

E. N. Gardner Speaks At Thirty-eighth Formal Opening

Friendship's Golden Opportunity
Subject of Address by
Minister

STUDENTS WELCOMED BY VARIOUS RALEIGH CHURCHES

Meredith College held its formal opening Thursday night, September 17, in the college auditorium, with Rev. E. N. Gardner, pastor of Dunn Baptist Church, delivering the address. Following the invocation by Dr. E. McNeill Poteat, Jr., a welcome was extended to Meredith students by representatives of the various churches, Dr. Tucker speaking for the First Baptist Church; Mr. Mooneyham for the Tabernacle; Dr. Poteat for Pullen Memorial; Rev. Childress for Johnson Memorial; and Carl Voss for the United Church. The trustees were represented by Dr. Rufus Hunter, president of the board. Mr. Alden, professor of violin, provided special music, being accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Alden.

Rev. Gardner chose as his subject "Friendship's Golden Opportunities." "Find friends for encouragement and inspiration," he exhorted. "College provides fertile soil for the sowing of friendships; be ready to receive the seed. The making of friends is a life process," he continued, "requiring more than a year or two and demanding constant repair. Moreover, cultivation is as important in the matter as sowing. One must always be willing to give time; he must always be receptive." But the surrender of one's self, declared Rev. Gardner, is recompensed with a number of benefits: help in solving problems; aid in understanding one's self; and guidance in the discovery of truth. The speaker concluded his remarks by quoting, "Henceforth I call you no more servants, but I call you friends."

OFFICERS OF THE CHOIR ELECTED FOR THIS YEAR

At a business meeting of the Choir on Thursday, September 24, the following officers were elected: President, Louise Daniel of Seaboard; Vice President, Rachel Leonard of Harbin, Manchuria; Secretary, Margaret Lanier of Wallace; and Treasurer, Dorothy Lowdermilk of Valdese. Mr. Spelman, head of the Music Department, is director of the Choir.

From the large number of tryouts, seventy-two have been accepted tentatively. Since this number must be reduced to sixty-four, the limited number, eliminations will be made according to the number of unexcused absences.

Interesting plans are being made for the Choir this year, and it is hoped that a number of out-of-town appearances will be made.

Miss Lois Byrd Heads College News Bureau

A news bureau has been established at Meredith College under the supervision of Miss Lois Byrd of Lillington. The purpose of the bureau is to furnish the public with interesting news information about Meredith.

NEW STUDENTS RUSHED BY LITERARY SOCIETIES Astros and Phis Provide Varied Forms of Entertainment

Meredith's postponed opening set the Astrotekton and Philaretian literary societies off to an early and crowded rushing season. Sue Brewer, president of the Astros, and Catherine Canady, president of the Phis, have been in the throes of preparation toward Decision Day for the past two weeks.

On Tuesday night, September 29, each of the societies entertained the new girls with programs given in their respective halls. The Astro program was presented in the form of a dream, with a combined fashion show and presentation of society talent. Following this, at 9:30, the Phis gave a burlesque pantomime of Stephen Leacock's "Gertrude The Governess."

Last Sunday, the new students wore Phi bouquets tied with the society colors, lavender and white. During the week the Astros gave hamburgers and chewing gum with the tag "Chews up with us and gum be an Astro." The Phis gave doughnuts with slips of paper declaring, "We'll doughnuts if you don't be a Phi."

Friday night the two societies held their parade in the court—the Astros having a candle light service and the Phis having their traditional fireworks. Saturday chapel marks the end of uncertainty and the societies draw their boastings and entreaties to a close. Saturday night the new girls become full fledged members through Astro initiation and Phi installation.

FACULTY MEMBERS ENJOY INTERESTING VACATIONS Graduate Work and Travel Abroad Include Varied Experiences

Various Meredith College faculty members formed a rather large delegation to graduate schools all over the country this past summer. There they took work toward higher degrees. Others were representatives at many points abroad or in the United States, where they enjoyed vacations of travel.

Among those studying at various schools and universities were: Miss Forges, at Columbia University; Miss Mae Grimmer, at North Carolina State College; Dr. Julia Harris, at Cornell; Dr. Mary Lynch Johnson at Cornell; Miss Jennie Hanyon, at Pennsylvania State; Miss Mary James Spruill, at the University of Maine; Miss Alice Keith, at the University of North Carolina; Miss Carolyn Wray, at the University of North Carolina; and Miss Mae Crawford in New York City.

Those who traveled rather extensively this summer saw many points of interest. Dr. Helen Price toured the United States, spending most of the summer in California. Miss Annie Lee White visited friends in Panama. Miss Catherine Allen spent the summer abroad. While on the Continent she attended the international meeting of the A. A. U. W., in Poland. Miss Elizabeth Boomhour also traveled abroad, spending most of the summer in England and Ireland, where she visited friends.

Many other members of the faculty made short trips to points of interest near at hand. However, most of the rest of our teachers held positions in summer schools scattered throughout the state.

Dean of Women



MISS MARY SUSAN STEELE

Forty-one Meredith Graduates Hold Teaching Positions

Last year's Meredith College graduates have become this year's North Carolina teachers, according to the report of the Meredith Education Department as to teaching positions already obtained by the class of '36 for the year-1936-37.

The forty-one '36 graduates who have officially notified the college as having schools are: Mildred Eaton, Burlington; Nina Binder, Wincoff; Dorothy Dockery, Flat Rock School, near Mt. Airy; Helen Melton, Hurdle Mills School, near Roxboro; Susan Emma Sloan, School for Deaf, Morganton; Eleanor Andrews, Meadow School in Johnston County; Mary Ann Brewer, St. Pauls; Beverly Davis, Jacksonville; Minnie Ruth McNeill, Ronda High School; Ruth Morgan, Farmville; Elizabeth Rodwell, Barnesville; Helen Ruffin, Kinston; Mary Roselle Sears, Allensville; Christine Adams, Fairmont; Blanche Buffalo, Selma; Dorothy Crutchfield, Woodland; Dorothy Finlator, Mayoock; Bertha Futrelle, Franklinton; Margaret Knowles, Burgaw; Hilda Williams, Waco; Mary Chandler, Lillington; Mabel Eakes, Berea; Ida Fuller, Weeksville; Sonora Bland, Woodland; Henrietta Castlebury, Chinquapin; Elizabeth Jacobs, Lexington; Helen Frances Parker, Garner; Lucile Parker, Selma; Lucy Mae Perry, Mountain Park; Margie Stallings, Bonlee; Flossie Whitley, Finis High School, Clyde, N. C.; Helen Rivers, Vanceboro; Katy Sams, Marshall; Melba Gaskins, Wentworth; Ida Leane Warren, Creswell; Janie Allgood, Bethel Hill; Ina Mae Byrd, Fuquay Springs; Frances Morris, Marshville; Frances Calloway, Landis; Esther Mae Lanier, Mountain Park; and Alma Reid, Mt. Airy. Three of 1935 graduates also have positions—Mary Creath, Norlina; Grace Robbins, New Bern; and Fanny Bailey, Kinston.

Complete information will be given at a later date about other positions taken, both teaching and otherwise.

New Practice Organ Nearing Completion

From the Music Department comes the news that a new practice organ is nearing completion. When finished, the department will consist of two practice organs, the large organ in the auditorium, and the pedal piano.

Mr. Spelman states that the class in organ this year is larger than it has been for several years past.

Eight New Faculty Members Take Up Duties At Meredith

NEW STUDENTS INSTRUCTED IN RULES OF HANDBOOK

Ruby Barrett, President of Student Body, in Charge of Course

(News Bureau, Meredith College)

Members of the student government council at Meredith College have been busy this week giving instructions in the rules of the college to the new students. New freshmen, numbering 169, 5 new sophomores, and 17 new juniors, have been going to class nightly studying the college handbook and an examination was given them Friday evening.

Miss Ruby Barrett, of Laurinburg, president of the student government association, has been in charge of the course, meeting the 191 new students jointly Monday evening in the college auditorium when she directed them to small groups, each taught by a member of the student council for the remainder of the week of special study.

Opportunity has been given for the newcomers to ask questions about rules and privileges and among the requirements listed was to write the Alma Mater and other college songs. Students who failed to pass the examination Friday evening will continue the study until they show a satisfactory knowledge of the material covered.

INSTITUTE MUSIC TEACHERS TO BE HELD HERE OCTOBER 9

Miss Grace Moore, of Woman's College Will Preside Over Program

An Institute of Public School Music Teachers for this district will be held at Meredith College Friday, October 9. This meeting is being arranged by Miss Hattie Parrott of the State Department of Public Instruction.

Miss Grace Van Dyke Moore, head of the Public School Music Department at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina will preside over the program and assisting her are Miss Parrott, and Miss Ragna Ottersen, head of the Public School Music Department of Meredith College. The program is as follows:

- 3:30-4:00. Registration and Opening.
- 4:00-5:00. Song Clinic.
- 5:00-5:30. Teaching of Music Form.
- 5:30-6:00. Type Lesson.
- Recess for dinner.
- 7:00-7:30. Making Friends with Orchestral Instruments.
- 7:30-8:00. Type Lesson.
- 8:00-8:30. Intregating Music Appreciation in Your Daily Program.
- 8:30-9:00. Song Clinic or Open Discussion.

Last year three District Music Institutes were held and this year there are six. The first meeting was at the Asheville Normal School in Asheville on September 26; the others are to be at: the Woman's College, Greensboro, October 3; Eastern Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, October 10; Flora Macdonald, Red Springs, October 17; and Davidson College, Davidson, October 24. The same program will be given at each conference.

All teachers of Music Appreciation, graded school, high school and public school music teachers, or anyone interested in music or conducting musical training in schools are invited.

Miss Steele Replaces Miss Biggers as Woman's Dean

E. H. HENDERSON HEADS PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT

New faculty members at Meredith number eight, including those who are replacing others, as well as those who head new positions on the campus.

Miss Mary Steele of Wagram, N. C., will serve as the new dean of women, replacing Miss Caroline Biggers, who resigned to become dean of women at Mars Hill Junior College. Miss Steele, who was graduated from Meredith College with the class of 1913, was head of the English department here from 1918 to 1922. She did graduate work at Cornell where she received her Ph.D. degree in 1934. At Judson College in Marion, Alabama, she filled a professorship in English from 1925 to 1935, and she served as academic dean from 1932 on. Miss Steele comes to Meredith after a year's leave of absence from Judson.

Coming to Meredith from a varied and extensive teaching experience, Mr. Henderson of Greenville, S. C., has been selected to fill the professorship in philosophy and psychology, vacated by Dr. Florence Hoagland. Mr. Henderson received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in 1915 and 1916 from Furman University. He held the Saga Fellowship at Cornell in philosophy in 1921-22 and later the Austin scholarship at Harvard University, where he was instructor for a year.

Miss Mildred Kichline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Kichline, of Raleigh, has been selected as religious secretary at Meredith for the coming year. After graduating from Meredith with the class of 1931, she was for three years associated with Mr. L. L. Morgan and Mr. Perry Morgan in Sunday school field work. She attended the Woman's Missionary Union Training School at Louisville, Kentucky, last year and has been an assistant in the state office of the Woman's Missionary Union in Raleigh this summer. Miss Kichline succeeds Miss Marguerite Mason, who was married to Dr. Bruce Wilkins of Durham this summer, as religious secretary.

Mr. Edgar H. Alden of Warren, (Please turn to page two)

Opening of School Delayed By Repairs to Building

In order to complete the improvements being made on the campus the college officials were compelled to postpone the opening date of the fall session one week. The contractors who constructed the buildings in 1925 went into bankruptcy and negotiations with the insurance company behind the contractors had been in progress for some time. The insurance company agreed to pay half the expenses of new flooring to replace the unsatisfactory concrete if the college would pay the other half.

For two weeks there were fifteen men working until eleven o'clock at night to lay the red and black tiling of asphalt composition in the corridors of the dormitories and in the Administration Building.

Other improvements made on the campus are the new porch between Jones Hall and the Administration Building and the screened porch on the "B-Hive"; also, the offices of Miss Steele, the Dean of Women, were renovated.