

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

"Education is designed to make a youth into the biggest and best person that youth is capable of becoming," was the declaration of Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of Washington and Lee University, in a scholarly address before students in assembly the first week in February.

Dr. Gaines's address was arranged for by Alpha Chi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, in observance of its eighth anniversary on this campus. At the same time, the following students were presented as pledges of Kappa Delta Pi: Helen Gruber, Manhattan, New York; Bernice Gay Long, Petersburg; Frances Grove, Luray; Minnie Banks, Meadows of Dan; Norma Brown, Ridgefield Park, N. Y.; Catherine Brennan, Woodhaven, N. Y.; Edith Smith, Cismont; Beatrice Brill, Peekskill, N. Y.; Hannah Calhoun, Deerfield; Mary Sampson, Yonkers, N. Y.; Marjorie DeMott, Englewood, N. J.; and Lillian Wilkins, Harrisonburg.

The Hedgerow Players, a nationally known group of players under the direction of Jasper Deeter, presented on January 29 Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and Eugene O'Neill's *Beyond the Horizon*. *Twelfth Night* was enthusiastically received by the audience, special interest attaching to the fact that the rôle of Viola was capably played by Miss Cecelia McGloughlin, formerly of Lynchburg, and once a student at this college. The O'Neill play, though somewhat grim, was impressively done.

Under the direction of Dr. Tresidder a program of four one-act plays was offered as the second local dramatic program of the year by members of the play-production class early in January. The four plays were *The Bad Penny*, *Before Breakfast*, *Letters*, and *Joint Owners in Spain*.

The Stratford Dramatic Club, following its new plan, recently initiated into full membership the following students: Mary

Sampson, Yonkers, N. Y., acting; Dorothy Beach, Norfolk, directing; Ruby Tyree, Rocky Mount, staging; Flora Heins, Ballston, make-up. Work has begun on the Stratford spring production, announced as *The Late Christopher Bean*. The four feminine rôles will be decided on the basis of competition. Trying out for the parts are Doris Bubb, Virginia Blain, Mary Sampson, Maxine Cardwell, Mary Stewart, Anne Fearnow, Mildred Garnett, and Dorothy Day. The five male rôles will be taken by Messrs. George Aldhizer, Overton Lee, Irving Ney, and Roy Black, and Dr. Tresidder.

What A Change! an original musical show written by three transfer students from the Savage School of Physical Education, was successfully produced by the Athletic Association January 24. It was directed by Mildred "Pete" Bright, New York. The show, which included several scenes contrasting the life of students twenty-five years ago with their life today, was generally agreed to be the best production given by the Athletic Association in several years. Outstanding in their rôles were Helen Madjeski, Janet Tice, a group of tumblers from Savage School, and Jaye Rostron, who gave an exhibition of acrobatic dancing.

Under the leadership of Ila Arrington, Pembroke, newly elected president, the Sophomore Class celebrated its annual class day January 17. The midshipman theme was carried out in decorations, dress, and programs. A novel entertainment was presented by the class in the evening, when several members engaged in an amateur radio hour, patterned after that of the popular Major Bowes. The new president was elected upon the resignation of Mary Martha Cannon, Norfolk, who has withdrawn from college.

Elizabeth Thweatt, president of the Y. W. C. A., and Adelaide Howser represented the local "Y" organization at the Eleventh

Annual Conference on the Cause and Cure of War, held in Washington, D. C., January 21-24.

Defeating the Sophomores 27-12 in the last of the inter-class basketball games played this season, the senior sextet was declared the champion of the inter-class tournament. The sophomore class received second rating, and the freshman, third. The junior class team, though accounting for a low total score, was called by Mrs. James C. Johnston, head of the physical education department, the best of the class teams "considering the material it was composed of."

Gene Averett, Lynchburg, president of the Bluestone Cotillion Club, with James Harvey as her dancing partner, led the annual cotillion given Saturday evening, February 8. They were assisted by Anne Kellam, Weirwood, and Harold Jones, Norfolk.

Dan Gregory's orchestra, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, furnished the music for the dansant held in the afternoon and for the evening dance.

New members of the literary societies have been announced as follows: *Lanier*: Agnes Arnold, Dot Day, Catherine Jolly, Margaret Turner, Sophie Stinchfield, Helen Mitchell, Nancy White, Virginia Speed, Jane Logan, Lois Robertson, and Hannah Calhoun. *Lee*: Jean Fretwell, Virginia Rader, Billie Powell, Emma Rand, Ila Arrington, Hilda Finney, Lafayette Carr, and Anne Parlapiano. *Page*: Irene Collins, Elizabeth Rawles, Wanda Spencer, Edith Gammon, and Evelyn Vaughan.

ALUMNAE NOTES

"HOME COMING," MARCH 20-21

Plans are being rapidly shaped for the Home-coming on March 20 and 21. Each

year has shown a marked increase in attendance, and this should be a record year.

Alumnæ Hall will be headquarters for registration and information. All alumnæ are urged to register as soon as they reach the campus, and to get their tickets for the play, the movies, and the dance.

On Friday night Sidney Howard's "The Late Christopher Bean" will be presented in Wilson Hall under the direction of Dr. Argus Tresidder of the college faculty. The rôles will be played by college students and local men.

On Saturday morning the business meeting will be held in Wilson Hall auditorium and will be followed by an open meeting, at which the speakers will include Vergelia Sadler, '11 and '21, Hazel Davis, '19, and Louise Elliot Shriver, '26. Virginia Gilliam, '31, will read a poem of her own composition.

Saturday afternoon there will be a basketball game between alumnæ and varsity, a movie, "She Married Her Boss," and a tea sponsored by the Harrisonburg chapter of the Alumnæ Association.

A banquet Saturday night will be followed by "In Old Kentucky," the last Will Rogers picture.

There will also be a dance Saturday evening. In recent years this has been a particularly popular occasion for the alumnæ.

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