

CHINESE FABLES AND FOLK STORIES. By Mary Hayes Davis and Chow-Leung. New York: American Book Company. 1908. Pp. 204.

Not a new book, but one that is unique because it contains the first Chinese fables ever printed in English. Some date as far back as 2,000 years; in all of them are found bits of the wisdom of the ages.

These are told so simply and attractively that children cannot but enjoy them. They are of about third and fourth grade level, yet adults may find pleasure in them even as in *Æsop's Fables*. Other attractive features are titles in Chinese written below the English titles and the Chinese character of the illustrations.

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THE SELF-TEACHING SPELLING TABLET. By Jesse A. Adams. New York: Silver, Burdett and Company. 1931. Book One for Grades I and II; Book Two for Grades III and IV; Book Three for Grades V and VI. Each 16 cents.

Spelling pads with space provided for writing "corrected words" following each day's lesson. Suggestions to teacher and pupils are included in each book and a pupil graph in Books Two and Three.

TRAINING SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY: KINDERGARTEN, FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD GRADES. State Teachers College, Farmville, Virginia. October, 1932. Pp. 235. \$1.00.

This is the first bulletin resulting from the curriculum study on the part of the faculty of the State Teachers College at Farmville, Virginia. It is organized in two parts. Part I is developed from the point of view of the grades, including the kindergarten, first, second, and third grades. Part II is organized from the point of view of the school subjects recognized in the Training School. The factors developed in Part I consist of a description of the situation in each grade made in such a way as to give the student teacher a satisfactory orientation from the beginning; the general outline of the content of each grade; the materials and equipment of each grade; a list of suggested activities for pupils of each

grade; and typical units of work in each grade described in retrospect and evaluated on the principles of method recognized in the Training School. The factors developed in Part II are the general objectives of the different subjects; the content of the subject for each grade; the specific objectives of each subject in each grade; the materials and equipment for teachers and pupils in dealing with the subjects; and standards of achievement in each subject for each grade.

The distinctive feature of this course of study is the treatment of the units of work. In most courses of study teaching units are incorporated merely as illustrations of procedure that have been used or might be used. In this bulletin, however, typical units are described as they have been taught in the Training School and in addition are evaluated on the basis of principles of method. This bulletin should be very helpful to all those who are participating in the State Curriculum Program at this time, especially to the Production Committees.

SARAH B. TUCKER

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE AND ITS ALUMNAE

Seven hundred and fifty-four students registered at the opening of the State Teachers College here on September 19 and 20.

A large increase has occurred in the enrollment of day students. There are approximately one hundred and seventy-five day students registered for the fall quarter. Fifty-two of those enrolled were transfers from other colleges.

Transfers from other schools are: Savage School of Physical Education, 9; Randolph-Macon Woman's College, 1; Bridgewater, 2; Shenandoah, 4; Tennessee Wesleyan, 1; Davis-Elkins, 1; University of Arizona, 1; Eastern Mennonite College, 1; Roanoke, 1; Hiwassee, 1; Radford State Teachers Col-

lege, 2; Martha Washington, 3; Sullins, 1; New York University, 3; William and Mary College, 6; Davenport College, 1; Virginia Intermont College, 2; Blackstone College, 4; University of Virginia, 1; Meredith College, 1; Farmville State Teachers College, 4; Marshall, 1; Maryland State Normal, 1.

The states represented and their quota are: Cuba, 3; District of Columbia, 6; Florida, 2; Georgia, 1; Maryland, 15; Mississippi, 1; North Carolina, 12; New Jersey, 4; New York, 10; Pennsylvania, 3; South Carolina, 1; West Virginia, 17; Virginia, 680.

Six new instructors have been added to the college faculty as follows:

Miss Vera Melone, A. B. Muskingum College, B. M., New England Conservatory, instructor in organ; Dr. J. W. Wright, A. B., Otterbein College, A. M. Chicago University, B. D. Yale, D. D. Central University at Indianapolis, instructor in Biblical Literature; Miriam Nelson, B. S., Boston University, supervisor in Training School; Miss Marie Alexander, A. M. Columbia University, supervisor in Training School; Miss Winona Carey, B. S. Fredericksburg, and Miss Letitia Blakely, B. S., University of Virginia, field supervisors in Shenandoah county.

Dr. William Allison Kepner, professor of biology at the University of Virginia, delivered the address at the first quarterly convocation exercises held in Wilson Hall Wednesday, September 27.

As the first number in the entertainment course, Demeter Zacharoff presented on September 28 the Boston Sinfonietta under the direction of Arthur Fiedler. The concert was most delightful and included these numbers:

Three Ballet Pieces (Rameau-Mottl): Minuet from "Platee," Musette from "Fetes d'Hebe," Tambourin from "Fetes d'Hebe.

Symphony No. 104 in D Major (Lon-

don) (Haydn): Adagio-Allegro, Andante, Menuetto, Allegro Spiritoso.

Petite Suite (Debussy): En Bateau, Cor-tege, Menuet, Ballet.

Second Movement, "Andante Cantabile," Symphony No. 5 (Tschaikowsky). Span-ish Dance, "Jota" (Granados). Dance of the Hours from "La Gioconda" (Pon-chielli).

With the symbolical union of Mildred Townsend, bride, and Mildred Henderson, groom, the annual new-girl—old-girl wed-ding was celebrated with fitting solemnity in Wilson Hall Wednesday afternoon, Oc-tober 6, at five o'clock.

The bride was gowned in the traditional white satin and carried white roses. She came down the aisle supported on the arm of her father, Sally Face, who gave her in marriage. Her attendants were Patricia Phillips, maid of honor, Beatrice Shorts, Mildred Cross, Jean Averett, Edna Smith. Patricia wore blue organdie and carried a bouquet of pink roses, while the brides-maids also wore pastel organdies and roses of contrasting hues.

Emilyn Peterson acted as best man to the groom and presented the ring at the proper time. The ushers were Betty Bush, Mildred Simpson, Dorothy Harris, Lois Bishop.

Helen Marsden bore the ring on a satin pillow, while Lucy Marsden strewed rose petals in the path of the bride.

Besides her father, who gave her away, the bride's family included her mother, Laura Melchor, her grandmother, Emma Jane Shultz, and her grandfather, Rachel Rogers.

The groom's mother, Marion Smith, and his father, Dorothy Martin, were present at the festivities.

Katye Wray Brown performed the mar-riage ceremony with all the dignity of her clerical robes, Evelyn Watkins played the wedding march and Prudence Spooner sang *I Love You* preceding the ceremony.

A dinner was held Wednesday in the Bluestone dining hall for the wedding party.

The three upper classes have elected their officers for the session as follows:

Seniors: Mildred Henderson, Williamsburg, president; Mary Haga, Danville, vice-president; Lillie Tucker, Crewe, secretary; Nelle Taylor, Big Stone Gap, treasurer; Betty Bush, Long Island, N. Y., business manager; Bernice Bowden, Red Hill, sergeant-at-arms.

Juniors: Mildred Simpson, Norfolk, president; Evelyn Watkins, Norfolk, vice-president; Elizabeth Sugden, Hampton, secretary; Rachel Rogers, East Falls Church, treasurer; Virginia Carmines, Hampton, business manager; Helen Meyers, Richmond, sergeant-at-arms.

Sophomores: Marion Smith, Philadelphia, president; Mary Elizabeth Deaver, Lexington, vice-president; Anna Larrick, Round Hill, secretary; Sarita Byrd, Charleston, West Virginia, treasurer; Eugenia Trainum, Louisa, business manager; Alma Fultz, Butterworth, sergeant-at-arms.

The three literary societies recently elected their officers for the fall quarter. They are:

Lee: Dorothy Williams, Norfolk, president; Evelyn Watkins, Norfolk, vice-president; Jacqueline Baker, Columbia, secretary; Hattie Courter, Amelia, treasurer; Sarita Byrd, Charleston, West Virginia, chairman of the program committee; Julia Courter, Amelia, sergeant-at-arms.

Lanier: Catherine Bard, Norfolk, president; Florence Holland, Eastville, secretary; Dorothy Merryman, Lynchburg, treasurer; Anna Colvert, Raleigh, N. C., chairman of program committee; Kay Carpenter, Norfolk, critic; Mary Van Landingham, Petersburg, sergeant-at-arms.

Page: Eleanor Cook, Charleston, West Virginia, president; Courtney Dickinson, Roanoke, vice-president; Pamela Parkins, Norfolk, secretary; Dorothy Martin, Nor-

folk, treasurer; Gladys Farrar, Lynchburg, chairman of the program committee; Anna Larrick, Round Hill, critic; Helen Meyer, Richmond, sergeant-at-arms.

Marking the beginning of the quarterly "open season" on goats, the Bluestone Co-tillion Club introduced sixteen new members to the campus.

The pledges are June Taliaferro, Harrisonburg; Madaline Newbill, Harrisonburg; Katherine Harlin, Harrisonburg; Clarice Wood, Beckley, West Va.; Frances La Neave, Crewe; Nelle Taylor, Big Stone Gap; Mildred Tate, Lebanon; Douglas MacDonald, Scotts, N. C.; Carolyn Baldwin, Roanoke; Eleanor Studebaker, Luray; Mildred Henderson, Williamsburg; Ann Moore, Portsmouth; Lucy Coyner, Waynesboro; Elizabeth Snyder, Hampton; Catherine Matthews, Cambridge, Md.; Janet Latane, Crawford, N. J.

ALUMNAE NEWS WEDDINGS

Locke-Funkhouser

Miss Frances Virginia Funkhouser and Rev. John Funk Locke were married at the home of the bride in McGaheysville on the evening of September the sixth at eight o'clock. Rev. Mr. Locke is the pastor of Bethlehem and Mt. Olive Brethren Churches of Rockingham County.

Bell-Reilly

Mr. John J. Reilly has announced the marriage of his daughter, Margaret, to Mr. Lewis V. Bell, of Alexandria. The wedding took place at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, on the second of April, 1932. Mr. Bell is a member of the firm of Robert Bell, Printers and Stationers, Alexandria.

Ralston-Hull

Miss Mabel Lee Hull and Mr. Melvin Clarke Ralston, of Monterey, were united in marriage at the Monterey parsonage on

the morning of September the fifteenth. Mr. and Mrs. Ralston are now living at 7 Banner St., Hyattsville, Md.

Monsees-Biedler

Miss Frances Lorraine Biedler, of Harrisonburg, and Mr. Dillard Ringen Monsees, of Kansas City, were married August the tenth at eight o'clock in the First Presbyterian Church, at Harrisonburg. Mr. and Mrs. Monsees, are living at the Fairfax Hotel, Washington, D. C.

Waite-Firebaugh

The marriage of Miss Geneva Firebaugh to Mr. Ralph Franklin Waite, of Livermore Falls, Maine, took place on December the twenty-ninth, 1931, at the home of the groom's brother in Cumberland, Maryland. Mr. Waite is a graduate of V. M. I., being a member of the class of 1932. Mr. and Mrs. Waite are at home at Livermore Falls, Maine, where Mr. Waite has a position with the International Paper Company.

Miller-Crim

The marriage of Miss Catherine Coleman Crim and Mr. John Godfrey Miller took place at eight o'clock Wednesday, June eighth, at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church at New Market. Mrs. Miller is the first Senior of the 1932 graduating class to be married and received the Senior Hope Chest. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are at home at New Market.

Wharton-Hallett

Miss Virginia Hallett and Mr. William Wyant Wharton were married on Saturday, September the third, at Cheriton, Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Wharton are now living in Harrisonburg where Mr. Wharton has opened his law office.

Clarke-Faulconer

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Miss Madeline Faulconer to Mr. William M. Clarke on Saturday, July the twentieth. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are residing in Barboursville.

Taylor-Kelly

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Kelly, of Culpeper, announce the marriage of their daughter, Harriet Elizabeth, to Mr. Howard Fisher Taylor on Saturday, June the eighteenth, at Culpeper. Mrs. Taylor is a graduate of H. T. C. and has been teaching for several years in Lynchburg. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are living at Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

Culpeper-Rodes

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas Rodes announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Ruth Lynn, to Mr. Charles Howard Culpeper, of Portsmouth, on Tuesday afternoon, September sixth, at four o'clock, at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Greenwood, Virginia. Mrs. Culpeper has been teaching for several years in the Woodrow Wilson High School at Portsmouth.

ALUMNAE LUNCHEON THANKSGIVING DAY

The Annual Thanksgiving meeting of the H. T. C. alumnae will be held in Richmond on Thanksgiving Day at a luncheon in one of the Richmond hotels or tea rooms. Notification of the exact time and place will be made at a later date. All those contemplating attending the luncheon will please notify the Alumnae Secretary, Box 47, State Teachers College, Harrisonburg, Virginia.

EDUCATIONAL qualifications of teachers have risen faster than salaries. If salaries are lowered the quality of teaching personnel will be lowered.—*New York State Education*.

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J. D. EGGLESTON, president of Hampden-Sydney College, whose interpretation of Virginia's attitude toward slavery is completed in this issue, delivered this address recently to students of the State Teachers College at Harrisonburg.

LUTHER F. ADDINGTON, who puts a question-mark after football, is the principal of the Wise High School, at Wise, Virginia.