Alumnae Association. Dr. Wayland's recent Southern trip is chronicled elsewhere. Announcement has been made of the appointment of Mrs. J. Frank Blackburn in the department of music, succeeding Miss Elizabeth Harris, of Faculty resigned. Mrs. Blackburn will be remembered by many summer students of 1918 and 1919, when as Miss Alice Lee Penick, of Richmond, she gave instruction in music at the Normal School. She is a former student of Teachers College, New York, and before her marriage was a supervising teacher of music in the city schools of Richmond, Va.

On April 1 there had been received 225 applications for admission to the summer school of 1920. This is in spite of the fact that summer school catalogs have not yet been distributed through the State. It can be stated, however, that the printer has at last completed the catalog, and copies of the catalog should have reached all teachers of the State before they receive this issue of THE VIRGINIA TEACHER.

George W. Chappelear, Jr., was host to the men of the faculty the evening of March 23, at his home on Paul Street. L'Enfant Terrible At It was such that in seven homes again! the clock tolled the hour of twelve to find the master out. How many fires got low, all because Mr. Chappelear had seven friends busy firing up good black cigars?

Honor Roll, Second Quarter, 1919-1920

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Seniors

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Gertrude K. Bowler
Allie M. Brindel
Rosa P. Heidelberg
Mary T. Miller
Margaret G. Norfleet
Katherine F. B. Pettus
Edna R. Scribner
Betty G. Somerville
Marion B. Nesbit
Mary J. Phillips
May Williams

Juniors

Lois F. Coleman
Frances A. Cutshall
Lucy C. Evans
Virginia Mecartney
Chloe G. Peck
Margaret L. Lewis
Emily M. Round
Frances A. Tabb
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AMONG THE ALUMNAE

In the February issue of the Teacher appeared a brief account of a reunion of Harrisonburg girls held in the city of Roanoke on February 6. Dr. Wayland, chairman of the committee on alumnae relations, was present at that meeting; and during the next five weeks he was traveling through various States of the South, visiting educational institutions and studying educational and social conditions. At many places he met our girls, some in the schools, some in their own homes; and he heard good reports of others who were out of the path of his wanderings. Most of our old students are, of course, in the home State—Virginia; but a few have gone beyond her borders, answering to the "call of the wild"—or is it the call of a more tender sentiment? In many cases it is the latter. In some instances it is a larger salary or a more obvious opportunity that weighs against the "ties that bind."

From Roanoke Dr. Wayland went to East Radford. There, in the State Normal School, he found M'Ledge Moffett and Lillian Simmons, who have been efficient members of the faculty in that institution for several years past. In the Radford city schools he found Annie T. Wise, who will be remembered by all who were at Blue-Stone Hill in 1912 and thereabouts.
A few days later Big Stone Gap and adjacent sections were visited, and Harrisonburg girls were found at every turn. With Janet Bailey as pilot, little journeys were made hither and thither up and down the picturesque valleys of Wise and Lee, alongside the musical waters of Powell's River and among the pines that are not a bit lonesome.

As neighbors of Janet Bailey at Big Stone Gap the sojourner found Olga Horton, Margaret Barron, Margaret Waller, and Mrs. Myrtle Riggs Gilly. Most of these are teaching in the town schools. At Dorchester an abundance of warm welcome was enjoyed in the home of Mrs. Fay Morgan Neale. Little Gertrude Neale will probably learn the geography of Harrisonburg almost as soon as that of Roanoke, her mother's old home.

At Norton several alumnae were located. Mrs. Mary Ruebush Estes lives there, and Elizabeth Black is teaching there. The latter was temporarily "keeping company" with the "flu" and could not be induced to grant an interview to anyone else. Nannie Collier and Frances Menifee Vickers were reported to be living at or near Wise Court House, but the spur of time effectually hindered further progress in that direction.

At Dryden, in Lee County, Nannie Sword Gilly and Juanita Stout Jessee were found to be neighbors. After several years of teaching in the schools, both these ladies consented to become home-makers for certain taxpayers of the community. At the home of Mrs. Jessee the visitors were pleased to find Burr Wolfe, who had heard of the friendly invasion and was on hand to support Mrs. Jessee in meeting the onslaught.

On the return to Big Stone Gap the visitors stopped by the way to see Eugenia Wolfe, who had, only a month or two before, become Mrs. Charles Reasor. And thus ended a very happy day, in spite of the blinding snow that had suddenly come out of the west.

In the long arc that bulged southward only a few of our girls were located, as intimated above; but now and then one was met face to face or heard of through the good offices of kindred spirits. For example, at Columbus, Mississippi, Annie Sale was found in charge of the practise home in the State College for Women. Miss Frances Sale, as we know, is another new member of the faculty in that institution. And it is no guess that Miss Frances and Miss Annie are doing their share in making life worth while for the thousand young women who there dance under the mistletoe that decorates the trees and capture the bluebirds of happiness that flit upon the campus. From Misses Frances and Annie it was learned that Mary Sale is now at her Georgia home, rendering there a fine service with her habitual efficiency.

On the train between Meridian and Newton, Bessie Flick Rushing and her husband, Professor J. S. Rushing, were agreeable traveling companions. It really seems hard to find a good country where the girls of Blue Stone Hill are altogether strangers.

In Louisiana the wanderer did not see any of our girls, but he took some consolation in thinking of Tracie Burtner Tietje, of Roanoke, and Wilma Procter Roberts, of Colfax. At Palatka and St. Augustine, Florida, he did not feel so far away from Althea Adams and Florence Keezell, who are teaching at Orlando. He also recalled the fact that Edna Heyer's old home was at Orlando, and that Mrs. Chowning lives at New Smyrna. At Savannah, Georgia, he was anxious to find Mrs. Jessie Bostwick, but was not successful in the brief time.

At Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., Elizabeth Rucker was found, deep in the midst of her second session of teaching in the college training school and much in demand over the State for institute work on Saturdays. Miss Ida Jacobsen, a recent critic teacher in Harrisonburg, and Miss Martha Davis, well known in connection with the Harrisonburg high school, were also found at Rock Hill, along with a goodly company of other Virginians and near-Virginians.

Sarah Watts de Moss made a fine record as a teacher in the schools of Greensboro, N. C., but recently decided to bestow her talents upon a home of her own in the same city.

Following the inevitable curve, the wanderer in due time circled back into old Virginia, and landed one evening in the historic city of Danville. There, on the following day, he was pleased to find a large number of those whose names are enrolled with honor upon the records at the Normal. Four
schools in Danville and Schoolfield were visited, and in nearly every one of them Harrisonburg girls were found. At Rison Park School the principal, Mrs. Holcombe, and four of her assistants, Misses Winn, Mack, Robinson, and Myrtle Fulton, were ready to testify to the charms of Blue-Stone Hill in summer. At Robert E. Lee School two graduates were found—Mamie Eppes and Willie Guthrie; and with them three other young ladies—Angie Semones, Louise Semones, and Miss Crews—who have been at Harrisonburg in the summer.

At the Robert E. Lee School, Elizabeth Browder, a young lady in her early teens, asked the wanderer whether he knew her sister Helen, now at the Normal. He was pleased to answer "yes"; and he entertains a hopeful feeling that Elizabeth herself will come in due time to the school in Shendo.

Schoolfield goes in for our graduates. Four of them, Velma Moeschler, Bessie Millner, Lizzie-Miller Jarman, and Pearl Potter, are happily busy there in various capacities. Bessie Bagley, who spent one full session with us, is another standby in Schoolfield; and Miss Rosa Brimmer, the accomplished principal of the Schoolfield schools, spent a summer at Harrisonburg. Kate Parrish was found at Schoolfield, at the Baptist parsonage, as Mrs. Soyars, the pastor's wife.

The reunion at Schoolfield was made especially enjoyable by Miss Moeschler, who entertained a company at supper in Hylton Hall, the beautiful and commodious girl's home, in which she is dietitian. It was almost a draw that night between bright eyes and diamond rings. We cannot but sigh for the Schoolfield schools, but then we are preparing other good teachers to take the places of those who go higher up.

At Lynchburg Vada Glick came into the coach, en route for a week-end visit to the old home in Rockingham; and she told of the work at Rustburg, where she is teaching and where Nora Crickenberger has been the efficient principal for several sessions.

On the train between Charlottesville and Crozet, Marguerite Hughes Washington, her husband, and Junior, were travel companions; and at Staunton, just as the bus was starting for Harrisonburg, who should bounce in but Hallie Hughes, bound for Winchester? As the party came down the historic Valley Pike, Hallie told of her experiences in curing folks of influenza and in stimulating poultry clubs among the women and girls of Virginia.

With his hands full of bags and his heart full of eagerness the wanderer rushed up Blue-Stone Hill, anxious to get his string of reminiscences into the March number of Professor Johnston's new magazine, The Virginia Teacher; but too late! the forms for March were already closed and most of the pages were printed! Accordingly, this important communication will have to rust on the hook till April.

But we are mighty glad to belong, at last, to a periodical that appears promptly on the tick of the calendar.

Wedding bells are still ringing merrily. On March 23 they sounded for Virginia Ridenour at Petersburg; and lo! she was Mrs. Robert Powhatan Winfield! On April 3 they rang for Lucille Early, and she became Mrs. Albert Newton Fray. Both these ladies have the best wishes of all their friends at Blue-Stone Hill; so have all the others of our girls who are changing their names in this happy springtime.

The first twin sisters to become famous at the Normal were Deane and Marcia Scott of Gordonsville; the next were Mary and Lucile Early of Dawsonville.

Many of our old students were in Harrisonburg from March 25 to March 27, in attendance upon the District Teachers Association, the sessions of which, for the most part, were held at the Normal School. We were glad to see them and to hear the good reports of their work in different parts of District G.

On March 27 two dozen Harrisonburg girls in Richmond had luncheon together. Among those present were Mary Haden, Edmonia Shepperson, and Louise Lancaster. Miss Gregg was a guest of honor. The Richmond Branch of the Alumnae Association has recently been organized. Mary Lancaster Smith is president. Alice Gilliam is secretary and Edmonia Shepperson is treasurer. The club is planning meetings in April, May, and June.

Our girls in Roanoke are also active in the process of organizing a Harrisonburg club.
We expect to have more definite news very soon about similar activities in Danville and other cities of Virginia.

Anna Ward is teaching commercial geography in the girl's high school of Augusta, Georgia. Her address is 966 Heard Avenue.

Helen Ward, writing from Centralia, says: "I wonder if you know how much we enjoy the Virginia Teacher? It's fine, and the happy part about the change from the Bulletin is that the Teacher comes so often."

Frances Cole and Annie Moseley are teaching in Chester, with Helen Ward; and Dallas Warren has her boarding place in the same town. Who can not imagine a "big four" and guess at some of the frequent chats about Harrisonburg?

Anna Lewis, writing from Blacksburg, says: "The letters I get from H. N. S. make me homesick for it. I'm always wishing I might be there to share in the school activities as I used to do."—So do we, all of us.

ANENT SALARIES: ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM OUR ALUMNAE

So much has been said recently about the poor pay that teachers are receiving and the number of teachers that are quitting for other work, that one might imagine the profession going rapidly into bankruptcy. Such, however, is not the case by any means. The great majority of teachers have stood loyally at their posts, in spite of poor pay. While nearly every other class of public servants was either striking or planning to strike, the teachers in our schools have gone steadily forward teaching our boys and girls the real solution of the hard problems that confront the world. In their own lives they have generously exemplified the three things necessary: good common sense, good training, and faithful, useful work.

They have deserved better pay, to be sure—much better pay. And they are getting it. And they are going to get it. There never has been a time when the prospects for the teaching profession have been so bright as now—for those teachers who have stood loyally by the schools and for those who are now just entering the field for a like loyal service.

Below we give a few bits of news regarding certain of our graduates—with their special permission—to show that young women of ability and training can do well, even financially, in the teaching profession. The salaries named are not as good as they should be, but they are much above the average we often hear mentioned, and they are an earnest of better things to come, both for these young women and others like them.

Ruth Witt is elementary supervisor of Ashby District, Rockingham County. Her work lasts eight months of the year and her salary is $1,125. During the past year a new, well-equipped building was erected for the school, but it was not finished till December. On this account the school session was cut short two months. Nevertheless, Miss Crickenberger was paid her full salary, just the same as if the session were nine months long.

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Frances Rolston is teaching mathematics in Lewisburg Seminary, West Virginia. Her salary is $540, with lodging and board.

Madge Bryan is one of the capable teachers in the McGuffey School, Charlottesville. She has charge of Grades 3A and 3B. For this work she receives $69.30 a month—$623.70 for the session of nine months.

Frances Kemper is teaching science in the Waynesboro high school, in which are enrolled about 125 students. She is paid $75 a month. She finds her work very interesting and speaks especially of the work of the student literary societies.

Anna Lewis has charge of the domestic science courses in the high school at Blacksburg—an agricultural high school. She teaches cooking and sewing to forty-two girls. Her salary is $75 a month.

Helen Ward is teaching home economics under the Smith-Hughes provision, in the Chester agricultural high school, at a salary of $85 a month.

Esther Buckley has charge of the manual arts work in the State Normal School at Frostburg, Maryland. She teaches nine months in the regular session and five weeks in the summer. Her total salary is $1200.

Maude Shapleigh teaches the 1A grade...
in Park School, Roanoke. She is paid $85 a month. Prospects are good in Roanoke, as in most other Virginia cities, for better salaries ahead.

Mary Lancaster Smith is home economics teacher in Bainbridge junior high school, Richmond. During the months of October, November, December, and January she taught dietetics to nurses in the vocational night school. Since then she has taught a domestic science class two nights a week and in addition now has a group of nurses to whom she teaches dietetics one night a week. Her regular school salary is $1,018. For her extra night work she will earn in addition $180.

Virginia Leach is principal of the Flint Hill high school and her salary is $100 a month. She maintains her accustomed loyalty to Alma Mater.

Elizabeth Rucker (Bess Rucker) is a teacher in the training school of Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., at a salary of $1,200 for nine months. She is much in demand as a conductor of institutes for rural teachers in different parts of the State, and for her services in this capacity she is paid extra.

Marceline Gatling teaches hygiene and physical training in Robert E. Lee School, Norfolk. She also taught night classes in gymnasium work for women at the city high school for four months. In addition she has several classes in aesthetic and folk-dancing. All this, with some summer work, makes her income about $1,300.

Louise Lancaster writes, "I am rural supervisor in Dinwiddie County, and work at that in season and out of season, so there is no time for work on the side.

"My salary this session is $1100 for a term of seven months; next year it is to be raised to $1500.

"Most of my schools are enjoying "Old Virginia," and they always sing it for me when I come, because they know how I love it—it makes me SO home-sick!"

Here are some of the nice things found in recent alumnae letters:

"I do so enjoy the new magazine—the Virginia Teacher—and wish it all kinds of success."

"What I say about my work seems cold and hard, and does not sound as though it took any more time than from 9:00 a. m. until 3:00 p. m. But I assure you that it does, and it includes everything from teaching to binding up the wounded, supervising an occasional cafeteria, helping with the literary society and the community league, and being a sedate chaperon."

"I am already looking forward to commencement, and if nothing prevents will certainly be present."

"Good for the Virginia Teacher! I am glad to know that it is to do such a good service. We, the teachers, need it."

"I am always glad to do anything I can that will be of any help to the school or to the students who have gone there... Not having missed a commencement for five years, I should hate very much to be away from the school at this one, and you may be sure I shall be there if nothing happens to prevent."

"Teaching is a grand profession if one goes into it with her whole heart and soul, and looks for the good in pupils. We surely find what we are looking for."

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