there was a spirit of joviality in the air that was to continue all day.

As guests of Miller and Rhoads department store for the day we were cordially received and entertained. Mrs. Powell, training representative, took us first on an extensive tour of the store—from the basement where packages are wrapped for delivery to the specialty hat shop where hats are designed to order, and then to the bridal shop. One of the most interesting facts that she pointed out to us was that it takes an average of \$4,000.00 to outfit a bride of today. The tour gave us an intimate picture of "behind the scenes," work and we were able to see how many different things enter into making a department store click.

Another highlight of the day was the two fashion shows of

the latest in spring attire, one and the other by Miller and Rhoads itself. During the modeling, amid "oh's" and "ah's" of admiration, we each secretly planned our "ideal" spring wardrobe and picked up tips for re-styling last spring's frocks, too.

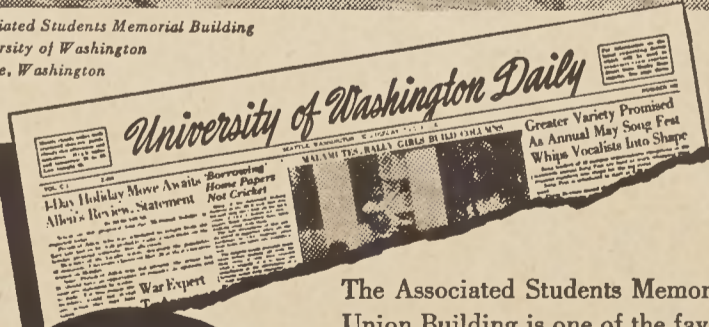
After a delicious luncheon in the tea room of the store, several of us talked to the store's

assistant employment manager about permanent employment after graduation in merchandising, personnel, and stenographic capacities.

The afternoon flew by as each of us "shopped" Richmond, for necessities as well as ideas, and when we drove onto highway No. 1 heading southward around 5 o'clock that evening, we were bedraggled, especially our feet, but happy and enthusiastic. We laughed all the way home as we compared notes and "mishaps." Although we did not have to the infirmary recuperate as did last year's group, we had a wonderful time!



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FROM THE MUSIC WORLD



By JANE SLATE

Concertos, sonatas, scherzos, compositions of every type—for this is the time of the year for "butterflies" for some of the seniors in the music department, a time when the labors and efforts of the last three and one-half years are brought together in a mighty display of talent. I could be speaking of none other than the forthcoming graduation recitals. The first of these recitals is to be given tonight by Marion Winston who, I am certain, will give all her listeners quite a thrill. Hope you all will be there to enjoy it. The next in line is "Brownie" Swann who will give her recital on March 16, a week from tonight. We also look forward to this program with great anticipation. There are others to be heard also, but I will be sure and keep you posted far enough ahead of time so you can make plans to

attend. Recitals during the remainder of the year are the ones by Bettie Compton, Jean Olive, Jane Stroup, Dot Allen (B. M.) and the combined recital of the public school majors. I personally guarantee that you will enjoy everyone of them.

If there has ever been a lecture on the campus of Meredith that no one minded being required to attend, I am certain it was that of E. Power Biggs. Mr. Biggs is considered to be one of the best organists of the day and certainly proved it to our student body, with no questions in mind, when he gave his two brilliant recitals on March 6. Of course I couldn't be at both recitals but reports seem to indicate that both programs were played with equal vigor and enthusiasm, even though one was a repeat of the other. I am sure that we all agree that we hope Mr. Biggs will see fit to visit us again in the very near future.

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