

CONSUMER ECONOMICS CLASS MAKE FIELD TRIP; HEAR ALEX PERPEN

The consumer economics class has been active this year in getting out and putting the course to practical use. On one field trip several startling facts were uncovered. The members of the class met at the bus stop one Saturday morning, and, armed with pencils and paper, boarded the bus to count the business outlets on the two and a half miles of Hillsboro Street between the city limits and the Capitol. They found twenty-four—(count 'em!)—twenty-four restaurants and eating places. Besides these outlets for prepared food, there are nine grocery stores. There is no need for going hungry on Hillboro Street!

There should be no problem about running out of gas—nineteen filling stations are competing for your business. If you are particular about your brand, five of the stations sell the same products at a range from 28.9 cents to 32.5 cents per gallon of regular gas. How do these facts relate to a course in con-

sumer economics? What are the implications of this status of over competition? This trip helped to whet the curiosity of these economic students.

"Bringing the consumer the most value for his money is our policy," Alex Perper, representative of Sears Roebuck, told the consumer economics class Saturday in his talk about merchandising policies and the consumer interest.

In the discussion after the talk, so many questions were asked that Mr. Perper was asked to come back again. At the next class meeting, he answered questions about any phase of the Sears organization. Of particular interest were his remarks about the job opportunities and advancements open to women college graduates.

Mr. Perper is a graduate of the School of Textiles at State College. He also received his Master's Degree and taught at State.

Andrew White Gives Views on Singing; College Girls Are His Favorite Audience

The two awed but eager representatives of THE TWIG stood trembling before Mr. Andrew White, concert artist, until he revealed the fact that he was a "Southern Alabamian" and son of a Baptist minister. Having established this mutual bond, the reporting novices began questioning him about his past, present and future and were met with a response indicative of a vital and warm personality. His answers are well worth sharing.

"Progress is the test," declares Mr. White, concerning the varying techniques employed by instructors of voice. "Every individual will require a technique suited to his capacities," he further stated. Mr. White is well qualified to discuss voice instruction since his pupils at

Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, include both students and townspeople.

"A song is like a stage production. It must have meaning for the singer and tell the audience a story. Singing is the recreating of the composer's thought and idea." Thus says Mr. White concerning techniques of memorization. Again, he emphasizes the importance of individual differences. He likes to write the text of each of his songs several times to insure complete memorization. He also finds it helpful to hum the tune as he writes. His technique of memorization, then is to see the music, hear the music in relation to words, and write the words. He stresses the value and importance of the awareness at all



Hark, the Angels Sing

Leah Scarborough, Music Editor

"Hark! The Meredith angels shout! Eight more days and we'll be out." That seems to be about the most popular music about the Meredith campus right now as every angel counts the days till Santa Claus will come. In addition to the vigorous proclaiming of this encouraging song, there seem to be some other songs that are heard quite frequently also. Could it be those numbers for the chorus concert to be given Dec. 13? Rehearsals and more rehearsals! They seem to pop up from nowhere in never-ending succession, but for those hardy individuals who survive, the results will be worth the effort. It is encouraging to feel you know when to "come in" because that may prevent your singing in the concert one of those impromptu wrong-entrance solos that make trap doors in the risers so desirable. One value of re-

hearsals is quite evident also in the sense of personal accomplishment we feel. It is worth our time to be able to sing with a feeling of pride in achievement Britten's "Ceremony of the Carols." The Christmas concert of the chorus will this year in addition to its performance at Meredith be presented at Campbell College on December 15. In case you miss both of these performances, tune in on Christmas day to radio station WPTF for the annual broadcast by the chorus. Watch your newspaper for the time.

No Christmas is complete without caroling and neither is the last night before vacation at Meredith. As the buses carry us about the city, members of Sigma Alpha Iota will lead our carols. There'll be music in the air. As the poet expressed it: "Its melody, rhythm, harmony, Gloriously fill the air."

times of the accompaniment.

Mr. White, who is at ease before any audience, says that to no great degree has he ever been bothered by stage fright. He says rather, "The feeling is one of anticipation. What good would it do to worry?"

When asked if he had any favorite selections, Mr. White said, "No! I like 'em all!" He laughingly (and the reporters suspect amusedly) added that his favorite audience was one of college girls.

Mr. White discussed some aspects of membership in Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians of which he was formerly a member. "One must possess musical as well as vocal attributes. Members are chosen by audition and the competition is rigid."

"Any more questions?" asked Mr. White, and though Leah and Mutt might have listened all night, we meekly said, "Thank you" and left starry-eyed after our first interview with a celebrity.

MEREDITH STABLES SECURE NEW HORSE

Meredith acquired a new horse recently. His name is Beau Fortune's Boy, the first colt of Beau Fortune. He is a seven year old Chestnut gelding. Five-gaited, he has won ribbons in many shows in North Carolina. Mr. Max Watson of Spindale, North Carolina gave the college the horse. Mr. Watson's son has shown him in many places here in North Carolina and in Florida. The horse had been stabled in Simsonville, South Carolina.

PUBLICITY

Mrs. Harry Cooper is managing school publicity until the Christmas vacation.

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N. C. LITERARY AWARDS MADE; DR. ALLEN NEVINS SPEAKS

North Carolina's top literary awards were presented last Friday night at a meeting of the State Literary and Historical Association.

Mr. Le Gette Blythe of Huntersville and Dr. Mary T. Martin Sloop of Crossnore won the Mayflower Cup for their volume, *Miracle in the Hills*. Sir Walter Raleigh Award winners were Mrs. Frances Gray Patton of Durham and Mrs. Inglis Fletcher of Edenton. Mrs. Patton was awarded for her book *The Finer Things of Life*. Mrs. Fletcher was awarded for her contribution to Tar Heel literature through her series of historical novels dealing with North Carolina colonial and revolutionary times. The last in this series was *Queen's Gift*.

Dr. Allan Nevins, distinguished historian and professor of history at Columbia University was a high light at the Friday night session. His subject was "New Looks at American History." Dr. Nevins himself is a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner for his biographies of Grover Cleveland and Hamilton Fish. His *Ordeal of the Union* won the Scribner Centenary Prize and the Bancroft Prize for History.

Dr. Nevins suggested in his address that the time had come to reaccess — and rewrite — the recent history of our times.

Many Meredith students, especially history majors, were present and heard Dr. Nevins' address. Among them were Jinx Corbett, Doris Knott, Pat Loftin, Barbe White, Cathy Atkins, Salty Salter,

Pete Hampton, Phyllis Tribble, Jane Condrey, Nancy Brown, Charlotte Taylor, Betty E. Smith, Jean Journigan, Dot Hunt, Margaret McArthur, Bennie Farquanson, Dorothy Morgan, Ruth Barnes, Dee De da Parma, Eva Townsend, and Betty Griffin.

Dr. Alice Keith, as one of the vice-presidents of the association presided at a luncheon on Friday, Dec. 4. Dr. Wallace, Dr. Keith, and Dr. Lemmon are active in the work of the group.

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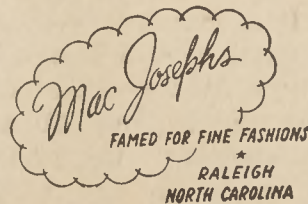
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B.S.U. NEWS

"Our Calling as Christians — to live as World Citizens"

On December 1, reports from the State B.S.U. headquarters indicated that about \$500 had been contributed by Baptist students throughout the state through the L-I-S-T-E-N campaign. Meredith students have given about one-fifth of this amount. Sylvia Deans, campus chairman, announces that the October offering was \$50.20 and the November total \$42.33 from this college community.

A council has been formed by representatives of the B.S.U.'s of Wake Forest College and Seminary, State College, Shaw, and Meredith. The council, which is called the Inter-Collegiate B.S.U. Council, has the purpose of creating better relations between the various campuses through joint projects.

The council plans to sponsor discussions, special programs, sharing times, and projects in which many students from the campuses may participate. The two Meredith representatives to the council are June Vann and Jennie Barbour. Our adviser is Dr. Leslie Syron.

Next week in vespers a demonstration Student Night program will be given. Mimeographed sheets of information that will be helpful to students who will be participating in Student Night programs in their home churches will be distributed there. Copies of the information may also be secured from the B.S.U. room.

On Friday night, December 4, the State College B.S.U. Council invited Meredith girls to a party at their cabin.

The prayer rooms on second Stringfield and second Brewer are both open now for use by the students. These rooms have recently been cleaned and painted.

November 30-December 4 was observed on the Meredith campus as the Week of Prayer for foreign missions. Special programs were presented each night at vespers on the theme "We Have Seen His Star" (missions over the world). The week culminated in the presentation of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which amounted to about \$70.

The program at the YWA general meeting on Wednesday, December 9, was presented by Miss Ivey and the children at the Baptist Goodwill Center.

On Saturday afternoon, December 5, the second B.S.U.-sponsored discussion was held. The discussion, which was on family relationships, was led by Floyd Moore of the Guild. (Continued on page six)

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