

NOTES OF THE SCHOOL AND ITS ALUMNAE

The Community Chautauqua, with a rich offering of lectures and musical entertainments, furnished abundant recreation for the students of the first term of the Summer Quarter. Especially enjoyable were the dramatic performances, the children's pageant and Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew*. A very large number of the students availed themselves of the opportunity to attend the various numbers offered by the Chautauqua.

From the opening week, however, to the closing week of the second term, when the Rockingham County Fair furnished the chief source of diversion, there has been a continuous program of amusements. With outside amusements such as circuses, excursions to all the nearby points of interest, and such, opportunity has been given the students who felt so inclined to temper their serious work with such attractions on the campus as interesting moving picture evenings, and the series of plays and games conducted on the lawn. Particularly impressive was The Folk Dance Evening; at this time a special program of games and songs was presented in the Open Air Auditorium.

As an outstanding musical event the appearance here in the early part of August of the young Irish tenor, Allen McQuhae, will remain long in the memories of those who were privileged to hear him. With looks and voice that strongly reminded one of the famous John McCormack, Mr. McQuhae convinced his audience that his is a voice and a personality with possibilities as great as those of his illustrious countryman.

An especially enjoyable evening was that of August 22, when the pageant, *Home and Native Land*, under the joint authorship of Dr. John W. Wayland and Mr. Will H. Ruebush, was presented by the students of the school. Miss Edna T. Shaeffer directed the music. The pageant was staged in the attractive setting of the Open Air Auditorium. A half-hour concert was given by the Dayton band before the presentation of the pageant. The large auditorium was filled with students and friends of the school.

The attendance at this session of the Summer School has broken all records. During the two terms the total number of students has reached the high water mark of approximately fourteen hundred. A noteworthy feature of this summer's student body is the unprecedentedly large number of men and women doing professional work. The State Examination group has been quite small.

The Chapel Exercises have been made attractive by many distinguished out-side speakers. Good music has likewise featured the exercises. A special choir, trained by Miss Shaeffer, has assured good singing.

Both students and faculty members have derived much pleasure and inspiration from the Massanetta Bible Conference which has been in session a great part of the summer. Many of the distinguished speakers on the programs at the Conference have lent their presence to the regular Chapel Exercises of the Summer School.

Nina Ford writes from Herndon, Va., where she is teaching. She says:

"I have just been reading THE VIRGINIA TEACHER and it has given me a homesick feeling for H. N. S. I can't come to see you just now, but I feel as if I must have a little chat with you. . . . I am teaching the 4th grade and am enjoying it very much. I'm only sixteen miles from home, and about twenty-five from Washington. . . . Miss Carrier, one of the other teachers here, is also from Harrisonburg. . . . I'm still studying my French. The man with whom I board spent eighteen months in France during the war, and we have a conversation in French quite often."

Frances Selby, who for the past three years has been secretary to the dean of the faculty of the East Texas State Normal College, Commerce, Texas, has been made registrar at a handsome salary. As soon as she obtains a degree for which she is now working she will have the title of registrar and professor. Here are our hearty congratulations, "Frank"—further success to you, and lots of it. She still has a warm spot in her heart for Blue-

Stone Hill and sends greetings to all her old friends.

Sarah Shields, who is now pursuing courses of study in the University of Cincinnati, is planning to pay us a visit at Harrisonburg before the end of the summer.

Joe Warren is working toward her Master's degree at the University of West Virginia. Her address is 174 First Street, Morgantown.

Georgia L. Holland sends greetings from Cape Charles. We wish her a pleasant vacation.

Sidney Artz writes from Woodstock, her old home. She is spending the summer "mid the green fields of Virginia, in the vale of Shenandoah."

Janet Bailey (Mrs. Fred Lee Troy) of Big Stone Gap sends word of the death of Eugenia Wofe, of Dryden, who, with her sister, Burr Wolfe, was a student here several years ago. About four years ago Eugenia Wolfe became Mrs. Charles Reasor. She died in the hospital at Norton on June 17. We extend sincere sympathy to her husband, her parents, and her sister. As a student here and as a teacher in her home county she won the esteem of all who knew her.

Margareet Lewis, under date of June 29, wrote as follows: "I'm in Boston, or rather at a camp near there. Isn't it the most interesting city? I've been to all of the most noted places, I think."

Carrie Malone sends a good word from Petersburg. We wish her a pleasant and profitable summer.

Pauline Callender is at Berkley, California, taking a course in the state university. On the way out she stopped at San Antonio and other historic places. On June 23 she wrote: "Have been to Catalina Islands and we are going around the Bay today. We are all in love with San Francisco."

Under date of July 2 Mary Ferguson writes: "Christine and I are down on the farm again, and enjoy it more than ever, after a nine months stay in the city." Mary has been teaching in Richmond and Christine taught near there last session. Address them at Ingleside Farm, Clifton Station.

Ethel Parrott ("Polly") was married on October 3, 1922, to Dr. William B. McCutcheon. The marriage took place in Washington and "Polly" went on with her teaching in Portsmouth till the end of the session. Then the secret was announced. We extend best wishes to the happy couple—also to the following:

Rosa Heidelberg and Mr. Somerville L. Loving, married on June 28, 1923, at Rustburg;

June Steele to Dr. Olin H. Ruddle, married on June 30, 1923, in Washington City;

Meade Feild and Mr. G. J. Cox of Alexandria, married on July 19, 1923.

Dr. and Mrs. Ruddle are at home in Salem, Va.

Lucy Gatling and Iona Wimbrough are among the alumnae who are at the Normal this summer, taking special courses.

Gertrude Bowler, Grace Gaw, and Mary Nash are all working at George Peabody College for Teachers this summer. They, with others from Virginia and West Virginia, put on a stunt in the fourth of July pageant that won first honors. An original song and an effective pantomime were prominent features in the exercise.

Virginia Eppes, Lucy McGehee, Mary Stuart Hutcheson, Louise Houston, Matilda Bell, Louise Bailie, and Christine Miller were among the Normal girls who attended the Massanetta Springs Bible Conference for young people this summer.

Gadys Didawick and Pauline Bowman came up from Woodstock recently for a day's visit at Blue-Stone Hill.

Marie Cornell sends greetings from the Sacramento River and Mt. Shasta. She says: "I am having a wonderful vacation. California is just a regular picture book."

Anna Ward is sojourning in old New England. Under recent date she wrote from Provincetown, Mass. She says: "I visited Plymouth yesterday and have spent today here."

Alese Charles was married on July 21 to Mr. Walter W. Rangeley, Jr., at Newport News. She and her husband are at home at Christiansburg, Va.