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# No Final Examinations This Spring!

## Swimming Pool To Become Reality In Very Near Future

Plans Finished For Modest Gym to House Small Indoor Pool; Nominations for Life Guard Turned in by Nominating Committee; Election to be Held in Chapel This Friday

"Rah! Rah! Rah!" the sounds came from the direction of the college auditorium on March 32.

It had just been announced to the student body that finally enough coupons had been saved and the swimming pool was at last to become a reality.

Plans for the innovation consist of a small locker room approximately the same dimensions as first floor A dormitory, an upstairs to be saved for next year's Junior-Senior, beside the pool, which will be only two feet longer than the indoor pool recently completed in Chapel Hill.

The big problem now remaining is who shall serve as life guard and instructor. The nominating committee has made the following nominations: Richard Greene, Tyrone Power and Johnny Westmuller, all other nominations must be in by 6:00 o'clock, Thursday. The election will be held in chapel, Friday.

## Ice Cream To Be Given Away

B-Hive To Give Ice Cream To Undernourished; B-Hive Business on Decline

This plea for help came from the B-Hive staff not so long ago. The B-Hive is kept open about ten hours a day so that whoever will may drop in for something to eat or drink; yet they don't seem to be getting much trade. Everyone saved up their money before Easter so that letters begging for more travelling expenses would not have to be written, and since Easter they haven't overcome their thrifty habits.

Hardly anyone stops by for refreshment, even after a half-hour workout in the gym. The staff has noticed, too, that a good many of the girls are lolling around on the campus looking weak and wan. They seem thin and undernourished, and one wonders if they are too miserly to get something nourishing to eat for themselves, or whether they are too weak as a result of former miserliness to make their way in tottering steps to the B-Hive.

As a result of their concern for the health of all Meredith girls, the B-Hive manager, Joyce McIntyre, has announced that on next Monday ice cream will be given away. On account of the healthful qualities of ice cream, they are putting at least three huge scoops of ice cream in each cone, and, if the person looks particularly undernourished, she will get four scoops full. Maybe these donations will prove to be incentives toward eating and drinking in the B-Hive once more for better health.

Then, too, with every package of stationery that you buy the B-Hive is giving out little bracelets on which are spring fever thermome-

## New Butler Here



NOT only does Meredith have a new maid, but a butler has been added to the staff. He will announce guests at all formal dinners. He's "Rhett" nice, isn't he, girls?

## Breakfast To Be Served In Bed To Girls

Orders Will be Taken and Filled From 7:30 to 10:00; Varied Menus to be Posted Daily; Loyal Cooperation Of All Girls Is Asked

Meredith girls need no longer worry about getting up in time for breakfast. For several reasons it has been decided that each girl will be served her morning meal in bed between 7:30 and 10:00 o'clock. First, the cooks in the kitchen will enjoy cooking a number of dishes. It is awfully boring to them to prepare food of one kind in such large quantities each day. Then, too, since there are around 500 girls and only about twenty waitresses, then it will be easier on the waitresses to serve each individual than to serve sixteen at one time. Every one is asked to give her complete cooperation so that the plan may be successfully carried out. The menus will be numerous and varied, and each girl is asked to phone her order into the dining hall upon awakening. The menu for tomorrow morning has been planned and is as follows:

- Choice of:
- Humming bird tongue on toast
  - Creamed Pate-de-fois gras
  - Escalloped onions with garlic
  - Barbecued pig
  - Lobster with gobs of whipped cream
- and:
- Hard-boiled eggs

ters and the Meredith seal. These should be especially attractive to the girls who came back from Easter holidays undecided as to whether the warmth around their hearts meant that they had spring fever or that they should say "Yes" to the adoring swain who popped the leap year question before the girl had a chance to do so. Step right this way to the B-Hive, girls! Mow down that grass-eaten path and take advantage of the health and good fortune at your very doors! Remember the date! It's next Monday!

## Practice In Football To Begin Today

Those Interested Are Urged to Come Out; Twenty-five Sign Up; Rose Bowl, Team Aim

Spring practice for the 1940 Meredith College football squad will begin this afternoon at 2:30 in the court. All those interested are urged to come out. A number have already signed up for practice.

The following list was recently released by the varsity coach, Mrs. Gertrude Sorrell and her able line coach, James Lashley: Ends—Juanita Stainback, Evelyn "Dimp" Marshburn, Virginia Lee Watson, Kathleen Jackson, and Mary Elizabeth Foster. Guards—Dorothy Green, Joy Dunn, Ella Eddins, and Aileen Snow. Tackles—Betty Vernon, Margaret Fuquay, Helen Scarborough, Jean Ellis, and Catherine Scott. Centers—Coco Burns, Anne Huffman, Virginia Council, and Jean Freeman. Backs—Minetta Bartlett, Sarah Hayworth, Frances Grayson, Dorothy Butler, Edna Earle Coggins, Margaret Jane Childs, and Lottie Ruth Allen.

The coaches have made the following statement: "We are very pleased with the material we have to work with this year and will do our best to maintain the records of former years. Our aim is to play in the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day."

Couch Lashley also stated that he was very pleased because he had such a heavy line to work with this year. We hope that he will keep the line busy.

## Tunes To Replace Bells

Meal and Class Bells Will Sound No More; Popular Songs to Toll Each Hour

The Academic Council was proud to announce recently that an innovation has been made in the bell system at Meredith.

In the future, instead of the familiar gong for meals and the class bells, tunes will be played for each meal and class hour.

The following schedule will be followed:

- | Hour  | Song   |
|-------|--|
| 7:00  | "Good Morning, Good Morning," (Or "Lazybones," undecided between.) |
| 7:15  | "Sing Before Breakfast."   |
| 7:30  | "Scraping the Toast."  |
| 8:30  | "School 'Daze,' School 'Daze'."                                    |
| 9:30  | "Whispering."  |
| 10:30 | "How I Love To Hear the Organ."                                    |
| 11:00 | "I'm Going to Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter."           |
| 12:00 | "I Want To See Food, Mama."  |
| 1:00  | "Tea For Two (X 250)."   |
| 1:45  | "Sleepy-Time Gal."   |
| 2:45  | "Us On a Bus."   |
| 3:45  | "California, Here I Come."   |
| 4:45  | "Home, Sweet Home."  |
| 5:40  | "Singing In the Bath tub."   |
| 6:00  | "Sing For Your Supper."  |
| 7:30  | "Got a Date With an Angel."  |
| 10:00 | "I Had To Call You On the Phone."                                  |
| 10:30 | "Thank You For a Lovely Evening."                                  |
| 10:45 | "Lights Out, Sweetheart."  |
- At the sound of the musical note you will know the time. So make a note of it.

## Plays in Dining Hall



KAY KYSER who, with his band, will appear in the dining hall first on Wednesday evening.

## Kay Kyser To Play Here

Orchestra to Play For All Meals; Loud Speaker System to be Installed

Do you wake up in the early hours—around seven bells, feeling like you hit the bed only a few minutes before, and your mood closely resembles that of a "savagely beast"? Well, you have heard that old saying—"Music hath charms to soothe that proverbial animal." This is merely a round-about method of telling you that you are going to hear that familiar saying, "Les dance, folks," every morning from now on in the Meredith dining hall. Yes, gals, Kay Kyser is going to be at breakfast and lunch and dinner. In fact, he and his band are going to be regular boarders at this abode.

The idea seems to be that music not only will improve the disposition but also the digestion. And another feature attraction will be—merely take up that private telephone in your room and your request for the latest tune will be gladly played by the boys over the loud speaker system which functions also in every room.

Kay expresses the belief that he certainly is going to enjoy his stay at Meredith, and we share his opinion.

Another idea is that our dining room will be a popular place with the swains of the vicinity, and that no longer will the infirmity reprimand Meredith girls for not attending meals.

## Petition For More Lectures

Entire Student Body Signs Petition For More and Longer Required Lectures

All records of petition-signing were broken yesterday when the petition for more required lectures was signed by every student at Meredith College. Students have begun to realize more than ever the necessity of having such lectures. The girls are also asking that the lectures be lengthened and that subjects of a deeper nature be discussed. In order to fulfill the wishes of the students the lecturers who have been invited to speak and their topics are as follows:

- Charlie McCarthy—"Politics in Hollywood."
- Meisha Auer—"Bringing Up Baby."
- Tyrone Power—"How to Make Love."
- Artie Shaw—"Classical Swing of Today."
- Zasu Pitts—"The Art of Being Natural."
- Jack Payton—"Symphony Rhythms."

## Phone To Be Installed In Every Room

Administration Benefactor in New Project; Numbers To Be Assigned Soon

The miracle of all miracles is happening! Telephones are now being installed in each room in the dormitories. The great and increasing demand for more telephones than the regular two telephones to a dormitory is one of the causes that has necessitated this new installation.

It also seems that a few students have failed to receive calls during the year because of the lack of private phones, and so, rather than have this happen again, which might lead to complaints before very long, the administration has decided to donate to each room a French dial telephone. There will be no extra charges to the girls, as the phones will be included in the tuition or the budget fee. However, there will probably be some girls who will have to buy night tables for their rooms so as to have their phones near their beds for early morning and night calls. From now on there will be no calling of people to the telephones, as everyone will receive her calls over her own phone. This will greatly reduce the noise on the halls caused by girls running to the telephone booths or calling other girls. The telephones will also serve in the office and parlor work. Instead of a girl working in the parlor or office going to the room and telling someone that she is wanted in the office or that her date has arrived, the office girl will merely telephone and tell the girl over the phone what is wanted. Considered from all points of view, the addition of the telephones to the rooms will be a very convenient, satisfactory, and labor-saving project. Telephone numbers have been assigned and are now posted on the bulletin boards. All students are urged to find their numbers at the first possible moment. Meredith is proud to be the first woman's college in the State to try this new plan.

## History Maps To Be Banned

Mr. Riley Changes History Department Requirements For 1940-41.

"The History Department has decided to ban all map-making from their courses," stated Professor Samuel Gayle Riley in a surprise statement this morning.

"For years we have required our students to turn in a specified number of maps in practically every course," he continued, "and because these maps have been so promptly and willingly completed by our students we have decided to reward their earnest efforts by a change in requirements."

Mr. Riley outlined the specifications for next year's history courses. "We will keep parallel readings of courses, however due to the heavy wear and tear on the library books we are forbidding any history student to read more than 150 pages during the semester."

In regard to term papers, Mr. Riley made no definite statement. It was evident that he must enjoy reading these original and most interesting contributions, and would hate to omit these from course suggestions. However, he did indicate that the papers would be much shorter in the future, perhaps to run around 200 words per paper.

## Faculty Announces Surprise Decision Affecting All Classes

To Address Seniors



PRESIDENT FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT who will speak in senior forum on Wednesday, April 31. Private conferences may be scheduled following his address.

## Faculty Gives Minstrel In Auditorium

Dr. Campbell Directs Faculty In Annual Minstrel; All Numbers Received Great Applause and Calls For Encores

The first of the annual faculty minstrels was presented in the college auditorium on March 27. The student body returned a day early from spring holidays to witness this long-awaited performance.

Acting as interlocutor and emcee were Dr. Carlyle Campbell and Dr. Isaac Mercer, neither of whom were recognizable, what with the black grease paint on their faces. Their jokes between acts were received with gales of laughter and kept the students rolling in the aisles.

The first number on the program was a song rendered by Mr. E. P. Canaday and dedicated to Mrs. Lillian Wallace, "Mad as You, 'Cause Your Feet's Too Big." The applause was so great that Mr. Canaday next favored the audience with the popular ditty, "Take a Number From One to Ten."

Miss Anna Mae Baker next appeared with a recitation entitled, "Little Orphan Annie." From the moment that she walked out on the stage and dropped her dainty little curtsy until she finished with, "The Goblins will get you if ya don't watch out," she held her audience enthralled. As an encore she was persuaded to sing her favorite number, "In the Shade of the Old Apple Tree."

Next on the program was a number by that rapidly rising dance team, Henderson and Little, to the tune of, "They All Laughed." It literally took the house by storm and they were forced to give several encores.

A chorus composed of Misses Lena Barber, Ella Stagg, Mary Louise Porter, Margaret Cooper, and Mary Jane Spruill gave a tap dance to the tune of, "The Dark Town Strutter's Ball."

Miss Margaret Kramer then gave a soulful rendition of "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life." She followed this number with, "Indian Love Call."

Dr. Helen Price next performed her famous ventriloquist act with her dummy, "Julius Beezer."

Seniors Will Receive This as Graduation Gift; Juniors, Sophomores, Also; Freshmen Are Forced to Miss Exams; Faculty Feels That Spring Fever Should be Cured Here With Plenty of Sleep

Due to the fact that spring fever has invaded the campus, the members of the faculty have decided that it would not be right to pile the extra weight of final examinations on the poor, already over-burdened scholars who sit at their feet day after day.

Also, they feel that because they will miss the dear, smiling faces of the dear class of '40 more than that dear class can imagine, they will, as a special graduation gift to the class, just forget all about such nightmarish things as examinations.

But, in view of the fact that the juniors are almost seniors, and in fact will be when the seniors, at step-singing march down the library steps and disappear into the grove, the faculty feels that it would be quite fair to include the juniors in their favor.

Then, too, since the sophomores are almost juniors, and in fact will soon be giving a banquet to the juniors who are really not juniors but almost-seniors, they might as well be excluded from examinations, also.

And when they recall how hard the freshmen have worked this year, and how sweet the dear girls have been about writing papers, reading parallel, and actually going to bed one night a month when they were supposed to, the faculty just cannot bear the thoughts of inflicting examinations on them alone. So, in view of all these hallucinations, no Meredith girl will take any examinations on the spring semester's work.

## Dr. Henderson Lauds Speaker

Professor Declares Chapel Speaker Shows Thought Behind His Statements

In a most unusual declaration to his class in Chapel Criticism 49, Dr. Edgar H. Henderson declared that Mr. Twiddle Dum Dee showed evidences of a remarkably thoughtful thinker in his chapel talk of November 11, 1940.

Speaking on the isolation policy of the United States, Mr. Dum Dee, noted authority on foreign affairs, declared that this country should have no interest in international relations and should absolutely ignore the European "mess." "The way to keep your feet from getting burnt is to keep them out of the fire," declared the orator.

In commenting on this remarkable filibuster, Dr. Henderson pointed out the sanity and intelligence of such a policy by the United States. "Idealism is a thing for the fish of the sea and not for democratic Americans." The philosopher made no bones in his praise and laud for the colossal, stupendous, and magnificent speech.