

Alumnae Supplement to The Twig

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Second Generation Represented at Meredith



Left to right, front row: Mary Elizabeth Banks of Apex, President of the Granddaughters Club (Lenna Benton Banks); Stella Lassiter of Potocasi, Vice President (Martha White Lassiter); Nedge Morgan of Angier, Secretary (Mamie Lee Morgan); Alta Cook of Wendell (Pattie Richardson Cook); Irene Olive of Southern Pines (Mae McMillan Olive); Julia M. Green of Raleigh (May I. Lawrence Green); Ruth Miller of Wallace (Lucy Emma Bronson Miller); Dot Loftin of Goldsboro (Sallie Beal Loftin); middle row: Betty Jo Pitman of Barnesville (Cora Tynes Pitman); Doris Carroll of Charlotte (Mary Pruette Carroll); Barbara Johnson of Benson (Gladys Benton Johnson); Jennie Lou Newbold of Elizabeth City (Callie Perry Newbold); Mary Louise Milliken of Siler City (Joyce Edwards Milliken); Linda McIntyre of Lumberton (Lillian McIntyre Parsons); Dorothy Sadler of Anderson, S. C. (Madge Gregory Sadler); Nancy Hall of Oxford (Christine Judd Hall); Linda Lee Lovelace of Shelby (Mabel Quinn Lovelace); top row: Jean Gaddy of Raleigh (Nannie Sigmon Gaddy); Helen Phillips of Chapel Hill (Annie Craig Phillips); Katherine Lewis of Mount Olive (Katherine Knowles Lewis); Doris Thomasson of Bryson City (Lillian Franklin Thomasson); Rose Marie Yarbrough of Burlington (Mary G. Coats Yarbrough).

Eastern Division Adds New Chapter

Group at Littleton Elects Helen Simms President

The latest addition to the roll of alumnae chapters is the recently organized Littleton group. An organization meeting was held on Tuesday evening, November 7, with eight members enrolling. The following officers were elected: president, Helen Canaday Simms; vice president, Maude Elizabeth Wilson; secretary, Pauline Moss Bowers; treasurer, Annie Harvey Cole; magazine and coupon chairman, Elizabeth Rodwell; social chairman, Louise Copeland Threewitts.

The chapter will meet quarterly and plans are already under way for a tea in the spring honoring the high school junior and senior girls.

At the first meeting special emphasis was put on the Loyalty Fund, and the chapter set a record when every member present paid her annual General Association dues. Plans were made also for the Expansion Program campaign in the vicinity. Coupons were collected and forwarded to the alumnae secretary.

This chapter is the first in a series which Annie Sarah Barkwell Abbott, vice president of the Elizabeth City Division, hopes to see organized in her area soon.

Class of 1945 Holds Reunion in Raleigh

Rachel Strole, permanent president of the Class of 1945, reports that the baby alumnae of Meredith College had their first class reunion during Stunt and Palio week-end. They had dinner together in one of the small dining rooms of the S & W Cafeteria in Raleigh. The time was only too short to get caught up on the news of each other and of those not present. There must have been plenty of ears burning that night. Those attending were Annie Catherine Barden, Carolyn Bass, Mary Lou Nance Bullock, Don Gilkerson and her guest, Annie Warren, Margaret Hines, Margaret Jordan, Eleanor Loftin, Betsy McMillan, Laura Frances Snow, Rachel Strole, Doris Tulbert, Christine Webb, and Laura Frances Peck Young.

Others of the class who attended Stunt and Palio were Janie Sue Allen Carpenter, Evelyn Gwaltney, Geraldine Jones, Mabel Laine, Virginia Maynard, Lib Murray, and Cleo Glover Perry.

ADDITION

To the list of Meredith graduates who have received advanced degrees should be added Nathalie Woodward, '44. Her name was omitted from the compilation which appeared in the October issue of the Supplement. She received her M.A. degree in Sociology from the University of Maryland in June 1945 and since that time has revised her thesis for publication.

Durham Group Hears Winnie Rickett Pearce

The Durham Chapter met October 23 at the home of Blanche Burke Satterfield with the president, Lina Lee Spence Stout, presiding.

Featured on the program was Winnie Rickett Pearce, who reviewed the book *Unafraid*. At the business session members voted to increase the yearly dues from fifty cents to one dollar, and discussed plans for raising money to be given toward the Expansion Program. Mataline Nye Council was chosen to head the planning of the chapter meeting for Founders' Day. Margaret Broughton was appointed chairman of the committee on magazine sales and coupons, and Louise Alderman Ham was selected as chairman for planning the spring entertainment of high school seniors.

A social hour followed the business meeting and program, at which time the hostess served punch. Twenty-three persons were present.

Charlotte Alumnae Enjoy College Sketch

The Charlotte Chapter met on Tuesday, October 30, at the home of Rose Collins, president. At the business session special reports were given on the Meredith Expansion Dinner held last May and on the five following luncheons which the campaigners attended.

Sarah Nooe, a member of the faculty of Queens College, was appointed chairman of a committee to solicit memberships in the A.A.U.W. from the chapter members.

The program for the afternoon was a skit on the history of the College presented by Mrs. Frank Lethco, Ethel Frye Godwin, and Kate Covington Weede. Plans were made for an evening meeting of the chapter early in December in order that business women who are members might be able to attend. The sketch will be repeated at that meeting in the home of Beth Carroll Taylor.

After the program a tea course was served by the hostess and her sister, Mrs. J. A. Brown.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Meredith College Library was started by the Durham Chapter of the Alumnae Association on February 5, 1941. Mrs. Bernice Kelly Harris, '13, was appointed chairman of a committee to promote the new movement, and under her leadership the organization got off to a good start. Through these first years the interest manifested by individuals and various chapters of the Alumnae Association has been encouraging and gratifying. Honorable mention should go to the Rocky Mount, Philadelphia, and Chapel Hill Chapters for their loyal support.

Your interest in our library is greatly appreciated, and we bespeak for our recently appointed chairman, Louise McMillan, '33, your continued interest and cooperation. What can Friends of the Library do to help Meredith? Watch *The Twig* for an announcement from our chairman.

Hazel Baity, Librarian.

Alumnae Council Convenes At College On Stunt Day

President Wilkins Sets Theme for Day; R. H. Satterfield Speaks On Expansion

The twelfth annual Alumnae Council of the Meredith College Alumnae Association convened in the Faculty Parlor of the College on the morning of Stunt Day, November 10. Marguerite Mason Wilkins, president of the Association, presided, and approximately forty delegates attended.

Lina Lee Spence Stout, president of the Durham Chapter, led a short devotional, after which President Wilkins set the theme for the day, "Keepers of the Light." In her brief message she emphasized the responsibility of the alumnae in helping the College maintain high schol-

arship, high ideals of Christian character, and the light of Christianity.

During the business session, reports from various committees were heard. Mae Grimmer, speaking for Maude Wall Cheek, coupon chairman, requested that each chapter set a quota for coupons and magazine subscriptions and strive to reach that self-imposed goal. Norma Rose, editor of the Alumnae Supplement to the *Twig*, requested alumnae aid in the way of contributions of interesting alumnae news items. Lullie Marshall Wyatt and her daughter, Catherine, hospitality co-chairmen, reported on the registration for the day. Mary Yarbrough, chairman of the Ida Potat Loan Fund, reported a steady, though small, increase in that fund.

The report of Mararet Craig Martin, Loyalty Fund chairman, was presented by Mae Grimmer. Alumnae were again urged to work for the goal of forty per cent active membership in the Association. Class Loyalty Fund chairmen and representatives were recognized and reports of progress within classes were heard. The Class of 1945 heads the list at present; twenty-eight per cent of that class are active members of the Association.

Anne Simms Haskins, social
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Alumna Receives High Literary Honor

Irene Haire Wilde, '05, was the recipient of a distinctive honor in January of this year when she was appointed Poet Laureate of the State of California. Since finishing at Meredith Mrs. Wilde has done advanced study at the University of Chicago, Harvard, and the University of California.

The Assembly Resolution relative to her appointment speaks of her as "a California poet of national repute, (who) has long been identified with the literary and cultural interests of the State, depicting in poetry of rare lyrical beauty the human and natural scene and the emotions thereby summoned forth." Special mention was made of her volume of poetry *Fire Against the Sky*, her poetic novel *The Red Turban*, and her lyric tribute to the memory of Will Rogers *For a Certain Cowboy Gone West*.

Autographed copies of two of Mrs. Wilde's books are on the alumnae shelf in the College library.

Greensboro Chapter Plans Work For Year

Bernice Hurley Kanoy was hostess to the Greensboro Chapter of Meredith Alumnae on October 27 at the first meeting of the fall. Margaret Webb Wilson was in charge of the social hour, a tea for which Netta Liles Martin poured.

During the business meeting program plans for the year were outlined by the program chairman, Lottie Belle Myers Stanley. This year the group will make a special study of *Russia*. Members were also reminded of items of interest in the plans and work of the General Alumnae Association. Madeline Monroe Wharton gave a report on the changes which she observed at Meredith during her visit there last spring.

The president, Lois Sawyer Prichard, appointed committee chairmen to serve for the current year.

FUND CHAIRMAN REPORTS

Margaret Craig Martin

"Thanksgiving Song of Two Dollars"

Over the river and through the wood To Meredith College we go. We're on our way to hurry and pay Our Loyalty Fund, you know.

Over the river and through the wood Come one and all and pay. Hurrah for the "mon" for the Loyalty Fund! Make this our Thanksgiving Day.

Another month has rolled around and that important season of the year is upon us. We have so many things to be grateful for this year that to enumerate them would be endless, but we are especially thankful for our College—all the big and little things associated with it, our college teachers and friends and our pleasant memories. We are grateful for our ever-growing host of alumnae and their ever-growing interest in their Alma Mater. May that interest thrive and grow to such an extent that they will always feel that they have an active part in the Meredith of Today as well as in the Meredith of Tomorrow.

The following names have been added to the chain of names since the last issue of the Supplement:

Frances Pate Adams, Pauline Kitchin Allen, Ruth Couch Allen, Mary Devenport Anderson, Elizabeth Bass Babington, Virginia Bailey, Zita Sawyer Baird, Betty

L. Baldwin, Annie Catherine Barden, '45, Charlotte Peebles Barker, Florence Olive Barker, Alma Carlton Barnett, Carolyn Bass, '45, Addie Tynes Baucom, Moultrie Drake Betts, Caroline Biggers, Jeannette Biggs, Marian Blanchard, Pauline Moss Bowers, Ann Eliza Brewer, Elsie Earp Brown, Lucille Hamby Brown, Louise Furlington Bryan, Swaim Bynum, Rosa Barrow Bumpass, Nancy Bradsher Burross, Pauline Cagle Butts, Annie Highsmith Campbell, Ruth Wright Carter, Maude Wall Cheek, Catherine Chiffelle, Mary J. Carroll Clark, Mattie Griffin Clark, Catherine Claussen, Loretta Nichols Clements, Annie Harvey Cole, Elizabeth Coleman, Florence Sawyer Combs, Virginia Combs, Hallie Hester Conrad, Margaret Eagles Copeland, Frances Tatum Council, Hilda Wilson Council, '45, Mataline Nye Council, Johnnie L. Davis Cox, Iris Culler Creech, Margaret Suggs Cromlish, Edwina Martin Crowther, Miriam Daughtry, Addie Davis, Edna Frances Dawkins, Reba DeVaun, Carolyn Duke, Mary White Duncan, Margaret Wyatt Egbert.

Anne McKaughan Farrell, Mary Ferrell, Lidie Penton Freeman, Hattie Davis Futrell, Sallie Jones Gallant, Leola Sanders Gates, Nancy Powell Ghesling, Mabel Campbell Gibson, Don Gilkerson, '45, Della Roberson Gillam, Susan Rudisill Godwin, Minnie Gosney, Martha Lindsey Gould, Irene Mullen Green, Mildred Edmondson Green, Iola Gooch Greene, Dana Beale Gulley, Mary Scott Gurley, Anna Ruth Dixon Gyles, Edith Hall, Mamie Berry Hall, Evelyn Hampton, Louise Hamrick, Beulah Holton Hanes, Sarah Cummings Harned, Elizabeth Harris, Annie Mildred Herring, Mattie Gunter Hickman, Lella Higgs, Mary Hill, Margaret Hine, Margaret Hines, '45, Lucille Ellington Houtt, Oneta Holder, Myra Vann Holland, Bessie Gray Gill Holoman, Reba Parker Hooks, Mary Bowers Hudson, Mildred Huff, Annie Marie Jackson, Luna Jackson, Shellie Bennett Jackson, Alva Lawrence
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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Marguerite Mason Wilkins

Meredith had her biggest and best Homecoming Day on Saturday, November 10. Fifty registered in the guest book, and scores of others attended events who did not register.

The theme of the Alumnae Council in the morning was "Keepers of the Light." We are to keep the light burning. We are "Keepers of the Light" of high scholarship, of high ideals of character, and also of Christianity.

Mr. R. H. Satterfield, director of the department of public relations, spoke on "The Expansion Program: Light of Tomorrow," and brought encouraging words concerning plans for finishing the campaign for funds by spring. If each locality will cooperate with the organization which has been set up, and will follow through, we shall reach the goal soon, and the new buildings at Meredith will be a reality. The hope is to break ground for the auditorium this spring.

Palio—parade of classes, stunts, and songs provided plenty of entertainment in the afternoon. In awarding the banner, Dr. Helen Price said, "Palio is getting bigger and better; but better is so much more important than bigger!" That was the general feeling of all attending.

Each year we marvel at the originality of Stunt Night, the originality of the plays themselves, the staging, and the actresses. It seems

that all ideas for Stunt Night would be exhausted by now. But every year, those college girls really "put it over."

With Homecoming Day past, the next item on the alumnae calendar is "December—Miss Ida Potat's birthmonth." Some of the chapters are planning speakers on "Miss Ida's Life and Contribution to Meredith" for their December meetings. Others are planning a gift to the Ida Potat Loan Fund. All magazine subscriptions and coupons sent in during December help this worthy project.

Meredith held "Open House" on Tuesday and Wednesday of the Baptist State Convention from 5:00 to 6:00 o'clock. Many Baptists saw Meredith for the first time. Others, who had not been there in recent years, noted many improvements. All were loud in their praise of the faculty, the girls, the parlors, the dormitories, and the library. Everyone was talking about the lovely refreshments prepared by Miss Ellen Brewer and the Home Economics girls. Cheese wafers in the shape of *Oak Leaves*, and *Acorns* made of raisins and peanuts were two of the outstanding accomplishments.

Baptists become more proud every year of their A-1 four-year college for girls. We alumnae can help them to know about Meredith and to be proud always of such a Christian college.