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89 BABY ASTROS AND 86 PHI CUBS

FRESHMAN CLASS PRESENTED BY LITTLE THEATRE IN PLAY

Romance of the Willow Pattern By Ethel Van Der Veer Is Selected

On the evening of October 22 the Freshman Class, under the sponsorship of the Little Theatre, is presenting *Romance of the Willow Pattern*, a comic tragedy by Ethel Van Der Veer. This play, which is based on an old Chinese legend of the Willow Pattern plate has won national repute, not only for the originality of plot, but also for the uniqueness of presentation.

The members of the cast are:
The Mandarin.....Lettie Logan Hamlett
Koong-See.....Annie Elizabeth Coward
Chang.....Catherine Johnson
Property Man.....Minnie Anna Forney
Incense Bearer.....Mary Jane Lindley
Margaret Kramer is business manager, Annabell Hollowell is in charge of the staging, Nancy Bunn is chairman of the make-up committee, and Mary Fay McMillan is in charge of the costumes. Dr. Hoagland is the director of the play and Pauline Perry is Student Coach.

This play is to be given in the regular Chinese manner, with practically no scenery, leaving most of the properties to the imagination of the audience, who are addressed from time to time by members of the cast.

Archie McMillan, whose home is in Soochow, China, is coming over from Wake Forest to play the Chinese flute during several scenes of the play. The costumes are genuine old Chinese garments made and worn about thirty years ago.

A play of this sort has never been given at Meredith College before, and those in charge promise a full evening's entertainment.

SENIOR CLASS ELECTS SUPERLATIVES AND MASCOT

Eleven superlatives and a class mascot were decided upon by the Senior Class at a meeting on October 7.

Nancy Ann Ramsey, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ramsey, of Marshall, N. C., was elected class mascot. Nancy Ann is the niece of Katy Sams, member of the Senior Class.

Ann Bradsher was elected Miss Meredith; Dorothy Dockery, most versatile; Senora Bland, most popular; Norma Rose, most intellectual; Elizabeth Davidson, most beautiful; Nancy Allen, most stylish; Susan Emma Sloan, most original; Katherine Liles, best athlete; Lucille Parker, wittiest; Henrietta Castlebury, best all-round day student; cutest, Isabelle Ross.

MR. BONAMY DOBREE TO BE FIRST LECTURER

Mr. Bonamy Dobree will lecture on the "Idea of Conflict in Modern Drama," on October 15. This will be the first of the regular series of lectures to be given at Meredith College. Mr. S. G. Riley, head of the history department, will have charge of securing the speakers this year.

SIX NEW MEMBERS ADDED TO MEREDITH GLEE CLUB

New Officers Elected At Regular Rehearsal

At the regular rehearsal and meeting of the Glee Club, Friday afternoon, October 4, the following officers were elected: Annie Mae Taylor, president; Jean Davis, vice president and publicity manager; Mae Marshbanks, treasurer; and Katherine Martin, librarian. The accompanist has not yet been selected.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Ethel Rowland, associate professor of voice, is planning to have the most successful year in its history.

New members recently added are: Hazel Boswell of Burlington, Ina Mae Byrd of Bunn Level, Virginia Lambert of Asheboro, Catherine Johnson of Winston-Salem, Anne Poteat of Shanghai, China, and Mary Bynum Dark of Louisburg. Others who are interested in trying out for the Glee Club will be given an opportunity, since a few vacancies remain. An announcement concerning these try outs will be made at an early date.

A complete list of old and new members of the Glee Club for this year follows:

First sopranos: Rachel Leonard of Raleigh, Virginia Lambert of Asheboro, Marian Wallace of Raleigh, Mataline Nye of Lumberton, Margaret O'Brian of Selma, Mary Bynum Dark of Louisburg, and Lucille Davis of Winston-Salem.

Second sopranos: Jean Davis of Winston-Salem, Annie Mae Taylor of Oxford, Margaret Hines of Manteo, Frances Calloway of Concord, Emily Bethune of Bunn Level, Hazel Boswell of Burlington, and Louise Daniel of Seaboard.

Altos: Frances Morris of Statesville, Dorothy Lowdermilk of Valdese, Ina Mae Byrd of Bunn Level, Mae Marshbanks of Buie's Creek, Isabel Ross of Nashville, Katherine Martin of Raleigh, and Anne Poteat of Shanghai, China.

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE PRESS MEETS IN CHICAGO OCT. 17-19

International Speakers Appear On Program

One of the outstanding collegiate conventions of this year will be the Associated Collegiate Press Convention to be held in Chicago, October 17-19. The program promises to be one of interest as well as one which will be a benefit to all college editors present.

Leland Stowe, Paris correspondent of the *New York Herald Tribune* and winner of the Pulitzer Prize in 1930 for the best example of foreign correspondence, will speak on "The European vs. the American Press." Mr. Stowe is president of the Anglo-American Press Association of Paris, and author of "Nazi Means War."

Carroll Binder, distinguished foreign expert of the *Chicago Daily News* who has served his paper in Rome, Moscow, London, and Latin America and has just returned from an investigative visit to Japan, China, Manchukuo, and Korea will speak on "News of the World."

Besides these two prominent speakers (Please turn to page three)

"BIG SISTERS" ELECT FRESHMAN PRESIDENT

Class of '39 Completes Election of Officers

The "Big Sister" class gathered in Astro Hall Thursday night, September 26, and elected the girl who is to lead the "Little Sister" class this year. According to custom, the juniors gathered beforehand, elected the president, and then welcomed the freshmen into the hall, and announced their selection in an impressive ceremony.

At the junior meeting, Ruby Barrett, president, presided and presented the nominees of a special committee, which had been working since the beginning of school. After the election, the freshmen came in and all waited the announcement.

The hall, a pseudo-courtroom, was crowded to overflowing, and a great air of expectancy reigned. Margaret Kramer presided as judge, and Susie Saunders ably filled the office of clerk of court. Kate Covington was retained as counsel for the defense, and Ruth Privott was chief prosecutor. Witnesses called were Mary Fort Carroll and Nell Choate. Deviously and laboriously the prosecutor wove her questions into the composure of the witnesses. She elicited the information that the defendant possessed qualities of leadership, sportsmanship, courage, perseverance, and all-round abilities for the position.

In Fort Smith, Arkansas, where she graduated from high school last year, she was Band Sponsor, a member of Quill and Scroll, national journalism club, and a member of the National Honor Society. It was revealed that she was a member of the Athletic Club, having won the cup in the Horse Show. Her senior year she was vice president of the class, and a member of the glee club, orchestra, and girl's trio. In vain the defendant's counsel plied the witness with questions and attempted to nullify the work of the prosecutor. At the conclusion of the presentation of testimony, the judge dismissed the jury, composed of Natalie Johnson, Martha Joyner, Catherine Canady, (Please turn to page two)

THREE ORGANIZATIONS FILL '35-'36 VACANCIES

Nominations for a number of offices on the campus have been automatically elected. Ballots will be publicly cast at a later date. Mary Bynum Dark has been elected house president of Stringfield Dormitory. Martha Messenger is the new vice president of the Athletic Association.

The following girls have been elected to the *Oak Leaves* staff: Margaret Kramer, associate editor; Faith Hite, photo editor; Nancy Powell and Dorothy Finlator, associate business managers; and Ruth Powell, music editor.

Mary Johnson MacMillan has been elected managing editor on the *Twig* staff, and Catherine Johnson and Elizabeth Bullard have been elected typists.

New officers on the B. S. U. Council are: Miriam Early, third vice president, and Elizabeth Lawson, general publicity chairman of the general council. Martha Glaznor has been elected B. Y. P. U. secretary, and Martha Williams, publicity director. Grace Porter is the Sunday school associate director, and Evelyn Chesson Sunday school publicity director.

Astrotekton Society Wins Again In Race For New Members

B. S. U. CONVENTION MEETS IN RALEIGH OCTOBER 25-29

Meredith, Wake Forest and State Cooperate in N. C. Meeting

The North Carolina B. S. U. Convention will meet this year at the Tabernacle Church in Raleigh, October 25-27. Meredith girls will be hostesses for the occasion.

The four Baptist churches of Raleigh will assist in the entertaining. Homes are being secured for three hundred college students by an executive committee composed of leaders from these churches. From the First Baptist the members of this committee are: Mr. and Mrs. Luther Yost, Mr. Hubert Tomlinson; from Tabernacle, Mr. Joe Correll, Mrs. A. M. Moore, Mrs. H. H. Hilton, Mrs. R. E. Perry, and Miss Jessie Mae Short; from Pullen, Mrs. J. S. Mitchener and Mrs. E. M. Caviness; from Hayes-Barton, Mrs. J. W. Bunn and Mrs. M. E. Davidson.

An excellent program has been planned under the direction of Bob Costner of Wake Forest, State B. S. U. president, and Mr. Frank Level of the Southern Baptist Student Department at Nashville, Tennessee.

Rev. Charles M. Howard of Campbell College will conduct the devotional period at each session. Mr. Josiah W. Bailey and many other outstanding speakers have been secured.

A welcome committee of Meredith girls and State and Wake Forest boys will be on duty at the Tabernacle Church Friday, October 25, to welcome guests and direct them to the homes at which they will stay.

After the opening session Friday evening, an informal reception will be given by the Meredith girls.

Sessions will be held all day Saturday and Sunday, closing on Sunday afternoon, October 27.

A supper has been planned at the Tabernacle for Saturday evening when Mr. W. H. Preston will show colored films of the 1935 Student Retreat at Ridgecrest.

FOUR MEREDITH GIRLS SUMMER SCHOOL GRADUATES

At the close of the 1935 session of the Wake Forest-Meredith Summer School, four Meredith girls were awarded their Bachelor of Arts degrees. Margaret Moore and Vera Sexton received their degrees at the Wake Forest division on August 11, and Katharine Killian and Elizabeth Barker were graduated with Meredith degrees from the Mars Hill division of the Wake Forest-Meredith Summer School. These last two were unique in that they were the first degrees ever to be conferred at Mars Hill College.

There were many Meredith students and several faculty members enrolled in Summer School at various institutions.

New Girls Make Choice On Decision Day, October 2; This Introduce Phi-do

Decision Day for the Astrotekton and Philaretian Literary Societies was observed October 12. The Phis gained eighty-six "Phi Cubs" and the Astros eighty-nine "Baby Astros."

The old Astros and Phis woke the "New Girls" with songs and yells. As the girls came into the court, they found in addition to the Astro goat a bear cub, Phi-do, the new mascot for the Phi Society.

When the breakfast bell rang, the Astros formed a line at the east end of the dining-hall, and the Phis at the west end through which the "New Girls" passed. Then, each society sang some of the society songs.

During the chapel hour, the old members of each Society marched in singing the Society song. Ann Bradsher, president of the student body, made a short talk. As the "New Girls" were leaving the auditorium, each one went through the line of the Society that she was joining.

On Saturday night, October 5, the Astrotekton Society initiated the "Baby Astros." Following the initiation was the installation and then a formal reception in the Astro hall.

At the same time, the new Philaretians were being made members of their society at the beautiful and impressive installation service. Following this was a social hour at which Dorothy Dockery told the new Phis that they were welcome in two senses of the word—welcome and well—come.

ACTIVITIES OF CHOIR INCREASED THIS YEAR

Campaign Made to Purchase Vestments By Christmas

According to quality and quantity, the Meredith choir has great possibilities for the ensuing year. Under the direction of Professor Leslie P. Spelman, the choir has already begun practice for future concerts.

Organization of the choir for the first time in its history will greatly aid in the undertaking of new projects. One of major importance at this time is that concerning the acquisition of vestments for members. A campaign is in the making for materializing this plan, and all suggestions or donations, however small, from the student body, alumnae, or other friends of the college will be greatly appreciated. It is hoped that this plan will be completed in time for the annual Christmas concert.

Another project of keen interest is the possibility of concert tours. Arrangements are now underway for such an undertaking.

The new officers recently elected are as follows:

President—Mataline Nye.
Vice President—Frances Morris.
Secretary—Esther Mae Lanier.
Treasurer—Dorothy Lowdermilk.