



## RASBERRY AND "?" TO REIGN OVER MAY

### AC College To Be Host To High School Tournament

Over A Hundred Schools To Receive Invitations

The tournament committee of Atlantic Christian College has announced that the annual high school invitational basketball tournament will be played this year on February 27, 28, and March 1st. The first tournament was held in 1935 and was a success in every way. This is the first tournament since 1942 due to the war time restrictions. Mr. M. J. Bird has been elected chairman of the committee; other members include Professor F. A. Hodges, A. B. Futrell, H. C. (Scrappy) Moore, Cathrine Lewis, and Pat Gaine. The revival of the tournament is attributed to A. B. Futrell, a local business man, and Professor F. A. Hodges.

Questionnaires have been sent to more than one hundred teams. From the number of questionnaires that have been returned to the committee by the high school coaches, it appears that a great deal of interest has been aroused. Selection of these teams will be made by their season's record and the strength of their schedule.

The teams will be divided into two classes—A and B. Class A consists of the large towns or cities, and class B of the small rural schools.

Buck Jones, student on campus now, was chosen for All-Tournament in 1940.

Previous champs have been: '35, Class A, Cary High; Class B, Lafayette High; '36, Class A, Greenville High; Class B, '37, Class A, Conway High; Class B, Princeton High; '38, Class A, Conway High; Class B, Jamesville High; '39—(Tournament postponed because of influenza epidemic); '40, Class A, Raleigh High; Class B, Jamesville High; '41, Class A, Wilson High; Class B, Jamesville High; '42, Class A, Goldsboro High; Class B, La Grange High.

### Student To Hear Noted Baritone

Paul Matthen To Appear At ACC February 14th

The concert series at Atlantic Christian College thus far has been a very good one. The Guardsmen Quartette, which appeared in November, sang to a capacity audience and had a very fine reception. Their program was well-done, especially the last few numbers, which were done in the "barbershop quartette" style.

Attendance at the second concert by the State Colored Teachers College Choir was good, and the choir gave an interesting program of classical music, including Clair de Lune, and some spirituals. The choir is well-known, having appeared in New York and on several radio programs.

On February fourteenth the concert committee will present Paul Matthen, a baritone who trained under Friederich Schorr of the Metropolitan opera. Mr. Matthen has appeared as soloist with the Boston Symphony, and has also sung with the Philadelphia Orchestra, The Dessoff Choirs, The Cantata Singers, and The Motet Singers. He has been on the radio on the Metropolitan Opera Auditions, the Music of Worship program, and the Stromberg-Carlson Hour. It is expected that Mr. Matthen will give an excellent concert.

The final concert of the series will be sometime in March, and will be given by a two-piano team. They will close this year's concert series, and it is expected that their program will be very interesting. The four concerts this year will have been given by different types of artists in an effort to vary the programs, and it is hoped that the last two concerts will prove as successful as the first two.

### ANNUAL GIFT MEETING

The Atlantic Co-Ed Independent Society of 1946 gave their annual Christmas party. Each member took a gift to the meeting, and a "grab-bag" was held. Each one present received a gift.

Very delicious refreshments were served which were enjoyed by everyone.



QUEEN BEULA RASBERRY

### History Of Publications On ACC Campus

The first journalistic accomplishment of Atlantic Christian College was *The Radiant*, which was not the handbook we now have, but rather a small booklet published quarterly; in November, January, March, and May by the Student Publication Committee. *The Radiant* contained editorials, short stories, poems, college happenings, ads, and various articles on athletics, thereby helping the students to exchange and create new ideas. *The Radiant* began in 1905 and continued till 1923 when publication was stopped due to a lack of funds.

*The Pine Knot*, our annual, was started about 1909 by C. Manley Morton, whom students will remember as our Homecoming chapel speaker this year. It was under the capable leadership of Mr. Morton that the annual which he named *The Pine Knot* continued to grow among the students. But, like the *Radiant*, due to a lack of funds, the annual was also forced to be discontinued for several years.

Thus until 1928 and '29, the school had had no source of news except by word of mouth. At the first of the year, 1928, another staff was started with Robert Grady as editor-in-chief. This time the staff put forth a combination of the annual and news-booklet and called it the *Collegiate*. It was started because there was not enough funds to support the annual and the paper, therefore *The Collegiate* was published only once a year. This yearbook contained the pictures of the students as well as the activities on campus for the year.

By 1934 and '35, the funds were built up so that we were allowed to publish both *The Pine Knot* and *The Collegiate*. *The Pine Knot* was the annual which we have now. *The Collegiate* was continued but was now a monthly newspaper as it is today.

The last pre war *Collegiate* and *Pine Knot* were published in 1943. As all upper classmen know, A.C.'s war time publication was *The Torchlight*, a magazine published eight times during the school year. *The Torchlight* featured editorials, book reviews, sports reviews, reports on extra curricular activities, snap shots, and cover girls. The last issue did a good job of substituting for the annual by publishing the senior's pictures, their history, last will and testament and class prophecy. *The Torchlight* continued for three years. The 1947 *Pine Knot* will be the first post war annual.

*The Collegiate* you have been receiving is the first post war newspaper. A.C. is a bigger college with more students this year than ever before. Let's help the hard working *Collegiate* staff by giving them our news, our ideas, and our support in making this year's *Collegiate* a bigger and better paper than ever before.

Miss Beula Rasberry, senior, Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, North Carolina has been elected Queen of May. Miss Rasberry will reign over the traditional May Day. This traditional May Day is a yearly event looked forward to by every student in the college, alumni and friends of the college.

Miss Rasberry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Rasberry of Farmville, North Carolina. She is a graduate of Arthur High School, and is now a senior at Atlantic Christian College.

While in High School the Queen Elect was very active in sports, playing on the basketball team, and also active in dramatics. She was a class officer both her Junior and Senior year in high school, and was the Statistician for her senior class. She was active, too, in other activities in the community, in addition to her school work; was president of her local 4-H Club and also president of the County 4-H Club.

The Queen is a member of Delta Sigma Sorority of Atlantic Christian College; a member of the college glee club under the direction of Miss Harriet Fulton, and a member of the Women's Athletic Association, and now president of the association. She was in the May Court on May Day the spring of 1946. She worked on the staff of "The Torchlight," which replaced both "The Collegiate" and "The Pine Knot" during the war. Both "The Collegiate" and the "Pine Knot" are back on the campus this year for the first time since the war. She, too, has worked on the staff of the "Pine Knot."

The Concert Committee which is responsible for the concerts we have on the campus is headed by Miss Rasberry, chairman of the committee.

Miss Rasberry is a major in social studies and English, and plans to enter the teaching profession as a high school teacher.

The Queen has expressed herself as being "overwhelmed with happiness" to be queen. She says she loves the gay activities of college life and shudders at the thought of graduation.

The Queen's attendants will be Miss Lorette Osborne of Robersonville, North Carolina and Miss Piercie Stalls of Robersonville, North Carolina. Miss Osborne, and a graduate of Robersonville High School. She was active in high school activities, working on the high school paper as circulation manager, worked in the advertising section and helped to write the articles; was active in dramatics, played the part of Joe in "Little Women." Last year, Miss Osborne was chairman of May Day. She is a member of Delta Sigma Sorority, a Marshall, and Business Manager of "The Collegiate" and vice president of the senior class. She has served as secretary of her sophomore class, and as treasurer for Delta Sigma Sorority. She transferred to Atlantic Christian College from Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, and plans to enter the teaching profession in social science.

Miss Piercie Stalls is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stalls of Robersonville, North Carolina and a graduate of Robersonville High School. In high school she was active in basketball and dramatics, vice president of her senior class, and was senior superlative for "the cutest," best sportsmanship, best all around, and most athletic. She is a member of Sigma Tau Chi Sorority. She has served as a cheer leader, vice president of her junior class, May Court of 1946, secretary of Sorority, Woman's Dormitory Council, business manager, "Pine Knot," Senior Superlative for most popular and wittiest and served on the "Torchlight" staff. Miss Stalls transferred from WCUNC, Greensboro, (Continued on Page Four)

# ?

KING WHO?

### A. C. Welcomes New Students

Clear sailing! At least that is the way everything looked around the campus of Atlantic Christian College on the morning of January 27, when old students resumed their class work, and new students began to register. A clear blue sky overhead and very calm and warm weather indicated a fine take-off into the second half of our school year.

The office of the Registrar and that of the college bookkeeper were the main points of interest during the day with approximately 70 or 80 new students most of them men, getting registered and taking care of their college financial matters. One of the main problems facing the newcomers is that of finding a place to live.

The enrollment is expected to reach the highest in the history of the college as it goes into the second half of this school year. Most of the new students enrolling for the second half are veterans, with a few exceptions.

(Continued on Page Three)

### Hodges Is Elected Vice President NCAC

Professor F. A. Hodges, member of the faculty of Atlantic Christian College, has recently been elected vice-president of the North State Athletic Conference. Mr. Hodges has previously held the position of president of this association. The purpose of the North State A. C., more commonly known as the "Little Eight," is to promote athletics as an integral part of the educational program of the member institutions. This association holds semi-annual meetings in the Fall and Spring at which there are two representatives from each college present. Members are Appalachian, Catawba, Elon, Guilford, High Point, Lenoir Rhyne, and A.C.C. Among these colleges, A.C. held the unofficial baseball championship during the spring term of '46. Atlantic Christian College has been a member since 1931 participating in baseball and basketball and this year, adding football to its program. This year Catawba College won the football championship and played in the Tangerine Bowl on New Year's Day. The final championship for basketball will be decided on February 24th, 25th, 26th, at High Point, North Carolina. A.C. will participate in this.

Mr. Hodges, professor of chemistry at A.C.C., received his A.B. at the University of Mississippi, M.S. at the University of Alabama, and did graduate work at the University of North Carolina. On leave of absence last year, Mr. Hodges did further graduate work. He has been an important factor in the academic life of Atlantic Christian for many years.

### AC HOST TO C. OF C. COMMITTEE

Group Taken On Tour Of College And Hear Program Explained

The College Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, composed of representatives from all the civic organizations in the city, were guest on the campus of Atlantic Christian College January 28th.

They met in Howard Memorial Chapel where Dr. Howard S. Hilley outlined five immediate objectives for the committee. To appear before the board of Aldermen for the purpose of having Rountree Street in front of Bert Hardy Dining Hall closed, to keep their organizations informed of what the College is doing, to support the county basketball tournament, and to give the college publicity—through the press and over radio station, WGTN.

The college has on hand \$400,000 for the building plan and an endowment of \$300,000. The college has planned to raise \$250,000 more for the endowment and \$100,000 for the building plan. The present plant and equipment are valued at about \$300,000.

It is the aim of the college, when materials become available to construct a girl's dormitory, library, a student Union building, and an infirmary. Kinsey and Caldwell Halls are to be renovated. All the girls living in Kinsey Hall will be moved out and the building will be used for class rooms and administrative offices. Caldwell Hall will probably be used as a boy's dormitory. If more money for this building plan can be raised, a science building will be built.

It has not been definitely decided the exact location where these buildings will be constructed. The Library will probably be built between Kinsey Hall and Lee Street; the girl's dormitory on the lot left of the Dining Hall and the Student Union Building on the lot to the right of the Dining Hall.

The Committee's attitude was to help the program and development as much as possible.

The group had supper in Bert Hardy Dining Hall and later Miss Sarah Bain Ward and Dr. Howard S. Hilley took them on a tour of the campus.

Those attending were: S. S. Lawrence, A. A. Chappell, W. R. Hedding, J. G. Thomas, Fletcher Vann, M. J. Bird, J. M. Waters, Misses Evelyn Webb, Naomi Morris, and Mrs. Elizabeth G. Swindell.

It is considered that this is a wonderful program the college has planned. As it stand at present, Atlantic Christian College and Eastern Carolina Teachers College in Greenville are the only two colleges east of Raleigh. The State needs more and better colleges in this part of the State. If ACC had more facilities, there would be many more students who could be enrolled here right now. The college needs the support of every person in this section of the State to make this possible, but there are probably

(Continued on Page Two)

### New Grading System To Go Into Effect

A new grading system for the college, which goes into effect January 27th, has been set up and approved by the faculty. This system will be a more standardized system and it is hoped that it will benefit transfers.

The old grading system consisted of: A+ 95-100, A 90-94, B+ 85-89, B 80-84, C+ 75-79, C 70-74, D 65-69, (conditional), and I is incomplete. According to this system, B was considered as the average grade.

The new standard passing grades are A, B, C, and D. Thus making C the average grade. Conditional mark is E and failing is F.

Accordingly the quality point system is being changed. The number of quality points will be reduced; however, this does not require more work to receive the quality point quota which is necessary for graduation. The minimum requirements of quality points is also being reduced.

This change will not upset the routine as it follows the same principles as the old system. It will simply be more convenient in keeping the records and transcripts.