

Behind the Scenes

WE RECOGNIZE HAZEL WIGGINS



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Behind the Scenes is proud to present another outstanding girl on the Meredith campus. In this issue we went behind the scene and selected Hazel Wiggins. Hazel is a Junior day student at Meredith this year. She is active in many extracurricular activities, mainly the Baptist Student Union. Another important phase of Hazel's activities is her church work at Tabernacle Baptist Church. She is always on hand to do anything that needs to be done . . . making posters, helping with programs, teaching Sunday school. In going behind the scene, we found how much Hazel is admired by her fellow students. As one of the girls so aptly put it, "She is one of the finest and most dependable girls I know." Meredith should be proud to have Hazel Wiggins as one of its students.

GIRLS HAVE VARIED SUMMER JOBS

"When is that gusher gonna gush?"

This is just one of the many questions that Nancy Wallace encountered in her summer work at Yellowstone National Park. By the way, the dude (cowboy talk for tourist) was referring to the geyser "Old Faithful."

Nancy worked at a picture shop which is connected with the park. Jobs as waitresses, porters, and bus drivers were filled by 2,000 college students this summer. (The student employees are referred to as "savages!") Some of the things Nancy enjoyed most during her stay out West were her trip to Cody, home of Buffalo Bill; an excursion to Jackson, Wyoming, where "Shane" was filmed; and a stagecoach ride to Boot Hill. (It seems the stagecoach riders were serenaded with "Dixie" coming home.) Nancy could tell all THE TWIG readers some interesting stories about N. C. grits, "rotten loggen," and a song about a "pink pot."

Several of the Meredith girls traveled away from home this summer and worked as counselors at camps. Helen Carlton and Carolyn Barrington went way up North to Camp Farwell, Vermont. This girls' camp is nestled in the mountains near the Connecticut River. Helen had as one of her seven campers a young Puerto Rican girl who could not speak English, but during the eight weeks of camp she became a real chatter-box!

Sapphire Valley Inn in the heart of the North Carolina mountains claimed Lela Cagle for the summer months. She worked as a waitress and in her spare time enjoyed Lake Sapphire, the bank of which is flecked with pebbles containing little sapphires.

Back up North again we find that Joyce Skillman and Marcia Aller worked as waitresses in the Hot Shoppe Restaurant in Washington, D. C. They lived in an apartment in Alexandria, Virginia. Shopping and sight-seeing in Washington claimed their leisure time.

Sally Newton worked as a laboratory technician in Newport Hospital, Newport, Rhode Island. She worked with medical students of all races, nationalities, and religions. An Austrian girl, who was employed in the hospital, was her roommate for the summer.

Some Meredith girls spent their summer working with Bible schools. Sara Fagan spent nine weeks teaching Bible schools in rural mountain sections of Southwestern Virginia. She did this work in connection with the Home Mission Board in Atlanta, Georgia.

Ann Allred worked for the Baptist State Mission Board and taught eight weeks of two vacation Bible schools daily. She, in her traveling, had the opportunity to spend some time with mountain families and thus had a chance to get to know the people and their problems. She even learned to milk cows! Ann,

Dean's List Announced

Mrs. Vera Tart Marsh, registrar, released on June 10, 1957, the Dean's List, effective for the fall semester of this year. As the catalogue states, a student must be registered for at least twelve hours and complete and pass all courses with a number of quality points equal to twice the semester hours taken plus three to be eligible for this honor. During the past semester the scholastic record of eighty-one students enabled them to make the Dean's List.

They are as follows: Julia Isadora Abernathy, Marcia Jeannine Allen, Patty Swann Boyer, Marjorie Ann Boyles, Mary Ann Braswell, Mary Ann Brown, Dorothy Eileen Browne, Barbara Jordan Browning, Dorothy Elaine Burleson, Johnsie Diehl Choate, Mildred Lee Clayton, Eliza Lee Culberson Coker, Ellen Harriet Conley, Carol Phillips Cooke, Margaret Leigh Creech, Glenda Jane Eddins, Carolyn Virginia Edwards, Donna Anne Ellington, Lynda Ann Evans, Belinda Jane Foy, Clara Wright Frazier, Thelma Joanne Gibson, Emily Anne Gilbert, Joy Alice Goldsmith, Sammy Jeanne Grealish, Betsy Carol Greene, Marilyn Letitia Greene, Mary Edna Grimes.

Lois Elizabeth Haigh, Patricia Ellen Harris, Nancy Carolynne Harwell, Joyce Wilson Herndon, Joyce Marie Herring, Marcia Dewey Horrell, Clara Lucille Hudson, Nancy Spruill Hunter, Suzanne Hunter, Penelope Rae Hutchison, Barbara Sue Johnson, Patricia Ann Johnson, Dotty L. Phillips Jones, Lula Mae Jones, Shirley Ann Jones, Nancy Carol Joyner, Caroline Garrett Kelley, Katherine Chungo King, Mildred Rebecca Knight, Betsy Carole Lane, Jacqueline Lewis, Mary Slessor Long, Eleanor Jeanine McGee, Edna Gwendolyn Maddrey, Amanda Jane Maynard, Bobbie Artis Meeks, Mary Margaret Morgan, Vivian Yvonne Morris, Margaret Gertrude Mott.

Sally Stephana Newton, Wilma Grace Owens, Geraldine Ruth Parham, Margaret Lucy Paris, Lois Lee Pond, Glenda Annette Pressley, Gladys Ann Rozier, Jimmie Irene Rucker, Harriette Ann Seals, Jo Ann Selley, Joyce Williams Skillman, Barbara Elizabeth Smith, Zigrada Smith, Jane Shelton Stemberidge, Anne Louise Thomas, Lois Peedin Thompson, Rachel Juanita Watkins, Bertha Bell Weston, Ruth Carole Whedbee, Marjorie Jackson Wiggins, Gloria Cox Williams, Peggy Anne Yancey, Nancy Morgan Young, Ruth Allers Young.

who also conducted a vacation Bible school at the Negro church of her hometown, can give you many reasons why this was particularly beneficial to her own education and growth.

If such a sampling is indicative, Meredith "Angels" had busy and varied vacations.

Not a Big Hut, but . . .

THE LITTLE HUT

No, dear freshmen, you're not just seeing things. There really is a log cabin behind the auditorium, and it's not Abraham Lincoln's either. It is yours (No, you can't move in) for you and your friends to enjoy.

Take a look around now. After you've crossed the lawn and entered the hut via a rough-hewn stone step, you'll realize how lucky we are to have such a place on our campus.

Charmingly rustic, the living room is equipped with a large stone fireplace at each end. Decorated with student work and hung with college pennants, they can have the warmest, cheeriest fires ever.

Pennants also enliven the cart-wheel chandelier that is the main source of light in the log-lined room. On the walls are interesting prints and paintings, both copies of master works and some by our own people.

Appropriately styled furniture can be arranged to suit the needs of the group, with either television or fireplaces as centers of attraction.

Passing through the hall, one comes to the smaller room. This, too, has a rustic stone fireplace and is decorated with some student work. I recall in particular a mural of dancers in pastel shades. In here are

folding card tables and, I believe, ping-pong equipment. Lamps and couches complete the furnishings.

The kitchen, roomy and well-equipped, lends itself well to serving either a small or good-sized gathering. It has both an electric stove and a refrigerator, not to mention kitchen utensils.

But now the fires and fireplaces of the hut can be used to add atmosphere only! The College has recently let a contract for the installation of a heating system. It will be a forced warm-air type system and will be heated by fuel oil. Installation should be completed by the middle of October.

Later on in the year — soon, I hope — hostesses will be provided to keep the hut open for you and your date. Arrangements may be made with the dean of students to reserve it for parties, dates, and club meetings. Using this cabin is a privilege and to keep that privilege each one of us must do his part by carrying out the regulations as stated in the Student Handbook.

As you can see, the hut is a fine place to visit on the campus. Take advantage this year of the variety of entertainment it has in store. See you there.

MEREDITH ALUMNA'S PLAY ON TV

An adaptation of Bernice Kelly Harris's novel, *Hearthstone*, was the September 26 color production of Matinee Theatre, the daily NBC-TV dramatic program presented live from New York. Mrs. Harris, a Wake County native and a Meredith graduate, first published the story in *Collier's* as "Yellow Color Suit" and later expanded it into the novel published by Doubleday.

The play, "Yellow Color Suit," was written for production by the Woman's Club of Seaboard and was given in Seaboard. The original cast, again under the direction of Mr. George W. Harris, presented the play by request at the 1956 Carolina Drama Festival at Chapel Hill. Scouted for television at the Drama Festival, *Hearthstone* has its setting in North Carolina in the fall of 1941 and is the absorbing story of an army deserter who must fight within himself before he can fight for his country and the people he comes to love.

CURTAIN CALL

By SUSAN MOSS

Meredith students are fortunate in having the opportunity to see professional plays at bargain prices here at the Raleigh Little Theatre. The first production will be the Broadway hit, *Pajama Game*, beginning October 21 and running a week. This is the first musical the RLT has attempted and, if one may judge by past productions, it's sure to be a delightful evening's entertainment for all.

The movie *Pajama Game* begins a run at the Colony Theatre here Sunday. *Time* says it's a "bouncy and bawdy musical about congenial labor-management strife in a Dubuque nightwear factory, even better than the stage hit." There are many of the original Broadway cast in the movie and plenty of the popular tunes, such as "Hey There" and "Hernando's Hide-away." Doris Day and John Raitt head the splendid cast, which includes Carol Haney and Eddie Foy, Jr.

It will be interesting to see the movie and then attend the Little Theatre production. You'll be pleased by the excellence with which the local version compares with the Warner Brothers' spectacular. See Margaret Paris for a season ticket to the Raleigh Little Theatre and a season of fine theatre entertainment.

B.S.U. Retreat Proves Success Despite Mud

Eighteen members of the Baptist Student Union council and their adviser, Dr. Maxine Garner, took to the woods on September 9 for their annual pre-school retreat, held this year at Camp Kanata, the YMCA boys' camp near Durham.

A bit of difficulty was encountered along the way when a muddy hill on the road to the camp caused two of the cars driven by the bravest drivers this side of Indianapolis to slip and slide perilously and barely make it to the top in safety. The other two drivers were less courageous, and Miss Garner turned around and went in search of "a man." The man came to the rescue but not before a school bus full of squirming children and three or four other cars had joined the caravan at the bottom of the hill. A half an hour later, by another road, four carloads of muddy and bedraggled BSU'ers arrived at Camp Kanata to begin plans for the school year.

After a good supper (except for the lukewarm tea), things got under way as each council member reported on her summer and her plans for the year. Next morning the council got down to details, and between thunder showers, guests began to arrive to take their parts on the program. The Reverend James Potter, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church and pastor adviser to the BSU council, and Mr. Hal Shoemaker, educational director and minister of music at Tabernacle, came to speak and to sing respectively. In the afternoon Mr. Harold Cole, new state BSU secretary, and Jim Powell, president of the state BSU, came to speak about statewide BSU activities for the coming school year.

Wednesday, September 11, it was time to turn all eyes on Meredith and a new school year. Beginning with Orientation Week there were many busy moments ahead, and the council had to bid farewell to Camp Kanata, but it took with it the plans and the goals and the spiritual revitalization it had gained there.

"If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs . . ." you just don't understand the situation.

If you feel dog tired at night, maybe it's because you growled all day.

The Fifth Column

"The world is so full of a number of things, I'm sure that we all should be happy as kings."

ROBERT L. STEVENSON.

Amid the many crises of school and nation, a major problem has manifested itself — how do one-engine planes get back from Europe against those heavy winds? Suggested: they go around the world.

Seen around Joyner Hall—upperclassmen looking wildly around for classrooms, while the "inexperienced" freshmen, having consulted the chart of rooms, breeze easily to their classes. Lesson: Think.

If you have a few hours to spare, find out about another interesting part of the world from two roving editors — Jane Stemberidge or Nancy Joyner.

What is it about uninhibited people that is so galling and about inhibited people that is so unnatural? Could it be their ways?

Hearsay: Our professors should not resent being laughed at by the students. In Moscow one doesn't hesitate to hang the professor — with a red bandana, I've heard.

Overheard: Freshman complaining of homework over the week end.

Here's one approach: One girl going SAI instead of Phi or Astro — good idea, but it's not quite so easy.

Red-headed sophomore said she didn't take Asian flu vaccine — would rather have the real thing.

A philosophical day student has this suggestion for life: "When you walk through the jungle, look out for the animals." A musing professor, rather instructor, adds that one might also remember — "When you walk through a church, look out for the congregation."

Some of the upperclassmen who spend innumerable hours in the library are echoing the puzzlement of Dr. Rose's seven-year-old friend who wondered—"Who ever thought up this reading business anyway?"

Think patiently: We fought about dancing. . . . What are we doing about integration?

GRE EXAM DATES DISCLOSED

The Graduate Record Examinations, required of applicants for admission to a number of graduate schools, will be administered at examination centers throughout the country four times in the coming year, Educational Testing Service has announced. During 1956-57 more than 12,000 students took the GRE in partial fulfillment of admission requirements of graduate schools which prescribed it.

This fall candidates may take the GRE on Saturday, November 16. In 1958, the dates are January 18, April 26, and July 12. ETS advises each applicant to inquire of the graduate school of his choice which of the examinations he should take and on which dates. Applicants for graduate school fellowships should ordinarily take the designated examinations in the fall administration.

The GRE tests offered in these nationwide programs include a test of general scholastic ability and advance level tests of achievement in sixteen different subject matter fields. According to ETS, candidates are permitted to take the Aptitude Test and/or one of the Advanced Tests.