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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY!

HINTS CONCERNING OUR NEW TEACHERS

Miss Charlotte E. Armstrong of Somerville, Massachusetts has been a teacher of violin for twelve years, the last three years having been spent teaching violin and harmony at Kent's Hill Seminary in Maine. Miss Armstrong was head of the Music Department there this past year. She was a student at the Institute of Musical Art in New York City, and a private pupil of Charles M. Loeffler, Anton Wittek, and Felix Winterhitz. She has done a great deal of concert playing in Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island.

Miss Kathryn M. Carey of Sidney, Ohio, has been secured by the Music Department to teach piano. She is a graduate of Oberlin Conservatory of Music, Oberlin, Ohio. Miss Carey has been an instructor of piano in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Maine.

Miss Mary Graydon of Columbia, South Carolina, will teach Latin here this year. She received her B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of South Carolina, and was awarded highest honors in her class. She has already completed two-thirds of the work necessary for the degree of Ph.D. For the past two years Miss Graydon has been Head of the Latin Department at Greenville Woman's College in South Carolina.

Miss Helen Price of Rosemont, Pennsylvania, will be lead of the Latin and Greek Department of Meredith. Her A.B. was obtained from Swarthmore, her Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, and she is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Miss Price has been head of the Latin and Greek Department at Oxford College, Oxford, Ohio; Dean and Professor of Latin and Greek at Hood College, Frederick, Maryland; and head of the Latin Department at the Shipley School at Bryn Mawr.

Miss Mildred E. Wiggin of Kansas, is another new piano teacher. She graduated in piano at Washburn College, Topeka, Kansas, and was a private pupil of Moses Boguslawski at Kansas City Conservatory. Miss Wiggin has also graduated from the New England Conservatory in Boston as a teacher of Piano. For two years she was head of the piano department at Kingfisher College, Kingfisher, Okla.

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NOTICE!

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CLASSES PRESENT STUNTS FOR NEW GIRLS

NEW GIRLS HAVE A GOOD TIME

Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores seem equally anxious this year to make the Freshmen and other new girls happy at Meredith. Although the Junior Class has always taken an especial interest in the Freshmen as its "Little Sisters," the Sophomores have hitherto tried in a playful and also unharsh way to make them look up to the Sophs, who have had a "whole year" more in college. Naturally the Seniors have backed up their "Little Sisters," the Sophs, in their so-called persecution of the newish. But interference by Sophs with Freshmen is a thing of the past, and the Sophs, deprived of this desirable privilege, have acted in a commendable way. They have begun to create a fine spirit of friendliness among the two underclasses.

On Thursday night the Sophs were at home to the Freshmen and new girls. This was the first Sophomore-Freshman party ever given at Meredith. Freshmen were arranged on the numerals "30" which had been placed on the floor and were advised to respect these numerals. In this position they were served with stick candy. Sophomore Craig then made a clever speech. Addressing the audience as "Ladies and Freshmen" she gave her idea of a model newish. The following rules must be strictly observed: (1) All Freshmen must hold the doors for Seniors and Sophs. (2) Freshmen must give up their seats to Sophs. (3) Boxes from home must be passed to Sophs. The speech was ended by an appeal to the class of '31 to strive to be one of Meredith's best Freshmen classes—since '30 was already first, there was no chance of being the best. Next Freshmen were called upon to display their talent in recitations, piano solo, vocal solos, and dramatics. The meeting then adjourned.

On Wednesday morning the Freshmen were asked to come to the Social Room in Dormitory A to meet their "Big Sisters." A victrola, magazines, annuals, and Juniors were there to welcome them. Then on Wednesday night the Juniors entertained in the Phi Hall. Several clever stunts were pulled. There we met Mr. and Mrs. Genius and their talented family, who rendered for us several musical selections. We witnessed the journey of a Freshman to Meredith. After many hindrances, she finally reached her destination safely on the Ford. The Jumping-Jack danced for us. A delightful musical romance was the last number, on the program.

The Seniors entertained on Friday night. New girls met old girls in an informal receiving line. A well-planned and interesting program was given. Dixie cups were then served.

By means of these friendly meetings old girls have sought to welcome new girls—and, we think, have been successful.

FACULTY VACATIONS

VARIOUS WAYS OUR TEACHERS SPENT SUMMER

It is interesting to note the different ways in which our faculty members spent the three months vacation. Some, we find, were abroad while others remained at home. The information concerning each is as follows:

Miss Allen—visited friends in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Miss Barber—visited friends in Michigan.

Miss Armstrong—remained at her home in Illinois.

Miss Biggers—stayed with her mother at Mars Hill.

Mr. Boomhour—was busily engaged in the erection of his new home on Hillsboro Road.

Dr. Brewer, our president—was out of his office only three weeks. During this time he went to New Jersey and New York, where he met his daughter, Anna Eliza, who had been abroad.

Miss Ellen Brewer—remained at home except for a short trip to New York.

Dr. Brown—spent the summer at his home in Raleigh.

Miss Brownlee—visited her sister in Florida for a short while. The remainder of her vacation was spent at her home in Mississippi.

Miss Burriss—spent her vacation at home in Anderson, S. C.

Mr. Canady—taught in Summer School at Warrensburg, Mo.

Dr. Delia Dixon Carroll—made a tript North early in the Summer. The rest of her time was spent in Raleigh.

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FORMAL OPENING OF COLLEGE ADDRESS DELIVERED BY FORMER PRESIDENT VANN

The formal opening exercises of Meredith were held Friday morning in the chapel. It was indeed an important occasion for the Seniors, as they made their first public appearance in their caps and gowns. To the strains of the new pipe organ, they solemnly marched down the aisle to their places. Dr. Livingston Johnson read the scripture after which Dr. Charles E. Maddry prayed a most fitting prayer. The pastors of the various Baptist churches of Raleigh gave the new girls a warm welcome to attend their services. In the absence of Mr. Robert Simms, Dr. R. T. Vann, beloved former president of this institution, acted as speaker of the morning. He was introduced by Dr. Brewer. In his pleasing manner he encouraged both the old and new girls to uphold the ideals of Meredith, keeping themselves strong and pure. His highly appreciated talk was followed by the singing of the Alma Mater, of which he himself was author. It was indeed an encouraging beginning for the new year.

UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT

INFORMAL RECEPTION GIVEN BY B. S. U. AND S. G., AND ENJOYED BY NEW GIRLS

"You are cordially invited to attend the Informal Reception given to new students by the Student Government and Baptist Student Union at eight o'clock p.m. Saturday, September tenth," read the new hand book to new and old students alike, and new and old students responded in a splendid way to the invitation.

On Saturday evening, gayly dressed girls entered the dining room where they found two long rows of chairs awaiting them. Here they sat and laughed and talked for a few minutes. Presently, the president of the B. S. U. came in and after making a welcoming speech, invited all to drink punch.

The girls had hardly satisfied their desire for punch when all were requested to take part in an Acquaintance Contest, the goal of which was for each of two sides to strive to meet the most girls in a given length of time. Mabel Claire Hoggard and Mary Rodwell Hunter, as leaders in this contest urged on their followers until the end. The prize, a small tea set, was awarded Mary Rodwell's side.

Four large posters bearing the names of Smileville, Giggletown, Grindale, and Ha Ha Ha Hollow colored blue, yellow green, and red respectively, made their appearance. Many were wondering the purpose of these when, after being seated, each girl was given a card bearing the color of her town, for these funny names belonged to towns. Four enthusiastic towns met in the four corners of the dining room and each hastened to elect a mayor, a chauffeur, and a cheer leader. Several contests were to take place and a prize was to be offered to the town making the highest number of points.

The first of these contests was to determine the group which lived up to the name of its town in the worthiest manner, whether smiling, giggling, grinning, or laughing.

This was succeeded by a cranking up contest in which a contestant from each town tried, without using her hands, to chew up a string to which a piece of candy was attached. Speed was the essential need in this contest.

There was a Blow Out contest in which attempts were made to blow feathers out of bottles. The attempts did not have such good results for the feathers would not be blown out, but first place was given to the one who blew the loudest.

Four from each town were sent to engage in a quartet contest, each group singing its own particular song.

In the Exhaust contest, the best number from each quartet engaged in another quartet, each contestant trying to sing the longest and loudest.

It was found that Smileville, Giggletown, and Ha Ha Hollow had made

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GIRLS REGISTER

STUDENTS FLOCK TO MEREDITH

For the twenty-seventh time in its history, Meredith college opened its doors for the registration of students September 6. During the opening daysgirls registered, and practically all the rooms in the dormitories are filled with ambitious students seeking knowledge, but casting, now and then, from the mind's eye a glance toward the enjoyable summers they have spent.

A B. S. U. Committee composed of all the officers of the B. Y. P. U., Y. W. A., Y. W. C. A., and other religious organizations met all trains, busses, and cars, on which Meredith girls were to arrive, for the first few days. The Baptist Student Union is an organization correlating all the religious organizations on the campus. With a hearty hand-shake and smile of greeting this committee made the new girls feel welcome to Meredith. "A smile for all, a greeting glad" was truly the way of the B. S. U. Committee.

Welcome posters were all about the halls, but best of all on the 7th, when the new girls were registering, there was a large punch bowl on a table near the dean's office. On that hot day the refreshing punch made by Miss Welch and served with a smile by some member of the "Welcome Committee" did much to stimulate the weary students and all passers-by.

Dr. Brewer, our president, was happiest of all to see the students come; his smiling face stood out among the rest. It still gave him a "peculiar pleasure" to welcome the old girls back again, and the new ones for the first time.

And now everyone at Meredith is busy once more with the regular routine of work, and the new daughters of Alma Mater are fast becoming truly a vital part in the life of the institution.

NOTICE!

A place as reporter on THE TWIG staff, and a free ticket to any movie, was offered by THE TWIG to the three Freshmen writing the best articles on "How it seems to be a Freshman." A large number of interesting articles were turned in, and the Freshman Class is to be congratulated on its enthusiasm as well as its supply of good writers. The judges finally acclaimed Evelyn McCall, Matilda Hollerman, and Sarah Briggs as winners in the contest. Their articles will appear in THE TWIG.

HEARTY WELCOME TO NEW GIRLS!