

### Bessie Tift College News

Leap Year slipped quietly in at Bessie Tift. Since its arrival enthusiasm and optimism have reached the capacity stage with Bessie Tift students. The exhilarating influence of Leap Year upon the girls is highly pleasing to Dr. Chamlee and Dean Alfriend, in fact Dean Alfriend is so pleased that he is secretly working out a plan by which he may improve on Julius Caesar and have Leap Year fall every other year for the next three years, and then every year, by which time Bessie Tift will have become a co-educational college, Dr. Kurtz a Benedict, and Mr. Polhill a J. P. (meaning Justice of the Peace).

At a recent faculty meeting, Miss Bruner suggested that on each hall a placard be hung, reading, "Do your leaping early, girls." This suggestion was met with hearty approval by the faculty, and it is certain that the girls will respond in their usual pleasing manner.

Hilarity and enthusiasm seem to be abroad among the girls, and when asked the reason for such actions the one answer is always, "Oh, well, you know it's Leap Year."

#### MISS BRIDGES HERE.

Every girl at Bessie Tift College looks with expectation on the visits of Miss Eva Bridges.

Miss Bridges is a returned missionary from Persia. She left that country during the persecution by the Turks. She herself was held a prisoner for three months.

Miss Bridges tells Bessie Tift girls of her experiences at times and again she lends the girls the inspiration of her great personality in just simple talks. Such a one was that on Sunday night.

She talked of the beauty of woman's place in the world and gave the words of Paul uttered to the people of his own time. Every girl was impressed with a new desire to do her best in the way God thinks best, and left with a feeling of peace and assurance.

#### MANY SONATAS.

Bessie Tift has every reason to be proud of her music department this year. Under its direction a series of sonata recitals are being offered at the Saturday morning chapel hour. Sonatas by Beethoven, Mozart, and Handel have been played by Misses Gwendolyn Jackson and Ola Mae King, of the piano department, and Miss La Wanna Geiger, of the violin department. Miss Dora Brinson and Miss Ethel Abbott will play sonatas by MacDowell and Beethoven soon.

Under the auspices of the music department, of which Miss Dora Brinson is the director, Ignaz Fried-

man gave one of his only two concerts offered to Georgia music lovers on the evening of January 11. His program was the same as that which was heard at the Woman's Club auditorium in Atlanta.

Another musical attraction of the season will be William Wade Hinshaw's presentation of one of Mozart's comic opera.

#### SENIORS IN CHARGE

The Senior Class has been appointed by Superintendent W. G. Welbourne, to have charge of the Sunday school exercises in chapel during the month of January. Two interesting programs have already been given, and the others are planned to be just as pleasing. The first Sunday the class as a whole occupied the platform as choir, while special music was rendered by a quartet, and Miss Johnnie Baldwin read the Scripture. Miss Ruth Simms, president of the Senior class, had charge of the exercises. On the 20th Mr. George Whatley gave a very interesting address on the topic of the lesson.

#### DR. VAN DEVENDER SPEAKS

Dr. Van Devender, former pastor of Jackson, Ga., was the guest of Bessie Tift for several days last week.

Dr. VanDevender is a man noted for his broad knowledge of the Bible, history and literature. He has traveled abroad several times and his accurate and thorough knowledge of the foreign countries makes his lectures on these subjects realistic as well as beneficial. His talks in chapel have included talks on the Bible, history and literature. All have been particularly helpful to college students, but his closing lecture on Tennyson was perhaps the most beautiful and most inspiring to lovers of literature.

It was with regret that Dr. Van Devender could not continue at the college, but he shall always be a welcome guest, and the college looks forward to his return.

#### JOURNALISM ASSIGNMENTS

Following a recent elopement at Bessie Tift College, Prof. George Sparks assigned the following subjects for feature stories, under the heading—"In the Wake of the News":

"And This Is Leap Year," "Leap Year Had Nothing To Do With Elopement," "Interview Roommate on Silent Signs of Intended Matrimony," "Hearts Aflutter," "Historic Footsteps," "Deborah also Was a Brave Woman," "Campus Wedding Bells," etc.

#### EMORY GLEE CLUB.

Everybody enjoyed the Emory Glee Club, which was here Saturday night.



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They gave an excellent program and those who had heard the Glee Club before decided that the program this year was even better than ever before. Many classical numbers were given, besides piano solos and a play, "Charlie's Aunt."

After the Glee Club, the Annual staff and B. T. Glee Club gave them a reception in the Upshaw Parlors.

#### PHI DELTAS PLAN FOR ANNUAL SOCIETY DAY

At the meeting of the Phi Delta Literary Society last Monday evening plans were made for the annual Society Day which will be held February 22. The debaters and orators were chosen last spring and all that is left to do now is the arranging of the program.

A committee was appointed to confer with a committee from the Ciceronian society to make definite plans and arrangements for the gala day when the fellows can turn from their studies and enjoy one moer holiday.

One of the features of Society Day is the inter-society basketball game. The Ciceronian team was the victor by the lone margin of two points last year and at an early date the Phi Delta team is planning to begin practice with an eager intention of winning revenge this year. The society elected Otis Dorough and Eugene Cook manager and captain, respectively, of the team for this year.

### Mercer Men, We Wish You A Happy New Year

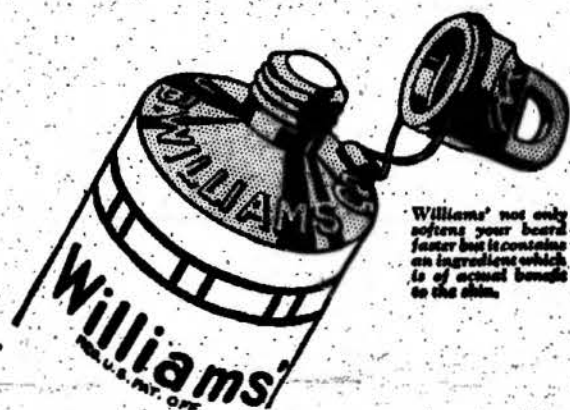
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#### RIALTO

Mon. Tues. Wed., Jan. 23, 29, 30

Mary Pickford in "ROSITA"

Thur. Fri. Sat., Jan. 31, Feb. 1, 2

Corinne Griffith in "BLACK OXEN"

#### CAPITOL

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