

Flower Power Conquers Many

Dan Cupid Visits Here

By **BROOKS McGIRT**

On February 14 young people's fancies turn to thoughts of love.

This situation is one of universal application, and here at Meredith the scene is no different. For weeks in advance, brightly colored displays in the Bee Hive have urged students to purchase cards and gifts, while beautifully wrapped boxes of Valentine candy confront them in Ridgewood's drug store — all constant reminders of the approaching day of love.

At last the long-anticipated day arrives; and its effects are especially noticeable at Meredith, for ole Dan Cupid comes with it, bringing with him a small avalanche of mail into the post office and leaving Johnson Hall lobby looking like a florist shop. For this day at least dreams are hung on the contents of a mail

reports the arrival of 100 packages on the 14th, which probably means that in 100 rooms on campus, diets will temporarily go out the window while girls enjoy their Valentine Candy! The post office adds that many cards and packages arrived earlier in the week, when no count was being made, nor do their figures include those remembrances delivered by hand and in person.

Perhaps the Valentine Day phenomenon which is the most exciting for Meredith students is the arrival of flowers — flowers of nearly every variety and of nearly every color. Students passing through Johnson Hall early in the morning are treated to the sight of these flowers banked up near the Dean of Students office, seemingly in endless rows. Figures recorded in the Dean's office show, however, that last week flowers arrived for 10 per cent of Meredith students — 95 flower arrangements being delivered to happy recipients in the dorms.

Breakdowns in the statistics reveal further interesting divisions among the classes as to who got those flowers. For instance, it seems that seniors and freshmen receive the most flowers — at least according to this year's results, with seniors accounting for 26 of those lucky recipients and freshmen 29. Sophomores and Juniors are not quite so fortunate — a total of 16 flower arrangements arrived bound for second year students; and finally the Junior Class brings up the rear with 15. These figures might reveal that freshmen and seniors are the ones who get the big rush, which is nothing really new; but at the very least they offer a ray of hope for becoming a senior!

Another fact of note from the Dean of students records is that a few students actually had the nerve to receive two flower arrangements instead of the allotted one per girl. Those students who received no flowers at all may properly feel

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box and breaths are held everytime the phone rings.

But what are the facts in the story of Cupid's Valentine Day visit to Meredith College, for there are facts to be learned — facts which reveal some interesting ideas and cross-sections of Meredith students.

First, in the Valentine card department, Junior Barbara Perry, a worker in the Meredith post office, has taken the trouble on the busiest day of the mailing year — at least as far as young love is concerned — to count the mail which arrived on campus February 14. According to her estimate, Meredith students received approximately 900 cards on Valentine's Day, and in this school of 850 or so students, that figure averages out to at least one card for every girl here — an average which should cause happiness for most students, provided, that is, that the one card is from the appropriate person.

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**Basketball Team
Plans Comeback**

By **NANCY WATKINS**

The Meredith basketball team has gotten off to a slow start, but the girls have not given up. Under the leadership of Mrs. Helena Allen and Mr. Paul Smith the team plans to redeem their record of two defeats.

The girls fell short to Peace College by a margin of ten points, 44-34. The score was 28-25 with only minutes to go but Peace's basket suddenly became a magnet and the margin stretched to the final 10 points.

Again at Duke the Meredith team was defeated 28-21. The score with only minutes to go was 28-14. The Meredith girls held the Blue Devils scoreless while they cut the margin in half but time did not hold out long enough catch up.

**January Graduates Scatter;
Many Assume Varied Roles**

By **HELEN WILKIE and
ABIGAIL WARREN**

Missing some familiar faces? Wondering where the January graduates are now? With a degree have followed the opportunities of a beginning job, another classroom, marriage or all three.

Several graduates are still in the Raleigh area. Linda Helms Roberts is working at NCSU as a biology lab assistant; Martha Lee is working at Dix Hospital as a social worker; Brenda Sizemore Youngblood, who was married Feb. 1, is also living in Raleigh; Becky Thompson is teaching in Raleigh; Helen Via is engaged and living in Raleigh; and Brenda Winn is working for the Department of Revenue in Raleigh.

Still more are not in Raleigh but are in North Carolina. Becky Batson is in Wilmington; Ellen Derby Best is teaching in Goldsboro; Sylvia Bickett and Paula Ward are sharing an apartment and teaching in elementary schools in Winston-Salem; Jackie Boone will soon assume her position as Youth Director of the First Baptist Church of Zebulon; Beth Brady is a social worker in Pittsboro; Evelyn Carter is working for her father in Winston-Salem; Linda Harris Martin, who was married Feb. 1, is living in Chapel Hill and working at UNC; Mary Jewel Shipp is teaching in Lillington; Jan Joyner Sherrill is teaching elementary school in Cary;

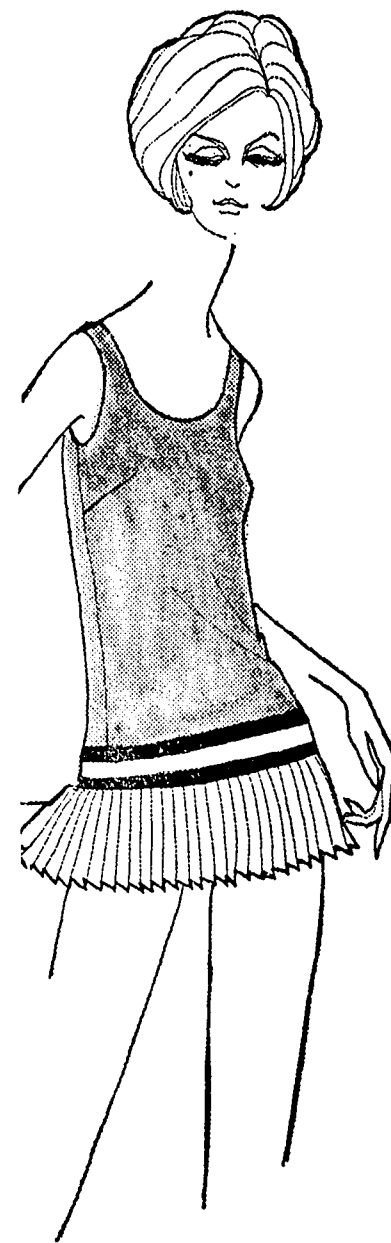
Alice Smith Nichols is working for the Wake County Public Welfare Department and is living in Wake Forest, where her husband is attending Southeastern; and Maud Wyche, who became engaged Feb. 14, is teaching in Whiteville.

Some others are living out-of-state. They are Louise Foster, who is teaching in Springfield, Va.; Del Cross Horton, who is teaching high school math — also in Virginia; Betty McNeill, who is working for the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, Va.; Bootsie Thompson, who is teaching second grade in Florida; Ruth Ann Walters Dyer, who is married and living with her husband in Fort Benning, Ga.; and Olivia Weeks, who is living in Nashville, Tenn.

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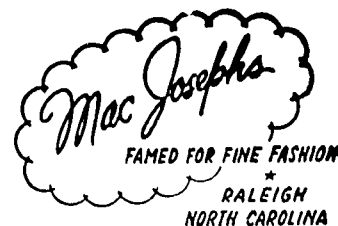


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