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Opportunities

There is a distinct advantage in having Meredith located in the state capital. Many noted lecturers and artists appear here; and without charge in some instances, or for a small fee in others, Meredith girls can take advantage of educational events in Raleigh as well as those at Meredith.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, the daughter of William Jennings Bryan, and the first woman ambassador sent by the United States to a foreign country will lecture at Meredith early in December. This lecture will be more than worth our time, and we should appreciate its value.

The State Literary and Historical Association, the North Carolina Folk-lore Society, the North Carolina State Art Society, the Archaeological Society of North Carolina, and the North Carolina Society for the Preservation of Antiquities meet in Raleigh every year, and the meetings and lectures are open to the public. All of us should make an effort to attend some of these meetings, as the lecturers are well-known people. These meetings will be held early in December also. It is too bad when we let events such as these slip by without attending them. The sessions of all of these societies should interest every college student, so let's all take a little time from our regular activities and hear these lectures as well as Mrs. Owen.

The Expansion Program as Our Responsibility

Meredith has an expansion program at the present time, as we know. What part can the college student do to make this program succeed? Besides giving all we can, we can talk. A large number of us will go home for Thanksgiving, and if we don't go then, we shall go at Christmas. When we go, we see people and talk to them about things that interest us. If we tell our friends at home about Meredith's expansion program, we shall be aiding in a material way. How can people all over the state be interested in such a program if we are not interested? Aren't we the logical ones to converse with business people about Meredith and its needs? Every one of us should accept this responsibility and accept our share in seeing that Meredith's future is a success. If a family builds a new house, every member of the family talks about it. We are all a part of the Meredith community and every one of us will be affected by its future failure or success. It is up to us to accept our responsibility as members of a community and see that the program of Meredith's expansion does not fail!

Are We Really Thankful?

At Thanksgiving we are prone to say glibly that we are thankful for many things, as food, loved ones, and on and on, but too often we fail to stop and really think what we have to be thankful for. Of all the people in the world today we in college are a small minority, and because of that simple fact we should be full of gratitude to those who are making it possible for us to attend a Christian school.

Do you think that we are thankful enough for the privilege of having an education—a Christian education? Not only on Thanksgiving Day should we thank God for this opportunity, but we should give thanks every day of the year.

We ought to give thanks for the knowledge that we are gaining every day; we ought to give thanks that we are trusted at Meredith, and are allowed to live under an honor system. Too many of us go through college, never realizing how privileged we are. If we stop to consider how much we should miss if we couldn't go to school, if we weren't trusted when we did go, if there were no Christian atmosphere after we were here; we will thank God, especially at this Thanksgiving time, for our educational opportunities.

Neighborly News

Are you planning a big Thanksgiving or are you going to be conservative this year? Whichever it is, I hope you enjoy it. Remember, they can ration food and other things, but they can't ration the spirit of Thanksgiving.

In October, at Stratford College in Danville, Va., they have a traditional surprise holiday, which is called "October Day."

Stratford Traveller.

At Brenau College, they have a tradition similar to a Meredith tradition, the "Spade Hunt." The senior class hides a spade for the junior class to find.

The Alchemist.

The week of November 5, marked the beginning of the second semester of Duke's naval V-12 program. "Shipping orders" were received by 400 trainees at the last of the term. These were replaced by 395 V-12 students and 100 civilian freshmen.

Seventy-six medical students are expected to enter the January 1944 class which includes army and naval medical students, four girls and a few civilians. The army and navy men will be transferred back to Duke after going through their induction and basic training elsewhere.

The Duke Chronicle.

The chapel at Wake Forest is now externally complete. The tower, which is now 180 feet high, will be approximately 200 feet high when completed.

Old Gold and Black.

Relocated Japanese students are now studying at Boston University with the permission of governmental authorities.

Boston University Press.

At Guilford College, the Russian language is now being taught for students who wish to take it. No credit is given for the course.

The Guilfordian.

The commercial department at Stratford University holds night classes for town students who have been out of school for a number of years but feel the need for such training in commercial work.

Stratford Traveller.

Dr. Donald Johnson of the Frost Hays Kansas State College psychology department says that the best college students finish their exams either first or last. It is his theory that the first third of students are speedy because of superior intellect; the last third are the plodders who get good grades by pains and persistence; the middle third are the students who aren't very much interested in the subject.

Associate College Press.

It seems that almost all of the schools are putting on war bond and stamp drives. At Boston University, booths have been set up for the sale of bonds and stamps and these booths are sponsored by the student council. At W. C., various methods were concocted for the sale of stamps. If a girl receives a long distance telephone call she has to buy a stamp. Girls who come up before the hall boards must buy them. Some halls have contests between the army, navy, and marines—each time a student purchases a stamp, she designates what branch of service she prefers. At Brenau College in Georgia, the girls are putting on a musical comedy to help promote the sale of bonds and stamps. Admission is only by purchase of one or other. (Don't forget that Meredith is having a drive too.)

Humor?

Gorgeous—What our folks used to try to do when we went home in those days before food rationing.

Lenoir Rhynean.

June—the month of brides. The other eleven are devoted to divorces.

Optimist—a cheerful frame of mind that enables a tea kettle to sing though in hot water up to its nose.

Orator—The fellow who's always ready to lay down your life for his country.

Watagan '42.

Sport Editorial

"It was a waste of money," said the freshman, "I paid a dollar for a ticket, and Duke just walked all over State."

"Well," I felt like saying, "you would have saved your money and have seen a more exciting and well-fought game if you had watched the Astro-Phi hockey game. Hockey and soccer are just as exciting as football, and some strange souls say that they're even more so. These sports are played on an outdoor field with twenty-two players which give them some of the appearance of football, and the swift change of direction and possession of the ball give both games the fast-moving speed of basketball. These elements combine to make sports that are fun to watch. The English crowd to soccer games. We, over here, have been slow to take it up, but those who go once want to go again.

"We had a good crowd out for the Astro-Phi hockey game, and they seemed to enjoy it. We are going to have Astro-Phi games in every major sport. The class games are just as much fun to watch, and in all games a little cheering from the sidelines makes the game more fun. They are played at five o'clock and not many people do much between five and six. Rumors are going about now that we may pick varsities and play St. Mary's and Peace, and everyone will want to see those games.

"Why don't you go to the games? They're as exciting as the football games at State, and here you know the players, and you don't have to buy a ticket."

BERRY MILLER.



Cartoon by Mary Elizabeth Bryant.

Tattle Tale Grey

GUEST COLUMNIST JUNIOR

Well, here I am all alone!
Wonder what would happen if I told what I heard at Mummy's sewing circle?

If I do I get a whipping — I dood it!

Engagements, engagements! I'm not sure what they are, but everybody's getting that way. Mummy says a birthday celebration is real original now—even she might have one! Millie Thornton took her token calmly from the mail, but Dot Reid's came with more excitement via the male. Dot Shealy is another of the chosen many.

Then Mummy changed the subject. I didn't like that 'cause I think engagements end in weddings, and then I can throw shoes without being spanked—much.

Cornell Brunt is terribly busy with her teaching (wish she'd teach me—Oh boy, Oh boy, Oh boy), but with a little more coaching in the game room, she'll manage nicely. Tink seems to have oodles of time when Maurius is on furlough — a whole week at home!

Doris Jones was telling how cute a certain Duke interne is and Mummy has had chronic attacks of asthma ever since.

Crain surely is interested in the play, but radio seems to attract her more.

Hail the conquering hero! — isn't that right, Lib Moore? At least that is what I would do if I were Lib and was to welcome Clyde home after those fifty missions.

Here's comfort for tall girls—Mary Lib has found one six foot, four inches. H'mm, maybe I'd better chaperon at the Student Legislature next year because all of Meredith will be there. I might even find a girl friend myself.

Isn't it wonderful for all the angels of Meredith that they have their friends from the air—meaning the boys in the Air Corps at State College—around to entertain them or is it that the Meredith angels are here for the entertainment of the boys. Mummy wishes she was single again when she sees those Air Corps boys.

To see how much these Meredith girls go around, park on Fayetteville Street and watch the crowds go by. There are throngs of these girls from Meredith.

Uh-oh, here tum Mummy, "Meow, meow".....

A woman's college is an institution of yearning.

Old Maid.

"Why the tooth brush in your lapel?"

"It's my class pin — I go to Colgate."

Texas Ranger.

Professor: "You missed class yesterday, didn't you?"

Student: "Not in the least, sir, not in the least."

Old Maid.

First Mosquito: "Why are you making such a fuss?"

Second Mosquito: "Whoopee! I just passed the screen test."

The Lantern.

"If you refuse me," he swore, "I'll die."

She refused him.
Sixty years later he died.

"Does this package belong to you? The name's obliterated."

"Sorry, mine's O'Brien."

Old Maid.

"My dad takes things apart to see why they don't go."

"So what?"
"You'd better go."

Sigma Pi Alpha Meetings

The Phi Kappa Chapter of the Sigma Pi Alpha held its first meeting on October 8. A resolution congratulating Dr. R. B. Nance for obtaining the degree of Doctor of Philosophy was unanimously adopted.

Miss McDonald spoke to the group and gave an account of her experiences in Chile. The members were very interested in examining the souvenirs that Miss McDonald had brought with her.

The second meeting was held on November 12. After the business session, Juliette Kambis told about her trip to Mexico this summer. The next meeting will be held in the Hut on December 10. A Christmas Party has been planned for this meeting.

GETTING FAT?

Is that new skirt a bit tight? After two and one-half months of college are the scales showing extra weight? We Meredith girls can't keep our twenty-four inch waistlines when every week we eat 300 pounds of meat, 910 pounds of potatoes, and 15,288 rolls. Deduction: College broadens body as well as intellect.