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## FOREWORD

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"Gone the fires of youth, the follies, furies, passionate tears, Gone like fires and floods and earthquakes of the planet's dawning years "

-TENNYSON.

THROUGH the 1940 issue of the GRADATIM we hope to preserve for you something of the glory of your college days. an indelible impression of the spots which have become sacred through long association: the sweetness and sadness of making friends and parting from them. lingering memories of the things you have loved, worked for, and fought for: the games you have won and those you have lost: the times which have brought joy and happiness, and those which have brought quiet, peace, and contentment.

## DEDICATION

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With grateful love we dedicate this volume of THE GRADATIM to those first friends of ours, OUR MOTHERS

at whose knees our education was begun, and whose sacrifice made possible its completion in a Christian institution, where accomplishment and final reckoning end not with the stars but seek the light beyond them that is Truth.



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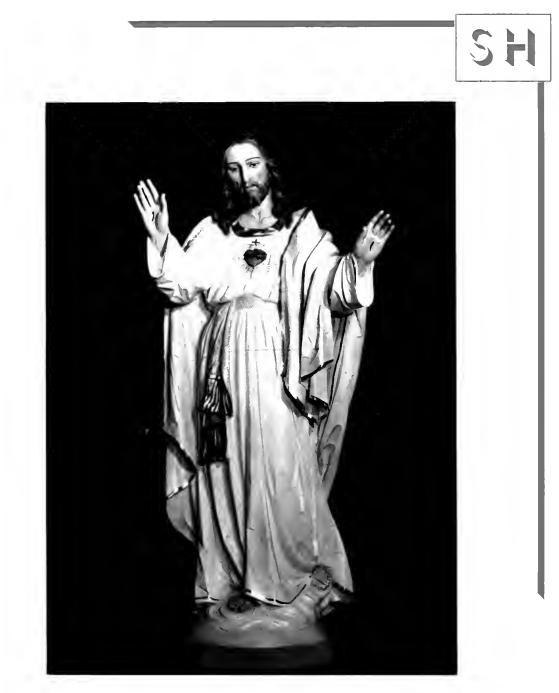
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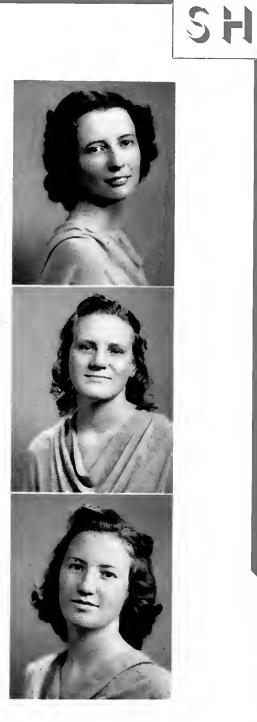
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### GRADUATES

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### CLASS HISTORY

"Each day a shadow onward cast Which made us wish it yet might last — "

---SHELLEY.

THE GRADATIM

Two brief years—and we who were twenty-three are now twelve and saying our last goodbyes. From September 13, 1938, to this June 5, we have been the class of '40. Our history is not one of flaming intensity, but one of quiet hopefulness.

In the September of our first year here we found that the Freshman class was a strange mixture of Southerners. Northerners, and Cubans—all of different temperaments, but all with the restlessness of spirit that is characteristic of students new at a school. Our restlessness was soon diverted in the formation of a compact unit that would be more worthy to be called the Class of '40. To give formation to the class and to wield it more plastic, by popular vote, Betty Pressley, Edith Gallagher, and Frances Armstrong were elected as officers. With a burst of enthusiasm these launched us on our way. We soon proved at our first weiner-roast that our spirit was right (even though our flare for business was not all that it should be!). It deserved the age-old caption, "A good time was had by all"—but the freshman coffer remained on the red side of the ledger. Of more financial success but no more fun were the many other ventures of the Class of '40—including various informal entertainments and a dance at the Community House.

Meanwhile, the Class of '39 was by no means idle. Included in their activities was by custom the welcoming dance for the freshmen. It will be many years before we forget the orange and yellow streamers and our first meeting with the famed "A" boys at that dance.

Not only our class, but also our individual members were forging ahead Margie O'Meara was elected president of the Teasdale Book Club. Virgie Lutz made first-string, all-county basketball team as center guard. Six of our class. Edith Gallagher, Miriam Weldon, Helen Hand. Margaret Patrick, Virgie Lutz, and Anne McLean, had earned their letters playing fine varsity ball.

Spring came, and a more experienced group of freshmen made plans for the annual dinner given by them for the sophomores. On May 22 in festive mood freshmen and sophomores went to Charlotte for this crowning event of the year. The dinner, the favors, even the movie, were enhanced by a growing feeling of oneness, a sensation so intense that it could not last.

Later the campus was converted into a virtual fairyland with mytiads of lanterns and we experienced with wonder what before we had imagined to be figmentation of the authors: the glories of a garden party (as given by the Teasdale Book Club).

Soon afterwards came commencement and with it the startling realization that our freshman year was over, a year of hope and redundant happiness! We saw the sophomores receive their diplomas and ourselves represented at Commencement by Susan Richardson, honor student.

Three months of remembering Sacred Heart and back to our studies again. But—now we are only twelve, now we are sophomores, those expected to exemplify to the freshmen the spirit that permeates all actions at Sacred Heart. The class was soon reorganized, headed by Susan Richardson. Mary Curlee, and Margaret O'Meara. Following tradition, the Class of '40 sponsored a tea and dance, welcoming the twenty-four girls of the Class of '41 Perhaps starting a new custom, our class instigated a Rat Week in which the freshmen good-naturedly ran the gauntlet. It was a week of bilarious fun, climaxed with Rat Court and followed by a Rat Dance. Throughout the year various entertainments were sponsored by the class. The most successful and most thoroughly enjoyable was the Leap-Year Dance given May 7.

Our individual members again represented our class in the various organizations of the school. Anne McLean was elected president of the Teasdale Book Club. Virgie Lutz headed the Monogram Club, and Ellen New was president of the Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Such is the history of the Class of '40. We do not wish to be remembered because we soared, but because we made the effort to flap our wings.

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### CALENDAR 1939-1940

#### SEPTEMBER

- 13-Registration of freshmen
- 14-Upper classmen return
- 15-Classes begin
- 17-Inaugural Mass at Belmont Abbey Cathedral.
- 22-Sophomore Class election. Officers elected were Susan Richardson president. Mary Curlee vice-president: Margaret O Meara. secretary-treasurer.
- 28—Freshman Class election Patricia Riley was elected president. Virginia Brookshire, Vice-President: Miriam Cameron, secretary-treasurer.

#### OCTOBER

- 2-Rat Week begins with a bang. (And what a BANG it was!)
- 6-Rat Court and Rat Dance. Green hair-bows. red-crossed foreheads, and black dispositions were the fashion at the Court, but at the dance—ah' 7—Rat week ends. "A good time was had by all"—the sophomores. 23—Dramatic Club plays entitled "Tea and Algebra." and "Rosary Time in Ireland" in honor
- of Reverend Mother M. Raphael.
- 24-Mother Raphael's Feast Day-holiday.

#### NOVEMBER

- 1-All Saints' Day-holiday.
- 10-Teasdale Book Club presents Modern Author Program.
- 15-Sophomores entertain at afternoon tea.
- Sophomores sponsor informal dance in college ballroom.
- 27-Bazaar begins.
- 28-Bazaar ends
- 30-Swiss Bell Ringers present an entertaining program.

#### DECEMBER

- 8-Feast of the Immaculate Conception-holiday.
- 13-Glee Club present Christmas concert
- 15-Catholic Press Exhibit opens, an exhibit given by the religion class under the supervision of Reverend Father Gregory, O.S B.
  - First basketball game of the season-Sacred Heart vs. Belmont.
- 18-Christmas play and Nativity tableau. Christmas party with "Mr. Jack '-Santa Claus.
- 20-Christmas holidays begin.

#### JANUARY

- 8-Christmas holidays end.
- 13-Basketball team defeats Tryon 40-20.
- 17-Sacred Heart girls chalk up another as Cramerton goes down 41-10
- 19-Wingate bows to Sacred Heart team 16-11.
- Students attend informal dance in Abbey gym. A new high in fun'
- 22-Sacred Heart defeats Bessemer City girls 36-18.
- Examination Week begins with the usual determined burning of the midnight oil. 26-Retreat begins.
- 28-Retreat ends.
- 29-Students motor to Rock Hill to attend the performances of "Faust" presented by the San Carlo troupe.
- 30-Girls attend a group of plays given at Belmont High School.
- 31-Rambler dance at the Abbev. By the way, who let those college girls in? Basketball game with Firestone team. Still another victory for the blue and white Final score 36-23

#### FEBRUARY

- 1-Students attend concert-Lansing Hatfield, baritone: Amos Allen, accompanist-guest artists
- 5-Sacred Heart girls are defeated for the first time of the season by Paw Creek. Not a close score, 14-26, but enough battle!
- 6-Avenge for the defeat of the previous night. Sacred Heart 43. Firestone 17.
- 10-Another victory for the basketball girls. Sacred Heart 23, Dallas 16.
- 12-Basketball team meets Kress team. Still another victory. Final score 33-26

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FEBRUARY-Continued

- 13-The blue and white downs Bessemer City, 23-16
- 15-A hard-fought game, but our team lost to Wingate College squad. 15-23.
- 16-Students spent a delightful evening in attendance at Mr. David Gorney's group of plays.
- 18-Sacred Heart squad goes down before the Geyer Business College team, 12-14
- 21-Team outplays Cramerton squad in high-scored victory. Final score 40-9.

26-Sacred Heart squad defeats Kings Mountain girls, 15-9. 27-How sweet is revenge! Sacred Heart, 19: Paw Creek (Mecklenburg County champs), 12. 28-Sacred Heart defeats Dallas, 28-23,

#### MARCH

1-Berryhill High School is defeated 27-19 in the last game of the season

Students attend concert, Bartlett and Robertson, guest artists.

17-18-19-The Passion Play, "Mary Magdalene," is presented by the Dramatic Club.

- 20-Easter vacation begins.
- 25-And so to school again-
- 26-Miss Marie Houston, internationally famous soprano, rendered a beautiful concert 31-The Choir sings the Mass at Saint Mary's Church. Shelby, N C
  - Choir members were entertained with dinner party at the Cleveland Hotel

#### APRIL.

- 2-Lecture by Dr Eva Ross, an eminent sociologist and commentator on political trends.
- 3-St. Benedict's Day. Graduating class marches in academic procession.
- 5-Students attend the last of the group of concerts presented by the Gastonia Community

Concert Association. Carola Goya and Beatrice Burford, guest artists.

9-Many young ladies in their glittering best attend the Easter Formal at the Abbey. 12-Sacred Heart College and Belmont Abbey Glee Clubs begin tour. Concert presented in Wilmington, N. C

- 13-Glee Club sings in Charleston, S. C.
- 14-Choir sings Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Charleston, S. C.

Glee Club presents concert in Sumter, S. C. (Our first broadcast, too')

18-Glee Club sings at meeting of Superintendents and Principals of South Piedmont District in Belmont.

19-Second Glee Club tour, this time to Columbia, S. C.

- 25-GRADATIM goes to press.
- 26-Third Glee Club tour. On to Greensboro, N. C.

#### MAY

- 2—Ascension Thursday—holiday.
- 7-Sophomore Leap-Year Dance. A girl-break dance. Who was belle (gendre-masculine) of the ball?
- -Glee Club sings at Kiwanis Club Musicale (benefit program) in Belmont High
- 10-Tentative date for the final production of the Dramatic Club. The play, The Columbine Club of the Air": the director, Mr. Gorney: the laughs, galore!
- 14-Junior Senior Banquet-Academy.
- 15-Freshman Dance at the Abbey.
- 16-Junior Piano Recital.
- Commercial class picnic
- 17-Senior Piano Recital.
- 21-Chemistry picnic
- 22-Glee Club picnic.
- 25-School picnic
- 27-Final examinations begin.
- 29-Junior-Senior Banquet-College.
- 31-Graduation Recital-Miss Mary Elizabeth Moor, voice: Miss Dorothy Hogan, piano; Miss Margaret Reiser, accompanist.

#### JUNE

- 1-Class Day.
- 2-Baccalaureate Mass and Sermon by Reverend Father Scheiner, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 3-Final Glee Club Concert.
- 4-Faculty Breakfast for the graduates.
- Students attend Abbey Prom
- 5-Commencement Exercises-Paul H. Neal, Principal of Belmont High School, speaker,

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### COLLEGE FRESHMEN

PHYLLIS ABBOTT Gastonia, N. C.

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WILLIE HARRELSON CHERRYVILLE, N. C.

BETTY HOLTON BELMONT, N. C.



Alma Louise Bowen Gastonia, N. C.

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VIRGINIA BROOKSHIRE Gastonia, N. C.

MIRIAM CAMERON Chattanooga, Tenn.

MARGARET DUNN Gastonia, N. C.

Dorothy Hogan Charleston, N C.

ELEANOR LEE Belmont, N. C.

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## COLLEGE FRESHMEN

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ETHELDA MCARVER GASTONIA, N. C.

PATRICIA RILEY ALLENDALE, S. C.

MARY A. SHAHID CHARLESTON, S. C.

BETTY SHUFORD GASTONIA, N. C.





ADELAIDE MARSHALL GASTONIA, N. C.

MARGARET RANKIN GASTONIA, N. C.

MARGARET ROBINSON GASTONIA, N. C.

> **GRAHAM SHAW** GASTONIA, N. C.

DOROTHY SPAIN DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.

GAYNELLE SPARKS BELMONT, N. C.

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# ACADEMY





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### SENIORS

### VIVIAN JOSEPHINE HAVERTY JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

French Club (1, 2); Music Club (2, 3); Basketball Club (1, 2, 3, 4); Monogram Club (4); Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4); Dramatic Club (3, 4); Sodality (1, 2, 3, 4); Glee Club (3, 4); Choir (1, 2, 3, 4).

### MARY ALICE HEDRICK BELMONT, N. C.

Class Poet (4), Class Secretary (4), Class Treasurer (3); Day Students' Association (1, 2, 3, 4); French Club (2, 3); Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4).

### BRIDGET MARGARET MADDEN LIMERICK, IRELAND

Class Prophetess (4); Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4), Vice-President (4); Glee Club (3, 4); Sodality (1, 2, 3, 4); Basketball Club (1, 2, 3); Dramatic Club (1, 2); Choir (1, 2, 3, 4).

### SENIORS

### Ana Maria Maristany Havana, Cuba

Glee Club (3, 4); Sodality (2, 3, 4); French Club (2, 3); Meynell Literary Society (3, 4); Choir (4); St. Therese's Academy, Miami, Fla, (1).

### MARGHERITA VICTORIA MARUS CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Class Treasurer (4); French Club (3, 4); Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4); Music Club (2, 3); Glee Club (3, 4); Sodality (2, 3, 4); Dramatic Club (2, 3); Choir (2, 3, 4); O'Donoghue School, Charlotte, N. C. (1).

### MARGARET REISER WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. VA.

Glee Club (3, 4). President (4): Librarian (3): Class Historian (4): French Club (2, 3, 4): Sodality (1, 2, 3, 4): Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4): Basketball Club (1, 2): Music Club (1, 2, 3): Class President (2): Dramatic Club (3, 4): Choir (1, 2, 3, 4).









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### SENIORS

### MARJORIE MARY ROPER Belmont, N. C.

French Club (2, 3): Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4). Secretary (4): Glee Club (3, 4): Day Students' Association (1, 2, 3, 4).

### MARGARET BEATRICE SUMNER BELMONT. N. C.

Meynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4), Secretary (4): French Club (2, 3): Glee Club (3, 4): Day Students' Association (1, 2, 3, 4).

### ANNIE TATUM Belmont. N. C.

Class President (3, 4), Class Testatrix (4); Mcynell Literary Society (2, 3, 4), Treasurer (4); Class Treasurer (1, 2); French Club (2, 3); Day Students' Association (1, 2, 3, 4).

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### CLASS HISTORY

### 1936-1937

SEPTEMBER 8, 1936.

My very first day at Sacred Heart Academy has been a big success. This morning 1 met the members of my class: Bridie. Annie. Bea. Marjorie and Vivian. We're hoping that our high school days together will be pleasant. as well as profitable.

### JANUARY 15, 1937.

Basketball season is at its height. We are having four games this week. This afternoon we won the game which is our biggest of the year. Several of the girls played spectacular ball, but that's not at all unusual.

#### MARCH 19, 1937.

Oh. dear me, exams are here again! They, at least, never fail to keep tryst with us. You should just see all the studying that everybody is doing. I'd be willing to bet my last two cents that everybody will have a nervous breakdown after this week is over. Well, here's the nickel. Everyone has passed, and looks, acts, and eats normally again.

### 1937-1938

OCTOBER 1, 1937.

Another member has been added to our class. Margherita Marus. And the way we feel about it is: "The more, the merrier."

### March 21, 1938.

Today was the feast of St. Benedict and the choirs of both Sacred Heart and Belmont Abbey sang a High Mass under the direction of Mr. J. B. Houren. It was very beautiful and everyone hopes that they may sing many more Masses, and maybe soon we will have a choir composed of members of both schools and go on tours through the state displaying our talent!

#### 1938-1939

### OCTOBER 14, 1938.

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Today we had our first basketball practice of the year and we have all it takes to put out an excellent team. even a better one than last year's. Two of my classmates are beginning to "shine" as two of our best forwards. Bridie and Vivian.

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### OCTOBER 30, 1938.

The class had a Hallowe'en party in the Gym and it was a big success. We cleared enough money to cover over half the expense of the Junior-Senior banquet in May.

#### DECEMBER 14, 1938.

The Combined Glee Clubs of Sacred Heart Jr. College and Belmont Abbey College gave their first concert in the history of the colleges. Nearly all Belmont turned out to attend it and left with words of praise on their lips for the fine work of the club and for its director. Mr. Houren.

### MAY 10, 1939.

The Junior-Senior Banquet is over and I think everyone enjoyed herself. It was held in Charlotte in one of the private dining rooms of a leading restaurant. The room was decorated in blue and gold. the class colors. A lovely dinner was served, after which we went to see a movie.

### 1939-1940

#### SEPTEMBER 13, 1939.

Our Senior year in high school is under way at last! We have added only one person to our class. Anita Maristany, one of Cuba's representatives. It's nice to come back and see the same faces. It makes one feel that one is among friends.

### MARCH 17, 1940.

Two very fine performances of "Mary Magdalene" were given by the Dramatic Club. Rehearsals were a lot of work, but the play itself was worth all the time and effort spent on it. Every year Sacred Heart has produced a play for Passion Week, and each year the play has been a bigger success. Much praise is due to our Director, Mr. D. J. Gorney.

### April 12, 1940.

The Combined Glee Club has just returned from its first tour of the year. It sang in Wilmington, Charleston, and Sumter. Plans have been made for two more trips, one to Columbia, and another to Greensboro.

#### JUNE 5, 1940.

At last! The day of days. Graduation Day! Today finishes our happy years at Sacred Heart Academy. Many of us will be lucky enough to return for Junior College and many may never be back again. We thank the Sisters for making our stay here a pleasant one. We will try to live up to the high ideals and principles we have learned here and hope we shall be a credit to our Alma Mater.

MARGARET REISER.

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## THE PROPHECY

Sacred Heart, at last! It does not look so very different, after all, does it, Vivian? And to think that it is ten years since we graduated! Times does fly, to be sure No. to the side, James, the Administration Building, That's it. No. don't wait for us Vivian, isn't it grand to have one's feet again on the gravel at Sacred Heart? I'm afraid we'll be walking on air, though when we meet the others. (There were nine of us, weren't there?) Nine years in France certainly changed you-though for the better, of course. Anyone would envy you your position of The World's Leading Model. Who's coming towards us? Why, it is Margaret Reiser! Hasn't she the appearance of a comfortable wife, though? We all expected her to choose a career, but she married during her Freshman year in college, couldn't wait. Well, that's life! Children? Yes, indeed. five. The oldest is quite a marvelous pianist for her age, they say. Margaret married that electrician she used to know, remember? They are living at White Sulphur. West Virginia. Do you remember the time 👘 Well, of all people, Beatrice Sumner! Still Sumner. too! Vivian, did you ever see anyone turn out exactly as we would not have expected? Don't tell me that you have not heard that she is Dean of Women in some Catholic college up North! In high school who would ever have thought it of Bea? What did she say about Mary Hedrick? She is? Well, what do you think of that? Vivian, Mary is Superintendent of the new hospital at High Point. I always did think that she was the Florence Nightingale type Look who just drove up. Marjorie Roper. How are you, Marjorie? I never can remember your married name. no less! Oh. that is it? Why, I thought-But you are the President of the Women's Club in Mount, Holly, are you not? That lecture you delivered in Greensboro last March was marvelous. I would never have guessed that you were that deep, Marjorie! Well, as I said, that's life Who is the sweet-faced Sister coming toward us? Do you mean it? Anita! Why. Anita. it is good to see you again! No. I had not heard Whose hands are these covering my eyes? Let me guess now! They are—they are—Goosie's! (I beg your pardon. Miss Marus!) Margherita, is it too late to offer my congratulations on your winning the tennis tournament? How did Alice Marble and Don Budge like the beating? Will you give me your autograph. dear? Margherita, tell us is it true that Annie Tatum is still editor of Good Housekeeping? She's married, of course, and prosperous. How on earth does she find time for everything? Did I hear someone say that I got thin? You would, too. Marjorie, if you were Nelson Eddy's leading lady at the Metropolitan Opera House. It is no easy task, you know. Did you hear our rendition of Madame Butterfly on Saturday a week ago? They say that it is the best I have accomplished yet, and Mr. Houron was quite proud of me. What? Of course, you may have my autograph. I'll sign anything-anything, that is, but checks Listen, do you know of anything that's bad for throats, except the night air? I'll have to be careful, you know.

(R-r-r-r-ing!) What's that noise? Oh. my alarm clock! Why, I must have slept! What year is it? How silly I am. Of course, it is nineteen-forty and in a week or two I shall leave school. Imagine, there I was in the middle of nineteenfifty and I never did once think of asking whether Europe ever did finally patch up its quarrels or whether ultimately Uncle Sam put his finger in the pie. Well, as I said so often: that's Life!

Bridie Madden.

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## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Seniors of Sacred Heart Academy, Belmont, North Carolina, having been proved to be in enjoyable possession of sound mind and of responsible memory do declare this to be our last will and testament and, moreover, do affirm that all other documents hitherto given from our hand are null and void.

#### Article I.

To Sister Mary Columba, our beloved Directress, we extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. Her guiding hand and understanding nature have helped us, not only to cover the mileage of the beaten track, but also to navigate circumspectly and successfully the many incidental detours.

#### Article II.

To the Faculty, whose efficiency in our regard was not unmixed with "the mild of human kindness," we leave our lasting gratitude and good will.

#### ARTICLE III.

To the succeeding classes of our Alma Mater we bequeath our experience, with all the advantage thereof. May their years at Sacred Heart be as replete with blessings as were ours!

#### Article VI.

1. Margherita Marus, do will and bequeath to Elizabeth Sanford my abiding interest in Shakespeare and my ability to use the right word at the wrong time. The latter may not be wholly a disadvantage. Elizabeth!

To Anne Tipton. I. Anita Maristany, do bequeath my artistic penmanship, hoping it will get her through English tests as rapidly, and withal as successfully, as I have done.

I. Bridie Madden. do will and bequeath my love for Grand Opera to Mary Katherine Kabas so that she may be able to distinguish between noises and other noises!

My weakness for Angora sweaters, 1, Vivian Haverty, do leave to Dorothy Heinz. May your friends have the same grade of adherence as the sweater has. Dorothy!

I. Mary Hedrick, do will and bequeath to Shirley Keyser my Senior dignity in the hope that sooner or later she will find the need of it—the sooner the better, of course. May it make a lady of you. Shirley, otherwise

To Dolly Dunn. I. Marjorie Roper, will my efficiency at the steering wheel (of a car. of course!). May it get you places not strictly confined to the Wilkinson Boulevard.

 Beatrice Sumner, bequeath to Mary Frances King my captivating personality, hoping that her conquests at Belmont Abbey College will be, if not as many, at least as *enduring* as mine. To Dolly Seay, 1, Annie Tatum, do will and bequeath my valuable part-

To Dolly Seay, I. Annie Tatum, do will and bequeath my valuable partnership in the Tatum-Sumner Corporation. May this advantage in itself fill her days at Sacred Heart and its environs with as many happy memories as it has mine.

I. Margaret Reiser, do will and bequeath to Caroline Waldron the auditorium piano that she may have the pleasure, and indeed, the *distinction*, of playing for every Glee Club rehearsal next year.

ANNIE TATUM, Lawyer.

Witnesses: BETTY COOPER, PATRICIA RILEY,

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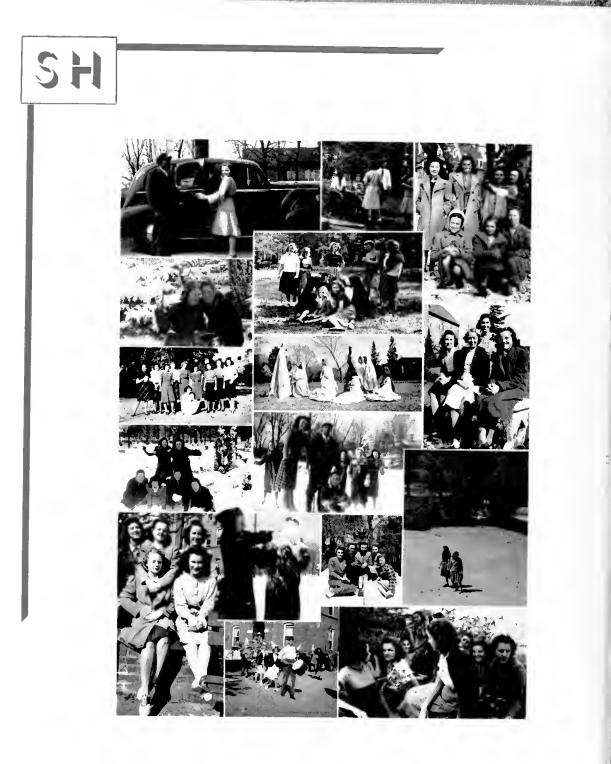
## CLASS POEM

We who have always met the spring With gladsome heart and eyes aglow. Who watched our bridal hedges fling Their wealth of bloom. and whispered. "Lo." The dreamed-of happy time is near. The shadow of the winter's past: The parting of the ways is here And Freedom waits for us at last!" At last! But this glad hour we sought We find today has come too soon. A gift with human sorrow bought! We know not now a tearless June . . . Such are earth's boons to human heart, And yet a promise sings within: This need not be the lesser part But prelude to another Spring. A fuller life than yet we know-The end a glad Commencement, too. When no one's lips shall whisper, "Go." But "Come.... the place prepared for you!"

-MARY HEDRICK.

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# ACTIVITIES







## THE HONOR SOCIETY

The requirements necessary for membership in this society may be considered as two-fold: grades and attitude. Excellent character, an active and loyal school spirit and an average of ninety are essential.

Standing: VIRGINIA KREWSON VIRGIE LUTZ ETHELDA MCARVER

Seated : Dorothy Spain Betty Shuford BETTY HOLTON SUSAN RICHARDSON MARGARET REISER LOUISE BOWEN ANNIE TATUM MARY HEDRICK MARGARET MCKNIGHT (absent)

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## PRESIDENT'S FORUM

The Presidents' Forum is an organization composed of the presidents of the various clubs and societies of the school. It promotes a coöperative and friendly spirit among the members as well as among the officers of the school organizations.

#### **MEMBERS**

Dorothy Heinz Anne Tatum Margaret Reiser Virgie Lutz Elizabeth Sanford Eva Mae Moses Betty Holton Louise Smith Dorothy Spain Anne McLean Ellen New Patricia Riley Susan Richardson

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## THE TEASDALE CLUB

The Teasdale Club, an organization formed last year for the benefit of the college English classes, has created much interest in the field of literature. Through the efforts of the club a keener literary appreciation has been developed in the minds of the students.

#### First Row:

MIRIAM CAMERON PEGGY MAGINN MARY A. CATHOU MARY CURLEE MARGARET O'MEARA DOROTHY SPAIN MARY SHAHID ETHELDA MCARVER ADELAIDE MARSHALL BETTY SHUFORD

#### **MEMBERS**

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## THE ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA

One of the most active organizations on the campus is the Alpha Kappa Alpha. It is a cultural society emphasizing greater appreciation of the higher things in life. This year the members have striven to further their knowledge of music and the fine arts by attending plays, lectures. recitals, and concerts. One of the trips, richest in true art, was made to Winthrop College in Rock Hill to hear a performance of "Faust," presented by the San Carlo Opera Company. A taste for the finer things has been engendered and in addition much enjoyment has been derived from the many trips.

#### MEMBERS

Seated:

Ellen New Anne McLean Susan Richardson Dorothy Hogan Margaret O'Meara Standing:

Lutelle Haney Virgie Lutz Eleanor Jenkins Louise Smith Frances Armstrong Dorothy Whisenant

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## SODALITY

The Sodality, the concrete expression of student religious life, indicates our relations to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Placing into her hands all our ambitions. we seek grace by her intercession to enable us to approximate in our lives the ideals of the Sodality.

#### **MEMBERS**

First Row: Margherita Marus Margaret Reiser Peggy Maginn Miriam Cameron Vivian Haverty Elizabeth Sanford Dorothy Heinz Dorothy Hogan Bridie Madden

## Betty Jane Myddelton

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## DAY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

This organization of the off-campus students serves to strengthen the bond of friendship between the day students and the boarders. The goal of the club. a unified, cooperative student body, has been achieved this year in an unprecedented manner.

First Row: BEATRICE SUMNER ETHELDA MCARVER BETTY SHUFORD LUTELLE HANEY FRANCES ARMSTRONG MARGARET MCKNIGHT ALMA LOUISE BOWEN EVA MAE MOSES BETTY TATTERSALL

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## LE CERCLE FRANCAIS

The French students of Sacred Heart College have banded themselves together that they may better pursue knowledge and familiarity with the people, customs, and language of France. The members thus gain a broader insight into the feelings and views native to the French which gives them an advantageous view of the swiftly moving kaleidoscope of modern life.

## MEMBERS

First Row: Margaret Bruce Margherita Marus Dorothy Spain Bridie Madden Ellen Bryant

## Second Row: Margaret Reiser Dorothy Hogan Margaret Davis Martha J Seay

Third Row: MARY CURLEE Dolly Dunn Mary E. Palmer Tony McCaffrey Marjorie Roper Alma Louise Bowen Virgie Lutz Eva Mae Moses

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## SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club is a group of students who wish to obtain proficiency in the spoken language and to cultivate appreciation for Spanish literature. We wish this new club a very successful future.

## **MEMBERS**

Seated : Susan Richardson Ellen New Ethelda McArver Lutelle Haney FRANCES ARMSTRONG BETTY SHUFORD Standing: PHYLLIS ABBOTT ELEANOR JENKINS

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## THE MEYNELL LITERARY SOCIETY

The Meynell Literary Society, an organization destined to establish permanent good reading habits among the academy pupils and to strengthen their literary appreciation, is now in the third year of its activity. This club has done much to supplement actual class work and to open up new and more interesting avenues of approach to the rich field of English literature.

First Row: Nora Leza Martha J. Seay Margaret Reiser Bridie Madden Shirley Keyser Mary K. Kabas Anita Maristany Marie A. Balsinde

Second Row: Clara Martin VIVIAN HAVERTY DOROTHY HEINZ ELIZABETH SANFORD MARY HEDRICK MARGHERITA MARUS BEATRICE SUMNER

Third Row: Dorothy Beaty Carolyn Waldon Betty J. Myddelton Mary Frances King Marjorie Roper Josephina Zubillaga Margaret McKnight Tony McCaffrey

Fourth Row: Dolly Dunn Margaret Davis Ellen Bryant Annie Tatum Mary E. Palmer

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## THE GLEE CLUB

During the year 1939-1940 the Sacred Heart Glee Club secured an enviable place in the collegiate choral circles of the Southeast. This achievement is due principally to the splendid training given by the director of the club. Mr. J. B. Houren, whose capacity for work and thorough knowledge of his field are outstanding. Margaret Reiser, recompanist, displayed unusual talent, and by her constant assistance contributed greatly to the success of the group.

On December 13 the opening concert, consisting of several Christmas numbers, was given in the Belmont High School auditorium before a large appreciative audience.

In the spring the combined Glee Clubs—those of Sacred Heart and Belmont Abbey presented several concerts in the Carolinas. A quotation from one of the larger newspapers will testify to the excellence of these performances: "Congratulations. Mr. Jack Houren, on your splendid work as conductor — The girls of Sacred Heart College showed that they had the most careful training, with every attention to the details that make fine ensemble singing — The combined clubs did some lovely pianissimo singing and their crescendos were beautiful. For precise attacks, dynamic shadings. expression and good diction these glee clubs deserve great praise."

As this goes to press preparations are being made for the June concert, one of the outstanding events of the Commencement Week program. Judging from the rehearsals, this last performance will be one of more than unusual calibre, and will be well worthy of its remarkable predecessors.

#### First Row:

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MARTHA JOSEPHINE SEAY MARY ELIZABETH MOOR FRANCES ARMISTRONG BRIDIF MADDEN MARY ELIZABETH PALMER MR. J. B. HOUREN, DIrector MARY KATHERINE KABAS MARGIE O'MEARA MARY CURLEFE ANITA MARISTANY EVA MAE MOSES Second Row:

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## THE DRAMATIC CLUB

The Dramatic Club, under the able direction of Mr. David J. Gorney, successfully completed one of the most fruitful years of its existence. As a tribute to the Mother Superior on her feast day, the Thespians presented a light comedy "Tea and Algebra" and a religious playlet. "Rosary Time in Ireland." At Christmastime the Club delighted the student body with a one-act farce entitled "The Fatal Quest" and a beautifully presented seasonal play. The crowning event of the dramatic activities was a Passion Play "Mary Magdalene" with Margaret Reiser in the title role. The final production of the year was a group of one-act plays.

Mr. Gorney and the players, we congratulate you and wish you many more successful years.

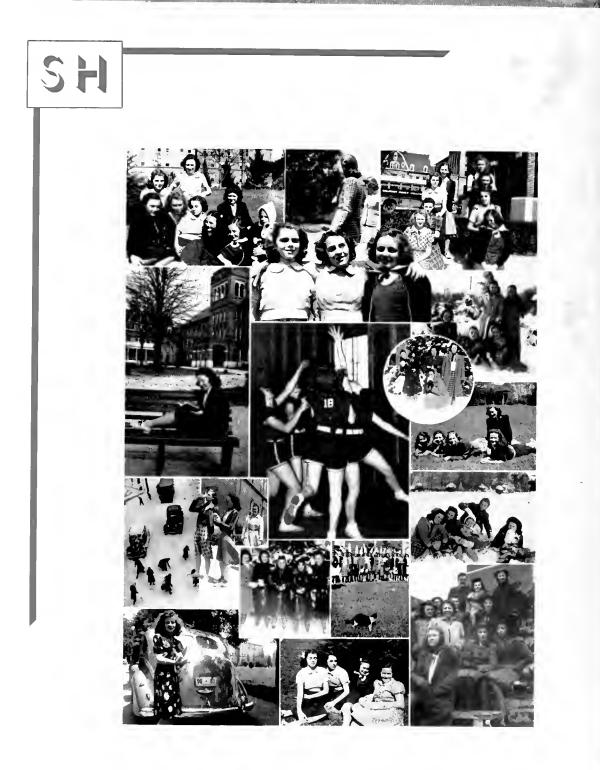
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# ATHLETICS







## VARSITY

Anne McLean Mary Katherine Kabas Virgie Lutz Margaret Robinson Phyllis Abbott Vivien Laye

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Left Forward Left Guard Center Guard Center Forward Right Guard Right Forward

Basketball was the major sport at Sacred Heart this year. Mr. M. A. Parrish, the capable coach, guided the team through many stormy games to the harbor of victory.

Virginia Brookshire proved to be an excellent manager and greatly contributed to the success of the team.

Once or twice the sextette hit the jagged rocks of defeat but the spirit of good sportsmanship with which they accepted defeat is deserving of the highest praise.

The members of the basketball club were honored at the annual banquet with the presentation of monograms, the award of distinguished service to the team.

This year the strength and good sportsmanship of the club have glorified the name of Sacred Heart College through the athletic circles of the entire Piedmont section.

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# BASKETBALL CLUB

Inset: M. A. PARRISH, First Row: ALMA LOUISE BOWEN, DOLLY DUNN, MARY K. KABAS, VIRGIE LUTZ, MARY FRANCES KING, DOROTHY HEINZ, VIVIAN HAVERTY, Second Row, NORA LEZA, EVA MAE MOSES, ANNE MCLEAN, MARGARET ROBINSON, SUSAN RICHARDSON, PHYLLIS ABBOTT, Absent: VIVIEN LAYE, WILLIE HARRELSON, VIRGINIA BROOKSHIRE, Mgr.



## MONOGRAM CLUB

MARY KATHERINE KABAS Phyllis Abbott MEMBERS Virgie Lutz Margaret Robinson Vivian Haverty

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One of the most loyal and active bodies of the school is the Monogram Club. It is composed of students who have worked and played for the glory of S. H. C. The letter "S" signifies more than Sacred Heart—it is a symbol of a greater spirit of sportsmanship and a standard of higher school life.

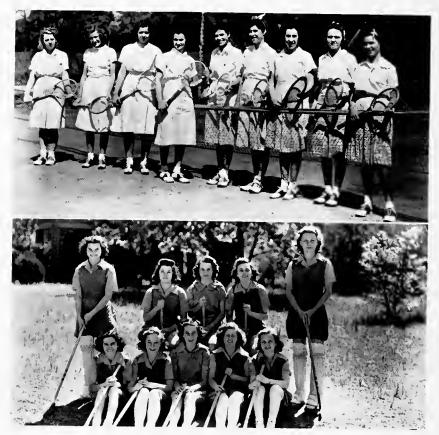
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# TENNIS TEAM

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## HOCKEY CLUB

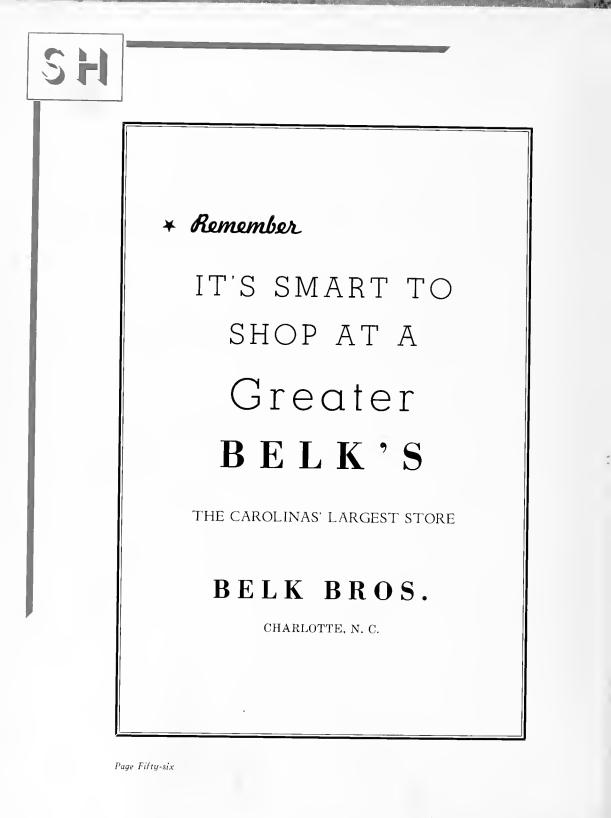
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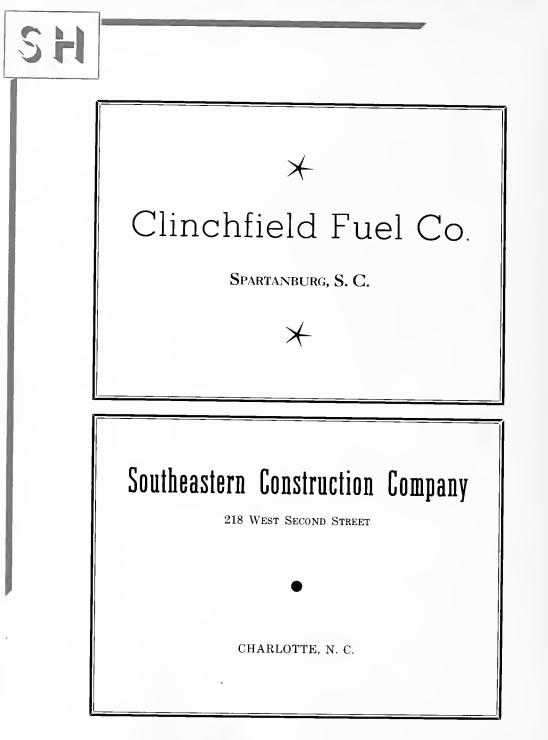
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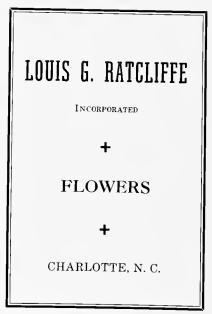
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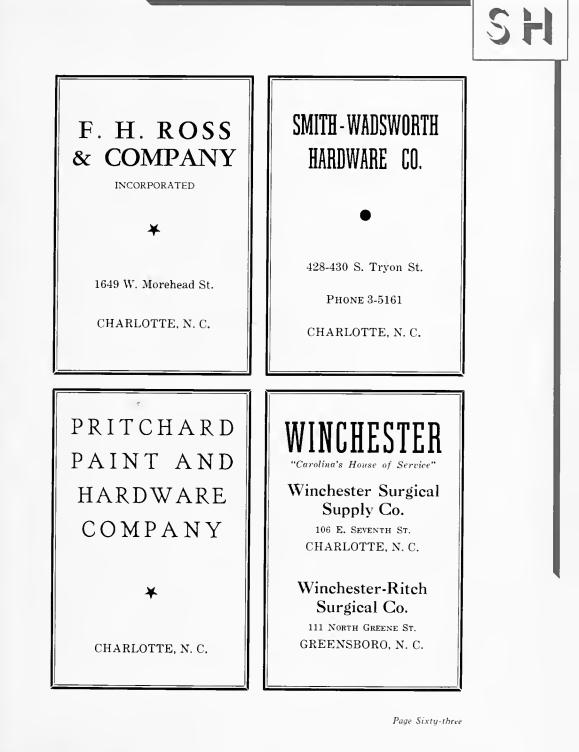
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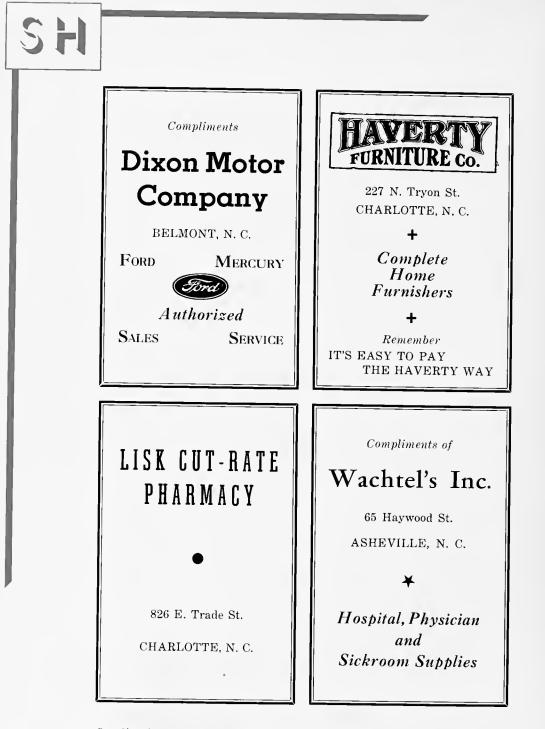
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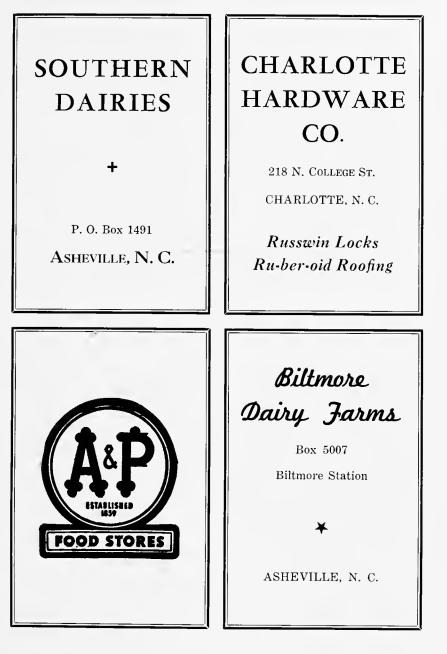
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