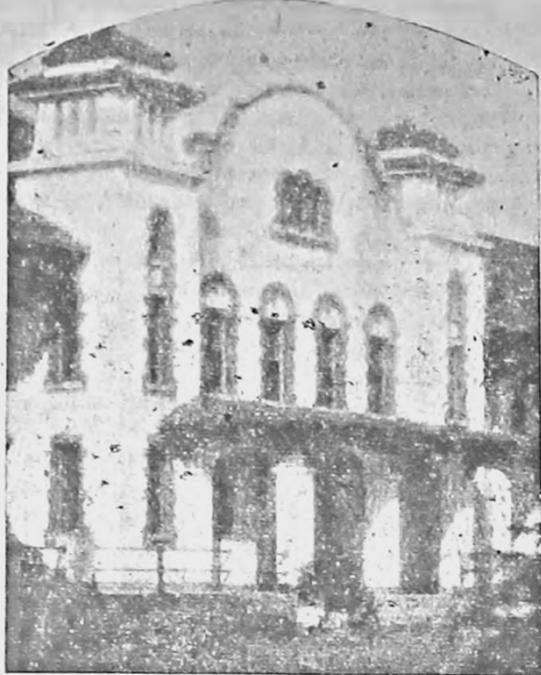


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Spanish Architecture beautifies Valdosta State College

Fortieth Anniversary Celebrated by Alumni

VSC Says Life Begins At Forty

by Martha Barrs

Valdosta State College is celebrating its fortieth anniversary! The actual birthday of the college was on January 2, but no formal celebration has been held prior to this homecoming weekend.

The college was chartered by a special act of the state legislature in 1906, but its doors were opened to students for the first time on January 2, 1913. When the college opened in 1913, it was known as the South Georgia State Normal College, and only two years of college work was offered then. The first enrollment of the college consisted of four regular students and thirty special students. There was a staff of sixteen faculty members.

The first graduation exercises of the college were held on May 29, 1914 with only three students graduating.

In 1915 the enrollment of the college had increased to 124, thus showing rapid progress in the growth of the college.

With the rapid growth of the enrollment came the need for an administration building and the construction of West Hall began. This building was completed in 1915.

In 1921 Ashley Hall was opened and in 1922 this became a four year college and the name was changed to Georgia State Woman's College. Again, in the first graduating class of the four year college there were only three students receiving degrees.

The student publications were not born with the college. Instead the first publication was a monthly magazine known as the Pine Branch which was similar to our

Campus Canopy which replaced the Pine Branch in 1934. The first edition of the Pine Cone was published in 1925.

In the early years of the college, the dress of the college girls was a uniform consisting of middie blouses and skirts. This was changed to a pongee dress for everyday and a navy silk for Sunday. The uniforms were finally abolished in 1931.

The college became a liberal arts institution for women in 1933.

After a survey by the Strayer Committee appointed to study the University System of Georgia, it was recommended that the college become coeducational. In January, 1950, the Board of Regents followed the recommendations of the committee and announced that the college henceforth would be called Valdosta State College and would be open to both men and women.

The only four-year unit of the University System south of Milledgeville, the institution is a college of arts and sciences.

Two buildings will be erected on the 60-acre campus during the 40th year. Construction of a gymnasium-auditorium and a men's dormitory is scheduled to begin in early spring.

Dr. J. Ralph Thaxton, president of VSC since 1948, expressed confidence that "the college is entering a period of growth co-existence with that of South Georgia, and will continue to serve the residents of the state as it has during the past four decades."

Other presidents have been Dr. Richard Holmes Powell, Dr. Jere M. Pound, and Dr. Frank Robertson Reade.

Annual Goes To Press

The 1953 edition of the PINE CONE has gone to press! With numerous gray hairs and a great deal of sleep lost, the editor, Jean Van Landingham, announced that the annual will be ready for distribution in May. Copy is in the printing office and the PINE CONE is being assembled into a book that will hold many memories of a wonderful year, 1953. Congratulations, Jean, on such a swell job!

The 1953 Pine Cone will be distributed at the VSC bookstore, when it arrives. Watch the bulletin board for the date and time.

Workshop Held

Have you noticed the face lifting job that has been done on the Canopy? It is all the results of a newspaper workshop that was sponsored that was sponsored by the college and conducted by the Dreary and two members of the University of Georgia. Dean department of journalism at the Red and Black staff from the University, worked with the Canopy staff and the annual staff giving them helpful suggestions about journalism procedures. With this much need advice on newspaper problems, the Canopy staff feels that the next issues of the Campus Canopy will be bigger and better.

VSC Welcomes Alumni To Homecoming

Sigma Alpha Chi Honored At Honors Day Program

Honor Students Lauded By Dean McMahon

McMahon. Honors' Day has long been a big event of the spring quarter at VSC. It is on this day that the faculty dons their academic gowns and an assembly is held to honor those students on campus that have maintained an average of superior. This is a very colorful program as all of the honored students will be in white, following the faculty into the auditorium.

Dr. Donald McMahon, who is the dean of instruction at the Georgia State College for Women, delivered the principal address at the exercises on May first. The dean had many things of value and interest to say to the members of Sigma Alpha Chi as well as to the entire student body.

The program of Honors' Day recognized the recipients of the honors and awards earned during the current academic year. Parents of the honor students and students receiving special awards were guest of the college for the day.

Many new members of Sigma Alpha Chi have been selected for the coming year. These selections were based on academic standings as well as campus leadership. Students selected for the membership were:

Ann Gill, Atlanta; Beverly Grimes, Athens; Joanne Moon and Alice Cauley, Brunswick; Caroline Willis, Coolidge; Connie Sikes and Lynette McQueen, Folkston; Saralyn Perry, Waycross; Jean Russell, Montezuma; Russell Acree, Twin Lakes; Mrs. Virginia DeShazo, Lake Park; Nan Brown, Colquitt; Clyde Connell, Naylor;

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Miss Jean Terry, who will be featured with Dean Hudson's orchestra.

Dance Schedule

At eight o'clock Saturday night, May second, Dean Hudson will be featured at a formal dance sponsored by the Student Government. There will be vocalist, piano stylist, and a six piece Dixieland band. Before intermission which will be held at approximately nine thirty, the May Queen, Maid of Honor, and May Court are to be presented.

The last song, "Goodnight Sweetheart" is scheduled to be played at twelve midnight.

Tickets for the dance will be on sale at the door of the High School Gym or they can be obtained from any member of the Student Council. For students, the admission will be \$1.50 stag and \$2.50 per couple. For persons other than students admission is \$2.00 stag and \$4.00 per couple.

Dean Hudson Featured At Dance

Homecoming? Yes, after forty years everyone has been invited to come home.

Alumni Day has been in existence for a number of years, but on this fortieth anniversary of the college it is more than just an alumni day. It is as you can see a weekend filled with excitement and entertainment.

Alumni Day this year has special significance as the program has been planned to emphasize the celebration of the college's fortieth anniversary. "Life Begins at Forty" is the theme of the day's activities.

Each year certain classes are honored and this year those being honored are the classes of 1914, 1915, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, and 1952.

First on the program of the events for the alumni is a tour of the campus and meeting with various faculty members.

association will entertain the guests at a luncheon at the House in the Woods. Miss Louise Massey, Valdosta president of the association will preside at the business meeting which will be held in the library.

May Festival

Perhaps the most beautiful aspect of Homecoming will be that of the presentation of the May Queen and her court in Drexel Park this afternoon at 4:00.

Fable Presented

Mrs. Valente's dance group will present the fable of Cinderella in dance form on the stage of the amphitheatre. This is scheduled to take place after the coronation.

Tonight the annual alumni banquet will be held in the woman's building. The program at the banquet will feature a skit dramatizing life of college students during the past forty years.

Dance Highlights the Weekend

The highlight of Homecoming can certainly be said to be the big formal dance at which the famous Dean Hudson will be featured. Dean Hudson is well known in this area as he has completed many engagements at the University of Kentucky, the University of Virginia, Hotel Statler, Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans, the Surf Club at Virginia Beach and the Vogue Terrace in Pittsburgh. Featured with the orchestra will be Miss Jean Terry, "Mistress of Modern Melody". Hudson a Capella Choir, Charlie Rhodis (Arthur Godfrey talent Winner) and Dave Townsend, Piano Stylist. With the Dean Hudson band, there is a band within a band, known as the Dixieland Six. This is a feature of the band which has attracted a great deal of attention and favorable comment.

Canopy Goes To High Schools

The homecoming issue of the Campus Canopy will be found in many of the high schools of this section. The paper staff and school officials feel that by sending the school paper to the various schools, prospective college students will be able to see what Valdosta State College has to offer. A great deal can be learned about the life on campus through the college newspaper, a cross-section of daily activities.

The first of the Homecoming weekends seems to promise great things and many events. In the future the Homecoming weekend will be an annual event to be looked forward to by all alumni.



Tom Crouch First Male Graduate

In the Spring quarter of 1950, Georgia State Woman's College became a co-educational college and the name was changed to Valdosta State College. The following year, the first male student was graduated. Tom Crouch obtained this honor.

A native of Valdosta, Mr. Crouch enrolled at Valdosta State College in 1950. His major and chief interest was found in the Biology

department. At the present, Tom is teaching in the high school grades.

Now, three years after becoming a co-educational college, there are approximately 75 male students enrolled at VSC. In the years to come the male enrollment is expected to be greatly increased. Many additions are being made on campus to take care of the influx of students.

Seniors Go To New Orleans

by Bob Lane

"New Orleans, here we come" was a familiar cry from many V.S.C. Seniors during the week of Winter Quarter examinations. Everyone going was excited and just couldn't wait until Spring Holidays arrived.

After much impatience and excitement March 19 finally arrived and at midnight sixteen seniors and Miss Louise Sawyer boarded a chartered bus and were on their way—for a while. Everything went fine for some time. Some of us immediately began to try to sleep while others sang. And after a short delay in Thomasville, the bus was on its way again—but not for too long.

We had about settled down for the remainder of the night when suddenly we found ourselves stopped at a whistlestop somewhere along the highway, with smoke streaming from the engine of the bus. At first no one could determine exactly where we were. Our bus driver, Claude Fielding, immediately began to try to locate a telephone. He soon located one, but the naughty boy who owned it was selfish and directed Claude to what we found to be the "Spanish Trail" hotel. Inside was an "Angular" type telephone—one that must be held at a peculiar angle in order for it to operate. From the "information desk" we learned that we were in Careyville, Florida. We decided that with the addition of a hitchrack to the "Spanish Trail", this spot would be an ideal setting for the filming of a "Wild Bill Hickok" movie.

Only after carting away half the "Spanish Trail's" fuel supply, some of us succeeded in building a campfire by the side of the road. Some slept in the bus while we were in Careyville. It was to their disadvantage, though, because we saw and heard things that one can expect to come in contact with only once in a lifetime. After about forty-five rooster crows, twenty-two cow moos, and a most weird sounding saw mill whistle at five o'clock Friday morning, another bus finally arrived to carry us on to New Orleans, arriving there at three o'clock that afternoon.

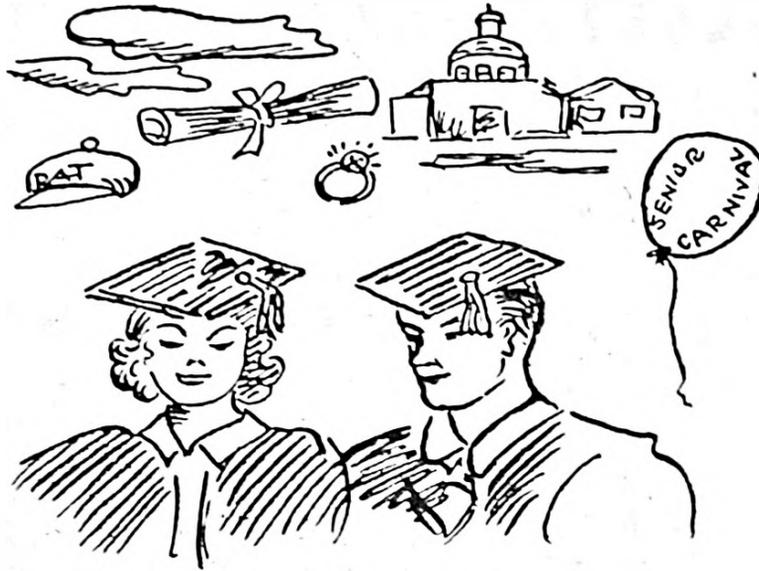
Since most of us had lost a night's sleep, we settled in our rooms at the New Orleans Hotel for a little rest before doing the town. In the early evening we went out as a group to a cafeteria for some nourishing food—and then we were off. Many little groups separated but for some strange coincidence most of us came together again at a certain place off Bourbon Street. That was the first of several enjoyable nights in that fabulous city.

Saturday morning we were entertained on a guided bus tour of the city, going through the residential sections, parks, and universities. And on Saturday afternoon we met at the Hotel Monteleone for a strolling tour of the French Quarters. Our guide for this tour was Madame Janet, an elderly lady of about sixty. After explaining a point of interest to us, she would suddenly dart down the street, while we strained to keep up with her. She would scoot in various little cubbyholes and stop as suddenly as she had started. Madame Janet had some trouble in keeping the undivided attention of a certain individual on the tour, but after several scoldings and a twisted neck, she finally succeeded in getting him to listen when she talked and to look when she said "look". This tour came to an end at a sidewalk cafe where the group (and especially Madame Janet) enjoyed coffee and donuts. Of course everyone was out again on Saturday night for another hilarious time.

On Sunday morning a group attended services at the St. Louis Cathedral. Others stayed in bed and slept in order to regain lost strength. After lunch we all gathered for a tour up the Mississippi river on the S. S. President, a beautiful old river boat complete with cafeteria and dance hall. This was an opportune time for taking pictures. After seeing many interesting sights up the river we returned to the wharf ready for another night.

Monday morning was spent at the famed International House and the International Trade Mart. At the International House we saw movies of New Orleans and Louisiana while at the International Trade mart we saw products from every corner of the world. Our plans were to have lunch at Antoinette, but after finding that we would have to stand in line for an hour or so, we went to

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D. Barry

Will we ever forget?

Hey, Hey, For May Day!

by Rebekah Culbreth

May Day—at long last colorful dresses are hanging in the rooms of those lucky seniors in the court, the coveted positions filled by royalty have finally fallen to us, the graduating seniors of 1953. The Juniors are quite as excited as the seniors for they are to usher at the great event. Queen Barbara, after tearing everything from hair to dresses, is now serene and smilingly waving her scepter—or is it a broom—from her doorway. Frolics have just subsided and here we are in the midst of another big weekend. Such luxury—dancing to two orchestras in two weeks, never let it be said that VSC students aren't plutocrats.

All the alumni probably are looking at our ad building in amazement. I can hear the exclamations now—"such a lovely shade of pink and green, just the color of my new bathroom!"; or "My, we never had these trapeze bars in the ceiling to swing from when I left in 1942!"; or some such. Maybe the rarer declarations will come when some poor mistaken former graduate takes off into senior hall and then immediately comes rushing out with, "My goodness, they have made my old room into a monkey cage. Guess they decided to install a zoo on campus and placed the animals in senior!"

Then there will be all the dewey-eyed seniors looking as if they are enduring Custer's Last Stand—well, maybe Price's or Spear's last stand will fit here more aptly since diplomas are the tickets out of this place. Nevertheless, I can see the pleased look on my Dad's face when he can stare Mr. McCoy straight in the face and know that he has received the last check my old Alma Mater will get from our family bank account.

After the seniors have dressed with a minimum of screams and last minute mix-ups of everything from hoops to shoes, Miss Ivey will assemble her court. The stands will be filled with proud parents, and laughing laddies and lassies, and handsome boy friends—well, alright then—just filled with parents. It is nice to dream once in a while, isn't it? (It has been rumored that the underclass women are hiding all men with two legs, faces, and long pants down at Converse. Mary Virginia, I would like to propose another amendment to the Constitution.) Well, after an audience of one kind or another has assembled—the May Court will reach its climax and the presentation of "Cinderella" by the dance group will complete such a lovely afternoon.

Yep, surely is hard to realize that I have circulated in these buildings for four years and now must get out and start "circulating" on my own. I wonder if there is a newspaper anywhere in existence who needs fairly good, used, circulation manager who owns a typewriter (that can't spell)? If you have information as to the above—please see ye olde feature editor.

After May Day comes June and graduation. After graduation and June comes the favorite sport of seniors—getting married! An exceptionally large bunch seem to have "that look" in their eyes. There are those official ones like Marilyn and Grace and Iris and Becky and then come those who know more than they tell like Mary and Marianne and Jean Van and Dumbo. No wonder there is such interest in Dr. D's "Marriage and the Family" course this spring. We understand that the authorities on marriage problems—Bill Roberts and Lanie Ryals have been quite an attribute to the group.

The pool will no longer ring from our chattering teeth nor the tennis court re-echo our shouts of "fore"—oh my goodness, don't let Miss Ivey see that. She would never pass me to graduate. Poor Mrs. Thomas will no longer be plagued with complaints of, "Mrs. Thomas, you just must give me one more quality point so I can graduate." Our old post office boxes will find new owners—and I hope they enjoy dusting them as much as we did.

The elder Oglesby brother, Lane, and Sesholtz will also be shifting for themselves in this cold, cruel world. But the library staff hopes to find some deserving young students to try and fill their empty places on the desk.

Dr. Thaxton and Mr. Logan, who entered these halls of learning with us when we were freshmen, have announced their intentions to come back again next year to do a little more work. But just between you and me and my postage stamps—I don't believe they had the credits to make it—did they Miss Thomas?

Mrs. Odum can delightedly say—"Ooh, another batch gone", and I can just hear Miss Sawyer's sigh of relief. Mrs. Shival was heard the other evening putting in her order for next year's classes to please possess smaller appetites, and Dr. Carter is seeking for a new drug to take the "Rambunctiousness" out of seniors. Mr. Brown will remember with headaches the class who had such a time with their wooden hearts for the Sweetheart dance and who demanded that they have 10,000 watt bulbs in their bedrooms. Mr. Babcock will remember us for our stupidity in getting the north and south poles confused and Mr. Howell will never forget the class who nearly made a perpetual machine and still insisted that one could be made even though ours didn't work.

There are so many delightful memories and remembrances that they string across our minds—New Orleans, Frolics, Bert, the stillness of the library, our fun out at the field, our sunbathing on the golf course, afternoons at glee club and sports practice with its softball games. It has all been pretty wonderful and though there is elation and thrill in graduation—there is much nostalgia and regret at parting. Nevertheless, we have the honor of being the first senior class to face an official Homecoming at Valdosta State College and in five years we will all be back—(Miss Peggy from the Met, Rose

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Here We Begin

(An editorial written for the first college paper by Terah Cowart)

Everything that has life has some means of expression, and the State's youngest institution the baby of the system as it has been affectionately called is now old enough to talk.

Besides, we want to talk. We want to have our say along with the rest; so like young Orlando, "We come but in us others do, to try with them the strength of our youth." "This alone is reason enough for us; but we feel justified in asking the public to read our magazine because our school is the property of the State, and people have a right to know all about us.

We desire, also, some means by which our Alumni may keep in touch with the life of our school.

So we begin our college magazine, THE PINE BRANCH. If anyone should wonder at this title, let him but come and see where we live. To us the name seems quite unavoidable for the pines are all about us. This tree with its strength and straightness, its beauty and its upward striving habit, its services and its nativeness to our good South Georgia clime, came early to be recognized as a symbol of our school.

It was the inspiration of our first college song, the girls singing by common impulse, "May the pine branch ever wave ov'r Georgia's college fair". Our magazine has befitly inherited this title.

In these columns, it is our purpose to give voice to characteristic phases of our student life and to store up the incidents of our college days in such a form as to create a widened interest and lead those within our immediate bounds as well as our alumnae, to cherish our magazines for their beauty as well as for the memories they recall. If our first issue proves, as we feel it may, somewhat too much about ourselves, we hope it may be pardoned, as this is an introduction.

And so we make our bow.

Where Do We Go

by Dolores Barry

Everyone at one time or another gets an opportunity to write an editorial about graduation and the future plans of the graduating class. The typewriter clicks off words which really amount to "Where do we go from here and what will be going on at school next year?" Well, when you think about it that is the topic of conversation in any senior class. So right now seems to be as good a time as any to make a few predictions concerning ye ole Alma Mater."

Buildings, buildings everywhere can certainly be considered for the theme of the next school year. After being cramped into spaces far too inadequate, the students of VSC will get a chance to utilize the addition of much needed space. This addition has come through Emory Junior way.

School life will continue as before and I'm quite sure that nothing will be altered by the departure of the 1953 senior class, even though such a thought hurts in a way. Oh, there will be many a familiar face that won't be seen in the usual places next year, but there will always be others to complete the picture. Let's say that there will be others to fill the places and do good jobs, too. But

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As We See VSC Today

by Martha Barrs

Valdosta State College today . . . this is quite a contrast to the Georgia State Normal School of forty years ago.

Forty years ago there was only one building known as Converse Hall and in that day of yesteryear only two years of college work was offered here.

Now to gaze upon this lovely sixty acre campus we see much more to attract our attention and our attendance to the dear old Alma Mater. Instead of the once isolated Converse Hall which served in the capacity of dormitory and administration, today we see an attractive line of dormitories which house both the men and women who now populate our campus.

And we go to class in West Hall which is better known to VSC students as the "Ad Building." For still broader learning we stroll to a modern and well equipped library which was built in recent years through the PWA. Prior to the construction of the library building, the present student lounge in the "Ad Building" served as a library.

We don't appreciate the fact that the men and women on this campus may display their individual personalities by wearing clothes of their choice, but there has been a day when everyone—all girls then—looked alike except for their faces.

Today and in recent years to dance with a date at the House in the Woods, swim in the swimming pool, stroll down the camellia trail, walk on the paved street in front of the dormitory has been a pleasure we've taken for granted, not appreciating it the way the class of '33 or '23 would have.

We would mention too the pink and green which adorns the walls of the Ad Building, the many fire doors which sap our energy as we struggle to open them as we wander from one end of the hall to another, and let us not forget that magnificent sprinkler system which the Board of Regents has bestowed upon us.

There are many other things of interest to see at VSC today, but telling you about them is unnecessary. Just take a look at your VSC today!



DR. J. RALPH THAXTON

This weekend we are celebrating Homecoming and holding on the campus the annual meeting of the Alumni Association of Valdosta State College.

This is a particularly important anniversary in the history of the college. We are now 40 years old, having served South Georgia as an educational institution for 40 years.

The college was originally a two-year teacher-training institution but became a four-year liberal arts college when the Board of Regents was established in 1933. In 1950 the next stage in our development came with the action of the Board of Regents which made the college coeducational. The enrollment of men students has been most gratifying to the administration and faculty.

I feel sure that during the next 40 years this institution will be looked upon as the educational and cultural capitol of South Georgia.

As this year draws to a close, many improvements to the physical facilities of the plant may be seen. West Hall has been made fire safe in accordance with the state safety regulations. The building has been rewired, new lighting fixtures installed throughout, an automatic sprinkler system installed; and we are now in the process of painting the entire building.

In addition to fire doors in the administration building, similar safety measures will be taken in all of the dormitories. When these repairs are completed, we should have one of the best plants of any of the units of the University System.

We have had a very satisfactory year, and we are certainly grateful to the students and faculty for their patience in the midst of debris and dust that have been with us throughout the year.

Let us give a warm welcome to the alumni as they visit with us this weekend, and let us all attend our first annual Homecoming celebration and make this the biggest weekend in the history of VSC.

Many Thanks

The Canopy Staff would like to pause here, on this anniversary issue, to express their appreciation to Dr. Thaxton, our president, for contributing the "Pipe Smoke". There are many questions that are of utmost importance in the student's mind and through this column those questions are often cleared up. We see the faculty view point on issues at stake as the high official of the faculty, Dr. Thaxton, speaks through the "Pipe Smoke."

Our advisor Mr. Gabard has also been a guiding inspiration for the staff, helping us in every way to produce a bigger and better Canopy.

A rousing cheer goes up from the "Canopy office" for Dr. Thaxton and Mr. Gabard.

—Hey, Hey

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Margaret from her school for young teachers, Aspasia with her piano pupils, yes, "We Will Return" as General Lee said (with apologies to Mrs. Smith). Have a grand time gang, and remember that time may dull memory, but it seldom erases it. All paths do not run the same. Don't worry. Get on the right road, be sure that you are right, then go ahead. I won't say Bye, I'll leave a line from Edgar Guest with you:

Stand to the battle and see the test through,

Pay all you have in endurance and might for it;

If it's worth while and a good thing to do,

Then it is worth all it costs in the fight for it.

Festival Ushers In Month Of May



Seated, left to right first row: Betty Jean Daniels, Rosa Margaret Jones, Marianne Joiner, Mary Helen Cooper, Peggy Jones, and Pat Heath.

Second row, left to right: Laura Ann Bowen, Jean Van Landingham, Eetty Culbreth, Maid of Honor Jane McHugh, May Queen Barbara Smith, Martha Barrs, Dolores Barry, Marie Wellmaker.

Queen Barbara Crowned By Jane McHugh Dance Club Presents Fable In Dance



Miss Jane McHugh, of Richland, Ga., is maid of honor in the May Queen's Court which will be presented this afternoon at 4:30.

Jane, a member of the Senior Class, is very active in extra-curricular activities on the campus. She is active in the sports club, having made a letter for sports each year she has been here. She is a member of the ACE and is vice president of her sorority.



Miss Barbara Smith, who will be crowned Queen of May, is a Senior, graduating in June. She is president of her class and a member of the Sport's Council, "Y" cabine, Sock and Buskin Club, and Home Economics Club. Barbara was born in Columbus, Georgia. As a Junior, she transferred from Georgia-Southwestern College in Americus, Georgia.

May Festival Is Beautiful As Queen Is Crowned

The May Day festivities at Valdosta State College will be forty years old on May 2. Probably the alumni will not recognize May Day, 1953, as compared to the previous ones.

The May Festival was born with the school and up until recent years, has been old English in style.

May Day is a descendant of the old Field day, a day in which various drills, competitions and demonstrations held the spot light. The stage was the front of Converse Hall with the decorations being done by the Freshman as early as 6 A.M.

From this grew Play Day, in which the high school students were invited to spend the day and join in the games and activities.

A little later play Day was combined with May Day. These festivities were disbanded in World War II because of food and gas rationing. They were resumed in 1948, but when the school became co-ed, play day was dropped and the May Festival made a part of Honors Day.

The May Day program we witness May 2 will be entirely new in style. It will no longer be Old English but modern. The stage will be set in the amphitheatre

25th May Day In Program

Given In 1937

Play-Day May-Day, 1937, was one of the grandest days of the entire year. Hundreds of visitors were on the campus—parents, teachers, high school students from many schools throughout South Georgia. These guests were greeted by hostesses in the Rounda and given information and favors.

Boy Scouts of Valdosta acted as guides.

G. S. W. C. girls and visiting high school seniors were divided into six teams, which teafs competed at various games and stunts.

Just before the picnic lunch and social dancing, everyone assembled in the Recreation Room to sing songs, hear announcements, and make introductions.

The music department and Sock and Buskin Club presented a Fine Arts program in the new auditorium. The Glee Club gav several numbers and piano selections were heard.

May Day began at five P. M., when the Queen, Frances Carson, was crowned by the maid of honor, Elizabeth Kelley. Dances given in honor of the Queen were: From the Land of Cherry Blossoms, A Bit of Oriental Romance, Spring Time in Russia, Gypsy Reveles, Tulip Time in Holland, Dance Kilties, A Bit of Erin, Merrie Olde England, Our Land of the Free, which concluded the Cake Walkers, Darkies Distress, and Modern Maids at Play, Around The World, and the Maypole in the last. Twelve Maypoles were wound. The group having the most perfectly wound Maypole received a box of candy. Scenes from the festival were filmed in technicolor by Dr. Earl Phelan.

Play-Day and the May Day Festival were planned and executed under the direction of Miss Leonora Ivey.

Play-Day was first inaugurated in 1930.

in Deval Park with Miss Barbara Smith winning over the court and

The dancers, under the direction of Phyllis Valenti, will be uniquely costumed and the music and dancing superb.

The members of the Dance Club participating in the dances will be Marian Godwin, Lennie Ryles, Anasia Pans, Marilee Pascock, Helen Grace Ford, Nancy Coile, Mary Jane McMillen, Frankie Powell, Phyllis Valenti, Jack Wooten, and Russell Arcoe.

This proves to be one of the best May Day Festivals ever presented, so you can hardly afford to miss it.

SPORTSLITE

Attention: Golf Tournament

Have you signed up for the Golf Tournament? If not, go right over to the Ad Building and put your name on the slip of paper attached to the Sports Club Flash Board. This should be a most interesting tournament to see. Of course, Mary Lena Faulk and Louise Suggs aren't eligible for this one, but we have some prayers that will be playing right beside them one day.

The tournament begins in a few days, if not sooner, so come on out and play. You don't have to be professionals. It's to be played on the V. S. C. Golf Course; only 8 holes.

Match Games

The first Match Game was played April 15. Just before the sun went down the Kappas and Lambdas were tied at the end of the third inning, so the game was finished the following Monday. Monday's game showed great enthusiasm coming from both sides, but the Lambdas bowed to the Kappas after an inning of good lay and hard work. Pitchers for the game were Blackwell, Kappa, and Hourney, Lambda.

With no great amount of unduly interference from circumstances beyond our control, the next match game will be held May 4. Here's hoping for the best!

New Officers Will Be Chosen

Nominations for the officers of the near future, and the installation of the Sports Club will be made in time and election have been scheduled on the Sports calendars. When the nominations are announced, think before you vote. Be sure that you vote for a person who will be a good leader and will be willing to work, and work hard. It's not the easiest thing in the world to run a club.

Sports Calendars

Sports Calendars have been given out this quarter. Be sure that you keep your up to date. On the calendar, there is a dead line date at which time all calendars must be turned in to the Team Captains or Dorm representatives. This is the only record that will be kept regarding hours which keep you qualified for teams. So, gals let's keep those calendars. If you have not received your calendar see Rouslyn Rous or Carianne Gothard in Converse or Janie McHugh in Ashley. Susan Tullis has calendars for the town students.

Swimming Chart Up

For those of you who will be making a team this quarter through swimming, this bit of information will be helpful. At the pool, on the gals bulletin board, there will be a chart of the Gulf of Mexico. Every mile is marked off. As you swim an hour, record this on the chart by moving a cardboard fish up a mile. When you have completed the 10 miles on the chart (ten hours of swimming) you will be qualified for team. Be sure that your name is on the front of the fish and your team on the back.

Name of Sports Club Changed

In a mass meeting of the Woman's Sports Club, it was decided that the name of the Club be changed to the Woman's Recreational Association and be nicknamed the Reck Club. This change enables the club to include various activities other than strictly sports.

Competitive Swimming Before Aquacade

At the aquacade, which will be presented by the Fins and Flippers on May 26th, competition in swimming will take place. The Lambdas and the Kappas are out to win the most points. At this event, the girls will compete in form swimming (front crawl, back crawl, breast stroke, side stroke) and in relays.

Everyone is anxiously awaiting the competitive swimming as it is here that the deciding points for the plaque are won. Who will it be? The Lambdas or Kappas? You never can find until the last swimmer touches the end of the pool. The best way to find out who is the winner, is to come down to the pool and find out. See you there!

Fins and Flippers Stage Water Ballet

As you know this is the first year that the Fins and Flippers have been an active club on the HVSC campus but with hard practice and hearty anticipation it has become now one of the most well organized and active clubs here.

When the club started in the fall it started strictly from scratch. It had to get new members and all the other things that go into making a successful club. Not only did it have to get new members but it had to get new members that would be willing to work to make it a successful club and a club that would stick on the VSC campus. During the fall quarter the club had tryouts and girls who were interested tried out by doing various strokes and dives.

Since no swimming could be done during the winter quarter other things had to be accomplished. Among these were the standard colors, shirts, and by-laws. The standard colors are green and white, and the shirts, as surely you've all seen, are green and white with a green emblem of a girl in diving position.

After all this was done the club started dry land swimming to help them get in shape for when they did get into the water. They tried dry land swimming to certain records to see what type of music would be best to swim to and found that if they worked hard they could swim to almost any type of music.

Then the girls started thinking about the theme of the Aquacade and decided to pick something pertaining to songs of the past and came upon the title of "Solech Uia." These bits were taken from the four years that the seniors have been in college. The Fins and Flippers then started out to scout about for favorite records.

Finally after much consideration, planning, and hard work the Aquacade has taken shape. The records and numbers have been planned, and costumes for them are being designed now. The aquacade is going to be very colorful this year but it is not only going to be colorful but also filled with suspense and mystery. You will understand what is meant when you see such numbers as "Jealousie," "Blue Tango," and "Fire Dance." All the costumes are going to be beautiful and elaborate. Such bathing suits as royal blue with silver sequins, fire red with gold, and silvery white will be used. With such bathing suits, tantalizing music, and misty lighting how could the aquacade be anything else but a spectacular scene of beauty. Yes, it is really going to be something to see and remember.

The idea for the aquacade is based around a dormitory scene. A group of seniors will be sitting around and reminiscing over the years they have spent at V.S.C.

Dialogue is being written to accompany the numbers, but at the present time is not entirely completed. Babs Threatte and Martha Barrs are chairmen of writing the dialogue. May May Porter, Sara King, Jane Anderson, and Jane McHugh are helping them with this. Mr. Carol Seruggs is in charge of the lighting which will add a lot to the success of the aquacade.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, director and advisor of the Fins and Flippers, is a professional swimmer and has been in many professional aquacades. Mrs. Smith will be presented in a solo number.

These are some of the numbers planned to be presented:

"Its All Over But The Memories," swimming in this number will be Joan Williams, Barbara Smith, B. Grimes, K. Milhouse, J. Porterfield, A. Killingsworth, R. Rouse, and N. Tyler.

"Serenade," Tyson, Carson, Ryale, Tullis, Patillo Culbreth Maxwell Corbet Joan, Williams, Flournoy, Vann and Smith.

"Goodnight Sweetheart" Maxwell, Corbet, Cauley, Ledford, Wiggins, and Powell.

"Jealousie," Corbet, Ryale, Bishop, Powell, J. Grimes, and Parrish.

"Embraceable You" Vann, Killingsworth, Bishop, Allen, B. Grimes, Porterfield, Haldin, Rouse Tyler N. Williams Blackwell, and Flournoy.

"I'm In The Mood For Love," Patillo, Culbreth, Barry, Tyson, Carson Wiggins, Tullis and Smith.

"Blue Tango" Culbreth, Barry, "Fire Dance," Tyson, Barry, Ledford, Blackwell, and Carson.

"I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles," (final number).

The aquacade will be presented on the campus of V.S.C. the night of the 26th and 27th of May. It will be given again at Officer's Club Pool on the 29th. If the aquacade is successful it plans on presenting it's numbers at nearby towns.

This is the first aquacade given by the Fins and Flippers since they have been working under their own power, because up until this year it has been presented by the sports club. This should be equal to a professional production so let's all plan to see it. Further notice about dates, times and prices of tickets will be published later.

Tennis Team

The tennis team, which is leading a defeated season so far, soon takes the road for a one night stand against the University of Florida and Jacksonville Naval Air Station.

So far this year the team has been holding up right well, nobody has been mortally wounded by a smash from one of the opposing aces, but Bubba Hill, has been lucky, as it seems that the opposition has tried consistently to drive one through him. Wilbur "Old Aches and Pains" Oglesby has been experimenting with new grips and serves all year and he might eventually find the right one, then look out. Ace Minchew, who appears to be improving as the days pass, is about in shape for the final three matches. Charles "Rainey" Shaw, despite breaking strings every two days, has sparkled when the gallery is watching him, especially when most of them watching are girls. "Mighty Mouse" Davis is the boy who use to throw a scare into our opposition. W. A. Powers has given it all he had in the matches in which he has played. Poncho Joiner has just walked around, and gotten blasted off the court.

All in all it has been a fine season, and we have all had a lot of fun.

Home Ec-Fine Arts Club Elect Officers

The slate of officers for the coming year will include the following people. President, Susan Tullis; Vice-president, Shirley Tomlinson; Secretary, Ann Kirby, and Treasurer, Carolyn Gaines.

The last meeting of the club was in the form of a dinner given in honor of the junior and senior members of the club. This dinner was prepared by the sophomore members.

An interesting and enlightening talk was given by Mrs. Pam Walsh, who is an artist doing both sculpture and painting.

Miss Lee Bennet, art instructor, who is replacing Mr. White was also a guest of the club.

IRC Dinner

The International Relations Club at Valdosta State College held a recent dinner meeting at the House in the Woods where they were served a Greek dinner in connection with the study of Greece during the evening.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with spring flowers and greenery. The dining room table was centered with a low arrangement of pink roses. Before each place setting was a place card and menu on which the name of each dish was written in Greek.

The meal was prepared by Miss Aspasia Panos, club secretary, and her mother, Mrs. B. J. Panos.

Kenneth Rozier, president, presided at the business session which followed the dinner. Miss Mildred rice is club advisor. A study of Greece was the program for the evening.

Moody Band Appears at VSC

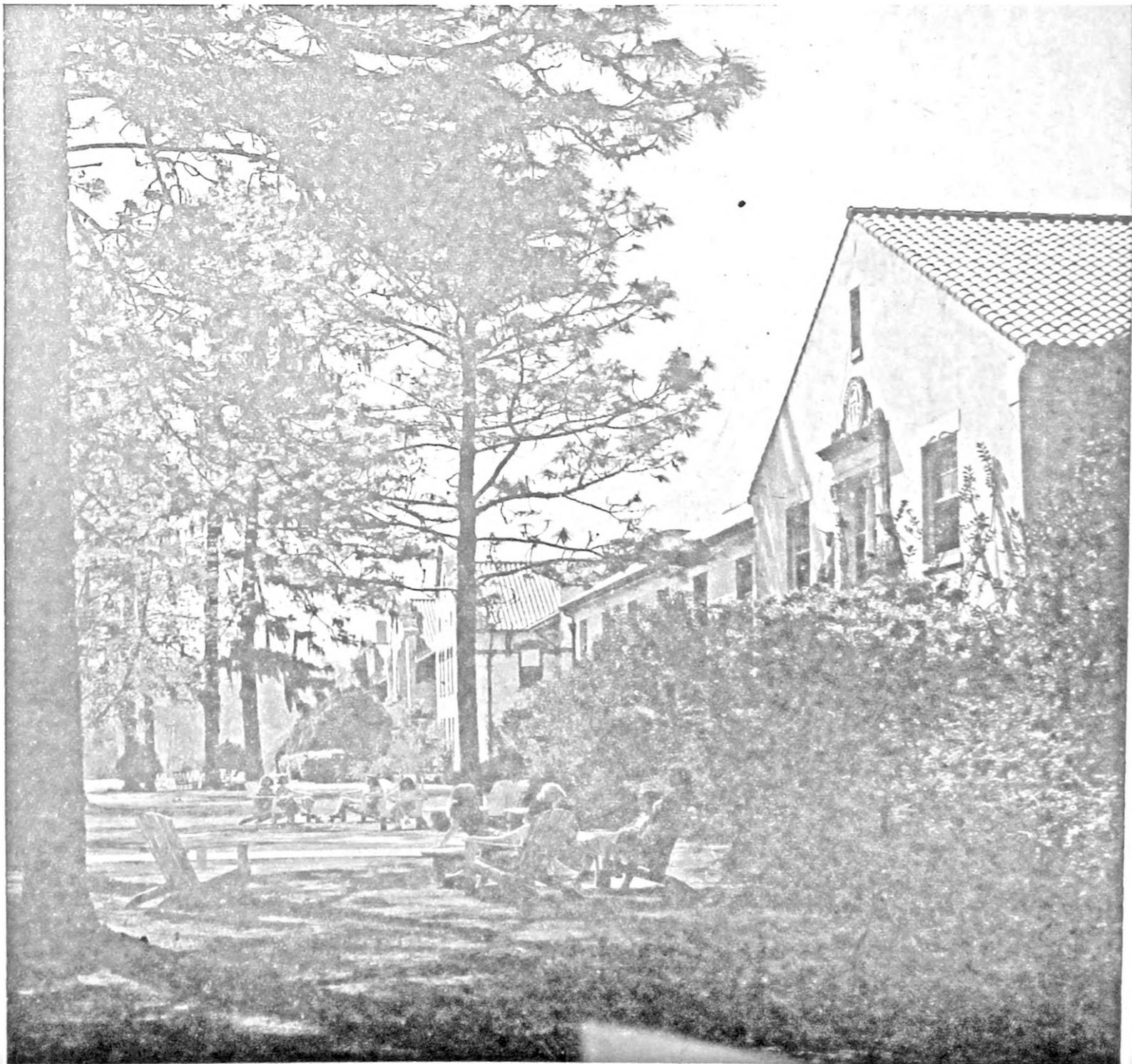
The Brass Choir of the 569th Air Force Band from Moody Air Force Base appeared at Valdosta Tuesday morning, April 22. S-Sgt. John A. Fisher conducted the choir which performed at the VSC assembly program.

The program opened with Padurana by Benedictus Grep, to be followed by Sonata Plane Forte by Giovanni Gabrielli. The second group of numbers consisted of Eine Klene Nachtmusik by Mozart and Prelude and Gigue by Robert D. King.

The Band concluded the morning Brass Choir by Victor and Coning concert with Symphony for court Piece by Henry Adler. Twelve musicians comprised the choir directed by Sgt. Fisher.

MEMBERS OF THE FINS AND FLIPPERS PRACTICE FOR WATER BALLET TO BE PRESENTED MAY 26, 27, AND 29.

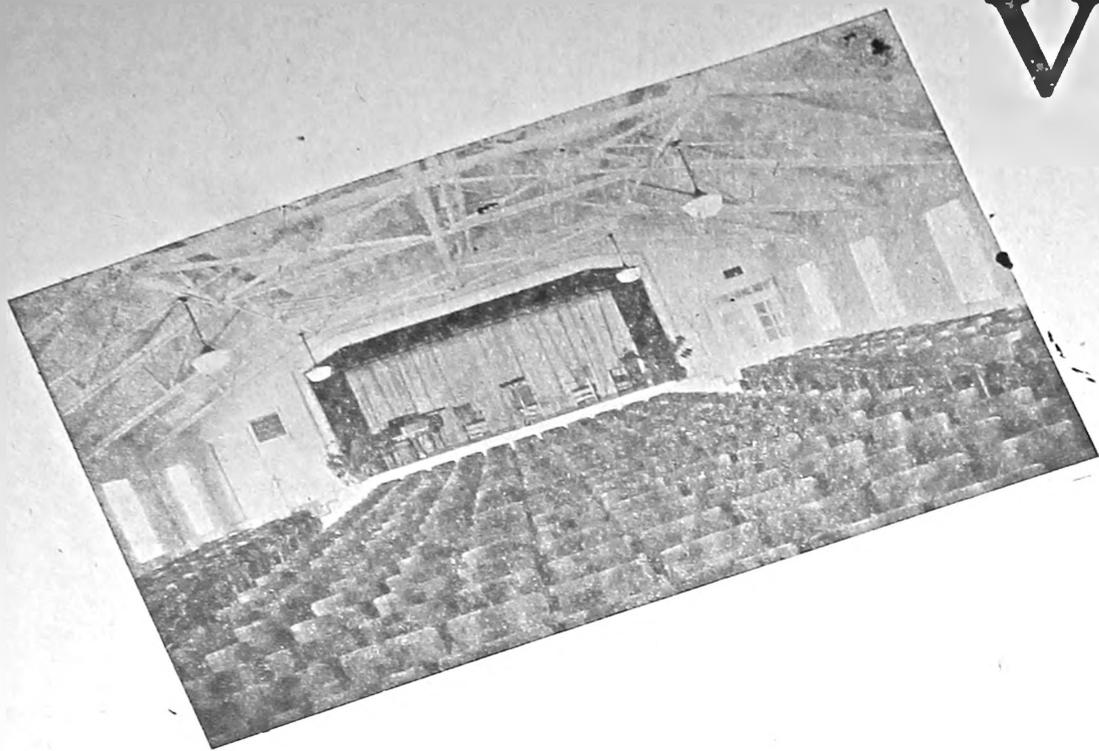




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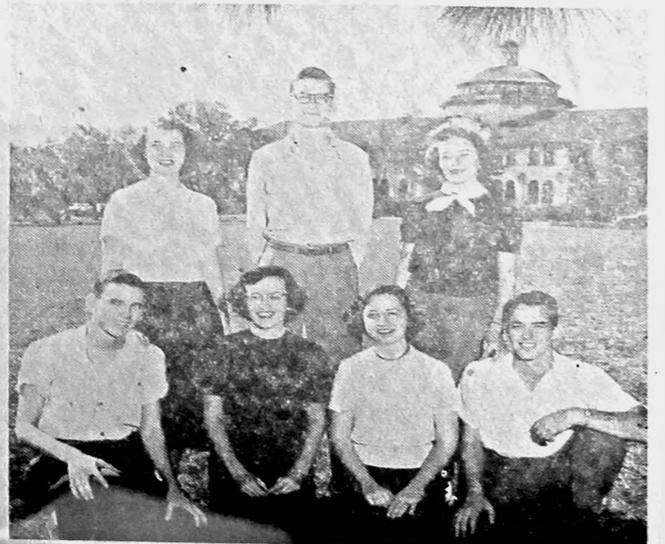
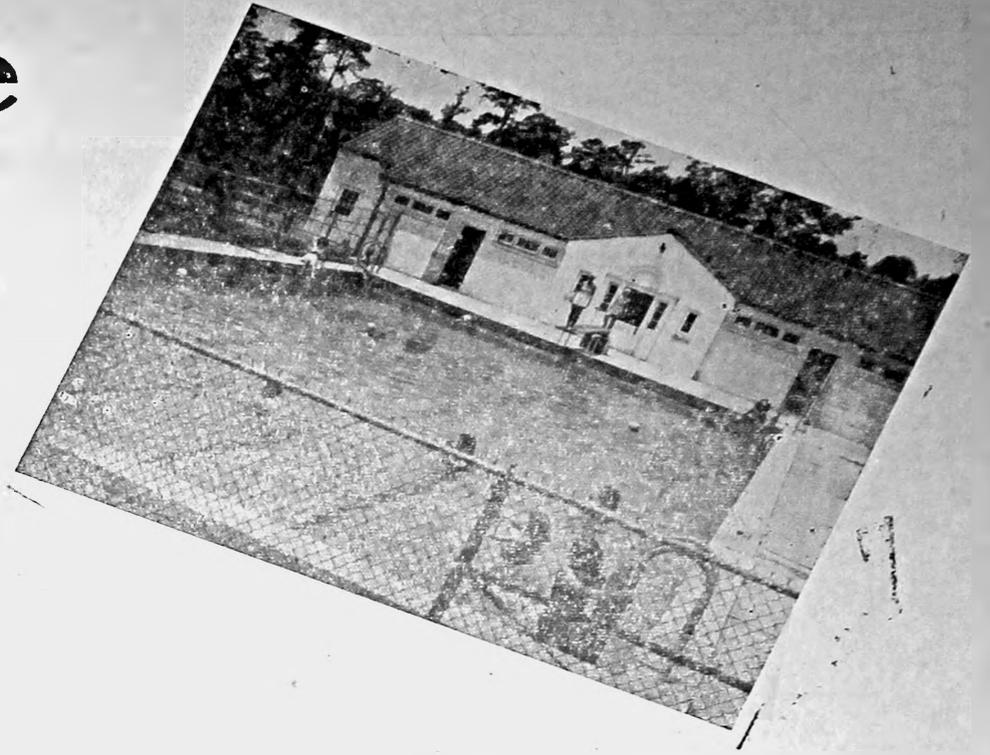
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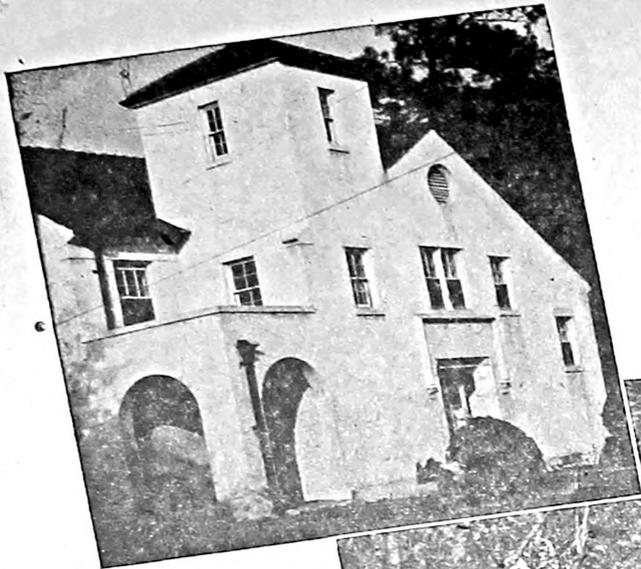


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JACKIE GREENE

Many of us have become engaged this year, but none could possibly have looked happier or sweeter than Grace McCord and Sam Todd at Junior-Senior Frolics. Everyone danced to their many years of happiness after they led the dance to "Because of You."

Surprises never cease. For those who haven't heard, Jackie Thomas was married to Dicky Holten in January. We're sorry that she is leaving us, but we hope that she is very happy.

"Becky" Tyson always must be different. Who would have thought of having two dates for Frolics, but her? There was no chance of her being a wallflower or being stuck.

"Dumbo," we think Larry is awfully cute. It was great that he could get here for your recital. We've been hearing rumors but let's just draw rings around them.

Have you noticed the campus cuties that Kate has been sporting? That is, campus cuties from senior hall.

Mary Jo seems to be having a hard time deciding whether to spend her afternoons with Seasholtz or going to Glee Club re-

hearsals.

Peggy, it was like old times seeing you and A. L. at Frolics. Great to see you that sparkle in your eyes again.

Nancy Coile left the peaceful weekend of Frolics at VSC for a stormy weekend at Auburn. I can't say that she got a ring, but she did come back with an Old Southern "beer mug."

Everyone should be interested to learn of Beverly Grimes' engagement to Sargeant Dirl Tindell of Jacksonville, Florida who is now stationed at Moody Field.

Two interesting approaching events . . . Glenda Chastain's marriage to Lieutenant Don Johnson on May 3rd and De Alva and Cope's marriage on May 9th.

Misses Lucy Patillo and Jane Anderson gave a linen shower honoring Miss De Alva Harper at the House-In-The-Woods on Wednesday afternoon, April 22nd. It was in the form of a "calling shower" and piano music was furnished by Liz Clarke. Delicious refreshments were served. The affair was enjoyed by about forty VSC girls.

Congratulations to Caroline Willis on being selected "Rose Queen." We really are proud of you.

Fraternity News

The brothers of Mu Alpha fraternity sponsored a hay ride Wednesday night, April 8th, everyone invited. The hay ride was a huge success with about fifteen couples attending. Everyone had a bang-up good time from all reports and there have been many. The destination of the hay ride was a spot on the Qultman Road. Refreshments were available when the riders reached the river.

Mu Alphas staged their pledge initiation April 13-15 with pledge becoming full-fledged brothers at the formal initiation on the 16th. Everyone had a sporting good time during the time of the initiation, but the pledges had the best time of all.

Filii Fortunae Welcomes New Brothers

On Saturday night, April 11, Filii Fortunae initiated the following new brothers into the fraternity: Harold Allen, Valdosta; James Davis, Miami; Fred Cook, Valdosta; Jack Knight, Ray City; Ronald Little, Lyons; Ray Minchew, Blackshear; W. A. Powers, Blackshear; Charles Shaw, Lakeland; James Seasholtz, of Waycross, and Corrence Fields, of Hahira.

The new brothers were pledged at the beginning of the quarter, and immediately began work on the project of obtaining a flag, complete with pole for the campus. After numerous dealings with Georgia Power and Light Company, the project is near completion and the Stars and Stripes will soon be flying over VSC.

After the period of pledgeship, "hell week" began. A full week of humiliation ensued as the pledges were tested and prepared for initiation. On Friday night, informal initiation took place. Each pledge was given some tasks to do. These were accomplished readily.

Saturday evening, the brothers gave a supper at Minchew's in honor of their brothers-to-be. At midnight Saturday night, formal initiation was held and the pledges became brothers. Filii Fortunae is looking forward to bigger and better things with the aid of the new brothers.

Filii Fortunae House Party Planned

The brothers of Filii Fortunae fraternity are laying plans for their biggest social event of the year, the annual house party.

To be held at the Ocean View Hotel in Fernandina, Florida, the Fraternity has rented the entire hotel for the week-end long party which will climax the year's social activity.

Held last year for the first time, the annual house party was extremely enjoyable, as all who went will testify, and the brothers and their dates are anticipating an even better trip this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Shealy McCoy and Mr. and Mrs. James Spear will chaperone the affair which will take place on the week-end of May 16.

Seniors Go

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Brennan's Restaurant where we enjoyed delicious French foods. Since we carted off half the equipment at Brennan's we considered that meal a bargain. Of course Monday night was enjoyed in various ways.

We left New Orleans early Tuesday morning for the return trip. Such names as "Pat O'Brien's," "The Famous Door", and the "Mardi Gras," had become very familiar to us and we arrived back in Valdosta at eleven-thirty Tuesday night with the Dixieland jazz of Bourbon Street still ringing in our ears.

Those going on the trip other than Miss Sawyer, who chaperoned the trip, were: Dolores Barry, Martha Barrs, Berit Haldin, Peggy Jones, Bill Roberts, Mary Gallagher, Barbara McElvey, Bob Lane, Mary Virginia McDonald, Sara Bolin, Margaret Ann Cannon, Renee Lanier, Tenny Donaldson, Elaine Ryals, and Florence Clark.

Faculty Travels

FACULTY TRAVELS

Shealy McCoy, Comptroller, recently attended a meeting of the Southern Association of University and College Business Officers at Gainesville.

Miss Sara Weems, Associate professor of home economics, attended a meeting of the Georgia Home Economics Association which was held in Athens April 19. She was accompanied by Mary Gallagher of Valdosta and Jananne Tyler of Albany.

Dr. J. A. Durrenberger, academic dean, was in Atlanta recently where he attended a meeting of the committee of social sciences of the University System Advisory Council.

Mrs. Joe Wisenbaker, dean of Women, attended the 1953 convention of the National Association of Deans of Women and American Personnel and Guidance Association, in Chicago, March 29-April 2.

Miss Leonora Ivey, head of the physical education department, attended two professional meetings, April 6-10, in St. Petersburg, Fla. PAs Vice-president and program chairman of the Southern Association for Physical Education of College Women, she presided at the first general meeting of the group. She also attended the meeting of the Southern District of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation, which followed the Southern Association conference.

Dr. Ted Booker, professor and head of the education department, fulfilled two speaking engagements in early April. In Waycross he was consultant to a district meeting of the school principals of this area. "On Making Teaching a Profession" was the title of an address delivered at the monthly meeting of the Clinch County Education Association at Homerville.

Dr. Beatrice Nevins, professor and head of the biology department, attended the committee on biological sciences of the University System Advisory Council which met April 2 at the request of Dr. Henry King Stanford, assistant chancellor. She was appointed to serve on the committee to review the status and content of introductory biology courses and general education science courses taught in the University System.

Romance Language Club News

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Romance Language Club was held April 23 at the House-in-the-Woods. After the minutes were read, the secretary gave an outline of the Club's activities during the past year.

These activities included: sending a Care package to Mme. Christy in France. A letter received from Mme. Christy, expressing her gratitude, included statements emphasizing the need for items considered necessities by Americans. These items included soap and good sheets, considered luxuries to them.

Another letter of sincere thanks was sent by the French Airmen stationed at Moody Air Force Base. The Club had entertained them earlier in the year.

Guest speakers have given the club interesting information about life in various countries. Berit Haldin told of beautiful and interesting Finland. Another speaker was Gunteher Falthansl, high school exchange student from Austria. Falthansl spoke in such a way as to give the club an imaginary trip through his country.

A letter received from Marie at VSC, expressed her love and Bergen, former exchange student happy tidings to the club and all VSC. Miss Bergen, who is from France, attended VSC during the year of 1952-53.

President Florence Clarke expressed the indebtedness of the club to its advisor, Dr. Sapelo Trenner, for her interest and effort in making the club a success this year.

Junior-Senior Frolics

The Junior-Senior Frolics of this year were really of the best. All the reports gathered. The event began on Friday night April 11 and lasted until the "wee" hours of the morning of April 19.

The first event of the weekend was the party at the House in the Woods. This was a very enjoyable occasion with soft light sweet music, and plenty of good food. There was dancing through the night interrupted at intervals with other forms of entertainment. The Serenaders, assisted by Logan, gave a program of popular songs. Next Deleta Hodge sang two numbers, and last, but not least, we had a visitor from somewhere around these parts who came in and had to tell everyone all about her family. This was done by Babs Threutte. The party ended about eleven thirty due to the sorrow of everyone.

Saturday was the time of the nicking. Even though rain threatened all morning and finally came down, the Juniors and Seniors left in gay spirits for Twin Lakes. The weather was a little cool, swimming but some braved the cold and took a dip. A picnic lunch was served and everyone had a big time in spite of the rain.

The main event came on Sunday night. This was the formal dance at the Country Club. Music was furnished by Erno Evers of Thomasville. The Club was decorated using the "South" theme with pastel flowers and smilax throughout the room. There was good music and good dancing until twelve thirty.

After the dance, everyone came back to the House in the Woods to give a farewell to the Frolics of 1953. Coffee and doughnuts were served to the weary dancers and everyone sat down and relaxed after a very strenuous weekend. At about two a. m., everyone left the House in the Woods after having a wonderful night and an even more wonderful weekend.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT SPEAKS

Philharmonic Club

Mr. Glenn Bacon, Music Director at the Valdosta High School will be guest artist for the April meeting of the Philharmonic Club. Mr. Bacon holds the Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from the Chicago Musical College where he studied Conduction and Piano Repertoire with Rudolf Ganz; Piano with Molly Margolies and Composition with La Violette.

Mr. Bacon has just recently won first prize with a piano composition in the annual Georgia Composers contest sponsored by the Georgia Federation of Music Clubs. He also won second places for song and choral compositions. His program is as follows:

- I
- Andante cantabile.....Mozart
- Adagio cantabile.....Beethoven
- Nocturne op 31-2.....Chopin
- Waltz op 69-1.....Chopin
- In the Evening.....Schumann
- Whims.....Schumann
- Edward Ballade.....Brahms

- II
- The Engulfed Cathedral.....Debussy
- The Girl with the Flaxen Hair.....Debussy
- The Minstrels.....Debussy
- Mazurka in C Minor.....Glinka
- Prelude Bb Minor.....Scriabin
- Lotus Land.....Cyril Scott
- Playara.....Granados
- Andante (Sonatina).....Bacon

Two Amendments Pass SGA

Two amendments to the S.G.A. constitution have been passed by the student body. The first of the amendments changed the offices of president and vice-president to separate elective offices. These offices were formerly filled by the two highest candidates for the president respectively. The vote amending this was 127 for, and eight against. Last year there was a great deal of agitation for this proposal, however it was not carried into action. The council felt that this amendment would create more interest in these two offices.

The second amendment changed the qualifications of the president and vice president, the president to be a senior and the vice-president under the old section was required also would have to be a senior since the offices were not separate. The amendment changing the qualifications of the president makes anyone in the senior college (junior or senior) eligible to run for the office. The office of vice-president under this amendment may be filled by anyone except a freshman.

These were the two amendments which the SGA council felt were most useful and desirable to be submitted for the approval of the student body. Because of the size of the college the second amendment was felt to be particularly helpful for it increases the eligible talent from which to choose, while maintaining the standards of maturity and good judgment usually found in the upper classes. It will enable the students of VSC to utilize leadership which would otherwise be wasted for at least a year, it will also give the other classes more interest in the election because it is now possible for them to have their candidates in the election.

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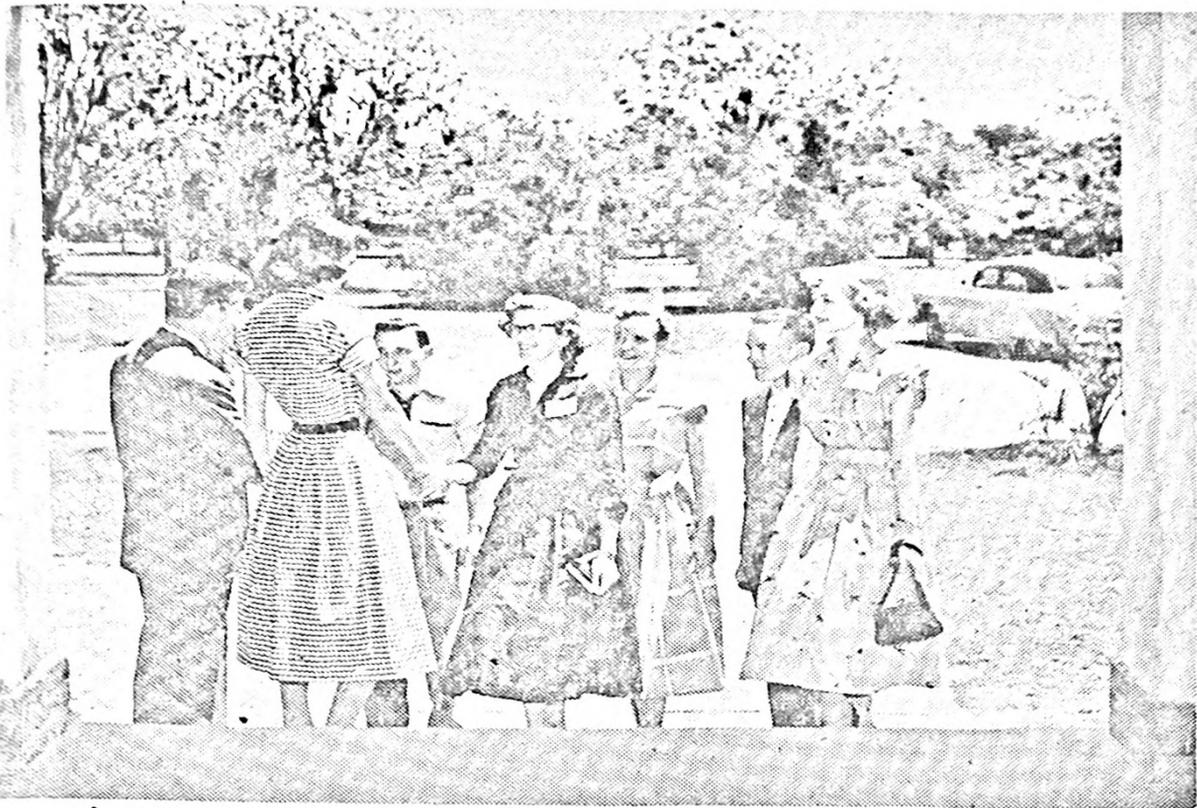
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FTA Members welcomed by Dr. Booker and ACE President

Recitals in Music, Voice And Dramatics Given

First Major Program Of Year

The first of the numerous recitals that will be given at the college was presented by two students of the music department on April 13th in the auditorium. Miss Dolores Barry, pianist, Savannah, and Miss Peggy Jones, soprano, Uvalda, appeared in a joint recital, which is required of the music majors. Miss Barry is a student of Miss Gladys Warren and Miss Jones has studied under Clayton Logan.

Miss Barry opened the program with Choral Prelude by Bach-Langrish and Adagio Cantabile by Beethoven. Included in Miss Jones' first group were Care Selve by Handel; Fiocca la Neve by Cimara; la Masion Crise by Messager; and Obsessions, Quand Leur Voix Appelle from Manon, by Massenet.

A second group played by Miss Barry included Duetto, Op. 38, No. 6, by Mendelssohn; The Eagle, Op. 32, No. 1, by MacDowell; and Valise, Op. 69, No. 2 by Chopin. Two Schumann numbers was presented by Miss Jones in her second group. They were In wunderschönen Monat Mai and Wenn Ich in Deine Augen Seh'. A song in the Night by Loughborough and The Laughing Song from Die Fledermaus by Johann Strauss followed.

Miss Barry concluded the recital with Warsaw Concerto by Adinsell-Grainger.

Mr. Logan accompanied Miss Jones and Miss Warren played the second piano parts for Miss Barry.

On the following Monday night the second recital was presented, this time given by the music department and the music section.

A speech major, Miss McDonald is a student of Miss Louise Sawyer. She has figured prominently in the dramatic offerings of the speech department, taking the lead role of The Heiress and being cast as Mme. Arcazi in Blithe Spirit.

Included in Mary Virginia's program were: The White Cliffs by Alice Duer Miller; Scenes adapted from Victoria Regina; and Moving Day by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clements.

Miss Rebekah Culbreth who appeared jointly with Miss McDonald opened her program with Come Sweet Death—Bach, Kelterine; Pastoral by Scarlatti-Tausig; Capriccio by Scarlatti. Her middle group consisted of Etude op 10-3 by Chopin, Debussy's Minstrels and Ritual Fire Dance by Falla. The final number played by Miss Culbreth was Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue and she was assisted at the second piano by Miss Gladys Warren.

An informal reception for friends and guests of the recitalists was held in the rotunda of Ashley Hall immediately following Monday night's program.

BSU Formed

Frankie Powell Elected President

What is the B.S.U.? It is an organization for the purpose of bringing together the Baptist students on a college campus and to help them find "a church home away from home." The B.S.U. has regular meetings just as other organizations' once a week of the Executive Council. About once a month, a mass Baptist student meeting is held. At these monthly meetings a program is planned and a good time is in store for everyone that attends.

The B.S.U. Executive Council is composed of the following:

- President—Frankie Powell
- 1st Vice-Pres.—Alice Cauley
- 2nd Vice-Pres.—Nan Brown
- 3rd Vice-Pres.—Nita Sessions
- Secretary—Carrienne Gothard
- Recording Secretary — Nancy Lovett
- Historian—Anne Taylor
- Publicity Ch.—Kasent Champion
- Music Ch.—Liz Clarke
- Stewardship—Joanne Jackson
- Sunday School Rep. — Susan Tullis
- YWA Rep.—Rheda Blackwell
- Training Union Rep. — Claire Wiggins
- Promotional Director—Maldine Griffis

These officers are making plans to get a good start next year. Please give them your support if you are a Baptist student. They will help you.

Where Do We Go

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each person that has been in the middle of campus activity, working with and serving the students, has made a place for himself which can not be replaced, only refilled.

Predictions are hard things to make. You never know what twist of destiny may change the logical pattern of progress. It can be for the better as well as for the worse. For the sake of moral let's assume that fate has in store for VSC many a prosperous year. And why not? We have the material, the spirit (even though it does get worn around the edges at times) and now we have additional space to expand and add to VSC. Who knows? There may be a journalism division next year for which all editors should rise up and shout 'Hallelujah'. And a gym. Maybe the boys will get a long wanted sports program.

From where I sit it looks like 1954 is going to be a whopper of a year. VSC student will see many a dream come true, and those graduating have only to look back over the many improvements and say "Why wasn't I born four years later?"

This would be a good time to propose a toast. Everyone grab your water glass and join in. "Here's to the future of Valdosta State College, our Alma Mater. May her loyal sons and daughters, graduates and students, be always to VSC returning."

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Great strides are now being made in the education department at the college.

Under the supervision of Dr. Ted Booker many changes have been made in the education department.

Students who successfully complete the program of training for elementary school teachers at this college are very competent teachers and are found to be very much in demand by school superintendents throughout the state.

In recent weeks, on the campus VSC, several educational conferences have been held.

Dr. Kimball Wiles, director of secondary education at the University of Florida gave the principal address at a three day work conference of instructional supervisors held at VSC April 15-17.

"The Dynamics of Acceptance" was the title of Dr. Wiles' address at the session, which drew a large group of teachers and administrators from the schools of Valdosta and Lowndes County in addition to the visiting supervisors.

He advised teachers to "accept themselves, accept children, help children to accept themselves, and help students to accept others."

FTA Assembly
Future Teachers of America from approximately ten schools of South Georgia were guests of the education department at Valdosta State College April 22-23. Schools represented at the first annual campus assembly Wednesday, April 22, were Blackshear, Moultrie, Albany, Douglas, Wacata, Dawson, and Pearson, and Pearson, and South Georgia College. Present Thursday were Adel, Cambridge, and Valdosta.

Each day's program opened with a general meeting at the House-of-the-Woods to be followed by an assembly in the auditorium featuring the Serenaders and members of the speech department. Later, students in the physical education department presented a swimming demonstration and water ballet and a modern dance exhibition.

Members of the VSC chapter of the FTA conducted the visitors on a tour of the campus preceding lunch in the college dining hall. A film, What Greater Gift, was shown in the afternoon. Concluding each day's activities was a radio-drama, The Teacher and the Teaching Profession, followed by a discussion session.

Supervising Teachers Conference
On April 29, supervising teachers who work with VSC teacher education program met on the campus for their annual spring conference. Supervisors from Moultrie, Waycross, and Valdosta were present for the conference. It is under the super-

vision of these teachers that the elementary education majors do their practice teaching.

Follow-up Conference
An integral part of the program of teacher education at the college, the follow-up conference brings to the campus recent graduates for a pre-planning work session on problems of teaching.

One of the outstanding features of the education department of the college is the work done toward satisfactory placement of graduates.

Schedule Of May Day Festivities

The procession of the May Court and Queen will begin at 4 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, May 2nd. The time has been changed from 4:30 to 4 o'clock to enable the alumni to attend a meeting and banquet at six o'clock. Immediately after the procession, the Fable of Cinderella commences.

Seats will be marked for the guests. Ushers are on hand to seat the people. Cooperation with them will be appreciated.

The formal dance will start at eight o'clock and will be concluded at 12 o'clock.

Fraternity News

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Election—Mu Alpha

Election for this quarter's officers of the Mu Alpha Fraternity was held April 9th during the regularly scheduled meeting. Charlie Hill, the presiding president, held the election and asked for nominations for the various offices to be filled.

The election was kept in order and following brothers were unanimously elected to the corresponding offices: president, Gary Phillips; vice-president, Harold Brown; secretary, Charlie Hill; treasurer, Jimmy Mancil; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mel Smith; and historian, Russell Friar.

All the elected officers were approved and the new president took charge of the meeting. A motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The president then dismissed the meeting.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

The Social Science Club met Monday, April 20, at the home of Mrs. Joe Wisenbaker. Miss Gilbert of the State Welfare Department spoke to the group on the possibilities of employment with the welfare department and various aspects of the work, concentrating mainly on child welfare.

An informal discussion was enjoyed after which Mrs. Wisenbaker served delicious refreshments.

Kirby Heads Sock And Buskin Club

The recently elected officers of the Sock and Buskin Club, are; president, Ann Kirby; vice-president, May May Porter; secretary-treasurer, Wanda Bishop; and historian, Alice Cauley.

As the final yearly event of the club, a dinner party is being planned. This is always a big event at which the Prophecy and the Past Will and Testament are given. Special entertainment will be presented and there will be food galore—really something for the Sock and Buskins to look forward to.

Others To Follow

In the month of May there will be other recitals. Elaine Ryals will be presented by the college in a major Speech recital. Miss Ryals is studying under Miss Louise Swayer, director of the Dramatics Department.

Assisting her on this recital will be Mr. Conrad Durham, pianist. Conrad is at present a Sophomore and is studying will Miss Gladys E. Warren, Director of the Music Department.

Aspasia Panos will give a minor recital for the Philharmonic Club in May. Miss Warren is also teaching Miss Panos.

BUSINESS CLUB

Members of the Business Club are looking forward to May 25th when they will gather at Cherry Lake, Florida for an old fashioned swimming party and fish fry.

Committees are already at work planning the preparations of foods which will include not only fish but old fashioned "hush puppies, pickles, and coffee as well. Plans are tentatively set to journey to the camp spot (twenty-five miles southwest of Valdosta) Tuesday afternoon about five o'clock. There will be sufficient time for a refreshing swim before eating at seven thirty.

Besides planning the party at the regular meeting Tuesday night April 28th, the Business Club elected officers to serve for the coming year. Nancy Lovett from Sparks, a member of the incoming junior class was elected as president. Elected to serve as vice-president was Mary Florence Porter from Ashburn. Lauralene Carter was elected to serve as secretary while Corrence Fields, Hahira, was elected treasurer.

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Sigma Alpha

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The local chapter of the alumni Mrs. W. E. Stoe, Lakeland; Jackie Greene, Alma; Kathleen Harwell, Albany; Robert Cannady, Thomasville; Shirley Ellington, Moultrie; and Earnest Coffee, Mrs. Helen Abel, John Acree, Lanier Allen, Theodore Blizzard, and Nan Williams, all of Valdosta.

Sitting on the stage during the exercises of Honor's Day was the retiring president, Miss Rebekah Culbreth, of Sigma Alpha Chi and also the incoming president, Miss Nancy Coile. The new members of the honor society as well as the present members were introduced by Miss Coile.

Immediately after the morning events, the parents of the honor students were the guest of the school at luncheon in the college dining room. Later in the afternoon a reception for all honor students and guest was enjoyed, and the Honors Day program of 1953 saw its ending.

In charge of the events of Honor's Day was Dr. Beatrice Nevins, head of the biology department. Dr. Nevins is also the advisor of Sigma Alpha Chi.

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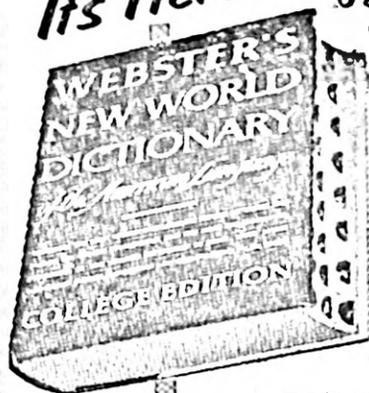
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