

# Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

## The Messiah Is Presented By Chorus

For many, the Christmas season was truly ushered in on Sunday afternoon, December 10, when a combined Queens-Davidson chorus and orchestra presented selections from Handel's beloved masterpiece, "The Messiah". The chorus and orchestra, directed by Mr. James Christian Pfohl, presented its program to a large and appreciative audience at the First Presbyterian Church at 4 o'clock. Appearing in royal blue and wine-colored robes contrasted by the dark foreground of the orchestra, the chorus made a striking setting against a Christmas background.

The ease and beauty with which the selections were given were evidence of long and faithful work and skilled direction on the part of the chorus, orchestra, and director. The selections were "And the Glory of the Lord", "O Thou That Teldest Good Tidings to Zion", "For Unto Us a Child is Born", "Glory to God", "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates", and "Hallelujah!"

Representing Queens in the chorus were Rose Marie Ballersted, Betty Barber, Eleanor Bates, Margie Bates, Joy Beam, June Bedinger, Meredith Bridges, Lucy Bull, Linda Bryan, Jean Campbell, Jane Cantrell, Joyce Clark, Sarah Lee Cochran, Colleen Cole, Kitty Cooper, Nadeene Darbyshire, Maud Dickson, Madeline Dunn, Betty Edwards, Ruth Ewart, Margaret Ezell, Jeanne Galt, Mary Goeler, Nancy Gordon, Mary Green, June Holder, Eleanor Huske, Imogene Isley, Eleanor Johnson, Mary Ellen Kennerly, Jane King, Miriam Khun, Grace Lyons, Mary Katherine MacArthur, Annette McCall, Mary McGill, Scottie Nisbet, Jean Noble, Mayme Rainey, Laura Sanford, Gwynn Shiflet, Doris Skirrow, Frances Smith, Mary Frances Sproles, Lillian Summers, Mary Lee Todd, Doris Turner, Winifred Williams, Lois Wilson, Rose Marie Wright, Eleanor Poe, Jean Quinn, and Miss Watts, Miss Miller, Mr. Norman, and Mr. Clendenin.

Representing Queens in the orchestra were Ann Jurgens, Joanne King, Zoe Smith, Nancy Worsley, Charlotte Carter, Texana Manning, Cora Ann Parks, Charlotte Maffitt, Patsy Perry, and Mr. Thomas Hibbard, and Miss Jane Craft.

The chorus had as guest soloists Mrs. Dewey Farrell, Soprano, Greensboro, North Carolina; Miss Virginia Hover, Contralto, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, South Carolina, Dr. Wm. E. Shields, Tenor, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; and Mr. Earl F. Berg, Baritone, Charlotte, North Carolina.

## May Court Is Chosen

On Wednesday, November 28, the regular chapel program was given over to the selection of May Court. There were thirty-six girls on the stage dressed in evening clothes. From these thirty-six, twenty-four were chosen to be in May Court. Those in May Court are:

### SENIORS

Margaret Ballard, Margaret Ezell, Betsy Hodges, Agnes Mason, Betty McGill, Betty Lou Spears, and Mary Louise Whitmore.

### JUNIORS

Elsie Blackburn, Estelle Darrow, Mary McGill, and Ann Tarrant.

### SOPHOMORES

Jane Carter, Cappy Goode, Doris Nunn, Connie Slicer, and Lois Wilson.

### FRESHMEN

Ann Abernathy, Ann Anderson, Suzanne Blackmon, Lucy Bull, Betty Carico, Virginia Graham, Eleanor Huske, and Grace Lyons.

The May Day Chairman has not been chosen, as yet, but this will be done in the near future.

## "To Men Of Good Will" Comes Peace If Peace Is Deep In Your Heart

By BETTY MORROW

Of all the holidays in the year Christmas is the best loved. At this one time of the year, men for a short time, forget their selfishness and their greed and think of others. Men the world over are trying at this Christmas, in the year 1944, to recapture something of the meaning of Christmas as Christ meant for us to celebrate it. They want to forget the heartache and lonesomeness in the world today and remember the true spirit of Christmas giving.

"Peace on earth to men of good will" sang the angels when Christ was born. How we wish this were true at this Christmas season! But let us stop and think for a moment of the true meaning of peace. Peace is a feeling from within; it comes from the heart of the individual when all is right with the world. It comes as a result of work well done, as we lie down to calm sleep at night. Notice the last part of the quota-

tion "... to men of good will." Peace comes to those who would do good to others. You know the feeling in your own heart. You pay a visit to the new family next door or write a letter to your aunt who lives all alone. And you come away wondering "Why didn't I do that sooner?" The feeling of happiness in your own heart repays you well for any little effort you exerted.

The coming of the Christmas season does not mean putting out a lot of money for gifts. It means, rather, the feeling in your own heart. It is a time of rejoicing, of renewing old acquaintances, and of singing the beautiful old carols. It is also a time of thanksgiving to God for the greatest gift in the world, His Son. May we at this Christmas season stop for one moment during the hurry and bustle to think of the real meaning of Christmas, as a time of joy, of hope, and good will which Christ, has his coming, brought to the world.

## "Telle" Darrow Is Crowned Bond Queen

On Friday night, December 8, Estelle Darrow was crowned War Bond Queen for the year 1944-1945. The feature attraction of the program was the Morris Field Band who played for the student body.

This program concluded the present Sixth War Bond Drive for Queens College. The goal for this drive here at Queens was \$4,000 and the amount raised in cash value was well over \$23,000.

The program began with one of the boys of the orchestra being locked in a harp case and by buying \$10 worth of the stamps the students could see what was in there. After that the orchestra played several numbers, some of which were request numbers which the students had been able to request by buying a bond.

At intermission a fanfare was sounded as the queen and her court came down the aisle. Redel McMillan, maid of honor, carried the crown on a pillow and gave it to Sgt. Bob Hicks, leader of the band who crowned the queen. Other members of the court were Terry Gooding and Wilma Head. Voting was done by the purchase of stamps and bonds. After the crowning a special number was played for the queen.

The queen's bouquet was auctioned off for stamps and bonds and the program of music was continued.

After the program the members of the War Service Committee entertained the members of the band in the Day Students Building. Members of this committee are: Estelle Darrow, president; Betty Barentine, Betty Welch, Martha Jenning, Billie Luck, and Miss Mary Inglis, faculty sponsor.

## Annual Party For Orphans Held Friday

The Home Economics Club gave the annual Christmas party for the children of The Alexander Home Friday afternoon, December 15 in the Recreation Room of the College. Approximately forty children between the ages of three and sixteen were present at the party. A gift was given each child and a tree and the usual Santa Claus were added attractions.

This party for The Alexander Home is traditional at Queens and has been sponsored for the past several years by the Home Economics Department.

Officers of the Club for the current year are: President: Nadeene Darbyshire and Treasurer: Helen Davis.

## Sororities In High Spirit With Parties

The Christmas spirit was really in the air when the five sororities had some form of a party or banquet before leaving for the holidays.

The Alpha Delta Pi's held a banquet at Kuesters on Saturday night December 16. On Sunday night, down at their house they had a Christmas tree at which time gifts were exchanged between big and little sisters.

The Chi O's had a party in form of a Christmas shower Saturday night, December 16, for their house. It was held on the campus at the Chi O house. Miss Jane MacDonald, national inspector was present.

The Phi Mu's had a party on Saturday night also. A Tree and Santa Claus were the center of attraction.

The Alpha Gam's had a get together at their house. Just the girls at which time gifts were exchanged between big and little sisters. A Christmas tree and singing of carols were part of the evening's entertainment.

The Kappa Delta's had a Christmas party at their house on Sunday night, December 17. Gifts were given to the house and the parents of the girls.

## "Nine Girls" Is Presented

On Wednesday evening, December 6, the Queens Players presented the play "Nine Girls," by Wilfred H. Pettitt. Miss Ethel M. King is director of the group.

The play is a three act mystery that takes place in a sorority clubhouse in California. The time is the present.

The characters are as follows: Jane, Jean Cushman; Freida, Junanita Collins; Alice, Lucy Ann Grovenstein; Eve, Troyanne Freedland; Sharon Kat Gwynn; Shirley, Mary Marvin Sproles; Betty, Carolyn Chaney; Stella, Ginner Neill; Mary, Florence Robinson.

Stage setting was by Miss Ethel King and Mildred Flowers. Sound effects were by Margaret Davenport.

The play was sponsored by the Junior Class.

## Thanks

The members of Alpha Kappa Gamma wish to thank those students who turned their War Stamps in to the building fund for the Greater Queens College campaign. Approximately \$38 was collected.

## Greater Queens Campaign Is Planning For Big Future

If you are proud of Queens College as it is today, just think how proud you will be of it in 1957, or maybe even before that time, for Queens is undergoing a great change now. Maybe you haven't seen any new buildings going up or anything like that, but there are plans being made right now for a Greater Queens.

On November 26 eighty Charlotte men attended a dinner given in the Queens Dining Hall and discussed plans to raise funds for building a greater Queens. These men constitute a committee that has been working in and about Charlotte on this project since that dinner. The money raised in this campaign will be put with the \$140,000 raised last year and will be used to build a new Music Building and Auditorium annex, and a new Heating Plant.

Another step in planning for Greater Queens is to provide new and adequate dormitory space. Committee members are going to individuals, communities, and churches and other organizations outside of Charlotte, asking them to give at least one new room. A plaque with the name of the person or organization on it will be placed on the door of the room they give. Dr. Blakely, in discussing this important plan, says to all the students and friends of Queens, "Find out who in your community would like to contribute a room, and urge them to do so."

We probably won't see all the wonderful things that are going to happen to Queens while any of us are students here, but we may see some of them. Already the building committee is working on plans for the campus of the new Queens. The campaign will not be stopped when the present drive is over, but will go on through other drives until Greater Queens is completed.

## True Christmas Spirit Is Shown In Vespers

Sunday night, December 3, the first of a series of Christmas programs was presented. This program consisted of various Christmas carols, some new, and some more familiar to us.

The service opened with an organ prelude, by Miss Watts. Following was an introduction explaining the purpose of the program, by Shirley Warner, who led the service. "Joy to the World" was sung by the audience, and story, "When the King Came," was given by Shirley Warner. Three carols were presented in tableau. During the first two the student sextet sang. The last was sung by the faculty quartet consisting of Miss Watts, Miss Jan Miller, Mr. Clendenin, and Dr. Godard. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was then sung by the audience, followed by "I Wonder as I Wander" by the faculty quartet next was a beautiful solo, "O Holy Night" sung by Mariam Kuhn. Miss Watts played "Jesu Bambino" on the organ, while the audience meditated on what had preceded. "Silent Night," perhaps the most favorite carol, was the last to be sung by the audience, and the service was closed with a prayer and choral response by the sextet.

Sunday night, December 10, was the second of these series, and Miss Janet Robinson, a graduate of Queens, was the speaker. She told the Christmas story.

The last of these series was Sunday night, December 17th. This was the traditional Christmas Vespers presented by the Queens-Davidson music department.

## Boar's Head Procession Is Tonight

The Boar's Head procession is a symbol of plenty and of Providential provision for those too poor to own domestic animals around them.

"The Boar's Head Carol" has been sung annually for centuries at Queens College, Oxford, England. With much pomp and good cheer the members of the college have taken part in this Christmas feature since 1340. This custom, formerly common in the North of England, is probably of Norse origin in connection with the midwinter feast of Freyer, the Scandinavian god of peace and plenty when a boar was sacrificed at Yuletide. Tradition attaches it to Queens College by connecting it with the deliverance of a student, who while walking in the neighboring forest of Shotover and studying Aristotle was attacked by a wild boar. The student crammed his book down the brute's throat with the words "Graecum est" and choked him.

Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., since 1930, approximately, has celebrated the boar's head dinner the night before we go home for the Christmas holidays.

From a clipping given Miss Harrell by Dr. Minnie Graham it was learned that the Boar's Head has a gold crown into which small flags are stuck.

A boar's head, surmounted by a cross, and wreathed with gilded sprays of laurel and bay, mistletoe and rosemary, with small banners surrounding, is brought into the hall by three bearers, whose entry is announced by trumpets.

## Annual Party Given For Our Servants

One of the finest traditions at Queens is the Christmas party given to the servants by the students. It will be given, as usual, tonight in Burwell Hall after the formal dinner. The Christmas tree will be decorated and all the presents will be around it. All of the servants, helpers, and yard men will be present and will give a program of Christmas carols and Negro spirituals. Dr. Blakely will express the faculty's and students' appreciation for all that the servants have done to make college life happy, and then with the help of Mr. Thompson, Dr. Blakely will give out the presents and wish them all a "Merry Christmas."

## New Athletic Trophies Are On Exhibit

Although competition has ever been keen for the various athletic trophies, heretofore the cups themselves have been almost criminally neglected. This year, however, they have been resurrected and given new glory. Under the auspices of the athletic association and with the help of Mr. McAuley they have been artistically arranged on the north wall of the recreation room.

Each cup stands on an individual stand, and besides these four plaques have been made on which the names of the winners of the soft ball, hockey, volley ball, and basketball tournaments will be placed each year. There is also a bulletin board for announcements of athletic activities.

Athletic Association has really been on the go this year, and they may well be proud of this, their newest project.