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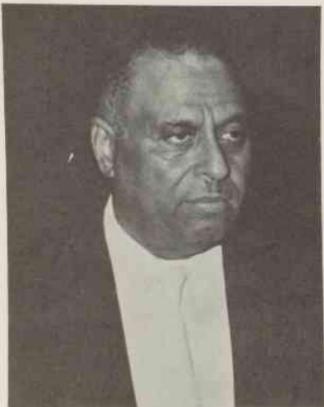
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## Bishop Allen to Address Grads

by Debbie Hodges



Commencement speaker, Bishop Lineut Scott Allen

**Bishop Lineut Scott Allen**, resident bishop of the Charlotte Area of the United Methodist Church, will be the main speaker at Bennett's commencement exercises, 3 p.m. May 14.

Originally from Meridian, Mississippi, **Bishop Allen** earned an A.B. degree from Clark College, a B.D. degree from Gammon Theological Seminary, a LL.D. degree from Bethune-Cookman College, a D.C. L. degree from Emory and Henry College, a D.D. degree from Wiley College and a D.D. degree from

Duke University.

Elected and consecrated as a Bishop of the Methodist Church in 1942, Bishop Allen's duties have included acting as presiding bishop for the Gulf Coast area in 1942 and acting as presiding bishop for the Holston Area from 1958-1976. In 1976 he was assigned as the presiding bishop for the Charlotte (Western North Carolina) Area.

Within the Methodist Church he is the president of the Commission on Religion and Race; and the chairman of the Standing Committee, General Board of Publication.

He has been the president of the World Division, Board of Global Ministries; vice-president of the Board of Global Ministries; president of the College of Bishops, Southeastern Jurisdiction; a delegate to the General Conference, United Methodist Church, 1956, 1960, and 1964; and a delegate to the Central Jurisdictional Conference, United Methodist Church, 1956, 1960, and 1964.

He became chairman of the Board of Gammon Theological Seminary in 1976 and has been a member of that board since 1968. He is also a member of the Board of In-

terdenominational Theological Center.

He is a member of the boards of trustees of Brevard College, Greensboro College, High Point College, Pfeiffer College, and is vice-president of the board of trustees at Lake Junaluska Assembly, Southeastern Jurisdiction. He was an instructor of philosophy and religion at Clark College. He was the editor of the *Christian Advocate*, New Orleans, La.

Bishop Allen is married to the former Sarah Adams, who is active in the work of United Methodist Women.

### A Tradition Gets Better

## 125 Students Honored

by Hattie Purnell

Over 125 students were honored at the annual Recognition Day Services, which were held on April 13 at 10 a.m. in the Annie Merner Chapel.

The annual Recognition Day services have been a part of Bennett's tradition for over 30 years. No one was able to verify exactly how long it has been in existence, but it was estimated to have been first called Honors Day before it became Recognition Day.

**Dr. J. Henry Sayles** was the first coordinator for the activities; then it was passed to **Dr. Marlow Shute** to organize. But for the last three years **Mrs. Mary Scarlette** has been the coordinator.

Each year a day is set aside on the college calendar for the special event, which recognizes and acknowledges students' achievements in various departments and organizations; leadership; and scholastic abilities. From the freshman class on up to the senior class, awards are presented to students for their outstanding performance and accomplishments.

There were several new awards presented this year at the cere-

monies. These awards were the drama awards, presented by **Dennis Troutman**, who is director of drama activities; outstanding achievements in yearbook publications, presented by **Myra Davis** who is Information and Public Relations officer, and a Student Involvement award which was presented by the Student Interfaith Center.

There was an omission of a traditional award this year which was the Endowment Cup award. This award is presented each year to the class that raises or contributes the most money to the Endowment Fund, which is used to finance scholarships. But due to the revision of the criteria for this award, it was not presented this year. It will be presented next year.

The NASA Fellowship award which is awarded each year for excellence in the physical sciences and mathematics based on standards set by the NASA will not be presented again after this year. But the Recognition committee plans to start a drive to increase amount of each scholarship and to gain the support of more sponsors and in turn spark the inter-

est of more students to become involved, to help keep Recognition Day a part of our Bennett tradition.

Also this year there was a different touch added to the Recognition Day services. **Camilla Drayton**, a native of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and a recent Bennett graduate, returned to acknowledge her Bennett sisters achievements and to present the Business Club award for leadership. Ms. Drayton was the first recipient of the Business Club award which is student-oriented and financed. Ms. Drayton plans to finance the award annually.

Mrs. Mary Scarlette, coordinator of the ceremonies commented on the outcome of the program: "I have seen quite a few Recognition Day services, but I feel that this year's program was different. There seemed to be more unity, interest, and participation from the student body. There was a time that students receiving awards would not even come to accept their awards at the ceremonies. But this year there seemed to be more enthusiasm exhibited by the students, and I hope to see it continue."



Terri Lewis has a great deal to smile about. During the recent Recognition Day services she received the Rose Karfiol Award for outstanding achievement in science; the Alpha Kappa Mu departmental recognition in business and economics; the Award for Scholarly Achievement in Business; and the Award for the Development of Effective Leadership Ability.

photo by Joyce Bass

## Financial Aid Available to Students

by Deborah Tillman

The Bennett College Financial Aid Program seeks to insure that no student be barred from the college or forced to leave for lack of funds. Their policy is that all qualified students worthy of admission be considered for financial assistance.

After studying the cost of a private college, many students doubt if they can afford a quality education. They often fail to investigate thoroughly the financial assistance available.

When applying for financial assistance, it will benefit you to estimate how much additional assistance you will need to supplement your family aid. The best way to work out a budget is to figure out potential resources: How much do you have on hand from past summer employment and personal savings? Can you get a summer job or part-time employment after school? Do not overlook the local PTA, church, your parents' employment funds, and other organizations which sponsor special scholarships.

After you estimate your own resources, compute your probable expenses: fees, tuition, books, and other college related expenses.

When you subtract your probable expenses from your potential resources, you gain a general idea

of your financial need for the year.

A combination of several different types of financial assistance is available in the form of scholarships, grants, loans, and self-help jobs.

Several programs on our campus for financial aid are as follows: a) the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant, which ranges from \$200 to \$1,400 per year based on financial need and is obtained from the federal government; b) State and Tuition Aid Grants for North Carolina residents, ranging from \$200 to \$1,000 yearly; c) Academic Scholarships awarded by the Financial Aid Office to students who display academic excellence; d) the Bennett College Grant-In-Aid, available to students whose academic averages or test scores are below scholarship requirement; e) Guaranteed Loans from the federal government, available to students in need of financial assistance; and f) College Work-Study in which the college sponsors a program where students work to meet college expenses.

These are just a few of the many financial aid programs made available for all Bennett College. If further information is needed, please contact **Mildred Tucker** or **Christine Bizzell** in the Financial Aid Office.



Proud members of sophomore class gathered to rejoice over winning the Class Cup for having attained the highest academic average of the four classes.

Photo by Myra Davis