# NEWS OF THE COLLEGE AND ITS ALUMNÆ

NEWS OF THE CAMPUS

The winter quarter boomed off with the addition of twenty-three new members to the student body and an improvement in the class schedule. The school day has seven fifty-minute periods with ten minutes now for intermission instead of the former five minutes which was somewhat cramping. There are no classes in the fifth period on non-assembly days; the last period ends at four-thirty. Among the added students are Emma Winn, Palmyra, and Zelia Wisman, Cumberland, Maryland, who are returning here to complete work for their degrees this year.

The beginning of a quarter is a usual time for noting who has joined what. In the first place, President Duke is now a life member of the National Education Association; in recognition of his services to the college the faculty presented him with the N. E. A. life membership as a Christmas gift. The literary societies, furthermore, have taken in members, following the election of new officers to serve through the second quarter.

The Lanier pilots are Ruth Cary, president; Adelia Krieger, vice-president; Lucille Duling, secretary; Virginia Tisdale, chairman of the program committee; Ruth Fitchett, sergeant-at-arms; and Helen Roche, critic. The initiates are Virginia Charles, Peggy Sexton, Anna Charles, Stribbie Lottier, Martha Spencer, Rose Hogge, Virginia Curtis, Martha Williams, Mildred Brinkley, Sarah Mercer, Bess Cowling, Mary Turner, Helen Turner, Margaret Eaton, Mary Virginia Compher, and Marjorie Scott.

The Lee officers are Lucy Davis, president; E. Lambert, vice-president; Elizabeth Knight, secretary; Elizabeth Mason, treasurer; Charlotte Turner, chairman of pro-

gram committee; Bill Alphin, sergeant-at-arms; and Helen Yeatts, critic. Nell Vincent, Louise Patrick, Virginia Boggs, Mary Ida Payne, Juanita Berry, Elizabeth Knight, Ruth Dold, Mayme Turner, and Annie are the new members.

Elsie Proffitt is president of the Pages; Sallie Kent, vice-president; Florence Reese, secretary; Ruth King, treasurer; Nina Frey, chairman of program committee; and Sherwood Jones, critic. The new Pages are Phyllis Palmer, Mina Thomas, Ruth Hill, Florence Wood, Helen Lineweaver, Irene Garrison, Sarah Milnes, Parepa Smith, Evlyn Steiner, Elizabeth Kaminsky, Mildred Rhodes, and Virginia Hinton.

Four "goats" have been taken in the Stratford Dramatic Club and royally entertained at a banquet in the College dining hall. The actresses are Ruth Dold, Elizabeth Hopkins, Annie Bulloch, and Phyllis Palmer.

Lightly dancing into the organization, Ruth Cary, Virginia Tisdale, Rose Hogge, Stribbie Lottier, Bess Cowling, Virginia Curtis, and Martha Spencer have been taken into the Cotillion Club.

Mr. Duke, Dr. Gifford, and Mrs. Varner went to Farmville for January 14 and 15 to attend a meeting of the presidents, deans, and deans of women of the Virginia teachers colleges. More common standards for the four institutions were discussed. They brought back reports of the progress being made in the sister schools.

"Expansion" continues at H. T. C. At first the movement was into new buildings; now rooms are the specialty. The tea room, established in the basement of Harrison Hall, is a successful actuality under the management of Mrs. Luther Goode with the assistance of the entire home economics department. The cheery meeting place was opened with a silver tea, Wednesday, January 12. The old Y. W. social room was taken over for the new enterprise, and one

of the former classrooms in the same building is being fixed up by the association. The remodelling of another classroom into a suitable place for study has met a real need of the day students. The crowded condition in the library is being improved by converting the faculty room into a reading room where all the periodicals are now shelved.

Since Sheldon Hall in now a dormitory, there are not "threes" where only "twos" were intended. The added space, following the completion of this building, has also made it possible for the Student Council and the Annual Staff to return to their offices.

Freshmen and other new students Thursday, January 6, took the psychological examination which is part of the school procedure each year. The administration of the tests was satisfactory and the results, it is hoped, will be.

Athletic ability has been tested too. The first basketball game to be staged in Walter Reed gymnasium was played between the Old and New Girls, January 8, the Old Girls taking the victory. Action was swift and the game was much more interesting than the one played between Bridgewater and Harrisonburg January 14. The local team triumphed with a 45-9 score that night and in the return game the following week won to the tune of 27-5. Following the Bridgewater games, the remainder of the schedule provides for games with the three sister teachers' colleges, and is arranged for these dates: Jan. 29, Fredericksburg-there; February 7, Radford—here; February 19, Radford—there; February 26, Fredericksburg-here; March 4, Farmville-there; March 12, Farmville-here.

Hockey honors in the form of letters and jerseys were awarded Turpin, Holladay, Gentis, Nickell, Lambert, Herring, Rand, Gibson, Mattox, Farrar, Doan, and Miller. Interest is further being shown in physical education. One of the advanced gym classes has organized and is trying to learn how other schools conduct games and contests.

The athletes are not the only persons who play. The Blue Stone orchestra has elected Eugenia Ely pianist and Elizabeth Terry business manager. Mr. Duke made the organization a gift with which to buy new music.

Entertainment has been of a high order. Tony Sarg's Marionettes held matinee and evening audiences spellbound. For the first time in the history of the school the College music faculty gave a recital. A large group of students and town people attended the concert, January 14. The music faculty has been honored further. Miss Margaret Miller, teacher of piano, is president of the Second District of the Virginia Federation of Music Clubs.

There has been some "fiery" excitement. A slight blaze in the chimney of Wellington created a "thriller" January 15. More serious was the fire at the Blue Bird Tea Room across the street from the campus.

Social events have been thick and close together. The Y. W. C. A. had the new girls to tea. Officers of the Choral Club entertained the members at tea. Mrs. T. N. Haas and Mrs. George E. Sipe entertained the College faculty, Saturday afternoon, January 29. The Breeze staff blew itself to a banquet. Doris Persinger, editor of the paper last year, left her teaching in Charlottesville to be at the College that week-end.

The Varners have both entertained and been entertained in their new home. The entire faculty gave the couple a surprise shower of gifts. The Alumnae Hall girls enjoyed a delightful radio party with Mr. and Mrs. Varner.

Plans for the College dance, and the class stunts are well under way. The winter season reaches its height.

## ALUMNÆ NOTES

Ella O'Neal is teaching in the Middletown high school in Frederick County. She lets us hear from her occasionally.

Mary Lee Bishop writes under recent date from her old home at Proffit, Albemarle County. She says, "I often think of the happy days spent at Blue-Stone Hill." Her sister Carrie is still teaching at Portsmouth, Va.

Lucile Early (Mrs. Albert N. Fray) writes from her home, "Fraylinn," at Advance Mills, Va. She has many friends among the alumnæ.

Anna Hall is teaching at Waynesboro. Her address is Box 23, Park Station.

Mattie Worster sent us a line recently from Portsmouth. She says, "I took a trip to Baltimore and Frederick, Md., during the Holidays." It seemed quite natural to see her and Mary McDonald together at Roanoke during the Thanksgiving educational conference.

May Rowbotham (Mrs. Peter Gatling) lives in Norfolk, and she sends us a message now and then.

Janet Farrar spent the holidays at home in Clifton Forge, so says Mamie Omohundro. Janet teaches in Cleveland, Ohio. Her address there is 10065 Republic Court.

Lucy Gatling is still teaching in Petersburg. Evidently they like her there. Her address is 1603 Berkeley Avenue.

Lucile Keeton writes from Alberta, Brunswick County. She and her sister Bessie are always loyal to Harrisonburg.

Rebe Moyler is teaching in the schools of Franklin, Va. We have good reports of her work.

Carolyn Wine and Elizabeth Harley are teaching at Bassett, Va. They were greeting many old friends at Roanoke at Thanksgiving.

Hazel Davis is holding down a big job in the N. E. A. headquarters at Washington and is planning a trip to Europe next summer. She attended George Washington University last winter. Gladys Yowell is now Mrs. Claude L. Yowell and is living in Standardsville, Va., where her husband is principal of the public schools.

Eunice Lipscomb is teaching at Ridgeway. She likes the boys and girls of Patrick and of Henry, with good reason, we doubt not. She also sends us word of Bluma Thompson, who is teaching near Ridgeway.

Beulah Fix heads her letter at Hot Springs, Va., and sends a good word to all her friends.

Mildred Hoshour and Edna Hoover are taking the extension courses that are being given by the College at Woodstock. In the same classes are Mr. E. M. O'Flaherty and one or two others who have been enrolled at Harrisonburg in former years.

Marceline Gatling and Mr. Samuel G. Staples were married on December 27th. They are at home at 2006 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk. In a letter written on January 7 Marceline says: "We went to New York for our wedding trip. We got home in time for work this past Monday."

Elizabeth Nicol married Mr. Arthur Metcalf in June, 1925. They spent last winter in Cambridge, Mass., Mr. Metcalf doing post-graduate work in Harvard. Elizabeth took the teachers' examination for domestic science in Washington and passed at the head of the list.

Jean Nicol, Elizabeth's sister, is teaching at Rockville, Md., the home town of the Nicols.

On November 9, 1926, Hazel Haun and Mr. Charles H. Zigler were married at Woodstock. Mr. Zigler holds an important position at the Massanutten Caverns, Harrisonburg.

Sadie Rich and Mr. George M. Norwood were married at Emporia, Va., on December 24, 1926. We shall be pleased to have further news of this happy couple, as well as of all other Beatrices and Benedicts upon whom we have legitimate claims.

Marguerite Garrett (Mrs. Etheridge)

sends greeting from Miami, Florida, where she has been living for several years.

Georgie Foreman (Mrs. G. F. Smith) lives at Norfolk. Her address is 15 1-2 Street, Willoughby Beach.

Roselyn Brownley of Norfolk still remembers her friends at Blue-Stone Hill. She and Florence Shelton made the first "Breeze" to blow hereabouts.

Lelia Brock Jones wishes to be remembered by all of her old friends (and they are many). She writes from Smithfield,

Mary Lee Perry sends greetings from Sarasota, Florida. At this season of the year she seems to prefer oranges to snowballs.

Ruby Norford's address is 3912 Seminary Avenue, Richmond, Va. She is pleased to hear from old friends.

Montelle Boisseau seems to be faring far. She heads her message at De Witt, Kansas. We trust that she may soon be nearer to Old Virginia.

Carolyn Weems is following in the footsteps of Rachel Medical College and all that. Her recent card from Ashland was much appreciated.

Vergilia Sadler is living and teaching at Buckingham. We shall be delighted to see her back at the old college at commence-

Emily Burger (Mrs. Austin) writes from Fincastle, Va. She saw many of her former classmates at Roanoke Thanksgiving.

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