



College Observes Fifty-first Annual Founders' Day

Meredith College observed its fifty-first annual Founders' Day on Friday, February 5. The series of events was opened with the Student Government reception for students on Thursday night, February 4 in the college parlors.

Receiving were President and Mrs. Carlyle Campbell, Dean and Mrs. Benson W. Davis, Miss Anna May Baker, dean of women, Miss Leah Godwin, assistant dean of women, and the following members of the Council of the Student Government: Evelyn Dillon, Charlotte Green, Elizabeth McNeil, Elizabeth Coleman, Bobbie Green, Rose Marie Haynes, Martha Jeffreys, Annie Catherine Barden, Mary Jo Clayton, Ruth Wyman, Mattierce Baugh, Dorothy Boone, Betty Miller, Louise Boone, Grace Alexander, Catherine Barefoot, Lilbourn Minshew, Betty Rose Prevatte, Avis Branch, and Julia Margrette Bryan.

Guests included were: faculty members, students and their friends, and Student Government Association members from the following colleges and universities: Carolina, Duke, Peace, Saint Mary's, State, and Wake Forest.

Friday, February 5 at 11 a. m., the annual Founders' Day service was held, Dr. Carlyle Campbell presiding. The speaker of the morning was Dr. Sankey L. Blanton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wilmington, N. C. His subject was the place of the student in a world at war. The scripture reading and morning prayer was given by Dr. Charles Durham, supply pastor of the First Baptist Church of Raleigh. Special music was rendered by the choir and by Miss Beatrice Donley, soloist.

Friday afternoon members of the faculty, Board of Trustees, members of the senior class, and friends of the college were present at a reception in Blue and Rose Parlors. In the Blue Parlor Miss Julia

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Meredith Professor Writes Monograph

Dr. Ellen Winston, Consultant in Research and Statistics for the United States Office of Education, in collaboration with Dr. Maude Farr, of the Division of Statistics, has written a monograph, "Accelerated Programs in Degree-Granting Colleges and Universities." The study shows that to a great extent colleges and universities are being organized on a year-round basis. Questionnaires were sent to 1,215 institutions and of these 947 sent usable answers. Of the 327 institutions which in 1939 had two semesters only, 150 now follow that plan. The others have in various ways accelerated their programs. Meredith is one of the twelve which have added to their regular two semesters a nine-week summer session. The monograph tells of the one extreme, with institutions which have no summer session, and of the other, with institutions which have practically a year-round program. A great number of colleges and universities have recently provided for accelerated programs.

Dr. Winston spent last summer and the Christmas holidays in Washington in connection with her work for the Office of Education. Her main work with the Office is to advise on survey procedures. At present she is working on a statistical study of school building needs, for the Office of Education.



Pictured above is Sara Mull, newly-elected May Queen

Major Elections Begin Feb. 11

At the meeting of the Nominating Committee on last Monday night, Grace Alexander was selected as chairman of the Board of Elections. Dorcas Stanley was selected registrar. Cleo Glover and Peggy Haywood are to be the judges of elections. The May Queen, Sara Mull, having been nominated in a chapel Student Government meeting, was elected several weeks ago. In her sophomore year Sara Mull was a member of the May Court as well as a Phi Society marshal. This year she is serving as chief college marshal. Next week the election of the Maid of Honor will be held, the student body having decided to have a separate election for this office.

Voting for the election of Student Government president, candidates being Virginia Ayers, Gloria Anderson, Charlotte Green and Avis Branch, took place from 11 o'clock to 5:15 o'clock Thursday, February 11. The nominations were posted Tuesday before the election. A ruling of the committee is that nominations may be made by a petition of 10 per cent of the student body, the petition being presented before 10:30 p. m., the day before elections.

Future elections of the Nominating Committee choices will be those of the B. S. U. president, vice-president of Student Government, A. A. president, and Astro and Phi society presidents. As we go to press there will be a run-off vote between candidates Gloria Anderson and Charlotte Green.

Methodist Students Meet in Durham

On February 5-7 the North Carolina Methodist Student Movement Conference was held at Durham at the Duke Memorial Methodist Church. About ten colleges were represented, one of these ten being Meredith College. Those who attended from Meredith were: Betty Ruth Thorne, Oneta Holder, Helen Evans, Elizabeth Cotton, Grace Johnson, and Rebecca Barnes.

The theme of the program was "Disciplines for Christian Living." One of the main projects suggested by the conference was that the representatives start "cell" groups on their home campuses, in which there were to be four to twelve members, with one leader, to discuss any problems that confront the college student.

Professor's Article Printed Recently

Mrs. Melville Corbett Ivey has had published in "The Saturday Review of Literature," for January 23, 1943, an article, "The Planter Class." The issue of the magazine, devoted to the old South, had Virginia Dahney and Howard Odum as its guest editors. Mrs. Ivey studied under Dr. Odum.

"The Planter Class" is a definition of a social class and its role in ante-bellum history of the Old South. It is a complement to Dr. Mildred Mell's definition of the poor white, in an article which appears in the same issue of "The Saturday Review of Literature." Mrs. Ivey's article tells of the plantation, with its slaves, thousands of acres, and large house; of the planter class, with its firm belief in Jeffersonian democracy, its manners, speech, and intellect, of which it was proud; of the Southern gentleman, who was well educated, took an interest in politics, and participated in his church; and of the economic importance of the plantation, to mention only a few characteristics discussed.

After studying at Winthrop College for two years, Mrs. Ivey attended the University of North Carolina. There she received her A.B. and A.M. degrees, and during that time she was a research assistant. Mrs. Ivey has also had a year of further graduate work at Columbia University.

In True Democracy All Members Vote in Elections

Spring, the season of birds and flowers, spring-fever, love and young men's fancy, is coming. At Meredith spring is also accompanied by elections.

In these elections all campus leaders for the following year are chosen. It is up to the girls to vote for their leaders, the ones they want.

At the first election this spring, in which Sara Mull was elected May Queen, not quite 300 votes were cast. In a school of a reputed 500 that is rather a small vote.

It has been said that more girls don't vote because they don't know the candidates. This is the special complaint of freshmen and some town students. For them it might be a good idea to have a special candidates' bulletin board on which could be posted a photograph, a

Dr. Ralph A. Herring Is Religious Week Speaker

Philadelphia Opera Company In Concert

Opera To Be Given February Fifteenth

The Philadelphia Opera Company, which was organized four years ago will appear in Raleigh at the Memorial Auditorium on the evening of February 15.

This youthful company embodies four ideals which make for progression in the field of music and opera.

1. Grand Opera in understandable contemporary English.
2. Convincing acting as well as exquisite singing.
3. A company composed of all-

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SOLDIERS AT FRONT TO RECEIVE CAMELS

Students Given Chance To Send Comfort To Fighting Men

Starting February 15, through the cooperation of one of the leading cigarette manufacturers, packages of Camel cigarettes will be sent to our overseas fighting men for free distribution. This patriotic gesture is one of the things we can do to bolster fighting morale. General MacArthur himself is quoted as saying "American cigarettes—of all personal comforts are the most difficult to obtain."

The Student Defense Committee, backed by the Faculty Defense Committee, is sponsoring the creation of a special fund to send free cigarettes to our boys across the sea. Each student will be given a voluntary opportunity to contribute to this fund any amount desired up to not more than one dollar.

Through the cooperation of Mr. Richard Davis and Mr. F. F. Check of the Reynolds Tobacco Co., this plan is being offered.

- \$1.00 will send 20 packs free
- .75 will send 15 packs free
- .50 will send 10 packs free
- .25 will send 5 packs free
- .10 will send 2 packs free
- .05 will send 1 pack free

So, come one, come all, let's do our bit to bolster fighting morale! Some one will be around to your room at the first of the week to collect, so be prepared.

Meredith B.S.U. Leaders Sponsor Week's Activities

Dr. Ralph A. Herring, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, led the activities of the Meredith College Religious Emphasis Week this past week.

Dr. Herring was well qualified to lead the activities. He is well-known to Baptists of this state having served as president of the Baptist State Convention, and also to the Baptists of the South, once serving as vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The program of each day opened with morning watch at 7:10 in the Rose Parlor, with chapel talks at 10:30 each morning, and evening services at 7. Students who so desired had individual conferences with Dr. Herring and on Wednesday afternoon at 4 an open forum was held and many challenging questions were discussed.

On Tuesday evening at 8, an informal reception was held honoring Dr. Herring.

Leading figures who made the week possible were Sarah Jackson of Mount Airy, president of the Baptist Student Union, which union sponsored the week, Lucille Haywood of Mount Gilead, third vice-president and who was general chairman of the week. Assisting her were Marjorie Ailstock of Covington, Va., reporter, Nelda Ferguson of Durham second vice-president, Cornell Brunt of Winston-Salem, first vice president, Durema Fitzgerald of Raleigh, music chairman, and Anna Ruth Dixon of Siler City Y. W. A. president.

Programs Planned By Frosh Counselors

The Freshman Counselors, headed by Evelyn Dillon, have planned four units of programs for the freshmen during the next semester. The programs will be on various phases of social life in connection with the college.

The topics are—"A Visit to Points of Interest in Raleigh," "Friendship," to be combined with a party in March; and "Vocational Guidance," the latter of which was formerly handled by the faculty, but which was put in charge of the counselors this year, with the Faculty Committee giving necessary assistance whenever it is needed.

Miss Alice B. Keith is the faculty adviser to Evelyn Dillon, and each counselor has a faculty adviser. The members of the Freshmen Council are Evelyn Dillon, Doris Hamrick, Doris Jean Leary, Frances Moore, Georgie Brewer, Ann Kramer, Carolyn Bass, Don Gilkerson, Cornell Brunt, Madge Allen, Sara Mull, Catherine Powell, Kathleen Thompson, and Virginia Lee.

The programs are designed to assist the freshmen in their social life at Meredith. The future programs are planned to show the freshmen the advantages of attending school in Raleigh and to enable them to take advantage of the many places of interest in the capitol city. Last semester the programs were on school life, etiquette, and examinations, helping the freshman to become adjusted to their new life. The meetings of the council are held whenever it is convenient for the counselors to meet with the freshmen.