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MAY DAY CELEBRATION

On May 2nd as the visitors and other persons interested in the South Georgia Teachers' College entered the beautiful woods in front of the campus, there seemed to descend on them the spirit of May Day as celebrated by the peasants of the old world. Seats were arranged on the sloping green with a leaf bordered aisle between leading to the lovely throne of green and white. Around and to the sides of the throne green leaves formed the immediate incasement, but the background, with its stately pines and beautiful green shrubbery, was the finishing touch to a perfect rustic setting.

The program began with the sudden, cautious appearance of a brownie, from behind the bushes, and after perceiving that all was well, the others were motioned in. Tripping over the green the brownies found great sport in playing "tag" and "leap frog" and then going through a fantastic Giga dance. Suddenly a medley of voices was heard and this frightened the playful brownies away. From the hill came the peasants clad in bright costumes and they formed a line on either side of the throne. The first attendants, who came slowly down towards the throne, were Miss Marguerite Turner and Mr. Lester Newton from the Senior college class. Second to come were Miss Virginia Lewis and Mr. James Tillery from the Free Junior Class. Third were Miss Vivian Donaldson and Mr. Walton Usher from the Freshman Class. Miss Velma Smith and Mr. B. B. Newton from the High School class came next. Following these were little Mr. Bruce Carruth, bearing the crown, and little Miss Margaret Ann Wells, Marching hand in hand. Miss Kathleen Harmon, from the Sophomore class, as the maid of honor, preceded the King and Queen. Mr. Hubert Dewberry was the King of the Festival, accompanied by Miss Jewel Durrence, lovely in white. After the

peasants paid homage to the Royal Ones, and the Queen was crowned, the latter gave a fitting welcome to Spring. The peasants suddenly broke into applause and dancing began.

The dances were:

Danish dance of Greeting.
Today's the First of May.

Old Dance

Bleaking

Ace of Diamonds

Narrow Mountain March

Cantata

Swedish Clap Dance

German Hoppong Dance

Kytnans Polka

Cornish May Dance

Crested Hen

Children's Polka

Weaving Dance.

The last mentioned formed an effective climax to the celebration. Miss Huldah Cail, a graceful and attractive dancer represented the traditional May pole as she posed on a flower-covered box while they wove streamers of rainbow colors around her. After tying the streamers in dainty bows they formed a frieze in the background and remained thus until a graceful solo dance was completed by Miss Cail. Thus ended the most successful May Day program ever presented at S. G. T. C.

DR. AND MRS. WALKER ON CAMPUS.

Dr. and Mrs. Walker of Bessie Tift college have been our distinguished campus visitors for the past few days. We enjoyed their stay very much. Dr. Walker addressed the student body and faculty in a very pleasing manner during the chapel hour Friday A. M.

Minnehan-"and what sorority do you belong to?"
Iris-"I'm a Delta Delat Delta."
Minnehan-"I heard you the first time."

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ORIGIN OF MAY DAY

The Name popularly given to the first of May, which among the Germanic and Latin people, has been associated from an early period with festal ceremonies religious in origin. It was the custom on this day to start before dawn, make excursions to the woods and fields, and return laden with green flowering boughs. It is plain that this festival, which was celebrated by all classes alike, represented the continuance of an ancient pagan ceremony; and there seems to be good reason for regarding it as a survival of rites originally offered to the Roman goddess Maia, who was evidently worshipped as the principle and cause of festivity.

But the actual basis of May Day seems to have been the Roman Floralia, celebrated April 28th, and instituted at Rome, in the year 241 B. C., on account of a bad harvest. Flora to whom the feast was consecrated, was likewise a fertility goddess, and it may be taken for granted that the elements of her rite were similar to customs which had previously been associated with Maia. In medieval May festival an important feature consisted in the nocturnal expedition to the forest, from which branches were brought and afterwards attached to doors. It was usual for the young men of the village to fetch from the woods a tree, the tallest and straightest that could be found. This was stripped of its limbs, planted in the public green, decorated with garlands and ribands, painted with gay stripes, and became the center of dances and games having for the most part an amatory character. A May-pole, once precured, might remain for many years, and ~~was~~ annually be made the focus of popular amusements. In the highlands of Scotland and Ireland the first of May received the name of Beltan.

BOUQUETS FOR MISS SIMPSON

With a May Day Festival there always comes a great amount of labor, planning, sacrificing and an anxious state of mind for the chairman of the Festival. This year the person to whom the most credit is due is no other than Miss Emily Simpson, physical education instructor of the college. On her young shoulders there rested the responsibility of the success of the entire undertaking, the teaching and practicing of dances to numerous groups of girls, and construction of a suitable place for presentation. Besides May Day she, of course, had to keep up her class work and cooperate with the Field Day events that took place on the same day. We think it fitting and proper to say a few words every time a notable piece of work is done.

T. C. DEFEATS WAYNESBORO

T. C. went on a batting spree here Tuesday afternoon and defeated the Waynesboro Junior College, 24 to 1. Waynesboro ~~Junior~~ was able to score only one run and this was not deserved. It was scored in the first inning when Newton walked two men, one man stole third, and the third man hit hard to second, who threw to first thinking two men were out. Coach Smith had the opportunity to try our several men. He used three pitchers, Newton, Henderson, and Proctor. He substituted twice in the infield, sending Roberts to Second for Minnehan, and Davis to third for Wren. The Teachers fattened their batting averages and several doubles and triples were hit.

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and was originally an independent ceremony. Customs analogous to May Day are widespread. Among the Russians there is a spring festival, celebrated by the boys and girls with a choral dance called Khorouod. The European spring-tide feast probable came from the Orient, where orgiastic merriment was common in the spring. The naturalistic basis of the customs is joy at the creative impulses felt in the spring and manifested both in the vegetable and animal world.

BULLOCH HEALTH PARADE

Saturday afternoon the school children of the primary and elementary departments of Bulloch put on an outstanding program. The "Blue Ribbons" of each school were in the parade. After the parade the healthiest school child was crowned as May Queen on the High School campus. Several of the schools gave may pole dances after crowning the queen. The purpose of the occasion was to invoke the importance and profit of healthy living upon the county school children.

PRES. WELLS AT CHAPEL FRIDAY.

Pres. Wells was greeted to chapel Friday A. M. mid many applauses and yells given by the student body. We were glad to welcome our President after so long an absence. He has been for the past six weeks at Peabody. Mr. Wells told us some of the interesting experiences he had while away.

STEPHENS LITERARY SOCIETY.

Some of the members of the Georgia history class had charge of the program of the Stephens Literary Society Thursday night. The class had visited Midway Church, Georgia's aristocratic settlement and was able to give us some interesting facts of this old church.

Numbers on program were:
Description of Place-Reta Lee
Outline of Program-

Elmo Mallard.

Special Music-Huldah Cail,
Lucile Rountree and Christine
Mingledorff.

Judge Jas. K. Hines address,
"The Puritans in the History
of Georgia"-Kathleen Harmon.
Hon. Lee W. Branch address,
"Results to the South of the
War Between the States"-

Clifford Griner.

General Comments-Miss Newton.

Miss Clay-"Can you decline
I scream?"

Sara Kat.-"No, ma'am, nor
lemonade either."

MR. GRESHAM CONDUCTS CHAPEL

Mr. Gresham of Savannah gave to the student body a very interesting talk in chapel Tuesday morning. He spoke on the absolute necessity of love. The subject was well handled. He showed us how nothing could take the place of love, not even martyrdom. He also gave us some good points on Christian living, so let us have faith in our God, ourselves, and watch our Words, Actions, Thoughts, Companions, and Him.

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Newton hit a long drive to the center and in trying to stretch it to a home run was thrown out at home on a close decision. Love, walked twice, hit a single, a double, and a triple, out of five trips to the bat. Jones out of four trips to the bat got two singles and a double. Henderson hit two doubles out of two trips.

The Teachers are getting ready for their final games here Friday and Saturday with Cochran. They split in their series with Cochran at Cochran, but are going to do their best to win ~~xxxx~~ both games here this week end.

SOMEBODY SAID THAT

Our faculty were enemies of the students.

Miss Michael passed by a piece of paper on the ground and did not pick it up.

Miss Clay could not change an automobile tire.

Addie B. Parker had lost five pounds.

Coach Smith was not handsome.

The Freshmen of S. G. T. C. were lazy.

Sagasti was not a good cook.

Miss Newton was seen with a newspaper in her lap unopened.

Mr. Henderson failed to turn on the radio one night.

NOT
BUT WE DO BELIEVE IT.

JOKES

Florence B.-"Did you know that baseball is mentioned in the Bible?"

Jim Y.-"Why no, where did you ever see such a thing?"

Florence-"Well, Eve stole first, Adam stole second, St. Peter umpired the game, Rebecca went to the well with the pitcher, Ruth in the field won fame, Goliath was struck out by David, a base hit made off Abel by Cain, the Prodigal Son made a home run, and Noah gave out checks for rain."

Evelyn S.-"What would be better to put a silver dollar than "In God We Trust?"

Sara Kat.-"I need Thee Every Hour."

Regina-"Gentry, I wish you wouldn't call my permanent wave a 'crimp'!"

Gentry-"Beg Pardon! The crimp in in my pocketbook."

Mr. Henderson-"Well, just how are the old finances getting along, ole man?"

Mr. Wells-"Well, just when I am beginning to think I can make both ends meet, some guy comes along and moves the ends."

Miss Trussel-"Elmo, can you tell me one of the uses of the cowhide?"

Elmo-"Yes, Ma'am. It keeps the cow together."

Ralph H- "How many fellows bring you candy?"

Huldah-"All of them except you. Ralph-Well, bring some out; I'm hungry."

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Y. W. C. A. CONFERENCE HELD AT ATHENS.

The Y. W. C. A. Conference was held at Camp Wilkins, Athens, Georgia, from May 2nd until May 4th. There were delegates from South Georgia Teachers College as well as from all the other colleges in the state. Our delegates were as follows: Miss Clay and Miss Simpson, chaperons; Misses Annie Ruth Moore, Lucile Suddath, Sara K. Cone and Addie B. Parker.

On Friday evening, the first night of the Conference, the delegates went in a body to Woodruff Hall, on the University Campus, to hear Dr. Charles R. Brown, Dean Emeritus of Yale University Divinity School, speak. His subject was "Have we outgrown the Bible?" Following this an informal reception was given at the Memorial Hall where the delegates from various colleges were introduced.

The second day of the conference began in a fitting manner with Morning Watch just before breakfast and after breakfast the delegates grouped themselves into interest bands according to the subject of their choice. The most outstanding speakers of the morning were Miss Mears, Secretary of the Regional Y. W. Conference, and Mr. O. R. Magill who chose as his subject, "The Tasks of the Association on the Campus."

After lunch Saturday all gathered in the assembly room eager to hear the results of the diggerent Interest Groups in which vital questions were discussed and definite conclusions were reached. Among the most important parts on the program were the talks made by the ~~women~~ students who had been to Blue Ridge.

On Sunday morning reports on the Evaluation of Conferences were given by various students and Miss Mears and Mr. Magill gave brief summaries of the work that had been accomplished during the conference. Gifts were presented to those who rendered such faithful service to the meeting.

The conference came to an end by every one joining hands and singing the familiar hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds", and then a dismissal prayer lead by Miss Sarah Craft Smith.

An added feature was the special musical selections rendered by the famous "Tech Y Singers".