

## Thelma Hardison, Mel F. Warren, To Reign Over May Day

### Annual Christmas Dinner Is Served In Dining Hall

#### Week Is Filled With Holiday Activities

The annual Christmas dinner, which will be served in the Hardy Dining Hall tonight, will highlight the pre-Christmas activities on the campus.

The dinner which will be formal, will be the beginning of "The Other Christmas" which is observed every year at Atlantic Christian. Turkey and all the trimmings will be on the menu.

Entertainment will be offered by the Girls' Octette and all the students will join in the singing of Christmas carols and other songs in the Dining Hall. At this time the cooks and other colored help will be given their Christmas presents by the students.

Immediately following the dinner, everyone will adjourn to Kinsey Hall Parlor to sing Christmas carols in preparation for the carolling tomorrow night.

Following the Kinsey Hall activities tonight, there will be given in Howard Chapel a Christmas play by the Stage and Script and directed by Mrs. Doris Halesworth.

Thursday night will bring forth the carolers. Each year groups of students visit the Sanatorium, Hospitals, and residents in the town. A request is sent to the people of Wilson to call if there is anyone who wishes to have the students visit his own house or a home in which there is known to be a shut-in.

The students are to gather in Kinsey Parlor at nine Thursday night to ready themselves for the affair. Several groups will be formed and a leader designated for each group. One group will go to the Sanatorium and County Home in cars, while the other groups will walk, stopping at houses and going to the hospitals and other designated places.

On the return of the carolers, hot chocolate and cookies will be served in the dining room. Last year around 200 students went to spread the Christmas joy in the town. It is hoped that this year will bring an even greater response.

Friday night will bring the dormitory party for the girls and the party for the boys at Mr. Hilley's home. Both dormitories will join together in Kinsey Parlor for the girls' party. Both parties will begin at ten o'clock.

Skits will be given by the girls on each floor of the dorms. A prize will be given for the most original skit in each building. The parlor will be decorated in the Christmas spirit with the Christmas tree as the main ornament. Fruit and candy will be served.

There will be no light bell rung for the girls that night. They will be allowed to stay up all night if they wish. Classes are dismissed the next day, Saturday, December 20, and will be resumed January 1.

### Sigma Tau Chi Has Joint Christmas Party

Sigma Tau Chi Sorority and its brother fraternity, Phi Kappa Alpha, held their joint Christmas party at the Zam Zam Club December 16. The party took the place of the dance which had formerly been planned by Phi Kappa.

The sorority held a Thanksgiving sing fest in Kinsey Parlor on Sunday night, November 23. Mrs. Tom Graves at that time entertained the group with a reading. Apples were served to the students who attended.

One of the members, Thelma Hardison, has been chosen as Queen of May Day. She has also announced her engagement to Bill Winborne. Mary Alice Beasley, also a member of the sorority, took third place in the Pine Knot contest.

Sigma Tau Chi is now selling Atlantic Christian pennants as their project for raising money this year. The pennants are blue with the seal and white letter on them. They come in two sizes. The sorority will conduct a vesper service with its brother fraternity after the Christmas holidays.

### Phi Sigma Tau Makes Plans For "Night Club"

Plans are getting under way for the Phi Sigma Tau "Night Club" which is sponsored by the sorority each year as an all-student social event. The social is planned for some time in February.

The sorority is still carrying on its project of selling hot dogs at the "Y" Store. All profits from the sales go on the hundred dollar pledge made on the building fund



THELMA HARDISON



MEL F. WARREN

### Queen and King Elected For May Day Activities

#### Attendants Chosen By King and Queen

Miss Thelma Hardison, a senior at Atlantic Christian College, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa J. Hardison of Williamston, N. C., and Melville F. Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Warren of Falston, N. C., have been chosen Queen and King of the 1947-48 May Day.

Thelma is a major in Spanish and has recently completed her practice teaching at the Charles L. Coon High School. She is a member of Sigma Tau Chi Sorority. In high school, she was the valedictorian of her class. She attended W.C.U.N.C. her freshman year in college; she transferred to A.C. and from A.C. she transferred to E.C.T.C. She came back to A.C. in the spring of last year. She was a member of the Adelpian Society at WC and was in the May Court here last year. She was elected to two superlatives for this year's senior class: Best Looking and Most Popular.

Melville is a major in social studies and has also completed his practice teaching at the Charles L. Coon High School. He is president of Sigma Alpha Fraternity and also president of the Pan Hellenic Council, the ruling body for all Greek letter organizations on the campus. He is a member of the Stage and Script and was in the May Court last year. He was elected by the senior class as two superlatives: Most Popular and Wittiest. Mel is a columnist for the "Collegiate." He wrote "On the Merry-Go-Round" last year and is the author of "The Merry-Mix-Up" this year. He served three years in the army, most of which was in the Southwest Pacific area with the 714th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Gun Battalion. He will graduate in January.

Thelma has chosen for her attendants Margaret Hemby and Joyce Peterson. The King's attendants will be Laston M. Grantham and William Harrison. Margaret Hemby, a junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hemby of Greenville. She was a member of the college Glee Club for two years and served as Valedictorian of her class in high school. Margaret is a member of the Sigma Tau Chi Sorority.

Joyce Peterson, a junior, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Peterson of Clinton, is also a member of Sigma Tau Chi Sorority and serves as treasurer of the organization. She was treasurer of the WAA last year and is president of the association this year. She was a member of the Dramatics Club for two years and has been a member of the Glee Club and Girls' Octette for three years.

Laston M. Grantham, a senior, is from Mount Olive, N. C. He is secretary of Sigma Alpha Fraternity and is on the Pan Hellenic Council. He is vice-president of the "A" Club and also vice-president of the Senior Class.

William Harrison is from Williamston, N. C., and serves in the capacity of treasurer of Sigma Alpha Fraternity.

May Day is a traditional affair on the campus. The expense of the celebration was brought before the students before the election was held to determine whether or not there would be a May Day this year. The whole student body is expected to participate in May Day. The physical education classes helped in the May Day activities.

The court for May Day has not yet been voted on. To be eligible for King or Queen a student must be of senior standing. To be eligible for the court, the students must be of either junior or senior standing. The King and Queen candidates were nominated by a petition signed by twenty people. The court will be determined by voting soon.

### Mr. and Mrs. Derick Teach Voice Together

Two interesting new personalities at A. C. this year are Mr. and Mrs. Derick. Mr. Derick, who teaches voice to advanced students, has studied at the University of Cologne in Germany and at New York University. He was Instructor of Music at State Teachers College, Mt. Clair, New Jersey, and the accompanist of the Mt. Clair Glee Club. He was Director of Music, Essex County, Vocational and Technical High School, Newark, New Jersey, and Organist at Temple B'Nai Abraham in Newark. He directed the Essex Chorister for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey in Elizabeth, N. J. He was Minister of Music at the Presbyterian Church in Verone, N. J., in New York he was the organist for Temple Beth-el. He is a member of the American Guild of Organists. In addition to his work at A. C., Mr. Derick is Organist and Choir Director at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Rocky Mount.

Mrs. Winifred Derick, who teaches voice to beginners, studied at New Jersey College for Women, New Brunswick, with Sturani and Olaf Olson in New York. She has sung in Opera, Concert, Oratorio and Musical Comedy. She was a Griffith Foundation prize winner. The Derick family have moved from Orange, New Jersey, to their present home in Rocky Mount.

### SCA Begins Plans For Religious Emphasis Week

The SCA cabinet, with John Goff as president, is studying plans for Religious Emphasis Week which is conducted each spring on the campus. This is a week or few days set aside for religious services in Howard Chapel. The college secures a speaker for the entire week who holds services each morning and each evening. He also conducts "bull sessions" with boys during the day and has private conferences at various intervals.

The cabinet is also sponsoring vesper services in the chapel every other Thursday night in cooperation with the other various organizations on the campus.

### Christian Fellowship Discusses Church History

The campus Christian Fellowship Club opened a new series of discussions Wednesday night, December 3, on the history of the church. Mr. Waters opened the discussion series with a lecture. He explained the beginning of the church and the problems it had in the early years. He emphasized that during the Dark Ages, Christianity was in a partial eclipse due to the fact that it was sold out to the state.

These lectures have proved to be interesting to the members of the club. Anyone who desires to take part in the discussions is urged to attend the meetings.

**JOHN TROT TO SHOW SLIDES TO SCIENCE CLUB**  
John Trot of Chapel Hill has accepted the Science Club's invitation to speak and show slides to the club during his spring vacation. He is well known for his authority on birds.

At the last meeting of the club Dean Miller showed the club projections of post cards and photo-

### HALDEL'S "THE MESSIAH" IS PRESENTED BY MUSIC DEPARTMENT

#### Second Presentation Is Given By Students

Handel's "The Messiah" was presented by the Glee Club on Sunday afternoon at five o'clock in Howard Chapel, under the direction of Miss Mary Johnson, and accompanied by Robert Derick, voice instructor.

The presentation, which was given last year for the first time on the campus, formally opened the Christmas season at A.C. Fifty-five musicians combined their talents in this second presentation of the Christmas portion of George Frederick Handel's oratorio.

The soloists for "The Messiah" were Tommy Moore, tenor; Iris Lee, soprano; Audrey Gaylor, soprano; Gene Barnes, baritone, and Bruce O'Quinn, alto.

The program consisted of: Chorus: And the Glory of the Lord; Recitative: Behold, A Virgin Shall Conceive; Air: O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings To Zion; For Behold, Darkness Shall Cover The Earth; Air: The People That Walked in Darkness; Chorus: Glory To God; Air: Rejoice; Air: Come Unto Him All Ye That Labor; Suddenly There Was With The Angels; Comfort My People; Every Valley Shall Be Exalted. The program was concluded with the Hallelujah.

Those participating in the presentation were:

Sopranos: Margaret Baker, Mary Alice Beasley, Elizabeth Coor, LaVerne Driver, Audrey Gaylor, Doris Harper, Fraulein Jarman, Mary Ellen Jones, Iris Lee, Mrs. Vina Lineberger, Faye McMillan, Vivian Miller, Louise Morris, Joyce Peterson, Rozella Sullivan, Jean Thomas, Owen Tomlinson, Doris Warren, and Norma Willard.

Altos: Floridale Bernier, Betty Todd Corlette, Lane Faye Cutler, Jane Goff, Ann Johnson, Evelyn Kelly, Pearl Lamb, Tassie Langley, Ann Merritt, Gladys Mizzell, Bettye Newton, Edna Taylor, Darlene Tucker, Dot Wyatt, and Betty Yarborough.

Tenors: Bill Brinson, Bill Corbett, Wilbur Eubanks, Milton Gartelle, John Goff, Proctor Hardison, Kerry Kicklighter, Leonard Mann, Tommy Moore, Charles Page, Macon Page, and John Rawls.

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### Generous Response Given To Thanksgiving Drive

The faculty and students of Atlantic Christian College gratefully responded to a drive at Thanksgiving to collect food and money to help needy persons and families in Wilson, who otherwise might not have had a Thanksgiving dinner.

Before the war it was a tradition of the college, sponsored by the YWCA and YMCA to help needy persons. At Thanksgiving of this year the drive was put back on campus by the Phi Delta Gamma Fraternity and Delta Sigma Sorority.

Three families were given food which was collected and bought with the money which was donated for the cause. This food was distributed on Wednesday after-

### Dr. W. D. Perry Speaks On Sex Relationships

Dr. W. D. Perry, Director of Testing at the University of North Carolina, spoke to the Freshmen in Howard Chapel on Tuesday, December 2, about men and women relationships. Dr. Perry is from an eastern part of North Carolina, Elizabeth City. He attended college at Chapel Hill; then in New York City where he became interested in his present profession. He has been Director of Counseling not only for veterans at the University, but for veterans all over the state.

According to Dr. Perry, a person's life is well adjusted if he or she is loved and in love. Love is ever present; but divided into several stages. From birth to a sign of affection is shown by the noises a child makes. At three or four years of age, the "No" stage is reached; at six, the "We"; from 9 to 26, the adolescent. From 25 to 40 years of age, one gains mature love which is the most fruitful. The age of 40 to 60 years is considered the "settled period"; and from 60 on childlikeness becomes more prominent.

Personal conferences were held with Dr. Perry during the afternoon. Two group discussions were held Tuesday night in Kinsey Parlor from seven till nine in order to solve problems and doubts of the students on campus. All students were urged to attend the meetings.

### Delta Sigma Gives Annual Christmas Dance

Delta Sigma Sorority entertained its autumn fraternal brothers, and their dates at its annual mid-winter dance held at the Country Club December 6. Among the old members present for the occasion were Ella Moore Phillips, Barbara A. Jones, and Helen Anthony Schultz. The Christmas motif was carried out with an arrangement by Claudia Lucas. An open fire and a Christmas tree added to the warmth of the affair.

The sorority has taken again this year the AC Directory for a project. These directories give the students a complete list of all the students and faculty members and their permanent addresses. They are considered of great assistance in the mailing of Christmas cards to fellow-students and faculty members during the Christmas vacation.

Monday night, December 15, Delta Sigma and Phi Delta Gamma held its annual Christmas party in the fraternity house. The party lasted only an hour and consisted of the exchange of gifts and the eating of ice cream and cake for refreshments.

The predominant decoration of chapter room was the Christmas tree. Holly decorated the walls and hung from the center of the room. The ice cream was decorated with both the sorority and fraternity colors. Berry Vause acted as Santa Claus in the distribution of the presents.

The sorority also assisted its brothers in the conducting of a chapel program at Thanksgiving, and the drive for money and food to aid needy people. Three families were given food from the

| CHRISTMAS CALENDAR   |   |
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| Wednesday, Dec. 17   | 6:00—Formal dinner in Hardy Dining Hall.                          |
|                      | 8:00—Christmas Play in Howard Chapel.                             |
| Thursday, Dec. 18    | 9:00—Carolling with refreshments afterwards.                      |
| Friday, Dec. 19      | 10:00—Girls' party in Kinsey Parlor; Boys' party at Dr. Hilley's. |
| Saturday, Dec. 20    | Classes dismissed.  |
| Monday, Jan. 5, 1948 | Classes resumed.  |