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Brinson, Bernier May King and Queen

Roses Choose Pheobe Buck As Queen Of The Pine Knot

Susan Lewis And Mary Ellen Talton
Take Second And Third Places

Friday night, December 3, 1948, during the annual Pine Knot dance held in the Cherry Hotel, Miss Pheobe Buck was proclaimed queen of the 1949 Yearbook by the Editor, Jim Wilder. Taking second and third honors were Miss Susan Lewis and Miss Mary Ellen Talton.

The pictures of the contestants for Queen of the Yearbook had been judged by Billy Rose and Eleanor Holm Rose of New York City.

Billy Rose, an experienced showman of the Broadway School, has long been noted for his ability to judge beautiful women. Until the night of the dance, the identity of the queen was kept in strict secrecy.

College Group Sing Carols

Miss Buck, a freshman, was chosen from among 17 other contestants. She was sponsored by the "A" Club. Miss Buck, a native of New Bern, entered college in September and this was the second such honor bestowed upon her since her arrival on A. C. campus. She was chosen the queen of football for the Shrine-A. C. Day celebration held in October.

Second-place winner, Miss Susan Lewis of Wilson, was sponsored by Phi Delta Gamma Fraternity and third-place winner, Miss Mary Ellen Talton of Sanford, was sponsored by the Science club.

The anxiety-filled crowd danced the time away until Business Manager, Morgan Sumner, welcomed the students and faculty. The contestants who were present were then introduced singularly with reference to the campus organization that each represented. The program was then turned over to Jim Wilder who announced the queen and her attendants. As Miss Buck was proclaimed queen, an eleven by fourteen inch photograph of the queen, a gift from the photographers, was unveiled. The queen was also presented a bouquet of red roses and a silver compact, gifts from the Pine Knot. The second and third place winners, Miss Lewis and Miss Talton, were also given a similar bouquet of roses.

After the coronation of the queen, Guy Cox, official photographer of the Pine Knot, took a series of pictures of the queen, attendants, and editor. During the remainder of the evening, the photographer took individual shots of dancing couples.

Building Fund Drive Put Off

The Special Advisory Committee of the Atlantic Christian College Building and Endowment Fund Campaign met on December 7, 1948 to decide upon what action should be taken relative to the prosecution of a renewed campaign for the additional funds for Atlantic Christian at this time. A general preliminary discussion was held, after which Mr. Ward called for an expression of the views from each one present.

A consensus of opinion was that this season is inopportune for the reopening of the campaign, that the period set for the campaign was too short, that an inconclusive effort at this time would incur the cause of the college, that insufficient progress had been made on the construction of the building. (Continued On Page Four)

Every year before school lets out for Christmas holidays, one night is set aside for the singing of carols. This year it is December sixteenth when all the student body meets on the campus and divides into three groups. Each group has two members chosen to lead them. One group goes to the sanitorium to sing to the patients. This is an annual custom which not only gladdens the hearts of the shut-ins at the sanitorium, but also gives a special pleasure to the members of the group who go there to sing. The other two groups go on two routes mapped out each year by Miss Ward. These trips are routed to include the professors' homes, and the homes of some of the shut-ins here in town. After a singing all three groups gather back at school for hot chocolate and cookies.

From this event the men continue to celebrate by going to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hilley, where the men are entertained each year at Christmas. Perhaps because the men have no dormitories, Christmas is the traditional season for the men to be invited to the president's home. The women and faculty members are invited at other times during the year. The Hilley's party ends the festivities for Thursday night, but there is more on Friday. On that night, the seventeenth, is the girls' dorm party. This is also a yearly event. The girls meet in Kinsey parlor where refreshments are served, and each hall in Kinsey gives a skit and each floor in Caldwell gives one. The skits are judged and the winners receive a prize, usually a large cake. This party takes place at ten o'clock to give all the girls a chance to be there.

On Sunday, December 11, the girls decorated Kinsey and Caldwell. Miss Ward says they plan, in Caldwell, to move the sofa in front of the fireplace, have the tree in a corner to keep traffic from endangering it, and, during dating time, have a fire in the fireplace. They have a large tree in Kinsey parlour.

Marriage

MURRAY-FERRELL

Miss Ruby Ferrell of Lucama will become the bride of Mr. Leslie Murray on Sunday, December 19. The wedding is to take place at the Free Will Baptist Church in Lucama at 4:00 p. m. Mr. Murray is Dean of Men at Atlantic Christian in Wilson, where he is an instructor in foreign language.



Pictured above: Queen Pheobe Buck, Susan Lewis, Mary Ellen Talton, and Jim Wilder, Editor of the Pine Knot in crowning ceremonies.

Change In Schedule To Be Installed Second Semester

The Curriculum Committee of Atlantic Christian College under the supervision of Dean Miller, purposes a vital change in schedule beginning second semester of 1948 and 1949 school term.

For many years Atlantic Christian College has had the same class schedules—classes six days a week. Dissatisfaction has been felt in this, especially by those students who commute; nevertheless this curricular routine has been held to.

Dorm Council Gives Program

On Friday morning, November 10 after the regular chapel program, the men students of the college were called together for a special program, sponsored by the Men's Dormitory Council.

The program continued for about fifteen minutes during which time short talks were made by President Royce Brinson, Jack Alsbrook, Atwood Lee Whorton and Mr. Murray, Dean of men. Royce Brinson told the male students how the organization functioned and who was the representative for each group. Jack Alsbrook related the various things which have been accomplished through the organization. (Continued on Page Four)

Second semester of this school year '48 and '49 finds Atlantic Christian College on the road to progress in regard to fitting the curriculum to the student rather than fitting the student to the curriculum.

This proposed plan for second semester tends to eliminate all Saturday classes. Moving in this direction, plans are, to put the bulk of the second semester three-hour courses on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, with the two-hour courses coming on Tuesday and Thursday.

In order to make it possible to accommodate more three-hour courses there will be no chapel on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The Chapel periods will be held on Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30. An hour will be allowed, but chapel will not consume the full hour; instead students will be allowed ten minutes to assemble with the intention of having every one in his respective seat when chapel officially opens. This hour will allow ample time for group meetings after chapel without interfering with preceding classes.

Under this new set-up there will be some change in the time schedule for most classes. The 8:30 and 9:30 classes meeting on Tuesday and Thursdays will be the same as they are at present. Chapel will come at 10:30 lasting until 11:30. The 11:00 o'clock classes will begin at 11:30 ending at 12:30. The 12:00 classes will begin at 12:30 and end at 1:30; 1:00 classes at 1:30 through 2:30.

It is likewise necessary to begin the serving line in the dining hall at least thirty minutes earlier in order to serve all the students who must find their noon between the hours of 11:30 and 1:30.

This plan will create a new period for classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at which time classes are to be scheduled. It is hoped that this plan will meet the approval of every student of Atlantic Christian College.

Frances Yelverton, Vivian Allen
Gene Barnes and C. J. Ammons Are
Escorts; Marion Driver, Chairman

The traditional election for the May King and Queen was held on November 30, 1948. The contestants for the King were petitioned by the student body of the Atlantic Christian College. They were as follows: Mr. Bob Clark, Atlanta, Ga., Mr. Royce Brinson, Black Creek, N. C., Mr. Gene Barnes, Wilson, N. C., Mr. Raymond Suggs Princeton, N. C., and Mr. Elmer Loftin, Ayden, N. C.

French Play Present As Xmas Pageant

The annual Christmas pageant at Atlantic Christian College this year took the form of a pageant which is different from the usual Christmas observance. The old French legend, "The Juggler of Notre Dame", was dramatized for the occasion and was presented by the Stage and Script in cooperation with the Glee Club of the college.

The leading role, that of the Juggler, was played by Jack Greenwood of Sanford, while his antagonist, the Abbott of the monastery, was played by Charles Mayo of Royal. Bob Clark, of Atlanta, Georgia, played the Good Friar who comes to the aid of the Juggler. Bernelle White played the mother of the young man who is in love with the village girl, Lisette; the latter parts were played by John Britt and Susan Lewis. Reid Poole portrayed her brother, Jacques.

The Virgin Mary, Our Lady, was represented by Sybil Barrett. Tassie Langley played an old market-woman and Tommy Watson added a note of comedy as a deaf old market-man. Among the others who took part were Dorothy Rawls, Jean Dameron, Fred Boyce, George Taylor, Charles Phillips, Bobby Jones, Lee Potter, Madison Smith and Peter Case.

The pageant was arranged and directed by Miss Doris Campbell Holzworth, teacher at the college, with Kathryn Jackson as her assistant. The music was arranged and the Glee Club conducted by Mr. Albert Gregory of the Music Department of the college. The male quartette was directed by Mr. John Fontaine. They sang the Ave Maria and assisted the Glee Club.

The public was invited to attend. At the close of the program, students presented gifts of toys for the annual Christmas party given by the J. C.'s for underprivileged children of Wilson. The pageant was presented on December fifteenth at 8:30 p. m. in Howard Chapel.

Holidays Begin

The Christmas holidays will begin Saturday, December 18, at 12:30 p. m. Cuts from any classes before and after the holidays will be counted double. Classes will be resumed January 2 at 8:30 a. m.

The contestants for the May Queen were also nominated by petition. They were: Miss Elizabeth Leach, Wilson, N. C., Miss Doris Harper, Spring Hope, N. C., Miss Audrey Gaylor, Ayden, N. C., and Miss Flo Bernier, Puerto Rico.

On December 3, 1948 there was a run-off for the King and Queen. Mr. Royce Brinson and Mr. Bob Clark were tied. Miss Doris Harper, Miss Elizabeth Leach, and Miss Flo Bernier were running a close race for queen.

A revote was necessary to choose the May Queen. This vote was between Miss Doris Harper and Miss Flo Bernier.

The final elections resulted with Miss Flo Bernier as the May Queen, and Mr. Royce Brinson as the May King. The Queen's attendants are Miss Frances Yelverton, Stantonburg, N. C., and Miss Vivian Allen, Greenville, N. C. Mr. Royce Brinson's attendants are Mr. C. J. Ammons, Lumber Bridge, N. C., and Mr. Gene Barnes, Wilson, N. C.

Election for the May Court was held Friday, December 10, 1948. There were eight boys and eight girls chosen to be in the May Court. They were as follows: Mr. Marion Zollieffer, Mr. Bob Clark, Mr. Bill Brinson, Mr. Raymond Suggs, Mr. Harry Helmer, Mr. Thomas McCaskill, Mr. Atwood Whorton, Mr. Harold Bain, Miss Joyce Peterson, Miss Doris Harper, Miss Evelyn Economus, Miss Romona Worley, Miss Norma Willard, Miss Browne Jones, Miss Bettye Newton, and Miss Barbara Ann Booie.

Mr. Buck Jones, who is a member of the Executive Board, stated that there is a possibility that a few changes may occur in the May Court.

Miss Marion Driver who defeated Miss Fay McMillan as the Chairman of May Day has not officially announced the plans for the May Day Program.

Music Students Present Recital

The students of voice and piano gave their annual recital Wednesday evening, December 8, at eight o'clock. This showed concentrated effort on the part of the students and competent work on the part of the director, Mr. John Fontaine.

The soloists showed intelligent study in their tone and enunciation, while the two quartets received favorable and enthusiastic responses. It might be added that all of these students were beginners. (Continued on Page Four)

Roy Cole's Band Entertainment At Student's Christmas Dance

The Social Committee of Atlantic Christian College presented its annual Christmas dance for the student body on December 10, 1948 at eight o'clock in the evening, in the Wilson Armory. Roy Cole and his Carolina Tar Heel orchestra provided the music.

Under the direction of Miss Jean Strother, the Armory was extensively decorated. The Christmas motif was carried throughout the dance. A huge wreath was placed in the center of the floor, and beautifully colored paper adorned the walls. Sitting along side the walls were many Christmas trees covered with artificial snow.

One of the highlights of the evening was provided by the officers of different organizations on the campus. These officers, led by Miss Sarah Bain Ward, dean of women and Mr. Leslie Murray,

dean of men, passed under the wreath, in couples, and their names and the organizations which they represented were given. Afterwards, to the tune of "Whit Christmas", the couples formed a Christmas tree. While the orchestra was playing the college Alma Mater, the organizational officers and their dates formed the letters, A. C. C. After the letters were formed, artificial snow was blown from the balcony over the armory with the aid of an electric fan. The officers, their dates, and the organization which they represented are as follows:

- (1) Mr. Bill Brinson, vice president of the student body, with Miss Pheobe Buck.
- (2) Miss Elizabeth Leach, secretary of the student body, with Mr. David Hardison, president of The Golden Knot Honor Society.
- (3) Mr. Don Torrence, treasurer of the student, with Miss Norma Willard.
- (4) Mr. Raymond Smith, president of the senior class, with Miss Vivian Allen.
- (5) Mr. Thomas McCaskill, president of the junior class, with Miss Margaret Hemby.
- (6) Mr. Jimmy Fox, president of the Sophomore Class and Miss Tod Corlette.
- (7) Mr. Malcolm Yates, president of the Freshman class and Miss Yates.
- (8) Miss Gwenn Tomlinson, representing W. A. A., with Mr. Wade Pridgen.
- (9) Mr. Gerald Postlethwaite, representing the religious organizations on the campus, with Miss Alice Berry.
- (10) Mr. Walton Coley, representing Publications, and Miss (Continued on Page Four)

Miss Ward's Children

Will you, for a moment, pause and picture in your mind the delight and awe shining from the eyes of a little blue-eyed girl as she excitedly tears the gay colored paper from a box and beholds the wonder of a new toy? Or, think of a freckled-face, red-headed Boy Scout receiving that long hoped-for knife or compass.

It is the happiness the students of Atlantic Christian College have been bringing to underprivileged children of Wilson for the past twenty-one years, through a program sponsored by the Wilson Junior Chamber of Commerce. We, here at the college, have come to think of the project as "Miss Ward's Children".

The first feeling of a festive, holiday moods comes for us when we hear Miss Ward announce that she has two or three hundred children she wishes us to adopt for a day. And, eagerly, the students rush to claim their child—whether it's a three-year-old girl or a boy of nine. The aim of the students is to see that each child has a Christmas package to bring them care-free joy for the holiday season; therefore, they make their gift a toy or something for pleasure, whether it be a big, red truck or a set of color-books.

This season, the gifts will be displayed in the chapel on the evening of the fifteenth, at which time the Glee Club and Stage and Script presents a Christmas Pageant. After the program, they will be collected by the JayCees who will entertain the children at a party where the gifts will be distributed.

And so, another holiday season will be made brighter. Beliefs in Santa Claus can be held tightly in young hearts, and carols sung by excited voices made confident by a few people who took time to care.