

## ANNUAL STAFF GIVES DELIGHTFUL BANQUET

Thursday evening, December 17, the members of the *Oak Leaves* annual staff and invited guests celebrated the approaching holidays with a banquet at the Meremont Tea Shop. The Yuletide spirit was evident in an arrangement consisting of trees alternating with tall red miniature snow-laden Christmas candles to form decorations for the center of the table. Place cards of red and green, in the form of oak leaves, indicated the places for the sixteen guests present, where each lady found herself favored with a Christmas stocking filled with candies, and each gentleman was the recipient of a candy cane. Much amusement was incited during the four-course dinner by a burlesque staff business meeting in which the editor, Miss Mabel Bagby, called on Miss Sara Cummings, the business manager, for an example of her "line of business" in order that she might ascertain the effectiveness of Miss Cummings' technique.

Following this Miss Kitty Makepeace gave a few of her poetic contributions, only to find them rejected as too ultra-modern. Representing the artistically inclined members of the staff, Miss Evelyn McCall was requested to illustrate the nature of her "line," but due to a rather unexpected drawing-pain in her right wrist Miss McCall was excused.

Since it was necessary that all the jokes for the annual be censored, Miss Virginia Crawford was called upon to submit her collection, but, unfortunately, Miss Crawford had to confess that the joke was on her—she had none to offer. However, after a complicated process of elimination each guest had an appropriate joke to contribute, thereby relieving the editor's worries as to the joke problem.

Music, furnished by Miss Ruby Johnson, relieved the tension occasioned by the various business matters, as did, indeed, the favors of green pom-poms on bright colored sticks, which

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## Mr. Battin Renders French Organ Music

The series of faculty concerts were continued after the Christmas vacation, the first of these being on Sunday afternoon, January 5, at 5:30 o'clock in the college auditorium. At this time Mr. Isaac Battin again presented a program of varied numbers. The program was carefully planned and well presented. Mr. Battin showed much experience and skill in the interpretation of these selections.

The program was as follows:

Hosannah .....	Dubois
Sonata Pontificale in D Minor, Lemmens	
Allegro Moderato—Marche Pontificale.	
Adagio—Fuga.	
Cantilene Pastorale .....	Guilmant
Chorale Number III, in A Minor, Franck	
Toccata .....	Widor

## Tie Between Teams In Spirited Hockey Game

Among many cheers and yells the first hockey game at Meredith was played Saturday, the fourteenth of December. The game was called for two o'clock, and by that time numerous spectators had gathered on either side of the field to cheer their teams. The field was decorated with the green and white of the Seniors and Sophs and the rainbow colors of the "Odd" classes. Della Roberson led cheers for the "Evens" and Sarah Briggs led for the "Odds."

The game started promptly at two, Miss Anderson, of Meredith, was referee and Miss Anderson, of the State Institution for the Blind, was umpire. The game started by the bully between Gore and Blanton. Then the mad race for the goals began. The game was divided into fifteen-minute halves, with an intermission of five minutes. In the first half the "Evens" made one goal and the "Odds" made two. In the second half the "Evens" made two goals and the "Odds" made one, giving a tie of three to three.

It was the most exciting game during the history of our present student body, and a fine spirit was shown by both of the teams and the opposing onlookers. Faculty as well as students enthusiastically cheered the players.

One of the most spectacular plays of the game occurred during the second half, when Ayscue, of the "Odds," led the whole team down the field in a mad race for the goal.

The line-up of the teams was as follows:

"Evens"	"Odds"
Blanton .....	Gore
Thornton .....	Ayscue
Rayford .....	Woody
Webb .....	Pruitt
Gordon .....	Howell
Hamby .....	Abernethy
Apple .....	Bennett
Norris .....	Brady
Robertson .....	Sorrell
Gillie .....	Ricks
Collie .....	Arnette

Substitutes for "Evens": Banks, Barkwell, Peacock, Bradshaw, James, Obenshain. Substitutes for "Odds": Rogers, Broadwell, Boomhour, Sawyer, Lucas, Jones.

The goals were made for the "Evens" by Rayford and Thornton, Thornton making two. Those for the "Odds" were made by Bennett, Gore, and Ayscue.

Three cheers for better and bigger hockey games at Meredith.

## Scrap Books Made By Second-Milers

Three large and attractive scrap books were made by members of the Second Mile Sunday School class, to bring sunshine to some children at Christmas. They were mailed to the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem for distribution.

## SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Meredith's music department has begun one of its most successful years this fall semester. A spirit of hard and faithful work and coöperation has prevailed in students and instructors. Three new teachers have come to the music department and have proved most efficient: Mr. Isaac Battin, professor of organ; Miss Ethel Rowland, voice, and Miss Barbara Pike, cello.

There have been the usual student recitals this year, which occur every Thursday afternoon. These have been very interesting and well-balanced, carefully planned, and varied programs have been rendered. In addition to these student recitals concerts by the music faculty have been given every Sunday afternoon in the Meredith auditorium. These programs have been well presented, and a large number of town people have attended at this time. The programs have been broadcast over WPTF and the fact that the music department now has an hour and a half "on the air" weekly is considered a great improvement to the department.

The Christmas music was one of the best in years. The program was varied and entertaining. It was so well received that the choir was invited to present it at Sanford. Any member of the choir can relate her pleasant experiences on this trip. Just before going home for the holidays the program was again given before a large assembly and also broadcast at this time.

There have been no definite plans made for the spring semester. There will be the continuation of recitals and broadcasting, only hoping to also continue the good work begun in the beginning of the school year.

## MISS ALLEN GIVES TEA TO FRENCH 20 GIRLS

On Monday afternoon, December 10, at 4:45, Miss Allen was hostess to her French 20 class at her home on Hillsboro Street. The girls were met at the door by the hostess and were greeted most cordially in French.

French newspapers were distributed and Miss Allen told several French Christmas stories and French customs concerning *le Noël*. During the meeting Russian tea was served, and music from the Swiss music box and Swiss yodeling records was enjoyed.

At the conclusion of the meeting green and white ice cream, angel-food cake, Christmas mints, and almonds were served.

As the girls left Miss Allen presented each with French souvenir cards and French pralines, and each guest expressed the general sentiment that Miss Allen was a most charming hostess.

## New Year's Program Presented At Vespers

The Phi Hall on Sunday night, January 5, was the scene of a most unusual and inspirational New Year's program, sponsored by the B.S.U., with Marguerite Mason presiding. A prayer song was led by Ruth Starling. Then Alma Darke sang as a solo the verses of "Love is the Theme," while the whole group joined in the chorus. Vida Miller led a special New Year's prayer.

The twenty-third Psalm was suggested as a motto for the new year, and Jesus as the good shepherd. The singing of "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" was especially appropriate after the reading of the Shepherd's Psalm.

Miss Elliot's talk, entitled "I Never Have," which followed, was a New Year challenge to all who listened.

The talk was based on Acts 10:14 and Acts 11:5-18, the three words of Peter: confidence, courage, and faith. Miss Elliott said: "So many people are victims of fear—they're afraid to venture, to try something new. The human race is divided into the "will's," the "won'ts," and the "can'ts." Until we can become truly useful Christians we must change "I never have" to "I can," or "I'll try."

To find new worlds to conquer there must be confidence in one's self—confidence, but *not* conceit. Most young people's failure is due to self-centered thoughts. Courage is also necessary. Dare to venture out into new fields. With the faith described in verse twelve of this chapter of Acts—faith, "nothing doubting," entire faith in the invincible leader, Christ—who said "All power is given unto me. Go ye into all the world—and lo, I am with you always"—then, worlds *can* be conquered. Paul's words, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me," do stimulate the Christian's faith. With confidence, faith, and courage, each believer will be able to say in the end, "I have fought the good fight, I have kept the faith, I have finished the course."

After Miss Elliot closed her most inspiring challenge a tall taper was lighted, which represented faith. Each girl present lighted a smaller candle given her from the big light, Faith, and made a resolution for increased work for the Master during the year.

The meeting ended with singing the song, "Follow the Gleam."

## Tabernacle Class Starts Year Right

The Mooneyham Class surely started the New Year right by turning in a general average of 77 per cent for Sunday, January 5. The class secretary reports splendid attendance, and all the officers are encouraged by such a fine start on the New Year's work.

## INTERESTING ATHLETIC PROGRAM IN CHAPEL

Much enthusiasm among both faculty and students was shown as everyone went into chapel on Saturday morning, December 14, for the meeting in which was to be presented the hockey teams. Faculty members were met as they entered the door by members of the four classes and were given the colors of each class. In the auditorium the Juniors and Freshmen were seated on one side, while the Seniors and Sophomores were grouped on the opposite side.

The following song was sung by the entire athletic association:

Ho! Spur your players on and make them go,  
Now the time has come when we can show  
You that our athletes are game.  
Up! And let us win lots of fame.  
Play! Meredith, show the others how to play.  
Basketball and hockey every day  
Will teach us good sports to be,  
And that's why girls from M. C.  
Know how to play!

Next, the Seniors and Sophomores rose and sang the following, after which they gave a spirited yell:

Sophomores and Seniors, to you we sing  
Whatever may happen,  
Whate'er time may bring,  
Remember this place:  
Remember that we  
Your loyal friends will be.

The attention turned from the side upon which was seated the sister classes, the Sophomores and Seniors, to the Juniors and their little sisters, the

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## Basketball Season Opens Monday, Jan. 6

Hockey season is over, Christmas holidays are past, and now comes the basketball season! Miss Anderson is predicting one of the best seasons in the history of the college, and is urging girls from every class to come out. She says it is not necessary to be a good player in order to try out, and she wants all who are interested in the game to give their support. Basketball is an old game and is played in every high school, and there are surely some star players here among the students. Now is their chance to shine forth and help their class win the championship.

Practice began Monday night, January 6, at 6:45, and will continue each night until the teams have been chosen. But it is still not too late to begin. However, Miss Anderson wants to pick the teams as soon as possible in order that the games may be played off before exams begin.

The classes have elected managers and they are hard at work getting the girls to come and try out. Every girl should help her manager and her class by going out. The managers are:

Senior—Blanche Obenshain.  
Junior—Margaret Lucas.  
Sophomore—Mabel Gordon.  
Freshman—Eleanor Hunt.