

# "Cynthia Reports"

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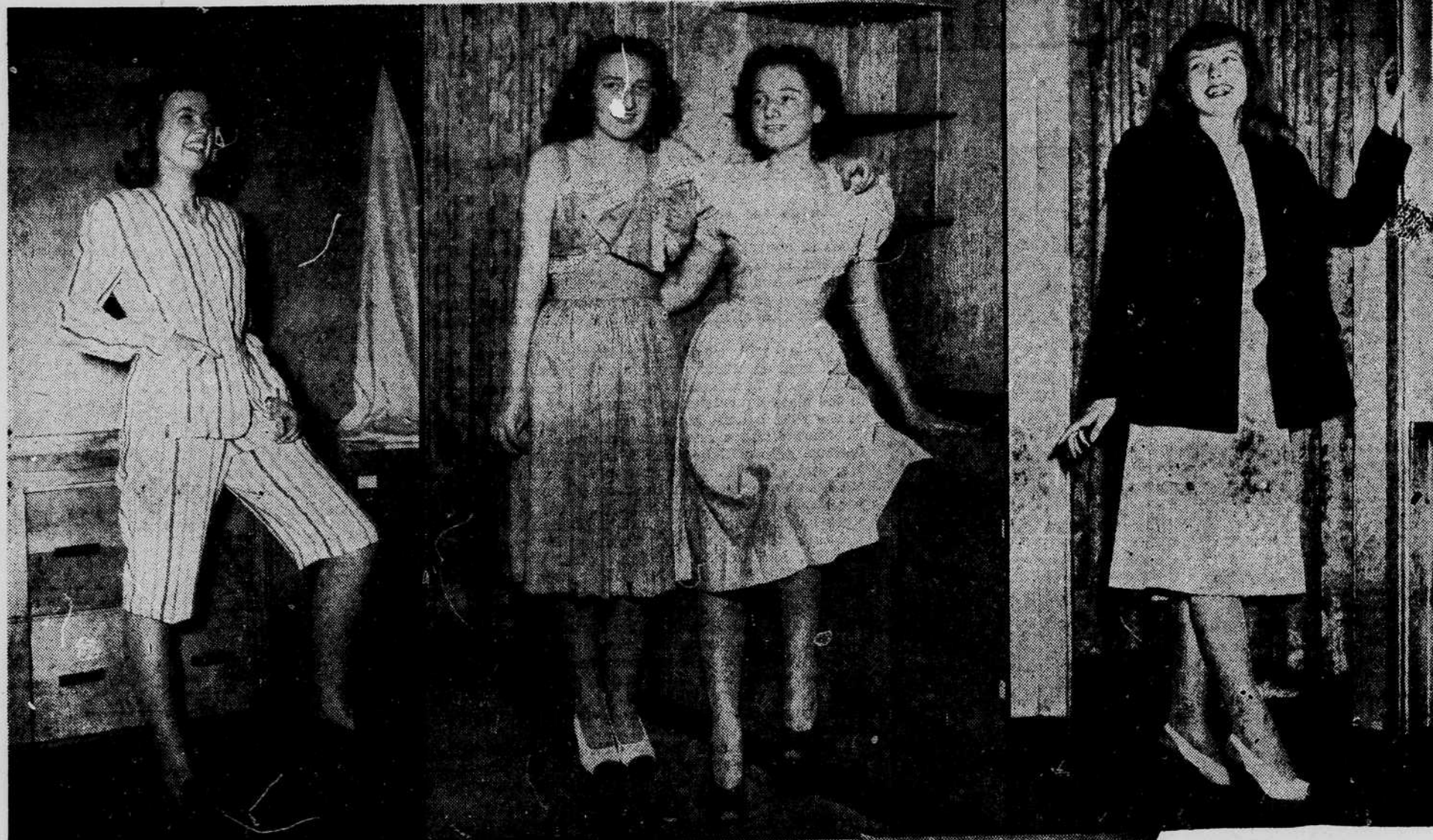
This fine spring weather has brought out the birds, buds—and fellas! Yes, spring vacation has closed the doors of many of the halls of learning, and spilled forth those seeking book "larnin'" and sent them homeward. I've been home a week now, and I'm glad to say nothing has changed about the old hometown. Even the gang that holds up Saunders is back on the job, and upon close observation, I find that they have added some new recruits to the crew. But the old-timers like Whitey Auld, Billy "Mac," Sam Behrends, Bill Huffman, and Willie Hewlett are still there in profusion! My brother has been added as one of the newcomers, and chumming around with him is Robert Bell. I don't know what Wake Forest is like with them all away at the same time.

Glad to see Anna Kamer home from hard work at Salem. And, even though she had a "fur" piece to come, Corinne Wilkinson made it here to spend the Easter holidays with her folks and friends. Meredith students put away their books and joined the crowd merging homeward, so Mary Emma Humphrey is back with us once again. "Em" is still adding laurels to those already in her possession. Shirley Brown and Betty Hanson will contribute to the pulchritudinous persons on hand for the '47 Easter celebration. Betty goes to school in Yankee-land, but she still claims to be typically southern.

Congratulations to the '47 winners of the recently held Declaration contest. She was glad to hear that Frank Bradley won first for the upperclassmen fellas, and that Betty Lou O'Master came in first for the junior-senior girls. I wasn't able to hear them, but from all accounts, all the winners were deserving of the honor bestowed upon them by the judges for the occasion. I'll never forget the times I've prayed the stage would open up and swallow me when my turn to speak came. And I'm certain I'll never forget the pride and joy that was mine when, after trying for three years, I finally won first. So, I know what victory means to you, and I should be glad it was yours.

Two more fine citizens of our community "merged" this past week-end and now share the same home address. Yes, congrats are in order for Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown, alias "Weenie" and Mary Ann." From the reports of the social news, there will be no June brides this season. April seems to be the month for wedding bells to peal forth this year. But, when success and happiness for all for whom they chime — for Sanford and Byah, for Midge and Tommy, for "Muck" and Ann, for Mary Elizabeth and John, and Margy and C. F.

There are two definite styles for Easter bonnets this season, so hope you're up on either or both of them. You can't say that one leads the other, 'cause they seem to be in demand on equal terms. If you wear a large, rough straw of any color, with a wide velvet ribbon fashioned in the back in a medium-sized bow, or trimmed with colored flowers tucked enticingly under the wide brim, you may be certain that you will stand a good chance of leading the East-



er parade. Or if you choose a smaller hat, composed of nothing but colored flowers, a bit of matching ribbon and veil, you will be in the running for top honors. Yes, you'll stand a good chance of being in style, but if the small flowered number affects your escort the same as one I have did my brother, I'm afraid your Easter Sunday will be a very unpleasant one. But after all, if we can put up with shocking bow-ties, startling striped zoot pants and loafers (shoes, that is) minus socks for the majority of the time, they can certainly grin and bear our choice of an Easter bonnet for one afternoon!

I have often heard it said by the men that indulge in the sport known as golf say that it never rains or gets dark on the golf course, but there is something that irritates the golfers of late, and that "something" is most unusual. If you happen to drive a new glistening white golfball down the fairway, don't be surprised if a crow suddenly swoops down from nowhere, pounces upon the ball, and attempts to make a take-off with it in his clutches. They say that if you holler loud enough and swing the club at him, he usually drops his prize and flies away as dejected as a crow could be. But if you don't advance quick enough, he completes his take-off, your hard-to-get golfball in claw and leaves you standing bewildered in the middle of the fairway.

It was fine to have Harry Wellott home for the past week, but I was sorry to hear of his father's illness which brought him home from his duties in St. Alban's Naval hospital in New York. Word tells me that Mr. Wellott is on the road to recovery and will soon join the crowd again. Harry returns to his station this week-end. Sho' have enjoyed the rest from a certain song that haunts me continuously at school, yes—"Hoodle-Addie." It doesn't seem to have caught on with the hepsters down



here, but that's all the better. Still hear "Anniversary Song" and "Guilty." Could it be that the music-lovers are going soft in their old age?

As always, all good things must come to an end, and my visit with my folks will be over as of tomorrow. Yes, Monday night I'll board that old ACL train bound for D. C. and get back to books, 10:30 o'clock light-bell — and my roommate. It has been wonderful being home and seeing everybody. Just hope that the next eight weeks to come will hurry by, and it will soon be time to haul out my trusty suitcase for the last time and leave Washington until

## Harriett Trammell Smith Plans Wedding To Clarence E. Reynolds

Wedding To Take Place Saturday At Presbyterian Church In Atkinson

Miss Harriett Trammell Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Smith, of Atkinson, has completed plans for her wedding to Clarence E. Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reynolds of Chesapeake City, Md.

The wedding will be solemnized on Saturday afternoon, April 12 at 5:30 o'clock in the Caswell Presbyterian church, Atkinson. The Rev. Cameron D. L. Mosser will officiate at the ceremony.

Miss Smith has chosen as her matron-of-honor her sister, Mrs. William L. Burkheimer of Wilmington and her bridesmaids will be Miss Katherine Keith Smith, sister of the bride, of Fort Bragg, and Miss Betty Ann Smith of Red Springs.

Hugh Jarman of New Bern, will attend the bridegroom as best man and groomsmen will be Thomas A. Smith, Jr., and Jack Murphy of Atkinson, W. L. Burk-

## Sunset Park Baptist Church Will Present Cantata This Evening

The Sunset Park Baptist church choir will present on Easter Sunday evening at 8 o'clock an Easter cantata entitled "Everlasting Life" by Thompson and Forman.

The choir is under the direction of M. C. Cagle, and the accompanist is Mrs. J. T. Lee.

Those taking part in the presentation of the cantata are: Sopranos — the Misses Gertrude Mills, Juanita Pierce, Jeanie Batson, Mary Shepard, and Mesdames Linwood Hardy, John Kelly, J. C. Price;

Altos — the Misses Clarine Johnson and Mildred Canady, and Mesdames M. C. Cagle and E. C. Chamblee;

Tenors — C. E. Taylor, W. A. Cleland, C. E. Gosnell, and J. J. Hamrick;

Bass — A. C. Jackson and E. D. Watts.

The public is cordially invited to the service.

## Miss Mary Porter, Mr. Saint-Amand Engaged To Marry

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Porter of Currie, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ruth, to Julius Eujan Saint-Amand, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Saint-Amand of Wilmington. The wedding plans will be announced later.

The following fall, but until that time comes, I'll be working at Webster, so for now I'll leave you with the hope that we'll meet again before so long.

## VFW Auxiliary Officers Installed At Plantation

The women of the V.F.W. Auxiliary, 2573 were guests of the James A. Manley Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars for the installation of post and auxiliary officers Friday evening at the Plantation club. The installation service was followed by a dinner dance.

Because of illness the following officers were not installed: Sister Althea Brewer, guard; Sister Hattie B. Mann and Lucille Edwards, trustees; Sister Naomi Dew, color bearer; and Sister May Burton, patriotic instructor. Past auxiliary president, Carolina Sutton presented corsages to installing officer, Myrtle Davis, president, Mable Langley, and retiring president, Frances McIntire.

The following officers were installed: Sister Mable Langley, president; Sister Lula Reece, senior vice president; Sister Elizabeth Wells, junior vice president; Sister Adah Watters, treasurer; Sister Emma Hansley, chaplain; Sister Elizabeth Millar, conductress; Sister Callie Saleeby, secretary; Sisters Carolina Sutton, Lula Holden, and Mary Newton, color bearers; Sister Estelle Blanchard, flag bearer; and Sister Hilda Knowles, historian.

After dinner the post officers were installed by past national Commander - in - chief, Otis N. Brown.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair Mitchell of Newport News, Va., announce the birth of twin sons, Ronald Allen and Donald Albert, on February 22 at Buxton hospital, Newport News, Va. Mrs. Mitchell is the former Ethel Mae Langston of Long Creek.

Brazil grows about two-thirds of the world's coffee.

Shown here are seven of the attractive young girls who will model the latest in spring and summer attire in the show, "Fashions Have Spring Fever" which will be staged on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the community center by the Aurora Tri-Hi-Y chapter under the sponsorship of the Wonder Shop. They are: Top row, left, Miss Ruth Ann Fisher; Misses Iona Campbell and Kent Thompson, center; Miss Shirlene Conrad, top right; pictured in the bottom group of photos reading left to right are: Miss Betty Belcher, Miss Mary Finberg and Miss Diane Costello. (CAROLINA CAMERA PHOTOS).



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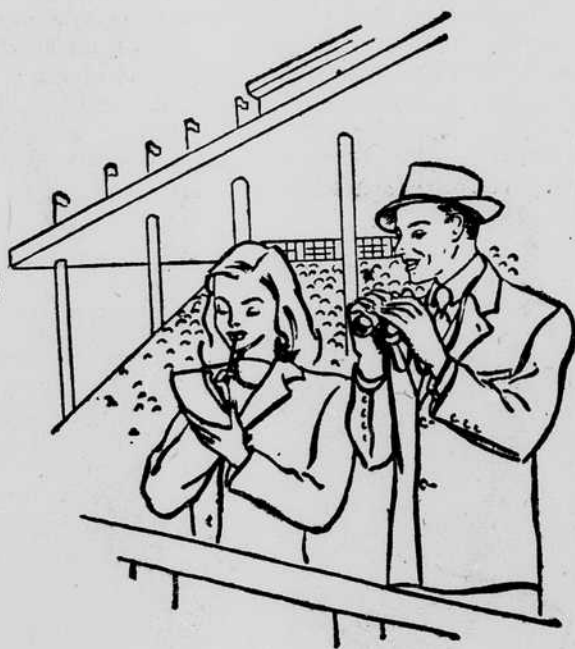
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