

**FLORA LEE GETS HONOR**

Flora Ann Lee, a Meredith Junior, this summer was a Methodist representative to a national conference from this section of North Carolina. Going first to the Louisburg Conference at Louisburg College as treasurer of the conference, she

was there elected to be the coming year's president. Because of her position she, on August 22 to 30, represented the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship at the National Conference and the National Convocation of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at College Camp, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Flora Ann, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Lee of 318 Furches Street here in Raleigh, has been a day student during her two previous years at Meredith.

**DR. HICKMAN FEATURED**

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University, was the featured speaker for the formal opening. In his address on "Young Ideas in an Old World," he emphasized the importance of ideas striving to become recognized and of the determination of the present generation "to get somewhere."

Dr. Hickman, also, told the students that the world seeks "young ideas" and that the world of tomorrow is in the hands of youth and its ideas.

In addition, Dr. Hickman stated that in this generation, "the most terrible thing we have to face is the Nazi idea which is buried in the hearts of the youth in Germany."

President Carlyle Campbell welcomed the students to the new session. Dr. F. Orion Mixon, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, pronounced the invocation. Miss Lila LeVan Loadwick, new pianist, and Dr. Harry E. Cooper, organist, both members of the Music Department, rendered special music.

An informal reception in the College parlors followed the opening program.

**Dr. Winston Sends Message; Continues Interest In Meredith**

By Mabel Summers

It was with much lamentation that the Sociology students saw Dr. Ellen Black Winston, head of their department, leave last June to become North Carolina's Welfare Commissioner.

Dr. Winston is a very unassuming person and shies away from questions relating personally to her. When asked about a typical day's work in a recent interview, she replied that every day was interesting, different, and very full; that no matter how well planned it was, unexpected things always popped up. She is "boss" of the seventy workers in the State Welfare offices, and works through and with the hundred county welfare departments in the state. Last week she visited three counties and every such trip involves many talks. Dr. Winston says that on these trips, she meets many parents of ex- and present Meredith students.

Looking like a model in a black suit with crisp blouse, Dr. Winston sat in her big office on the fifth floor of the State Office Building and related interesting facts about her work. Briefly, the state welfare program consists of grants to needy and services to all, regardless of economic conditions. Last month, the department helped 65,000 individuals or families in North Carolina through the hundred county departments. About 40,000 of these received grants and 25,000 received services only. Last year about 250,000 individuals or families received some kind of assistance through county departments of welfare. Dr. Winston stressed the fact that all the welfare departments were putting increasing emphasis on pre-



vention of conditions that cause families to need this assistance, with the belief that it is far better to prevent than try to solve problems after they develop.

When asked if she had any message for Meredith students, Dr. Winston said that she missed them a great deal, and is always happy to come in contact with any of them. She is particularly pleased that several of last year's graduates have come to the department seeking information as to jobs in welfare work.

Dr. Winston sees a tremendous need for well qualified young women in the field of welfare work, and she believes that they should be encouraged to take every advantage for doing graduate work for this means better jobs and better salaries, with more varied opportunities for service. Incidentally, she will be most happy to have any interested ones to visit her office.

In the program for improvement of the state's welfare work, Dr. Winston said that a new Merit System of classification for college graduates in Sociology had been worked out, with a beginning salary of one hundred ten dollars for a Case Work Aide.

Dr. Winston is superbly trained and capable of handling the job as head of North Carolina's Department of Welfare and we at Meredith are proud of our association with her. We wish her tremendous success.

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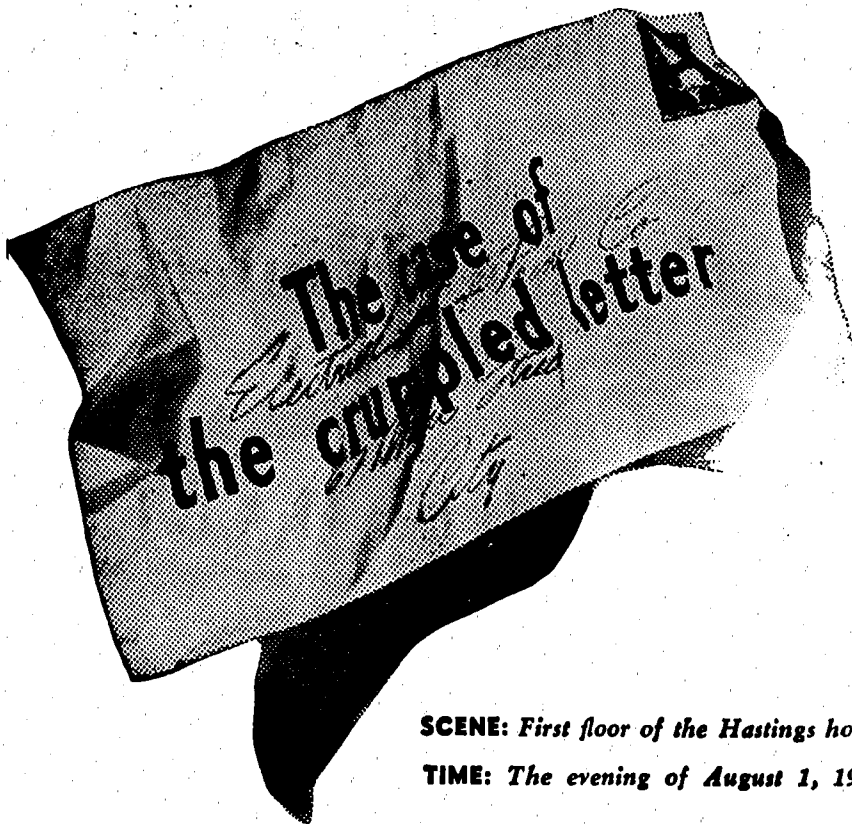
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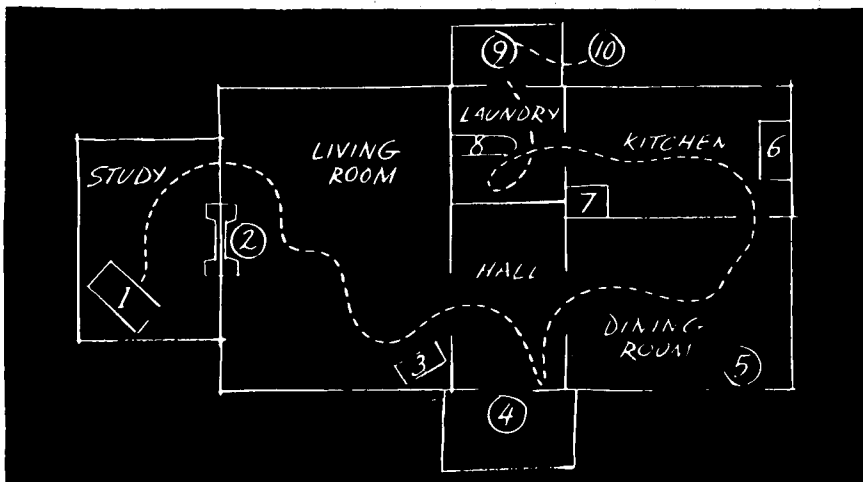
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SCENE: First floor of the Hastings home.

TIME: The evening of August 1, 1944



1. The desk at which Mr. Hastings opened his monthly bills and wrote an indignant letter to the electric company, protesting against their advertising that the average family gets twice as much electricity for its money as it did fifteen years ago.
2. The electric clock at which Mr. Hastings looked to see if he had time to mail his letter before dinner.
3. The family radio, with Junior parked close beside it, listening to "Jerry and the Jeeps."
4. The porch light which Mr. H. switched on to guide the dinner guests.
5. The percolator, ready and waiting to do dinner duty.
6. The electric range, filling the kitchen with appetizing odors.
7. The refrigerator, from which Mrs. H. was taking trays of tinkling ice cubes.
8. The iron, with which Nancy was pressing a dress for her date.
9. The back porch, on which Mr. H. paused to think things over — realizing that his family *did* use a lot more electricity nowadays, and maybe the company was right after all!
10. The trash can into which he tossed his crumpled letter.

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