## Introduction

There comes a point in our lives when we pause to take note of what has gone before and recount those special memories which are so important to who we are today. Thus, we present this compilation of thoughts and reminiscences by a remarkable group of women who had the good fortune to attend Ward-Belmont in Nashville, Tennessee, between 1926 and 1951.

These memories and the memories of many more young women who have spent time on this campus are the stuff of which lives are made. Adelicia Acklen, the first mistress of Belmont Mansion, was one of the most interesting, talented and determined women of her era. Her spirit can still be seen today in the hearts and minds of the bright, entertaining and independent women that attended Ward-Belmont and the young women who attend Belmont University today.

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Enjoy this compendium of thoughts and memories and delight in your own personal remembrances of happy days at Ward-Belmont.

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