

Raleigh AAUW Chapter Honors Seniors at Tea on May 8; Organization's Founders Include Former Faculty Members

By BEVERLY CHEWNING
The Raleigh branch of the American Association of University Women honored the seniors at a tea on May 8, as an introduction to the national organization for those who desire membership. The organization was founded in 1882 to open the doors of education to women to use their training. All women who hold degrees from colleges and universities approved for A.A.U.W. membership may join the association. Meredith members are distinguished as being graduates of an institution upholding the standards for A.A.U.W. recognition. These standards include high academic ideals, emphasis on liberalizing fac-

tors in undergraduate education, adequate provisions for women students, and maintenance of academic freedom. Meredith was the second North Carolina school to be approved for membership in the organization. Dr. Leslie Syron, present head of the sociology department, served as state president from 1957 until 1959. The organization was made possible largely through the work of Elizabeth Avery Colton, former Meredith English department head. At the time that the Southern Association of College Women was organized in 1903, there were more than a hundred and forty southern

institutions bearing the name of "college for women" while not more than two of them offered four years of college work. To expose and improve this situation Miss Colton devoted her time and energy for many years. She produced a long series of papers and reports for the association dealing with standards of education in the South and achieved through her reports not only significant reforms but even threats against her life from enraged deans and college presidents. Threatened with law suits, Miss Colton consulted the president of Meredith, Dr. Richard T. Vann, as to the possible effect on Meredith of having the English department jailed for libel. Under Miss Colton's leadership as president of the Southern Association of University Women, work was advanced for the merging of that association and the Association of Collegiate Alumnae resulting in the American Association of University Women.

Through membership, Meredith graduates are invited to share in widening their own horizons, helping to build better communities, and fostering a more intelligent approach to world problems which are the goals of the association.

GRADUATION EXERCISE

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sermon on Sunday morning, June 2, at 11 a.m. The college chorus under the direction of Miss Beatrice Donley and Amie Williams Thompson, soloist, will present a program of music.

Presenting an organ recital at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon will be Dr. Harry E. Cooper, head of the Meredith department of music since 1937. Choosing predominately French composers for the program, Dr. Cooper will play selections from DuBois, Wachs, and Bonnet. In the middle of the program, Dr. Cooper will play an organ-piano composition, "gramb Choeur Dialogue" by Gigout, with Miss Jean Swanson, also of the music department.

A tea to be held in the north end of the court this year will be given for the seniors and parents at 5:30 p.m. At this time parents are invited to meet members of the faculty. The tea will precede senior vespers which is being planned by Annette McFall and Sylvia Cooper. The vespers service is held for seniors and parents on Sunday evening.

CAMPUS POLL REVEALS

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A. Jane Quion, freshman: "I am very much against the recent Raleigh movement and integration as a whole. I think that if the Negroes want good movies and good restaurants they can build some for themselves."

Sue Ennis, junior: "Since those of us who have the right to do what we wish, when we wish, where we wish do not take the initiative to help the Negroes, I cannot blame them for trying to advance their own position. I cannot say whether the recent demonstrations are the best way to obtain equal rights; however I do feel that something must be done."

Betty Jo Steele, sophomore: "I feel that the recent picketing and non-violent resistance movement downtown is without purpose due to the fact that it calls attention to an issue that is already evident in the minds of all."

Dean Louise Fleming, Dean of Students: "I hope this can be worked out peacefully and that the citizens of both groups through committee action can reach an agreement."

Carol Coxe, junior: "Since years have passed and individual merchants have continued to refuse to support integration because they fear economic loss, I am convinced only with federal laws will integration become fact. Those people who do not fear economic loss and who still persist in segregation are not facing reality."

Rachel Owen, freshman: "The part of this movement which I object to more than any other is the attempt to integrate the churches. If the Negroes did not have churches of their own or if they went about it with the right attitude, I would not object; however it appears that they do not have the right attitude therefore I am entirely against it."

Harriet Rivers, senior: "I feel that the Negroes should be treated fairly; however I am not in favor of integration. As for this passive resistance movement, I feel that this is the wrong way in which to handle the problem. The best way, I believe, is through negotiations."

Susan Frye, sophomore: "I think as long as it is peaceful it is perfectly in order for the Negroes to work for the privileges to which they are entitled; however, if violence should occur, I think other means should be found to promote peaceful integration."

Catherine Stovall, junior: "I

think that the demonstrations are a result of two mistakes that the white race has made. First, they have failed to accept the idea that the Negro deserves equal and integrated opportunities. Next, the white people in Raleigh should look at Birmingham and, if not for a moral reason, for a practical one, realize that since integration is inevitable. A peaceful move toward that end is much more Christian."

Frances Rabon, freshman: "I am not prejudiced and I would like to see the Negro get equal rights. However, I hate to see them go about getting their rights in this way, and I also do not think that the white college students are right in counter-picketing. Any trouble should be left to the police."

Mrs. Jo Lynn Lee, junior: "I think the Negroes have a perfect right to demonstrate and express their feelings toward integration; however I would hate to see the incident turn into another Birmingham. I would definitely like to see the Negroes get equal rights."

Pat Hutchins, senior: "I approve of integration, and I think it is needed; however if the problem could be solved by more peaceful methods, I think the same result could be obtained without lasting bitter feelings on either side."

Donna Dull, sophomore: "The problem of integration does not belong completely to the colored race, but to all citizens. It seems they believe picketing public places will draw attention to their situation, so that action will be taken. They, of course, would like rights of an individual — not of a Negro — and are only trying to gain them through this means. Whether or not we approve of their actions, we have a moral and civic responsibility to make our feelings known. I hope everyone can work peaceably together to produce a city without prejudice, or any second-rate citizens."

Peggy Klick, senior: "Although I feel that the Negroes should have equal rights, I wish that some method other than the recently tried passive resistance could be used to obtain them. It is too bad that they have to resort to these methods and that something could not have been done for them through legislation."

T. C. Parramore, department of history: "It seems to me that the student demonstrations so far have been models of orderly and unanswerably justifiable protest. I feel that such students as these today are bound to make better adult citizens tomorrow."

TIRED QUEEN



What an exhausting day it was for Marion Welch when she was crowned Miss Raleigh! Three other Meredith students entered the contest held May 11. Elizabeth Holland was named first runner-up, Ginger Brown placed as fourth runner-up, and Dawn Holden was chosen Miss Congeniality.

TEACHING, MARRIAGE

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ginia Beach. Other seniors to be stationed in Virginia schools are Amy Robinson, in Petersburg; Barbara Walker, in Chesapeake; and LaRue McLamb, in Richmond. Pat Rogers states that she will teach in either Charlotte or Waxhaw. While Elizabeth Lawton will be in Georgetown, South Carolina, Susan Leathers will teach in Granville County. Teaching in Raleigh will be Gretchen Leffler. Other seniors who have chosen teaching as their occupation, but have not decided where their post will be located, are Jane Lewis, Mary Bell Pate, Linda Baxter, Helen Boone, Berma Jean Davenport, Mary Lou Davis, Nancy Jones, and Betty McManus.

Finally, there are those girls who will combine marriage and teaching careers. Seniors in this category are Jane Link, Myra Sawyer, Salie Smith, Linda Foster, Judy Avery, and Norma Baker. Others, such as Beth Woodall, who will live in Appleton, Wisconsin, and Barbara Walker, who will make Great

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Approximately two hundred and fifty Meredith students heard the folk music by the Legends on May 7, in Society Hall. Sponsored by the Philaretian Society, the group features Al Butler from Southern Pines and Roddy Page from Lumberton who are sophomores at Campbell College. One member of the group, Don Prevatte from Lumberton, is a sophomore at N. C. State College.

The entertainers play guitars, a banjo, and a bongo drum as they present currently popular songs in the Kingston Trio style. Danny Highsmith, of Campbell College, an amateur comedian, introduced the Legends.

Bridge, Virginia her home, will live out of state. Betsy Stem and Ellen McPhaul will manage homes and teach in Raleigh. Coates, N. C. will be the home for Brenda Bunn and Nancy Dail. Living in Wilson, Pat Rains will maintain a double role as wife and teacher.

EDITOR'S NOTE — In the May, 1963, issue of the TWIG, the word "freshmen" was left out of a sentence concerning Sunday School and church attendance. All students will have optional attendance in the 1963-1964 school term.

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