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WELCOME
ALPHA KAPPA
GAMMA VISITORS

The Rotunda

We Teach To Teach

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FARMVILLE, VIRGINIA, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1937

Honor Fraternity Taps Three Students in Chapel

Fraternity Bids Upshur, Agee, and Munt

"A leader is one whose mind and heart are suffused with a purpose and whose actions tend to bring the dream of that purpose into the reality of accomplishment," stated Elizabeth Shipplett, President of Alpha Kappa Gamma, at the service in chapel, Friday, October 8, at which time Virginia Agee, Carter Belle Munt, and Carolyn Upshur were tapped, in recognition of their leadership in various phases of the college life.

The service was opened by Dr. Jarman, who read the twelfth chapter of Romans, reminding the students that love and many other duties are required of them. Following a prayer by Dr. Jarman, Elizabeth Shipplett told of the founding of Alpha Kappa Gamma, its principles and ideals. A strong character is the first essential quality for membership in Alpha Kappa Gamma. "A student to be eligible must have caught the spirit of our institutions. The value of her services must be unquestionable in that she has made the college a better place for having been a member of its student body." "Such leader," she said, addressing the entire assembly, "have been found among you."

Carolyn Upshur, the vice-president of the Student Body has served for three years on the service committee of the Y. W. C. A. and is now chairman of the World Fellowship Committee. Last year she was secretary of A. C. E. and is now the president. Carolyn was chairman of the Freshman Commission as a Freshman. She is also vice-president of the Granddaughters' club. She is a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha.

Virginia Agee has been outstanding in Dramatics since she entered S. T. C. She has had the lead in the play again this year for the third time. She has served

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Y. W. Representative Tells of Georgia Trip

"Farmville Teachers College is not the only place at which girls have to go to bed at ten-thirty. Here many can get permission to stay up late but while attending the Young Women's Christian Association Conference everyone has to be in bed at ten-thirty sharp." These are the words of Carolyn Upshur who returned Monday evening from the Conference which was held in Atlanta, Georgia, October 9 and 10. Despite the strict regulation on retiring, Carolyn reports an enjoyable and instructive time.

This annual leadership conference of the Young Women's Christian Association of Colleges in the southern area, marked the first year of our representation at the meeting. The two other Virginia schools sending delegates were Randolph-Macon Women's College and Hampton Institute.

The entire time of the conference was taken up with committee reports, discussions, and lectures. Luther Tucker, outstanding worker in the new Christian movement, spoke on the timely subject "The Far Eastern Situation." Miss Jimmie Woodward of Randolph-Macon recounted her recent experiences in Europe with the Oxford Conference.

Carolyn expressed some surprise at the large number of Negroes who made up a goodly part of the conference personnel. They held outstanding and active places, one of the two executive secretaries being a young Negroess.

Cox Outlines Dramatic Club Plans for Year

Department Heads Select Assistants

Mary Joyner Cox, president of the Dramatic Club anticipates a successful year for the club. Changes in the constitution and departments have been made and students have begun serving their apprenticeships as the heads of the major departments choose their assistants.

The major departments and their heads are as follows: Lighting, Jane Lee Young, assistants, Martha Meade Hardaway and Jean Taylor; Acting, Alpha Lee Garnett; Costuming, Mary Wilson Clark, assistants, Margaret Pritchard and Ada Sanford; Make up, Mabel Burton, assistants, Myra Smith and Anthelia Robinette; Staging, Virginia Jarman, assistant, Lorano Moomaw; Business, Virginia Whitehead Smith, assistant, Frances Lee Russon. Publicity, headed by Marguerite Blackwell, is a sub-department of business.

The minor departments are Music, Elizabeth Seiber, and Properties, Musse Hoyer, assistant, Kitty Brooks.

Some changes in the constitution have been made and Juanita Callis is the newly elected Parliamentarian.

Girls who were initiated into the Dramatic Club at the last meeting include: Jane Powell, Ora Wilson, Vivian Womack, Elizabeth Tindall, Jean Wyatt, Jeannette Ferguson, Sis Sturgis, Myra Smith, Ann Billups, Harriette Vaden, Virginia Price, Margaret Black.

Horseback Riding Offered at S. T. C.

With brisk weather coming on there are a large group of students taking to the bridle path. This is the first year that S. T. C. has had a class in riding, and about twenty-five girls have enrolled.

The horses are owned by Mr. Herbert Pullam from Appomattox, but the riding is being supervised and taught by the riding master, Mr. Jimmy Longan.

There are nine horses in all, among these are five gaiter horses, three gaiter horses, and jumpers. The riding ring is just back of the old Burger home, about two blocks from Mr. Graham's home. All riding at the present will be done in the ring under close supervision and instruction. Later the students will enjoy riding.

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Students Elect Personalities

Outstanding girls—many of them—are to be found among the student body at S. T. C. Every year "The Virginian" holds an election so that the students may select the eight girls who are most representative of the spirit of S. T. C. and the student body. These girls are pictured in the feature section of the annual. Their identity is not known until the "Virginian" is published early in May.

The fourteen girls who have been selected by a picked committee and from whom the students are to select eight are: Mary Harrison Vaughan, Caroline Upshur, Carter Belle Munt, Kitty Roberts, Dudley Allen, Libby Morris, Nan Seward, Madeline McGlothlin, Ruth Montgomery, Norvell Montague, Libby Roberts, Virginia Agee, Ruth Phelps, and Jennie Belle Gilliam.

Choir Announces Pretentious Year

The College Choir will this year attempt the most pretentious program in the history of its work on this campus.

Early in December the A Capella group has been invited to broadcast. On December 19th the annual Carol Service will be held. There will be a departure from the original plan, however. The first half of the program will be the well known English Carol Service, and the second part will be in the nature of a Sacred Recital. The visiting artist will be the Concertmeister of the Richmond Symphony and the Choral Club, The Choir and A Capella will sing. Miss Juanita Callis (Department of Speech) will give the address.

Broadcast by the College Choir and recitals in various churches follow, culminating in the grand concert April 29th, when the College Choir working in conjunction with the Farmville Woman's Club will present Alma Milstead, National Broadcasting artist; Wilson Angel, National Atwater Kent winner (baritone) and a well known violinist. The numbers to be sung by the Choir and A Capella will have orchestral accompaniment.

Following are the officers of the Choir: President, Frances Bryan; Vice-president, Frances Steed; Secretary, Annette Roberts; Treasurer, Elizabeth Burke; Librarian, Carolyn Gwathney.

The Executive Committee is composed of: Frances Bryan, Virginia Agee, Juanita Callis, Elizabeth Seiber, Annette Roberts, Frances Steed, Elizabeth Burke, and Katherine Ryburn.

Jarman Attends Convention In New York

Notables Speak At Forum

Dr. Jarman, our president, attended the seventh annual New York Herald Tribune Forum held in New York last week.

This forum has been held annually for the past seven years for the purpose of discussing world problems. The speakers were authorities in their fields. Three thousand organizations were represented and one hundred fifty-four schools.

The topics were "A Generation Finding Itself," which was discussed by Mrs. Roosevelt, "Statue of a Free Press" by representatives from Germany, Italy, and America, "The Road Forward" by J. Edgar Hoover, "Proposed Changes in Government" by General Hugh Johnston, and "State of War." President Roosevelt closed the forum with a speech broadcast from Cleveland.

Dr. Jarman said that although the forum was very interesting, he enjoyed many other things among which were the play "Virginia" given in the Center Theater, inspection of the "Queen Mary" and seeing an honest to goodness wild west rodeo.

S. T. C. Circus Will Be October 30 In Gymnasium

"October the thirtieth is the date set for the annual school circus," announces Isabel Plummer, general chairman of the circus, last week.

Isabel has a committee composed of the other chairmen. These are: Madeline McGlothlin, business manager; Libby Morris, advertising; Jennie Belle Gilliam, animal; Ruth Montgomery and Libby Roberts, stunts; Ruth Phelps, floor plan; Dudley Allen, booths; Nan Seward and Norvell Montague, decorations; and Mary Harrison Vaughan, queen and court. Each class will also have a chairman who will have charge of the class stunt. These girls will work with other committee chairmen.

Alpha Kappa Gamma, national honor fraternity for leadership is sponsoring the circus.

The Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen vie with each other in trying to win the prize that is given for the most original stunt.

Each class also has different booths with freaks, food, etc.

Campus League Head



Martha Meade Hardaway, of Burkeville.

Student Body Elects Hardaway League Chairman

"I don't know what I thought. I was so surprised that I guess I couldn't think at all," said Martha Meade Hardaway, when asked what she thought of her new office as Campus League chairman when she first heard of it.

Martha Meade was chosen for this office by popular vote of the upper classmen last week.

She is secretary of the sophomore class, a member of the House Council, the Dramatic Club and is on the Membership Committee of the Y. W. C. A. Martha Meade was valedictorian of her class in high school, and is consequently a member of Alpha Phi Sigma. She is on the writing staff of the Rotunda, and is a member of Mu Omega sorority and the Cotillion Club.

The office of Campus League Chairman automatically places Martha Meade on the Student Council. The need for a new chairman arose when Esther Beebe failed to return to school this session.

Fraternity Holds Convention

The annual convention of Alpha Kappa Gamma, national honorary fraternity for leadership among women, will be held at Farmville, Virginia, October 15 and 16. The Joan Circle of the State Teachers College, will be hostess to the representatives from the University of S. C., Queen-Chicora College, and University of N. C.

Miss Ruth O'Blakeslee, an outstanding member of the Social Security Board in Washington, D. C., will be the banquet speaker at Longwood Saturday evening.

Among the out of town guests who have been invited are: Miss Lula Andrews, Miss Ellen Glasgow, and Miss Adele Clark, of Richmond; Mrs. Anna H. Huntington, New York City; and Mrs. Mildred Dickinson Davis of Hampden-Sydney, Virginia.

Miss O'Blakeslee is a graduate of Goucher College and attended John Hopkins University School of Political Science. She has worked with the American Red Cross and New York Charity Organization Society, becoming Secretary of the Yorkville District. In the summer of 1930, Miss O'Blakeslee was sent to England to study social conditions. For several years, she was with the Maryland Relief Administration and in 1934 became Regional Social Worker with the Federal Emergency Relief Administration. Since 1936 she has been chief of the Division of Policies and Procedures of the Bureau of Public Assistance of

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Freshman Class Chooses Leaders From Many Nominees

Atkinson, Lewis, Fahr Are Officers

Ruth Lea Purdum of Danville was elected president of the class of '41 at a call meeting of the class Wednesday night, October 6. Other nominees for president were Esther Atkinson, Nancy Pierpont, and Billie Lewis.

Ruth Lea comes to Farmville with an outstanding record from George Washington High School of Danville. She was president of the Dramatic Club, a member of the Student Council for four years, a member of the Debate Club, a member of the basketball team and alumni editor of the Chatter Box, the weekly newspaper.

"Hello, everybody," said Ruth when she was asked to make a speech upon being elected class president. "I appreciate your votes. This is the finest freshman class that has ever been to Farmville. It is our task to prove this, and we are going to do it."

Esther Atkinson of Hampden-Sydney was elected vice-president. She ran against Frances Ellett.

Billie Lewis of Charlottesville defeated Norma Johnson for secretary. Betty Fahr of Richmond was elected treasurer. Martha Welch ran against her.

The two student government representatives are Caralie Nelson of South Boston and Nancy Pierpont of Salem. They defeated Marian Worsham and Helen Seward.

New Members Announced By Pi Gamma Mu

Pi Gamma Mu wishes to announce the following new members: Florence Bress, Dot Buckland, Pattie Bounds, Katherine Galusha, Nellwyn Latimer, Madeline McGlothlin, Virginia Whitehead Smith, Ruth Read and Carolyn Alsop.

These girls were taken into the national honor fraternity for social science because they have shown special interest in this field. In addition to a high standard of general scholarship, each member must carry on an original piece of work in one of the social sciences while a member of the society.

House Council Holds Formal Installation Services

Dudley Allen, president of the House Council, formally installed the council on Thursday night, October 7, in the large auditorium. Rev. A. H. Hollingsworth, of the Presbyterian church, led the devotional.

Dudley explained the duties of the House Council briefly and stated, "The House Council works for the well being of the group through the individual." She asked for the cooperation and support of the Student Body in carrying on this week.

Lucy Baskerville was installed as vice-president and Virginia Agee as secretary of the Council. The following hall presidents were then installed: Mary Emma Thompson, Frances Lyons, Jean Watts, Mary Mahone, Elizabeth Penn Wilkinson, Sudie Yager, Geraldine Hatcher, Laura Morris, Marian Harden, Bernice Copley, LeNoir Hubbard, Martha Meade Hardaway, Marjorie Nimmo, Frances Pope, Nannie Page Trent, Helen Gallihan, Kitty Carleton, David Terry, Elizabeth Watterson, and Carrie Mahood.

Puerto Ricans Find Virginians Friendly

"The faculty and the girls of S. T. C.—they are very friendly. Maybe that is because they are Virginians, but—all Americans are nice. They are so nice to the Puerto Ricans." America Selsse and her roommate Ramonita Ramirez both thinking that America and Farmville are just "the thing."

Have you by any chance noticed about the campus, two pairs of warm, brown eyes, complexions that many of us strive for by the months of sunbaking—and never quite attain—and two flashing smiles which are strangely suggestive of the tropics? Well, in case you've wondered, they're our Puerto Rican maids, America Selsse and her compatriot roommate, Ramonita Ramirez.

America (pronounced Am-alyric-a, if you don't mind) who is nineteen (and incidentally, makes a grimace at the very thought of becoming twenty in April) has twelve brothers and sisters, and is a sophomore transfer from Rad-

ford, while Ramonita, who is now twenty and has two brothers and one sister, is making her first acquaintance with the U. S. It is America's supreme desire to teach English and French in Puerto Rican schools, and her main reason for leaving Radford was because there were so many Puerto Ricans there, (ten to be exact) that she decided to go to a school where she could better improve her English. Ramonita wants to teach English and Biology, and so she too decided that an American school would be just the thing to help her brush up on her accent.

Puerto Rican schools are similar to ours in that they have eight grades called the "grammar", and four years of high school. Their principle subjects are English, Spanish, History, Geography, Social Science, Biology, and French. However, the majority of teaching is done in the English language, though Spanish is spoken in the homes and everywhere else.

America giggled in remembering her French teacher, English speaking, who translated everything he said into Spanish. She, however, stated that when she taught, she was not going to "put up with all that trouble of translating." She still has to keep herself from slipping out with a little Spanish in her French classes at college where she occasionally forgets which is being spoken.

Ramonita arrived from Puerto Rico by plane, while America went to New York, alone by boat. Of her four days in New York, America said, "Oh, there are so many beautiful places there. I went to the museum, the Radio City, Coney Island, everywhere—Coney Island? Oh, I like it so very much."

She spent three days in Baltimore where her brother is under treatment at Johns Hopkins.

However, both agreed that they were more subject to homesickness

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ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Maybe you've watched some fair damsel poised with bow and arrow in hand and then sighed with envy as, with perfect timing and precision, the slender arrow left the taut strings and sailed straight into the bull's eye. You, too, can become a Cupid even though it may mean a sore arm for a little while. It's worth hours and hours of practice just to experience that breath-taking moment between the time the arrow leaves the bow and the time it hits. If you do hit the bull's eye, you'll probably gaze in open-mouthed wonder at your work of art—an arrow surrounded by rows and rows of black and red lines instead of rows and rows of red and black lines surrounded by an arrow.

Don't you feel the itch for a basketball in your hands? We thought so, and practices are going to begin soon, when all you new girls will be given a chance to show your skill and you old girls will be given the challenge to keep up your old records. And speaking of records, our record for the past two years is one to be proud of and lived up to—State Championship team. For the last two years is an honor not to be taken lightly or given up without a fight. Let's give fifteen rahs for S. T. C. and fifteen rahs for the guiding hand behind all this glory—Miss Iler! She has worked faithfully to bring us out on top, she's our sympathetic friend, and best of all, she's a good sport. She and the A. A. needs your cooperation, so come out for athletics and give them your support and put the right spirit behind old blue and white.

HOW SHALL WE ACT?

Americans are often called a tactful people. We wonder, after hearing the varied criticisms in regard to the late King Edward-Wallis Simpson romance.

The now Duke and Duchess of Windsor are planning a tour of the United States to study housing conditions. To keep up our reputation as a mind-your-own-business race, it is the least we can do to let them pass their time here as ordinary tourists. They are here on a helpful mission, not to be regarded as foreign curiosities.

The Librarian

These are just the days to sit before an open fireplace, sip not chocolate, and read a good book. So what type book would you like? Certainly not some scholarly dissertation—the outside is so uninviting to spending precious moments looking up the meaning of this or that word. Perhaps a mystery story would be better. Not then may I suggest one of the best volumes of recent poems? Mary Simon Leitch, a Virginia poet of national fame, has given us some of her most beautiful work in a new collection "Spider Architect." Isn't that title intriguing? And you'll be delighted with the attractive silver jacket when the book boasts.

In her poetry, Mrs. Leitch touches all of life. Her appeal is so great because she strikes the universal note. She writes of the prosaic—in "Disparagement of Garden Groves"—and with equal skill she pens the beautiful lines of "The Bridge." The character of her verse, its strength and understanding, may be perceived in one of her shorter poems.

If Words Were Changed
How poor is speech—a thing
Shaped of our wind-blown breath
For that enfoldment—growth—
enlarging,
We have no word but death!

Breaking of light that is a luminous flame
Upon both foe and friend;
The great beginning that no man can name—
That—that we call the end.

If but our petty store
Of words were changed to bars
Of music, then the word for death
would soar
And snatter on the stars!

But if you are to read her poetry, you want to know something about Mrs. Leitch, herself, and her life has been a series of adventures. For two years she went to sea on a tramp steamer, sailing up and down the coast of South America, touching points at which regular vessels didn't even stop. After her marriage to Captain John Leitch, in command of the boat on which she traveled, the poet continued to follow the sea. That she still loves it is shown in her prize lines:

Always my heart has found the sea
Though banished to a distant plain
The wind has brought the sound to me
Of surf, and salt has been the rain,
From woods and mountains near and far
Still I have seen the breakers comb;
Always for me the Evening Star
Has risen, though inland, on the foam.
Now there is no more sea, nor ought,
Save endless, aching prairie reaches,
Beyond the hope, beyond the thought
Of water broken on the beaches.

Open Forum

Dear Editor:

The very thought of being a "Rat" is bad enough, but when about seven people rush up to your table while you are eating and all begin to shout at you things to do, it just isn't fair.

It is a rule of the school that a sophomore can not make a "Rat" do anything while they are in the dining room. Just because you remind the proud sophomores of this rule, they gather up more of their classmates and conspire against the "Rat", but Sophomores I salute you:

"Oh Sophomores, with your sacrosanct, salience; and sententious sensibleness, you have shamed our saponaceous, selfish superiority until we bow before you in lamentable, lowly, yet loquacious lubricity. In order to acquire your blithesome, bounteous, bounteous brainy, beautiful benevolence, we pray the punctilious palative, producible, privilege of serving you."

Tell me not in care-free numbers,
Freshman life is but a dream!
For the rat will flunk that slumbers
(at least they do)
Exams are harder than they seem.

Rotunda Reverberations

Liz Carroll

RAT WEEK! Freshmen shorn of their beauty dash madly around at the beck and call of Sophomores! The majority of the Freshmen prove to be very good sports. Certain upper classmen grasp the opportunity to make the Rats their sworn slaves and allies and proceed to protect a chosen few from the cruel attacks imposed by their own classmates. The usual dissension results and the real spirit of the thing is lost in this grand melee of favoritism.

Mary Harrison Vaughan, Libby Roberts and Ruth Montgomery at last depart for Chicago! For weeks they have been walking around in a daze thinking of it . . . in fact they have been all packed and ready to shove off for the past ten days. Here's hoping they have as gleeful a time as the girls had last year in Louisville!

According to one of the young pupils at the training school the Park is a very good place to pick up easy money on week-ends. It seems that a certain cadet gave him a quarter to make himself scarce. Perhaps the fact that the dark haired miss with him is teaching in the training school this quarter had something to do with it. The lad really should have held out for a higher price! Current rumor has it that Hud-

gins is having her time beat. 'Tis said that Otie Miller is escorting another girl to Homecomings this week-end. Well! Wonder if Dodson could verify the rumor.

We certainly have one polite freshman in our midst. When she stopped by the book room the other day to buy some stamps and Miss Taliaferro held out her hand for the money, the sweet young thing shook hands with her. It must have been jolly to note the expressions on their faces.

Among our other oddities we have a freshman in a much worse predicament than the man without a country ever dreamed of. Why, she "ain't from no place, ain't got no name and ain't gonna do nothin' any sophomore tells her to." In addition, "she paid as much money to come to this here place as any d— sophomore."

Theme songs: Girls in general, "I Want an Invitation to a Dance" . . . Kathleen McCann, "No Soap, No Rub, No Lather" . . . Isabel Williamson, "I Got A Feeling I'm Falling" . . . Marjorie Woolfolk, "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes" . . . Prince Smith, Sue Owen, Jenny Carroll and Chloetilde Jarman "Highways Are Happy Ways" . . . Rose-Marie Hunter, "There's a Small Hotel" . . . Mary Harvey and Gigi Doughty, "Sonny Boy".

Have You Noticed?

Stop me if I'm wrong, but I have a vague feeling that some horrible pestilence has swooped down and blighted the beauty of our newest school chums. There was a day when they were pretty attractive looking. Some of them were even a little on the "super-super" side, but now—You Sophomores have a lot to answer for. Wherever we gaze, some droopy looking creature is lurking waiting for a chance to offend your sense of the beautiful.

The freshmen should thank their lucky stars that "Ratting" doesn't come over a week-end. There would be a monstrous number of crimson faces when people started dropping in to see you. They would surely be seeing you at your worst, too. And besides it was so nice getting an early start on this lovely new week. You can't be blamed for groaning a

little at having to rise and shine at 6:30 Monday morning. That was pretty gruesome!

Now that it's all over and you have a very vivid idea of how awful you can look, won't you make a colossal effort to look your best for awhile? At least long enough for us to get this unpleasant taste out of our mouths. Curl your hair as much as you please and don't fail to use some make-up. The perkier you look, the more relieved everybody will feel. When Wednesday afternoon rolled around we had all lost the last ray of hope and resigned ourselves to the fact that we were doomed to live with three hundred sad-looking creatures for the next eight months. Allah be praised that it was only three days. And you did look awfully funny part of the time.

Intercollegiate News

Elizabeth Burke

After the Football Game

The football game was over, And at the parlor grate
A maid and a long haired youth Were lingering rather late.
They talked of punts and drop kicks
But found it rather tame

'Til Cupid put his nose guard on And butted in the game.

Quoth he, "'Tis mighty funny I can't arrange a match."

So he lined the couple up And led them to the scratch.

The youth was growing nervous Beneath his new found bliss,
And he rather thought the scrimmage

Ought to end up in a kiss. He charged upon the center;
He tackled left and right;

And the way they held that chair for downs

Was simply out of sight.

He tried an osculation—Just an amateur affair

But lost it on a fumble And instead it struck the air.

Then as he landed on her ear He heard the maiden say,

"You're penalized for holding, Jim,

Likewise for offside play."

With set teeth he tried another This time succeeded fine

For he scored an easy touchdown On the crimson two-yard line.

Then as they sat there by the grate,
Communing soul to soul,

The parlor door swung open, And father kicked the goal.

—From the notebook of Dr. L. R. Littleton

Copied from "The White Topper"

"Why are you crying?"

"Father called mother a wad-

dling goose."

"Well?"

"Mother called father a stupid

ass."

"But why are you crying?"

"Well, what am I?"

Sunset is a rear view of a sun-

rise.

"Are you positive that the de-

fendant was drunk?" asked the

judge.

"No doubt," growled the officer.

"Why are you so certain?"

"Well," replied the officer, "I

saw him put a penny in the patrol

box on Fourth street, then looked

up at the clock on the Presbyterian

Church and shouted: 'Gawd,

I've lost fourteen pounds!'"

When a man works like a horse

it's because everybody rides him.

A star fell out of heaven

Right into my arms

Gee, but the thing was hot!

He: "May I have this dance?"

She: "Certainly, if you can find

a partner."

Here's the greatest gambler of

all times—Lady Godiva. She put

everything she had on a horse.

"Modern marriage is like a

cafeteria. A man grabs what looks

nice to him and pays for it later."

Bells ring, classes start,

Lessons begin, my heart!

Such work isn't lawful,

Oh my, don't it awful!

Compliments are like perfume,

to be inhaled, not swallowed.

—Charles C. Munn.

GLEANINGS

By

Virginia L. Agee

* * * *

In our column last week we wondered just what was up the respective sleeves of Mussolini and Hitler. It is beginning to dawn on other nations—or rather, the dawn is beginning to take a bit of shape. The "dawn" came about when Italy rejected an Anglo-French bid to a three-power conference to discuss the issue of Italian volunteers fighting in Spain.

Italy replied in a note which was couched in firm by courteous language. It was de-



livered in Rome to French and British officials. The content of the note was, mainly, that Italy would continue to refuse bids to international conferences unless Germany also received and accepted bids.

It is feared now by French and British officials that to-

gether Italy and Germany are seeking a Fascist Europe through control of Spain. This, in itself creates a very grave situation, because the flow of armaments and men into Spain from Italy is heavy.

Not only is Italy's position in Spain the cause for world eye-brows to be raised, but it seems that Chinese officials need definite proof as to just where Italy stands in the Chinese-Japanese conflict. The Italian press has been siding with Japan, and Mussolini sees nothing wrong in Japan's invasion of China: nothing wrong—in spite of the fact that Japan has only broken two or three "unimportant" understandings with the strongest and most important nations of the world and she has only invaded a nation on whom she has no claims—incidentally, she has not, as yet, even so much as declared war in China: perhaps this is merely a practice skirmish!

Japan is definitely up a large tree than she had anticipated! Even though her population has tripled itself since four or five years ago, China has her there, for China's man-supply is inexhaustible. The Chinese officials are not alarmed with the report of fifty-seven thousand deaths. Not only are there one million Chinese in uniform already, but there are unaccountable millions more ready to take up arms at a moment's notice.

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Back in the days when our grandmothers wore long, heavy skirts, and back in the days when our mothers wore pompadours and sailor hats, baseball was the king of sports. To many of us, football is supreme—to those who have known nothing of forward passes, tackles, and touchdowns, terms such as outfield, infield, and homers come to thier tongues quite easily.

The World Series, the greatest of baseball classics, is over—and for the second consecutive time, the New York Yankees won the cup. This is also the second consecutive time that the World Series has been an all-New York World series, because last year and this, the cup stood between two New York clubs—the Yankees and the Giants.

"Lefty" Gomez was distinctly the hero. His beautiful pitching and wonderful batting took the Giants by surprise in spite of Gomez's reputation.

Not only does this mark the Yanks' second straight conquest, but it gives them the distinction of having won the series for the sixth time since the World War. And that my friends—is not to be sniffed at!

The student body extends its deepest sympathy to Mr. M. Boyd Coyner in his recent bereavement.

Hockey Team Will Meet Wm. & Mary Extension Nov. 13

Game There to Mark First Intercollegiate Try

November 13, when S. T. C. plays William and Mary Extension of Richmond there, marks the first game of intercollegiate hockey that S. T. C. has ever participated in. Further plans have not been announced.

Harriette Vaden, manager, also announced that unless there are at least fourteen players from each class out for the required amount of practice, there can be no class games this year. As it stands now, there are ample freshmen and twenty sophomores out, but not nearly enough participants to make up junior and senior teams. Upperclassmen are urged to come out since some of the ones already signed up are dropping from the list.

If there are enough for green and white and red and white teams, these teams probably will play determining points for the color cup.

Y.W.C.A. Holds First Open Cabinet Meeting

The Y. W. C. A. held an open meeting on October 6, 1937. Following the roll call, the devotionals were led by Isabel Williamson. The heads of the different committees gave their reports.

Frances Thomas, Norvell Montague, and Ruth Curtis Robeson gave reports on sports, spiritual and atmosphere of the conference at Blue Ridge. The conference was held last June and was a conference of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. from all the southern states.

The meeting was well attended and they were served punch and cake.

Juniors Entertain Sister Class at Party in "Rec"

The "green and white" spirit was really tops on last Thursday night when the Juniors entertained the Freshmen at a party in the "Rec."

The classes were entertained by Mary Jackson, Sidney Yonce, and P. Bryan who sang "Love's Serenade," after which Army Butterworth, Margaret Britton and Anne Dugger tap danced. As a conclusion the two classes joined in doing a spirited "Big Apple."

World Sports

An old Scottish custom, fit only for men of brawn, is "toss the caber". In the old days a tree trunk was used. Now under the degenerating influence of modern civilization, a tapering pole is used. Deep in the highlands west of Aberdeen, Scotland, was held, last week, the Braemar Gathering of the clans. George VI, who wears the Balmoral tartan in Scotland, was patron. The aim of the "bonnie laddies" was to balance the pole by the tapering end and run some twenty yards with it, then heave it into the air so that it lands on the bag end and topples away from the thrower. It was only natural that the prizes should be cash.

American sport takes queer forms. Last week at Chicago's Jubilee Form Week Festival a hog-and-husband calling contest was held. Although syllables differ, the United States' form methods of summoning hungry mouths to trough and table are essentially the same: a deep breath, an upraised diaphragm, and a horn-like note that carries above the murmur of trees and rustling grain. In the Midwest its "sooeee", in Mississippi, "awoo Pig, Pig, Pig," and Louisiana the Bayou beller, a slow "eh la bas". Husbands, usually answer to their own names, but wives use the same fundamental method on man and pig.

In 1869, when Princeton and Rutgers played a football game, there were fifty men on the field, twenty-five on each side. By 1877 the size of a football team had whittled to fifteen men. Five years later Walter Camp succeeded in his campaign to reduce teams to eleven men. That the possibilities for experiment are still far from exhausted was demonstrated last week by some seven hundred United States schools, most of them small and obscure, which began the biggest season, to date for six-man football. "Six-man" was invented three years ago by Stephen Epler, a twenty-five year old Nebraska high school coach who didn't have enough potential

footballers to form a team. He devised a set of rules and after a season of experimental games had his rule book published. Official "six-man" is regulation football played with six men on a side. A team consists of a center, two ends, a quarter back, half back, and full back. The player receiving the ball may not cross the line of scrimmage with it, but must pass it to someone else. After that, "six man" is hard to distinguish from eleven man. The chief differences are that the field is eighty by forty yards instead of one hundred yards by one hundred and sixty feet, and quarters are ten minutes instead of fifteen, the kick is made from the thirty yard line and a field goal counts four points. A predominately passing game, "six-man" is not only faster but safer. This year, with "six man" being played in seventeen states, plans are being made to select an all American team.

America's bathing beauty contests have always caused discussion, but we take a backseat now. France has developed the latest. Trust those fifty-million egotistical Freshmen to put woman in her place. At the Paris exposition one of the chief publicity stunts was a contest for the most beautiful athlete in Europe. It was backed by two Paris newspapers and the French Federation Physical Culture. Some 4,000 young men from ten European countries entered the contest and were reduced to sixty-one for the final elimination in Paris. Many of the contestants rubbed themselves with sun tan oil to make their bodies glisten, others used ochre and iodine solution to achieve an Indian red skin, others painted themselves with a purple pomegranate solution. (We should be thankful that men don't use make up in everyday life if they are going to let their color schemes run riot). The Freshmen notably overlooked the blond Nordic entries and selected two Frenchmen and one Italian for the first three places.

S. T. C. Archers Are Modern Dianas

If you have ever happened out on the athletic field sometime on a Friday afternoon, you have probably witnessed a spectacle most extraordinary, but, don't let those awkward elbows, cocked heads and stiff arms puzzle you—it's just beginner's practice in Archery. But from all reports, especially from those latest adepts, Dot Fisher and Helen Green, it's so much fun that the aches and bruises seem to fade into the background.

If you'd like to see how it's really done, just have a look at advanced practice from five to six on Wednesdays. If the manager, Louise Anthony and her assistant, Ann Billups become a little discouraged on Fridays, Wednesdays should restore their good humor for it is then that our modern Dianas are at their best.

Tapping

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The Rotunda as feature editor and as a columnist, on the house council and has been vice-president of the class of '38 for the past two years. She's a member of Mu Omega Sorority.

Carter Belle Munt has been secretary of her class for the four years. Because of her acting ability she has been in the Dramatic Club plays for two years and was head of the Sing Committee last year. She has served as corresponding Editor of Beore Eh Thorn and is now its president. Carter Belle was literary editor of the Annual last year and is Associate Editor this year. She was a member of the Mardi Gras Court her sophomore and junior years and was a member of the May Court last year. She is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Riding

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ing trails which are now being constructed out at Longwood.

All the pupils entered in classes now will automatically become members of the riding club which is now being formed. Those now getting instruction are: Virginia Wallner, Chlotilde Jarman, Virginia Jarman, Mary Jackson, Pattie Bounds, Betty Harwood, Elizabeth George Wilson, Peggy Young, Marjorie Wicks, Mary Allen Peters, Elizabeth Lewis, Blair Goode, Deane Saunders, Mary Wilson Clark, Isabel Plummer, Florence Rowett, Jennie Belle Gilliam, Betty Gregg, Adelaide Dressler, Elizabeth Butler, Bernice Copley Marcia Etheridge and Florence Bress.

have big moons." And her smile itself described her native land with its tropical foliage, exotic birds, and the moons of Puerto Rico that are "oh, so big."

Jamison Will Soon Return to Farmville

Good news for all S. T. C. students is that Mrs. Bessie C. Jamison, school dietitian, is now convalescing at her home in Salem. It is hoped that she will soon return to the duties she has performed here for a number of years.

During Mrs. Jamison's absence, Mrs. Annie Shelton is dietitian, and Mrs. Charles D. Turnbull is taking Mrs. Shelton's place in the dining room.

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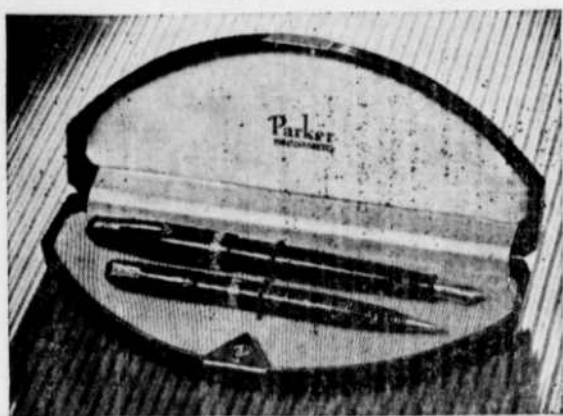
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Bits of Lit.

Robert Morse, of New York City, who graduated from Princeton in 1928, has studied art in Paris and is a portrait painter in New York. His essays on French painters are noteworthy. He has also reviewed books for "The Nation."

A Flower Piece
(On a garden containing an ornamental bronze bat.)
Sometimes Flora in mossy hat dissolves her lifted marble palms in sky and birdsong. Sometimes a bat (since Flora, living, walks the paths) to any wicked heart strikes qualms.

Guardian of the garden, he defends with brazen beak the mystery. All riddle of the leaf and stem untwining, the ivy vine upon the wall reclining. All gossip of the marigold, the wraths of foolish rose among the roses living. Hyacinth dead too young, who should have known Chrysanthemum, alas, alone—two lovers by a summer parted—the foxglove and the dapper lily giving news to one another by the bees, the mignonette that only whispers "please", the tragic fuchsia brokenhearted, the honeysuckle like a perfumed lout sprawled on the lawn with shirt-tail out.

But Nemesis is armed with shears sharp to snig the smooth or thorny stalk, so suddenly the smiling and the tears lie a cut flower on the garden walk. Yet when Flora with her basket comes not even greenest birds would willingly say "No", but stretch their tender necks for Flora's thumbs And gentle fingertips to break, and show with vanity their full-dress uni-

A Hint to the Wise is Sufficient

While all of us are practising poses for the group pictures that will be taken for The Virginian this week, there are just a few "do's and don't's" that will help keep up S. T. C.'s reputation for good looks—ahem. As a starting point, don't wear heavy coats. We don't want to get the reputation of being polar bears. Those white shoes might have looked good on the cover of the college issue of Life, but they certainly do draw undesirable attention to our feet in group pictures. Thin sweaters are taboo. Plaids and checks make the picture look as if someone has been playing "tit-tat-toe" or checkers on it.

You are probably wondering what there is left to wear. This can be answered in one sentence—sport clothes, solid material, dark colors preferred.

Puerto Ricans

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on Sundays than at any other time since it is then that all the families gather at home or go down to the beach or on picnics.

In describing their native land, they disclosed the fact that the temperature rarely fell below 75 degrees. Ramonita can't wait to see snow, and America is just as eager to show it to her since, last year, she herself took a whole day off from her studies just to play in it.

Ramonita decided that Puerto Rico differed from this part of the country very little, at this time of the year, except that her country has "so many, many hills," and America added, "I like the flowers better than anything. In Puerto Rico we have the flowers all the year. The palm trees—they are so romantic." And here her eyes sparkled as she formed a large circle with her arms, adding "We

form, of seven roses all the seven abandon roots in hope of heaven. Thus reason they: "How soon the worm and autumn are our lot! This lady is both wise and good—let her take now what soon the winter would."

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Alumnae News

Anne Diggs Peple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Peple became the bride of Mr. Howard Gills, Jr., Saturday evening, October 9, at 8:00. The services were performed at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Ginter Park by the rector of the church, Rev. E. C. Pedrick.

The church was decorated with baskets of white flowers, chrysanthemums and lilies, and palms and ferns covered the chancel.

Miss Peple wore a gown of white velvet fashioned on princess lines with a lace yoke and a full skirt from which was formed a long train. She carried a white prayer book from which lilies of the valley were showered.

After the wedding a reception for the immediate families and the bridal party followed at the home of the bride's parents.

Anne attended State Teachers College, Farmville, in 1934-'35. She was president of the Freshman class of '38. Anne was a member of Gamma Theta sorority and the Cotillion Club.

The inviting chimes of wedding bells have lured many of our alumnae to the altar in the past few months.

A wedding of wide interest was that of Miss Dorothy Price of Brookneal to W. Woodrow Wilkerson of Prospect on Sept. 1 at noon in the Second Baptist Church of Richmond. The Episcopal ceremony was used and the bride carried her mother's prayer book.

She graduated from S. T. C. in June, receiving her B. S. degree with honors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson are now living in Dillwyn where Mr. Wilkerson is principal of the high school.

Bessie Scott Strick of Farmville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Strick, was married June 12 to Paul James Cartwright of Richmond. Mr. Cartwright is a graduate of the Julliard School of Music and at present is a member of the Virginia Symphony Orchestra.

The wedding of Annie Elizabeth

Booker, of Andersonville, Buckingham County, to William Clarke Vaughn of Charlotte County took place at Emporia on August 16. The bride taught several years in Buckingham after her graduation from S. T. C.

Another event of wide interest on the Alumnae social calendar was the sweet and simple wedding on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Brumfield of their daughter Emily Lyle Brumfield to Mr. Locklin S. Bell, son of Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Bell, of Montreat, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell, after a short wedding tour, will be at home in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jennings, of Cartersville, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mrs. Lucille Rogers, to S. W. Parker of Cartersville on Sept. 11.

Miss Helen Kyle Wingo was married to Thomas Baxter Lilly, of Wilmington, N. C. on Oct. 2 in Crewe, Virginia.

She received her B. S. degree from S. T. C. this summer. She was prominent in both social and academic work while a student here.

The wedding of Miss Alice Frances Rowell to George Franklin Whitley, Jr., of New York City took place on Oct. 9, 1937 at the Baptist Church in Smithfield.

The bride received an M. A. degree from Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. after graduating with a B. S. from S. T. C. She was a member of the Gallaudet College for two years. Alice was a member of Alpha Sigma Tau, social sorority and Kappa Delta Pi, national honorary fraternity.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Alexander, of Staunton, was married to Mr. Albert Mason Rockwell of Wethersfield, Conn., Sept. 25.

The bride attended Mary Baldwin Seminary and graduated from S. T. C. Since her graduation she has taught at Beverley Manor school in Staunton.

Rats Shivel Before Sophs

Smiling faces turned suddenly sour. Laughter turned to nervous jitters and in some cases tears—honest to goodness tears—as that big black figure swooped down and hovered over the youngest of us—the "rats." To sing was a sin unless commanded to do so. The biggest of them shivered until they could have crawled, and some gladly, beneath the huge feet of the mighty sophomores.

"Oh, what'll they do to us? but I can't do it—I don't know how? I wish I were in the infirmary." "They won't hurt you—they can't hurt you." "I know but—oh my gosh!" And all the comforting that the kind Juniors and Seniors could give didn't help a bit—those freshmen were scared!

Of course they were ridiculous looking—you would have been, too—what with raincoats, black stockings—rat caps—what with no make-up and hair straight—why those two things just make the lady!

Creeping up the halls stiller even than that mouse in the Christmas poem they'd pause a minute at every corner to peer around for a Sophomore who might be happening along that way. Bad enough to meet them when they had to—no sense in bumping into them.

Clean rooms—yes, all Sophomores had them. Freshmen cleaned, freshmen dusted, freshmen trucked, freshmen skipped—freshmen were helpless creatures of environment in the hands of the sophomores. The freshmen shined in "Shannon's" and one poor little girl said—"I wouldn't have minded it so much if all of Hampden-Sydney hadn't been in there!"

Now it's most over—in a little while it will be over and "rats" will become freshmen. They've been swell sports about it all and now as the terror passes and with the realization and the relief that its almost over and they aren't dead—freshmen are saying in their hearts—it was fun! Yes, it was—as long as you stay here—as long as you live—you'll remember it. We have!

Chaperones Elected By Senior Class

Norvell Montague, Mary Harrison Vaughan, Jennie B. Gilliam, Madeline McGlothlin, Ruth Montgomery, Virginia Agee, Libby Morris, Caroline Upshur, Nan Seward, and Marjorie Robertson have been elected from the senior class by their classmates to serve as chaperones for the year of 1937-'38.

These girls, chosen because of their efficiency, will assist the Home Department by going with other students to the doctors and dentists' offices and to the games at Hampden-Sydney.

Convention

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The convention program is as follows: October 15th—3:30 P. M.—Registration, Appointment of Committees, Reports of National Officers; 7:30 P. M.—Reports of circles; 9:30 P. M.—Informal reception.

October 16th—9:30 A. M.—Theme discussion: "Vocational Opportunities for Women in the South."

2:00 P. M.—Committee reports.

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Dearest Dad,

You should have been here this last week-end to see the girls leaving! I've never heard such a racket—I think there were two hundred and forty-six girls going in one direction or another. There were suit-cases piled up, bus tickets flying, and gay laughter everywhere.

As usual, a number trucked off to Richmond. You know, there was the William and Mary—V. P. I. game there, and "Brother Rat" was on at the Lyric. Some of those going to Richmond were Alla Berkely, Margaret Carr, Connie Cole, Ruth Emma Chambers, Elsie Dodd, Vera Ebel, Eleanor Dodson, Jennie Belle Gilliam, Rose Marie Hunter, Jane Hardy, Nellwyn Latimer, Mary Katherine Nininger, Virginia Lee Pettis, Marian Raine, Kitty Roberts, Elizabeth Rawlings, Georgie Stringfellow, Phillipa Schlobahm, Jean Stephenson, Virginia Winston Smith, Gay Stieffen, Harriette Maxey, Grace Allen Pittard, Mary Mahone, Kaki Peery, Mary Wilson Clarke, Elizabeth Wilkinson, Susan Lane, Annie Watson Holden, Marjorie Wicks, Dibbs Tyree, Mary Jackson and Mable Burton.

Several girls went to Lynchburg. These were Eloise Bawling, Roberta Wheeler, Elsie Greene, Martha Harding, Judith Marshall, Virginia Allen, and Dot Buckland. Cornelia Story went to Boykins. Deane Saunders visited in Bedford. Virginia Vose spent Sunday in Prospect.

Election of officers.

3:00 P. M.—H.-S. vs. Swarthmore game.

7:00 P. M.—Banquet at Longwood.

The national officers expected are: Jane Royall, presiding officer, and Miss Florence Stubbs, Farmville; Frances Cardwell and Ladena Gaines, Columbia, S. C., and Mrs. Daris Jackson Parker, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Among the honorary and associate members of the local circle are: Dr. J. L. Jarman, Miss Mary White Cox, Miss Grace Mix, Miss Mary Clay Hiner, Miss Winnie Hiner, Miss Minnie Rice, Miss Olive Iler and Miss Mary Nichols.

The guests will be entertained at Longwood

Sorority News

Gamma Theta Give Picnic at Longwood

The Gamma Theta sorority held a fall picnic in the cabin at Longwood on Monday night. Besides the members of the active chapter, Miss Stubbs, faculty advisor, and Helen Cover, an alumna were present. After supper, the group gathered before the fire and sang songs.

Miss Moran Entertains Alpha Sigma Alpha

Miss Moran entertained the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority after the weekly meeting at the cabin at Longwood. Everybody joined in a "Big Apple" after picnic supper was served.

Others and their destinations were: Susie Jeffress, Rice; Lois Vassar, Appomattox; Katherine Watkins, Amelia; Evelyn Woltz, Nathalie; Leah Marsh, Miskimon; Montine Womack, Roxboro; Carter Belle Munt, Nan Seward, Margaret Britton and Helen Seward, Petersburg; Isabel Parr, Amherst; Virginia Thompson, Dumbarton; Caroline Faris and Billie Lewis, Charlottesville; Esther Atkinson, Hampden-Sydney; Jenny Carroll, Prince Smith, Sue Owen, Chlotilde Jarman, Lawrenceville; Katherine Gray, Norfolk.

Jane Baldwin, Cathrine Cassell, Elizabeth Sieber and Ann Billups visited friends in Roanoke.

Kitty Jamison, Edith Hammock and Doris Chestnut attended the Duke—Tennessee game in Durham on Saturday.

Nancy Gray was quite contented to spend the week-end here at school. She had "Pie" from Roanoke.

Well, Dad, this is all the news so 'bye 'til next week.

Your little daughter, Frances

P. S. I almost forgot to tell you that Pattie Bounds and I spent the week-end with Louise Anthony in Danville.

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