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A Thought—"The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right. Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or newspapers without government I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

Thomas Jefferson.

What is the *Acorn*? We should like to remind all old students and inform all new students that the *Acorn* is something more than a "nut that falls off an oak tree." Also, it is something more than a magazine composed of "nutty articles that fall as results of brainstorm of the staff." The *Acorn* is your magazine, composed of short stories, essays, poetry, features, etc, written by you and submitted to the staff in the interest of publication. But the *Acorn* cannot exist without the interest and enthusiasm of you, the composers. You can make the *Acorn* just what you want it to be, so come on "Let's write!"

In the May 12, 1942 issue of this newspaper, THE TWIG, we, the present staff, set up our platform "to do all within our power to be accurate in our reports, fair in our judgments, constructive in our criticisms, and motivated by the highest and best interests of the student body and the college as a whole, so that THE TWIG in a very true sense may become 'vox populi.'" We pledged ourselves, with the whole hearted cooperation and sincere enthusiasm of the entire student body, faculty, alumni, and administration, to make our school paper looked forward to.

Keeping these aims in mind we present the first issue of the year 1942-43. The new tabloid size enables us to give you a better print on better paper, thus improving the general appearance of THE TWIG. It enables us to give you, then, a newspaper in a more popular and convenient form, at lower costs than the regular news size.

We sincerely hope that you will be enthusiastic about this change and that you will be more ready, by your contributions, to make THE TWIG the true voice of the people.

PURELY PERSONAL

Dear Cute Girls:

Just in case you haven't heard and would like to know, "snooping" will be more "scooping" this year. Just as there comes a time in the lives of all normal young ladies when they choose to change their names, so it is with this little "Susie." From now on, she's no snooper but "Susie Scoop."

Speaking of changing names reminds me to tell you to take a look at Puggy's third finger, left hand—and you'll see what I mean. It's rumored that there are several other girls with a sparkle on their fingers and that gleam in their eyes. For example, Mildred Allen, Gloria Downing, and Annie Mary Matthews. Several others are teetering on the brink, held only by fraternity pins. How 'bout it, Doris Jean, Mary Davis, and "Pitt"?

But then there's always the Duke-Wake game which took the girls over to Wake to see the boys, and brought them back talking about the games. Of course there were other interesting topics of discussion. Chiefly concerning the Kappa Sig and KA dances. Harriett went over with Buster. By the way, Giraffe McDaniel is a good example of summer school romances not dying with the first cool spell of autumn.

Hertford and her loyal Astros enjoyed Saturday from all angles. And many thanks to the State SPE's for the goat!

To add to their angelic appearances Avis and Dayre are sporting wings. Think I need some purty quick like, the silver kind so I can sing "She Wears a Pair."

Get Sarah Hope to tell about her proposed trip. Scooping about Florida, Duke has the practice house Willie's in more ways than one. Willa Lee, Anna Ruth, and Ginny just have the blues to the tune of, respectively, Oak Ridge, Ronald, and dishpan hands. Minnie Morris is humming "Deep in the Heart of Texas."

Liz was in more than her customary dither for Nick was in from Washington, N. C.

The culprits who scooped the various News Bureau prints from off the Johnson Hall bulletin boards are so inconsiderate that even this dirt column can't stoop that low—enough said.

COLLEGIATE CREAMS

Despite a cloudy foggy morning, about noon the sun loomed through the dismal clouds and paved the way for the blue sky which soon followed. A lovely day it was for the Wake Forest-Duke football game. As soon as decisions were cast by the freshmen and transfers at chapel and the Astros proclaimed their Victory loud and long, girls began leaving the campus, headed for THE game of the week-end. To be sure, Wake Forest was the underdog and the Iron Dukes certainly weren't expected to become rusty so soon in the season, if ever. A good crowd of Wake Forest fans had come and the Duke side was upheld mostly by cheering students, many of whom were freshmen adorned by their traditional Duke freshman caps. . . . The game began and even before Doris Jean Leary had lost her voice, Johnny Perry sailed around for the first touchdown. The Meredith harem composed of Mull, Tullbert, Sutton, McDaniel, Hewett, Lovelace, Cuthrell, Chandler, Jeffreys, Ward, Early, Wyche, and McLendin cheered for the Old Gold and Black, and only B. Watson gave her all for the glory of the mighty Dukes. Anyhow, the game rolled on and Wake Forest, working like a well-controlled machine, whizzed on to their 20-7 victory, the first over Duke since 1926. The town of Wake Forest was just plain rocking after the game and so on into the night. . . . the only thing which really made much sense was the tolling of the bell and the undertones of "we beat the devil out of the Blue Devils." . . .

And the ASTROS—Marguerite Ward was in line for all congratulations possible for she had herded the freshmen flock into Mother Astro's fold. The first Astro victory in several years became a thing of glory, although "Addie Bunk" and her Phi's came in for all sorts of praise. Putting all rivalry aside though, the societies are off to a good start, each with fine groups of freshmen and transfer students. With the support of the entire crowd here at Meredith, societies should come up in the place they play on the campus. . . .

One last word to the freshmen—all of us are glad that you're here (that of course is a stale remark by now) and we think that you're a fine group of girls. . . . You've shown wisdom in choosing your class officers and by all means, you seem to have what it'll take to make a good first year class. Remember that everybody is for you and you can always find somebody just waiting to help you. . . .

Class Attendance Regulations

1. Students are responsible directly to their teachers in the matter of class attendance.
2. Absences will not be reported daily as heretofore.
3. The total number of absences for a student in each course will be reported at the end of the semester and will appear on the student's semester report as usual.
4. Every teacher will keep daily an accurate record of absences. This record should be available for committee use or for the use of the dean if and when any question arises about a given student.

By action of the Academic Council on September 15, 1942, the following attendance regulations were adopted, effective immediately.

1. All students on the Dean's List are granted optional attendance, except at the last session before or the first session after a holiday. An absence on these days counts as two absences.
2. Students must attend two-thirds of the meetings in a course in order to receive full credit.
3. All students are allowed, without question or penalty, as many absences in each course as there are credit hours for that course.
4. If the student accumulates further absences (beyond the number allowed) to the detriment of her scholastic achievement, the teacher of the course in question shall give the student written notice and shall also send written notice to the dean, stating that the student in question should not be absent again. The dean also will notify the student.

If after this a student should accumulate further absence without justifiable reason or excuse, she may, with the approval of the dean, be dropped from the course with an F. If this should happen in two or more courses the student may be asked to withdraw from the institution.

The Student Government Association announced in chapel that Meredith students would no longer be required to wear hose in the dining hall, at any time except Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday dinners. The regulation concerning the wearing of stockings in Raleigh has not been changed however.

BLACK-OUT DINNER GIVEN IN MERE-ELLO APARTMENT

On Tuesday evening, September 29, the home economics seniors in the Mere-Ello Apartment entertained at a "black-out" dinner.

Miss Willa Lee Joyner of Elm City served a four-course dinner for three other students and four members of the Meredith faculty. Members of the faculty present included Miss Francis Bailey, Miss Jennie M. Hanyen, Mr. Harry Dorsett, and Mr. John L. Rembart.

The students assisting Miss Joyner were Miss Carolyn Duke of Henderson, Miss Virginia Bailey of Chadbourn, and Miss Anna Ruth Dixon of Siler City.

Decorations consisted of a centerpiece of fruit in which was concealed a flashlight. Placards were illuminated by small flashlights which were given to the guests as favors.

Each year, four seniors, working in a group, carry on the responsibilities of managing and operating the apartment for four weeks under the supervision of Miss Jennie M. Hanyen. Throughout this year there will be three different groups of home economics majors managing the apartment.

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