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MARYLAND STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE at BOWIE, June, 1955

Gov. McKeldin Breaks Ground

Pioneers Sponsor High School Day

The Maryland Society of Educational Pioneers sponsored their Annual High School Conference here on Sunday, May 15. The theme, "The Challenge of Integration in Education" was brought to the attention of students from twenty-five Sr .-Jr. High Schools in the State of Maryland.

with ideas and suggestions, thoroughly discussed during group sessions: The Challenge of Integration to the Citizen. The Responsibility of Students in an Integrated Program. The Challenge of Integration to the Parent and Home, The Challenge of Integration to the Civic Leader, The Responsibility of Religious Institutions in Implementing Integration.

Conference moderator was Mrs. Genevieve Brown. Mr. Piul E. Huffington, Supervisor of High Schools, introduced the guest Speaker, Dr. W. Earl Armstrong, Director, National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education. Mr. Charles W. Fletcher, principal of Sollers Point High School, and chairman of the Maryland Society of Educational Pioneers, introduced his co-workers-the Maryland Pioneers.

FALL REGISTRATION 1955

FRESHMEN September 6 UPPER CLASSMEN September 7

Leads Ceremonies For Gym, Dorm

An historic event took place at State Teachers College-Bowie, on Friday afternoon, April 29, 1955 when His Excellency, Governor Theodore R. McKe'din, broke ground for the new buildings on the campus. These buildings-a gymnasium and a women's dormitory-are scheduled for completion by

The faculty, staff, studentbody of the College, the laboratory school pupils, as well as neighbors, assembled on the lawn to witness the ceremony which began at 2:30.

In describing the proposed brick-limestone trim gymnasium, Cyril H. Hebrank, archi-These students, bubbling tect, especially mentioned that the stage will be placed on the side of the auditorium and not at either end as a conventional one would be, which would make it practical for all purposes.

> Governor McKeldin prefaced the groundbreaking with a brief discourse on the educational facilities needed in Maryland for the next 15 years for which he is making a great effort to pro-

Sharing in the occasion were special representatives of the various state departments who brought greetings. They included W. T. Boston, assistant superintendent of schools; James L. Reid, supervisor of school plant planning, who worked tirelessly with Dr. William E. Henry, president, and others in making the buildings a realization; James J. O'Donnell, of the Department of Public Improvement; James G. Rennie, director of the Department of Budget and Procurement. In describing the dormitory, Mr. Reid assured the audience there will be ample space for living comfortably.

Rev. David H. Croll. Annapolis, Maryland, provided the spiritual atmosphere for the program.

Music rendered by the College Glee Club and College Band was under the direction of C. B. occasion will be preserved in the A Message from President Henry

A long-cherished hope is about to become a reality. When Governor McKeldin broke ground on April 29, for the new gymnasium and dormitory, the administration, faculty, students, alumni and friends of this institution shared in the rejoicing. Our building program is moving forward, as it must, if we are to meet our obligations to the State of Maryland.



music instructors at the College. Among other guests were Robert Scheckels of the Department of Budget & Procurement and Garrett O. Billmire of

the Department of Public Improvement. Mrs. C. H. Hebrank of Baltimore accompanied Mr. Hebrank.

The special shovels for the Robinson and Jametta White, archives of the College.

Gov. McKeldin addressing assemblage at ground breaking. Seated on platform: FRONT ROW-Dr. Henry and Mr. Slicer; SECOND ROW-Mr. Reid, Mr. Harwood, Mr. Rennie, Mr. O'Donnell; BACK ROW-Mr. Billmire, Mr. O'Neil, Mr. Helbrank, unidentified, Mr. Sheckles and Mrs. Hebrank. Not shown: Father Croll, Mr. Boston and Mr. Sutter, contractor.

Dr. Henry Elected To New Office

Dr. W. E. Henry, State president, was elected to the vice presidency of the Eastern States Schools for Teachers at the annual spring session held at Ames and Bettye Thompson,

Membership in the association is held by teachers colleges in the New England states, in New vania, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Prior to his election to the second highest office in the conference, Dr. Henry had served as treasurer for four successive years.

Sen. Wheatley Speaks

State Senator H. Winship Wheatley, Jr., of Prince Georges County addressed a special assembly here on May 16. The legislator explained "The Mechanics of the Maryland Assembly".

Delegates Attend **ESAPST**

On March 16 through 19, Adrian Brown, Bertha Brown, Mildred V. Brown, Canute Association of Professional Jenifer, Marquerite Johnson, Christine Presberry, Marquerite the Hotel New Yorker in March. all students at State, accompanied by Miss Josephine H. Brown and Mrs. Evelyn Williams attended the Thirtieth An-York, New Jersey, Pennsyl- nual Spring Conference of the Eastern States Association of Professional Schools for Teachers, held at the Hotel New Yorker in New York City. The purpose of this association is to improve the services of teacher education institutions. Our president, Dr. William E. Henry; is the outgoing treasurer and the newly elected vice president of this organization.

The purposes of the Student Conference are to discuss new ideas in the colleges whereby other colleges may profit by the curriculum changes and to discuss other subjects that may affect modern education.



Architect's Drawing of New Gymnasium

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Farewell, Seniors

For the last four years you have worked diligently preparing yourselves for your selected career. It is true that all of you cannot be great men and women but you can all be good men and women.

I am glad that your journey has been a successful one thus far: yet we hate to see you leave. There is a time in all of our lives when we must part from those we love dearly, but your parting will linger in our hearts forever. As you continue on life's journey, set high your examples that others may follow. Let your first duty be to your Alma Mater to lift high the standards and stand like free men supporting our trust.

Salute To Statesman Staff

The second edition of t Statesman is on its way and promises to be a bigger and mor. informative one than that last year. The staff officers along with their advisor, have worked diligently making plans for their book. Not only have they worked on campus untiringly, but they have journeyed to Bal-

A salute to the editor-in- do. chief and members of the staff

Other Papers Say

As citizens of America, we must approach todays task realistically by seeking ways and means that are profitable for all in reaching this goal. The prequisites, as basic tools to work with, are faith and reason. To combine the two as a working unit would make today's task our immediate gain and the future a glorious morn.

The Journal - Shaw University, Raleigh, North Caro-

Get up! Get going! Or step aside so that those behind with their eyes on those things worthwhile will not be impeded by you who do not wish to advance, you who sit quietly and complacently attempting to lift yourselves by your bootstraps from the mud as the rest of the world rolls by on the concrete just beyond.

The Yellow Jacket - Institute, West Virginia.

Wake up - Get up - Act up. But be sure that its worthwhile.

The Journal - Shaw University, Raleigh, North Caro-

he important thing for every American to remember is that timore often to check plans with the world not only listens to Mr. William Zander of the what we say-and we have some State Dept. to make sure that fine and beautiful tones to speak -they watch to see what we

Tower Light - State eachwho have worked so faithfully. ers College, owson, Maryland.

Mary McLeod Bethune

As we go to press, word comes of the passing of Mary McLeod Bethune. The Eye shares the opinion of this tribute to her that appeared in the Washington Post. May 19.

At the Council's headquarters in Washington, Mrs. William Thomas Mason, president of the organization which has more than 800,000 followers, said that the "National Council of Negro Women and millions of other Americans grieve deeply for the loss of this valiant woman of indomitable courage and unfaltering determination.



Ethel Thompson

It Can Be Done

This story is one that should harbored a desire to make an fun. ADRIAN BROWN . . . Pracaccomplishment come true for a long period of time. Mrs. Ethel Grammar and High School in Goldsboro, North Carolina. She graduated from high school in 1933 as salutation of her class. There were certain developments over which she had no control her studies. For 18 years after to train the minds of our future finishing high school she never leaders. Once I have reached this gave up the desire to get a college | goal my dream will have come education. With this desire true. finally reaching its apex on 28 January 1951, she ended her course at the College 28 January 1955 and is now employed by the Anne Arundel County Board of Education as a teacher at Town Neck, near Annapolis, Maryland.

She has much praise and gratitude for Dr. William E. Henry, the President, and for the faculty of the College for the help and inspiration given her while a student there. Her advice to those who are now studying and to those who have not given up the desire to study for a college education, is It Can Be Done.

-By Wilfred Posey

Juniors Tour Washington

On March 29, a group of Juniors, under the guidance of Mrs. Williams, toured various places of interest in Washington. Praces visted were the Capitol, Smithsonian Institute, the Jefferson Memorial, and the Washington Monument. The group also toured the Tidal Basin to view the cherry blossoms.

It is felt that students at Maryland State Teachers College should take advantage of the historical and educational offerings in Washington, To this end, in the future at regular intervals, tours will be made of Washington by all students,

Terrace Scene For Formal

A beautiful terrace scene caught the eye of all who entered the college gymnasium on March 19, when The Social Committee sponsored our Annual Spring Formal. Music was furnished by the "Mo-Bops" band. Attendants enjoyed a variety of ning."

Practice Teachers Say-

While interviewing some of the Juniors at the Demonstration school, your reporter received some very complimentary remarks about their initial practice teaching experiences. WALL-ACE HALL . . . Teaching is a wonderful experience. I would not trade it for anything. CAR-ETHA PASSMORE . . . Teaching is one profession I have always admired and one experience I'll never forget, ALBERTA MAX-FIELD . . . Teaching is wonderful. FRANKIE WILSON . I really like teaching and I think i's the best thing that could happen to a person. DOROTHY CHEERS . . . Practice teaching is a very pleasant experience. be inspirational to all who have Along with learning, there's tice teaching to me is a great experience since I have chosen Thompson attended the Dillard it as my life's work. This experience is helping me to develop myself for those things that I will face in life and also in the development of the minds of little ones. MARGIE JOHNSON . . . What greater service could that prevented her continuing we as young people give than

Senate Hosts Coffee Hour

The Senior Senate entertained at their fifth annual Coffee Hour on April 17, honoring the graduating class.

The screening of the northern half of the dining room provided an air of intimacy for the occasion while the artistically arranged bouquets of spring flowers and the tastefully laid candle-lit tables drew many an admiring glance.

Guest speakers were President Henry and Mrs. Law. Pouring tea and punch were Lessie Bates. Dorothy Cheers, Marian Bailey and Betty Thompson.

Violet Jones, senate president, presided and made presentation of gifts to Dr. and Mrs. Henry and to Mrs. Head, senate spon-

Campus Picnic—May 21

Bowie plans a campus picnic instead of the usual spring hike. Dungarees, sun glasses and portable radios will be in evidence on May 21, when students plan to enjoy a day of outdoor life. Arrangements include a menu of hot dogs, potato salad, punch, ice cream, potato chips and 'oodles" and "oodles" of other good things to eat.

After lunch there will be dancing in the college gymnasium and intervals of jokemaking by the college comedians. As much as we regret it - this day must end. What a day!

dances and refreshments. Nothing was left to be said other helped in the betterment of the than, "we had a delightful eve-

Civil Service **Employees Cited**

All State Employees who have given ten or more years of service to this institution received special citations from Dr. Henry at an assembly on April

Presented with medals and certificates of merit were: Chef Noah Taylor, 32 years of service: Miss Jeannetta Chase, senior account clerk, 25 years; Mrs. Carolyn Taylor, director of laundry services, 21 years; Mr. Robert Richardson, engineer, 22 years (2 years at Bowie); Miss Edna Prout, assistant librarian, 16 years; Mrs. Esther Bagley, assistant cook, 16 years; Mr. D. Stewart, maintenance worker, 12 years; and Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, employee in the laundry. 11 years.

Chef Taylor had previously received a citation at special ceremonies in Baltimore for employees from all state institutions. Gov. McKeldin made the awards there.

Miss Prout, president of the ocal chapter of the Maryland Classified Employees Association, made remarks.

Club News

Something new and exciting has been added to the stream or social activities on our campus: The Practice House Graduate Club has been sponsoring a series of monthly birthday dinners. Every student looks forard to the day when he can take a seat in the place of honor as guest of the month. As result of his experience in the P.H.G., the student looks forward to displaying his knowledge of the social graces on all occassions.

The club is still in its infancy, but it is recognized on our campus as being a worthwhile organization.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss C. B. Robinson and the assistance of Miss J. White, has worked diligently to render services throughout th school year. Our services have been rendered in chapel, vesper, schools and churches throughout

During the Christmas seaso: the Glee Club presented an orr toria from Saint-Saens. Recitals were given to appreciable auc ence at the St. James Church, Baltimore, Maryland, Harriet Tubman High School, Cooksville, Maryland, Douglass High School, Upper Marlboro, Maryland; Pomonkey High School, Indian Head, Maryland and Carver High School, Elkton, Maryland.

We feel that our services have cultural advancements being made in our school and state.



Mr. Boston to Address Graduates

State Supervisor of Higher Edu- has made significant contribuercises, June 4, at 2 P.M.

supertindent for fifteen years.

Mr. W. Theodore Boston, In his present position, he cation in Maryland, will deliver tions towards the improvement the address to 78 candidates of teacher education. Of major for the B.S. Degree in Educa- importance is his direction of the tion at the Commencement ex- curricu'um revision program. Bringing together the faculties Prior to his appointment as of the five State Teachers Col-State Supervisor three years ago, leges, Mr. Boston has conducted Mr. Boston had served his home a series of workshops, and as a county, Dorchester, as school result new curricula are being evolved.



Reverend McGowan Gives Baccalaureate

D. McGowan, pastor of the Seminary in New York. Asbury Methodist Church in Frederick, Maryland will deto the graduating class on Sunday, May 29, at 2:30 P.M.

A native Texan, Rev. Mc-Gowan is a graduate of Clark torate at Epworth Methodist crier is presented a new bell and to know its faculty. I feel that loyal and attentive to his duties College and Gammon Theo- Church, also in New York; and, a bag of gold. The party is a this will serve to broaden my as have been Richard Colbert, logical Seminary in Atlanta, in 1953 he was appointed to and has pursued post graduate his present assignment.

The Reverend Mr. Edward work at Union Theological

secretary of the New Orleans has never seen a kitten before. liver the bacca aureate sermon area of the Methodist Church; The town crier slips a kitty in 1941-42 he was assistant through the palace gate to her. my own race. Another reason helping down to this issue to eleveyn years he held the pas- in honor of the kitty. The town attending its classes, and getting president, has been especially

Reading Institute Held

The Southern Maryland Reading Club joined with MSTC to co-sponsor a Reading Institute here on April 16.

Dr. Eva C. Mitchell, pro-Institute, addressed the group during the morning session on Phonics and Related Word Perception Skills.

Luncheon speaker was Mrs. Frances Knight, professor of education, University of Virginia, who discussed New I rends in the Teaching of Reading.

Serving as consultants and recorders at group meetings were: primary level-Mr. J. Alexander Wiseman, professor of education, Bowie, and Mrs. Hildeguarde J. Adams, principal of Aquasco School in Prince George County: intermediate level -Mrs. Jeanette W. Gray, instructor of English at Coppin State eachers College in Baltimore and Mrs. Celeste Young, teacher, White Marsh School in Charles County: secondary level-Mr. Harry Lewis, director of reading clinic in Washington and Mrs. Georgia Lucas, pupil personnei supervisor in Charles County.

Dr. Wm. E. Henry, Bowie president, Mr. Ulysess Young, dean at Bowie, and Mr. George Crawford, State supervisor o. curriculum, were coordinators.

Mrs. Bertha W. Key, president of S.M.R.C. and principal of Mt. Hope Elementary School in Charles County was the pr siding officer of the institute while Mr. William W. Hall, assistant supervisor of Prince Georges County was the general chairman.

Lab School Gives Operetta

The Bowie Laboratory School is presenting "The Princess Chooses A Kitty"—an operetta, guided by Miss C. B. Robinson, the Demonstration School faculty and the student teachers, on May 31. Starring is Linnett Everett as the princess. Her attendants are Joan Ross and Baroara Holiand. The town crier is Charles Johnson. The kittens are the first and second grade girls.

As the scene opens the town crier is announcing the arrival of a new family of kittens. The princess hastens to secure a kitter. In 1940-41, he served as area for her very own because she

COMMENCEMENT WEEK ACTIVITIES, 1955

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2:30 P.M. Baccalaureate Sermon

By The Reverend Edward McGowan Pastor, Asbury Methodist Church Frederick, Maryland

fessor of education, Hampton MONDAY, MAY 30, 8:00 P.M. Music Festival The Men's Ensemble and College Band

> TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2:00 P.M. The Princess Chooses A Kitty The Demonstration School

> WEBNESDAY, JUNE 1, 8:00 P.M. Annual Recital College Glee Club

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 5:00 - 7:00 P.M. President And Mrs. Henry's Reception to Faculty, Senior Class and Alumni 8:00 P.M. Senior Class Night

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 8:00 P.M. . Two One Act Plays The Bats

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2:00 P.M. . . . Commencement Exercises State Superfisor of Higher Education, Maryland

Connecticut Student Visits

David Gifford, senior at the Teachers College of Connecticut in New Britain, spent the week of April 24, at Bowie. President of the student council at his college, David made arrangements for the visit at the E.S.A.P.S.T. March meeting in New York.



David Gifford

Congenial and affable, our visitor endeared himself to the entire campus family by sharing in all our activities, even lending a hand in our annual clean-up campaign.

were his impressions? Let him any other college. speak for himself:

"Perhaps you wonder why I came - well, the main reason was to get acquainted with class have been workers in the young people of my own race. press club, and the Eye offers For my background has been them CHEERS! and best wishsuch that I have had little op- es for future success. Four have portunity to really get to know worked for fuor full years, pastor of St. Marks Methodist o show her gratitude the prin- was a desire to have the experi- put out the paper: Donald Church in New York City: for cess invites the villaga to a party ence of visiting a Negro college, Thompson, student congress merry affair because fortunately background and better prepare Helena Gaither and Mildred L. the king and queen are away, me to teach in Connecticut, Brown to theirs.

where the majority of the school age population has had little contact with the Negro.

"Another question that may be in your mind is, What am going to say about Bowie when I return? Time will not permit me to tell you all of my impressions, but a few might be of interest to you.

"That which has made the greatest impression on me is the fact that your training is much more progressive and functional here, than in my college. You are prepared here for living and for practical teaching—teaching that meets the needs that you as future teachers here in Maryland will have. Not teaching that will send you out into the field unprepared for your own particular situation. Also in Connecticut we are still in the beginning of the Core Program, while you are already using it. These and other such impressions make me want to remind you, that you as a college have nothing to feel ashamed of, but many things of which to be proud. As long as you always keep in sight the fact that the purpose of education and a degree is not just to get a job, but to develop yourselff into a well adjusted, and maturethinking adult, you as graduates, will be able to hold your head Why did he come, and what high among the graduates of

CI Workers Graduate

Ten of this year's graduating



P. Makell

















M. Foreman

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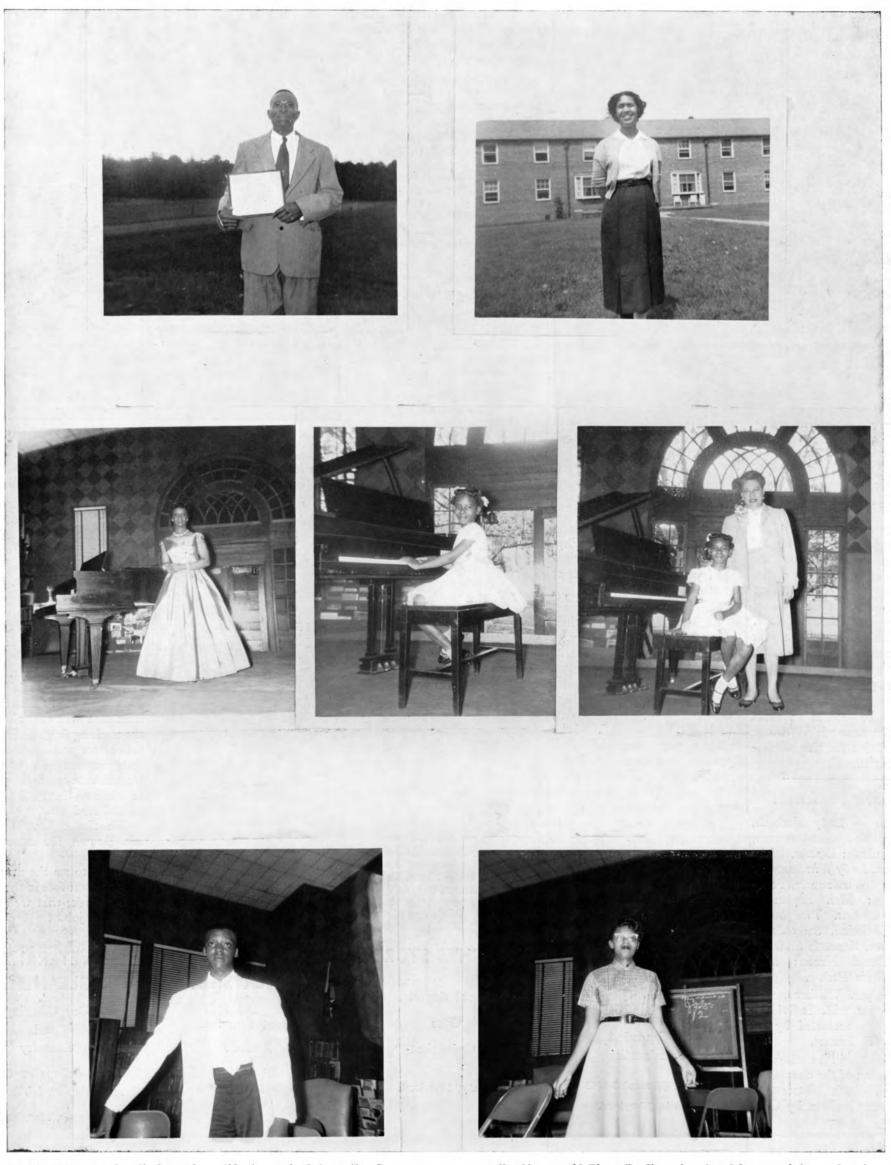


TOP: Scenes at Ground Breaking Ceremonies on April 29. (1) Gov. McKeldin playfully debates whether to push the shovel with the left or with the right foot. (2) Dr. Henry announces selection by the Glee Club, "The Challenge". Seen at left are Father Cross, Mr. Sutter, contractor, and Mr. Boston. (3) Helen Wood, Miss M.S.T.C., shovels dirt at the new dorm site.

CENTER: LEFT—Boys of the Demonstration School proudly don their new baseball suits. The Little Leaguers were recently organized by Dr. Henry. D. Thompson, W.

Hall and W. Hull are working with the group, RIGHT—Pupils board bus en route to St. Mary's School, Upper Marlboro, Maryland for the Salk Vaccine. Standing behind them are Mesdames Burrell and Craig, teachers.

BOTTOM: LEFT—Inspector Dick Mansfield, safety patrol representative from the Washington Star, poses with Demonstration School pupils after making award for no accidents in the school year; RIGHT—Inspector Mansfield is shown with group of Juniors who are doing their initial practice teaching in the Demonstration School.



TOP: LEFT—Chef Noah Taylor displays his certificate received from the Governor of Maryland at special ceremonies, for his 32 years service at this institution; RIGHT—Betty Makel sophomore, wearing the smile of winner in an essay contest sponsored by the Juniors on the subject. "It Is Not Where You Live, But How."

CENTER: (1)—E izabeth Rayfield Hail, soprano of Baltimore, who charmed us in a delightful concert appearance, February 10. (2)—Hansonia Caldwell, also of Balti-

more, the 10-year-old Piano Prodigy who played her way into our hearts on May 11. (3)—Hansonia with her teacher, Mrs. Adah K. Jenkins, prominent Baltimore music teacher and civic worker.

BOTTOM: Kenneth Stewart and Lessie Bates completely under the hypnotic spell of Dr. Franz Polgar, psychologist, who demonstrated his "Miracles of the Mind" here on April 19.



Vinnette Carroll, dramatic reader, who completely captivated her audience with her skillful interpretations on March 29.

Something New For Class Night

Shakespeare once said: "The play's the thing wherein I'll catch the conscience of the King." And on our class night, the Seniors feel confident that you will be aware of some of our innermost desires, hope. dreams, ambitions - in a four act dramma, which we call, "The Rehearsal."

Scenes from three of the world's most popular Broadway plays will be used in an effort to help the class of '55 choose a play suitable for this all important night.

Dramatis Personae:

Macbeth - Lady Macbeth, Joan Addison: Gentlewoman, Fay Richardson; Doctor, Richard Colbert. Lady Windermere's Fan-Lady Windermere, Frances Martin; Mrs. Erylenore, Dorothy Collins. The Silver Cord - Christina, Sally Jack son: Robert, Kenneth Stewart; David, David Mason; Mrs. Phelps, Olivia Parker.

The lawyer, Williams, will read the class will. Individual gifts will be presented by L. Sharps and S. Turner.

The night will be climaxed by the reading of the class poem written by Ruth Nutter and the class song written by Cora Howell.

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Intra-Mural Awards Made

Mr. Reginald Pearman and Mrs. Pauline Hobbs of the Physical Education Department made the intra-mural awards at the assembly of May 19.

The following captains accepted the trophies for their teams: Women- Tilda Barnes and Doris Somerville, co-captains for the Freshmen-Sophomore team, first place honors: Barbara Conway, for the Junior-Senior team. Mon-Winfred Hull, Jr., co-captain of the Junior-Senior team: John Fountain, captain of the Sophomore team and Robert Cromwe'l, co-captain of the Fresh-

The trophies were then presented to Dr. Henry to be placed in the show case of the new gymnasium.

Awards were also made to members of the men's and women's varsity basketball teams.

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Cultural Program Series: 1954-55

Voluntary comments from large numbers of students indicate that this year's Culture Program Series has been warmly received and rewarding. Offerings follow:

OCTOBER-Barter Theatre of Virginia in "Macbeth"

DECEMBER—Baltimore Singers

JANUARY-Lecture on Portugal -A Tyler Hull

FEBRUARY-Elizabeth Hall-So-

Lecture-Doswell Brooks Art Exhibit — College Art Service

Palmer-Martin Marionettes

MARCH — Lecture—Dr. Michael Dorizas, University of Pennsylvania

Lecture-Mr. Humbles, Pittsburgh Courier

Art Exhibit - College Art Service Vinnette Carroll--Dramatist

Margaret Tynes - Dramatic APRIL—Edgar Kennedy—Lecture

Dr. Franz Polgar-Fsycholo-

Helena Zurstadt-Lecture on Music

MAY-Hansonia Caldwell - 10-Year-Old Piano Prodigy



Margaret Tynes, dramatic soprano of the famed New York City Center Opera Company, who appeared in a brilliant recital on April 6.



Winners of Intramural Awards-FRONT: E. Adams, D. Somerville, V. Conway, BACK: Mrs. Hobbs, S. Pumphrey, J. Fountain, H. Barnes and Mr. Pearman.

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Next to Fire House

under the guidance of Mr. H. Brown took several trips this year to get first hand experience related to teaching. They included: Boys Village, Crownsville Mental Hospital, Bates High School and the Republic Theater in Washington.

Jr. High Tours

The Junior High Department

The most talked about trip was the one to Washington where the group saw the picture, 'Blackboard Jungle' which dealt with many kinds of problems that will face all of us in the teaching field. At Bates High School we were able to see the core program in action and at Crownsville we were privileged to observe the art of teaching mental students.

We thank Dr. Henry and Mr. Brown for making these trips possible. They have helped all of us to see the many problems we will face in the teaching field in order that we may do a successful job.

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