NEWS OF THE COLLEGE AND
ITS ALUMNAE

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The beginning of the spring quarter at Harrisonburg always sees changes in the organization of the Student Executive Council, for it is then that new officers of Student Government are chosen to serve through the spring quarter and the first two quarters of the next year. On April 19th the installation of these new officers took place, the ceremonies being held in Sheldon Hall at 7:30 P. M. The outgoing officers, whose administration has been attended with much success during the past year, were Sallie Loving, president; Clo-tilde Rodes, vice-president; and Florence Shelton, secretary. The newly installed officers are Elizabeth Rolston, president; Sue Kelly, vice-president; and Louise Reaves, secretary.

Mr. Dingledine conducted the devotional exercises, President Duke spoke on the responsibilities of student government, and Sallie Loving reviewed in striking fashion the growth of the college during the past four years and the gratifying manner in which the students increasingly accepted the obligations as well as the privileges of student government.

A new feature introduced this session has been the addition of house chairmen as associate member of the Student Council. With the installation of the new officers the following house chairmen were inducted into office: Alumnae Hall, Ruth Sullenberger; Spottswood Hall, Nancy Roane; Carter House, Mary Jackson; Shenandoah Apartments, Lillye Hundley; Ashby Hall, Lelia Brock Jones; Jackson Hall, Marion Kelly; and Cleveland Cottage, Jean Gose.

Both Miss Loving and Miss Rolston represented Harrisonburg at the conference of the Southern Intercollegiate Association of Student Government, held at the Mississippi State College for Women at Columbus, April 24-26. More than 75 students representing about 40 southern colleges were in attendance, and a number of campus problems were brought up for discussion.

The new officers of the Y. W. C. A. were installed Thursday evening, April 12, with appropriate ceremonies. The Rev. Dr. B. F. Wilson of the Harrisonburg Presbyterian Church conducted the devotional exercises and Dean W. J. Gifford, one of the faculty advisors of the Y. W. C. A., also made an impressive talk. Both incoming and retiring officers were seated on the stage. Incoming officers were: Emma Dold, president; Kerah Carter, vice-president; Nellie Binford, secretary; Grace White, treasurer; Mattie Fitzhugh, assistant treasurer; Lucile Hopkins, undergraduate representative. Outgoing officers were Barbara Schwarz, president; Virginia Campbell, vice-president; Shirley McKinney, secretary; Lila Riddell, treasurer; Celia Swecker, assistant treasurer; and Edith Ward, undergraduate representative.

The national meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association began in New York on April 28 and to this conference, at which there were more than 3,000 delegates present, there went as representatives of our college Barbara Schwarz, Rachel Gill, Thelma Eberhart and Mary Saunders Tabb.

Spring always makes us lyrical at Harrisonburg. Ever since the Glee Club wore their vestsments first, when they took part in the dedication service of the Elkton Methodist Church, there have been more and more demands for their sweet music. One night they sang at the Bulgin Tabernacle. They are now planning a trip to Monterey and McDowell for the week-end of May 10-12 and the following week they will journey to Charlottesville to sing at the State meeting of the Virginia Federation of Music Clubs.

Miss Edna T. Shaeffer, head of the music department, was elected president of the Virginia Association of Teachers of Music at their recent meeting held in Radford; in April Miss Shaeffer went to Cincinnati to attend the National Conference of Teachers of Music.

Mrs. Malcolm Perkins, president of the Virginia Federation of Music Clubs, was a guest of the college Glee Club at Harrisonburg on April 12. Mrs. Perkins came to pay an official visit to the local club, which is a member of the federation, and was prevailed on to give a piano recital in Sheldon Hall the afternoon of April 12. Miss Shaeffer very pleasantly entertained Mr. and Mrs. Perkins and a few friends at dinner the same evening.
The first solo recital given here this session was Wednesday night, April 23, when Lucy James, a pupil of Miss Sarah Furlow, sang before a large audience in Sheldon Hall.

Still another recital was that of Miss Elizabeth Butler Howry, lyric soprano, and Mrs. Emmi Pacholke Timberlake, concert pianist, given under the auspices of the Aeolian Music Club on Saturday evening, April 26. This first venture of the new club was highly successful.

The Aeolian Music Club, by the way, was organized during the past month and is designed to create an interest in higher standards of music in the college. Charter members are Mary Moore Aldhizer, Fannie Barber, Eva Bargelt, Elizabeth Buchanan, Katherine Buchanan, Veta Draper, Susie Geoghegan, Frances Hanbury, Lucy James, Ruth Kirkpatrick, Margaret Kneisley, Christine Maria, Nancy Mosher, Mathilda Roane, Marion Travis, Alice Watts, and Zelia Wiseman. Marion Travis is president.

During the month of April there have been some interesting speakers present at assembly. Among these have been Mrs. Woodford, representing the Woman’s Christian Temperance Union; Miss Rachel Gregg, of the State Board of Education; Senator Ward Swank, of Rockingham, who discussed the last meeting of the Virginia Legislature; Rev. Dr. E. J. Bulgin, an evangelist who conducted services in Harrisonburg during April; Rev. Alvin Carter and Mr. Roy Gourley, song-leader and accompanist, respectively, of the Bulgin party; Miss Lucy Coleman, of the Junior Red Cross; and Mr. Robert E. Pogue, Field-Secretary of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association.

A nursery school, modeled after the Merrill-Palmer School at Detroit, will be established at the Rainbow Hospital in South Euclid, Cleveland. A teacher will be brought from the Mary Warde Settlement in London. The school will be open to children from 22 months old to school age, and it will be financed by the Kiwanis Club.

Where there is no knowledge, ignorance calls itself science.—George Bernard Shaw.

STANDARDS FIXED BY PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Parent-teacher associations have begun to test their own efficiency by fixed standards of excellence. Several states have made progress in organization by the use of a list of credits. This step justifies the belief that parents and teachers working together on the problems of childhood may reach a higher degree of accomplishment than ever before.

Teachers College of Columbia University has a budget for the coming year of $2,278,000. Of this sum about $400,000 will be appropriated to research work.

What hurts the taxpayer is seeing his money spent in teaching his children a great mass of obsolete matter.—Superintendent Edward Broome of Philadelphia.

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