

Students Present Comic Operetta

The production of "The Mikado," a comic operetta by Gilbert and Sullivan, will be given in Wilson Auditorium, March 29 and 30, at 8:00 p. m. The performance on March 29 will be open, by presentation of lyceum tickets, to students only. The other performance is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Harrisonburg and admission will be charged to everyone.

The characters of the operetta are: The Mikado of Japan, Raymond Showalter; Nanki-Poo, his son, James Hunter; Ko-Ko, Lord High Executioner, William O'Baught; Pooh-Bah, Lord High Everything Else, Harry Brooke; Pish-Tush, a noble lord, Bradley Stickley; a noble lord, Francis Turner; a chorus of school-girls, nobles, guards, and coolies. The roles of three sisters, Yum-Yum, Pitti-Sing, and Peep-Bo will be sung March 29, by Elizabeth Kuhn, Joyce Hazelwood, and Joan Ridings and on March 30, by Martha J. Snyder, Phyllis Binion, and Joan Ridings, respectively. The role of Kotisha will also be alternated by Irene Sawyers and Fae Wilson.

The story of "The Mikado" is a very complicated one centering around Nanki-Poo's love for Yum-Yum and certain technicalities of Japanese law. Interesting developments arise, but everything ends happily and the lovers are united.

The production staff as announced by George R. Hicks, Musical Director, is as follows: Production designer, Dick Spangler, chairman; technical manager, Francis Turner, president of the Men's Chorus; costume managers, Ruby Lee Black, Lee Hayden Bell and Dolly Dedrick, chairman; lighting manager, Wells Pebworth; sound manager, Professor John C. Wells and committee; properties managers, Gordon Smith and Dorothy Thompson; make-up manager, Jean Wood; stage manager, Wells Pebworth; business staff, Lawrence Hatch, student representative and Kiwanis Committee; dramatic director, Mary E. Latimer.

Members of the ladies chorus are Betty Anderson, Marian Beale, Jean Bashaw, Thaddia Ann Bell, Ruby Black, Betty Bonneville, Elsie Brenegan, Eunice Brown, Mary Lou Griss, Colleen Calvert, Ann Dove, Mary Dozier, Reba Fleenor, Betty Flowers, Marilyn Fountain, Kathleen Gallian, Jean Gatling, Phillis Harden, Joyce Hazelwood, Betty Jenkins, Irma Kemp, Patricia King, Elizabeth Kuhn, Annie Maxey, Betty Miles, Barbara Mills, Patricia Overton, Jayne Pierce, Shirley Porter, Laura Rainey, Mrs. Carol Reel, Irene Sawyers, Joyce Stone, Dorothy Thompson, Fae Wilson, and Sue Downs.

The men's chorus includes Lee Hayden Bell, Richard Boyer, David Carter, William Crider, Basil Eavey, James Eavey, Lawrence Hatch, Ernest Hoover, Harry Jeavons, John Jenkins, James Logan, Russell Miles, Gordon Smith, Richard Spangler, Francis Turner and George Turner.

The orchestra is composed of the following: violins, Freddie Dierer, Sue Weaver, Richard Duprey, Roger Taylor, and Merle Culpepper; violas, Mrs. Richard Schuster and Professor Edgar Anderson; cellos, Mary Ellen Hylton, Hiwanna Cupp; double basses, Dorothy Thomas, Dorothy Rowe; flutes, Jean Snedegar, Jane Brown; clarinets, Sarah Strader, Janet Straw; bassoons, Nadine Clendening, Ann Wetzel; horns, Jane Mohler, Beverly Bealer; trombone, Laura Dunnivant; drums, Marjorie Lehman. Pianists will be Jean Ann-Bear for Act I and Miriam Gore in Act II.

Winter Trods On Spring's Toes



—Photo by M. A. Pittman.

Madison Glee Club Sings In Washington

Miss Edna T. Shaeffer, director of the Glee Club, announced that the organization is scheduled to present a program at the National Gallery of Arts in Washington, D. C. on April 2. Appearing at 8:00 p. m. that Sunday night, the club will be heard singing the following selections: First part of program, chorale, "Lord Jesus Christ The Prince of Peace" by J. S. Bach, "The Omnipotence" by Schubert, "Pueri Hebraeorum" by Randall Thompson, "Blessed Is the Man" by Rachmaninoff, "Spring Bursts Today" by VanDenman Thompson, cantata, "Saint Mary Magdalene" by D'Indy. Second part of program, "To The Spirit of Music" by Percy Rector Stephens, "The Night Has A Thousand Eyes" by Noble Cain, "April" by Annabel Morris Buchanan, "In May" by Horatio Parkey, "Eternity" by Brahms, "Give Me These" words by Evelyn Norcross Sherrill and music by George Raymond Hicks, "The Village Gossip" by Levenson, and "The Magic Hour" by Gardner Read.

Before returning to school on Monday, the Glee Club will appear on a television show.

James Madison Day

Virginia's House of Delegates proclaimed March 16, 1951 as James Madison Day.

This commemorated the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of James Madison. It also recognized Mr. Madison's contributions as a member of the Congress of the United States, as a member of the Cabinet of President Jefferson, and as president of the United States.

The Virginia legislature felt that the achievements of this man, all of which were preeminent in the history and founding of this nation, should be brought to the attention of the citizens of our state and nation. The Constitution of the United States and the federal system of government were achieved in large measure as a result of the statesmanship and wisdom of James Madison. Such constitutes a perpetual monument to his contribution to the founding and development of the government of this nation.

SGA Sponsors Cabaret Dance

An informal cabaret dance will be sponsored by the Student Government Association on April 1 in Reed Gymnasium. Hours arranged for dancing are the usual hours set for all formal dances, 8:00 p. m. to 11:50 p. m.

The cabaret dance has been planned to break the series of formal dances given from time to time.

The Aristocrats from Roanoke, a colored band, have been contracted to play for the occasion and it is hoped that a colored quartette will also be secured.

Everything to complete a cabaret dance will be on hand. Tables will line the walls and refreshments will be served throughout the evening. The decorations will not be elaborate for the dance, as the Association plans only to break even on expenses.

Dance bids may be purchased at any time and the price set for them is \$2.25 stag or drag.

It is hoped that many organizations will see the need for more such dances from this new idea which the Student Government is trying.

Sign Out Dates

The Dean of Women requests that all students begin making definite plans for the Easter vacation. Freshmen will sign out Monday, March 27, and upper classmen will sign out Tuesday, March 28. It is necessary for definite plans to be known at the above dates.

The Greyhound Bus Company will have representatives in Harrison Hall to sell bus tickets on Monday, April 3. Tickets for all bus lines will be available.

Attend Convention

Miss Hope F. Vandever, dean of women, and Alfred Eagle, director of guidance, will attend the convention of the Council of Guidance and Personnel Association to be held at Atlantic City, March 26-30.

Miss Vandever will be present at the meetings of the National Association of Deans of Women, while Mr. Eagle will visit the meetings of the National Vocational Guidance Association.

The general theme will be "The Personnel Profession: Achievements and Objectives."

President Praises Student Leadership

As the major officers of the student body of Madison College (the Presidents of the Student Government Association, Young Women's Christian Association, and the Athletic Association, the Chairman of the Honor Council, and the Editors-in-Chief of the Breeze and the Schoolma'am) are approaching the ends of their respective terms of office, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the fine cooperation which they have given me during the past six months. As President of Madison College, I shall look back with satisfaction and pleasure on my association with these student leaders. They have impressed me by the sincerity, devotion to duty, and effectiveness with which they have met the responsibilities and obligations of the positions they have held.

On several occasions I have commented concerning the friendly spirit, the good citizenship, and the high morale which have characterized the student body of Madison. It is my conviction that the manifested strengths of our students in these respects are due, in large measure, to the good leadership furnished by these major officers of the student body. As these student leaders complete their terms of office, I wish to commend them for jobs well done which, I am sure, have been satisfying and valuable experiences for them.

It also seems appropriate that I take this opportunity to extend congratulations, greetings, and good wishes for a successful administration to those who have been recently elected to fill these important positions. I wish to assure these officers that I shall be glad to assist and advise with them at any time throughout their periods of service to the student body of Madison College.

G. Tyler Miller, President

VIM CONFERENCE

Ten men students who are enrolled in business administration and accounting in the department of business education at Madison are attending with Dr. S. J. Turille, head of the department, and President G. Tyler Miller, the annual Virginia Industrial Management Conference on the V. M. I. campus at Lexington today.

SGA Installs New Officers

The Student Government Association will hold the installation service for new officers in Wednesday assembly, March 29. Nancy Penn, president of Student Government, will give her "farewell" address and install the new president, Gill Temple. Each out-going officer will install her successor.

The speaker for the assembly program will be Dr. Raymond Bennett Pinchbeck, dean and professor at the University of Richmond. Dr. Pinchbeck was graduated from the University of Virginia in 1922. He received his Master's Degree in 1923, and his Doctor's Degree in 1925. He has been on the faculty of Roanoke College, University of Virginia, College of William and Mary, and the University of Richmond.

He has served on numerous state and federal committees, such as the governor's committee on unemployment research, adviser of Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, committee on taxation, chairman of Virginia Committee on County Government, Virginia Council on Public Administration, special representative to United States employment merit examination program, and member of Virginia State Department of Public Welfare merit system council. He served as Lieutenant Commander in the USNR from 1943-1945 and later joined the Displaced Persons administration.

Since the war he has made many studies on tax and state and local finance. He belongs to the Virginia Association of School Trustees, Virginia Society of Public Accountants, Virginia Social Science Association, American Economics Associations, Southern Economics Association, and Southern Conference of Deans. Dean Pinchbeck has belonged to several social and honorary fraternities, Lambda Chi Alpha and Phi Beta Kappa being among the group. He has been recognized by Who's Who in America since 1948 and also in Who's Who in American Education.

REGISTRATION

All students who will return to the college next fall will register during the period, April 12 through April 25. Advisers will get in touch with their advisees as to the time and place of the registration conference. Details and instructions for the registration will appear in next week's Breeze.

Helen M. Frank,
Registrar

Madison Delegates

Two delegates from Madison will attend the seventeenth biennial convention of the national honor society in education, Kappa Delta Pi, held in Mitchell, Indiana, March 27-29.

Barbara Bannish, president of Alpha Chi chapter, and Coleen Calvert, delegate, will leave Sunday to attend the convention which will be highlighted by a convocation address by George D. Stoddard, president of the University of Illinois. Dr. Stoddard will speak on the education of women.

SWOR LEADS CONFERENCE

Dr. Chester E. Swor, nationally-known lecturer and conference leader, will lead the Spiritual Emphasis Week at the Harrisonburg Baptist Church, March 27-April 2.

In The Midst Of Beauty

"The City of Harrisonburg is situated near the center of the Shenandoah Valley, famed throughout America for its scenic beauty and charm. . . . Few colleges in America have a more beautiful and inspiring campus location. . . . The combination of city and country features makes the situation ideal for the location of a college."

Robins have returned to our campus. Flowers are attempting to bloom. Yes, spring arrived at 11:36 p.m. on Monday night—so they tell us. With the change of season comes a change of spirits in most of the students. We seem to sense more deeply the beauty around us.

We are indeed lucky to be attending a college with such a lovely campus. Surroundings play a very important part also in determining one's health, happiness, and efficiency. It should be hard for anything ugly to exist in a place of beauty.

We, who are in the midst of such beauty, should strive to rid our minds and hearts of all that stains them. The beauty of Madison College should encourage us to make our lives and thoughts more beautiful, more meaningful. Let's keep our college lovely, in spirit and in appearance, as we lift our joyous hearts to enjoy the springtime!

—B. C. B.

Practice Democracy

The prosperity of our nation depends upon the everyday practice of democracy. The nation is dependent upon the smooth running of this doctrine, just as is our own community here at Madison.

It is gratifying to know that Madison has the opportunity to express itself in the tried and true manner of democracy. But is even more gratifying to witness this form of government actually being put into practice here on our campus.

It is a healthy sign to see a group of people assembled to discuss their various difficulties. Very recently we have participated in two such unusual discussions. Only by such practices may we learn to eliminate the more unnecessary discussions and learn to concentrate our efforts toward the improvement of Madison. However, it is a step forward and we hope it has acted as an incentive for more interest shown by the students as a body.

By this we do not mean to advocate an absolute reformation of our government, because, as most will agree, Madison's Student Government is an efficient one. But more student participation in the government is needed so that the Student Council may act on the opinions expressed by the students.

Let's have more student body discussions!

—K. E. C.

Madison's IRC Is Active

Last weekend our own chapter of IRC played host here at Madison to the South Atlantic Regional Conference of International Relations Clubs. Delegates from twenty-seven colleges in Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and South Carolina attended this conference.

Panel discussions, addresses, and informal conversations comprised the conference schedule, and it was through those mediums that questions were answered, and different problems discussed.

Delegates, both colored and white, took an active part in conference activities and, according to all reports from IRC members, the meetings proved quite satisfying in both enthusiasm and interest shown by those participating.

At the closing business session on Saturday, Dorothy Crowder, a junior, was elected vice president of the South Atlantic Region of International Relations Clubs. Having served in the capacity of president of the Madison branch of IRC, Dot has guided the club through one of its most active years on this campus.

We are fortunate, indeed, to have such a truly active organization on our campus as IRC and as its president, one of the top regional officers.

—O. V. W.

COMING SOON

- March 25—"That Wonderful Urge"
- April 1—"Chicken Every Sunday"
- April 15—"Oh, You Beautiful Doll"
- April 22—"It Happens Every Spring"
- April 29—"We Were Strangers"

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Garber Entertains Senior Counselors

The Senior Counselors, the group of seniors selected to help freshmen become adjusted more easily to college life, were entertained at a buffet supper last Tuesday by the Dean of Freshmen, Mrs. Dorothy S. Garber, at her home on Franklin Street.

Senior Counselors are: Joanne Craig, Charlotte Boice, Dorothy Herbert, Retha Shirkey, Nancye Butterworth, Annette Simpson, Jean Snedegar, Marian Bates, Fern Waters, Nancy Doughton, Kitty Blakemore, Barbara Banish, and Jane Moore. The work of the counselors is under the direction of Mrs. Garber.

HONOR DR. DUKE

Students and faculty members rose to their feet to honor Dr. Samuel P. Duke when it was announced by President G. Tyler Miller during Wednesday Assembly that Madison's president emeritus was in the audience.

Judges in College TV Contest



John Steinbeck, novelist, right; Charles M. Underhill, CBS-TV Program Director, center; and Donald Davis, producer for World Video, Inc., will select the four winning scripts in the semester-long CBS Awards competition for original television dramas written by collegians. Entry blanks must be obtained from CBS Awards, 15 E. 47th St., New York City. Contest ends June 20.

Time Marches On

by Kak Chauncey

Yes, Madison has really been a progressive school in many ways! Some twenty-five years ago it was bad enough to ride in an automobile with boys, but to ride in an open car was a grave offense here at Madison.

Chaperons (some were seniors) were a must for girls walking downtown or on campus with dates. And what a sight it must have been to see the long lines of girls marching to church (maybe we still have the lines). Anyone breaking these lines was subject to be called before the Student Government Council.

It was inexcusable to talk with young men in stores or in the tea room and if any girl were seen doing so she would have her downtown privileges removed. What would Doc's or Hershey's have been then? But to walk around campus with a date was unforgivable.

Friday night fish meals had more attendance twenty-five years ago! Roll was called at each meal and only two meal cuts were allowed for a certain period of time.

Ah, but smoking was completely out for any girl and to even have a cigarette in one's possession was punishable. Why, at various times if cigarette smoke were smelled on an individual or seen coming from under doorways, an investigation was called.

Hats were a must for girls going downtown and Standards Committee was very strict in its punishment of the offenders.

Some of us would have had a hard time drinking "cokes" and other such beverages twenty-five years ago, for girls were not allowed to drink from bottles. Anyone seen doing so would be severely reprimanded.

Today's familiar sight of student's hair in pin curls or rags was unknown in 1925, for it was the punishable faux pas of the year to be seen curling the hair in dorms. Weekly trips to beauty parlors were prevalent.

In 1950 we see the proverbial cigarette and hair curlers on Madison campus. How indignant you would feel having a chaperon on your dates! Madison has indeed progressed.

EAGLE ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Alfred Eagle, director of guidance, is attending the two-day Virginia Conference of Guidance and Personnel Workers at Richmond. Sponsored by the State Department of Education and the Virginia Association of Guidance and Personnel Workers, the meeting is highlighted by an address by Dr. S. A. Hamrin, professor of education, Northwestern University.

GROUP PETITIONS MANUEL

Jean Manuel, from Winchester, has been petitioned as a candidate for the office of treasurer of S. G. A. In her three years here, Jean has been a member of the YWCA, Le Cercle Francais, and the German dance club.

CBS Announces Creative Contest

Thousands of students in the nation's 1,800 accredited universities and colleges are hammering the midnight typewriter this semester, as they explore an uncharted area of literary creation to produce scripts for the CBS Awards drama writing contest, announced February 3.

From the letters of students and faculty members reaching CBS Awards Headquarters, it's clear that entrants regard the competition as more than a series of opportunities to win \$500 for an hour-length script or \$250 for a half-hour script. They see a challenge to pioneer in a new creative medium.

The CBS Awards competition, administered in association with World Video Inc., independent television producing organization, will be conducted in four stages. Entries will be accepted through June 20, 1950. Entries dated later than the 20th of March, April or May, will be automatically entered in the succeeding competition period.

The competition is open only to students 18 years of age or over who are residents of the United States and are attending accredited colleges or universities in the continental United States.

The Students' Voice

by Bess C. Bryant

In an effort to find out why students chose Madison as their college, I have asked:

What was Madison College's greatest attraction for you?

Nancy Blanton: I transferred to Madison because Madison has one of the best home economics courses in Virginia.

Patt King: I'd been here before and had gotten a good impression. I thought the campus was beautiful and the girls very friendly.

Jane Pamplin: Because it offered the courses I wanted and was the best in the state.

Shirley Kay: It's the only college in Virginia that offers the two-year business course. Besides, it's close to Richmond.

Page Miller: Because it's only sixty miles from Lexington.

Sara Wells: I wanted to go away from home and Madison has the reputation of having the best physical education department in the state. Also, I think the campus is beautiful.

Conj O'Leary: One of my very best friends at school was coming here so I sent in my application too. I like the location and the size.

Sue Downs: The locality and the price!

Wanda Jackson: I went to Massanutta one summer and saw how pretty the campus was. My decision was to come to Madison!

Sally Goodman: I looked in the catalog and thought the buildings were pretty!

Stick Rosenbaum: Madison has the best music department in the state!

ACROSS THE EDITOR'S DESK

by E. J.

In her inaugural address, Dr. Margaret Clapp, eighth president of Wellesley College, took vigorous issue with those who contend that the traditional liberal arts college course for women is unrealistic in that most of the graduates become homemakers rather than professional career women. She pointed out that these women "must make the homes of this nation centers of activity, not retreats from life."

The principal speaker at the Wellesley inauguration was Archibald MacLeish, poet, former Assistant Secretary of State and Librarian of Congress, concurrently teaching at Harvard University, who asserted that blustering "evangelists of war" are seeking to impose physical force as an all-inclusive solution to America's ideological struggle with Russia. Mr. MacLeish told the convocation that "it is one of the defects of the American educational system, and has been for generations, that it turns out a self-styled 'realist' mentality which equates belief in life with guillibility, and regards a fact as most a fact when it is most hurtful."

Winston Churchill has drawn fire from Prime Minister Clement Attlee with his plea that Germany should be an active participant in the military defense of western Europe against Russia.

The scholastic standings of teen agers with television sets in their homes have dropped 15 per cent, a teacher survey in New Jersey shows.

The House Labor Committee will consider a \$300,000,000 teachers' pay bill on April 17. The bill would provide funds to the states to raise teaching standards and provide "adequately paid teachers." But it leaves unanswered the controversial question of letting church and private schools share in the aid.

In his interesting report on "The State of the University" during the last 20 years, Chancellor Hutchins of the University of Chicago makes the ironic observation that "American education has proceeded on the curious principle that the student is intelligent enough to select the subjects he should study, but not intelligent enough, or purposeful enough, to keep on studying them unless he is required to attend classes."

Exactly the reverse is the sounder plan, Hutchins points out. "Educators ought to know better than their students what education is." A good school, like the U. of C., does not permit students to exercise their whims in selecting courses; on the other hand, it does not demand attendance at classes. The school offers an education; whether or not the student wants to take advantage of it is his own business.

Atwood Abroad

Barbara Atwood, formerly a freshman at Madison and a reporter on the Breeze staff, is now living in London, England.

From a letter which Miss Glada Walker received from Barbara, her friends have learned that she is planning to enter the University of London next fall. At present the "Madisonite in London" is enjoying visits to such places as the National Art Gallery.

Barbara commented on the English girls of college age, saying that those not married or at work, were mostly of the scholarly or book-worm type. She said that the Britishers were very friendly. In her opinion, American girls are much more independent, self-assured, and wise in the ways of fashion.

What A Life— We Love It!!

by Grace Armistead

"Ah—let me sleep, I don't have a first period class—can't I catch a little extra shut eye?" You guessed it, that's a typical roommate's reply—don't fool yourself, either, the "sleeper" type will saw away anywhere—no matter what the time. that's just one incident out of dozens that can and does occur with roommates—the dear creatures! I often allow myself to imagine college life without roommates and frighten myself, so I have to toss the thought aside.

Let us look at the musically inclined—thumping on the table, wall, makes no difference where, and then, out of nowhere comes a shrill shriek, a sigh, and "yeah, finally made that high 'g'."

Like most dwellers of institutions of higher learning, I'm quite familiar with the term "call-down"—seems that they're handed out like election buttons or buddy-poppies. Who, for gracious sakes has ever heard of anything so absurd?—why, just for being caught in the act of cooking in a private dormitory room the greeting of a small white slip of paper awaits the three roommates in their p. o. box. Speaking of cooking and eating, I'll vouch to say that there's nothing so refreshing for three struggling roommates as a snack once or twice a week just before the sand man creeps over.

To you who have had roommates, you'll know what I mean when I say, never be alarmed when there's plenty of noise and confusion in your little nest in the wall, but you had better be on your toes when there's the least bit of quiet. Old man temptation limps right in and orders a short sheeted bed, or better still, a pie bed—really, nothing could be more blood warming. Amid all the confusion of cleaning or re-arranging the most valued object of lots of students, there comes a "bump," "bump," "bump"—louder and louder. Yes sir, old roommate is right in there exercising pound after pound.

Just let a roommate go away for the weekend and believe you me you're doubtlessly in for it. During the entire recitation you can almost picture someone standing over her dropping nickels in a slot and cranking endlessly. Like the old saying, "what goes up must come down," roommate exhausts the gaiety of the weekend and fades off into a dead collapse.

Alas! Saturday arrives, bringing work for all. Saturday's the day all three roommates pitch in and give their small abode an old-fashioned cleaning. Sometimes its difficult to distinguish whether the three are experimenting with a smoke screen or not, for, a mop swings one way, a dust cloth another, and trash and furniture are all but dancing a jig.

. . . . and to think someone has requested one or two girl rooms, down with them, down! for college would just not have "the" atmosphere without all three roommates.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson, Miss Martha Sieg and Mrs. B. R. Varner were on the program of the Virginia Home Economics Association meeting in Richmond last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Miss Patterson is chairman of the Nutrition Section, Miss Sieg is adviser to College Clubs, and Mrs. Varner has been appointed chairman of the College and University Section.

Frosh Recollections

Dear Nancy,

I was looking through my scrapbook today and I got to thinking over my first days of college. Remember the day I left home: I'll never forget that fateful day! As we drove through the gate and onto that campus, I suddenly found myself wondering why I ever wanted to go away to college. I tried to remember that I was doing this for my parents, but all I could think about was having to tell my family good-bye.

As our automobile drove away and I tearfully waved good-bye, I felt lost—completely lost! But out of nowhere, swarmed girls who were eager to help me in every way! I particularly remember one girl who was cheering up all of us with her comical remarks and her southern drawl that could come from no place other than Lost City, W. Va. She and my Y. W. "Big Sis" were only the first of the friendships I was to make though.

—And could I ever forget those teas? I was so scared and felt so out-of-place! I couldn't help but remember a word of advice once given to a lass by a very wise man. "There are two roads in life for a woman to take," he said, "one is the road to charm and the other the one you took." Well, when I attended my first formal tea, there was no doubt in my mind as to which road I had taken!

Gee, but Madison was such a wonderful place that, even in those first disheartening days, I was happy beyond words.

I guess you remember the little heart-to-heart talk we had before I left for school. We were discussing the things we wanted most out of college—friendships, a well-rounded personality, common sense, a better understanding of people, and, above all the opportunity to be an individual. Neither you nor I wanted to grow old before our years. We agreed that we were going to get everything possible out of college life—and we said that we in return were going to give of our best in making our college a finer, better place for Christian women. Well, I want you to know, and I'm sure you do know, that college can give us, has given us, the chance to fulfill every one of those plans we made last summer. Sure, we have to work; and we get out of college just what we put into it! But it's worth the work, Nancy.

Seriously, I've worked hard and I've had my "ups and downs" but they have been very few in comparison with the many friends I've made and the complete joy I've found in being a part of the college life, at a place as fine as Madison. It's been a challenge and I feel that it's a worthwhile one. It's one experience that every young person should have.

Please try to come up to see us soon. I can hardly wait to have you meet the girls and see for yourself that Madison is everything I've said it is.

Remember, you're always welcome here at our home, Madison.

Your pal,
Zookie Riley

The American Association of International Relations Clubs is arranging a study tour in Europe for International Relations Club members during the summer of 1950. Its purpose is to provide participants with first-hand analyses of European relations at the mid-point of the twentieth century.

Good Enough To Eat!



Lotte Zoll Reviews Year At Madison

by Jean Douglas

When asked to give an account of her year at Madison, Lotte's first remark was, "I arrived at Madison at midnight on September 17, and everything looked dark and strange. I was rather tired and frightened, but not for long because the girls were very nice to me and made me feel at home."

Lotte Zoll hails from Frankfurt, Germany, where she attended the University of Frankfurt, biology being her major. She was one of a few foreign students who were given the opportunity to attend school in the United States for a year. The students, faculty, and the various organizations on this campus have done much toward financing Lotte's stay in America.

"Perhaps the strangest thing I have seen in America is dormitory life," stated the foreign student. "We do not have such things in Germany." She explained, though, that the girls had made this new life very enjoyable for her. She also told of the difficulty she had in understanding the English language at first.

Lotte has made many talks to the various organizations on campus. She appreciated the enthusiasm and understanding they expressed. Also, she has enjoyed the companionship of some of the faculty. "Yes, she (meaning her swimming instructor) pushed me in the water when I wasn't looking and on my birthday, too, but I got revenge," laughed good-natured Lotte.

The Curie Science Club, as well as the International Relations Club and the Lutheran Student Association boasts of her membership. Lotte has also been invited to become a member of Sigma Phi Lambda, an honorary society for Freshmen and Sophomores.

Visits to different places in the eastern part of the United States have been real entertainment for Lotte. Also, she has expressed the pleasure she has received from the various activities; namely, the assembly programs and Friday chapel, her weekend at college camp, and the Saturday-night movies and plays.

"It has meant much to have had the opportunity of becoming acquainted with America through Madison College. The girls are all very nice, and I like their good fellowship," Lotte said.

Music, Music, Music!

by Mildred Davis

Saturday, March 25, Madison College becomes the scene of a five-ring musical circus, an all-day affair. There will be about 1600 performers on hand to compete for honors in the District IV High School Music Competition Festival. "Music, music, music" will be the theme of the day and it will be hard indeed to find a spot where no music can be heard.

Wilson auditorium will be filled with glee clubs and choirs from the various high schools as one of the main events of the day. Their performances will be judged by Miss Leah Thorpe of Peabody Conservatory.

One of the most colorful events will be the band-orchestra performances in Reed Gymnasium. These will be judged by Howard Mitchell, conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra, Dr. Ernest Harris of Columbia University, and Dr. Benjamin Bernstein of Hampton Institute.

Anyone hearing unusual noises coming from the direction of Spottswood Recreation Room need not be alarmed, for it will only be the instrumental solos and ensembles competing with each other. James Berdahl of the University of Virginia will be judge of this event.

Harrison Hall will have more music than ever for two performances are scheduled to take place there. In the Music Room the vocal solos and ensembles will be heard, while in the Recital Room all piano numbers will be presented. Gordon Page of Mary Baldwin will judge the vocalists and Jack Tait of Shenandoah Conservatory the pianists.

The grand finale will come at 2:45 p. m. in Wilson auditorium when everyone will gather for mass singing led by Miss Thorpe. This will be the climax of one of the biggest and best of all musical festivals at Madison. There will be music to suit everyone's taste and performances are open for all who wish to attend.

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IRC GROUP ELECTS

On March 17-18, last Friday and Saturday, the annual conference of the South Atlantic Region of International Relations Clubs was held here, the Madison IRC being the host club. There were about one hundred ten delegates here from twenty-seven colleges in Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and South Carolina. All sessions and meals were held at the Harrisonburg Methodist Church, and tours of the Madison College campus were conducted.

On Friday night, Dr. Paul F. Douglass, President of American University in Washington, D. C., highlighted the conference with an address on "The Public Role of the Private Citizen."

The conference ended with a final business session on Saturday afternoon, during which regional officers for the coming year were elected. The new officers of the South Atlantic Region are: president, David Bridges, Tennessee Tech, Cookeville, Tennessee; vice president, Dorothy Crowder, Madison College, Harrisonburg, Virginia; secretary-treasurer, Evelyn Littleton, E. C. T. C., Greenville, North Carolina. Dorothy Crowder is president of the Madison IRC, and will be an official regional delegate to the American Association of International Relations Clubs (AAIRC) Conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan, March 30-April 2, 1950. Several other members of the Madison IRC are planning to attend the AAIRC Conference, too. They are: Charles Wynes, Bruce Ervin, Eleanor Ryman, and Judith Ramsey. It is hoped that finances can be raised to sponsor the trip for Lotte Zoll, the German exchange student, also a member of the IRC. These members will attend the conference as observers.

College!!

Patt King

Sometimes I sit and wonder
Just why I came to college,
But it doesn't take me long
To find the reason's knowledge.
Seems like all I ever do
Is rush around to classes,
I always am so busy
I don't see how time passes.
I only hope my memory
Will last just two more years,
By that time I'll be educated
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For one thing I am thankful
And I agree with the rest,
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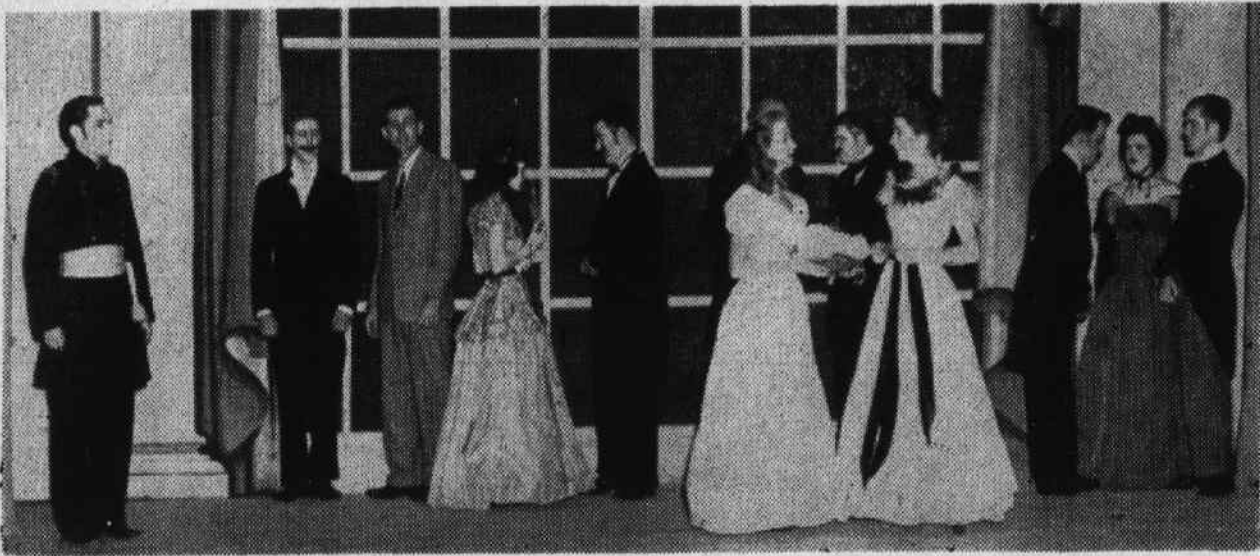
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Madison's Stratford Players are shown in a melodramatic scene from "Fashion," an American comedy of 100 years ago by Mrs. Anna Cora Mowatt Ritchie, which was presented in Wilson Auditorium last Friday and Saturday evenings.

Greek Gossip

Panhellenic Council had a banquet at Shenandale in honor of the senior members, Tuesday, March 14, at which Mrs. Varner presented to Panhellenic Council a gavel with its name engraved on sterling.

The new officers of Panhellenic Council were installed March 21 after which they adjourned to the tea room for a party. The new officers are as follows: Chairman, Clinton Ann Johnson; chairman-elect, Fran Moseley; social chairman, Joanne Webber; recording secretary, Ollie Vee Walpole; corresponding secretary, Judy Smith; and treasurer, Patt Mann.

A new office was created this semester on the Panhellenic Council which is social chairman.

The out-going members are: chairman, Juanelle Mottern; chairman-elect, Clinton Ann Johnson; recording secretary, Shirley Quinn; corresponding secretary, Natalie Bowman; and treasurer, Irene Blair.

Alpha Sigma Alpha's pledge officers are: president, Jo Hobson; vice-president, Ginny Saunders; secretary and treasurer, Wendy Mulder; chaplain, Sara Wells; and song leader, Jayne Pierce.

Judy Smith is taking Bess Bryant's position on the Panhellenic Council.

On Monday night the A. S. A.'s attended the movie as a social.

Alpha Sigma Tau's new pledge officers are to be: president, Charlotte Burford; vice-president, Virginia Barnes, and secretary-treasurer, Jean Roe.

Pi Kappa Sigma's pledge officers are: Ann Calonna and Betty Jane Chapman.

Susan Kaylor received a diamond from Dick Margin, of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. Ann Curtis Pole, forty-niner, visited the house last week. Marion Beale, pledge, is pinned to Robert Bradford of N. C. State.

Theta Sigma Upsilon's pledge president is Claudenia Carmen.

Jinx Miller and Mary Edwards visited the house over the weekend.

Kitty DeHart is engaged to Hayden Bell. Kitty graduated from Madison last year and Hayden is now attending Madison.

Theta Sigma Upsilon's Founder's Day banquet is to be held at Mountain Top Haven in New Market, March 27.

Sigma Sigma Sigma's pledge officer is Martha Dott Covey.

"Mama Ding" gave the girls at the house a Saint Patrick's Day party last week.

Anna Lee Bowman, a junior, is pinned to Lynwood Coffman of the University of Richmond.

Margorie Birchard, of Zeta Tau Alpha, was married to Albury Leake on Saturday, March 18.

Joanne Mathews, a Zeta, is engaged to Arthur S. Davis, Jr. Arthur is attending Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, Pennsylvania. He is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Reporter Views Dormitory Plans

by Bess C. Bryant

Rumors have been flying about the new dormitory. After gazing at the structure from a respectable distance, then risking my life by climbing over the rough framework, and finally viewing the blueprints, I'm beginning to understand a few of the plans.

As was announced earlier, the building will be known as Logan Hall. This honors the late Dr. Conrad T. Logan, who for many years taught English at Madison and was head of the English department.

Logan Hall is being constructed at a cost in excess of \$390,000. It is to be completed, according to the contract, by August 15, 1950, and will house approximately 103 students in two-girl rooms. The three-story building will be similar to Senior Hall.

A service elevator, spacious parlor and two kitchenettes are but a few of its attractions. In the basement will be found a large game room, a pressing room, and a room with laundry tubs and the roughed-in plumbing for those needed washing machines, a trunk storage room, a linen-storage room and just a plain storage room.

The entrance is to face a street which will enter on the south side of campus and pass in front of the Home Management House and the infirmary to meet the present street. Wide stone steps will lead up to the dormitory. At the left of the entrance hall will be a coat room.

Logan Hall will not only contribute greatly to the beauty and convenience of the college's physical plant, but it will be a fitting memorial to a beloved faculty member as well.

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Library Displays Virginia Paintings

by Lorene Purcell

A varied exhibition of paintings by twenty-two Virginia artists is on display in the Juvenile Room of the Library by arrangement with the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

Many of the paintings are landscapes of Virginia scenes, but one of the most appealing is a picture of an elderly white-haired woman by Greta Matson. Although the study is done in water-color, the portrait has the depth and detail of a carefully re-worked oil canvas.

In "From Under Point of Rock," Elizabeth Nottingham Day uses only browns, grays, and blacks in painting a landscape which is, nevertheless, full of vivid contrasts with an oriental quality of line. Contrasting with this is "The Old Oyster Works" with its bright and varied colors which convey a feeling of a hot summer day on the oyster flats.

"The Birthday Party" gives a remarkable impression of a child's excitement by an abstract composition of billowy clouds and dim figures in pastels, while "Salome" recalls the old stylized Eastern carvings with a touch of grotesque humor added.

There are two humorous drawings, one of a diminutive mouse about to scurry off and another of a gigantic cat in great swoops and curves, by a husband-and-wife team.

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The Spotlight . .

by Bess C. Bryant

One of the most active and enjoyable organizations on our campus at Madison is the Athletic Association. It stages a year-round program of sports geared to satisfy the varied tastes of all the students. Any and everyone is welcome to take part in the activities because every student is a member of A. A.

All students are required to take physical education classes for two years. These courses are designed to meet the needs of the college woman to develop personal skills in the physical recreations and for exercise. Students are encouraged to balance their choice so that they become skilled in activities in each of the following classes: team sports, individual sports, dance, and swimming.

Growing out of this class training, an intramural program is developed. It includes field hockey, archery, tennis, basketball, volleyball, bowling, badminton, recreational sports, softball, and modern dance. You have your choice or you may take part in all if you're the type who doesn't have to study! The phys. ed. majors (to speak colloquially) sometimes sponsor squares dances (did you go Wednesday night?) and work in social dance.

For the highly skilled, Madison has an extramural sports program. This gives students here the chance to win honors for Madison through competition with skilled players from other colleges.

Our A. A. is a member of the Virginia Athletic Federation of College Women and supports the National Section on Women's Athletics. High standards of plays are thus encouraged, and things that can be used are stressed in the classes.

Get the idea? There should be some phase of the A. A.'s program that interests you. Take advantage of your opportunities! Spring is here and it puts you in the mood to play! You can't study all the time. Or can you?

Barter Theatre To Give Play

Tonight at 8:00 p. m. the Barter Theatre players will present the play, "Thunder Rock" in Wilson Hall.

"Thunder Rock" presents a story of a man who has lived a full life and found it wanting. Herbert Nelson, who plays the lead, has been a foreign correspondent and has seen the destruction of all his hopes for humanity and he withdraws into his ivory tower, a light house in Lake Michigan, where he evokes the ghosts of another century for comfort. These prove to him that no one need despair, since no one can tell what seeds of future hope lie dormant in the apparent hopeless present.

In the supporting romantic role is Joan DeWeese, who enacts the part of Melanie.

The Senior Class of Harrisonburg High School is sponsoring this play and tickets can be purchased from any member of the class. There will be no reserved seats.

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Saturday, March 25—Movie, "That Wonderful Urge." Spring Music Festival from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Monday, March 27—Freshman Commission from 6:30-7:00 P. M. in Senior Hall. Volleyball in Reed Gym from 4:30 to 5:30 P. M. Freshmen sign out for Easter.

Tuesday, March 28—Minor Elections. Upper Classmen sign out for Easter.

Wednesday, March 29—S.G.A. Installation Service in Assembly. Wesley Foundation in Alumnae Hall at 5:00 P. M. "Mikado" in Wilson Hall at 8:00 P. M.

Thursday, March 30—Volleyball in Reed from 4:30 to 5:30 P. M. "Mikado" in Wilson Hall at 8:00 P. M.

Friday, March 31—Volleyball in Reed from 4:30 to 5:30 P. M. Senior Recital in Wilson Auditorium at 8:00 P. M.

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