

"School Marms" Relate Class Experiences

Every weekday morning, a familiar scene is enacted on the Salem campus. Nine droopy-eyed seniors wander out of Bitting and head for the dining hall where they eat an extra large portion of Wheaties; so they will be prepared for the rough hours ahead. Then they move on to the order of the day, practice teaching.

Wiley Elementary is the temporary home of the future first grade teachers, Nollner Morrisett and Nancy Cridlebaugh. The girls were quite surprised to find that there is a time in your life when you don't know that C-A-T spells cat, or that 2 and 2 equal four. Even more surprising was how hard it was to teach these to six year olds.

Curt Wrike, Becky Hinkle, Nancy Sexton, and Martha Ann Bowles are now spending all of their spare minutes decorating calendars, making up songs, and dreaming up a little story to introduce each spelling word. They are also at Wiley.

Of course all is not in vain. Barbara Rowland has already received a letter from one of her seven year old admirers saying I love you, and Anis Ira is now known as "pretty Miss Ira."

The afternoons pass a little different for the six girls practicing in the secondary schools. You can find Martha Jarvis and Peggy Ingram in the reference room of the library frantically trying to find out as much about a subject as some of their students know. Both girls are at Reynolds High—Martha in speech and English, and Peggy in home economics.

Phyllis Carswell and Beverly Hietikko are trying to make the students at Northwest love gram-

mar and American history, and still teach them some of the facts.

Ellie Mitchell and Martha Lackey feel that as long as they have to drive to Southwest High they might as well go on down to Charlotte for a movie.

Despite all of this, the future

teachers seem to enjoy their work and are looking forward to being in complete charge of their classes next year.

Of course they always have the consolation that, after the 13 of November, they will be able to sleep till noon.

Middlebury Summer School Offers Unique Experience

Hola, Dobre Utre, or Bonjour! are typical greetings among students at Middlebury's summer language school in Middlebury, Vermont.

The college is essentially a graduate school but accepts a limited number of undergraduates. There are five schools where one may study Russian, French, Spanish, Italian or German. Each student signs a pledge on the first day of arrival giving his word of honor not to speak English until the closing of the six weeks session. No radios are allowed and newspapers and magazines must be read in the foreign language.

The school is unique in that there is an average of eight students to each professor. The professors live in the dormitories and, they and their families take their meals with students in the school dining rooms. They also participate in all school activities so that one has unusual opportunities to learn about the native country and culture where the foreign languages are spoken.

Extracurricular activities include special lectures by the professors themselves who very likely are well known for their literary achievements, weekend trips to his-

torical sites or perhaps across the Canadian border to visit Quebec or Montreal, song fests after dinner, games to test vocabulary, outstanding films, folk and social dances, dinners or parties at the Dog Team or at one of the other inns which accommodate skiers during the winter season, picnics and hikes in the mountain and lake countryside, and theatrical productions for those who want to show off their fluency in a foreign tongue.

The college also has graduate schools of French in Paris and Spanish in Madrid. Attendance at the summer school is mandatory prior to application for study abroad.

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