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Hardy Play Is Little Theatre Production

Wake Forest Boys to Help Meredith Girls; W. Sessoms, "Andy" Hardy

The Meredith College Little Theater will present its spring production, "Skidding," by Auronia Rouvenal, on Thursday night, May 9, in the Meredith College auditorium at 8. This play is a comedy based upon the screen plays of the Hardy family, with Wake Forest boys, to whom we are very grateful, taking the male roles in the production.

The cast for the play is as follows: Judge Hardy, Jack Parker; Mrs. Hardy, Virginia Greene; Marian Hardy, Nan Davis; Estelle Hardy, Beth Perry; Myra Hardy, Juanita Stainback; Andy Hardy, Walter Sessoms; Grandpa, Leroy Jarvis; Aunt Milly, Mr. Hardy's sister, Rebecca Vaughan; Wayne Trenton III, Bob Howard; Mr. Stubbins, the politician, Donald Britt.

The following appointed committees have been working on the play: prompter, Sadie Allen; business manager, Gretchen Fanny, with Betty Fleischmann and Celeste Hamrick, assistants; staging, Corinna Sherron, chairman, Bobbie Green, Bep Pruitt, Nancy Galloway, Carolyn Duke, Mary Lib Foster, Martha Olive and Cornelia Herring; properties, Mary Gwin Oliver, chairman, Virginia Lancaster, Frances Snow and Dot Pender; costumes, Ellen Anne Flythe, chairman, Sarah Jackson and Eula Lee McClellan; lighting, Mary Lib Holloway, chairman, and Helen Scarborough.

A limited number of reserved seats are being sold for 15 cents each. To obtain these tickets see Betty Fleischmann. Girls who wish to sell tickets to obtain points toward Little Theater membership may see Gretchen Fanny.

Junior Class Honors Seniors At Banquet

Rainbow Colors Is Theme of Decoration, Hotel Carolina Location of Treasure; the Freshmen Help

On April 27 the Junior Class was hostess to the seniors at an elaborately prepared banquet. The Junior Class colors are the hues of the rainbow and these were made the key to the decorations. The girls and their escorts arrived at the Hotel Carolina at 7:30 and after checking their wraps, gathered in brightly chattering groups to talk with old friends. At about 8 o'clock the couples began to stroll into the ell-shaped banquet hall to the strains of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." They were greeted at the entrance by Catherine Scott of Kinston and Nancy Bradsher of Roxboro. The brilliant lights of the hall were subdued by the crepe paper ribbons in pastel shades which were draped rainbow-like over the tables. Still carrying out the rainbow scheme, on the tables was an array of small decorations. A miniature rainbow spanned the distance between each couple's plates. Place cards, which were suggestive of April showers and which contained the program and menu, lay under these. For favors there were colonial nosegays for the girls and boutonnieres for the boys. At 8:30, the banquet began with a welcome from Juanita Stainback of Henderson, the Junior Class president. From the speaker's table, where sat the class officers, came various toasts during the course of the meal. Ida Howell of Lumberton, Junior Class secretary, presented the toast to the seniors, followed by a response from Edna Earle Coggins of Inman, S. C., the Senior Class president. The toast to the president was made by the Junior Class treasurer, Rachel Maness of Troy, and was responded

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MAY QUEEN AND HER COURT

Above: Nancy Brewer, May Queen, surrounded by her court. Below her: Bebe Dickenson, Maid of Honor. Left, from top to bottom: Mary Lanier Seagraves, Frances Dixon, Janie Parker, and Jean Beddingfield. Right, from top to bottom: Louise Dickie, Betty Clingan, Marie Sugg, and Lola Mae Stroupe.

Girls Model In Style Show

Virginia Bailey, Willa Lee Joyner, Olivia Hood, Win Prizes for Meredith Girls

The annual Style Show by North Carolina college girls featuring fabrics made by the textile students of North Carolina State College was held in Pullen Hall on Thursday afternoon, April 25. One hundred and forty-three girls from nine colleges participated in the show. Early in the spring the girls selected fabrics made by State boys and under the supervision of their various home economics departments made them up into dresses. The dresses varied from simple little checked ginghams, one of which won the grand prize, to

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Breakfast For Jrs. By Frosh

Continuing the college custom, the Freshman Class was hostess on Wednesday morning, April 17, at 7:30 at breakfast, given at the chimney in honor of the Junior Class. Each "little sister" called for her "big sister" and accompanied her to the chimney. Miss Anna Mae Baker and Miss Ethel E. English were present as guests of the freshmen.

When all had assembled, the blessing was asked by Miss English, who is adviser to the Freshman Class. Then, after the guests had been welcomed by Marsha Hood, the freshman president, the real fun began. Big and little sisters sat on the grass or on benches and tables to eat. The menu, consisting of oranges, doughnuts, "pigs in blankets," coffee and sweet milk, was prepared in the college kitchen.

May Day Has Arrived At Last, Girls, But Here Is A Glimpse Behind the Scenes of Practice!

High noon on Friday has a special significance to 16 fair lassies on our campus. It "spells" time to go to the gym for May pole practice. As we go out on the porch between A and B dormitories we can hear Mrs. Sorrell clapping her hands to the music which Hazel is playing. Soon Mrs. Sorrell's head "pops" out of the door and she tells us to hurry up. We get inside the gym and as usual two girls are in the infirmary. Since we have only one substitute, that means we have to hunt up another girl who was in the May pole dance last year. Dot Maness volunteers to go in search of Nancy Bradsher, Rachel Poe or Janet Hobbs. Meanwhile, the rest of us busy ourselves with one of our favorite pastimes, "bulling." We learn that Eula is the only one in the group who made her own dress. Most of us are having our mothers make ours. It's a lot easier that way and it gives us an excuse to go home and try it on, too. Hezzie and Frances vow that they don't like the cut of the dress.

At last Dot comes in with Nancy. Becky Hamilton is there to substitute, too. Mrs. Sorrell brings the pole to the middle of the gym floor and each girl unrolls her own pastel streamer. Oh, dear, something like this would happen. One of the streamers comes untied and nothing can start till it's fixed. A couple of the girls tilt the pole a little and Mrs. Sorrell carefully ties the long, slender piece of colored cheesecloth back on the revolving top of the pole. Now we're all set for the grand march. Mrs. Sorrell counts three and Hazel gives a loud chord on the piano, and we're off.

Publications Win Honors At Press Assn.

"Twig" Wins First Place, "Acorn" Second; Agnes Graham Nominated for Secretary

The 1940 spring convention of the North Carolina Collegiate Press Association was held at Hotel Charlotte in Charlotte, N. C., on April 25, 26 and 27, with Davidson and Queens colleges acting as host and hostess.

Meredith publications were well represented by five members of the various staffs: Catherine Scott and Martha Olive, incoming editor and business manager of the "Oak Leaves"; Betty Brown McMillan and Bep Pruitt, incoming editor and business manager of the "Acorn"; Agnes Graham, incoming business manager of "The Twig."

Registration was held from 3:30 till 5 on Thursday with an executive committee meeting afterwards. On Thursday evening, all delegates were honored by a theater party at the Carolina Theater. A general meeting began the next day with appointment of committees and publications progress reports. The representatives were welcomed by Dr. Hunter B. Blakely, and this was followed by a luncheon at Queens College, of which Dr. Blakely is president. At 2, group discussion meetings began and this featured a most interesting speaker, Mr. Douglas C. McMurtrie. Mr. McMurtrie is director of typography at Ludlow Typograph Co. and he came from New York especially for the meeting. The evening presented elaborate entertainment at a banquet and dance in the hotel ballroom. The gold keys were awarded the college journals at the banquet. Stephen S. Sailer, executive secretary of the convention, made the awards to the publications previously judged by Frank Smethurst, managing editor of the

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Alpha Psi Has Conference

The Tri-State, Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina, Alpha Psi Omega conference was held at Roanoke College, Salem, Va., April 26-27. Miss Frances Bailey and Rosanna Barnes represented Meredith at the conference.

The first afternoon of the conference was given over to theater exhibits and was followed that night by Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," presented by the Alpha Psi Omega chapter of Roanoke College.

The second day of the conference was taken up with round-table discussions of the different phases of college dramatics. One of these discussions, "Stage Craft," was led by Miss Bailey.

The conference was brought to a close with a luncheon.

Fifteenth Annual Meredith May Day Festival To Be Today

Many Officers For Next Year Are Elected

Student Government, "Oak Leaves," Marshal's Places Filled; Publications, Councils' Ranks Soon to be Filled

Helen Byrd of Bunnlevel has been elected vice president of the Student Government Association for the year 1940-41 over Ann Taylor of Dunn.

Helen was president of her class her sophomore year and is a vice-president of Stringfield Hall this year. She is business manager of the "Acorn." She is a Phi and a member of the Home Economics Club and of the Little Theater.

Other officers of the Student Government who have been elected to date are Gretchen Fanney of Scotland Neck as secretary over Mary Elizabeth Holloway of Durham. Mary Elizabeth Holloway has been elected S. G. treasurer over Rowena Daniel of Henderson and Mary Elizabeth Coleman of Boykins, Va.

Rosanna Barnes of Goldsboro has been elected president of the Little Theater for the coming year. Last year she was treasurer of her class and secretary of the Little Theater. This year she has been treasurer of the Student Government Association. She is a member of the Colton English Club, the Little Theater and Alpha Psi Omega.

Carolyn Duke of Henderson has been elected president for next year of the Class of '43. This year she has served as vice president of her class. She is a Little Theater pledge and takes part in several sports.

The B.S.U. Council has been completed. Cora Lee Burnett of Wilmington has been elected first vice president, Nancy Carroll of Charlotte, second, and Elizabeth Tucker of Winston-Salem, third. The secretary is Emma Barker and treasurer, Jean Ellis. Marietta Price has the fellowship group for next year and Louise Dickie is to have the music. Elizabeth Brownlee is to be the reporter, Sarah Jackson the program chairman and Margaret Webb poster chairman. Nancy Calloway has been elected Sunday school director and Elizabeth Hostetler B.S.U. director. Mary Hester Powell is Young Women's Auxiliary president. Daphne Penny is to be the day student representative. Addie Davis is an honorary member of the council.

Elizabeth Pruitt has been elected

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Queen Nancy Brewer to Lead Procession, With Maid of Honor Bebe Dickenson and Her Attending Court; Rip Van Winkle Tale to be Presented as Theme of Festivity With Other Sports

This afternoon Meredith's 15th annual May Day festival will be held in the grove at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Gertrude Royster Sorrell, director of physical education, will have charge of the festivities.

The procession will be led by the May Queen, Nancy Brewer of Wake Forest, and the Maid of Honor, Bebe Dickenson of Kinston. Their attendants are Mary Lanier Seagraves, Fuquay Springs, and Frances Dixon, South Boston, Va., senior attendants; Janie Parker, Woodland, and Jean Beddingfield, Cary, junior attendants; Betty Clingan, Covington, Va., and Louise Dickie, Henderson, sophomore attendants; Lola Mae Stroupe, Cherryville, and Marie Sugg, Snow Hill, freshman attendants. Sarah Hudson, Knoxville, Tenn., is the crown bearer, and little Eliza Lee Culberson the train bearer.

After the queen and her court have taken their places the amusement begins. The well-known tale of Rip Van Winkle and his 20-year sleep will be given. The first scene is laid at the market, where the usual market merriment is taking place. Rip (Kathleen Jackson) is having lots of fun until Mrs. Rip (Virginia Lee Watson) comes upon the scene and, scolding, drags him away.

In the second episode in the story Rip is found wandering about dis-

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Alpha Psi Little Theatre Banquet Held

C. Critcher Presides Over Brief Program of Toasts, Responses, Prophesy Given

The Alpha Psi Omega, in co-operation with the Little Theater, entertained its members at a banquet April 16, 1940, at the Tally-Ho Inn. Yellow flowers bordered by blue candles carried out the fraternity colors of blue and gold. The favors and place cards with verses attached were minute rolling pins tied with the same blue and gold colors. The president of the Meredith Little Theater, Carolyn Critcher of Lexington, served as toastmistress.

A brief program of toasts inspired by technical stage terms was presented. Miss Critcher, as stage manager, welcomed the guests. Carolyn Andrews of Burlington, a member of the cast, responded to the welcome. Ella Eddins gave a toast to the members of Alpha Psi, or the set pieces, to which Betty Vernon of Brooklyn, N. Y., president of that organization, responded. Marietta McLennan gave a toast to the seniors, to which Sara Cole of Canton responded, thus making the curtain call. Carolyn Critcher introduced Rosanna Barnes of Goldsboro, the incoming president of Little Theater, with a toast. To this toast Miss Barnes responded with a prophecy concerning the future of that organization.

Those present at the banquet included the following:

Miss Frances Bailey, faculty sponsor; Carolyn Critcher of Lexington, Rosanna Barnes of Goldsboro, Bobbie Greene of Lexington, Margaret Hine of Winston-Salem, Carolyn Andrews of Burlington,

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HOSPITALITY WEEK-END

Welcome to our week-end, visitors! We hope that your visit with us shall be one of great pleasure. May it be a week-end of memories that you shall take with you when you return to your respective homes. May we all be one happy family. We're all your friends; just call on us to help you.

As a guide, may we tell you something about the program planned for your entertainment. The plan is to initiate you into the real life of Meredith campus.

Activities begin Saturday afternoon:

2:30 p.m.—Father-Daughters' Baseball Game on the Athletic Fields.
4:30 p.m.—May Day Exercises in the Grove.
6:00 p.m.—Dinner in the Court.
8:00 p.m.—Reception in the College Parlors.
9:15 p.m.—Pictures shall be shown and a play given to illustrate Meredith Campus life.

SUNDAY

9:10 a.m.—Buses will leave the college for the various churches in Raleigh.

Hurry back to see us and we hope you'll be in school with us next year.