

COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE "QUITE WONDERFUL"

By Bess Peeler

College students today are "quite wonderful," according to Miss Rosa Paschal, who served as lady principal at Meredith from 1907 until 1919. They have their own ideas and know how to take responsibility. There is no reason to be pessimistic; since people are becoming more humanistic, the world is becoming a better place.

Miss Paschal and Miss Louise Fleming, our "lady principal" now, both agreed that looking after college girls is a 24-hour job, and a hard one at that. Both are Meredith graduates, Miss Paschal being a member of the first graduating class. She majored in mathematics and science, and her interest as a student was in the clubs and church activities. Miss Fleming, a history major, played basketball, was a member of the YWCA Council, and was interested in public affairs. After teaching mathematics here, Miss Paschal became a young dean of students and also dean of the college at the same time. Her last year here was Miss Fleming's freshman year, and she complimented Miss Fleming on being "one of the outstanding students" intellectually and socially.

You may be wondering about Miss Paschal's "lady principal" title. She had this title until one day when she announced that she was going to change her name, and from that time on Meredith had a dean instead of a lady principal.

No matter what their title, both have a special interest in college students. Miss Fleming states as her biggest problem the providing of settings which will help students to practice democratic living and to learn how to make decisions and accept the responsibility for their consequences. She also agreed with what Miss Paschal gave as her major goal: to develop an adequate philosophy of life within the students, which in itself takes care of the standards.



Pictured are Miss Rosa Paschal and Miss Fleming—both alumnae—both deans.

But wherever there is a college for young ladies, there will always be rules! When Meredith was very young, the college officials took it for granted that college girls were not capable of deciding when it was cold, and as a result they were required at stated times to wear long-sleeved shirts and high shoes! And just think of the inconvenience of having to sign up for the use of the bathtub and of having to dress for dinner every night. However, there have always been boys and there have always been dates; that is, provided it was a week-end night and you did not leave the campus without an adult chaperon! Juniors and seniors were especially lucky; they could leave the campus with a boy and a teacher even on week nights! One of the major pastimes of the girls was to walk around the block, with their boy friends either a few steps behind or a few steps in front of them.

I was almost on the point of denying that those were the "good ole days" when Miss Paschal reassured

me by saying that a typical breakfast then at Meredith was steak and sausage. Meals were family style three times a day, with negro waiters serving the tables.

If the girls came in late at night from home, they were met at the railroad station by the nightwatchman and given careful escort to the college. More time was given to student activities, especially on the week ends, because the lack of good transportation facilities made it hard for the girls to leave. One result was more college spirit than we have now. Societies were more important, although, according to Miss Fleming, rushing was "indirect and subtle."

Student government was introduced while Miss Paschal was here; the chief problem, she reports, was to get the students to accept the responsibility. Each spring students were invited to make suggestions for changes in the regulations. Miss Fleming, president of the S.G. her senior year, emphasized the fact that we are extremely lucky to have the traditions of S.G., which mean so much to its successful operation.

Miss Paschal retired last spring from teaching at Anderson College and now lives in an apartment in Raleigh. She devotes much time to decorating her apartment, reading, entertaining, and learning to cook.

Miss Fleming has done graduate work in several fields and is now registered as a student in guidance at Columbia University, where she is working toward her Ph.D.

few coins in the designated box in the Beehive.

Anne Horn won the badminton tournament, winning over Ruth Champion in the singles match. Anne teamed with Betty Vance to win over Ruth Champion and Joyce Burns in the doubles match.

The ping-pong tournament is now

Campbell, Maxwell, And Jackson Tapped Into Silver Shield

Silver Shield, the honorary leadership society at Meredith, each year recognizes from the senior and the junior classes those girls who have been outstanding in Christian character, constructive leadership, and scholarship. On February 25, three seniors — Gordie Maxwell, Caroline Jackson, and Jane Campbell—were tapped into the society during the chapel service.

Doris Allen, president, introduced the speakers by saying that there were three marks of a college leader—Christian character, service to the school, and scholarship. Speaking on these three subjects were Anne Clark, Bonny Morgan, and Lorette Oglesby, respectively.

Caroline Jackson, a Spanish major and member of the Phi Society, is president of the Senior Class, president of the Spanish Club, a member of the Tyner Education Club, and of the Freeman Religion Club. She was secretary of her class, swimming manager of the AA and sergeant-at-arms for the Phi Society during her junior year.

Jane Campbell has a double major in religion and education. A member of the Astro Society, she has been very active in BSU work, holding the offices of 2nd vice-president and treasurer and participating actively in Religious Focus Week. Jane, who appears in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, is a member of the May Court, Tyner Education Club, Freeman Religion Club, YWA, IRC, and the College Chorus. She also teaches a Sunday school class at Pullen Memorial Baptist Church.

Gordie Maxwell, a religion major, has been a freshman counselor for three years, a representative on the Student Government Council for one year, vice-president of the Freeman Religion Club during her junior year, and a member of Religious Focus Week committees every year. At the present time she is hall proctor on third Brewer, and a member of Freeman Religion Club, YWA, Granddaughters' Club, Phi Society.

S. G. MEET

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State University, Tallahassee, on March 19-20 as official delegates from Meredith.

The two rising seniors left Thursday night by train and will return Sunday night.

A report of the convention will be made after the delegates return.

under way. The Faculty is participating in this tournament and the winner of the Faculty singles will play the winner of the students.

ECONOMICS STUDENTS "INVEST" \$1,000,000 IN SHARES OF STOCK

What would you do with a million dollars? A million dollars is the total amount of money "spent" by the two sections of Economics 22 this semester. No, this money wasn't spent on houses and cars, dresses and coats; it was invested in actual stocks of various companies in the United States.

Each student was permitted to select at least six stock issues from the *Wall Street Journal*. A share of stock is a share in the ownership of a particular company. Everyone "purchased" 100 shares in each of the six companies selected, making a total of six hundred shares for each student. The two sections together "own" something over twenty-one thousand shares. Each share of stock is listed at a price which is called a quotation; the class keeps a daily record of the last price quoted for the stock. Sometime in April they will "sell" their stock and see if they

earned anything with the million-dollar investment.

The average "purchase" for six hundred shares for each student amounted to thirty thousand dollars. Of course, in two sections there are apt to be economically inclined individuals, and some who have inclinations in the opposite direction. For instance, in Economics 22a Sarah Pate "spent" only \$5,996.00 for her six hundred shares, and Kay Johnson "spent" but \$7,177. In Section-b, the lowest figure for 600 shares was \$5,737; Ruby Britt is the holder of this stock. The big spenders were Marion Trexler, who went through \$52,000.00 and Martha Ann Stockton, who blew \$53,000.00. But Mary Lou Moss really shot the works with a total expenditure of \$64,950.00! The April report will indicate how much the classes are worth. That worried look they have now is due to the fact that the stock market is falling.

B.S.U. NEWS

"Our Calling as Christians—to be Worthy of Friendship."

"Begin the day with God"—Because of the response it got from the students during Religious Focus Week, Morning Perspective is being continued for the rest of the school year. It is held in the Rotunda every morning, Monday through Saturday, from 8:10 to 8:25.

On Saturday, April 10, the BSU is sponsoring another intercollegiate discussion. The discussion will be held in the Hut; the topic will be "Our Calling as Learners."

During the month of February, Meredith students contributed \$30.67 to the LISTEN program. Of the total contributions received in the State BSU Office, \$625 has been used to purchase half a carload of dried milk for India.

March 29-31 the State College YMCA is sponsoring a discussion on "Marriage and the Family," to which Meredith students have been invited. Dr. Roy Dickerson, noted author and speaker, will lead the discussion, to be held at the State YMCA each night beginning at 8:00 p.m. State College students will arrange transportation to Meredith after the meetings.

Dr. J. Leo Garrett, professor from Southwestern Seminary, spent March 16 at the college talking with students who are preparing for full-time Christian service as a life work.

YWCA News

March 8-12 was observed by the YWA here as Home Missions Week of Prayer. During the week, Anne Tunstall, State BSU president and a new student at Meredith, taught the book, *Wake Up or Blow Up*, by Frank Laubach, during the regular Vesper hour. At the YWA meeting that week, Zoe Harmon told of her experiences working with the Home Mission Board last summer. On Friday night the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions was dedicated. The offering amounted to about \$35.00. This offering is used for mission work in the United States, particularly with migrants and foreign language speaking groups.

On April 14 the Shaw University YWA will present the program at the Meredith general YWA meeting. Dorothy Prickett is YWA president here, and Patricia Byrd is program chairman.

Any students with used Christmas cards are invited to leave them in the BSU room at once. The cards are in great demand by a missionary who uses them in work with the children in Brazil. The collection will be sent on very soon.

Forecasts: The Spring BSU Planning Conference will be held April 23, 24, and 25 at the Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte. The topic for the conference is "Our Baptist Heritage." Since registrations must be in by April 1, all interested students are urged to report to the BSU office early.

Any student who plans to attend Student Week at Ridgecrest, June 2-9, is asked to pay her \$2.00 registration fee as early as possible. Men and women students from colleges and universities throughout the Southeast will take part in this important annual event.

Home Economics

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president of the state club; Lela Melvin; Nancy McGinnis; Pat O'Quinn; and Jane Williamson Teague.

Official Meredith delegates to the convention are Evelyn Taylor and Patty Melvin.

REPORT ON RUSSIA

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How much popular support does he have? They said they think most Americans oppose him. They called him a fascist and an enemy of Russia. We were asked about the rights of Negroes in America, and why there were no Negroes in our group. We were asked about our political affiliation, and to define the difference between Democrats and Republicans. Our religion interested Soviet students, and at Kharkov University we were asked if we believe in God. When three members of our group said yes, the 300 Russian youths remained silent. When one said no, they applauded and cheered.

Even more disturbing to us than the Russians' misconceptions about the United States was the conformity of thought we found at colleges and universities—places we think of as centers of free discussion. We could ask the same question at every school—about Beria, Korea or anything else—and we would get the same answer every time. A student would answer and say he was speaking for all students of the Soviet Union. When we asked how he could speak for a student a thousand miles away, he would reply that all students have the same thoughts on important issues. Despite all the talks we had with students, we never could get on sufficiently intimate terms with any of them to determine if there were any dissenters. We talked to selected groups and individuals. But even had we wandered completely at random, there would have been a real reluctance on the part of Soviet citizens to disclose any rebellious thoughts to foreigners — especially Americans.

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A. A. NEWS

The "angels" and the "devils" played it out on the basketball court over at Duke, on Feb. 15. The Meredith girls won over Duke by a score of 38-24. Those playing were: forwards, May, Pace, Lovell, Johnson, E. Johnson, Grimes, and Guthrie; guards, the McRackans, Bailey, Allen, Bell and Keen. May collected 18 points for the winners.

On Feb. 26, the Meredith freshmen and sophomores played St. Mary's in a close game that ended in a 43-42 decision for the Meredith underclassmen. Those playing were: May, Johnson, E. Johnson, Wells, Guthrie, Keen, Pond, and Myers. May sank 31 points.

The Meredith basketball team, along with the Salem and Guilford College teams were guests of W. C. U. N. C. in Greensboro, for a play day on Feb. 27. Meredith lost to Salem by one point, and consequently took second place for the day. Those making the trip were Pace, Johnson, E. Johnson, Lovell, Myers, Bell, Keen, Bailey, Allen, and Wells.

Faircloth dorm emerged the winner of the round-robin basketball tournament. They lost only one game, which was to Brewer.

Meredith College will be host to the state meeting of the AFCW (athletic Federation of College Women) next year. Jean Pace, Jody Strickland, Ann Lovell and the McRackans attended the annual meeting held in Chapel Hill, Feb. 19-20.

The AA is trying to raise enough money to send a CARE package consisting of athletic equipment overseas. The minimum amount is \$3.00. You may help by dropping a