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## DR. BREWER MAKES SURPRISING ANNOUNCEMENT

MEREDITH WILL OFFER DEGREE IN MUSIC AND WILL EXPAND COURSE IN HOME ECONOMICS

The student body was delighted by an announcement made by Dr. Brewer at a recent chapel exercise. The announcement was the cumulative result of a faculty meeting and, later, of a trustees' meeting. It was to the effect that a degree in music would be offered those music pupils who are to graduate this spring and, as a second part, a new teacher was to be added to the Department of Home Economics, thus making it possible for the Home Economics majors to secure a certificate to teach in the State High Schools.

The requirements for a degree in music differ somewhat from the requirements for a diploma. For the graduates of '29 and '30 they will be forty-two hours of literary work with a consequent reduction in the hours of theoretical and practical music. After 1930 forty-eight hours of literary work will be required of all applicants for a degree in music.

The Home Economics Department, upon the election of a new teacher, will be enlarged but the nature of the proposed changes is not yet definitely known.

## ALLIANCE FRANCAISE TO PRESENT NOTED LECTURER AT MEREDITH

M. MICHENOT TO SPEAK ON FRENCH DICTIONARY FEB. 12

M. AND MME. DUFRAT WILL GIVE PROGRAM OF OLD FRENCH SONGS FEB. 25

On February 12th the students in the French, given by M. Daniel Michenot pleasure of listening to a lecture in French given by M. Daniel Michenot of the University of Nancy, France. He comes to Meredith under the auspices of the Alliance Francaise of the U. S. and Canada.

Professor Michenot is professor of phonetics and will give some practical suggestions along the line of speaking French. He will illustrate his remarks upon French diction by readings from Jean de la Fontaine and Moliere. A great treat is in store for lovers of the French language.

On February 25th Monsieur Duftrat and his wife will present a musical program before the students of the French classes.

They will sing the songs of "Old France" dressed in the costumes of the provinces of Normandy, Brittany, etc. These songs will be preceded by an interpretation in English. Wherever Monsieur and Madame Duftrat have given their program of French folk songs they have met with great success, and their audiences were most enthusiastic. The faculty and entire student body are invited to be present at this entertainment.

## Annual Founders' Day to be Celebrated February 15

DAY WILL BE FILLED BY A LECTURE, A TEA AND S. G. RECEPTION

DR. R. T. VANN WILL DELIVER ADDRESS FOR OCCASION

Meredith College will celebrate its annual Founders' Day on Friday, February 15. This celebration is one of the most important events of the college year. There are four principal reasons for its important position on the college calendar. In the first place, it is a half holiday, though, really, there are no classes at all. Next, there is always a splendid address by a noted speaker. The afternoon is given over to the faculty tea and the evening to the Student Government reception.

Dr. R. T. Vann, who was for fifteen years President of Meredith College, will be the speaker for the morning. He has not yet announced the exact title of his address but it is to be concerned with some phase of the history of the college. The address will be supplemented by a program of special music by the college choir.

From 4:30 until 6:00 the faculty will be "at home" in the parlors to

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## JOSE ECHANIZ, BRILLIANT VIRTUOSO OF THE PIANO, GIVES CONCERT

AUDIENCE PLEASED WITH HIS PROGRAM AND WITH HIS WONDERFUL PLAYING

On Tuesday night, January 29, another of the concerts sponsored by the Civic Music Association was presented. This concert was given by José Echaniz, a Cuban pianist. Mr. Echaniz has already won fame through his brilliant playing. In a write-up of the New York *Herald Tribune*, it was said of him that he was "Undoubtedly a most brilliant virtuoso of the piano," and after hearing him, it is easy to understand his fame.

His program was as follows:

Symphonic Etudes .....Schumann  
Scherzo, B Minor .....Chopin  
Prelude, D Flat .....Chopin  
Ballade, A Flat .....Chopin  
Peterera .....Turina  
Zapateado .....Turina  
Fandango (from "The Three-Cornered Hat") .....De Falla  
Cradle Song .....Schubert-Godowsky  
The Trout .....Schubert-Godowsky  
Chorus of the Spinners (from "The Flying Dutchman") .....Wagner-Liszt  
Twelfth Hungarian Rhapsody .....Liszt

### NOTICE!

Junior Class dues must be paid by 6 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, February 12th. Some one will be outside of the rotunda to collect them on that date.

## RALEIGH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HAVE BANQUET AT MEREDITH ON FEBRUARY 7

HON. O. MAX GARDNER AND JOHN E. EDGERTON SPEAKERS FOR EVENING

A LARGE ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED

The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce will be entertained at a banquet in the dining room of Meredith College on Thursday evening, February 7. The hosts are expecting between five and six hundred guests, members of the local Chamber of Commerce, their friends, and the legislators of North Carolina. The interesting program for the evening will feature two addresses. Governor O. Max Gardner will deliver words of greeting and express appreciation for the opportunity to attend the banquet. The speaker of the evening will be Mr. John E. Edgerton, President of the National Association of Manufacturers. Mr. Edgerton is a native of Tennessee but a resident of New York. His topic is to be *The Industrial Situation from National, State and Local Standpoints*.

A yearly banquet, held during the meeting of the state legislature, is traditional with the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce. Indeed, a yearly

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## Meredith Fills Social Calendar in Spite of Quarantine and Exams

FACULTY STUNTS, A BIRTHDAY PARTY, AND A MASQUERADE ARE FEATURES OF ENTERTAINMENT

Among the most prominent events that have been featured on Meredith's social calendar lately, the Faculty Stunts, the party given by Miss Welch to the January "Snow-balls," and the Masquerade stand out.

During the quarantine the faculty must have been moved by pity for their students, for on a certain Thursday night they gave an entertainment. The girls showed their appreciation and interest—or was it curiosity?—by appearing in great numbers. During the first stunt, which happened to be "The Class-room from the Teacher's Point of View," many doubtful and sometimes guilty expressions were wiped off by the cleverness with which the "taking off" was done. Dr. Harris gave a piano recital to the delight and astonishment of the audience—for no one would have guessed that she had graduated from St. Mary's in piano. Miss Tillery gave a vocal imitation of an orchestra in the person of Professor I-don't-know-how-ski. The Misses Spruill and Steuven gave a duet, but they must have been "throwing" their

voices, for they seemed to come from behind the scenes. "The Lighthouse Tragedy" was acted with such a delicacy of feeling that tears stood in the eyes of the audience—from laughter. The last number on the program was very enlightening as to the faculty as it might have been before it acquired its mantle of dignity. Mr. Canaday and Miss Lawrence certainly showed their acting ability in "Be Thar Any Trains Goin' East Today?" These numbers could not fail to bring the faculty and student body into closer sympathy. The audience left the chapel with the deeper realization that the faculty is delightfully human and very clever.

Miss Welch delightfully entertained the girls whose birthdays come in January with a "Snow-ball" party last Friday night.

On Tuesday night, January the 22nd at about 8:30 o'clock, groups of girls (or aren't some of them boys?) in gay or grotesque costumes appeared from

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## Art Department Entertained With Attractive Party

ORIGINALITY KEYNOTE OF AFFAIR

RESULTS OF CONTESTS SURPRISING AND AMUSING

Miss Ida Poteat and Miss Mary Tillery entertained the students of the Fine Arts Department, art history and art education, at a very attractive party Saturday afternoon in the studio from five till six o'clock. The "Well of Inspiration," a huge bowl of delicious iced punch, afforded the guests amusement in drinking until "the inspiration came."

A contest was held to see who could exhibit the most originality and talent. Out of a few irregular lines scrawled on a piece of paper, each guest was supposed to complete a creation and give it a name. The results were very interesting and curious to see. No two were alike. The three prizes given for the simplicity of line and originality, were to Misses Marion Fiske, Maisie Patterson, and Ethel Wilkins. The last feature of the party was given by Miss Mary Tillery, who performed an original Czechoslovakian chant. This was the only number of its kind, and it held the audience spellbound until it was over.

## Our New Governor—Served as Teamster in Spanish-American War

EXCELLED IN ATHLETICS AT COLLEGE—STUDIED LAW IN RALEIGH—A PUBLIC CAREER OF TWENTY YEARS

Hon. O. Max Gardner, after a public career of more than twenty years, has at last reached the goal of his ambitions and, at the age of forty-six, is taking charge of the highest office within the gift of the people of North Carolina. Governor Gardner was born in Shelby in 1882. He was the youngest son of Dr. Oliver Perry Gardner, a county doctor, who had served as a captain in the Confederate army.

During his boyhood, Mr. Gardner attended the public schools and worked on his father's farm. When he was sixteen, the Spanish-American war broke out in Cuba, and he left home to fight for his country. He was refused the privilege of enlisting in the army, however, and finally succeeded only in signing up as a teamster with the Second Regiment of Illinois. During the rest of the war with Spain, he served as a "mule skinner" in Florida and Cuba.

When the war was over and he returned home, he began to think of going to college. He had won a scholar-

ship, and soon he left home to come to Raleigh and enter State College, then known as A. & M. College. He came to school with the determination to be a chemist, and he succeeded in getting his B.S. degree in three and one-half years. His college days were very fruitful, especially in the field of athletics. He was an outstanding tackle on the A. & M. football team, and was even named several times as one of the all-Southern eleven. He was also manager of the base ball team one year.

Not only did he excel in athletics, but in literary activities he was always in the front. He won medals in both debating and oratorical contests, and was elected to practically every office then existing.

He graduated with honors and then remained at the College for two years as instructor in chemistry. He continued his football, and began reading law in the office of R. H. Battle, a

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