

Dr. Norma Rose of the English Department Comments on "Twig"

In addition to Dr. Norma Rose's varied outside interests of teaching the Beginners' Department at the First Baptist Church, participating in the Arts group of the Raleigh A.A.U.W. chapter, and editing the Meredith Alumnae magazine, she is sponsor of THE TWIG, Meredith's school newspaper.

In the early stages of her education, Dr. Rose planned to enter the field of journalism — a factor which promoted her interest in THE TWIG work as a student. "I liked journalistic writing a lot," she explained. "However, I found, for my particular case, that I should not make journalism my life's work because I do not enjoy working under constant pressure. I found that my journalistic ambition was surpassed by my genuine interest in English literature and that I would enjoy the personal contacts with students. Before I finished Meredith, I planned to teach in college."

Having earned her M.A. degree at the University of North Carolina and her Ph.D. degree from Yale, Dr. Rose is back at Meredith — this time, realizing her ambition to teach English while pursuing her former interest by sponsoring THE TWIG.

As a student, Dr. Rose worked three years on THE TWIG, leaving it in her senior year to edit the *Oak Leaves*. Today, as sponsor, she is always available for constructive criticism and advice when it is sought by the staff. Her memories of working on THE TWIG are full of the chronic frustrations that inflict today's editor — such as finding a half-page ad that she'd counted on, a mere two-inch ad. Then, as well as now, Dr. Rose thinks THE TWIG falls short of its standard.

Though she likes the recent emphasis put on making THE TWIG representative of academic work,



Dr. Rose thinks the paper is more of a news report than an organ of constructive criticism. The force of writing all the way through could be improved, she believes, if the student participation was more active.

"Too many people—people with real talent and initiative," she said, "are content just to read the paper. Surely somewhere on the campus we could find a girl interested in photography who could gain helpful experience through work on THE TWIG — or a gifted cartoonist who could draw campus scenes that would make good TWIG material. I have received many comments from alumnae who have said that working on THE TWIG had meant a great deal in later professional work. Writing for THE TWIG gives a girl experience in the type of writing she is most apt to do when she finishes college."

Another way Dr. Rose thinks that the student body could improve THE TWIG is through the Letters to the Editor column. "THE TWIG needs to have its morale boosted up by student participation," Dr. Rose continued. "The students don't really value a school paper until they've had a hand in making it a good paper."

THE TWIG staff feels certain that, with Dr. Rose as sponsor, and the student body co-operating, THE TWIG this year, besides recording news, could establish an editorial policy that would influence opinion and push college functions.

Home Ec Students Attend State Workshop

Meredith College was represented at the State Student Home Economics Club Workshop on April 17-18 by three student delegates, Celia Wood, Martha Snow, and Jane Williamson, and by Miss Brewer as an adviser. They brought back the good news that Meredith has been chosen to be hostess to the workshop next year.

Celia Wood was the 1952-53 reporter for the state club, and Martha Snow was elected vice-president for the coming year. Also honored was Jane Williamson, the present vice-president of the Province Workshop (composed of four states), who was appointed state student delegate to the National Home Economics Association to be held in Kansas City in June.

Miss Liverman Married Recently

In a double ring ceremony Miss Carolyn Liverman, secretary to the college registrar, was married to Paul Dempsey on April 5. The wedding took place in the bride's home church in New Bern. She used her spring vacation for a honeymoon to Florida. The couple will make their home in Raleigh and she will continue working here.

Mrs. Marsh, college registrar, entertained Miss Liverman at a desert-canasta party the week preceding her marriage.

A.A.U.W. Will Entertain Meredith Seniors

The Raleigh Branch of the A.A.U.W. (American Association of University Women) will hold its meeting of May 14, honoring the members of Meredith's classes of '53. The Recent Graduates' Group, a division of the local branch, will be in charge of the program, which will be based on last year's work of the organization. Comments as to the purposes, work, and character of the organization, which is na-

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Hark, the Angels Sing

Leah Scarborough, Music Editor

Though I believe it to be the opinion of some about the Meredith campus at this time of the year that Keats was quite right when he said: "Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard are sweeter," I still firmly believe that there is a just reward for all the long hours spent in the music building. It seems that all the senior music majors now are just recuperating from their recitals or are preparing to give them. There's Carolyn Brady's admirable performance, soon followed by the recital of Estelle Waller, Sarah Lee Watson, Dorothy Brigman, and Peggy McMantis as well as Shelley Millican's delightful recital. In the midst of all this performing or attending performances, the members of the music organizations have been busy, too. The Sigma Alpha Iota fraternity members have elected their new officers for 1953-54. They include: Margie Barnes, President; Jean Batten, Vice-president; Jettie Rea Bradshaw, Secretary; Leah Scarborough, Treasurer; Hortense Wiggs, Chaplain; Mary Dare Moore, Sergeant-at-Arms; Betty Joyce Sanderlin and Betty Lou Olive, Editors; Katie Lee Currin, Program Chairman; Betty Miller, Music Store Manager; and Mary Lois Caudle, Parliamentarian. The MacDowell Music Club also has chosen its new leaders. They are: Mary Bryan Reid, President; Jane Condrey, Vice-president; Ruth Sperling, Secretary-Treasurer; Phoebe Barnhardt, Publicity Chairman; and Jettie Rea Bradshaw, Sergeant-at-Arms. There's no doubt of progress with Margie Barnes as S.A.I. president; and when Mary Bryan ("It's in the Book") Reid employs all her ingenuity, I think the MacDowell Club is headed in that direction too.

Attention all music lovers! On May 6 the MacDowell Music Club is sponsoring two Duke University seniors in a piano recital. The public is cordially invited to attend the performance by Miss Carolina Brown and Miss Barbara Harter, who have both appeared with the Duke University Symphony Orchestra and given numerous solo recitals. Miss Brown plans to continue her study this summer at the Fontainebleau School of Music, Fontainebleau, France. Miss Harter has been elected to many scholastic honor societies, among them Phi Beta Kappa. You can't afford to miss this program which is to include works by Bach, Brahms, Beethoven, Chopin, and Ravel. I'll see you there at 8:00 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

DR. TILLEY READS PAPER IN ATLANTA

On April 13 and 14, Dr. Ethel Tilley attended a meeting of the Southern Section of the National Association of Biblical Instructors. The meeting was held at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. At this meeting Dr. Tilley read a paper on *The Problem of Avoiding Modernizing and Archaizing the Bible*. She was also a member of the nominating committee for the season.

The membership of the Southern Section of the National Association of Biblical Instructors is composed of teachers of religion and philosophy in colleges and seminaries from Texas to Florida and from Virginia to Arkansas. Dr. Tilley, who has taken an active part in the Association in past years, was the only member of the Meredith faculty to attend the meeting at Atlanta.

Meredith Alumnae Hold Annual Seminar

The annual Meredith Alumnae Seminar was held on campus April 11, with the science department acting as sponsor. The alumnae were entertained with demonstrations set up and presented by the biology and chemistry departments, followed by a delightful coffee hour in Laboratory 6. Dr. Helen Price former head of the ancient language department and special guest, poured coffee while students in the science department served. Laboratory equipment such as flasks, beakers, and stirring rods were used rather than the usual coffee pots, cups, and spoons. At 11:30 Mr. Ivan Feng of State College lectured on "Synthetic Fabrics," illustrating his talk with samples of materials.

Following a luncheon in the college dining hall, the alumnae inspected the site of the new alumnae building and heard a speech by Dr. Campbell on the latest news at Meredith. Briefs of science majors among the alumnae and student body were given to illustrate the different fields of work a science major may pursue. The program for the day ended with a tour of State College for the inspection of the nuclear reactor.

Alumnae from 24 different localities in North Carolina were pres-

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Five Given Awards for Work in Languages

At the National Congress of Sigma Pi Alpha, which was held April 25 in Raleigh, five Meredith students received recognition for outstanding work in various languages.

National awards were given to Shirley Cliatt for excellence in French and German, to Eva Townsend, Jean Morton, and Caroline Jackson for excellence in Spanish and particularly, for participation in activities relating to foreign students and their families, currently in Raleigh.

In addition, the following Meredith girls were initiated into Sigma Pi Alpha: Jean Forbes, Sonny Hamilton, Nancy Hall, Barbara Andrews, Carolyn Wood, Jean Morton, Betty Hunter, Ellen Scofield, Lou Ann Griffin, Louise Edge, Margaret Tucker, Patricia Helmick, Anne Parr, Jettie Rae Bradshaw, Virginia Kime, Sally Drake, Eva Townsend, and Caroline Jackson.

After the ceremony, which was held at 3:30 o'clock at the State College Y.M.C.A., Dr. E. L. Hinkle, Chairman of the Department of Foreign Languages at State College, and Mrs. Hinkle were hosts at a tea for the new members.

The Meredith Phi Kappa Chapter of the Sigma Pi Alpha has elected Joyce Stephans president for the coming year.

During the last four years, Senorita Lucy Ann Neblett has been the sponsor of Phi Kappa Chapter. Activities have included the annual Christmas party, featuring the breaking of the pinata with guests from State College Chapter; speakers who have travelled and studied in other countries; and an annual open house in the fall for foreign students enrolled in other colleges in Raleigh.

A Perfect Boner

A student ticket seller at the Playhouse's recent production of *The Glass Menagerie* gave Dr. Canaday (of all People) a dollar ticket and ten one dollar bills in exchange for a ten-dollar bill.

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held May 4 and 11, with Miss Fleming giving instruction on parliamentary procedure and Mrs. da Parma conducting a study on public speaking.

B.S.U. NEWS

NEW COUNCIL TO ASSUME DUTIES

On Monday, May 4, the new officers of the B.S.U. Council will assume the duties of their offices. The new officers are: Doris Allen, president; Betty Lou Olive, first (enlistment) vice-president; Jane Campbell, second (social) vice-president; Shirley McLean, third (worship) vice-president; Dottie Garrett, secretary; Shirley Spoon, treasurer; Phyllis Tribble, program chairman; Anne Parr, publicity editor; Ellen Scofield, artist; Trudy Fitzgerald, arrangements chairman; Katie Lee Currin, music chairman; Dorothy Prickett, Y.W.A. representative; Vivian Byrd, Sunday School representative; "Pete" Hampton, Training Union representative; June Vann, Hilyer Memorial representative; Thera Ann Strawn, Forest Hills representative; Sandra Peterson, Tabernacle representative; Jeannette Scott, Hayes Barton representative. Miss Maxine Garner is the B.S.U. Secretary. These nineteen people make up the B.S.U. Council for next year. All Meredith students make up the B.S.U.

COUNCIL ATTENDS FOREST HILLS CHURCH

On Sunday April 26, the B.S.U. Council attended the evening service at Forest Hills Baptist Church accompanied by the pastor-adviser of the Meredith B.S.U., the Rev. A. Douglas Aldrich.

YWA Elects New Officers At Recent Meeting

At the last general meeting of the Meredith Y.W.A., held on Wednesday April 15, the Y.W.A. officers for next year were elected. These officers are: Dorothy Prickett, president; Derlie James, vice-president; Mary Kiser, secretary; Suzanne Davis, treasurer; Pat Byrd, program chairman; Jane Condrey, devotional chairman; Blanche Hodge, community missions chairman; Maxine Grant; music; Peggy Bennett, publicity; and Lela Melvin, social.

At this meeting, the program was presented by Dr. Campbell, who gave an excellent talk on John R. Mott, leader of the Student Volunteer Movement.

YWA Plans Party For Good Will Center

The Y.W.A. is planning a party for the children at the Baptist Goodwill Center to be held in May. Plans for the party are under the direction of Patty Melvin, Y.W.A. community missions chairman.

Raleigh International Club Meets in Hut

On April 14 the Raleigh International Club met in the Meredith College Hut, where the members were joined by Sigma Pi Alpha and the I.R.C. of Meredith. Members of the Folk Dance Club performed several of their most popular dances, some members of the Spanish Club presented skits in Spanish, and afterwards all joined in for square dancing, called by Miss Doris Peterson. During the social period following, refreshments were served. By taking a quick survey it was found that there was a good international cross-section present, among which were Pakistan, Burma, the Philippines, Canada, Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela, France, India, Japan, Latvia, Estonia, Sweden, and of course the United States.