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1952 Commencement Exercises Begin May 30 at 8:30

Students Choose Jobs For Summer

Summer means work for many Meredith girls — new, different, and exciting work that brings relaxation, and in many cases, opportunities to meet people, learn new trades, acquire glamorous tans and begin work in chosen professions.

Among those who wish to work with people, to acquire a tan, to work at play, are those at summer camps: Ann Cashwell, Becky Haines, Carolyn Wood and Jane Seate at girl scout camps; Mary Ann Chandler and Caroline Jackson at Lake Lure; Bonny Morgan, Jean Pace, Frances Carr, Carolyn Riddick at Farwell. Anne Bruton will help with crafts, Shirley Cliatt with riding, and Penina Bowden with science at Camp Yonahlossee.

Among those entering the career of marriage this summer are Louise Horn, Ann Hollis, Elsie Wicker, Emily Casteloe, Peggy Poole, Elizabeth Anglin, Helen Leatherwood, Pat Sullivan, Zeta Morton, Ann Midyette, Anne Creech, Ruth Ann Simmons, Norma Murray, Dot Thomas, Nancy Cheek, and Ellyn Royer.

Julia Presson will work with journalism at WPTF; Irma Ray with history as a junior archivist at Annapolis; Jeanette Leopard as an assistant dietitian at Rex Hospital; Marjorie Lane (Continued on page three)

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS



DR. SYDNOR L. STEALEY



DR. MARGARET MEAD

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES MAY 30-JUNE 2, 1952

- Friday, May 30, 1952..... Annual Music Concert, 8:30 P.M.
- Saturday, May 31..... Annual meeting of Kappa Nu Sigma, 9:30 A.M.
- Saturday, May 31..... Annual Meeting of the Alumnae Association, 10:45 A.M. Edna Frances Dawkins, Speaker
- Saturday, May 31..... Alumnae Luncheon, 1:00 P.M. Frances Thompson Knoizen, Toastmistress
- Saturday, May 31..... Class Day Exercises, 4:30 P.M.
- Saturday, May 31..... Society Night, 8:00 P.M.
- Saturday, May 31..... Annual meeting of Silver Shield 9:30 P.M.
- Sunday, June 1..... Baccalaureate Sermon, 11:00 A.M. Reverend Sydnor L. Stealey
- Sunday, June 1..... Dr. Cooper's Organ Recital, 4:30 P.M.
- Sunday, June 1..... Senior vespers, 8:00 P.M.
- Sunday, June 1..... Senior Parents' Reception, 9:00 P.M.
- Monday, June 2..... Baccalaureate Address, 10:30 A.M. Dr. Margaret Mead, Awarding of Diplomas

Class Day, Society Night, Organ Recital Highlight Events of Graduation Weekend

By BECKY CALLOWAY

The graduation exercises will officially begin with the annual music concert on Friday, May 30, at 8:30 p.m. in the Meredith Auditorium. On Saturday morning, May 31, the Kappa Nu Sigma, honorary scholastic society, will hold its annual meeting at 9:30. Following this, the Alumnae Association will hold its annual meeting at 10:45, at which time the speaker will be Edna Frances Dawkins. The Alumnae luncheon, with Frances Thompson Knoizen serving as toastmistress, will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the college cafeteria.

Saturday afternoon's highlight will be the Class Day exercises which will be held in the court. At this time the Sophomore, or "Little Sister," class will proceed to the court with their daisy chain, made of the daisies picked early Saturday morning. Each senior, by tradition of the "even year" graduation, will present to her "little sister" some sticks and stones and the senior class will sing "Hail to the Even Spirit." Dot Fisher of Charlotte, N. C., president of the senior class, will present the class's gift to the college, and the class prophecy, last will and testament, and a class skit, written this year by Grace Pow, will complete the program in the court. The two classes will then march to the front steps where they will form their numerals and then, as the seniors sing "The Queen of Our Hearts," they will proceed to the grove to elect their class's permanent officers.

Society Night, another big event in every Meredith senior's life, will be observed on Saturday, May 31, at 8:00 p.m. At this time, the annual society awards will be presented by the society presidents, Betty Jo Smith of the Phis, and Barney Schletter of the Astros. The various Athletic Association awards, including the Monogram Club award, the Equitation Cup, and the cup to the most outstanding athlete of

Georganne Joyner and Nancy Doherty, sophomore representatives.

AA Board

The reins of the Athletic Association were officially turned over to the members of the new Athletic Association Board in an impressive installation service held during the chapel hour on Tuesday, May 13. The service was conducted as a campfire scene. The old members gave a brief resumé of the happenings of the past year, and the new board told a few of their plans for the coming year. Afterwards the oath of office was administered first to Bess Francis as incoming president, and then to the other members. The program closed with the singing of "You're the Queen of Our Hearts, Alma Mater" by both old and new boards.

1951-52, will be presented, as will the English Department's award for the highest achievement for independent reading during the school term, the Albert Stanburrough Cook prize for the best bibliography in American Literature, and the Elizabeth Avery Colton award for the year's best contribution to the *Acorn*. Certificates of achievement will be presented by both the Sigma Alpha Iota and the Sigma Pi Alpha, and the members of *Who's Who in American Colleges* will also receive certificates.

Following the Society Night program, the Kappa Nu Sigma, honorary scholastic society, and the Silver Shield, honorary leadership society, both will receive new members into their organizations from the senior class. Their meeting will be held at 9:30 p.m.

On Sunday morning at 11:00 in the Meredith Auditorium, Reverend Sydnor L. Stealey will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon.

Dr. Harry E. Cooper, head of the music department, will present his organ recital in the auditorium on Sunday afternoon at 4:30. At 8:00 p.m. the seniors will conduct a vesper program, and at 9:00 p.m. a reception for the parents of the seniors will be held.

Approximately one hundred seniors will receive their diplomas at the commencement exercises on Monday, June 2, at 10:30 a.m. The Baccalaureate address will be delivered by Dr. Margaret Mead.

The senior class officers for the year 1951-52 were Dot Fisher of Charlotte, President; Ruth Ann Simmons of Martinsville, Va., Vice-President; Mary Evelyn Hensley of Burnsville, Secretary; and Lynette Adcock of Oxford, Treasurer. Miss Sarah Lemmon of the History Department served as class advisor.

Faculty-Senior Picnic Held at Chimney

On Wednesday, May 14, at 5:30 p.m. the annual Faculty-Senior Picnic was held at the Chimney. Dr. Harris, Dr. Price, and Dean Fleming greeted the seniors of '52 and the faculty with their families. After everyone's arrival, Miss Whitaker led the group in a Welcome Song. Then everyone enjoyed a most delightful picnic supper consisting of fried chicken, potato salad, bacon-lettuce-tomato sandwiches, pickles, celery, carrots, iced tea, and popsicles.

After the meal was finished, Miss Whitaker led the group in singing some all-time favorites. There was also a speech contest between the seniors and the faculty. Mr. Dorsett and Dr. Canady represented the faculty, and Jean Johnson and Jean Humbert represented the seniors.

Gwen Horne Probes Into Twig History for Research Paper

By ANN IPOCK

As you glance through the pages of this edition of THE TWIG, let's backtrack in time to the early 1920's. Gwen Horne tells us in her paper, "Changes In THE TWIG (for one of Dr. Harris' English classes, no less), that one is able to discover the manners, customs, and changing attitudes of Meredith girls from the early TWIGS up until this present issue. Here we go!

When you pick up your 1921 TWIG, you are holding a four page (twelve by fourteen inches) edition of regular book-type paper. (In 1937 Gwen tells us that THE TWIG grew to the enormous size of sixteen by twenty-three inches!) As you leaf through the pages, you will immediately notice something is definitely missing. Of course, no pictures! The art of photography has not yet entered the make-up of THE TWIG. Almost as hard to find as photographs is a sports column. There just isn't such a thing. A 1921 Meredith girl seems to be more interested in the social graces. Societies and teas are really in the limelight. The publication staff is also different. Gwen writes that there were two editors-in-chief and several representatives from each class. No wonder the

news seems limited only to a few points of interest!

Probably by now you've reached the society and joke columns. In the society columns you'll find out who went where and with whom. Gwen has a good idea when she brings out that the elimination of this column may suggest that Meredith girls of today are not so interested in the lives of their classmates as they were then. These society columns have been more or less replaced by news columns showing the growing interest concerning other matters other than campus life. On the next page an article entitled "Pops and Crackles" stares you in the face. This is a joke column which covers a large portion of the paper, and also will be eliminated in the future TWIG editions.

Looking further, please notice that the two societies — the Astrotekton and the Philaretian are well represented by their own columns. It's easy to see that these articles are written in the form of minutes of the past society meeting. Also notice that the 1921 drama seems to be well taken over by the societies.

Music, drama, and art even in the 1920's were prevalent in the (Continued on page three)

Officers Take Oaths In Chapel Programs

On Tuesday morning, May 6, during the chapel hour, members of the new Student Council were installed in their offices. Marie Edwards, retiring president, expressed her appreciation to the old council and the student body for their co-operation during the past year and wished the new council much success during the coming year. Pat Smathers, incoming president, took her oath of office and then administered the oath to the other members of the council.

Working with Miss Smathers during the new year will be Ann Partin, vice-president; Patsy Bland, secretary; Salty Salter, treasurer; Betty Jo Welch, chief counselor; Betty Ann Highsmith, Social Standards chairman; Nancy Jo Wallis, Faircloth Hall president; Mary Ellen Upchurch, Ann Seagrove, and Anne Clark, vice presidents; Pat Pendergraft, Jones Hall president; Rebecca Edge, Mary Jo Issacs, and Annabelle Whitehurst, vice-presidents; Emma Jean Maddrey, Stringfield Hall president; Cherrie Beddingfield, Mary Ann Chandler and Mary Brooks Stone vice-presidents; Melrose Canaday, Vann Hall president; Blanche Aldridge and Ruth Barnes, vice-presidents; Charlotte Taylor, president of non-resident students; Pat Eberhart, Martha Snow, and Dot Hunt, vice-presidents; and

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