



THE TWIG

NOEL IN FRANCE

Christmas Eve . . . hurried last minute shopping; entrancing midnight mass with the intoxication of the incense; the rapture of the music and the dinner message; then the "reveillon": golden turkey, goose stuffed with chestnuts, the first celery of the season, and the traditional flaming rhum omelette!

For the little children . . . a little longer prayer; a long watch in the dark to wait for St. Nicholas who is going to fill with toys the little shoes placed with love and care in the parlor fire-place; then fantastic dreams of a quaint baby child in a stable; surrounded by electric trains, speaking dolls and Christmas trees.

Christmas tree . . . the oddest tree you ever saw—growing right in the middle of the living room floor in less than a day, and never lasting much over an hour! No one ever sees it grow; it happens always in the dark with all the doors and windows closed, but around five o'clock, when it gets dark, the doors are pushed open—and there it stands in dazzling majesty,

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"Le Cercle Francais" Meets at Miss Allen's at Tea

PLANS ARE MADE FOR FRENCH LECTURER

Miss Catherine Allen delightfully entertained "Le Cercle Francais" at her apartment Tuesday afternoon. Since this was the first official meeting of the French Club this year, there was also a brief business meeting. Miss Shellie Bennett was elected president, and Miss Ethel Day vice president. Miss Allen herself will be the secretary and treasurer of the Club.

There were discussions concerning the French lecturer who is to come soon. He is to give a lecture on "Diction" in the afternoon, and a lecture on some literary subject in the evening. The members of the French department are looking forward with great interest to his coming.

The club was served with the most delightful of refreshments: hot chocolate with marshmallows, ice cream, devil's food cake, mints, almonds, and grapes.

Lovely Fountain is Now Being Built in Court

IS GIFT OF STATE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The men who are busily digging in the center of the court at Meredith are laying the foundations for a beautiful fountain!

This fountain is being given Meredith by State Missionary Society. Mrs. W. N. Jones of Raleigh is president of the State W. M. U. The committee in charge of erecting this fountain are Mrs. R. N. Simms, chairman; Mrs. J. W. Bunn, Mrs. J. S. Farmer, Mrs. B. A. Hocutt, and Mrs. W. D. Briggs.

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Christmas Greetings

To All Alumnae and Former Students of Meredith College, and to the Present Student Body:

I am glad to accept the invitation of THE TWIG staff to send a word of Christmas greeting. Here is wishing for each one of you a happy holiday season. Alma Mater is greatly interested in each one of you, and rejoices with every item of good news coming to us from you. She presents to you this year, as a Christmas present, the announcement that she can assure you the recognition that comes from the Association of American Universities. Alma Mater reminds each of you that you will be of assistance to her, as well as to some friend of yours, by telling of the opportunities and privileges offered a student at Meredith College. The holiday session will scarcely be over before registrations will begin in earnest for the season of 1929-30. I hope your friends will all be included.

May there be joy for you at Christmastide.

Yours sincerely,
CHAS. E. BREWER, *President.*

CHRISTMAS IN GERMANY

There is no season which the Germans celebrate more joyfully than they do the Christmas season. The celebration begins at five o'clock in the evening of the twenty-fourth with a church service, and it lasts until two more days have gone by. Christmas is primarily a Church and family festival with them, and after the first service is held, each family goes home to its Christmas supper. The goose is the main dish and takes the place of our proverbial turkey. Special baking has been going on for a week or more, and the table is laden with goodies of which cookies play an important part. These cookies are much like our Moravian cookies. Candies, too, are in great display. The particular Christmas candy is made of almonds and rose water, and this is fashioned into wondrous shapes—vegetables, fruits, flowers, all appear made in this appetizing manner.

After supper, the family goes into the parlor where the Christmas tree has been placed, for in every German home—rich and poor—there is found a Christmas tree. They do not use pine,

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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT TO BE GIVEN SUNDAY, THE SIXTEENTH

EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD PROGRAM WILL BE RENDERED

On Sunday, December 16, the Meredith College choir will give its annual Christmas program in the Chapel at 4:30 p.m. It has become a traditional custom for the choir to give a concert of Christmas music on the Sunday before holidays begin. Everyone is cordially invited. The program is as

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CHRISTMAS DOLLS ARE BEING CALLED IN

THEIR "MOTHERS" ARE MEMBERS OF FIRST BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The dolls, which are being dressed by members of the First Baptist Sunday school, should be dressed by Sunday, December 16, and carried to the Church. At that time, a committee will be asked to select the prettiest, best dressed doll, which will become

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The Home Economics Club Meets

"ART IN THE HOME" IS SUBJECT OF LECTURE BY MISS POTEAT

The Home Economics Club held its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon. Miss Ida Potent gave a most interesting lecture on "Art in the Home." In this lecture she told of William Norris, the

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German Department to Have Christmas Celebration and Tree

GERMAN CAROLS WILL BE SUNG

The Meredith College German Department will have a Christmas tree and celebration on Friday evening, December 14. At this time German Carols will be sung. Two of the most important of these are "O Hemlock Tree"—originally a love song from which we get our song "Maryland" and which was later translated by Longfellow into English—and "Silent Night," a Carol which has become greatly beloved in our own tongue as well. Those interested in German customs are invited to attend this service.

SANTA CLAUS HAS MOVED

THE "GOOD OLD SANTA" HAS BECOME QUITE MODERN!

In the first half of the seventeenth century—yea, a long time before "Little Old New York" was thought of—Manhattan Island was occupied by vast forests—there was a "teeny" town of New Amsterdam hanging on the southern end of the island. These were days of great big pipes and "holeless" doughnuts. Then winter was not artificial as it is now and Mr. Winter was content to be himself and not to try to be Summer. Christmas, did you say? Well, there was a real Christmas! Can you imagine

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ANNE SIMMS WINS STATE THEATRE TICKETS THIS WEEK

"THE CHRISTMAS STORY" IS PRESENTED BY NELL FOWLER CIRCLE OF Y. W. A.

LOVELY CHRISTMAS CAROLS ARE SUNG

On Sunday night, December 9, the Nell Fowler Circle of the Y. W. A. presented, in play form, "The Christmas Story," arranged from the Bible accounts and old English Miracle plays by Rita Benton. After the prologue, given by Miss Prue Choate, leader of the circle, the curtains slowly parted—while "Holy Night" was sung softly from behind the stage. The attention

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MEREDITH GIRLS SEND SUNSHINE TO SAMARCAND MANOR IN CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

LISTS OF GIRLS POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARDS

The entire student body voted, Thursday morning in Chapel, to continue the custom of many years' standing of filling Christmas stockings for the girls at Samarcand Manor. Miss

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"All-of-a-Sudden Peggy" is Success

EDITH ROWE GRADY AND LOIS HARTNESS STAR

"All-of-a-Sudden-Peggy," the three act play given by the Astrotekton Literary Society in the college auditorium Saturday night, was in every way a success.

The play was swift in action the "suddenness" of the star player,

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"Little Theatre" Learns Art of "Making-up"

MRS. KEMP NEAL INSTRUCTS AT LAST MEETING

Last Thursday night at the regular meeting of the "Little Theatre" a most interesting and instructive program was given. After the business meeting Mrs. Kemp Neal gave a most entertaining talk and exhibition of "Make-up." With a few pieces of Make-up she converted Laura Mabel Haywood into a rather dissipated, middle-aged gentleman, and only a few minutes later, into an old man of seventy with a white beard. She instructed the members of the "Little Theatre" as to the art of making up as she worked, illustrating each explanation. She taught them many new and amazing facts about make-up. With another member of the "Little Theatre" she demonstrated the use of Make-up in emphasizing the different features. The "Little Theatre" learned how to make long noses and short noses, full cheeks and hollow cheeks, and many other amazing things.

FIRST OF BASKET BALL SERIES IS PLAYED OFF

JUNIORS WIN OVER FRESHMEN

The clash was on! "They came, they saw, they conquered." Yes, by a score 27-21 Juniors won over the Freshmen. To sum it up in a nut shell—the game was fast, snappy, and interesting.

The Freshman team surely played a good game. Speedy passing and plenty of goals; good pass work ran their score up. The "Man of the team," Joe

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