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## **Howard Gets Face Lift**

By J. FRED PEARCE As practice begins for the performance of "Little Mary Sunshine," Stage and Script members are finding a pleasing change in the basement of Howard Chapel. It is no longer condemnable.

At the end of the school year, students and faculty, as well as the Collegiate, launched an allout attack on the condition of the basement, which houses the costumes and props for Stage and Script. The walls were rotting out, the ceiling was falling in, the bathroom needed to be flushed away, and the

entranceway was too narrow for the props which needed to be stored.

Since then, the college has literally rebuilt the basement. The project, which cost the college around \$6,000, was completed during the summer by Jones Construction Company. With the cooperation of Mr. Paul Crouch, who helped by showing what needed what; the walls were rebuilt and the rooms were redecorated. The ceiling leading down to steps was replaced and the bathrooms have been rebuilt as well.

Stage Script will also be

pleased to discover that the doorway has been widened to allow the storage of props in the basement.

Milton Adams, Vice-President and Business Manager for the college stated that the cause of all the trouble is mainly one of moisture. Over the years, as moisture collects during the Wilson Monsoon Seasons, the walls begin to rot, causing the ceiling to sag and crack. The problem recurs every four or five years.

But for now at least, the school can rest easy, knowing that, as one member of Stage and Script states, "at least the ceiling won't fall in on us for the next few years."

(Photo by Jane Roebuck) "Give me ten willing workers and I can have that place (the Old Gym) back in shape in no time," said one ambitious student.

# But on the other hand

By J. FRED PEARCE Approximately four of five years ago, the Campus Christian Association at A. C., under the

advisorship of Dan Hensley, regularly held coffeehouses in the basement of the Old Gym. But the fire marshall put an end to that because, among other reasons, there were not enough exits in the case of fire, and the chance of fire was very high.

Since that time, the Old Gym, built in 1934, has slowly lost its effectiveness as a useful part of the college community. Junk has piled up in the back rooms, junk which probably should have never been placed there in the first place. Parts of the walls are literally torn out, and trash, dirt and water cover the floor.

Several suggestions have recently been made which include levelling the entire building, an idea that Dr. Doster has been entertaining for some



If you have walked by Howard hapel sometime this past week Daniels, Music Director; Jean

Harris, Choreographer.
The cast is as follows: Captain
Jim — W. Barrett Page —
Wilson, N. C.; Billy Jester —
Chuck Henry, Williamsburg,
Va; Uncle Oscar — Dr. J. Ross
Albert, Wilson, N. C.; Little
Mary — Lauren Leinhaas;
Nancy Twinkel — Lori Majors,
Raleigh, N. C.; Madame
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(Photo by Jane Roebuck)

NO.

Over the summer Howard Chapel received a very needed repair job.

time. However, the gym is presently a vital part of the Athletic Department, allowing space to Women's athletics. For this reason, it will in all likelihood remain stainding for several years.

The condition of the basement, though, still leaves much to be desired. According to Milton Adams, there are too many problems which would cost too much to repair for the college to attempt any extensive renovations. During the early 1950's, the building was renovated at the tune of \$25,000. Now the renovations would cost much more.

The primary problem with the building is the amount of moisture which manages to gush in through the walls. To solve the problem, the dirt around the building would have to be dug out so that a drainage system could be placed around the building, essentially the same thing which was done in the 50's.

Although the complete renovations are both economically feasable, as well as slightly uncalled for, since the Old Gym will probably be coming down one day soon, anyway, there are still some things which could be done to make the structurally sound building usable for the students. Several students have suggested that a group of interested students, possibly a sorority or fraternity, could get together to paint and clean the basement for use as a recreation center. Some students have even suggested the installation of a jukebox, providing a place to dance.

The general opinion of most concerned students is that the Old Gym can be used for something. As long as the students did not infringe on the rights of the Physical Education Department, perhaps enough interest could be generated to utilize this valuable space.

### Nursing Instructor Announced

Betsey Lewis Snow has been named as a clinical assistant in nursing at Atlantic Christian College, according to Dr. Harold Doster, president of the C. college. She is teaching in the area of pediatrics and community health. Born in Wayne County, she received the B.S. degree in nursing from Atlantic Christian College and is pursuing graduate studies in public health at UNC-Chapel Hill. Prior to joining the ACC nursing faculty, she served a year in pediatrics at Duke University Medical Center, and during the past year served as a child health community health nurse. She is a member of the N.C. Public Health Association.

Chapel sometime this past week at about 7 to 9 p.m., then you have truly heard some STRANGE things. Don't worry though, things are under control ... It's only Stage and Script rehearsing for it's new, upcoming musical, Little Mary Sunshine. Yes, the cast has been carefully detected, inspected,

Mrs. Snow is married to Curtis E. Snow, a native of Winston-Salem. They are members of the Goldsboro Friends Meeting.

She assumed her duties at the college at the beginning of the current academic year.

carefully detected, inspected, and selected by three coordinators of the show: Paul

#### National Honor Scholarship Society

Among the many clubs and organizations on our campus is Alpha Chi, the National Honor Scholarship Society. This group differs from most of the others on the campus that its purpose is to promote and recognize both scholarship and "those elements of character which make scholarships effective." How the group will go about actualizing this goal will be determined at its first meeting (September 12) 4:00 in Hines 112 which all members are asked to attend.

To become a member of Alpha Chi, one must be invited to the induction ceremony, accept the invitation, and pay a nominal fee. In order to be asked to join, the student must have at least both 62 credit hours and an earned grade point average of 3.2 (We exclude summer school hours and G.P.A. when considering requirements for the fall induction, but we include those elements when compiling the list for spring induction). Transfer students must have at least both 30 credit hours from this college and an overall grade-point average of 3.2 (excluding summer school).

We hope that when you receive your invitation you will join us in our academic and social endeavors.

#### **Business Instructor Named**

Teresa Creech Parker has been named instructor in business at Atlantic Christian College, according to Dr. Harold C. Doster, president of the college.

A native of Smithfield, she received the B.S.B.E. and M.Ed. degrees from East Carolina University. Prior to her appointment at Atlantic Christian, she taught business education for four years at Rock Ridge High School in Wilson County.

She is a member of the North Carolina Business Education Association, National Business Education Association and the Atlantic Christian College Woman's Club.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Heba L. Creech of Smithfield, she is married to William David Parker Jr. of Wilson. They are members of Sanders Chapel United Methodist Church of Smithfield.

She assumed her duties at the college at the beginning of the current academic year.

#### **Gay Joins Staff**

John Pershing Gay Jr., has been named as an admissions counselor at Atlantic Christian College, according to an announcement by Dr. Harold C. Doster, president of the college.

A native of Wilson, he earned the A.B. degree in English at Atlantic Christian.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Gay of Saratoga.