

cation will continue to be like a trailer dragged bumping along behind a plunging car, in the front seat of which quarreling occupants are fighting for control of the wheel."

THESE UNITED STATES: Contemporary Essays for College Students. Selected and edited by Louis W. Jones. William Huse, Jr., Harvey Eagleson. New York: Ray Long & Richard R. Smith. 1933. Pp. 602.

Selected by professors of English in the California Institute of Technology to raise problems about society, business and economics, politics, science, religion, literature and art, and sport, these stimulating essays on contemporary affairs possess a high coefficient of "discussability."

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF POETRY. By Richard Ray Kirk and Roger Philip McCutcheon. New York: American Book Company. 1934. Pp. 460.

Undertaking to give students an idea of how to appreciate and understand poetry, this book combines a study of poetry content and form with an anthology of the best poetry of all ages. Included are a clear discussion of the principles of poetry and questions demanding individual thinking about the poems studied.

ESSAYS AND ESSAY-WRITING. By William M. Tanner. Boston: Little, Brown and Company. 1933. Pp. 378, \$1.00.

For a class studying and writing the familiar essay this book is a real inspiration. All the essays are closely related to everyday life; every student will find at least two or three essays that will call to mind similar experiences or observations. Cleverness of treatment and intimate conversational style will encourage freedom in writing for the beginner in essay-writing.

This collection has more recently written essays than a former volume under the same title.

The general introduction, as well as the introductory comments before each type of essay, states simply the *whys* and *wherefores* of familiar essays and makes essay-writing seem possible for everyone rather than the chosen few.

## NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

Robin Hood, with Friar Tuck, Little John, and the merry men of Sherwood Forest, lived again on the H. T. C. campus at the annual May Day celebration. The role of Robin Hood was taken by Billy Milnes, of Rippon, W. Va. Lois Bishop, of Norfolk, was crowned May Queen by the gallant forester. Marietta Melson, Machipongo, was maid of honor. Members of the court were Anne Davies, Clarendon; Kay Carpenter, Norfolk; Hilda Hisey, Edinburg; Hattie Courter, Amelia; Mary Page Barnes, Amelia; Mary Vernon Montgomery, Baskerville; Katherine Glenn, Covington; Martha Sheffler, Beckley, W. Va.; Evelyn Watkins, Norfolk; Elizabeth Carson, Lynchburg; Dorothy Williams, Norfolk; Conway Gray, Petersburg. After the celebration, the Senior-Sophomore dance was held in the gymnasium.

Mary Van Landingham, of Petersburg, has been elected president of Alpha Chi chapter of Kappa Delta Pi for the session 1934-35. Other officers elected were: Joyce Rieley, Troutville, vice-president; Mrs. Mary B. Jones, Luray, corresponding secretary; Frances Pigg, Washington, recording secretary; Louise Golladay, Quicksburg, treasurer; Marian Smith, Norwood, Penn., historian.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Virginia Academy of Science was held at the college May 4 and 5. The program included papers and demonstrations of the following sections of the academy: astronomy, mathematics, physics, biology, chemistry, geology, medical science, psychology, and education.

"Service With a Smile" was the theme of the freshman class on its first class day. Led by Alyce Geiger, of Los Angeles, California, president, they appeared in bell-boy caps and red jackets. Harrison Hall was decorated to represent a hotel lobby. After the banquet in the evening, a reception was held, at which time a sketch, "Honeymoon Hotel," was presented.

The freshmen elected as their mirror for class day: most versatile, Nancy Turner, Norfolk; most intellectual, Ethel Cooper, Winchester; most athletic, Erma Cannon, Norfolk; most literary, Lois Sloop, Harrisonburg; most dependable, Nancy Turner, Norfolk; most stylish, Marjorie Fulton, Gate City; best dancer, Sara Smith, Little Rock, Arkansas; happiest, Marie Craft, Goshen; quietest, Ethel Cooper, Winchester.

The annual inter-class swimming meet was won by the freshman class, with the sophomores a close second. The individual winner of the meet was Erma Cannon, freshman, of Norfolk, with Marguerite Holder, sophomore, of Winston-Salem, N. C., second. Erma was awarded the silver cup.

Presenting "Come Out of the Kitchen," the Stratford Dramatic Club gave its spring performance April 20. Those taking part were Madaline Newbill, Norfolk; Billye Milnes, Rippon, W. Va.; Elizabeth Buie, Lake City, Fla.; Mildred Simpson, Norfolk; Alyce Geiger, Los Angeles, California; Ruth Behrens, Timberville; Dorothy Williams, Norfolk; Elizabeth Carson, Lynchburg; Gladys Farrar, Rustburg; Elizabeth Maddox, Louisa.

To succeed herself as captain of the Harrisonburg basketball team was the unique experience of Emily Pittman, of Gates, N. C., when she received the rabbit's foot for the second time. Varsity stars awarded at the same time went to Emily Pittman, captain; Douglas McDonald, Scotts, N. C.; Alma Fultz, Butterworth; Mary Van Landingham, Petersburg. Letters were awarded to Mary Virginia Grogan, Spencer; Virginia Barrow, Blackstone; Laura Scheibler, New York City; Bobbie Maher, New York City; Lelia Rucker, Delaplane.

Twelve girls in all have been pledged to the three literary societies this quarter. The new Laniers are Anne Gunter, Greensboro, N. C.; Marjorie Fulton, Gate City; Elizabeth Swartz, Clifton Forge; Sophia Rogers,

Portsmouth; Grace Mayo, Portsmouth; Billie Elam, Gordonsville. The Lee goat is Lois Sloop, Harrisonburg. The Page goats are Margaret Newcomb, Formosa; Frances West, Hickory; Lucy Clarke, Culpeper; Henrietta Manson, Lottsburg; Martha Ann Russell, Norfolk; Charlotte Homan, Harrisonburg.

Eight new members of Le Cercle Francais are Retha Cooper, Winchester; Alice Haley, Alexandria; Daisy Mae Gifford, Harrisonburg; Adelaide Howser, Ballston; Florence Rice, Hagerstown, Md.; Eva Shelton, Lovingsston; Ellen Eastham, Harrisonburg; Catherine Cartee, Hagerstown, Maryland.

Alpha Rho Delta pledges for this quarter are Katherine Burnette, Leesburg; Mary Bryant, Whittles Depot; Laura Morris, Richmond; Ruth Rose, Big Stone Gap.

The Art Club has pledged five new members. They are Nancy Minton, Smithfield; Marjorie Fulton, Gate City; Madaline Blair, Chatham; Alice Rhodes, Luray; Nita Gravely, Axton.

Celebrating Page Day, the Page Literary Society conducted the chapel exercises on April 25. Courtney Dickinson, of Roanoke, president, was in charge. Jean Long, of Staunton, read a tribute to Thomas Nelson Page, written by herself. Sarah Lemmon, of Marietta, Georgia, talked briefly of Page's life, touching chiefly upon interesting incidents in his career and upon the motto of the society, given to them by Page himself, "Thy country's, thy God's, and truth's."

"Alice-Sit-By-The-Fire," by James M. Barrie, will be the senior play for the commencement exercises. Six seniors and two sophomores are included in the cast.

Appearing in two one-act plays, *Barbara*, by Jerome K. Jerome, and *Neighbors*, by Zona Gale, expression students of Miss Ruth Hudson gave an evening performance. In the casts were Daisy Mae Gifford, Harrisonburg; Virginia Cox, Woodlawn; Kath-

erine Beale, Holland; Bessie Watts, Clifford; Glendora Harshman, Hagerstown, Md.; Dorothea Nevils, Hopewell, Marybelle Higgins, Hopewell; Louise Faulconer, Unionville; Ruth McNeil, Fishersville; Mary Hale, Spring Valley.

Miss Frances Houck, assisted by the college Glee Club, appeared in a recital recently. The program included such favorites as *April*, *Calm as the Night*, *Marianina*, *Slumber Song*, and *Cloud Shadows*.

The college Glee Club recently toured Southwest Virginia, appearing in four cities and broadcasting from Roanoke. The club also acted as hostess to the Washington and Lee Glee Club in a joint concert here.

The Glee Clubs of Bridgewater College and Harrisonburg exchanged concerts during April, Bridgewater appearing here the sixth and Harrisonburg going there the tenth. Mr. Nelson Huffman and Miss Edna Shaeffer directed.

*Pagliacci*, by Leoncavallo, produced as a screened opera by the San Carlo Opera Company, was shown in Wilson Hall recently. The opera had appeared here during the summer session.

Hilda Hisey, of Edinburg, represented Harrisonburg as princess at the eleventh annual Apple Blossom festival held in Winchester. The college glee club also attended.

Presenting a four-act play of their own composition, the second-grade pupils of the Main Street school gave an assembly program at the college. They composed the songs that were included in the play.

The ninth-grade history classes of the Harrisonburg High School presented an assembly program at the college. The theme was "the uselessness of war," and the program consisted of two dramatizations and several brief talks.

The inter-class golf tournament will be held some time in May, according to Mike Buie, of Lake City, Florida, sports leader. Forty students are out for practice. The class sports leaders are: seniors, Lois

Bishop, Norfolk; juniors, Mittie Chapman, Smithfield; sophomores, Janie Miner, Meridian, Miss.; freshmen, Helen Moore, Norfolk.

The junior class formally received the privilege of wearing the senior rings at the ring ceremonial conducted by the officers of the senior class.

The last meeting of 1933-34 for the revision of the Virginia curriculum was held at the college April 17. The work done during this year was evaluated.

Dr. Charles E. Conrad, of Harrisonburg, addressed the college assembly recently on advances in medicine. "We are directing our efforts toward preventive rather than curative medicine," he stated.

"The World Changes," starring Paul Muni, was shown at the college recently.

### ALUMNAE NEWS

Virginia Alese Burgess, of Fork Union, Va., was married to Mr. Charles Remiro Baldwin, of Wyoming, Pa., on April 21, in Philadelphia, Pa. After her graduation from Harrisonburg, Mrs. Burgess graduated from the Maryland Institute of Arts in Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess will reside in Jamaica, L. I., New York.

The engagement of Miss Virginia Maude Hughes, of Arvon, to Mr. Grant Rogers, of Greenwood, has been announced. Since her graduation Miss Hughes has taught in Albemarle County and at present is a member of the faculty at Greenwood High School. Mr. Rogers is engaged in business at Greenwood. The marriage will take place in June.

Another June marriage is that of Miss Elizabeth Moore, of Norfolk, to Mr. Harry Elva, of Newport News. Miss Moore is of the class of 1932 and at present is doing substitute teaching in the Norfolk schools.

Helen N. Leitch, of the class of '24, is librarian of the Charles Pinckney Jones Memorial Library in Covington. She finds her work both enjoyable and interesting.