

State Fair Week Is Notable Attraction

Many Former North Carolinians Return to State for Home-Coming Week

The opening event of the State Fair was the home-coming celebration of Sunday, October 13. On Sunday morning large crowds attended the local churches, from whose pulpits native ministers preached. Among those who spoke were Dr. W. F. Tillett of Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. Carlyle Campbell, president of Coker College, Hartsville, S. C.; Dr. B. R. Lacy, president of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va.; Dr. W. W. Saley, Suffolk, Va., and Dr. St. Clair Hester, Brooklyn, N. Y. However, for the evening service all the churches joined in the union service at the city auditorium. A choir of over two hundred voices furnished the musical program. Dr. Geo. W. Truett, native of Clay County, pastor of a Baptist church in Dallas, Tex., and president of the Southern Baptist Convention, was the speaker of the evening. Mr. Josephus Daniels presented him as one of the greatest preachers in America.

Dr. Truett's subject for the evening was "The Vocation of Worthy Living," and he developed the subject by showing that the highest offering one may make to a State is a worthy life.

On Tuesday Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, of New York, spoke at the fair at noon. At 11 o'clock Tuesday morning a procession of North Carolina officials and State Fair officials, headed by Governor Roosevelt and his host, Mr. Daniels, moved from "Wakestone," the home of Mr. Daniels, to the fair grounds, under the escort of State highway patrolmen. Tuesday evening was devoted to music festival in Capitol Square in celebration of the Edison Jubilee.

The official formal opening of the fair, when the fair grounds were dedicated, was held Wednesday morning, instead of Monday, because of the illness of Governor Gardner.

The fair was made exceptionally interesting by a variety of features. First among the number were the exhibits, consisting of an exhibit by the Federal department of agriculture, the Governor's pure seed demonstration exhibits, an exhibit showing the products made at the State's prison farm, an exhibit prepared by the State department of charities and public welfare, two exhibits by the State department of conservation and development—a wild-game exhibit, showing the different wild animals which are roaming North Carolina's game preserves, and a fisheries exhibit.

Other features were the Bonhair Troupe, who presented advanced acrobaticism; Wilno "Human Cannon Ball," horse races for the first five days and auto races on the sixth. The whole affair was made more attractive by the improved grounds and by the beautiful fireworks of each evening.

The fair of this year, altogether and in detail, was a grand success.

Correction

In last week's issue the following item, which read: Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Farrell (Anne McKaughan, '14), a son, on September 9, Zebulon, N. C., should have read: Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Farrell (Anne McKaughan, '14), a son, Roger Hamlin, July 23, Greensboro, N. C.

Plans Being Made For Annual Stunt Night

Stunt Night! Again that night of all nights at Meredith is approaching. All the usual (or should one call them unusual?) signs are coming into evidence on the campus.

During what other season are girls seen in such close groups, whispering so animatedly, or holding secret practices at odd, often unearthly, hours? A subdued excitement and sense of expectancy has gripped everyone on the campus—seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen alike. It is but natural that everyone wish with all her heart for her own particular class to win. Natural? That is "stating it mildly." The class spirit which is being shown in all phases of campus life proves that although it has not yet made its formal appearance, nevertheless it is strong. What upperclassman does not remember the cold chills and fevers of excitement that took hold of her on Stunt Night?

This year, from all indications, the competition for the cup promises to be even stronger than usual. For a number of weeks the various classes have been planning their stunts and practicing for them. The work on them seems to have made rapid headway, due to the high degree of interest and the great desire of each girl to help her class win. Coöperation? Everyone has shown her loyalty by gladly doing her share for her class, however large or small that share might be.

Well, "it won't be long now!" Stunt Night will take place on Saturday night, October 26. What will be the answer to the universal question, "Who will get the cup?"

Joint Councils Hold Informal Dinner

Friday evening the Meredith Student Council entertained the Wake Forest Student Council at an informal dinner party, which was held in the social room of Dormitory C. The room was decorated in ferns and flowers, and the guests found their places by old gold and black place cards. A two-course dinner was then served. Between courses the guests were entertained by a sailor chorus consisting of Sarah Cummings, Mary Lee Seate, and Minnie Wilburn, and a French skit by Marguerite Mason and Mabel Becker.

The Meredith Council present consisted of Margaret Craig, Anne Simms, Irene Thomas, Clela Black, Blanche Obershain, Belle Ward, Margaret Peacock, Kathleen Durham, Mary Hamby, Vida Miller, Della Roberson, and Annie Sara Barkwell. The Wake Forest Student Council consisted of Roy Kinsey, Al Downtin, Harvey Correll, Joe Keaton, "Fats" Myers, Jack Murphy, Fleming Fuller, Fred Voliva, Toby Hicks, Willie Watkins, Willie Gaddy, and J. T. Danner.

We Extend Sympathy

To Mrs. J. S. Vetter (Roselle Byrd, '17) of Mount Olive, in the death of her husband, on June 16.

To Mabel Andrews, '27, of High Point, in the death of her father, on August 8.

To Irene Edwards, '26, Mars Hill, in the death of her father, the latter part of September.

To Madaline Elliott, '28, student secretary, Meredith College, in the death of her father, September 21.

To Mrs. P. E. White (Mattie Macom Norman, '21), of Leaksville, in the death of her father, on October 11.

PSYCHOLOGY CONGRESS MEETS AT YALE UNIV.

Dr. Hood and Other North Carolina College Professors Attend the Gathering

Dr. Fraser Hood, head of the psychology department at Davidson College, has recently returned from the Ninth International Congress of Psychologists at Yale University, and declared that the most marked feature of the session was a decided trend away from the old-fashioned "mechanical behaviorism." He said that psychologists were beginning to realize that their problems demand a deeper insight into reality than behavioristic principles permit.

Dr. Hood estimated that 800 psychologists from Europe, Asia, and America attended the gathering, which held its meetings for the first time on American soil. French, German, and English were the three languages universally spoken, though the great psychologist, Prof. Pavlov, of Leningrad, spoke in Russian, which had to be translated. Dr. Hood made the interesting observation that the German contingent was more familiar with the English language than the French delegation.

The Davidson professor contended that the most widely known speaker was Professor Pavlov, who is an authority on and discoverer of the conditioned reflex. He was impressed by the liveness and alertness of this 80-year-old man, who would easily pass for one of 60 years of age, he said.

Among other North Carolinians attending the conference were Dr. William McDougall and Dr. F. Zene of Duke University; Dr. Frederick Dashiell, Dr. M. R. Trabue, and Dr. F. E. Crane of the University of North Carolina, and Dr. J. A. Highsmith of North Carolina College for Women. —The Davidsonian.

Delightful Tea Given In Social Room of "C"

The Y. W. A. Council was at home from 5 to 6 on Sunday, October 8, at a lovely tea in the faculty parlor of Dormitory C. The honorees of the occasion were the teachers of the Y. W. A. Study Course, Misses Pearle Bourn, Inabelle Coleman, and Alva Lawrence. The guests were greeted at the door by Anne Simmons and Marguerite Mason. The receiving line was composed of Misses Bourne, Coleman, Lawrence, Miss Madeline Elliott, student secretary, Mrs. W. N. Jones, State W. M. A. president, and the Y. W. A. Council members, Kathleen Durham and Prue Choate.

The social room was lovely for the occasion. Large baskets of yellow cut flowers were artistically arranged about the room.

Tea, wafers, almonds, nuts, mints, and bonbons were served by the Y. W. A. circle leaders. About eighty girls and several ladies from the Raleigh Woman's Missionary Society called during the afternoon.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Curtis, of Maxton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlotte Rennie, to Mr. Calvin Lee Quarles, of Sandy Level, Va., the wedding to take place the latter part of November.

Annual Barbecue Held Friday In the Grove

About six years ago the Meredith girls rode in trucks from "Old" Meredith to the spot way out in the country where "New" Meredith now stands, and there they had the first annual barbecue, starting a custom which has been carried out each year and will be continued in the years to come.

This year the barbecue was held on Friday, October 11, from 5 to 6. The whole student body and many Raleigh friends gathered in the grove and formed a long line. The large group included the town girls, several pastors, the faculty, and some of the Sunday school teachers. The blessing was asked by Mr. Davidson, after which the line passed around the tables and received plates of barbecue, rolls, pickles, baked apples, and relish. Hot coffee, peanuts, and pop-cicles were also served. The girls sat down in groups. Everyone seemed thoroughly to enjoy being together and to appreciate the efforts of Miss Welch and Mrs. Cooper, who had made the occasion an enjoyable one.

The barbecue is, perhaps, one of the biggest social gatherings of the year, and it is looked forward to each fall.

Meredith Choir Takes Part In Light's Jubilee

Fair Week this year has been more widely planned and executed with even more detail than any in some time. Tuesday evening some of the Meredith girls were given an opportunity for participating in the events of Home-Coming Week. The Meredith College choir was asked to attend the Light's Golden Jubilee, when Thomas Edison's invention of the incandescent lamp was given formal recognition by the State of North Carolina. The singing was held on a platform that had been erected on the east side of the Capitol, under the direction of William Jones, director of music at St. Mary's School, on which was assembled the combined choirs and chorus organizations of the city.

The program was opened with the chorus singing "Love's Old Sweet Song." Other songs sung included "Annie Laurie," "My Old Kentucky Home," "The Last Rose of Summer," "Swanee River," and "Dixie." Miss Galt of Meredith was accompanist.

It was at this affair that the floodlights that have been installed by the Carolina Power and Light Company as a gift to North Carolina in honor of Thomas Edison, whom the whole country is honoring this month on the fiftieth anniversary of his invention of the incandescent lamp, was turned on.

Alumnae Visitors

Sarah Cooke, '29, who is teaching in High Point, spent the week-end with friends at the College.

Hesta Kitchin, '29, spent the night of October 12, with her sister, Pauline Kitchin.

Janie G. Burns, '29, who has opened her private studio in the Professional Building, at Goldsboro, where she is teaching piano, spent Sunday night at College.

Laura Mabel Haywood, '29, who is teaching in High Point, spent the week-end with her parents in the city. Geneva Benthall, '27, spent the week-end with friends at the College.

Saturday Night Set Aside For Societies

Phi's Hold Installation Service and Astro's Initiate New Girls

Saturday evening, October 12, was set aside as society night for both the Philaretian and Astrotekton Literary Societies.

The Philaretian installation service was held in the society hall, and was most beautiful and impressive. Each new girl appeared at her appointed time, dressed in white. After the 85 new girls had been installed and had become regular Phi's a reception was held. This gave the old and new members a better chance to become acquainted, and very soon a spirit of good-fellowship prevailed throughout the hall.

By means of the new radio which the society bought last year, delightful music, both modern and classical, added to the enjoyment of the occasion. Ice cream and cakes were served at the close of the evening.

Everyone was then invited by Chloris Kellum, Philaretian president, to the court between the dormitories. At this time the Phi's formed a large circle around the fountain. Fireworks were lighted and under their beautiful white light the girls sang the society songs, and thus closed the Philaretian installation services of '29.

While the Phi's were installing their new members in their society hall, the Astrotekton Society was having its initiation in the underground passages of the dormitory. Each "Baby Astro" came at her appointed time, dressed to fit such an occasion. A spirit of excitement, anticipation, and enthusiasm existed among the new girls.

After the initiation a reception was held for both old and new members in the Astro hall. Many former society members were present for this affair, among them being Miss Hesta Kitchin, former Astro president.

At this time Pauline Kitchin, president of the society, gave an address of welcome. Following this was a toast to Dr. Brewer, given by Sarah Cummings, to which Dr. Brewer responded. Kitty Makepeace gave a toast to the deans, to which Miss Lawrence responded. Roberta Royster offered a toast to Mother Astro, and to the new Astros Mabel Bagby gave welcome, to which Louise McMillan gave response.

Last, but not least, came the toast to the Astro goat, the society mascot, which was cleverly given by Della Roberson.

Music was furnished by Catherine Mitchell. Ice cream, cake, and nuts were served.

Each society is glad to welcome each new member, and expects 1929 to be a most successful year in every way for all.

YO-HO! YO-YO!

It seemed for a while that Meredith was to escape the craze that is sweeping the country. But—alas! and alas!—it was not to be. Yo-yos have appeared on our campus! Seniors, juniors, sophomores, freshmen, all go about dangling them up and down. Even sedate members of the faculty cast a gentle dignity on the sport. How long it will last cannot be surmised. But, yo-yos are here! That's all that can be said.