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TWENTY YEARS OF PROGRESS

June 1935 marks the twentieth anniversary of the assumption of the duties of Meredith College president by our beloved Dr. Charles Edward Brewer. Reviewed briefly, the progress made under his capable leadership is noteworthy.

Largely through his efforts, Meredith has been admitted to membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and secondary schools. In 1923, its graduates were made eligible to membership in the American Association of University Women. It is now on the approved list of standard colleges of the American Association of Universities.

In 1923, Dr. Brewer assumed responsibility for the erection of a new plant and in January 1926 the school moved into its present quarters with modern and convenient arrangements.

During his presidency, Dr. Brewer has given much of his time to enrollment campaigns. The largest enrollment in the history of the college was in '27-'28 when 551 girls matriculated here. The enrollment was somewhat decreased during the depression years, but beginning with the '33-'34 session, it has shown a marked increase. The present total for '34-'35 is 543.

The future built on foundations laid by our leaders looms bright. The past twenty years of progress should serve as a stimulus to continued progress and service to the world.

SCHOLASTIC FREEDOM

The aim of education has been stated as the development of student initiative and character. All phases of campus life should contribute toward this—scholastic, social, and spiritual. The truly intelligent individual should be able to choose for himself what best will meet his needs at a given time.

In our opinion, it is not necessary for such a student to be present in the classroom for every lecture. He might profitably spend his time elsewhere at his own choosing. Accordingly, we suggest that students making certain averages be allowed some freedom in class attendance.

Other colleges with standards similar to our own have found systems feasible requiring student classroom attendance on a scholastic basis. For example, students averaging A had to be present 85 per cent of the time; those averaging B, 90 per cent; those averaging C, 95 per cent. A similar system based on the ability of the individual to carry on his work would, we believe, be a definite asset to our college program.

INTER-SOCIETY PLAYS

The program so far carried out by the Little Theatre Dramatic Club has been a worthwhile one. Their major production for the fall semester, Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," was given with a simplicity that was in keeping with Elizabethan presentations. In a new project, the inter-society contest, they are reviving a tradition that deserves the attention and cooperation of all students.

The custom of having play contests between the societies, which was discontinued in 1929, should be kept up. It is hoped that the plays presented this year will arouse student interest in dramatic production and stimulate inter-society rivalry.

Open Forum

Higher Social Standards

Today it is generally accepted that dancing is one of the chief amusements of young people. This fact, that so many young people are choosing dancing as a form of recreation, means that this interest is not alien to the Meredith student.

The attitudes, interest, and achievements of the majority of students today as shown by their work in scholastic activities and expressions in their current papers and magazines are evidences enough that they are reaching for yet higher standards in intellectual and social life. The authorities of our college life have attempted and have succeeded in aiding us to begin to reach these higher standards intellectually. In our social problems we have launched out alone. We have accepted our amusements as they were. It is up to the student now, with cooperation from his advisers, to set up higher standards socially.

Most dances as they are today do not uphold the ideals of the Christian student, but they can be so conducted that they will mean growth for the student in the form of recreation. A recent visitor on our campus and a friend of both students and faculty has suggested that, since young people have chosen dancing as one of their chief forms of amusement, Meredith can show that a dance under proper auspices and well chaperoned may be one of the most wholesome amusements of today. We suggest that girls with permission of parents be allowed to attend dances in Raleigh.

We are sure that such a procedure would help Meredith students and thus students in general to do what they are trying to do—reach high standards.

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Meredith Represented at Southeastern Conference

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conomic plight and the prevailing military domination. Faced with the problem of providing food in a land where only 17 per cent can be cultivated, the government resorted to imperialistic policies, with the result that Manchuria has become an essential part of the Japanese economic structure.

According to Mr. Jenkins, Japanese national characteristics are industry, ambition, aesthetic sense, and loyalty. If Japan will fight another war, it will be, he stated, not for economic reasons, but over national pride.

Deplets European Unrest

"That there are 30 million people in Europe living under governments which they do not desire," was the opinion expressed by Dr. T. W. Lingle of Davidson in the discussion on Central European problems. Sixty per cent of the European population is made up of Slavic peoples. Dr. Lingle emphasized the importance of getting rid of prejudices in dealing with international problems.

Speaks on League

In an address on the work of the League of Nations, Dr. K. C. Frazier of the University of North Carolina, reviewed the League action on the reduction of armaments. He stressed the importance of American participation for the usefulness and effectiveness of the organization.

Dr. Nathan Speaks

Dr. Otto Nathan, German political adviser and economist at Princeton University, addressed the conference on "Problems of World Recovery." "The time has now come," he said, "when we should attempt to draw some lessons from the experiences of the depression." He listed three lessons

All Honor to the Sophs!



TWIGLETS

The line of the average Wake Forest youth seems to have changed into a cord. Madeline Nye advances the theory—Discord!

Fanny Pittman is certain, undeniably convinced, and absolutely positive that we can hire an orchestra to echo forth between the Astro and Phi plays out of the proceedings thereof! This is why Mothers get gray or Voice from the Rear.

Quips and cranks—The light shades in the auditorium look like pieces of flypaper—Susan Rudisill wants to know do gentlemen prefer blondes or don't they?! . . . A Meredith gal called up Operator the other night and asked for "For Distance" . . . I'm still wondering what Miss Grimmer and Grace Robbins had to hide. They came back from Greensboro on the same

train and neither saw the other till she got off. . . . I hear that there's one State young thing who was awfully disappointed because he wasn't in Twiglets last time . . . What Soph went to a basketball game the other night and looked in the paper the next day to see who played?

Gwennie Kester has been growing paler and wanner every day—she just announced that so much studying was giving her conclusion of the brain! Why not end it all, Gwennie?

Remarks overheard: The British subjects have a right to partition the king for anything . . . The pope lives in a vacuum. . . . Ripley is a contortionist. . . . Chemistry is a pre-wisket for geology.

About these captivating (or otherwise) Wake Forest boys—Chase and Sanbourne coffee isn't the only thing that's fresh when dated.

which we should learn from the last five years. First, there is an intimate connection between politics and economics. Second, this depression is world-wide. And third, although it was a world-wide depression, there was no cooperation on an international basis to overcome this depression and to restore prosperity.

Consider Munitions Control

The subjects for discussion at the Saturday morning session which brought the conference to a close, was "Should the Munitions Industry Remain in Private Hands or in the Control of the Government?" Munitions were defined as the actual products and machinery for manufacture used in times of war. Student were urged to take a definite stand on important issues and to seek offices after graduation from college.

So much enthusiasm has been shown in square dancing at N. C. C. W. that a square-dancing club has been organized there. The girls not only learn the dances, but also how to call them.—The Carolinian.

A questionnaire sent out by the Columbia University Press to the largest universities and colleges in the United States and Canada has revealed that faculty members read the New York Times more than any other newspaper.—The Johnsonian.

At the Theatres

STATE

Taking its place among the truly great pictures of all time, "David Copperfield" will open at the State on Sunday for 6 days. To say that it is at once one of the most pretentious and one of the most intimate photographs ever made is to say too little; it is a picture that has more than bigness and more than intimacy; it has a soul.

In order to more thoroughly enjoy the picture you are urged to see it from the beginning. Shows begin at 11:30-2:00-4:25-6:50-9:15 and the feature begins at 11:45-2:10-4:35-7:00 and 9:25 p.m.

PALACE

That warm, human quality which made "Street Scene," "The Crowd," "The Champ," "The Big Parade," and other King Vidor productions such outstanding successes is again the distinguishing feature of "Our Daily Bread," the inimitable director's latest production which will be shown at the Palace Theatre Sunday and Monday.

A Musical Comedy, "King For a Day" with Bill Robinson (of "The Little Colonel") also a Walt Disney cartoon, "Peculiar Penguins" and Palace News completes the program.