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Aeolian Offers Hundred Dollar Prize For New **Madison College Song**

Rules Announced for Contest Open to Faculty and Students; Competition Held to Secure School Song of Narrower Range Than Present One

The Aeolian Music Club has been authorized to offer \$100 in will give five one-act plays on Tuesaddition to the \$5 already offered as reward for the successful entrant in the contest for a new Madison College song.

Exams Commence Dec. 14;

Examinations will begin

Thursday, December 14, and

continue through Wednesday

noon, December 20. According

to announcement this week by

President S. P. Duke, there will

be, however, no examinations

Saturday; registration for the

winter quarter will take place

Students will leave for the

holidays after their last exami-

nation and return to school

Tuesday, January 2, to begin

class work on Wednesday, Jan-

uary 3. The examination sched-

ule will be published in next

Formal Library

Opening Dec. 12

to Arrive Soon; Second

ception on Tuesday evening, Decem-

bers, and representatives from the

vited to visit the new building.

State Board of Education will be in-

Five hundred new books recently

ordered for the library are expected

to arrive before the end of the quar-

ter, according to an announcement

from Richard H. Logsdon, librarian

this week. Five hundred additional

books will be ordered before the

These two orders, which comprise

one of the largest single additions

ever made to the college library, in-

clude all types of books. The ref-

erence collection will be substantial-

ly increased. Contemporary fiction

is also included in the order. Several

extra copies of popular new books

Mr. Logsdon also stated that he

hopes in the near future to be able

to order four or five books of special

In the future when a professor

fails to show up on the exact ring of

the bell the clas should be non-

chalant, and call Dr. Leland Shubert,

professor of English. He guarantees

to help while away the minutes and

he brings his own equipment-a vic-

Johnnie" on one side and "Ivon

Skavinski Skavar" on the other!

Schubert's Victrola Passes

Time 'Til Prof. Arrives

Christmas holidays.

have been ordered.

student interest weekly.

Order to be Made

on that day.

week's Breeze.

Holidays Begin Dec. 20

\$50 of this amount came from campus fees and \$50 was left by the Summer Senior Class of 1928 to be used for this purpose.

The contest, which is open to all students and faculty members, is for the purpose of securing a school song with a narrower range than the one in use now. If the song selected is considered good enough there is a possibility that it may become an alma mater.

Rules of Contest

The rules for the competition are as follows:

(1) Every present student and faculty member of Madison College is eligible as a contestant.

(2) Each contestant may contribute only one completely harmonized song of approximately twelve lines, either with original music or without music. It is permissible for words and music to be submitted by two persons in which case the award will be divided. The song will be judged as a whole.

Songs Due February 1

(3) Manuscripts should be unidentified by name of author. An accompanying envelope should contain the title of the song and the name of its

(4) Manuscripts should be in the hands of Mary Davidson, president of the Aeolian Music Club, by February officially opened with an informal re-

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Slaughter Appointed To High Office In N. E. A.

Mr. Robert E. Slaughter, head of the department of Business Education at Madison, has been appointed Director of the Department of Business Education of the National Education Association for Virginia. This department, whose membership numbers 5,000 teachers, is the largest organization of this type in the United States. The membership consists of business instructors and administrators from universities, colleges, junior colleges, and high schools who are engaged in teaching commercial

lish department, attended the 29th annual meeting of the National Council of Teachers of English in New York City on November 23-25. The theme of the convention was "Unifying the English program for the individual."

Class Sponsors **One-Act Plays**

Casts Announced for Five Skits to be Directed by Students

The play production class, sponsored by Stratford Dramatic Club, day, December 12, in Wilson Auditorium. These plays are being produced as dress rehearsals with out scenery, and judged primarily upon the interpretation of their parts. Work on these plays will count toward membership in Stratford Dramatic Club.

The cast for "Rehearsal," directed by Ella Mae Cousins, is composed of Virginia Rider, Frances Hurst, Patsy Barlowe, Mary Lindsey, Anne Jeffries, and Mildred Teass.

Dorothy Buker will direct "Overtones." The cast will be composed of Margo Sellers, Nellie Sue Conduff, Natalie Rorklin, and Odell Lewter.

"Smoke-Screens," directed by Mary Ciphers, will include in its cast Dolores Laber, Marian Watkins, and Helen DeFrees.

The cast for "My Lady of Dreams" will be composed of Bernice Baybutt, Margaret 'Obett, Jeanette Wade, Silvia Schwartz, Tency Terrell, and Lucille Cook. This play will be directed by Gene Bodine.

Alice Clarke will direct "Letters," the cast of which will be composed of Anne Griffith, Jean Van Milker, and Marjorie Mendelson.

VEA Convention At Red Cross Fund Five Hundred New Books **Richmond Draws** Madison Memorial Library will be Madison Faculty

With Robert E. Slaughter, Profesber 12, from 8:00 to 10:00 o'clock. sor of Business Education, Mr. M. A. Friends of the college, faculty mem- Pittman, Professor of Physics, and Mr. William O. Stanley, Professor of Education, as official delegates from Madison College, the annual convention of the Virginia Education Association was held in Richmond last Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and

> The meeting of the Department of Higher Education on Friday afternoon at the Hotel Richmond was presided over by T. McN. Simpson, Jr., head of the department and Dean of Randolph-Macon College in Ashland. The theme of the meeting was, the effect of the changing emphasis in the high school curriculum upon college requirements. Speakers were Dean J. W. Lambert of William and Mary College, and Dean R. B Pinchbeck of the University of Rich-

The final session of the convention was the meeting in the John Marshall High School Auditorium (Continued on Page Three)

Color Movie of Mexico To Be Shown In Chapel

The natural color movie of Mexico "Land of Enchantment," will be shown in Assembly, Wednesday, December 6. The narrator is Lowell Thomas, radio and news reel commentator.

Dr. F. Q. Martinez, Professor of Spanish, will speak Friday on the celebration of Christmas and other religious holidays in Spain.

PlayProduction Student Body Selects Bowles To Be Madonna Of Christmas Pageant

McMahan, Taylor, Lupton Runners-up in Election Take Part of Angels; Thomason Portrays Joseph; Walker Narrates; Remainder of Cast Announced

The student body at a meeting last night elected Josephine Bowles, Hopewell, as Madonna, for the annual Christmas pageant, "The Stars All Sang," to be presented by the Y. W. C. A. in Wilson Auditorium next Thursday at 7 p. m.



Marie Walker, president of Y. W. C. A., which will present its annual Christmas Pageant next Thursday night in Wilson Auditor-

Reaches \$127

Students Contribute \$66: Half of Membership Fees Goes to National Unit

Of the \$127 which the college contributed to the recent drive for Red Cross funds, \$66 came from student memberships and contributions. Faculty memberships and contributions H. A. Converse attended the funeral totaled \$52, and \$9 was received as faculty family memberships.

Membership in the American Red Cross was granted on contributions of a dollar or more. Fifty cents from each membership was sent to the National Red Cross and the remaining amount was received by the local Red Cross chapter. All contributions of less than a dollar also remain here for local use.

Lorraine Fisher represented the student body, and Miss Katherine Anthony of the faculty directed the drive on campus.

Would-be Journalists Start Competition With Breeze

Competition for The Breeze is brewing on campus in the form of The Jaxon Jibe, which was begun by the occupants of the afore-mentioned dormitory. The Jaxon Jibe is a newsy newspaper of the Walter Winchell variety, containing all the hottest news about the young ladies of this exhuberant dorm. The Breeze anxiously awaits the outcome of its competitors prowess.

This year, the Y. W. Cabinet deviated from the usual custom of keeping the identity of the Madonna secret until the night of the pageant. This plan of announcement was thought more consistent with the dignity of the occasion. Betty Lou McMahan, Frances Taylor, and Mary Hunter Lupton, runners-up in the election for the Madonna, will take the parts of angels.

Walker Writes Pageant

The pageant was written by Marie Walker, president, who will also act as narrator. The cast was selected by the Y. W. Cabinet and will include Sara Thomason as Joseph; Marilee Henkle as the inn-keeper; Betty Lou Toone, Polly Barfield, Ruth Lynch, and Jane Dingledine as shepherds; and Margaret Hedges, Margaret Young, and Marjorie Proffitt as wise-

Y. W. Choirs Sing

Music will be furnished by the freshman and upper-classman Y. W. Choirs, under the direction of Geraldine Douglass and Louise McNair. The staging is being arranged by Ann Batson. Nancy Bailey is in charge of properties and Jeanette Furman is in charge of lighting. Costumes are being planned by Inez Walls and Katherine Funkhouser.

Duke And Converse Attend Trinkle Funeral

President Samuel P. Duke and Dr. of former Governor E. Lee Trinkle held at the Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke on Monday.

Mr. Trinkle, who died suddenly at 8:00 a. m. Saturday at the Hotel John Marshall while in Richmond on business, was Governor of Virginia from 1922 to 1926, a former Chairman of the State Board of Education, and a member of the State Senate for two terms. For many years former Governor Trinkle has been a leader in education in this state and a valued friend of the college.

Music Groups Plan Christmas Vespers

The Glee Club, aided by other campus organizations and directed by Miss Edna T. Shaeffer, will present its annual Christmas vesper service on December 17 in Wilson Auditorium. Those participating will number almost 100.

On December 8, the Glee Club will sing a special Christmas program for the New Market Garden Club in New Market, Virginia. Afterwards the Glee Club members will be the guests of the Garden Club at a buffet supper.

C. T. Logan Attends Convention In N. Y.

Conrad T. Logan, head of the Eng-

Among those who spoke on the program were Hughes Mearns of New York University, Harry Morgan Aures of Columbia University, and trola record with "Frankie and Edna Ferber, who discussed "How to tell books from literature."

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Professors Must Laugh

Understanding is the essential key-note of a successful teacher-pupil relationship. To bring about this understanding there must be something in the teacher's make-up to make him seem to the student less like a cold encyclopedia than a well-rounded human being. And yet there is too often a reserve built up between professor and student that makes the student feel more like an insignificant mechanical part than a real person enthusiastic in the search for knowledge.

Nothing can do more to bring about this desirable understanding than a sense of humor-a saving sense of humor that breeds less cold formality in the classroom and make the professor as interested and interesting a friend as one's own room-mate. Too often the teacher who is a "regular fellow" outside the classroom assumes a harsh, professorial attitude with the ringing of the class bell. There is scarcely one student at the college who is not ready and waiting eagerly to meet her professors more than half way in this matter of making her studies more inspiring. College students are not essentially allergic to work; all they ask is a chance to "be themselves" in class and to be given some incentive to the pursuit of knowledge.

On the other hand there are those professors whose sense of humor goes to the other extreme. It is impossible to say which of the two evils offers the greater number of disadvantages. The teacher who displays an over-active sense of humor to the exclusion of more important things is taking unfair advantage of a helpless student by wasting valuable time which is not his own. A perpetually wisecracking professor has never been one to commend respect from his students.

The ideal professor is one who is firm in his decisions, yet flexible enough to make a change in plans gracefully when the occasion arises; who knows what is right, but can admit an error; who laughs with his students, but never at them; who can tell a joke, but does not put his antiquated anecdotes ahead of the course he is expected to teach. In spite of general public opinion to the contrary, a college professor can be, with a minimum of effort on his part, a human being!-M. J. W.

Madison College Neeeds a Song

Madison needs another college song. From over twelve hundred students who have kept up with modern musical numbers since "Carolina Moon," there should come a song which Madisonites will sing as lustily as they do "Washington and Lee Swing" and "The Spirit of V. M. I."

Our present Alma Mater is suited to the serious side of campus life. It lifts our hearts and brings inspiration that an Alma Mater should. But when in lighter mood, when excited, or gay or full of enthusiasm, we need a song of lighter tempo-one to which our feet and spirits will involuntarily keep

The Aeolian Club, feeling this need, is sponsoring a contest in which a prize of one hundred dollars is offered for the winning entry. The Breeze heartily endorses the contest for a new Madison song. It is hoped that among the entries will be found one which, in years to come, we will be proud to call our Alma Mater.

Think Before You Weep

It was all very wonderful to be able to go home for a holiday and to eat Thanksgiving turkey with the family. But, in just a few days we may be getting another kind of bird from the faculty. This is just another way of giving advance warning for exams that little studying is a dangerous thing, but a little taken in lumps may pull us over the period of trepidation and send us off for the Christmas vacation "on our way rejoicing."





tion Franksgiving.

night!

Mike's Lyne Mike

This year our country faced the

But in spite of Mr. Roose-

velt's failure to keep faith with

the Pilgrims, we counted our

blessings, and ate our turkey

just as though we weren't a

week ahead of Governor Brad-

ford's schedule. Of course,

steeped as we are in tradition,

it will be difficult for us to re-

member not to take holiday

again this week unless we are

the progeny of those who ad-

vocate family dinners. Not even

Orson Wells could imagine two

family dinners within a fort-

Yes, family dinners are paradoxi-

cal ceremonies with the Cain and

Abel touch. A little thing like the seating arrangement around the fes-

tive board can work havoc upon gen-

erations to come. Carving radius,

political views, and opinions of

considered before placing two rel-

atives in close proximity. For in-

stance, if New Deal democrat Uncle

Peter is carving the turkey, com-

mon decency demands that repub-

lican Cousin Mabel be placed as far

from the carving utensils as possible.

Family gatherings usually get

off to a bad start when those

over sixty alienate those under

twenty-five by refusing to recog-

nize that maturation has set in.

They insist that sensitive college

students stand back to back to

see how much they're grown and

even wrangle over which mem-

ber of the family the six-foot

not helped by Father's never failing

interest in all the football games he

of all comes after the dinner is

over when every member of the

family gives thanks that he's

But the most delightful part

football player resembles.

can tune in between servings.

not like his relatives.

attack fail. Early in the war Germany attempted to humble Britain by submarine warfare, a method that had proven successful in the last war, but Britain, quickly instituting the patrol and convoy in low figures until last week when it skyrocketed to twentyeight.

loss of shipping was Germany's suddenly intensified, though rather mysterious, mine warfare. Mystery cenused and the method of laying iteither might be the "hew weapon" that Hitler at Danzig last September "Gone With the Wind" must all be threatened to use.

> the Exchequer, declared that Germany was using a new "magnetic mine" which, laid on the sea-bottom in shallow waters, was sufficiently attracted by the steel hull of a ship to explode. Refutation of this idea came from several sources. The "magnetic mines" washed up on the Belgium coast required contact to explode. American engineers have pronounced such a mine impossible.

planes was suggested as the new method of mine-laying. Planes have been reported engaged in mine-plant-The group's collective digestion is ing over the Thames estuary.

> cent attack with an appeal from the Royal Navy for fishermen volunteers for mine-sweeping seizure.

Hasty Puddings

By PAULINE BARFIELD THERE'S MAGIC IN NELSON EDDY'S VOICE but the magic doesn't stop there. During some retakes of Eddy's latest picture, "Balalaika," the director became concerned over whether or not all the costumes were the same as they had been in previous takes. Nelson thought that the Russian innkeeper's beard was the right one but that it wasn't parted right. He parted the beard in the middle and out jumped a-grasshopper! Eddy is a great trickster and everyone thought it was one of his magic pranks. But the true story is that the beard was used some years ago in filming "The Good Earth" and one of those Chinese grasshoppers had been living in it ever since.

IT SHOULD BE INTERESTING to all of you to know that another Virginia boy is making good in Hollywood. His name is Forrest Tucker and he's a native of Arlington. He is tall and blonde and has the most infectious smile, that shows off his flashing teeth in a wonderful way. You'll see him soon with Gary Cooper in "The Westerner," and you'll be thinking all over again that the history books are right in saying that Virginia is noted for her famous men.

LESLIE HOWARD GOT the director's goat the other day, though it was really the director who got Howard's goat. Between scenes of "Intermezzo," Howard was resting and feeding carrots to a pair of goats. During the next scene, while Leslie was turning on romance full force in the direction of Ingrid Bergman, in wandered the pair of goats. The director rushed out and dragged the goats away and shouted to Howard, "Nax time you vant you should mak up with a goat, you mak up with me, see!" Say, who was the goat, anyhow-maybe it was the director, or maybe it-maybe it was the goat!



The "war in earnest," that Adolf fact that "united we stand; divided Hitler promised several weeks ago, we eat Thanksgiving dinner." The seems to have begun last week in fifty-fifty split among the states re- Europe. Surprisingly, the new ofsulted in many clever cracks that fensive was not by squadrons of relieve the monotonous flow of W. bombers in the air or by lightning P. A. jokes. Best of the barbs aimed thrusts of the land forces. Hitler apat the President was that which parently, is reserving these methods, christened last Thursday's celebra- which the Allies had anticipated and against which they had carefully prepared defenses, to fall back on

News

By

systems perfected also in the last war, foiled the attack. The toll of merchant ships remained

The chief cause of this increased tered about both the type of mine

Sir John Simon, Chancellor of

Dropping mines by parachute from

Britain met Hitler's most reduty and the announcement that "exports of German origin or ownership" would be subject to

Girl About Campus

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

WHAT FEATURES OF THE NEW LIBRARY DO YOU THINK CAN BE IMPROVED?

Frances Wright-It is not very encouraging to research—the kind one does for zoology term papers -to have a yard of desk, two yards of librarian, and five yards of space between one and the books she'd like to rummage through.

ELLEN MINER—There aren't enough copies of should the present unexpected sea books, particularly home economics books.

> JEAN VANLANDINGHAM-We need some telephones, and it takes too long for student teachers to get books out.

> JUDY McCue-It's too hard to get back-issues of magazines; they all seem to be lost.

> JANE DINGLEDINE—I would like to suggest keeping the juvenile room open, thus making it possible for students enrolled in the elementary course to become more familiar with children's literature.

> MARTHA McGAVOCK-There's nothing I don't like about the new library except that it doesn't have a pencil sharpener.

> MARGARET MOORE-The closed stacks are causing inconvenience now, but I think the students will get used to them and will come to appreciate their value.

> MARJORIE PITTS-There should be more assistants at the desk. Too much time is spent getting books from the closed stacks, mainly because of the small number of helpers.

BESS BUTLER-It's too hard to find books in the reference room.

HANNAH HEATH—All the books are hidden from the public. The present system certainly does discourage informal reading.

MARGARET SHELTON-If you wear rubber-soled shoes, you squeak when you walk on the floor.

In The Dark Past 1926

Thirteen years ago the college tea room was established on campus. While it was a mere plan in the minds of the faculty, someone suggested giving it a name, but after receiving suggestions such as "The Orange Blossom," "Sunset Glow," and "Palace of the Duke," the committee heaved a sigh and continued to call it "the tea room."

Back in those days they were really unlucky as to dances. There was only one all year, held in the new gym on February 12; the faculty chose the date because it was so close to February 14.

There was something new under the campus sun in 1926-a fire-proof dorm with all modern conveniences. They christened it Sheldon Hall.

Thirteen Thanksgivings ago, the holiday dinner was served in Bluestone Dining Hall to sixty tables, and at each table were two whole turkeys!

Pi Kappa Sigma **Elects Stone** President

Other Officers Also Chosen; Johnston, Walker Elected Chapter Advisors

With the election of Katherine Stone as president, the installation of the local Alpha Omicron Chapter of Pi Kappa Sigma, the third of the national educational sororities to be organized at Madison College, was completed on Sunday, November 19.

Thirty-two charter members were initiated in the services conducted by Mrs. Charles Gibsen of Buffalo, New York. She was assisted by Miss Gertrude Iler, Buffalo, New York; Miss Elizabeth Kent, President of the Chapter at Farmville; Misses Philippa Schlobohm, Boonie Stevenson, Margaret Carr, also representatives from Farmville.

Dawson is Vice-President

Initiation began Friday afternoon with the ribbon service, after which the members were pledged. The installation ended Saturday night with a formal banquet held at the College.

Other officers of the new chapter, Alpha Omicron, are as follows: Vice-President, Kathleen Dawson; Corresponding Secretary, Kathryn Moltz; Recording Secretary, Lucille Farley; Treasurer, Charlotte Beville; Assistant Treasurer, Evelyn Powell; Chaplain, Eleanor Hart; Corresponding Editor, Lee Schaaf; Social Chairman, Virginia Colonna; Assistant Social Chairman, Jean Andrews; Sergeant-at-Arms, Olivia Carter; Pan Hellenic Representative, Lee Schaaf; Recorder of Honor Points, Dorothy Patterson; Press Agent, Marion Wilkinson; Keeper of Archives, Inez Craig; Assistant Keeper of Archives, Margaret Montgomery; Keeper of the Kitchen, Edith Quinlan; Examiner, Jane Lynn:

Sponsors Selected

Mrs. James C. Johnston, head of the Physical Education department, and Miss Nellie Walker, a supervisor in the Main Street Training School, were elected as advisors.

Local Hi-Y Club Conducts YW Program Sunday

The Hi-Y Club of Harrisonburg High School will conduct the Y. W. C. A. program on December 3, at tion, will also attend. which time the subject will deal with the work done by Hi-Y Clubs throughout the state and the purpose of this organization in relation to Y. W. C. A. activities. Betty Anne McGrath, president of the local high school club, will lead the program.

VEA Convention

(Continued From Page One) Friday night. The first speaker of the evening was Dr. Sidney B. Hall, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who outlined the policies of the State Board of Education in the future. The final speaker was Governor James H. Price, who stated that Virginia's schools are being given first consideration in the Appropriation Bill.



Photo courtesy of Richmond Times-

Katherine Stone, recently elected president of the newly installed local Omicron Chapter of Pi Kappa Sigma, national education sorority.

Calendar

Dec. 1-Home Economics Tea in Home Management House, 4-5:30 p. m.

Dec. 2-Rockingham Education Association meeting, Wilson Auditorium, 10 a. m. Old-New Basket Ball

game, Big Gym, 7:30 p. m. Dec. 3-Y.W.C.A. Service, Wilson Auditorium, 2:00

p. m. Dec. 7-Birthday Dinner in all dining halls, 6:00 p. m. Y. W. C. A. Christmas Pageant, Wilson Auditorium.

Varner To Attend **Dietetics Meeting**

Mrs. Bernice Varner, President of the Virginia State Dietetics Association, and head of the Madison Home Economics department, will attend a meeting of the executives of the association tomorrow at 2:00 p. m. in the John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Virginia. Miss Clara G. Turner, who is chairman of the administrative sec-

Mrs. Varner also attended the meeting of the heads of Home Economics departments in Richmond last Friday. The meeting was called by Miss Martha Creighton, state supervisor of home economics education. Miss Julia Robertson, also of the home economics faculty, and Mrs. Varner attended a luncheon given on the same day by the Virginia Vocational Association.

Armentrout, OnceBreeze Reporter, Now Ph D On Faculty Reminises On Past College Life

By Mike Lyne

"What do I most enjoy doing?" Dr. Mary Armentrout, latest addition to the social science department, took time out from serious contemplation of a war-filled morning edition and smiled. "Why I enjoy the same things I enjoyed when I was a student here eleven years ago-reading and going to the movies." And we always thought Ph.D.'s were addicted to museums and archives. "I collect books, too," she added, "especially historical novels and detective stories." Queer combination, but then history and mystery have a lot in common—in fact ,all history is a mystery to some of us.

Fine to Be Back

Still smiling quietly as though being a member of the faculty that once taught you has its amusing side, the dimunitive Ph.D. obligingly reminisced. "It's fine to be back," she confided warmly," but there've been a lot of changes made. Our auditorium was in the upper part of Sheldon Hall in those days, and Junior and Senior Halls hadn't even reached the blueprint stage. The enrollment was between six and seven hundred, but the characteristics of our student body were just about the same as yours." And we've been thinking we were different all these years.

Her smile informally progressed

into a grin as she watched the effect of her next remark. "The regulations were much stricter then," she assured her incredulous audience of one. "We were allowed only one dance a year, were not permitted to smoke, and were required to wear hats downtown. Sounds dreadful, doesn't it? But we survived surprisingly well." Now we have something to be thankful for this Thurs-

"I always wanted to teach history," Dr. Armentrout said earnestly. "I studied it here under Mr. Dingledine and Mr. McIlwraith, but I have been interested in it since I was a child."

Enjoyed Student Teaching

Then came the bombshell! "I enjoyed student teaching very much," she said nonchalantly, as though she weren't uttering words for Ripley's column. "We students taught a year when I was in college." At this point things went black for the reporter and restorative measures were employed.

"While I was here as a student I worked on the Breeze staff," Dr. Armentrout laughed by way of compensation for the former shock. "You can draw your own conclusions.' And with a final chuckle she turned from collegiate memories back to today's headlines, leaving the reporter with dreams of going from cub reporter to dean of women overnight.

Department Faculty Jeffries Presents **Entertains Students**

The home economics faculty gave a tea for the Freshmen and transfer students of the home economics department this afternoon at the Home Management House. Miss Myrtle Wilson's class in advanced foods catered for the tea. The seniors at the Home Management House assisted the hostesses in receiving the

All Pictures to be Handled Through Downtown Studio

All pictures ordered through the Annual room from the Gitchell-Deane Studio must be obtained from the studio at 18 N. Main St., Harrisonburg, according to an announcement from Anna Gorden Barrett, editor of the Schoolma'am. Any new orders for pictures must also be placed at the downtown studio.

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Madison Letter

A manuscript letter written by the father of James Madison to his sonin-law, Thomas Macon, dated February 1796, was presented to Dr. S. P. Duke, president of the college, by Anne Jeffries, freshman, in Assembly on Wednesday. This letter was the gift of President Madison's great grandniece, Miss Corrie B. Macon Hill and was secured by an alumnæ of this college, Mrs. Annie Youell Jeffries, and sent through her daughter, Anne.

Show cases have been provided in Madison Memorial Library for the display of Madison relics and other valuable material. It is the desire of the college to establish a large collection of significant facts and mementoes relating to President James Madison.

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Alpha Gives Tea For Literary Societies

Mrs. Slaughter, Carr Pour; Four Presidents, Alpha Sponsors Receive

Alpha Literary Society entertained the sponsors and members of Lanier, Lee, and Page societies at a tea on Thursday, November 30, in Alumnæ Hall Reception Room.

Nancy Bailey, president of Alpha, received the guests; others receiving were the respective presidents of the guest societies, Judy Vinyard, Lanier; Gwendolyn Truehart, Page; and Nancy Dixon, Lee. Mrs. Nancy Byrd Ruebush and Mr. Robert Slaughter, sponsors of Alpha, also assisted in welcoming the guests who were introduced by Inez Craig, chairman of the Social Committee.

Mrs. R. E. Slaughter and Lafayette Carr, assistant to the Dean of Women, poured tea. The floating hostesses were officers of Alpha.

Since 1924 Alpha Literary Society has been a well known organization on campus. This year Alpha, under the leadership of Nancy Bailey, president; Martha Jane Draper, vicepresident; Mary Dryden Hedges, secretary; Alice Griffith, treasurer; and Julia Kilpatrick, reporter, is working for the most successful year in its history.

Orchestra, Schneider Provide Music for Elk's Service

The Madison College orchestra, conducted by Clifford T. Marshall, will provide the music at the Elk's memorial service on December 3. The program will include a selection from Tannhauser by Wagner, and Andantino in D flat by Leamare. Miss Edythe Schneider will appear as soloist, singing Spinit Flower by Campbell-Tipton, and Absent by Metcalf. Miss Edna T. Shaeffer of the Music Department, is in charge of the program arrangements.

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Old Girls Meet New Girls In Annual Basketball Clash Tomorrow Night

Padgett, Varsity Captain. Hopes to Find Guards Among New Girls

With seventy hard fighting new girls composed of both transfers and Frosh, entering into rigorous training this week, the traditional Old Girl-New Girl Basketball game will be played tomorrow night in Reed Gym at 7:30.

The new girls, who are being coached by Virginia Woodard, college sports leader and first string guard, and by Mrs. James C. Johnston, varsity coach, are evenly divided in guard and forward positions. The entire number has been divided into six teams, selected at random, each sextet scrimmaging hard for several minutes as practice. From playing exhibited in this week's tussles, the final new-girl squad will be chosen. Loss of Players

The varsity tossers, much crippled in the guard zone by loss of three first string men, Billie Powell, Martha Fitzgerald, and former Captain Janet Wimer, will meet the New Girls after slight preparation in the way of actual playing. The forward line suffered the loss of only one player, Faye Quick, leaving Captain Linda Padgett, Lorraine Fisher, and Jean Van Landingham as a strong scoring trio.

Odds on Varsity

Predictions as to the outcome of this match are somewhat uncertain, because of decisive victories for the Old-Girls in '37, and the New Girls in '38. Judging by all that's "fair and just," the Varsity men should stage a victorious comeback over their raw competitors tomorrow night.

This year's encounter between varsity and new material was scheduled later than usual due to the introduction of the college's first Old Girl-New Girl Hockey tilt in September.

Rockingham Teachers Meet Tomorrow

Two hundred and fifty teachers deed he was. And Bill was very glad from Rockingham County are expected to attend the bi-monthly teacher's meeting which will be held in Wilson home, and every night it was late Auditorium tomorrow morning from when Anna Jane got in and Anna 10 o'clock until noon. There will be reports from delegates to the meet- mornings because Anna Jane liked to ing of the Virginia Education Association, which was held in Richmond during the Thanksgiving holiday. The remainder of the program will consist of an address by Dr. J. M. Henry of the faculty of Bridgewater Col-

Home Economics Founders Honored at Club Meeting

The Frances Sale Club program on Monday, December 4, at 6:45 p. m., will be dedicated to Ellen H. Richardson, who was responsible for the first home economics movement, and to Miss Frances Sale, who was the first home economics teacher here.

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Ernest Foss, General Motors Showman Says No Single Thing Around Us Is Fully Understood

surface of human endeavor," declared Ernest L. Foss, science master of the General Motors Previews of Progress, speaking to over a thousand students and faculty members of Madison College in Wilson Auditorium Tuesday night. "So often we hear that science has come to an end, that the world has been finished. We are told the future holds no more opportunities and nothing new. But this is not true, for science has just begun its

Simple Question?

To prove this Mr. Foss made the startling statement that no single thing around us, either natural or man-made, is fully understood. For several years the General Motors Research Laboratories have been trying to answer the seemingly simple question: Why is grass green? Although they have not yet found the answer, their research has given them much valuable information on related sub-

"No one really knows what electricity is," Mr. Foss went on. "On the basis of what we have done with-

By Julia Kilpatrick

river there lived a little girl named

Anna Jane. Pence. When Anna grew

up to be a big girl she went away to

a great big college in a beautiful val-

ley. She stayed there for two long

months until it came time for her to

go home for a visit. She got on a

great big bus and rode and rode and

rode until she got to the city by the

Now Anna Jane knew a boy and

his name was Bill, and Anna Jane thought Bill was very nice, and in-

to see Anna Jane and Bill took Anna

Jane out every night while she was

Jane slept and slept and slept in the

But finally the day came when

Anna Jane had to go back to college.

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sleep very much.

Junior Dozess In Thanksgiving Daze

Once upon a time in a city by the to the beautiful valley.

"Science has only scratched the | marvelous things could be done if one suddenly discovered what electricity is."

Concerning the role of industrial research in the nation's economy, the lecturer set forth the idea that rises and slumps of prosperity might be avoided, if sufficient effort were put forth to develop new things. New industries will arise, employing more people and requiring more raw materials.

Wide Use of Glass

Mr. Foss explained that as a result of its recent research several amazing new products have been developed, including fire-proof glass cloth, glass tubing for electric wire insulation, and glass tape. The last two products have made possible the manufacture of smaller and lighter electric motors and generators.

"We hope that we can leave behind the optimism that we should all have—in view of the marvelous things being done in American industry today-that we'll leave with you the realization that instead of having finished, we're as far behind the future as the stage coach days out knowing what it is, imagine what are behind us," Mr. Foss concluded.

But things weren't so good for

Anna Jane, because she got very

sleepy and she fell asleep in class one

day, and the teacher, who was a tall

man with a whole lot of hair, saw

her. He looked at her and he didn't

seem pleased a bit and so he asked

her what a generator was. And Anna

Jane was so tired and so sleepy that

she said, "No, Daddy, it wasn't the

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generator, it was a flat tire."



Linda Padgett, captain of the varsity basketball squad, which opens the season tomorrow night with the annual Old Girl-New Girl game.

Y W Clothing Drive **Begins Monday**

A clothing drive sponsored by the Y. W. C. A. will begin on Monday, December 4. Boxes will be placed in all dormitories in which teen-age clothes are to be placed. These will be distributed to those who need them in Rockingham County. Marie Walker, president of Y. W., stated that more than a hundred people were clothed last year with contributions of students of Madison Col-

The Y. W. will also sponsor a drive for materials which can be used in the county schools.

she got on the big bus and she rode Æolian Offers Hundred and rode and rode until she got back

(Continued From Page One) (4) Selection of the most appropriate poem and music will be made by a committee of four chosen from the faculty. However, if no song meets the approval of the judges, no award will be offered. Announcement of the judges decision will be made in the Breeze as soon after February 1 as

(6) All manuscripts submitted will become the property of the college and will not be returned to the con-

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A.A. Announces **Basketball** Schedule

Four of Seven Contests Planned to be Played on Home Floor

The varsity basketball squad opened its '40 season this week when scrimmaging began in preparation for the first encounter against the Frosh and Transfer stars. The purple and gold tossers captained by "Midget" Padgett, Lexington, are hoping to find some strength for their guard line from the New Girl players, before entering into the intercollegiate matches.

Out of the seven games which have been tentatively scheduled, four are to be played on home grounds. They

January 12-Frostburg S. T. C .-

January 20-Frostburg S. T. C .-

February 9-East Radford S. T. C. -There.

February 16-Haftra College, L. February 17-East Stroudsburg S.

T. C .- Here. February 24 - Westhampton -

March 8-Farmville S. T. C .-There.

Those varsity members who made up last year's squad and who are eligible this season are: Forwards: Linda Padgett, Lorraine Fisher, Jean Van Landingham, June Fravel, Marjorie Mann, Nancy Lee, and Frances Wright. Guards: Virginia Woodward, Jean Smith, Barbara Carter, Lee Schaff, and Marguerite Bell.

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