



Maid-of-Honor Elected for May Day

Betty Clingan, Covington, Chosen; Miss White Plans Entirely Different Program

On Tuesday, November 18, Betty Clingan of Covington, Va., was elected maid-of-honor, winning over Gretchen Fanney of Scotland Neck and Mary Snipes of Woodland. In the election held on November 11, Frances Buchanan of Laurinburg won over Betty for the honor of May Queen. The May Day attendants from the respective classes will be chosen sometime in the early spring.

In addition to being maid-of-honor, Betty is chief marshal for the Astro society. During her sophomore year Betty served as May Day attendant, sophomore marshal for the Astro society, class cheer leader and treasurer of the A. A. Board. During her years at Meredith Betty has also taken an active part in sports, especially basketball and tennis. As a result of her active participation in sports Betty has become a full-fledged member of the Monogram Club.

Miss Christine White, the new head of the physical education department, has charge of May Day activities this year and she promises that the program is going to be quite different from anything that we have ever had before.

Students, Faculty Confab Thursday

Come on out Thursday, folks. To what? Why, to the reading and writing groups, of course. No, they aren't really formal, they're just oodles of fun. Come and go if you must at any time. The Reading group meets at 5:30 Thursday in the Browsing room for the third time. At the first meeting Miss Lanham read Alice Miller's *White Cliffs*. Last meeting Dorothy Roland read Herbert Palmer's *The Glory of the Imperfect*. The committee invites both faculty members and students to read and try to encourage those interested to request the reading of their favorites. The main purpose of this group is amusement with other worthy benefits such as training people to be good readers and listeners and to acquaint them with good literature and teach them to appreciate it. The committee of the Colton English Club which sponsors these is headed by Myra Motley, assisted by Betty Lou Anderson, Nancy Johnston, Lucille Haywood, and Mrs. Nathan Brooks. Thursday afternoon will be devoted to short stories.

The Writing Group is also under the sponsorship of the Colton English Club. During their 645 meetings in the Browsing room they plan to bring things that have been written to discuss or to write while there. The Reading Group meets every week but the Writing Group meets once every two

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Rachmaninoff Plays Here

Russian Pianist Plays on Civic Music Association Series

Rachmaninoff, the great Russian pianist, played for the Raleigh Civic Music Association, November 24. Rachmaninoff was driven from his native Russia by the Revolution. Since then he has lived principally in America where he has achieved great popularity with concert-goers. Now he is at the height of his career as a virtuoso.

He began his formal musical training at the St. Petersburg Conservatory when he was nine years old. At twelve he went to Moscow for further study. In 1909 he made his first concert tour in the United States where he has attained an ever-increasing success in succeeding years.

Rachmaninoff's wife is also an accomplished musician, and the two sometimes play duets while vacationing. He says he is a poor teacher because of lack of patience when he was speaking of his granddaughter's musical education. He does not want her to follow a musical career because of its strenuousness, although he would care to follow no other himself.

Rachmaninoff doesn't mind how other pianists interpret his compositions — particularly if he doesn't have to listen to them. He knows how he likes to play them, but others he feels may interpret them as they choose.

His program was very well received by the audience. He played the *Bach Prelude and Fugue in A Minor*, transcribed by Liszt, the *Sonata in F Minor* by Beethoven; two Schubert numbers, *Impromptu in A Flat Minor* and *The Trout*; Chopin, *Nocturne in D Flat Minor* and two Mazurkas; he played three of his own brilliant compositions, *Humoresque*, *Daisies* and *Oriental Sketch and Sonetto Del Petrarca, A Flat Major and Rhapsody No. 11* by Liszt.

Stunt Calendar

- 2:00—Palio—Forming of numerals.
- 2:45—Alumnae events.
- 3:00—Bicycle race and horse race.
- 3:30—Alumnae—Student sports.
- 4:30—Song contest—Announcement of winner of reserved seats.
- 6:00—A. A. Past President's Dinner.

Elizabeth Brownlee is chairman of the committee. Ellen Ann Flythe, Lunelle Geer, and Catherine Barefoot are her assistants. Now that you know why don't you come this Thursday?

MEREDITH WHO'S WHO-ERS



The Meredith nominees for *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* are (from left to right) Rowena Daniel, Gretchen Fanney, Mary Elizabeth Holloway, Nancy Carroll, Nancy Nuckols, (second row) Martha Olive, Margaret Martin, Addie Davis, Elizabeth Tucker, and Catherine Chiffelle.

Stunt and Palio Activities Are Enthusiastically Anticipated

Dean and Mrs. Davis Entertain Faculty

After-Dinner Coffee In Blue Parlor

In the Blue Parlor on November 25 Dean and Mrs. Davis entertained all the members of the faculty and their husbands and wives at an after-dinner coffee. The parlor was attractively decorated with gladiolas and candles. Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Marsh and informally received by Dr. and Mrs. Campbell and Dr. and Mrs. Davis.

Coffee was poured by Miss Baker and Miss Sprull, and refreshments were served by Misses A. L. White, Dickenson, Dawkins, C. White, Kramer, Bailey, Baity, Keith, Grimmer, Phelps, and Mrs. Bridge.

Superintendent of Raleigh Schools Gives Forceful Talk

"The Baptists can make as many mistakes in the same length of time as any other group of people I know," said Claude F. Gaddy, superintendent of Raleigh City Schools, in Chapel Monday, Nov. 25. He outlined his impressions of the Baptist State Convention which met in Asheville last week, convinced that this meeting was the best and most successful meeting in the past years. Mr. Gaddy urged the students to take advantage of all opportunities offered them in college so they may take their place in the community after graduation. He believes that in the future Meredith will be the center of teacher training in North Carolina. A strong note of his talk was the prediction that Meredith will some day be a co-educational institution.

Stunt and Palio Day have come again. Because of quarantine, the annual event was postponed. Now, quarantine is over; the weather is wonderful, and everyone is ready for the fete. For days now the echo of class and school songs has reverberated along the halls. Gay snatches of "We Salute Thee, Alma Mater", or "Hearts are Loyal", are whistled and sung in exuberant spirits. Here and there are glimpses of costumes and accessories which are being made ready. The smell of grease, paint and talk of "back stage" and properties are the topics of the moment. Alumnae will be welcomed and will be expected to participate in the activities. There will be a coffee in honor of the alumnae, and all those who have been presidents of the Athletic Association will have dinner together.

Enthusiasm has not been dampened in the least by the delay; in fact, everyone is more eager. Continued practice has made the presentation more skillful and there is no Homecoming Day at other local colleges to share the interests of students and their friends. The horses by now are in prime condition for the race and having champed at their bits for a time should but give them the more fire and dash that the day of release is arrived.

What is that commotion? Why that is the crowds that gather for the Palio. See, in front of them, the band, its instruments gleaming in the sun. There is the majorette poised for action. Over their heads, see how the banners wave and snap in the crisp breeze. Yes, that is Palio—pageantry, color, and high spirits. After making a circle of the drive the motley crowd will return to the steps of the administration building to sing their class songs. Then there will be bicycle and horse races, the classes cheering on their favorites. The races will be followed by the athletic contests and alumnae stunts. The climax of activities will be the presentation in the evening of the class stunts. Excitement,

Seniors Hold First Forum

Theme To Be "College Graduate and Her Social Relationship"

Mrs. Vera Tart Marsh led the Senior Class in an informal forum on Tuesday, November 25, in the Astro Hall. Her topic was, "Everyday Etiquette," and is the first in a series of forums in which the class will participate.

As an introduction to the discussion of "what to do and when," Mrs. Marsh told the story of the origin of the word "etiquette" and some factors in its importance.

The major part of the discussion was given to a picture of the life of "Miss Mary Meredith" for a day, from waking and breakfast to a dinner engagement and her good night phone call. Acknowledgment of entertainment, visiting manners, introduction, dining, and class had their share of consideration.

After the discussion, a number of questions were asked by the girls and answered informally.

Senior forums are to be held monthly throughout the year. The general topic is "The College Graduate and Her Social Relationships." The subject of discussion next month will be "The College Graduate in the Community and Community Organizations." The speaker for that evening has not been announced, according to Louise Dickie, chairman of the forum committee.

mirth, perhaps a little anxiety; these are the counterparts of stunt night; yes, and keenest class competition. The winners? Who can say? Anyway, it will be fun. The day will be one of jolly fellowship, of new friends made and old ones resealed. Students, faculty, alumnae, friends, it is Meredith Palio and Stunt Day!

Stunt and Palio Take Place Today

Statistics on First 6 Weeks Grades Given By Dean

Grades To Be Turned In Again December 13

At the close of the first six weeks of this semester, the faculty reported to the dean's office all students who were making at that time below C (D or F) in any subject. These students were requested to confer with the dean about their work. What is the aim of such a conference? To determine, in the first place, the cause of the low grade or failure, and secondly, to suggest remedial measures. Incidentally, such a conference enables the student and the dean to become acquainted; acquaintance lays a foundation for future conferences and for more effective guidance.

Reports will be made again December 13 on students making D or F in any subject, and conferences will be held again. Please come promptly for your conference. The dean's office hours are 8:30, 1:00 and 2:00, 5:00. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 15, 16, 17 will be conference days. Students whose last names begin with A-H inclusive will confer with the dean on Monday, December 16; J-R inclusive on Tuesday, December 16; and S-Z inclusive on Wednesday, December 17.

First Six weeks '41:

1. Number of Freshmen reported	102
2. Number of Sophomores reported	51
3. Number of Juniors reported	58
4. Number of Seniors reported	35
5. Number of Part-time students reported ..	1
6. Total number of students reported	247
7. Number of Day Students reported	41
8. Number of Transfer Students reported ..	32 (7 and 8 included in total in 6 above.)
9. Total number of D's reported	361
10. Total number of F's reported	141
11. Total number of D's and F's reported ..	502
12. Average number of D's per student ..	1.461
13. Average number of F's per student571
14. Average number of D's and F's per student	2.032
15. Number who made D in one subject ..	102
16. Number who made D in two subjects ..	43
17. Number who made D in three subjects ..	10
18. Number who made D in four subjects ..	5
19. Number who made F in one subject ..	13
20. Number who made F in two subjects ..	0
21. Number who made F in three subjects ..	1

Good Crowd Is Expected

Horse Races, Bicycle Races, and Alumnae-Student Sports Among Features of Day

Stunt Day, November 29, is in charge of the Athletic Association. Palio is under the direction of Margaret Martin, Association president and the class vice-presidents, Catherine Wyatt, senior vice-president; Ione Knight, junior; Martha Ann Allen, sophomore; and Hortense Liles, freshman. Stunt is under the direction of the association president and the class presidents, Nancy Nuckols, senior president; Rachel Lovelace, junior; Frances Moore, sophomore; and Martha Jeffrys, freshman.

At 2:00 the palio begins. A bugler leads the parade and is followed by a huge school banner carried by Addie Davis, Student Government Association president, and Margaret Martin, Athletic Association president. Then comes the band of which Helen Best is the leader, and Anabel Calreiro the majorette. Members of the band are:

Janie Sawyer, tuba; Theda Hopkins, alto saxophone; Leta Hamilton, clarinet; Nauwita Page, clarinet; Margaret Long, clarinet; Rachel Strole, saxophone; Afton Daniel, saxophone; Ruth Ryman, trumpet; Grace Worley, trumpet; Margaret Parish, trombone; Margaret Robertson, drum; Joyce Dawson, xellophone.

Next in the parade are the character heads of faculty. This year caricature likeness of Mr. S. G. Riley, Dr. Carlyle Campbell, and Mr. J. G. Boomhour will be displayed. The real horses come and then the classes do their respective parts. Each class forms its numerals on the step of the administration building, the seniors singing "Queen of Our Hearts"; juniors, "Now a Vision Glorious"; sophomores, "Hearts Are Loyal"; and freshmen, "Rah! Rah! Rah! It's Meredith for Me".

At 2:45 the Alumnae have a surprise event. At 3:00 the classes engage in relay bicycle races down the first section of the drive. Genevieve Chiffelle and Mary Sue Jackson are chairmen of the committee to forward this race, and Dr. George Christenberry the judge of the winner. Following the relay race comes the horse race with Dae Steele Bullock and Gertrude Hardison in charge. Virginia Lancaster will ride "Fortitude" for the seniors; Marguerite Ward, "Bony Parts" for the juniors; Genevieve Chiffelle, "Flying Jenny," for the sophomores; and Betsy Cuthrell for the freshmen.

At 3:30 are the sports of Alumnae versus students. Mildred Ward and committee are working

- 22. Number who made F in four subjects .. 2
- 23. Number who made F in five subjects .. 1
- 24. Number who made one D and one F .. 19
- 25. Combinations of D's and F's above 2 .. 51

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