



Ward-Belmont alumnae held the first all-class reunion last night since the college closed in 1951. More than 850 gathered at the National Guard Armory on Sidco Drive to attend the dinner which followed a cocktail hour.



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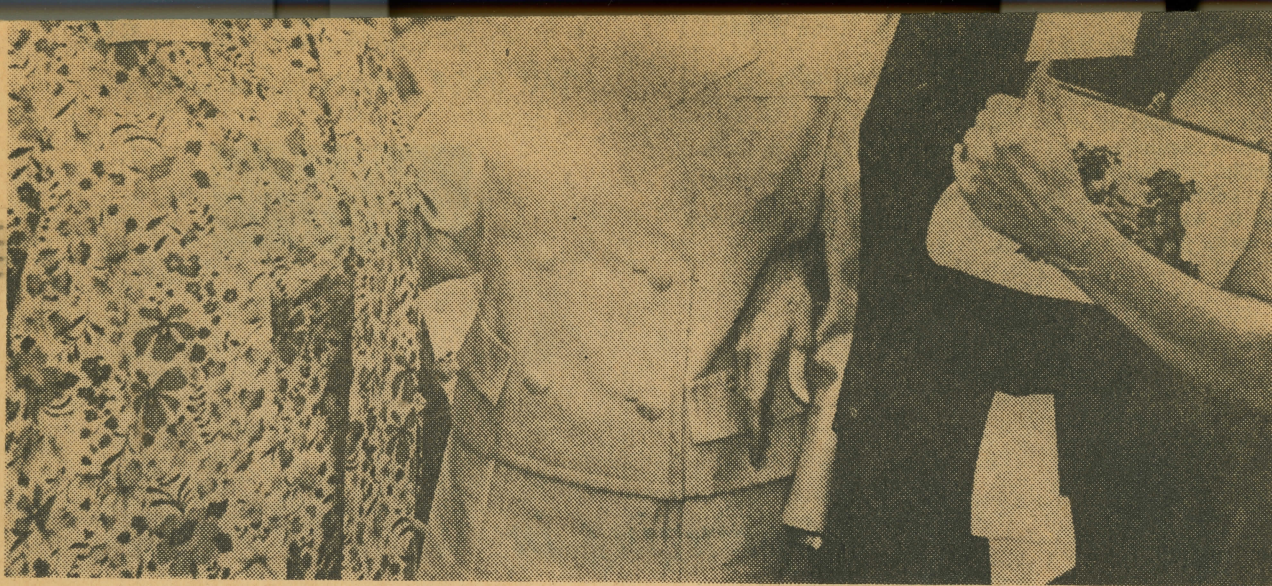


W-B Belles Mix Tears and Cheers

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Blowing the whistle to start the gym class
is the former gym class instructor, Miss Catherine Morrison of Sewanee, who had been a
member the faculty at W-B since 1914.



Among those attending the reunion are, from left, Mrs. James Tupper, her guest, Mrs. John Crawford Theus of Monroe, La., and Mrs. William Whitson of McMinnville.

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In navy serge bloomers and middie blouses, Mrs. Andrew Benedict Jr. and Mrs. Jane Carling Eck of El Paso, Tex., attempt to obey commands during an exhibition of marching drills.



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It was a great night—And “General” Morrison ruled super at the National Guard Armory—the only place in the city large enough to accommodate the 850 alumnae of Ward-Belmont who came to pay tribute to the grand lady, Miss Catherine Morrison, and to attend the first all-alumnae reunion of the school which was closed in 1951, when purchased by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Sug Benedict, reunion chairman, rendered honors to Miss Morrison and to Mrs. John Barton, widow of a former president. Cousin Minnie Pearl took over the mike and the comedy began — Grace Cavert Stumb and her class recognition girls came in bearing signs denoting various classes as Lulu Lane Kirkpatrick Hayte played class songs and Madelaine Blackman Terry, Beth Lee Fortune and Ruth Carlin Byron led in

the singing of “Ward-Belmont, Ward-Belmont.”

THEN MISS Morrison led her gym class composed of Queenye Abernthy, Mary Elizabeth Cayce, Huldah Cheek Sharp, Kitty Wade Tenison and her twin, Mary Wade Lipscomb, Jane Fleming, Estelle Crandall Dickerson, Margaret Cavert Shull, Idanelle McMurry, Virginia Brown Moughon and Sug Benedict.

Even those these “girls” had practiced for weeks they weren’t ready for the “General’s” command of “knees

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W-Bcharms for their bracelets by Mrs. Frank McCoy. From
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orris Moughon and Miss Mary Elizabeth Cayce.



George Simmons, a waiter in the Ward-Belmont tea room for many years, paid a surprise visit to the dinner and was warmly greeted by Mrs. Ben P. Moore and Mrs. Benedict.



Mrs. L. P. Brittain Jr. snaps a picture of former classmates.