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SOCIETY POSSIBILITIES

It is the general opinion on the campus that for the past few years, the two literary societies have neglected their purpose which is, according to the handbook, "to bring the students together in a literary and social way and to sponsor individuality in expression in both literary and social fields." After Decision Day, which is preceded by a series of serenades in the court, hot dogs, teas, and what not, both societies have formed the habit of lapsing into silence; and little is heard from them until commencement, when some aspiring member in each society exercises her scholarly instincts, the results being two essays of real merit.

Why not, this year, make the societies real literary and social organizations? With the coöperation of every member, programs of literary value can be given, with benefit to everyone. Meredith has no debating team, but there are plenty of girls among the Phi's and Astro's who will show genuine talent in that field if but given the opportunity to do so in an inter-society debate. Is there any finer or more interesting way to review the latest books, than by devoting a society program to a few of the best, and adding color to the program with the dramatization of a selection from each?

And a few well-planned socials would certainly add a great deal of pleasure to the school year—"all work and no play makes Mary a very dull student"!

Every girl on the campus can have a definite part in helping the societies to achieve their purpose this year, and not until that purpose achieved will they be real literary societies. N. L. C.

GENIUS LOCI

The one thing most vital to and most representative of the college community is the spirit of its members which constitutes the atmosphere of the place. This is not merely a passing wave of enthusiasm felt when the Alma Mater is drawn into competition with rival institutions. It is not the blind egoism of those who think theirs the only college and themselves its only—worthy, at least—members.

According to John Henry Newman, college spirit becomes "a self-perpetuating tradition, or a *genius loci*, as it is sometimes called, which haunts the home where it has been born, and which imbues and forms, more or less, and one by one, every individual who is successively brought under its shadow."

Genuine college spirit involves fundamental attitudes, especially those toward authority and fellow students. All too often the authority of officials is resented and student council members are looked upon as spies and tattlers imposed by law and order to make life more of a problem. Too many are interested solely in those individuals belonging to their own exclusive group.

In our own institution, any criticism should be open and frank in so far as possible, not inflicted upon visitors or the relatives at home, or made the subject of futile private "bull sessions." Unfortunately, from these has arisen much discontent that has spread over the entire student body.

The development at Meredith of a *genius loci* of which all may feel justly proud depends upon building a wholesome, dramatic, and coöperative attitude among its students. K. I. P.

ANNOUNCEMENT

All those who are interested in reporting for the Twig are asked to meet in Room 3, A Dormitory, Monday morning at 8:30.

Club Notes

Classical Club

The Helen Hull Law Classical Club conducted its annual tour to the Underworld Friday, October 5, with the new members as passengers. They were lowered by Charon (Sophie in disguise) into Hades, located in the tunnel in Faircloth Hall. On their arrival, the travellers confessed their sins to Pluto, and were sentenced to various punishments. They rode on the wheel of Ixion; ate the food of Tantalus; drank the water of Lethe; were lashed by Tisiphone; carried water in a sieve; rolled the stones of Sisyphus with their noses; and finally climbed out of Tartarus.

After the new members were initiated, tea and sandwiches were served by Katy Sams and Norma Rose.

Colton English Club

On Friday night, October 12, the Colton English Club met with Miss Marjorie Beale, secretary of the North Carolina Library Commission, as the speaker of the evening. Miss Beale, who is a resident of Raleigh, spoke on the work of the Library Commission in North Carolina. New members were welcomed into the club.

International Relations Club

The International Relations Club held its first meeting of the year Friday, October 5. Twelve of the fifteen members were present. Grace Robbins, President of the club, welcomed the new members, and then gave a review of "Germany Enters the Third Reich" by Calvin Brice Hoover. Miss Herndon, the sponsor of the club, gave a talk on the founding and history of the International Relations Club. The members discussed plans for the year and for next month's program, which is to be a study of Russia and Germany. At each meeting this year there is to be a book review of the newest, most important book on international affairs. The club will meet on the first Tuesday evening of each month.

Shakespearean Play to Be Given December 1

December 1 has been set as the date for the Shakespearean play, and work on the production, *Taming of the Shrew*, has been begun. Dr. Florence Hoagland will serve as head coach, with Dr. Julia Harris and Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson as assistants.

Committees have been appointed with the following chairmen: staging, Elizabeth Lee; costume, Kate Covington; poster, Elberta Foster; business manager, Pauline Perry.

Taming of the Shrew is the first Shakespearean play to be given at Meredith since 1932, when the Senior Class presented *Much Ado About Nothing*. It is the major fall production of the Little Theater, of which Mamie Lou Forney is president.

The complete cast has not yet been announced.

Athletic News

On Thursday, October 4, the Athletic Association sponsored a party for the new girls. Miss Warner and President Mae Marshburn led the guests in dancing and in games of various types. Punch and cookies were served.

Hockey practice for upperclassmen started last week. Every girl is urged to come out. Even though you know nothing about the game now, come on out and learn it from Miss Warner and play it with us! All practices begin at 4:30 p.m.

Look over the athletic equipment in the B-Hive. Prices are low and quality excellent.

Watch the bulletin board!

AMAZING HEADLINES

No Reading Between Lines Permitted

MEMBER OF FACULTY

says
MURDERS
are increasing among
WORKING CLASS

FACULTY AGREE

not
TO GRANT
UNLIMITED CHAPEL CUTS

JUNIORS

hope to
FIND THE CROOK

MEREDITH STUDENT

says centipede was
DROWNED
by turning water
IN BATHTUB

STATE COLLEGE STUDENT

DRIVES CAR UP
to foot of
LIBRARY STEPS

S. G. CAMPUSES

a member of
STUDENT BODY

ASTRO SOCIETY

LOSES
a chair from
ITS HALL

PHIS

threaten to
KILL BILLY ASTRO

PROCTORS REFUSE

request not
TO CALL LIGHT-BELL

MEREDITH STUDENT

engaged in social service
SEEKS
LONG-LOST HUSBAND
for destitute family

Stunt Changes for This Year Are Announced

There has been a change in the plans for Stunt Night, which will be on November 3. Instead of the elaborate changes of scenery which have been permitted heretofore, it has been agreed that only one scene may be used for each stunt. It has also been stated positively that only thirty minutes will be allowed for each class to present its stunt. In the judging of these, the lowness of the cost will also be considered.

TWENTY-SEVEN GIRLS BEGIN SUPERVISED TEACHING

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ton; Norine Butler, General Science, Hugh Morson; Margaret Caudle, Civics, Hugh Morson; Estelle Farris, Home Economics, Hugh Morson; Carolyn Garrison, Biology, Needham Broughton.

Mae Marshburn, General Science, Hugh Morson; Laura Matthews, History, Needham Broughton; Miriam McCarter, History, Hugh Morson; Mary McLean, Home Economics, Hugh Morson; Miriam Mohn, English, Hugh Morson; Lois Morgan, History, Hugh Morson; Ted Mussinan, History, Needham Broughton.

Loretta Nichols, French, Needham Broughton; Inez Poe, Latin, Hugh Morson; Mabel Shaver, English, Hugh Morson; Dixie Sorrell, Home Economics, Hugh Morson; Bertha Mae

At the Theatres

STATE

Henry Santrey and his Soldiers of Fortune are booked for the State Theater, Raleigh for Monday and Tuesday only. This unit is really a miniature revue presenting twenty-five people in a program of singing, dancing, comedy and music.

Estelle Fratus, former Earl Carroll Vanities star on Broadway, is acclaimed as the world's greatest tap dancer. She is also a very clever comedienne.

PALACE

Katherine Hepburn, star of "Spitfire," which comes to the Palace Theater, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday is different from other screen luminaries in many ways, one of the most striking of which is her aversion to publicity.

Stroud, History, Needham Broughton.

Those teaching in the grades are: Edith Bowden, fourth, Wiley; Alice Bryan, third, Fred Olds; Mary Lee Hilliard, fifth, Fred Olds; Genola Koontz, first, Wiley; Willie Mangum, fifth, Hayes Barton; Louise Paschal, fourth, Hayes Barton; Ruth Tucker, fourth, Fred Olds; Willene Yost, fifth Wiley.

MEREDITH THEN AND NOW

By KATHERINE SHUFORD

We haven't got a thing on Old Meredith! Anytime any of you get to feeling very modern and sophisticated and inclined to view with amused tolerance the old girls of '21 and '22, or even later, just bring yourself back to earth and take a look at some of the publications of that (to you) almost prehistoric period. Not so bad! Fun is fun—ten years ago or now.

The Twig of May 4, 1923, for instance, carries a headline to the effect that the Junior-Senior Banquet was a howling success. "Men, Music, Flowers, and Upper-Classmen Have Part In Culmination of Gala Occasion!" Men first, as usual—and it's still customary to have the upperclassmen present. The faculty, too, of ten years ago, was surprisingly light-minded. A headline carries the information that they were entertained at the Blue Moon Inn (it sounds awfully daring), and such a time they had! They even (this must have been toward the latter part of the evening) gave a dramatization of *The Three Bears*. The Twig stated that Mr. Boomhour "was simply wonderful

as the wee bear"!

But Old Meredith was not all lightness and gaiety by any means. Hard work was the watchword then as now. Even the freshmen had a Purpose in Life. The Twig of May 24, 1921 states that "Beautifully the campus" was the slogan of the freshman class, "as, with spades and hoes and wide-brimmed hats, they were seen digging here and there in the flower-beds on our campus." Would that the Modern Freshman were so energetic and ambitious!

Trouble was not unknown to Twig editors even in those days. The entire publication staff will be greatly comforted to learn that, back in '21, the paper was forced to offer an abject apology, thus: "We wish to apologize to Mrs. Orville Overholt. In our paper last week we had as a heading, 'Mrs. Overholt's Big Feet.' The word which we ought to have used is a French word pronounced the same way, but spelled fete. It means a celebration and is considered a very tony word." Those were the days!