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## Orientation Begins College Year '45 - '46

### Y.W.C.A. Begins Year

#### Y.W.C.A. Work Presented

The first YWCA program of the year gave a presentation of the work of the YWCA. Mrs. Hartsfield gave a talk "What the YWCA Means to the World." Miss Foster sang "Into the Hand of God." Barbara Howard read the Scripture. Helen Thigpen gave a report on "The Highland Lake Summer Y-Conference." Isabel Regan talked on the YWCA work off the campus, and Barbara Howard presented the Louisburg campus Y-work.

#### Candlelight Service Held

The theme "Light" was presented in the YWCA candlelight service, October 17, in the form of an installation of officers and a recognition of members. At the entrance each prospective member received a tiny candle as the prelude was played by Miss Foster. The call to worship was given by Barbara Howard, president of the association, from backstage. The Y-sponsors, Miss Foster and Miss Merritt, then lighted candles at a central flame and committed themselves to their duties. Barbara Howard followed, lighting her candle and pledging her loyalty.

The president gave the light to other officers, who pledged to do  
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### Many Events Planned For Homecoming

The annual Homecoming of Louisburg College will be held October 27 and 28.

Invitations have been issued to former students by Miss Stipe, alumni secretary and dean of women, announcing the program.

The opening event will be the banquet in the dining hall at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 27, with Mrs. B. B. Everett, president of the General Alumni Association, presiding. Dr. D. E. Earnhardt, former president of Louisburg College and recently Army chaplain, will be the guest speaker. To the Homecoming dance in the Social Hall at 9:00 p.m. alumni, students, and guests are invited.

Dr. J. M. Culbreth, Methodist pastor of the town, will conduct special services at 11 a.m., Sunday to which alumni and others are invited.

Also alumni will be welcome to the college worship service in the auditorium at 9:45 a.m., Sunday. Marjorie Currin will lead, and Elsie Jenkins will sing. Mrs. Hartsfield will teach the class.

#### ONCE WAR

Long-distance telephone call:  
a very young brother called in to service;  
a lover on leave before shipping out;  
a sudden call home for the fatal word "missing."

Over-seas mail:  
"Free" written in right corner;  
the red-white-and-blue air mail;  
the tiny V-mail envelope.

Boys in khaki and blue:  
answering the call to service;  
carrying the gun and K-rations;  
leaving few boys on our campus.

### THEY LEAD OUR CAMPUS LIFE



Sitting: Isabel Regan, president, Women's Monogram Club; Bobby Alston, president, Women's College Sunday School class; Marjorie Currin, president, Women's Student Council; Mildred Parks, president, Phi Theta Kappa, Beta Phi Gamma; Mildred Boney, editor, COLUMNS; Carolyn Driver, president, Women's Athletic Association; Abner Asker, president, YMCA; standing: Robert Mercer, president, Men's College Sunday School class; Alva Johnson, president, junior class; Ann Johnson, president, senior class; Dorothy Casey, president, Physical Education Club; Floyd Evans, president, Men's Student Council, Men's Monogram Club; Barbara Howard, president, YWCA; Joe Davenport, president, IRC; Ida Liskey, editor, *The Oak*, president, Alpha Pi Epsilon; Mary Frances Taylor, president, Baptist Union.  
(Photograph by Bradford Fearing)

### Birthday Party Given

Honoring the faculty and students who have September birthdays, a three-course dinner was given Sept. 27.

Forty people were present of whom thirty-three were birthday guests. Four faculty members—Mr. Carmichael, Mr. Kilby, Mr. Moon, and Dr. Patten, the last two having the same birthday, September 13th—sang a jolly tune, "Down by the Old Mill Stream," to the merriment of all.

Miss Stipe was hostess and presented each guest with a gift.

The student body sang "Happy Birthday" to the honorees.

The table was beautifully decorated with candelabra holding lavender candles; two lovely birthday cakes, made by Mrs. Moon; exquisite bowls of multi-colored flowers; festive birthday napkins; and place cards.

The menu consisted of tomato juice, congealed pineapple salad, baked chicken, flaked potatoes, fresh garden peas, hot rolls, and ice cream and cake.

The monthly birthday parties, directed by Miss Stipe, have increasingly become a prized tradition in campus life for students and faculty.

### New Members Added to College Faculty

Four new members are numbered among the faculty for the current year.

To the Department of Science comes Mr. George M. Oliver as the new head of that department. Professor Oliver is a former Louisburg teacher, having left here in 1941. He is a graduate from the University of North Carolina with the B.S. and M.S. degrees and has studied at State College in Raleigh. For the past few years he has been an employee in a chemical war plant of Du Pont and the U. S. Rubber Companies at Kankakee, Ill.

Miss Mildred Smith, a new teacher in the Commercial Department, has graduated from the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina with the S.A. and B.S. degree. Miss Smith, whose home is in Kittrell, has had four years' teaching experience.

Miss Sarah Foster, of Mocksville, has come as a teacher of  
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### Reception Given At Methodist Parsonage

A reception at the Methodist parsonage welcomed campus folk and townspeople on the evening of Oct. 5. Guests were greeted at the entrance by Miss Stipe, who introduced them to the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Culbreth, at the head of the receiving line. In turn, guests were then presented to the officials of the church continuing down the line.

The guests were then directed to the dining room, where Mrs. Moon presided over the punch bowl and girls of the church served cookies and nuts. The visitors signed their names in the guest book. Good-byes were then said at the door by other members of the church.

The parsonage was decorated with numerous bowls of fall flowers in a variety of color and general effect. The home was thrown open for guests to visit rooms downstairs and upstairs.

A large majority of college students were present at the reception. Afterward there was expression of appreciation of the occasion.

Since the repair and redecoration of the parsonage has been offered for religious and social gatherings.

### VARIED ACTIVITIES MARK OPENING

#### Increased Enrollment

Orientation, on Louisburg College campus, September 12-14 was marked by an increase in the enrollment totaling 279, there being 195 freshmen girls, 37 freshmen boys, 41 senior girls, and six senior boys.

#### S.G.A. and Welcome

Y-representatives at the opening began haunting the bus station and front campus; and Marjorie Currin and Floyd Evans, presidents of the Women's and Men's Student Government, respectively, welcomed them at the entrance of Main Building and ushered them in to see the deans, Miss Stipe and Mr. Kilby, the moment new students began arriving.

A full three-day orientation program followed, busy with meetings held for freshmen and various instructions and explanations on college life such as its responsibilities and goals.

#### President's Welcome and Social

The opening meeting was held in the auditorium at 7:30 Wednesday, Sept. 12. Group sing was led by Mr. Moon. Barbara Howard, president of the Y. W. C. A., gave the Scripture reading followed by Floyd Evans, president of the Men's Student Council, who offered prayer. A welcome was extended by Miss Stipe, dean of women, and by Mr. Kilby, dean of men. Miss Foster, a newcomer to the faculty, sang a solo. President Patton welcomed the juniors into the college family. Then the faculty was introduced.

After the meeting there was an informal get-together for all students in the social hall under the direction of Miss Crisp and Miss McCall, representing the social committee. Several entertaining get-acquainted games were played.

#### Tests and Adviser

The second day everybody was up early for a 7:30 breakfast. Assembly in the auditorium at 8:30 a.m. was to explain the purpose of Intelligence Tests, and the Nature of English - Placement - Tests. Freshmen were grouped alphabetically and assigned rooms for taking the tests. Another assembly led by Mrs. Kilby was held in the auditorium at 10:30 to explain the purpose and nature of various courses.

An addition to the orientation program was the first-year students' reporting to the registrar to receive their assignments to advisers. This plan provided for each freshman a  
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## Class: Stream of Consciousness

Hey, you! What did we have for Lit. today? Read *Beowulf*? I thought it was look up the characteristics of the Saxons—Oh "dis-gust!" We had to do that two weeks ago. But I pay attention; you know I come to class—and—

Who was Grendel? Grendel was—will you spell it please? G-R-E-N-D-E-L—Let me see, no, you dope, you know he wasn't King! Let's see: that King's name was Heorot, or was he a character in the Bible? Wait just a minute, I have it. He

was the hero in the thing that slayed *Beowulf* at that thingamajig battle. Oh, he wasn't? Well, after all, I just had it backwards. Who do they think I am anyway, Einstein's daughter?

In what century was *Beowulf* supposed to have been written? 1492? Columbus! huh, 1453? 55 B.C.? 410? 449? 1066? Gee! I'm all out of breath, I give up! When was it! It was? Goodness, I never knew that.

No harm in trying! After all, Mr. Kilby didn't say learn those

dates; so why should I learn them in English? I can plainly hear him saying "Know these dates." Dates—hmm—I wonder if the homecomers will bring their dates. I can't wait to see them—the girls I mean.

How *Beowulf* died? Uh—Couldn't have been then. No, it wasn't then. She's going to give me an F really if I don't get this question. Why doesn't that bell ring. Well, *Beowulf*!—he died in—Ooops, there goes the bell!—Maybe *Beowulf* didn't have any dates. Wasn't he mythological anyway?

#### NOW PEACE

Long-distance telephone call:  
a brother discharged with ribbons and medals;  
a lover returning from over-seas duty;  
a sudden call home for a long-delayed wedding.

Over-seas mail:  
stamps slowly replacing the former "Free";  
air mail more prompt and a new return address;  
tiny V-mail discontinued.

Boys in khaki and blue:  
changing uniform to civilian dress;  
carrying the collegiate books and pens;  
filling places long vacant on our campus.