

# Merry Christmas

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### Teaching Program Is Accredited

#### Editorial Is Discussed

An editorial entitled "A Sick Government" was discussed at some length Monday night by the Executive Board. The editorial appearing in last week's Collegiate was critical of Board's lack of activity and the manner in which the members had approached their duties on the Board.

Larry Poore, men's dorm president, making reference to the editorial said that he felt there was much truth to the editorial even though it may have been a bit ambiguous. He said that the Board members should perhaps make a personal resolution to seek a more improved Board, each in his own manner. He stated that a stronger effort should be made towards a more improved Board through the rest of the year.

Following Poore's remarks the Board went into a general discussion concerning the editorial and the state of the Board this year. Most Board members indicated that they agreed with many points of the editorial and that much improvement could be made.

The members went on to discuss many matters that could and should be looked into and problems that action could be taken upon. Some of the matters discussed dealt with pre-registration, the cafeteria, and Chapel programs.

Dr. Paulsell, faculty advisor, expressed concern over the recent resignation of Naomi Holt. He said that he was somewhat concerned over this matter since Miss Holt must have known that she would be student teaching and graduating in January. He recommended that the Constitution committee be instructed to look into the matter, and that a student running for office should be in school for both semesters and that the aspect of a candidate being a student teacher should also be considered.

Charles Burton, junior president, moved that the chair appoint a committee to help the proper authorities in planning for the Fall pre-registration this Spring. The motion passed.



**CALLING THE ALUMNI**—Some twenty telephones are shown in use as all ACC alumni are being called in fund raising drive this week and last. The hopes are for the raising of \$20,000, and this particular method is unique among colleges and universities. Plans may be made to make this an annual affair.

#### Dr. Wenger Uses Taped Message To Secure Funds From Alumni

By JACK ADAMS

A telephone rings in New York or California, or even London. "Hello, this is Art Wenger, president of Atlantic Christian College.

"I appreciate the efforts of your fellow alumni for giving me this opportunity to speak directly to all alumni even if it took an electronic miracle to make it possible. . . ."

Thus, Dr. Arthur Wenger begins one of more than 5,000 phone calls to Atlantic Christian College alumni in nearly every state of the nation and several foreign countries.

How does he have time to personally call every alumni of the school?

He wouldn't, were it not for the miracle of electronics.

Dr. Wenger's message to the alumni is a one-minute taped recording, hooked up to 20 telephones in the college's Faculty Lounge, which resembles NASA's communications center.

More than 400 alumni - volunteers are working during the period from December 6 until December 17, placing calls to former ACC students.

The calls are made between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. each night.

When the right party answers, a volunteer worker says, "Dr. Arthur D. Wenger, president of Atlantic Christian College, would like to speak to you now."

Then, Dr. Wenger's taped message from the college president is to lay the groundwork for a

plea for contributions, and it has been working.

The unique approach of raising funds for the college has never been tried at another school, according to James Fulghum, chairman of the ACC Alumni Fund Committee.

Fulghum said the experimental project was started to confirm the supposition that a personal message from the college president, even though taped, would have more impact on alumni than a call from a fellow alumnus.

Officials of the telephone project are hoping to raise around \$20,000 during the campaign, while expenses are expected to total slightly over \$3,000.

The phone project is part of an overall campaign to raise funds to meet a five-year ACC development and expansion program, designed to offset an enrollment crisis.

Dr. Wenger tells alumni, "This past September we had to turn down two out of every three students who applied for admission to the college and one out of two of those who were qualified to enter."

He also notes that the main campus was constructed for 750 students, "and we now have 1,447 enrolled and an annual operating budget of almost \$1.5 million."

Hatten Hodges, alumni director, said approximately one-third of the alumni contacted made gifts, while another one-third promised to consider making a pledge later.

"Only about 33 per cent give an absolute 'no' answer," Hodges added.

During the first three nights of the campaign, eight \$100 gifts and one \$500 gift were made.

One Greenville alumnus contacted asked, "Is \$5 too much?" The volunteer answered, "No." "Is \$10 too much?" "No."

"Well, how about \$100?" Speechless for a while, the

#### N.C. State Board Of Education Gives ACC Full Approval

Atlantic Christian College's program of teacher education has been fully approved and accredited by the N. C. State Board of Education under the board's new approach to certification of public school teachers. The college was informed of the board's action recently by Dr. J. P. Freeman, director of the Division of Professional Services of the State Department of Public Instruction.

To qualify under the new "approved program," a team of teacher education experts visits the campus of an institution in the teacher training field and evaluates its entire program—curriculum, faculty and facilities. Such a team visited the Atlantic Christian College campus last spring. As a result of the team study, the college's entire teacher education program was approved and accredited for a full five-year period beginning with the 1965-66 academic year.

Atlantic Christian has been training teachers for the public schools for many years under accreditation by the State Department of Public Instruction. Under the old system, the college recommended its teacher education candidates to the state department which in turn certified them. Under the new "approved program" Atlantic Christian is authorized to certify its student teachers as meeting the qualifications and standards set forth by the state department.

The college may recommend candidates for teaching certificates in elementary teaching, and secondary teaching in the areas of business education, English, foreign language (French and Spanish), mathematics, science, social studies, and programs in special subject fields of art, music, and health and physical education.

According to a recent survey, more graduates of Atlantic Christian College are teaching in the public schools in North Carolina than graduates from any other privately supported college in the state.

#### Sig Pi Alpha Holds Party

Sigma Pi Alpha held its annual Christmas program Tuesday night, December 14, in the Harper Hall Rec. room. The room was packed full with interested Sigma Pi Alpha members, language students, faculty sponsors, Dr. Esther Long and Hugh B. Johnston, and special guests. The program was a varied one in which several countries were well represented. The Christmas stories in French, German, and Spanish were read by Wade Privette, Philip Ritter, and Linda Balkmun, respectively. Three French Playlets, a German skit entitled "At the Dentist's" —directed by Mr. Elbert Edelbrock, and a French skit entitled "Une Invitation du Club Francais" were also presented. Charles Whittington told the group about various interesting German customs; Bettie Strother and Catherine Boyette discussed the customs of France, and Janie McCormick spoke briefly about some of the Latin American Christmas customs. A Freshman student from Thailand, Anadapol Srivardhana,



**A CHRISTMAS PARTY**—For the children at the School for the Deaf was given Saturday afternoon by the Student Government Association. Some 117 children attended the party and 80 ACC students assisted in the fun and games. The highlight was the arrival of Santa, Cecil Willis, and presents were distributed. Standing in the rear are Cookie Wickham, vice president; and R. M. McAdam, superintendent of the School for the Deaf. (Photo by Porreca)

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