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"So take and use
Thy work
Amend what flaws
may lurk,

"My times be in
Thy hand!
Perfect the cup
as planned."
—Browning

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Suzanne Hicks Reigns as May Queen, Views "Magic Slippers"

Messick, Martin Highlight Finals

Dr. John D. Messick, president of East Carolina College, Greenville, will address the Louisburg College class of 1951 at the final graduation exercises to be held in the college gymnasium Monday morning, May 28, at 10:45 a. m. Following will be presentation of diplomas and certificates, with remarks by President Holton.

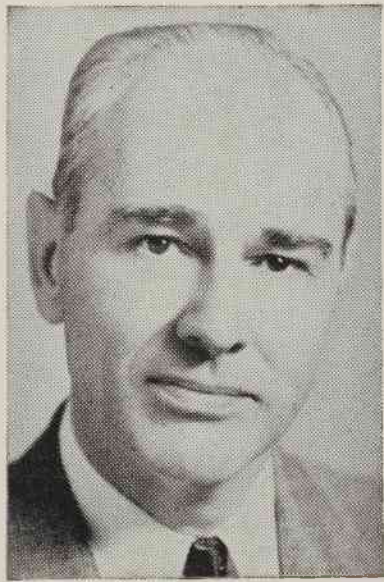
Dr. B. Joseph Martin, Greensboro, executive secretary of the Methodist College Foundation of North Carolina, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, May 27, at 11:00 a. m. in Louisburg Methodist Church.

Miss Foster Will Present Piano, Voice Pupils

Officially opening the commencement events, the Department of Music, under the direction of Miss Foster will present a piano and voice recital Friday evening, May 25, at 8:00, in the college auditorium. The program includes the following piano selections: "Waltz", Op. 12, No. 2 (Grieg), Lota Leigh Harrison; "Soldier's March" (Schumann) and "Nocturne" (Thompson), Barbara Ann Johnson; "The Fairy Court" and "The Fairies' Harp" (Thompson), Mary Lee Johnson; "Nocturne in F# Major" (Chopin), Virginia Spake; "Waltz", Op. 64 No. 1 (Chopin), Barbara Thatch; "Scar Dance" (Chaminade) Lota Leigh Harrison and Miss Foster; "Charge

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Graduation Speaker



President John D. Messick
East Carolina College

Y Presents Religious Play

"If the Light Be Darkness," a religious satire, written and directed by Rev. Dan Bowers, was presented as part of the Easter worship under the sponsorship of the Y, March 26.

The play revolves around the domineering and highly egotistical Nora Randal, portrayed by Andra Hamilton; her frustrated husband, Jonathan Randal, acted by Thelbert Whitt; and her self-willed daughter, Alicia, played by Mary Willis Ingram.

Nora Randal, driven by an uncontrollable madness for position and prestige, decides to use religion to get her politician husband re-elected to the Senate. Before she is able to further this end, she snarls many people in her hypocritical net. The play ends by Ali-

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Louisburg May Day Brings Spring Magic



Photographer, Willis Goodrum

May Day Scenes: Upper picture to left— Queen Suzanne Hicks, crowned by Matron of Honor Kathryn Ward Paul; King John Landstrom; Trainbearer Sharon Taylor; Matron of Honor's Escort Duffy Lee Paul; upper middle picture—Carol Drake and Felton Parker, dancers in "Magic Slippers" (May Day Program); upper picture to right—persons same as in picture to left. Lower picture (besides Queen, King, and Trainbearer) left to right by couples: Donald Jaekel, Joyce Boone; Glenn Lilly, June Tew; Harvey Bedsole, Jean Boney; Thelbert Whitt, Andra Hamilton; Duffy Lee Paul, Kathryn Paul; Ernest Daniels, Patsy Leonard; Leon Royal, Hilda Modlin; James Hall, Lucy Claytor; Vernon Fleming, Anne Willoughby; Larry Stewart, Dorothy Swindell; Bill Brogden, Jean Moore.

Carol Drake, Felton Parker Star in May Day Dances

At the traditional May Day observance May 5, Suzanne Hicks, Charlotte, reigned as queen with her escort John Landstrom, Rockford, Ill., king. Little Linda Midgette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Midgette, Cary, was crownbearer; and Sharon Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Taylor, Ahsokie, was trainbearer. Matron of Honor Kathryn Ward Paul, of Louisburg, formerly of Pittsboro, escorted by her husband, Duffy Lee Paul, of Louisburg, formerly of Morehead City, crowned the Queen.

Court Attendants

To the traditional processional the Queen and her court entered the gymnasium, marking the beginning of the May Day event. Attendants with their escorts in order of their appearance were Patsy Leonard, Louisburg; Ernest Daniels, Wilmington; Joyce Boone, Nashville; Donald Jaekel, Detroit, Mich.; Andra Hamilton, Durham; Thelbert Whitt, Roxboro; Hilda Modlin, Ahsokie; Leon Royal, Salernburg; Lucy Claytor, Charleston, S. C.; James Thomas Hall, Lumberton; Jean Boney, Clinton; Harvey Bedsole, Tar Heel; June Tew, Erwin; Glenn Lilly, Jr., Gatesville; Ann Willoughby, Ahsokie; Robert Fleming, Henderson; Jean Moore, Moncure; William Brogden, Jr., Durham; Dorothy Swindell, Elizabeth City; Larry Stewart, Benson.

Program, a Court Fantasy

Adding a note of gaiety and color to the activities, following the crowning of the Queen, was a program, "Magic Slippers", written and directed by Miss Cooke and Mr. Bowers. The story, narrated by Miss Bethea, revealed the days of kings and queens when only the best were allowed to present court entertainment. The story was of Marla, who wished to dance. She watches the court dancers in their gay-colored skirts as they rehearse their varied picturesque dance steps in the courtyard, and she wishes for a skill as great as theirs; yet even a pair of magic slippers fails to give her the art. She is inconsolable, even when the court guards give an entertaining exhibition of their well-drilled paces and when the Queen's dancers perform.

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Baccalaureate Minister



Dr. B. Joseph Martin
Executive Secretary
College Foundation

"Hamlet" Previewed

As an introduction to the Lawrence Olivier movie version of Shakespeare's "Hamlet", shown at the Louisburg Theatre May 4, Mr. Bowers and students of English

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The OAK Presented

The 1951 issue of The Oak was presented to the student body in a recent chapel program. Opening remarks were made by Mr. Gretter, the faculty adviser, who ex-

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Student Leaders Elected For New Scholastic Year

Lynn King, Lumberton, and Jackie Hall, Roxboro, are the new presidents of Men's and of Women's Student Council for the '51-'52 school year, elected March 15.

Others on the Men's council are Sam Elliot, vice-president, and Buck Fleming, secretary. On the Women's council are Lota Leigh Harrison, vice-president, Mary Ruth Clark, secretary; Eleanor Stewart, treasurer; and June Tew house-president.

Thelbert Whitt, Roxboro, and June Tew, Erwin, were elected presidents of the Men's and Women's Y's. Other officers are Bobby Godwin, treasurer, and Jean Nunnamaker, secretary.

Margaret Lee, Four Oaks, and Jimmy Willis, Davis, were chosen editors of The Oak and Columns, respectively. Philip Johnson was chosen business manager for The Oak, and Harvey Johnson for Columns.



Jackie Hall, Pres.
Women's SGA



June Tew
President YWCA



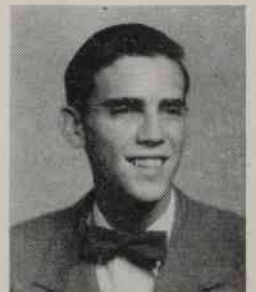
Margaret Lee
Editor, THE OAK



Lynn King, Pres.
Men's SGA



Thelbert Whitt
President, YMCA



Jimmy Willis
Editor COLUMNS

Scarritt Representative Visits Campus

"Let us dream beyond our college work," suggested Miss Betsy K. Ewing, Alumni secretary of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., at the Y-meeting Thursday evening, May 3, during her campus visit May 3-5.

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