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Classical Club Gives Delightful Roman Play

A Roman Wedding presented by the Classical Club Thursday evening, February 20, proved a delightfully entertaining as well as an instructive feature, revealing many interesting customs. The players were successful in creating an atmosphere of old Rome, and the curtain rose on a scene that might have been a bit of the old Latin world itself, with Cicero as a central figure there. Those taking part showed ability and training; and especially praiseworthy were the mastery of the Latin lines on the part of the players, their pronunciation and interpretive expression, which enabled the audience to follow the action with more ease than it had perhaps anticipated.

The play opened at Cicero's house, with Terentia, his wife, complaining that he neglects her and devotes too much time to the prosecution of Catiline and to study. Her son, the young Cicero, adds to her anxiety by his unsatisfactory school report and his declamation that he too will be an orator some day. However, he promises to study his geometry harder for the reward offered by Cicero. Lucius Piso, a friend of Cicero, calls to ask the hand of Tullia, Cicero's daughter, for his son, Gaius Piso. Terentia is pleased with the prospect of the marriage, but Tullia and her father prefer to wait till she is older. She at last consents to the betrothal on account of the straitened circumstances of her father. The witnesses arrive, the contract is

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Musical Composer Talks In Chapel

Thursday morning, February 20, Mr. Lamar Stringfield gave an interesting discussion of American folk songs at the chapel hour. Mr. Stringfield is a recognized American composer of music and a conductor of orchestras. He was to have played the flute, which is his solo instrument, but was unable to because of an injury received in a recent accident.

Mr. Stringfield received his education at Wake Forest College, and while he was there he was a student of Dr. Brewer's.

Later he went to New York to continue his study of music.

Last year he won the Pulitzer prize for the best composition. Meredith students were indeed fortunate in having the opportunity to hear him speak. As the son of the late O. L. Stringfield, of Wendell, who was one of the founders of Meredith, he is particularly endeared to Meredith.

Mr. Stringfield illustrated parts of his discussion with selections on the piano. He played "Cripple Creek," a composition of his own which, he explained, is based on an American folk tune. Mr. Stringfield is heartily in favor of stressing folk songs, and he has already done much research along this line.

Legion Contest Won By J. S. McKinnon

Eight young orators representing different colleges of the State featured in a State-wide contest held Saturday night in the Meredith auditorium. This contest was under the auspices of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion. "Our Flag" furnished the subject for the orators.

The first prize was a gold medal, especially designed for this Americanization contest of the American Legion, and \$50 in gold, and was awarded J. S. McKinnon, of State College. Mr. McKinnon not only had a good speaking voice, but he made telling use of specific incidents all through his oration which added to his delivery.

The second prize, \$25 in gold, went to H. H. Hobgood, of the University of North Carolina. Mr. Hobgood opened his speech with a very effective picture of the Flag flying over Fort Moultrie, Charleston, S. C., during the Revolutionary period. He told how the men of the Stone Age, when warring against other tribes, used the skins of animals held aloft on sticks, to rally their fighting men. The smooth delivery, commanding presence, and descriptive pictures of Mr. Hobgood's speech made the decision of his and Mr. McKinnon's oration very difficult for the judges.

Honorable mention went to Alan Frew, of Davidson College, who had an excellent speech, and the most powerful voice of the evening, but a too long hesitation probably cost Mr. Frew a higher place.

The orators in their order were Robert N. Simms, Jr., representing Wake Forest; Leon M. Hill, Atlantic Christian College; H. H. Hobgood, University of North Carolina; William Hire, Guilford College; J. G. Pratt, Duke University; Alan Frew, Davidson College, and J. S. McKinnon, State College.

Mr. Charles Lee Smith, Dr. H. O. Lineberger, and William B. Duncan were the judges for the contest, while Prof. Edwin Paget, of State College, who is

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Colton English Club Has Monthly Meeting

The Colton English Club held its bi-monthly meeting Friday, February 21. After the reading of the minutes by the secretary, the meeting was turned over to Miss Porter, of the French Department, who gave a most delightful talk on Richard Rolle of Harpole, a medieval writer. Miss Porter declared she thought it impossible for one man to have written as much as he did in the short time he was supposed to have lived. His literary productions included treatises on the Gospels, translations of the Psalms, homilies, religious poems, and philosophic discussions. She gave a sketch of his life and read some interesting bits from his works. At the close of her talk refreshments were served.

Meredith Sorrows In Death of Mrs. Vann

The death of Mrs. Richard Tilman Vann, which occurred on Friday evening, February 21, was an event which brought sorrow to the entire faculty and student body of Meredith College. Mrs. Vann was loved by all who knew her and had numbers of friends all over the State, but she had especially endeared herself to the hearts of the hundreds of Meredith girls who had known her.

Mrs. Vann had been in ill health for a number of years, having been confined to her home during that time. Some months ago she was stricken with paralysis and was confined to her bed until the time of her death. She suffered a relapse last week which finally resulted in her death Friday night.

Funeral services were held in the Scotland Neck Baptist Church Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The pastor of the church, Rev. W. E. Goods, officiated, assisted by Dr. Livingston Johnson, Dr. Charles E. Maddry, and Dr. C. F. Meserve, of Raleigh; Dr. W. V. Savage, of Churchland, Va., and Dr. M. L. Kesler, of Thomasville. After the Scripture reading by Dr. Maddry and a prayer by Dr. Kesler, Dr. Johnson spoke of the beautiful Christian character of Mrs. Vann, and the numberless friends she had won with her splendid personality. The choir of the church rendered "Rock of Ages," "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," and "How Firm a Foundation." At the grave the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Savage. The myriads of beautiful floral offerings expressed

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Dr. Nelson Speaks To Home Ec. Club

The Home Economics Club had its regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon, February 18, at 4:45 o'clock in the Sewing Laboratory of the Science Building. The speaker for the occasion was Dr. Thomas Nelson, head of the Textile School of N. C. State College.

Dr. Nelson gave a most interesting and beneficial lecture on "Rayon." He is to return and give another lecture on "Textile Fabrics in General" at the next monthly meeting of the club. His lecture on Monday was most instructive and his future visit is anticipated with much enthusiasm and interest.

Dr. Nelson in his talk gave the history of silk, and then traced the history of rayon from the wood pulp, which is the beginning article with which to work, down through the finished product—rayon. This talk was presented before a large number of club members and guests. At the conclusion of the meeting Dr. Nelson remained for dinner in the College dining hall as guest of Miss Ellen Brewer, head of the Economics Department, and Annie Mildred Herring, president of Home Economics Club.

Juniors and Freshmen Win Amid Riotous Enthusiasm

Miss Rowland Gives Voice Recital Sunday

One of the most delightful of the faculty concerts that have been presented this year was the vocal recital presented by Miss Rowland Sunday afternoon, February 23, in the auditorium. In spite of the inclemency of the weather, there was a large audience which gave Miss Rowland an enthusiastic reception. This was the second recital she has given, and it was given with the skill and mastery that she has shown herself capable of before.

The program was well chosen and well arranged. Miss Branch, the accompanist, lent interest to the recital with her sympathetic accompaniment.

The program included the following numbers:

Ave Maria	Luzzi
Who Is Sylvia?	Schubert
Aus meinen grossen Schmerzen	Franz
Ich grolle nicht	Schumann
Thy Beaming Eyes	MacDowell
The Little Silver Ring (request)	Chaminade
The Northern Days	Chadwick
Thou Art So Like a Flower	Chadwick
Aria—My Heart Is Weary	A. Goring Thomas
A Spirit Flower	Campbell-Tipton
The Crying of Water	Campbell-Tipton
Do Not Go, My Love	Hageman
The Cry of Rachel	Salter
The Star	Rogers
At Parting	Rogers
Giyometta	Sibella
Trees	Rasbach
Take Joy Home	Bassett

Meredith Girls Shown In Favor of Marriage

The statistics regarding the number of marriages is entirely reliable, but in some cases it was impossible to secure the number of children in the homes of the alumnae. The Meredith girls are indeed scattered to the four corners of the earth and the addresses of some were not known, while others did not answer the questionnaire sent them.

It is of interest to note that in only one class, 1903, all of the girls, sooner or later, entered matrimony. The class of 1910 claims the honor of having the largest family, nine children.

There have been fourteen deaths among the alumnae; only two of these were not married.

Class	Marriages Per Cent	Average Children
1902	75.00	2.4
1903	100.00	4.00
1904	37.5	3.5
1905	75.00	2.66
1906	80.00	1.25
1907	77.2	2.28
1908	57.9	3.00
1909	34.74	2.43
1910	75.85	3.44
1911	68.00	1.8
1912	60.87	2.6
1913	71.43	1.86
1914	54.54	1.88
1915	61.9	1.86
1916	70.83	2.00
1917	54.54	1.22
1918	62.07	0.88
1919	78.00	1.63
1920	68.75	0.88
1921	62.8
1922	51.61
1923	51.16
1924	29.82
1925	37.21
Average	56.13	2.09

SCORES:
Seniors vs. Juniors, 11-15
Soph. vs. Frosh., 11-18

The Odds went down in defeat before the Evens Monday night, after a spirited contest in which the players of both teams exhibited fast work and skillful playing. Both games were fights from start to finish. First one team and then the other gained possession of the ball.

The first half of the Senior-Junior game ended 6-8 in favor of the Juniors. Ayscue for the Juniors played an excellent game; by her skillful and quick guarding she kept the score from rising in favor of the Seniors. Obenshain was the outstanding player for the Seniors, making eight points. Hunt, Junior forward, rolled up the score 11 points.

The outstanding feature of the Sophomore-Freshman game was the great pass-work of

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Barber Biology Club Holds Fine Meeting

The Barber Biology Club met Thursday evening, February 21, at 6:45. After the meeting was called to order, a short business session followed in which Theta Jackson was nominated and elected to membership in the club. An announcement was made concerning the national flower contest in which the wild rose led the columbine by 230,000 votes. We were very pleased at this, because the majority of our members voted in favor of the wild rose.

The first number of the program was a short talk on "The National Arboretum" by Mildred Goodwin. She gave some facts which were of interest to all lovers of nature.

Evelyn Sherwin gave a "Spring Flower Review," the object of which was to acquaint the club members with the local flowers which appear in early spring. In the course of the review she illustrated the flowers mentioned with pressed specimens and colored plates.

In a short report Rachel Hoggard gave a little of the history, methods, and results of "plant breeding." Everyone should have vital interest in a topic of this kind, because plant breeding is a method by which nature's processes are hastened.

Current events from the latest science magazines were reviewed by Ruby Lee as the last number on the program. These served as an incentive to further discussion, during which Miss Barkley told an interesting "two-headed snake" tale.

We are all looking forward to the next meeting of the club, which will be held March 6 at 6:45 p. m. in the College auditorium. At this time Dr. C. H. Flory of the State Forestry Division, will give a lecture which will be illustrated with moving pictures. Any visitors will be welcome at this time.