
A witty comedy by two popular Spanish dramatists who write in modern colloquial Spanish.


High school graduates entering college frequently have difficulty in using the library. They do not know how or where to secure information when they need it. For such students this book should be helpful.

It is a text for the upper grades, but can well be used in high schools or even in the lower grades, and would be most helpful in teacher training classes. Definite exercises are given on every phase of library work—the physical makeup of a book, the use of dictionaries and encyclopedias, the card catalog, reference reading, note-taking, reading of periodicals, and fiction.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE AND ITS ALUMNÆ

NEWS OF THE CAMPUS

President Paul Bowman of Bridgewater College was the speaker at Convocation January 9. Taking "Scholarship and Democracy" as his theme, President Bowman developed the idea that the primary function of a college is "scholarship buttressed by morality, inspired by ideals." He suggested three tests of the scholar: first, the ability to discover truth for himself, to stand alone, if need be, amid the current of conflicting ideas; second, the ability to convince others that the truth that he has discovered is real truth; third, the ability to translate truth by weaving it into the lives of the community. It is as an apostle of life and as a constructive moral force that the scholar must serve his purpose in the community of a real democracy, asserted Dr. Bowman.

On the occasion of his visit to Harrisonburg to attend a meeting of the Shenandoah Valley, Incorporated, Governor E. Lee Trinkle accepted an invitation to address the student body in assembly on January 16. The Governor called attention to the large increases in the appropriation of public monies to the purpose of education, asserting that against the $4,223,000 spent on public schools in 1914, the State of Virginia in 1924 spent $10,851,000 in support of its public schools. Whereas in 1914-16 $498,000 had been appropriated for teacher training purposes, in the biennium of 1924-26 $709,000 would be expended in the same way. Impressive as the evidence was of continually larger expenditures in education, there still remained to be noted the fact that larger enrollment of students necessitated still further expenditures in order to keep up with the standard of 1914.

Another prominent visitor on the campus in January was William W. Ellsworth, a former president of the well-known publishing firm, The Century Company, who came here to give his illustrated lecture on "Shakespeare and Old London." During his visit Mr. Ellsworth generously agreed to speak at assembly Wednesday on "The New Poetry" and Thursday morning on "The Joy of Writing." The Stratford Dramatic Club managed the lectures and invited as special guests for the Thursday morning lecture the staffs of The Breeze and The Schoolma'am. Mr. Ellsworth was entertained at dinner by the members of the Stratford Dramatic Club, who afterwards at their regular meeting were favored with an informal talk by Mr. Ellsworth on actors he had known. Mr. Ellsworth's visit to the campus was a source of much inspiration and his fund of anecdotes and stories about well-known writers he had known were only less interesting than his genial personality.

The Bluestone Cotillion Club has blossomed forth twice during January; first, at a little dance in the gymnasium on the tenth when Bernice Wilkins and Virginia Blankenship were awarded a prize in a dancing contest, and again on the twenty-fourth when the regular German for the winter quarter was held in Harrison Hall.
To music furnished by the Augusta Military Academy orchestra, more than a hundred couples enjoyed the festive occasion to the full.

At the January birthday party Mr. and Mrs. John N. McIlwraith were the guests of honor along with Miss Wittlinger and Mrs. Wittlinger, Miss Turner, Mrs. Milnes, and Mr. and Mrs. Varner. Evelyn Cheshire, as toastmistress, called on Mr. McIlwraith at the conclusion of an evening that began with a mock-wedding ceremony.

—The faculty women living on the campus entertained Miss Alimae Aiken at dinner Thursday evening, January 22, preliminary to Miss Aiken's departure for New York City, where she will be doing work in art during the rest of the present session. During Miss Aiken's leave of absence her classes are being taught by Miss Margaret McAdory, of Birmingham, Alabama.—Still another party in honor of the McIlwraiths brought most of the faculty plowing through the snow to Alumnae Hall the evening of January 27.

In addition to a recital given by students of expression and music on January 16, three one-act plays were presented by students of expression, under the direction of Miss Ruth S. Hudson, the evening of January 23; "The Far-Away Princess," by Hermann Sudermann; "Barbara," by J. K. Jerome; "The Wonder Hat," by K. S. Goodman and Ben Hecht, were presented with pleasing effect.

A "miscellaneous shower" was the device hit upon by the officers of the Y. W. C. A. as a means of furnishing the Y. W. C. A. rooms and kitchen.—Two speakers at Sunday meetings of the Y. W. C. A. have been Miss Louise Foreman, Secretary of the Young Peoples' Work of the Baptist Church, and Miss Roberta Carnes, a field worker of the W. C. T. U. Dr. E. R. Miller, of Harrisonburg, was also a speaker at the Y. W. C. A. services.

The basketball schedule has begun auspiciously. Three games have been played and Harrisonburg has won them all. At Bridgewater on January 9 the "Star-Daughters" won from the girls of Bridgewater College by a score of 28 to 3. On January 17 in a return game at Harrisonburg, played this time under modified girls' rules with only five players, Bridgewater lost again—this time by a score of 49 to 15. Farmville played here on January 30 and on account of ominous advance reports Harrisonburg supporters were rather nervous over the outcome. In spite of Jessie Rosen's bandaged hand, Sadie Harrison's damaged knee, and Ruth Nickell's heavy cold, however, the Star-Daughters rallied round the flag and won by a score of 38 to 19.

Three recent movie entertainments put on by different campus organizations have been a picture based on Les Misérables and picturizations of If Winter Comes and This Freedom. Assembly programs have included the concert of the junior high school Glee Club; a talk by Rev. L. S. Rudasill and music by the Misses Ada and Ida Howard; another program by the college Glee Club (in which was sung a very mathematical song); and a very entertaining program of readings by Rev. J. C. Copenhaver from various popular verse writers.

ALUMNÆ NOTES

Bessie Stuart is teaching at Cumberland. She has the fourth grade and is enjoying her work very much.

Marceline Gatling sends a message of good cheer from her home in Norfolk. Her school is near at hand.

Richie L. Colvin writes from Waterloo in Culpeper county and says: "I am teaching the fourth and fifth grades at Amissville."

Nellie Gray is located at Lorton. She is teaching in several grades in the Pohick
School. She is planning to be in college again next summer.

Bessie Long may be addressed at Oriskany in Botetourt county. From all accounts she is doing good work there.

Lucille Keeton’s address is Alberta. She is preparing her pupils to take part in a county literary contest, the chief feature of which is a debate on tax reform in Virginia.

Janie Hart is teaching at Smoots P. O. in Caroline County. She is giving good evidence of a progressive spirit in her work.

Leslie Fox is assistant to Supt. H. D. Hite of Warren and Rappahannock. She takes a keen interest in the professional reading of the teachers.

Hallie Starling writes from Lone Oak in Henry county. She wishes to be remembered to all her friends at Blue-Stone Hill.

Emma Holland sent us a recent message from Shiloh in Southampton county. She is doing fine work if one may judge from good evidence.

Mrs. Mayo Reames writes from Hebron. She is making a good contribution to the schools of Dinwiddie county.

Tacy Shamburg Fansler wishes to be remembered to her old friends at college. She is teaching at Lost City, W. Va.

Ollie Lee Hogshead is teaching at Stuarts Draft in Augusta. She is having her pupils work up a project on Stonewall Jackson’s Valley Campaign.

Holly L. Moorefield is teaching in Washington county, and her address is Damascus.

Eleanor Jennings should be addressed at Saltville. She is showing a fine professional spirit in her work.

Blanche Jones is teaching at Galax. She is keeping up finely with the progressive Southwest.

Ruth Dellinger is doing good work at Victoria in Lunenburg county.

Mae Stegemon sends a word of greeting from Remo, Northumberland county.

Mrs. Norma R. Davies holds a good position at Manassas.

Mattie Worster’s address is 322 London street, Portsmouth. She sends a good word to all her friends—and she has a great many.

Lena Dodd writes from Roseland. We have some good reports of her work there.

Please attend to the following wedding announcements:

December 24, Hazel Bellerby to Mr. John Washington Burke, at Washington, D. C.

December 27, Annie Douglass to Mr. Jesse Ewell, Jr., at Charlottesville.

December 31, Eunice Lambert to Mr. Whitfield Y. Mauzy, at McGaheysville.

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