FAMOUS ENGLISH SINGERS ARE TO BE ON CAMPUS

In anticipation of the concert to be given on November 2d by the English Singers, a few facts about their personnel are given here.

This group of singers is composed of three men and three women, each of whom is an experienced soloist. They have given up their personal ambition in the common desire to recreate the wealth of Elizabethan music, madrigals, ballads, canzonets, which for many years had been left unnoticed. To reproduce faithfully these songs, they have returned to the Elizabethan style of after-dinner singing, presenting their songs while seated informally around a table. Except for a few explanatory remarks by Cuthbert Kelly, their leader, they are a unified whole with no outstanding individual.

The renown of the English Singers is far from limited to English speaking countries, for they have toured the world, giving sixty concerts in the Far East, including India and Java. Hollins is indeed fortunate in having the opportunity of hearing the English Singers.

CAST FOR FALL PLAY HAS BEEN SELECTED

"Nine Till Six," a play in three acts by Annie and Philip Stuart, has been chosen by the Dramatic Association for presentation on November 21st.

Tryouts have been held and the following cast chosen: Miss Roberts; Bettina Rollins; Miss Abbot, Beth Durkee; Gracie Abbot, Sue Wood; Lady Anonlay, Jane Speh; Bridget Penath, Kay Mann; Freda, Victoria Fitz-Gerald; Violet, Julia Lamar; Daisy, Helen Stevenson; Carry, Mary Alice McConnel; Gwladys, Eleanor Burwell; M'selle, Beverly Chalker; Beatrice, Margaret Huford; Judy, Emily Ewers; Helen, Martha Huguley.

The play will be directed by Miss Susie Blair, assisted by Nancy Ray as Student Coach, with the following committees: Lighting, Virginia Messmore; Properties, Ted Tidwell; Costumes, Mary Watkins; Make-Up, Flora Witt.

MISS MARTIN SPEAKS ON LIFE AT OXFORD

The N. S. F. A. Committee, according to the plan of offering a series of talks based on international affairs and life in foreign countries, presented recently Miss Mable Martin, B. A., Wells College; M. A., Courtauld, and B. Litt., Oxford, now an instructor in English at Hollins, in an informal discussion of life at Oxford University.

Beginning with a short history of the University, Miss Martin stated that although the exact date of the founding of the school is unknown, there is a record of scholars studying at Oxford as early as the twelfth century. That time there were no undergraduates but an assembly of scholars sent through foundations made by the King or churches. Because of insufficient funds, these students began taking pupils for money. As the centuries passed, numerous colleges were added, until at present there are twenty-seven colleges for men and four for women. The oldest woman's college was founded in 1870, but it was not until 1920 that women were granted degrees.

Entrance to a college of Oxford is dependant upon two factors, according to Miss Martin, the first being an examination, and the second, a personal interview with the head of the college. Contrary to opinion, there are no college classifications as to studies; that is, each college consists of specialists in various lines.

Every college, moreover, has two divisions, the Senior Common Room, which corresponds to the faculty in an American College, and the Junior Common Room, composed of the students. From the Seniors a tutor is appointed to each student, to whom he reports weekly for guidance. Although lectures are not compulsory, and there are no periodic quizzes, papers are required at the end of the holidays on work assigned for the period. Unlike the American system, there is no examination until the completion of the entire course, at which time the questions are based on the reading for that course. An oral examination, lasting anywhere from ten minutes to two hours, is also given. If a student has spent all his money, he may receive loans with his Bachelors, the honorary Master's Degree.

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ENGLISH TEAM WILL MEET HOLLINS DEBATERS

On Saturday, October 31st, the international debate sponsored by the National Student Federation will be held in the Little Theatre at three o'clock, at which time the English Universities Debating Team will meet the representatives of the Hollins Debating Club. The subject for the debate will be: "Resolved, that the dole provides a better method of solving the unemployment problem than does the charity system." The affirmative will be upheld by the English Team, composed of Stuart Craig and John Needham, while the negative will be taken by Sylvia Sussells and Mildred Reynolds.

In 1927 Mr. Craig entered University College, Nottingham, from which he took his B. A. Degree with honors in Philosophy. In addition to his interest in the Union activities, he has been both secretary and president of the Student Christian Movement. In athletics, also, Mr. Craig has shown his skill, for he was awarded his hockey colors and is equally proficient in golf and marksmanship.

Mr. Needham entered Saint John's College, Durham University, from which he was graduated in 1930 with honors in History. Having already held the offices of treasurer and president of the Union Society, at Durham, he was further honored with the appointment as vice senior of his college. Mr. Needham, too, is an athlete, having captained the boats in his college, although he devoted much time to other sports, including Rugby and Association Football, Cricket and Hockey.

Mr. Dickinson is Missed by the Student Body

It came as a distinct shock, not only to the mathematic students but to the College as a whole, to learn that Mr. Dickinson was to undergo an operation in the Jefferson Hospital in Roanoke. One of the most popular professors on campus, Mr. Dickinson is missed by the entire student body. Until his return Frances Mears and Mary Cornelia Hankins will assist Miss Smith in conducting classes.
KELLAR AGAIN!

The members of the Kellar Committee have talked themselves hoarse on the matter of trying to keep our place of recreation in as good condition as possible. They have repeatedly attempted to point out the possible results of the situation there. Perhaps it may occur to you that the possible results of the purpose of smoking as a privilege are not limited to the present your possession of any of the finer sensibilities, and since there is any equal average per cent. of horror which we reflect upon your conduct, we do not propose to follow the tactics of the Kellar Committee.

Instead, we rather hard-boiledly state that you are responsible for the situation in Kellar should be ashamed of yourselves. And we further suggest that you think of the possible results of the situation there. Perhaps it may occur to you that the possible results of the purpose of smoking as a privilege are not limited to the present your possession of any of the finer sensibilities, and since there is any equal average per cent. of horror which we reflect upon your conduct, we do not propose to follow the tactics of the Kellar Committee.

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The Athletic Board Holds Convocation

In Convocation, October 21st, The Athletic Board for 1931-32 was introduced by the President, Edward Tidy Stone. Miss Tidwell first presented to the students the officers of the board. These are: Vice-President, Margaret Harwell; Secretary and Treasurer, Bette Cadbury; Junior Representative and Chairman of Baseball, Jane Sutherland; Junior Representative and Chairman of Tennis and Track, Bertha Locke; Sophomore Representative and Secretary of Dorothy Donovan; Campus Editor of Symphony and Chairman of Chairman of Chair of Chairing, Adria Kellogg; Chairman of Board of Board of Hocks, Janet Stirling; Chairman of Basket Ball, Rowena Doolean; Chairman of Archery, Katherine Dilworth; Chairman of Gymnastics, Anne McCorley.

Miss Tidwell is automatically a member of the Athletic Association. The purpose of this Organization is to encourage every member to participate actively in some sport, thereby giving the student the chance to gain not only skill and efficiency in some sport, but health and sportsmanship as well. All sports are major sports in the way in which they encourage cooperation and play well.

Miss Tidwell also spoke of outing as the sport which is in the popular consciousness on the campus. There are both organized and unorganized sports and athletics points are given for each. Every week there is either a breakfast or supper which all students are encouraged to enjoy.

Miss Tidwell went on to say that the specific purpose of the Athletic Association this year is two-fold: First, the fumiture of a plan for a cabin; second, the establishment of an inter-class and inter-individual competition in sports and introduction of the new system of class and individual competition between dormitories. This new plan of intramurals puts a larger number of girls in sports and broadens the interest in different fields. The sports included in the new plan are volley ball, deck tennis, horse shoe pitching, golf and clock golf. The first three of these will consist of teams of all the classes, the fourth will consist of individuals. There will be a specified number of practices and instruction at these practices will or will not be given, as desired.

This new plan should receive the enthusiasm by every girl on Hollins campus and the program should be highly successful.

Athletics

The new program of intramural sports was introduced by the President, Edward Tidy Stone. Miss Tidwell bids fair to make it a very successful athletic year. The old plea of not playing anything just won’t go when golf, deck tennis, tennis, horse shoe pitching, and clock golf are on the list. One wonders which dormitory will be the “most athletic.”

The tennis matches to determine the class teams are under way. The new system of intramurals playing everyone makes the situation more uncertain and the competition keener. And all the tennis enthusiasts are keeping an eye to weather to find out how the Freshmen will stand.

Now that the class hockey games are so near, the practices are becoming harder and harder. Everyone wants to be remembered for being good at something. The Freshmen feel that the sportsmen who try out for them will be remembered. The Sophomores keep their victories in mind. Seniors, Juniors and Freshmen all have different answers.

The individual swimming meet, which is open to all, is on November 12th. This promises some of the best action of the year. With the Freshman mermaids added to the list and the rest of the swimmers having proved it, hoped is, it occurring from, summer practice, there will be plenty of competition and good sport.

Treatise hunting with the Outing Club is a popular pastime. Although we didn’t win the treasure, we did enjoy the hopes of winning it. The men and women, with their large collection of riddles, are some of those restful stones of History Valley which make for pleasant evenings.

Anyone interested in discovering what outsiders (and not only outsiders) can do should listen to the Green Drawer who in the next issue of the Outhouse is going to tell you about the Audubon Room should consult the Washington Post. The Audubon Room is given the publicity of a front-page article which furnishes entertainment, amusement and leisure (are we say partially true) reading.

Although Mr. Dickinson has been away from the campus, he is not going to miss him much more than nine days’ work. Here are the heartiest wishes of the Freshmen for a pleasant and very speedy return.

It seems that a social problem of some such class was bound for the city poor. The Antioch Society for New Englanders, organized by Mr. Stone, is a perfect example, a football tryout.

"Dream, Alice in Wonderland, Where"...
Mr. and Mrs. Nall visited Beth last week-end. They were guests of Mrs. Lee, in Roanoke.
Leah Jones spent last week-end in Roanoke as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mundy.

Elizabeth Beasley, Beverly Chalker, Charlotte Hampton, Ann Harlin, Peggy Hall, Carolyn Huffard, Claire Backs, Kent Missaps, Margaret Huffard, Retta Thompson, Sue Wood, Betty Brede, Adelaide Rawles, Dickie Robinson, Camille Dawson, Margaret Nabors and Carey Kurth were at home-coming dances and the football game at Washington and Lee.

Emma White Carlton spent last week-end at her home in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Patsy Thayer, Barbara Delle Simmons, Betty Taylor, Janet Houston, Kay Wilsen, Betty Waring, Margaret Willard, Henrietta Worsley, Martha Burke Rouse, Ann Minor, Helen Harwood, May Gilmore, Mary Shels Lanier, Helene King and Lelia Hornor were at the Washington and Lee-Virginia football game last Saturday.

Leonora Alexander and Mary Nettleton spent last Sunday in Lewisburg.

Jessie Pollard, Katherine Wilson and Eleanor Bray, who graduated last year, were on campus last week.

Mary Manley recently visited friends in New York.

Helen Flournoy and Sue Wood were guests of Dot Sorg at her home in Richmond the past week-end.

Juliette Gentile had as her guest last week-end, Beth White.

Ruth Martin, Evelyn Woody, and Mozelle Dalton are going to V. P. I. home-coming dances this week-end.

Burr McCoy, ex-27, visited her sister, Augusta, last week.

Mrs. Charles Taylor spent a few days with her daughter, Judy.

Mrs. Gibson Worsham, of Richmond, a Hollins alumna, visited her daughter, Sarah.

Margaret Sockwell spent a few days at her home in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Frances Boykin attended the Yale-Georgia football game in New Haven.

Virginia Messmore was the guest of Kay Field in Baltimore last week-end.

Jean Lipscomb visited Mary Cornelia Hankins in Charlottesville recently to attend the V. M. L-Virginia football game.

Eleanor Burwell, Lois Yancey, Kay Schmidt and Leonora Alexander visited Elizabeth Fooshe at her home in Norfolk and attended the Yorktown celebration.

May Gilmore and Myrtle Mizell were guests of Lois Pruitt at her home in Danville, Virginia, recently.

Mary Watson and Beatrice Thickens were at Chapel Hill, recently.

Janice Marshall spent a few days at her home in Pittsburgh.

Blanchard Worley recently visited his sister, Henrietta.

Leb McLeary, ex-31, entertained Jane Triplett, Lillian Burns, Barbara Simmons, Helene King and Virginia Messmore at dinner last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Miller visited Claire Backs last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson spent a few days with Pat last week.

Gertrude Wiles, ex-32, was a recent visitor at Hollins.

Sophie and Mary Evelyn Fox were visited by their parents last week.

During the past week-end Jean Lucas, ex-34, was on campus.

## ALUMNAE NOTES

Terry Lee Roberts, '29, is teaching school at Chase City, Virginia.

Preston Smith, '30, is working in a laboratory at Wilmington, Delaware.

Helen Kabler, '30, has just recently returned from a trip to Bermuda.

Alice Combs, '33, has pledged Kappa Gamma at Sophie Newcomb College.

Frances McAfee, '30, is teaching school at a town in Delaware.

Louise Atkinson, '33, has pledged Alpha Omicron Pi, and Anne Ingles, '33, Theta, at Duke University.

Catherine Beltzboover, '33, is attending the Katharine Gibbs Secretarial School in New York and living at the Girls' Friendly House.

Patty Godsey, '31, is taking post graduate work at the University of Virginia.

Mildred Hankins, 34, has pledged Pi Chi at the University of Virginia.

Elizabeth Sneider, '31, is studying at Toledo University.

Helen Philips, '33, pledged Zeta Tau Alpha at Duke University.

Gertrude Wiles, '32, has transferred to Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia.

Betty Upham, '33, is attending an art school in Boston.

Midge Walters, '33, pledged Gamma Phi Beta at Ohio Wesleyan University.

Esther Bonnet, '30, is working at Hull House.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walthour (Margaret Baker, '30) stopped at Hollins last week-end while on their honeymoon.

Ernie Schmidt, '32, is studying at Johns-Hopkins University and is coaching hockey.

Sidney Wilson, '30, is now a member of the All-Philadelphia Field Hockey Team which recently beat the New York Team with a score of 6-1.

Nancy Poore, '34, is living near Syracuse, N. Y., and is studying voice in Syracuse.

## MISS MARTIN SPEAKS ON LIFE AT OXFORD

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In addition to these methods of study and examinations, the life of an Oxford scholar is vastly different from that of a student in an American college, as Miss Martin pointed out. For the dormitory life makes for a closer relationship between Seniors and Juniors due to the precedent which requires students of the same college to eat in the same dining hall. Another custom, established in medieval times, prescribes that each scholar wear an academic gown to lectures, to interviews, and on all official duties. In the case of women, this extends even to visits to London, whether one shops or goes to the opera.

But if Oxford is medieval in this custom, then even more out-of-date are the dormitory regulations. A man, for instance, must not leave his dormitory after nine o'clock at night. Yet there are thirty-nine ways of getting beyond the walls of the college and, there being no Honor System, anyone of the ways is available. The man must return, however, under pain of expulsion. Though the hour of his return depends upon his pocketbook, since he pays for admittance according to the lateness of the hour.

To prove further that the interests of Oxford students are not centered upon work to the exclusion of everything else, Miss Martin told of the time devoted to athletics and entertainment. Although there are no professional coaches or university teams, there is a variety of sports which offer recreation to everyone. Outdoor sports are particularly necessary at Oxford for the climate is so damp as to make it urgent that each person participate in some form of sports every afternoon. In the evening, also, recreation and entertainment are not lacking, for numerous clubs present musicals, plays or debates. The climate is again responsible for the long vacations which occur three times a year, six weeks at Christmas and Easter, and four months in the summer. To the average student, however, these holidays mean only a change of scenery, for work, like life, goes on, always toward the attainment of the coveted degree.