

## THE WARD-BELMONT ALUMNAE JOURNAL

MARY ANN MOORE, '40.....*Alumnae Secretary; Editor JOURNAL**Greetings From Our President . . .*

At last we are embarked upon our permanent alumnae program. During the war years and immediately thereafter, any long-time plans had to be postponed. Naturally the very first thing was to find a secretary. After much searching, Miss Mary Ann Moore, class of '40, was selected. Although she has been back at school for only a very few months, many things have been done through her energy and work—not to mention her enthusiasm and vision. We are a member of the American Alumni Council; and Miss Moore will attend their summer conference in Williamsburg, Virginia, in July. The new alumnae offices will be in Acklen Hall, the most appropriate place on the campus. Since Miss Moore is devoting her entire time to the alumnae, she will be there to greet returning alumnae. Please plan to stop by and see her when you are on the campus. She would welcome a visit from you any time.

Perhaps the new Secretary's foremost interest is to help in the reorganization of any clubs not now functioning and to organize new ones. This requires bringing our files up to date and gathering information. For a national Ward-Belmont alumnae association this will constitute a necessary framework. If you have not already had some word from Miss Moore, it may be because of an out-of-date address in our files. It would facilitate matters greatly if you would be good enough to send her your present address and, best of all, some news of yourself.

Apart from her students and alumnae, Ward-Belmont is not a school! It is merely pleasant real estate. You alumnae are the real Ward-Belmont and make it what it is. Hence it is vitally important that you keep informed about each other and know what is happening at school. And so may this issue of the Journal, the first under Miss Moore, give you news of your friends and glimpses of the school.

*Robert Calhoun Provine*

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## Ward-Belmont Becomes Non-Profit Corporation



For the progress and future usefulness of Ward-Belmont a new charter was approved last fall by the members of the Board of Directors and the stockholders of the school. As a result, Ward-Belmont has been changed from a privately owned corporation to a non-profit institution.

According to Dr. Robert Calhoun Provine, president of Ward-Belmont, the change in the status of the school could only be accomplished by the organization of a new corporation for general welfare under a charter granted by the state of Tennessee. All stock ownership in the school will of necessity be dissolved but the members of the Board of Directors will be the same.

The school now comes under the same category as many other colleges and universities such as Vanderbilt, Peabody, and Scarritt, which depend partly on endowments and grants for operational expenses.

Ward-Belmont should gain considerably, both physically and academically, from the new charter. The high educational standards will not be affected in any way by the re-organization of the school.

When asked about the future of the school under the new charter, Dr. Provine said, "The new Ward-Belmont was made possible only by the splendid vision of the Board of Directors and shareholders. Seldom has education been served as magnanimously as Ward-Belmont has in making this change. The Board of Directors have given most generously of their time and energy in making and executing the plans. Their deep concern about the future of the kind of education Ward-Belmont has stood for since 1865 is matched only by their feeling of responsibility for the financial aspects of the organization.

"Ward-Belmont will carry on the same high standards of educational work that have been recognized as outstanding all over the United States. The school still believes that education at its best is a quiet, even growth, not the quick acquisition of a few tricks and superficial skills. We shall continue the school's fine tradition of learning amidst surroundings that reflect gentle and gracious living."