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NEWS AND NOTES OF THE ALUMNAE

Norfolk and Portsmouth have organized in combination a chapter of the Alumnae Association, with Marceline Gatling as president, Alpha Holcomb, secretary, and Dorothy Spooner, treasurer. At a recent dinner at the Fairfax hotel, in Norfolk, a typical get-together meeting was held, with the "Harrisonburg Spirit" abundantly in evidence. The primary object of this meeting was to consider the chapter's part in the drive for the Alumnae-Students' Building Fund. As might have been expected from a chapter composed of such alumnae as are listed below, representing those present on this occasion, a magnificent pledge toward the fund was unanimously voted.

Those present on this occasion were: Mrs. William Spong (Emily Nichols), Alpha Holcomb, Helen Acton, Nella Roark, Ethel Channing, Lelouise Edwards, Dorothy Spooner, Lucy Gatling, Mary Lancaster, Mary Mooreland, Louise Harwell, Margie Menzel, Clara Menzel, Regina McLaughlin, Frances Hudgins, Mrs. Lelia H. Clay, Hazel Williams, Margie Gatling, Mary Folliard, Mrs. Shirley Hope (Mary E. Nichols), Helena Marsh, Mrs. H. G. Martin (Alpine Gatling), Margaret Jordan, Ruth Sexton, Emily Eley, Miriam Jones, Marie Johnson, Hilda Barton, Linda Carter, Marceline Gatling.

Newport News and Hampton have combined in the organization of a chapter, with Evelyn Koogler as president, Geneva Moore, vice-president, Emma Beard, secretary, and Anna Allen, treasurer. Sallie Rome (Mrs. Morewitz), though married, is an active member of this chapter, as well as Xenia Crone, who is not at present teaching, but is engaged in secretarial work. This chapter is to be called The Peninsula Chapter and embraces a territory in which some of Harrisonburg's most enthusiastic alumnae are living. We hope to publish a complete membership of this chapter at an early date.

Nansemond County organized a chap-

ter recently at Suffolk through the efforts of Grace Gaw, drawing teacher in the Suffolk schools. Mary Stallings who is teaching at Driver's, was elected president, Marion Marshall secretary. An interesting meeting of this chapter was recently held for the purpose of perfecting a county-wide organization, getting a complete roll of its membership, and putting under way plans for its future activities. Nansemond county has some twenty-five to thirty Harrisonburg alumnae in it at present.

Petersburg recently organized a chapter, with a membership of twenty-five girls. Helen McCaleb was elected president, with Essie Warren as secretary and treasurer. A representative from the Petersburg schools reports splendid interest in the work of the general association, especially in respect to the drive for the Alumnae-Students' Building Fund. It is said their plans, when made public, will arouse all sorts of mingled feelings of surprise and delight.

All local chapters should report their organization promptly and should send to the Committee on Alumnae Relations complete and correct lists of their membership, actual and potential.

Vivienne Mays sends in her subscription to the VIRGINIA TEACHER from Emerson, Nebr., and writes:

"We have mostly German and Swede children in school. Some are Indians. We have a very nice high school building here. Lately a wireless club has been organized and a very good wireless set has been installed. We heard from Arlington, Virginia, last night" (February 28).

Marcia White is now Mrs. E. N. Nicholson and her address is Murfreesboro, N. C. She was married March 5, at Boykins, Va. She writes: "I have enjoyed teaching very much and I can almost say that I hate to give it up." Clara Lee will finish out Marcia's term this year.

Cecile Chapman is home economics teacher at Charlotte Court House. She does not write any particular news, but we are pleased to receive her questionnaire.

Juliet Gish writes from Big Island, Va., where she is doing community welfare work.

She has been there since last November. She also sends in the address of Mary J. Stone, who is at Mizpah, Montana.

Most of our girls are in the home state, where we like to have them; but it is remarkable how widely over the earth some of them are distributed. For example, Nancy Hufford (Mrs. Furrow) is in California; Mary Scott is in France; Tracie Burtner (Mrs. Tietje) is in Louisiana; Dorothy Brown is in Canada; Sarah Shields is in India; Mabel Hitt is in Porto Rico; and the more or less distant whereabouts of many others will be noted from other paragraphs in these columns.

But the most gratifying fact in this connection is that, however widely our girls may wander in distant lands, they still do think of home and Blue-Stone Hill. For instance, on a day recently two letters came-one from British Columbia, the other from Texas. Each one contained a check and a subscription to THE VIRGINIA TEACHER; and each one was from one of our girls. Doris Sanders sent the message from British Columbia. She is teaching there. Her address is 1507 North Hampshire Road, Oak Bay, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. She wrote: "My certificate was changed without any trouble when I got here, as the State Normal at Harrisonburg, or rather its fame, has reached here. . . . I hope to be able to come back for my reunion, for my classmates of '19 are very dear to me.'

The message from Texas came from Frances Selby. She holds a fine position as Registrar in the State Normal College at Commerce, Texas, having entered upon her duties there in April, 1920. She says: "I find my work most interesting and my coworkers most congenial. The West is nothing like I dreamed it would be, nor is it like the East; however, I am beginning to like the climate and the ways of the people. Further west it is just like Zane Grey's vivid descriptions. Here it is less romantic. . . . But no place on earth is like the old State, Virginia."

Dorothy Brown is close upon her A. B. in Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario. Next, she is going to work for the M. A.

She is majoring in English and History. She is planning to teach in a normal school or a college. She says: "I have always been anxious to come back to see you all and some day I am really coming."

Does anybody object to "you all" in this case? We don't.

Rosa Tinder, Madge Bryan, and Annie Lee Crawford are all teaching in Winston-Salem, N. C. They have quarters in the "Teachers' Home," and they may be reached through a letter addressed to 405 Summit Street, Winston-Salem.

Mrs. C. E. Stone (Ruth Croy) holds a responsible and lucrative position with the Pennsylvania Railroad. She has recently been promoted to the position of supervisor in the car record office at Uniontown, Pa. Her address is 87 South Gallatin Avenue, Uniontown. She is planning to be with us again this summer at the Normal, for she is anxious to get back to her work as a teacher. She gives us the address of Mrs. D. K. Fagg (Josephine Northcross) as Graham, Va.

Hazel Lee Griffin sends us greetings from Centralia, Va. Since she was at Blue-Stone Hill she has been engaged in Y. W. C. A. work in Washington City. She has also been a student some time in Boston University. After May I we shall take pleasure in addressing her as Mrs. Earle R. Macnutt, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Our best wishes for her go on in advance. We shall hope to hear from her frequently in her new home.

Bettie James sends us a good message from her home at Lynnhaven, Va., where she is spending some time with her parents, trying to recover her health in a brave fight against tuberculosis. All her friends are with her in good wishes, and many of them are sending her messages of cheer. She gives us the address of Sarah Ferebee as 727 Raleigh Avenue, Norfolk.

Annie Ferebee sends a good word from her place of business in Norfolk. She holds a responsible position in the Nottingham & Wrenn Company of Norfolk, and is giving good proof of her business ability. She sends along the name and address of Sadie Dunlap, now Mrs. James G. Torrance, Charlotte, N. C.

Mattie Duncan, now Mrs. Vergil M. Cox, Mecaha, Montana, is teaching and keeping house. She gives the address of Mamie McMillan (now Mrs. William McMillan) as Mouth of Wilson, Va.

Leone Reaves writes from 509 W. 121 St., Apt. 401, New York City. She is taking a course in home economics at Teachers College. "I am intensely interested," she says, "in the new building that you people—rather the one that we—are going to build." And she will do her bit.

Hope Davidson, now Mrs. John B. Tarter, lives in Wytheville. She gives us information of the decease of Elmyra H. Davidson (Mrs. John Clayron Williams) on March 15, 1920.

We regret that we have to chronicle also the death of Elizabeth Gentry. In 1913 she went to Redlands, California, where she died in August, 1920.

Nannie Rutherford, Mrs. Flinn, sends greetings from Kensington, Md., where she is teaching and taking a special extension course from Johns Hopkins University.

Clara Thompson is principal of the junior high school at Glen Wilton, Va. She has four assistants and 132 pupils. Her address is Buchanan.

Lilla Gerow is now Mrs. Thomas C. Diehl, and her postoffice is Sutherland, Va. She gives us the full name of Lurlene Clarke's husband—Thomas Jefferson Spain; address, Church Road, Va.

Grace Gaw is still teaching drawing at Suffolk. She is finding many interesting things to do on the side—and honors, too, we doubt not. She says:

"Bessie Keeton is teaching at King's Forks, in the county. Her address is Suffolk. Bessie Lockstampfer is now Mrs. Mackall Keller, 801 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. She is teaching in Chevy Chase."

Mamie Livick is a teacher for the Federal Board of Vocational Education, and is at present located in New Haven, Conn. She

draws a good salary and is doing a great work for the crippled soldiers, sailors, and marines.

Essie Warren is grammar-school principal in the city of Petersburg. The success of her work is attested by the fact that she has held this position for six years. She has done some special summer work at Farmville. Her address is 229 S. Jefferson St.; and she gives the address of Mary McCaleb as 614 Harding Street, Petersburg.

Eva Rooshup does not tell us just when she was married, but she is Mrs. Elmer J. Kohl, and her address is 7431 John R. St., Detroit, Mich. And we are pretty certain that she is just as good a home-maker as she was a student.

Gladys Berlin's address is No. 7 Sydney Avenue, Charleston, W. Va. But now we must call her Mrs. J. Woodson Caldwell. She sends her good wishes to all her friends at Blue-Stone Hill.

Nellie Pace is teaching at Ridgeway, Va. This is her fourth year in that position. What more need we say? She writes: "Rachel Weems, Ashland, Va., is studying medicine."

Maytie Burns writes from her home at Burnsville, Va., and gives us the addresses of half a dozen other "old students." She is planning to return this summer for further work.

Mary Mowbray is now Mrs. S. B. Purcell, and her postoffice is Dante, Va. Her husband is a mining and civil engineer. She married him last November, and she says, "Can Misses Bell and Lancaster picture me housekeeping?" We think they can.

Mary Clement (Mrs. Scott) writes from her home in Greensboro, N. C., and says: "When I left Danville for school (at Harrisonburg) I didn't know a person there, but when I married several years later my bridesmaids were all H. N. S. girls. . . . I shall send my sister to you next year, and I shall expect you to be as lovely to her as you were to me."

Ada Burton is making a great success as a teacher in Wise county. She has been

principal of a four-room school for three sessions. Since she was here she has done summer work at the University of Virginia. She is considering work as a foreign missionary—possibly in Africa.

Rosa Block has been living in Baltimore for the past three years. She has a good position and enjoys her work. Her address is 752 Reservoir Street.

Emma G. Hupp is teaching home economics in the Sparta Agricultural High School. She says: "My love for Blue Stone Hill not only lingers but grows with each thought. Since I am far away my only consolation is the visit of The Virginia Teacher."

Dottie Spooner is teaching in the Wood-row Wilson High School, Portsmouth. We are certain that she appreciates the combination—Dorothy McKinley Spooner in the Woodrow Wilson High School. Other folks do too.

Elizabeth Mitchell and Geneva Moore are making things go the right way, in association with other good folks, at Francis Asbury School, Fox Hill, Hampton. Elizabeth writes under recent date and winds up with: "Dearest love for all at H. N. S." Her messages are always appreciated and her successes are our pleasures.

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