

Louisburg Is Accredited by Southern Association

Christmas Rush . . .

YULE ACTIVITIES

Various events at Louisburg have marked the pre-Christmas season and have included religious programs, social events, and numerous decorative effects.

The first scheduled Christmas observance of the current Christmas season on Louisburg campus began at chapel, Tuesday, Dec. 9, with the singing of carols led by I. D. Moon, Miss Sarah Foster being at the piano. In addition to the familiar carols were a few that are rarely sung.

The "Y" presented a program using Christmas ritual and talks. Singing of familiar carols was followed by Hugo Hodgins' reading with the help of two backstage readers J. P. Harris and Alawise Strickland. "Gloria Patri" was read by Dorothea Draughon, and Tryon Lancaster gave a reading, "What Does Christmas Bring Us?" The question was answered in terms of reference to Christian cards gifts, feasts, and joyous activity, the greatest of all gifts being Christ. The program closed with the singing of "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

Film at Chapel

A film presenting the customs of Christmas around the world was shown at chapel, Friday, Dec. 12. Several of the countries were represented as celebrating Saint Nicholas Day, Jan. 5, instead of Dec. 25. In Holland the children were shown filling their wooden shoes with hay for Saint Nick's horse and the next morning finding their shoes filled with candies, toys, and nuts. In countries south of the equator, the people were pictured celebrating with outdoor feasts and activities. These customs were presented as only a small number of the many customs throughout the world.

Women students of Wright Dormitory, held open house Sunday afternoon between 3:30 and 5:00 o'clock. Men students, faculty, and the local pastors were invited to walk through the dormitory and see the student rooms, some of them emphasizing various Christmas effects. The parlor was decorated with a large cedar tree being the main attraction. The table decorations included holly, pine, and snow scenes. Hot tea and Danish pastries were served to the guests while a background of Christmas music filled the air.

Open house in Franklin and Main dormitories sponsored by the Men's Student Council was held from four to five o'clock Thursday afternoon. Women students and faculty were invited to take the tour of the dormitories and a prize has been promised to the boys whose room by vote of women students is judged most attractive.

Christmas dinner sponsored by the college social committee and served at five o'clock, Dec. 18, was

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Methodists Have Top Attendance at BSU Meeting at Raleigh

"Christ Must Reign" was the motto used by the Baptists in the North Carolina Baptist Student Convention held in Raleigh at the Tabernacle Baptist Church, November 7, 8, and 9, 1952. The speakers were as follows: Emily Lansdell, "The Christian's Mission;" Dr. Edward A. McDowell, "The Philosophy of Choice;" Dr. J. Neal Hughley, "Co-Laborers Under God;" and Dr. Robert Humber "Citizens In This World." Each speaker dealt with the subject that he was most familiar with.

Saturday, Nov. 8, the program was filled with many notable and worthy means of conducting an inter-racial assembly. The most impressive part of the program was the panel, of which, the majority of this article is concerned. Several questions and answers asked Dr. McDowell are — "Do you think that Christianity has been spread and improved in the last 2000 years?" "Do you think God accepts two different interpretations?" Dr. McDowell said that the Holy Spirit never contradicts the living Christ and that to understand God, all must learn God's desires. "There are no limitations toward serving God if we are physically, mentally, spiritually, and religiously able," he declared.

Dealing with the nation's question at hand today concerning racial segregation, the answer could be found through Christianity, for Dr. McDowell says that one cannot be a Christian if he is prejudiced toward one supposedly inferior race — would Jesus make exceptions and differences in the color of one's skin? All these statements were thoroughly analyzed, and they seemed to be based on more than just opinion. However, Dr. Hughley said, "The message of Jesus is a message to the individual and not to political groups." His opinion was not accepted as reality as was the opinion of Dr. McDowell.

Humber Questioned

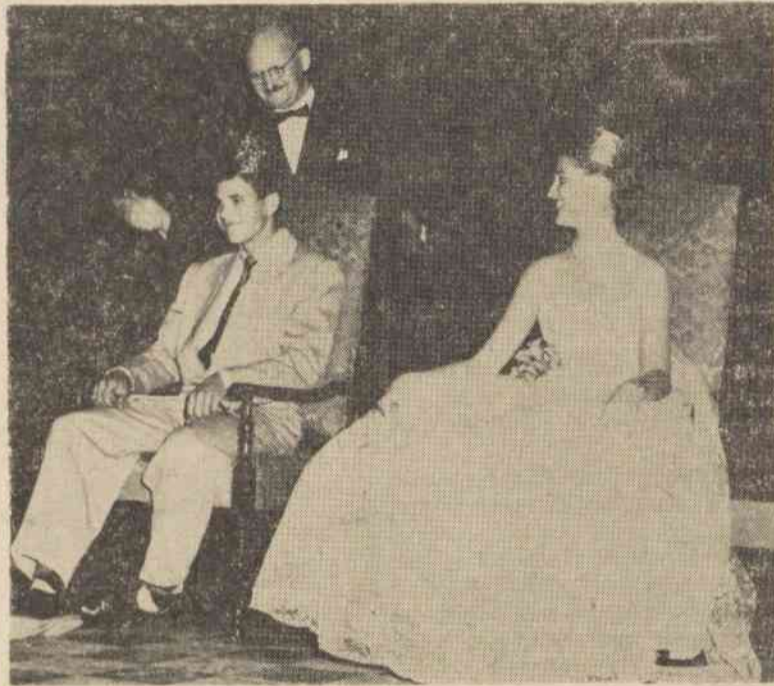
Dr. Humber, a lawyer from Greenville, North Carolina, was asked more questions than any other speaker. He was asked who was the sovereign power. That question led to an analyzed breakdown of sovereignty all the way from the divine right of the English king to the sovereign power in the now-existing international program. "The power of the state to advocate sovereignty is limited" exclaimed Dr. Humber.

Hitler's Diplomacy

After a long discussion on the sovereign rights he began telling of diplomacy. He spoke of Hitler's diplomacy by saying, "Hitler played the fiddle while we danced to the tune." Dr. Humber strongly believes that the nations can be united so that world peace could be perfected; however, if there was a united world power, it would have to be divided into a legislative, executive, and judiciary department.

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KING AND QUEEN ARE CROWNED



Joyous words of praise filled the air as the alumni greeted each other at the annual homecoming festival on the Louisburg College campus. This big occasion was held in the beautiful month of October; to be exact, it was the 25th day of the month.

The final event of a happy day was the formal dance that began at nine o'clock. The dance was held in the college gymnasium with music provided by an out-of-town, five-piece orchestra.

During the latter part of the in-

termission, the climax of the dance was reached as the homecoming king and queen were announced; last year the queen only was chosen by student vote; the queen chose whomever she liked as her king. This year, however, both were chosen by secret ballot. They were crowned by the college president, Mr. Samuel M. Holton. Following the crowning of the king and queen, everyone again began dancing — some walking but pretending to be dancing; however, Eugene and Mary Lee were supposed to begin the next dance. The dancing lasted way up to midnight.

The sponsor of the dance was the Commercial Club. They transformed the gymnasium into a garden with the entrance an arch of ivy and roses. A semi-circle of pine trees carried out the garden effect on the stage. Crepe paper streamers of purple and white, representing the school colors, were draped from the ceiling center to the sides of the gymnasium. The serving table was decorated with candles and ivy placed around the punch bowl.

Refreshments Served

Punch with a variety of cheese snacks was served to approximately 300 alumni students and faculty by Mrs. I. D. Moon Mrs. J. A. Pearce and Frances Norman.

In charge of the decorations were Frances Hales and Dorothea Draughon and in charge of the refreshment committee was Frances Norman.

HONOR ROLL

Baugh, Marvin	2.77
Baxter, R. A., Jr.	2.63
Harris, J. P.	2.63
Bunn, Paul Grayson	2.59

Honorable Mention

Dennis, Alice Lea	2.40
Farrow, Jacqueline	2.35
Hudson, Faye Elaine	2.18
Harris, Evelyn Rae	2.17
Batchelor, Idalyne	2.05
Burgess, Lucy White	2.00
Elks, Eddie Lee	2.00
Eubank, Luther Joseph	2.00
Perdue, Martha Ann	2.00

Miss Lorena Kelly Is Heard on Missionary Problems at College

"We want to make Christianity real throughout Africa," said Miss Lorena Kelly, on furlough from her mission field in the Belgian Congo, Africa. She was guest speaker at Louisburg College Nov. 4 and 5. At the chapel hour Nov. 4, she challenged students to answer the need for vocational workers by becoming missionaries in their chosen fields. She pointed out that the Methodists do not have any agriculture specialists, although 90% of Africa is rural. Industry, however, is drawing many of the people into the cities; and they are rapidly taking their places in world affairs.

Miss Kelly explained that the Africans are intelligent and ambitious but are largely lacking in educational opportunities; nevertheless, they are now producing many of their own civic leaders as well as teachers and ministers.

Some of the highlights of the differences in eating and eating habits were quite enjoyable told by Miss Kelly at a "Y" cabinet dinner honoring her. To explain more about the African people themselves, she later showed picture slides to the students in the auditorium.

At private conferences with several of the students who are planning to go into foreign mission work, Miss Kelley talked to them about their plans and encouraged all who are interested to go to Africa.

Action Taken at Dec. 1-4 Meeting; Session Is Held at Memphis

Membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools was granted to Louisburg College at the annual meeting of the Southern Association attended by President Samuel M. Holton in Memphis, Tenn., December 1-4, 1952. Formal application was made at the 1951 annual meeting in St. Petersburg, Fla., at which time an examining committee was authorized to check the facilities and obtain all necessary data relating to possible accreditation. The examining committee on the campus in March, 1952, consisted of Dr. Irvin Ingram, President of West Georgia State College; and, Dr. J. Hooper Wise, Chairman of the Department of English at the University of Florida.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is one of six different regional associations accrediting institutions of higher learning; and those other than the Southern Association are the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools, and the Western College Association. These regional associations cover all the states; the Southern Association extends from Ken. east to the Atlantic Ocean and south to the Gulf of Mexico and includes Texas.

Oldest in World

Although Louisburg is the oldest junior college in the world, it did not request formal examination until it was felt that the principal conditions of membership had been met. However, after the college did submit formal application, the time between the application and the granting of membership was as short as permissible under the regulations of the association.

The college had considered making application twice in the past twenty-five years, but not until 1951 was it agreed by the governing body of the college and the college administration that application be made. President Sempel M. Holton, realizing the expressed hope of the former president, Walter Patten, early declared his intention of obtaining Southern Association accreditation, which he has now succeeded in accomplishing.

When the announcement that Louisburg had been accepted into the Southern Association was made at chapel hour, Dec. 9, by President Holton, there followed a burst of applause from students and faculty. Mr. Holton made the humorous remark that parents could no longer say "I would send my son or daughter to Louisburg, but—," the blank meaning that Louisburg was not accredited.

Dr. T. C. Amick, a veteran member of the faculty, said, "That's what I've been waiting for for seventeen years."