

Alumna Successful With Children's Book

An alumna of Meredith College has risen to fame through her stories for children. She is Dorothy Clark Koch.

Mrs. Koch has rediscovered the clarity of imagination with which children can enjoy the most ordinary things. This is seen in both *I Play at the Beach* and *Gone Is My Goose*.

Dorothy Koch was born in North Carolina where she grew up and received her education at Meredith College and the University of North Carolina. Until her marriage she taught in elementary schools and was an officer of the North Carolina Education Association. She and her husband, a botanist at the University of North Carolina, have two children, and they make their home in Chapel Hill.

Language Teachers Hold Meeting Here

The North Carolina Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of French and the North Carolina Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese held their fall meeting at Meredith College on Saturday, October 20. Presiding was Miss Lucy Ann Neblett, president of the AATSP, N. C. Chapter. Official welcome was extended to the group by Dr. Carlyle Campbell. As part of the program, Dr. Susanne Freund

IS MEREDITH "GOING CO-ED"?

Say Meredith is a girls' school? Have you looked at the roll lately? Tommie, Jackie, Jimmy, Donnie, Bobbie — Sounds like Meredith has gone co-ed to me.

The senior class has at least six fellows on roll: Jackie Corn, Bobbie Linville, Donnie Simmons, Tommie Worrell, Jackie Little, and, of course, Sam Grealish.

The juniors can boast of only three boys in their midst: Tommie Bass, Jerry Parham, and Dale Caspari, but the sophomores take the prize with nine — Bobbie Conley, Jackie Lewis, Bobbie Meeks, Jan Mercer, Jimmy Rucker, Page Sink, Jerry White, Paige Wood, and Jackie Wright. The new guys in school number only three it seems: Johnsie Choate, Jo Robinson, and Jackie Meier. Welcome, youse guys!

How did all these gals get boys' names? Your speculation is as good as mine, but let's face it. They're girl angels, too, just like us Susies and Janes.

spoke on "Study at the Sorbonne, Summer of 1956."

Refreshments were served in the Blue Parlor under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Huckabee. She was assisted by Beverly Rowand, Pat Hauser, Jane Woodard, Sylvia Maynard, and Martha Fasul.

Luncheon was served to about 55 in the Hut, under the direction of Mrs. Will Ann Watkins.

DO YOU HAVE NO TIME TO READ? NOT SO, SAYS THIS WRITER

By ANNABEL RAY

"Do you read a great deal?" "Well, I love to read, but somehow I just can never find the time."

On the surface this excuse seems to all of us to be true. However, after we look at the time spent at the movies and bridge games, the excuse seems hardly plausible. A few suggestions have been offered for getting more time to read by Lidia Roberts in *The Globe*. They are: (1) Talk less. (2) Take along a book when going to the dentist. Why read his old magazines? The students from Meredith can add another suggestion — Take along a book to the lunch line. There is time to read; you simply must use it for reading.

It is said more money is spent on chewing gum than books, for it is easier to exercise the chin than the mind. If a new criteria were evolved for the admission of students to college, Dr. James L. Meades of Russell Sage College suggests that you do not belong in college if you are not curious enough to read 12 good books a year that are not required in your courses. How many of us would have been admitted to Meredith if this were required for entrance?

To encourage an interest in reading and offer supervision in the choice of books, the English department is again sponsoring the voluntary independent reading programs. The minimum requirements are 10 books for freshmen, 12 for

sophomores, 15 for juniors, and 18 for seniors, and these must be books not required in their courses. A winner will be chosen at the end of the year based on the kind and quality of books read, and the intelligent appreciation of them. All those participating will be recognized on Awards Night and the winners will then be announced.

So keep reading! And remember, a book in the hand is worth two on the book case.

RECORDS, GAMES AVAILABLE

(Continued from page one) of the student body has been asked to contribute one dollar. So far the total is only approximately \$250.00, and students who have not contributed thus far, are being urged to do so. The Athletic Association has appropriated \$50 for the fund.

The *Graille*, a leadership organization at the University of North Carolina, plans to give a reception and dance for the girls of Meredith College. A tentative date, December 8, 1956, has been set for this dance.

Big Weekends Scheduled At Neighboring Schools

The next two week-ends will be busy ones for colleges in his area. At the Carolina Germans on October 26, Billy Mays and Fats Domino will play. Billy Mays will also play for the Homecoming Dance at Wake Forest November 3, following the Wake Forest-North Carolina State game. Duke will have its annual Shoe and Slipper Dance on November 3.

PLAYHOUSE TO GIVE PLAY

(Continued from page one) costume committee, and working closely with her will be Kitty Holt, who is in charge of the make-up for the production. Donnie Simons will supervise programs and tickets. The curtain is at 8:00 p.m.

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THE BYSTANDER

By JUANITA SWINDLER

Since reading from Boswell's *Life of Samuel Johnson* in sophomore English class, I have wanted to defend this man whom so many people considered eccentric. Boswell records many of the strange personal habits of his famous friend, such as his mumbling to himself, his patting his knee as he talked, and his wearing a handkerchief instead of a night cap, to list a few of his "strange" habits. I could not help but think, as I read of Johnson's activities, of people today who, while thinking themselves quite normal, commit each day similar acts that would classify them as "strange" or "eccentric" as Johnson was.

For example, one does not have to visit in the library very long before she sees someone — yea, several someones — pulling furiously, almost insanely, at her hair. There are variations of this habit ranging from twisting to tugging and braiding. These people, however, are quite normal.

There is another such eccentric habit that I have not observed over a wide area, but which is displayed daily by an individual whom I do not choose to embarrass at this particular moment. I'm sure she will be sufficiently embarrassed to realize that her peculiarity has been spotted. Her habit is pushing the side of her hair gently as she speaks — especially before a large group. I will not attempt to analyze this habit with the limited space allotted for the watchful one, but I would like to assure the defendant that her hair is always neatly in place. This individual, too, is classified as normal.

Samuel Johnson wore a handkerchief to bed instead of a conventional nightcap. Today, a nightcap is often considered out of the ordinary. What would Boswell's contemporaries think if they could observe many of the Meredith College dormitory rooms at, say, 11:45? Would the word be "eccentric"? Surely not.

Of all the peculiar habits displayed on this campus, there is one that matches those of Johnson. It seems there is one of the newer girls who finds wearing a yellow dress on test days a lucky charm. She must surely be eccentric.

Well, there are always a few people who persist in digressing from the normal pattern of life. Other people are so strange. Do you ever walk down the hall stepping on the black squares only? Do you ever run your hand along a wall as you walk? Do you ever hum to yourself? If so, you must be eccentric, too.

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