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## Editorial

### MAY-TIME

"Rise up, slug-a-bed, let us go a-Maying," called a laner-like young dandy to his sweetheart one bright May morn centuries ago back in old England. Our ancestors, when they sailed the strange blue waters of the Atlantic, parked their May-Day customs along with their other valuables, and thus today do we celebrate the arrival of May in a manner similar to that of our English forefathers.

May is here, and with her proper celebrations; for May-Day has come into her own upon our campus and the May-Queen reigns supreme. What significance does May hold for the ordinary girl upon our campus—those of us whose ability for aesthetic dancing has not received sufficient appreciation to list us among the dancing girls, or whose beauty is as yet too deeply concealed to win for us a place among the queen and her attendants? With May there came to us Spring in all her beauty; Spring with her green shrubbery, her sweet smelling flowers, and her blue skies. "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," a poet tells us. The veracity of that statement is not under discussion at this time, though the writer must admit that the number of dates shows rapid increase.

But the advent of May, and Spring in all her glory, claims compliments other than that implied by the poet. To us at Meredith, the sight of our beautiful campus turns our thoughts toward nature. What more striking example of the divine beauty of nature can be found throughout the Old North State than Meredith's campus? The leaves on the trees and the birds on the limbs make us want to get out under the open sky and roll around in the grass. They make us want to go to ball games and yell off our heads. They make us want to scorn

the dining room, and with basket under arm, make for the grove in the cool of the evening. They make us want to eat fresh strawberries. They make us want that five-minute bell to ring just a little sooner, not because we hate books, but because we like May-Days more.

There are those who love the solemnity, the quiet, and the autumnal peace of the Fall, but as for us, we prefer the Spring with its beauty and vitality; for these May-Days are but forerunners of those only a few weeks in the future when down among the trees and the flowers, tear-eyed Sophomores will be carrying the daisy chain for dear old '27 and they in turn will be receiving their "sheep skin" and marching forth to startle the world with their wealth of knowledge. And so, while May brings thoughts of love to many, to us it brings a deeper appreciation of nature exemplified in our own beautiful campus; reminiscences of happy by-gone days; and anticipation of the fast-approaching graduation day.

Three cheers for May-Days! ! !

### HINTS ABOUT MOTHER

A mother is a mother still,  
The holiest thing alive.  
Coleridge—*The Three Granes.*

A woman's love  
Is mighty, but a mother's heart is weak,

And by its weakness overcomes.  
Lowell—*Legends of Brittany.*

Who ran to help me when I fell,  
And would some pretty story tell,  
Or kiss the place to make it well?

My mother.

Jane Taylor—*My Mother.*

Happy he

With such a mother! faith in womankind

Beats with his blood, and trust in all things high

Comes easy to him, and tho he trip and fall,

He shall not blind his soul with clay.

Tennyson—*The Princess.*

And all my mother came into mine eyes

And gave me up to tears.

Henry V.

And say to mothers what a holy charge

Is theirs—with what a kingly power their love

Might rule the fountains of the newborn mind.

Mrs. Sigourney—*The Mother of Washington.*

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